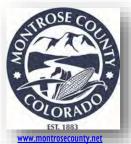
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#### **DUST LEVELS RISE, WATER GROWS SCARCE**

250 percent increase in dust observed since the 1990's

By Caitlin Switzer

COLORADO- As a lifelong Coloradoan who grew up in Crested Butte, San Luis Valley resident Jeremy Robinson is accustomed to driving in challenging weather conditions. Still, when he took a drive on Tuesday, April 17, Robinson ended up in the hospital with a lacerated liver and other devastating injuries after being caught in a six-vehicle pileup during a highway dust storm. His car was totaled, but he feels lucky to have survived the experience.

"I had not seen a dust storm like that one before," Robinson said. "But I didn't think it was that big of a deal to have low visibility because I have been in many blizzards with low visibility since I have lived in the Colorado mountains for the majority of my

"It wasn't until I found myself in the ICU after being hit by numerous cars that I Continued pg 4

A scientific study released in January found that dust levels, rather than temperature, actually determine the pace of spring snowmelt. According to the Center for Snow and Avalanche Studies, dust has increased by 250 percent since the 1990's. Mirror Staff Photo.

#### **CELEBRATE CINCO DE MAYO IN MONTROSE!**



With a Cinco De Mayo Celebration planned in Montrose May 5, the Carneceria Sonora Market reminds customers that they will be open for those last minute celebration and culinary items.

By Caitlin Switzer

MONTROSE- Though it originated in Mexico, Cinco De Mayo is also a traditional day of celebration throughout Colorado, with communities across the state taking a day to honor Mexican culture as well as Mexico's victory over the far larger French Army on May 5, 1862.

As anyone who has ever spent May 5 in the City of Denver knows, Cinco De Mayo is a a major, major event there—so much a part of the fabric of life that it is now celebrated for a full two days.

Grand Junction's Cinco De Mayo celebration, now in its 38<sup>th</sup> year, is hosted by the Latin-Anglo Alliance Foundation, and features a full day of entertainment followed by a street dance.

This year, Montrose will host its own celebration of Mexican food, culture and entertainment with a full-fledged Cinco De Mayo festival Downtown, hosted by the Montrose

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#### ANSWERING THE CALL: MPD PATROL OFFICER JONATHAN ROBERTS

By Gail Marvel

MONTROSE-Montrose Police Department (MPD) Patrol Officer Jonathan Roberts grew up in Norwood and with family still in the area, he remains connected to that community. Roberts graduated from Norwood High School in 2007 and then spent five years in the United States Marine Corps stationed at Camp Pendleton. "I liked public service. I felt like I interacted well with people and wanted to keep up that service."

As soon as Roberts finished active duty military service he put himself through the Technical College of the Rockies (formerly Delta-Montrose Vo Tec) Police Academy, and he has now been employed with MPD for three years.

For Roberts the most stressful part of his job, "It's going into the unknown. You have to go in with an open mind, but your mind is racing. You're trying to prepare yourself for whatever might be there. You can be dead set that it is a routine call... but it's never the same."

The least enjoyable part of his job is shift work, "You miss holidays and birthdays. Hours run over and you miss some of those moments with your family." Roberts has four children, two girls and two boys... all in elementary school. "I leave when it's dark and come back when everyone is in bed. There have been times when I haven't seen them for a week."

However, the most enjoyable aspect is, "I feel like every night that I go home I've made a difference in my community by keeping them safe. There's an element of satisfaction."

Personality wise, Roberts is very outgoing, "I love listening to stories and talk-



Montrose Patrol Officer Jonathan Roberts. Courtesy photo.

ing to people. In general, communication intrigues me. I'm always willing to talk to people, help solve a problem, or just have a conversation with them."

Similar to visiting with citizens, Roberts takes it upon himself to go by the schools and interact with students. "They seem happy to see police officers. I pop in at all the schools once in a while just to talk to kids. I catch them on recess and I've watched a couple of soccer games. If it's the first time they've seen a police officer it should be a good experience. I want them to get to know us first [in a comfortable setting]."

Roberts has performed CPR, "Unfortunately I've not had successful

results at this time." Referencing the comradery within the department Roberts said, "They are a great group of people to work with. It's like a giant family and between calls we can share a joke. I'm extremely happy." Describing himself as very adventurous, Roberts likes to hike, fish and participate in water sports, "I like family outings and being out on the water."

Roberts would like citizens to know, "Lately [nationally] people look at the uniform and the person in the uniform fades away. They don't see that we are people too. We think, feel and act like any other person. We like to interact with the public on a personal level."

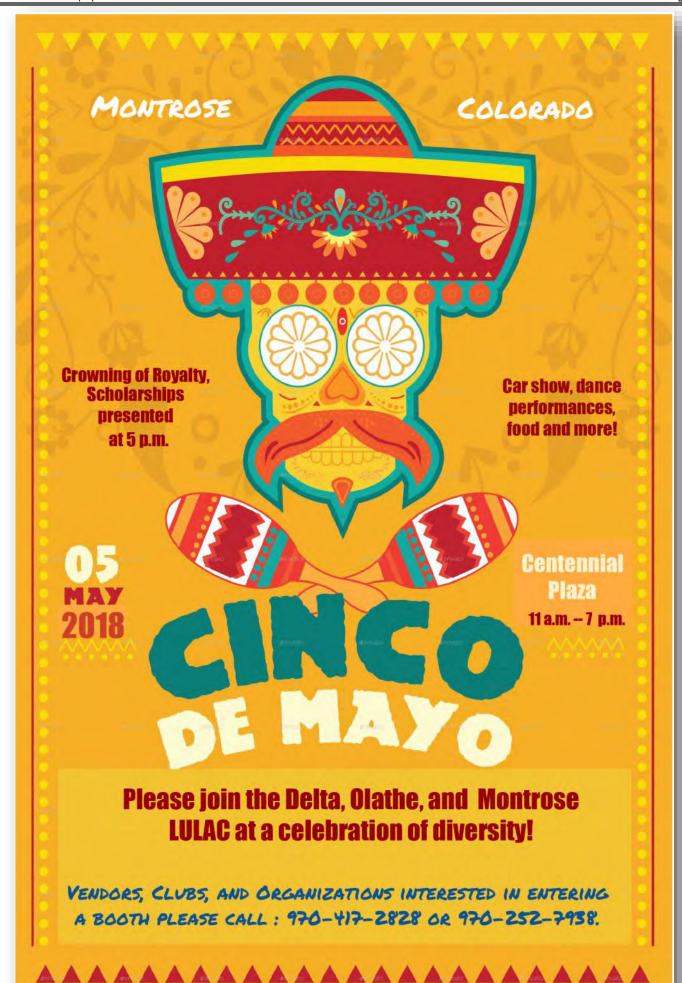


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#### DUST LEVELS RISE, WATER GROWS SCARCE From pg 1

realized people don't necessarily slow down for conditions with low visibility."

Like the event that contributed to Jeremy Robinson's crash, ominous dust storms have already been occurring across Colorado with some regularity this dry spring; and as the last of the snowpack melts, experts say that dust levels will continue to rise. Silverton's Center for Snow and Avalanche Studies monitors levels of dust on snow in the San Juans, and was featured in an NPR story on Earth Day, April 22. Said Executive Director Jeff Derry, "Since the early 1990's, we have seen a 250 percent increase in dust."

And as the weather warms and snow melts away, the dust that has been beneath the snow is now rising to the surface, Derry said. Contributing to the increase in dust are desert soil and human activities such as oil & gas extraction, dryland farming, and grazing, Derry said.

"In a drought, like this year, plants really struggle," Derry Said, "Making everything even drier and more susceptible to dust. If you look at things on a bigger time scale, there was a huge increase back when the

settlers came. After the Taylor Act was passed in 1934, dust decreased dramatically. "It is something we are creating here." Human activities such as dryland farming have also been blamed for the Dust Bowl years of the 1930's, in which "Nineteen states in the heartland of the United States became a vast dust bowl. With no chance of making a living, farm families abandoned their homes and land, fleeing westward to become migrant laborers," notes the library of Congress (loc.gov). "With the onset of drought in 1930, the overfarmed and overgrazed land began to blow away. Winds whipped across the plains, raising billowing clouds of dust. The sky could darken for days, and even well-sealed homes could have a thick laver of dust on the furniture. In some places, the dust drifted like snow, covering farm buildings and houses."

Today, "Dust is a major concern in the San Juan mountains," states the <u>April 24 climate and drought report</u> prepared by the NIDIS Intermountain West Drought Early Warning System. "In addition to low snowpack peaks, runoff is in poor shape,

melting will likely be completed a month earlier than normal, and water supply forecasts are much below average."

A scientific study released in January found that dust levels, rather than temperature, actually determine the pace of spring snowmelt. Dust affects more than runoff rates, however.

"The potential health effects of these events can be deadly and cost millions of dollars in health care spending," say the authors of <a href="The Health Effects of Dust">The Health Effects of Dust</a>
<a href="Storms in the Southwest United States">Storms in the Southwest United States</a>, published in the Pulmonary Chronicles.

The <a href="Environmental Protection Agency">Environmental Protection Agency</a>
(EPA) warns that dust storms can increase cardiovascular mortality.

If you do happen to be on the road during a dust storm, the AAA offers the following advice:

"-When you approach areas where smoke or sand clouds are present, emergency flashers may help make you more visible to other drivers. (Check state laws regarding use of flashers while moving.)

-The best option is to move off the highway and wait for conditions to improve."





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#### CELEBRATE CINCO DE MAYO IN MONTROSE! From pg 1

Downtown Development Authority (DDA) in collaboration with the LULAC chapters from Delta, Montrose and Olathe high schools.

The Montrose Cinco De Mayo Celebration will take place in Centennial Plaza from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. A Monte de Rosas parade is planned at 10 a.m.; this year's theme is "Celebrating Diversity." Scholarships will be awarded during the festivities to winners of the Cinco De Mayo Royalty Competition.

"One of the goals of the DDA is to foster and promote cultural vitality within our district," DDA Director Sonia Dumas said. "So, when LULAC (League of United Latin American Citizens) approached us as a collaborative partner to help market this festive event downtown, it was a no-

"There are dozens of Hispanic-owned businesses in town as well as families that go back generations and that have played a critical role in making Montrose and the Valley the place it is today," Dumas said. "Whether it's Cinco De Mayo, St. Patrick's Day, or Independence Day, celebrating the cultural tapestry that has influenced our region is important."

One local business expects to be busier than ever May 5, though located a block off Main at 347 North First Street. The increasingly popular Carneceria Sonora Market will be open for business from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. as always. Because many of the market's customers will be manning booths at the Festival, "I expect it to be busy," Market Manager Darrell Speights

said. "I've already got orders, and we will be here for those last-minute items that you need to run and get."

And though she will be at work herself that day, Carneceria Sonora staffer Miriam Fuentes said that she is very excited to see a Cinco De Mayo Festival in Montrose.

Also pleased to see a Cinco De Mayo Celebration return to Main Street is Tri-County Health Network Bilingual health care worker Darlene Mora, who will have a booth and flyers for free health screenings in Centennial Plaza during the event. "I won't be doing screenings there, but I will be taking names and numbers," Mora said.

"We haven't had a Cinco De Mayo event here in quite a while," she added. "I know that LULAC will put on a good festival."



#### **REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS**

# CITY OFFICES CLOSED FOR 'MONTROSE DAY' CLEANING MAY 3 Residents urged to 'take part with similar task at home'

Special to the Mirror

MONTROSE-City of Montrose Municipal offices will close at noon Thursday, May 3 for "Montrose Day." City facilities including the Animal Shelter, City Hall, Public Works, and the Waste Water Treatment Plant will close for staff to take this opportunity to clean up and clean-out city offices and facilities from paper and electronic information, surplus materials, and debris from both inside and outside these facilities.

The Montrose Pavilion and the Black Canyon Golf Course will remain open. The city's Municipal Court, located at <u>107 South Cascade Ave</u>, will close early that afternoon.

The Police Department offices will be closed, however, officers will be on duty and responding to calls. City sanitation services including trash and recycling pickup will maintain its regular schedule for the day.

In conjunction with this spring cleanup, city staff suggests residents take this opportunity to also take part in "Montrose Day" with a similar task at home.



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#### **REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS**

#### 2018 SMPA BOARD CANDIDATES ANNOUNCED

Special to the Mirror

RIDGWAY-At the April 24 San Miguel Power Association (SMPA) Board Meeting, the candidates for the upcoming SMPA board election were announced. In district #3, which includes Norwood, Placerville and Sawpit, the candidates are Joanna Kanow, Allyn Svoboda, and David Alexander. In District #6, which includes Ridgway and the surrounding areas, incumbent director, Debbie Cokes is unopposed and will be deemed re-elected per SMPA bylaws.

Anyone who purchases power from SMPA and resides within the SMPA service territory is a member. SMPA Board members are elected from the membership, by the membership. Members elect their board of directors by secret mail-in ballot or at the Annual Meeting of the Membership, held this year at the SMPA

Nucla office (170 W. 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Nucla) on June 7th from 4:30 - 6:30 pm. (Polls close at 5:30 pm.) Ballots will be mailed to members of district #3 on May 15th. Mail-in ballots must be received by June 6 or members may vote at the Annual Meeting.

San Miguel Power's Annual Meeting is one of the most important events for all SMPA members to attend. It is an opportunity for members of the cooperative to gather and review the activities of the association over the past year. The theme of this year's meeting is "New Heights," and at the meeting, members can learn about new SMPA programs that are responding to member desires and the changing electric industry. Members will also be treated to dinner and gifts for their attendance.

Other exhibits, games and prizes will also be there. Board Election results will be announced at the conclusion of the Annual Meeting.

San Miguel Power Association, Inc. is a member-owned, locally-controlled rural electric cooperative with offices in Nucla and Ridgway, Colo. It is the mission of San Miguel Power Association to demonstrate corporate responsibility and community service while providing our members safe, reliable, cost effective and environmentally responsible electrical service.

SMPA serves approximately 9,600 members and 14,000 meters and supports local communities with \$300,000 annually in property taxes and \$400,000 in energy efficiency and renewable energy rebates. This institution is an equal opportunity provider and employer.



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#### **REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS**

#### MONTROSE WORKFORCE CENTER TO HOST CAREER EXPO FOR STUDENTS ON MAY 11

Special to the Mirror

MONTROSE-With the school year coming to a close, the Montrose Workforce Center is teaming up with Nucla High School to present a job fair and career expo on Friday, May 11 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Nucla High School (225 West 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue in Nucla) for teens interested in exploring the workforce landscape that awaits this summer and career opportunities that lie ahead.

The Career Expo is a natural extension of the Workforce Center's partnership with Nucla High School. During the school year, Rich Parr and Mary Eaton of the Montrose Workforce Center visited the school for a series of presentations and classes on various topics such as workplace readiness credential assessments, successful online job searches, creating effective résumés, job interviewing tips

and how to prepare for a summer job.

The facilitators of the Career Expo believe in the importance of taking our communities offline, in coming together in the real world to share ideas, get answers and invest in young people. Everyone is invited to this free event - students, parents, educators, employers, and residents -from across Western Montrose County and beyond.

This is the place to learn about summer jobs opportunities available through the Governor's Summer Job Hunt, a Colorado program administered by the Colorado Department of Labor and Employment and the Montrose Workforce Center that last year assisted more than 770 young people in finding summer jobs and earning or richard.parr@state.co.us. The event is some spending money.

But the Career Expo is much more than a job fair. It will also offer participants the

opportunity to talk with workforce center staff and with representatives from higher education about taking the important next steps after graduation and getting ahead in both the short term and the long term. In addition, this year attendees can talk with businesses about apprenticeship opportunities. Apprenticeships are a postsecondary option that combines workbased learning with related classroom instruction and can transform companies and young people's working lives as well.

Youth interested in attending or needing more information about the Career Expo on May 11 are encouraged to contact Rich Parr at the Montrose Workforce Center at 970-249-7783

free and open to any young person interested in gaining direction, opportunities, knowledge, and resources.

#### COMMUNITIES COMING TOGETHER ON WILDFIRE PREPAREDNESS DAY

Special to the Mirror

COLORADO-Next Saturday, May 5, is "Wildfire Preparedness Day" in Colorado a day when communities across the state come together to prepare for wildfires and take actions to reduce their wildfire risk. The proclamation, which dedicates a day to engage communities in focusing on activities that create awareness, education and action to reduce potential deaths and property losses through their preparedness efforts, coincides with the 2018 National Wildfire Community Preparedness Day.

The National Wildfire Preparedness Day, which falls on the first Saturday in May each year, is organized by the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) - an international nonprofit established in 1896 to reduce the worldwide burden of fire and other hazards on quality of life by providing resources that are adapted by many states, including Colorado.

This year, Colorado had the secondhighest number of communities receiving 2018 NFPA funding awards to implement Preparedness Day projects, with 18 of the 150 national awards coming to the state. Only California received more awards. The winners of the \$500 project funding awards are listed on the NFPA site.

The Colorado State Forest Service (CSFS) works together with NFPA to implement the Firewise USA® program in the state, and provides technical assistance and education to interested landowners, homeowners and communities to help them take action and ownership in preparing their homes against the threat of wildfire. Wildland fire management in Colorado is an interagency partnership among local, state and federal agencies across the nation. The Colorado Division of Fire Prevention and Control (DFPC) works with local, state and federal agencies to coordinate wildland fire management on a statewide

basis. The ultimate goals of the agencies working together are resilient, fireadapted Colorado communities and firefighter and public safety.

Examples of Colorado's 2018 Wildfire Preparedness Day projects include: fuels mitigation efforts (including through the use of goats to consume flammable vegetation), neighbors working together to chip previously cut "slash" or tree limbs, removal of slash and flammable woody debris, wildfire safety education events and evacuation drills. Events are taking place this year in communities across the state, including near Denver, Boulder, Fort Collins, Colorado Springs, Grand Junction and Durango. The CSFS, DFPC, U.S. Forest Service and many local organizations will be assisting communities across the state with their Preparedness Day projects.

For more information about National Wildfire Community Preparedness Day, visit www.wildfireprepday.org



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#### **REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS**

# COLORADO PARKS AND WILDLIFE COMMISSION TO MEET MAY 3 AND 4 IN GRAND JUNCTION

Special to the Mirror

GRAND JUNCTION-The Colorado Parks and Wildlife Commission will discuss adopting recommendations for 2018 Big Game limited licenses, the Colorado Wildlife Habitat Program and consider rules and designation of the Cameo Shooting and Educational Complex.

The Commission will also hear updates on the Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan and begin discussing the next Big Game Season Structure at its May meeting in Grand Junction.

The meeting is scheduled to begin at 8 a.m. and adjourn at 1:30 p.m. on May 3 at Courtyard by Marriott, 765 Horizon Drive

in Grand Junction.

The Commission will reconvene at the same location at 8 a.m. and adjourn at 12:30 p.m. on May 4. Additional agenda items include:

**GOCO Update** 

RFPs for Colorado Wildlife Habitat Program, Hale River Ranch, and Midwestern Farms

Recognition of Kent VanRosendaal Colorado the Beautiful Trails Grant Cycle 2019 OHV Trail Grants Funding 2019 Non-Motorized Trail Grants Pilot Grant Categories Draft falconry regulations

A complete agenda for this meeting can be found on the CPW website. The commission meets regularly and travels to communities around the state to facilitate public participation. Anyone can listen to commission meetings through the CPW website. This opportunity keeps constituents informed about the development of regulations and how the commission works with Parks and Wildlife staff to manage the parks, wildlife and outdoor recreation programs administered by the agency. Find out more about the commission on the CPW website. The next commission meeting will take place June 7 and 8 in Cortez.



#### **REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS**

#### INFORMATION RELEASE—HUNTER KILLED ON UNCOMPAHGRE PLATEAU

Special to the Mirror

MONTROSE— In the late afternoon of Saturday, April 21, 2018, Kyle Cody Duran, 23, of Montrose was killed in a hunting incident on Trauer Trail on the Uncompanded Plateau in rural Montrose County. The death is under investigation by the Montrose County Sheriff's Office and the Montrose County Coroner's Office of Medical Investigations. An autopsy is scheduled.

#### PAVEMENT UNDERWAY ON COUNTY ROADS

Special to the Mirror

MONTROSE—Montrose County Road and Bridge crews worked this past winter replacing culverts to prepare the roads for a new asphalt surface. In February, Montrose County awarded a \$1.3 million contract to United Companies for the 2018 Asphalt Overlay Project. With the recent warm weather, paving operations have started. United has completed paving on 5725 Road from Blossom Road to the Delta County line.

"The asphalt overlay program this year includes roads that have significate deterioration or are older roads with heavy truck traffic," stated County Public Works Director Keith Laube. "The paving on Lincoln Road and Uncompandere Road will utilize funds from the Grown Impact Fee. The remaining road work is funded from the state Highway Users Tax Fund and the county one percent sales and use tax."

Dependent upon weather, paving will begin on Spring Creek Road from 6000 Road to Shavano Valley Road the week of April 30th. Paving operations will then proceed to Lincoln Road between 6530 Road and 6600 Road, which will include Kail Court.

More asphalt overlay work is planned later this spring and summer by County crews and will include sections of Uncompahgre Road, 5875 Road, 5850 Road, Begonia Road, Golden Court, and Kiowa Road. Electronic message boards are being placed the week prior to paving operations to notify motorists of the upcoming road work. For more information on the county's Public Works Division, please visit <a href="https://www.montrosecounty.net">www.montrosecounty.net</a>.

#### GMUG EXTENDS COMMENT PERIOD FOR PLAN REVISION

Special to the Mirror
REGIONAL-To further meaningful dialogue at this early stage of the planning process, the scoping comment period for the GMUG Plan Revision will now run until June 2nd, to make sure that you have ample opportunity to review and provide input on the scoping material, which includes the needs for change, the vision and distinctive roles and contributions, and the management area framework. Please check out the Scoping Guide or one of our recorded webinar sessions for further context.



#### Montrose Adult Diabetes Support Group Tuesday, May 1 - Fast Food Dining

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#### Monday, March 19: The Basics of Medicaid and Other Common Long Term Care Planning Ideas

Learn about eligibility, spouse protections, five-year look back, planning for individuals and couples.

Time: 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.

#### Monday, April 16: What If There Is No Will - CO Has Written One For You

Learn terms and situations associated with wills, what they mean and how to prepare yours.

Time: 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.

## Monday, May 21: My Spouse No Longer Has Capacity or is Recently Deceased, What Should I do?

Learn about estate plans, including wills trusts and advance directives plus incapacity planning.

Time: 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.

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#### HELP STOMP OUT THE STRESS OF CANCER @ THE BOOT STOMP!



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MONTROSE-Life doesn't stop, even when you find yourself fighting for yours...
"While receiving quality medical care is of great importance, being able to help patients with the "little" things along the way can make all the difference. Our patients get burdened with treatment decisions, life-altering side effects and the management of a new routine that includes appointments, prescriptions and countless labs and studies. When you add to this list the fact that many will be out of work for an extended period with high medical bills or having to cover these bills

on a fixed income; it can be utterly devastating." RN, San Juan Cancer Center, Perla Rivera. This is where the Caring Friends Fund at the San Juan Cancer Center steps in. The Caring Friends Fund helps our local Montrose Folks with non-medical needs while going through cancer treatment.

Let's come together and show how much we care about the families and friends in Montrose and have a great time. An evening to honor the memories of those we lost to cancer and celebrate our survivors. It's an old-fashioned Barn Dance and BBQ on a working ranch just outside of Montrose. BBQ catered by Jimmer's, Dessert by

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# REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

#### CIMARRON STABLES FIRST ANNUAL TACK-N-TRADE TO BE MAY 10

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MONTROSE-On May 19 from 10-2 Cimarron Stables, a new horse boarding facility is holding its first annual Tack N Trade. Bring unwanted tack to sell or trade. No fees. Contact <u>cimarronstables@outlook.com</u> for more information.















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#### **KEN WATSON NAMED TO DMEA DISTRICT 4 SEAT**



Ken Watson. Courtesy photo.

PANORAMIC TRAVEL

interest in the seat. Among those were

Mirror staff report
REGIONAL-DeltaMontrose Electric Association (DMEA) has
named Ken Watson to
the Director's seat left
vacant by the resignation of Director Jim Elder. The selection was
made at the April 24
board meeting; there
were five candidates
who had expressed

David White; Ed Moreland; Jay Jutten and Wally Von Helms. "It was a difficult selection," Board President Bill Patterson said. "We had a large field to select from. We ended up selecting Ken, he will get on the board, and will be up for re-election next year." A news release issued by DMEA noted that Watson is a 1993 graduate of Western State Colorado University with a bachelor's degree in business. Since 1999, he has worked in the Montrose area for companies including Scott Fly Rod Company, Gordon Composites, and most recently, as the General Manager and equity

partner of Black Canyon Jet Center until its sale in 2016. DMEA has three additional board seats up for election: District 1, District 2, and District 5. Individuals interested in running for an open seat must be DMEA members, reside within the district for which they are running, and complete a nomination petition packet. Nomination petition packets can be picked up at either DMEA office (11925 6300 Rd., Montrose or 21191 H 75 Rd., Delta). The deadline to complete and return the petition packets and all associated materials is Monday, April 30 at 4 PM.

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#### **REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS**

#### GMUG TO EXTEND PLAN REVISION COMMENT PERIOD

Special to the Mirror

DELTA-The Grand Mesa, Uncompandere, and Gunnison (GMUG) National Forests' initial scoping period for forest plan revision has been extended by 30 days; now comments will be most helpful if submitted by June 2, 2018. The GMUG is currently requesting feedback on the scoping material, which includes three initial elements of the Revised Forest Plan:

Key Needs for Change

Vision and Distinctive Role and Contribution of the GMUG

Proposed management area framework

"In an effort to ensure ample opportunity for the public to review and provide input on the plan elements, we've decided to extend the scoping period," said Samantha Staley, GMUG forest planner. "Public engagement is a key element in the revision process and this extension should help us further meaningful public dialogue."

The scoping material, Scoping Guide, information on how to comment, and other helpful resources can be found on the planning website at <a href="www.fs.usda.gov/goto/gmug/forestplan">www.fs.usda.gov/goto/gmug/forestplan</a>, or contact the planning team at <a href="mailto:gmugforestplan@fs.fed.us">gmugforestplan@fs.fed.us</a> for more information.



# CENTENNIAL MIDDLE SCHOOL'S HYDEE PARKER HONORED AS COLORADO TEACHER OF THE YEAR!

Special to the Mirror

MONTROSE-Congratulations to Centennial Middle School Educator Hydee Parker, named Colorado Teacher of the Year Award for her contributions to the field of Learning Disabilities by the Colorado Council for Learning Disabilities.

Courtesy photo Centennial Middle School.



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#### **REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS**

#### **GMUG VISITOR SERVICES TO MOVE TO FORT UNCOMPAHGRE**

Special to the Mirror

DELTA-The Grand Mesa, Uncompangre and Gunnison (GMUG) National Forests' Forest Headquarters in Delta will be relocating visitor information services operations to Fort Uncompangre Interpretive Center beginning April 30, 2018 and lasting until through the end of the year.

The relocation will be due to the upcoming remodel of the GMUG Forest Headquarters. Members of the public will be able to purchase forest product permits, maps, literature, and America the Beautiful passes at the new location along with seeking information about trails, roads, and campgrounds.

Fort Uncompangre, located at 440 North Palmer St. in Delta, is operated by the Interpretative Association of Western Colorado, a long-time partner of the GMUG. Their hours of operations are Monday through Saturday 8 AM to 5 PM.



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### COUNCIL MAY IMPOSE EMINENT DOMAIN FOR LIFT STATION PROPERTY ACQUISITION, REPEAL CHAPTER 9 OF MUNICIPAL CODE CONCERNING CABLE TV PERMITS

Mirror Staff Report

MONTROSE-**WORK SESSION** Three new City employees will be introduced at <u>the Work Session on April 30</u>; joining the City are Fleet Mechanic Jason Wandell, Utilities Workers Jeremy Smith and Sam Rodriguez, and Network Analyst I Drew Biermann.

Items to be discussed include a request by Sarah Judkins and Paul Rinne for Housing and Business Development Incentives; an update on the Rotary Amphitheater at Cerise Park; and a Historic Preservation Ordinance. Also up for discussion are a report on the Hydrogen Sulfide Collection System Assessment, and a contract award recommendation for the sanitary sewer cured in place pipe contract.

Council will discuss the Hogback Addition Annexation, and a Resolution concerning a \$200K US Dept. Agriculture (USDA) grant application for funding through the Farmers Market Promotion Program.

Included in the Work Session packet are reports from the Region 10 League for Economic Assistance & Planning and a First Quarter Police Department report. Upcoming City Council discussion items include a discussion with Montrose Regional Crime Stoppers on

Statistics and Trends in Public Safety on May 14; an executive session – real estate discussion, National Police Week Proclamation, and First Quarter Budget Review on May 15; and the 1890 Homestead Addition Annexation Hearing on June 5.

COUNCIL MEETING At the regular City Council meeting on May 1, Council will consider Ordinance 2445 on first reading, repealing in its entirety Chapter 9 of the City's Municipal Code regarding television cable system permits. Council will consider Ordinance 2446 on first reading as well, conveying an interest in City-owned real estate. Council will consider approving the Triesh Addition Annexation, encompassing Resolution 2018-08 (Findings of Fact for Triesch Addition) and Ordinance 2447 on



There will be a City Work Session today, April 30, at City Council Chambers, above.

first reading. Council will also consider Ordinance 2448 on first reading, zoning the Triesch Addition as an R-6 medium density/manufactured housing district.

Council will consider approving Resolution 2018-10, authorizing the acquisition of certain property rights by negotiation and, if necessary, by eminent domain for the Lift Station Elimination Project.

Council will also consider approving Resolution 2018-11, supporting a \$200K grant application to the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Farmers' Market Promotion Program and authorizing the Grant Coordinator to sign the grant agreement with USDA.

Council will consider approving intergovernmental Agreements with the RE-1J School District regarding the Columbine Middle School Yard Initiative Grant Project and with Montrose County for shared grant services.

Council will consider voting to approve

Chipeta Water District as a voting member of Project 7 Water Authority.

Allocation and funding for a design and construction contract award to Ridgway Valley Enterprises in the amount of 398,939.75 for the Riverbottom Park restroom design/build project are to be considered as well as the award of a contract to Del-Mont Consultants in the amount of \$118,310 for design of the Riverbottom Drive reconstruction project design.

Council will hear public comment and will consider approving \$94,963.50 in expenditures to repair the fire-damaged pedestrian bridge over the Uncompahgre River south of East Oak Grove Road, including the award of a construction contract to Western Gravel Constructors in the amount of \$80,283.50 and the award of an engineering support contract to DOWL in the amount of \$14,680.

Following staff reports Council will adjourn.

Proceeds to benefit the Caring Friends Fund At The San Juan Cancer Center Montrose Colorado Helping Local Montrose Folks facing cancer with Non-Medical needs.



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#### **MIRROR IMAGES: MONTROSE COUNTY EVENTS CENTER**





At top left, Fairgrounds Manager Emily Sanchez by the livestock brand wall; above, commissioners and diginitaries welcome the public to the new Event Center.

#### Mirror staff report

MONTROSE-It has been the subject of countless meetings, work sessions, conversations, and of endless, heated discussions. Now, it is a reality. The Montrose County Fairgrounds Events Center threw open the doors, turned on the lights, threw a party, and welcomed an excited community to the new facility this past weekend.

The 78,750 square-foot indoor arena has surface material that can be compacted easily for walking. The Event Center also includes three spacious meeting rooms, plentiful restroom facilities, vendor space, a commercial kitchen, a banquet hall and a wall displaying local livestock brands. The Events Center includes more than 93,000 square feet of useable space, and is expected to bring a multitude of fresh events and opportunities to Montrose.

"We can bring in extra bleachers as needed, and we can even change out the air (in the arena area) in two minutes," County Social Media Pro Erika Story said. The indoor arena contains 1,750 fixed seats,

The brand wall currently has 173 local brands, but there is room for more, Fairgrounds Manager Emily Sanchez (top left) said. "There are more than 1,000 local brands."

The very first event was a Monster Truck show, on Saturday April 28. A Hispanic Festival is scheduled for May 6. To find out about upcoming events visit the Montrose Events Center calendar.



Montrose BOCC Vice Chair Roger Rash and Chair Keith Caddy, (left), with Kirby Kline and Gary Gratton (far right) in the arena.



Montrose County Commissioner Glen Davis in the new Event Center.



Setting up for the sold out Monster Truck Show Saturday night, Corey, right, and Pit Crew Girl Natasha, left.



# The Mirror

Making sure readers don't bury their heads in the sand.

#### **OPINION/EDITORIAL: LETTERS**

#### STRENGTH LIES IN UNITY OF THE WHOLE: LET'S TURN THIS ISOLATION AROUND

#### Editor:

My compliments to 'Mister' Jack. You have uncovered one of the great changes in our society that has occurred in the last half century. We do not offer the hand of friendship until we 'know' the person however that is supposed to happen. We don't talk to our new neighbors, new classmates, new workmates and others unless 'we' have a need to.

In the movie 'Platoon' no one wants to befriend the new guy. Why? Because their friends have been killed and they are afraid of suffering another loss. The 'group', liken them to the Good Ole Boys or a clique will stick together, the 'new guy' might weaken the clique. Most of the 'Platoon' screenplay is junk but that one scene rang true. Strength is in unity of the whole, not a bunch of small minded sniping backstabbing cliques. It was and is counterproductive to the 'team' in all that we do. Being unfriendly, un-inclusive would be the word, might save your pity party from an outsider but in the movie the most vulnerable, the soldier with no experience, scared to death, he had to fend for himself.

In my youth I remember us greeting our new neighbors with a hot meal, a handshake and an offer of help. We knew every neighbor for a half mile each way. In my Montrose neighborhood it is so cool that one couple moved in a year ago and already have their home up for sale. I offered them friendship and help but they have not accepted. (I must want something?) As a society we have forgotten how to give, to include and to receive. You tell a lady that she looks especially nice today and she, suspects an ulterior motive, demurs and looks away. She

has never been taught to offer a simple 'why thank you' for such compliments. When we share our cordiality with others and invite them 'in' we give them a bit of ourselves but we gain access to whatever they have to offer. I have never met any person, however slovenly, stupid, uneducated, malodorous, ill dressed or poorly mannered that did not teach me something. Many folks will never be my equal and I will likely never be the equal of many others but I treat everyone as an equal for starters. Why don't we all do that? One way to begin is to say "hello, my name is Bill, you are new here, where'd you come from?"

Same way in our schools. Few students need any special introduction to Algebra or Chemistry. The new kid on the block likely has made no friends. He has no one to introduce him around, to show him the ropes, to tell him the rules, to advise him of the pitfalls. He is shunned as Jack explains. Why? Because he is an outsider and he is different and with us he is going to have to earn his 'stripes' before we let him in!

My brother, Jim, caught polio when he was ten. He missed three years of school. Not the scholastic part (he had tutors), but the social part. When he returned to school he was forever bound to a wheel chair. It was tough for him to make friends, no one wanted to talk to him---he was different. He could play catch but not ball. He could not play sports. He could not ride the school bus. He definitely was different! Why did his classmates stay away? Because he was different and for about half of his first the bottom up. We all should turn this school year he was devastated---he was alone in a large group. Why? Because he

was different.

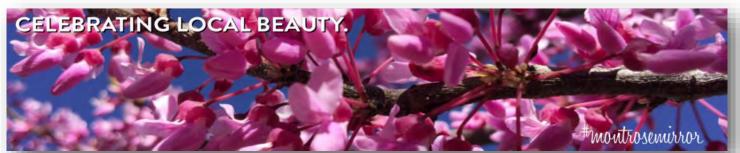
In my high school they segregated the 'different,' the handicapped, students---it kept them 'with their own kind' in a room in the basement. Fortunately, for the most part, we do not do that any more". We don't believe in segregation any more, or so we say. Well there are lots of different kinds of segregation and a clique is just one of them. Those kids in the basement of my high school learned the subject matter just fine but they walked funny, talked funny, looked funny or acted funny and because of that we ostracized them from the social growth of the 'school.' Pathetic, not funny.

The best reason for having schools as such is the social education one gets from interacting with others. If a student learns to read, he can learn just about any subject in a high school textbook but he has to be in groups to learn social skills. Unfortunately, we are failing to inculcate into our student population polite, courteous social behaviors. Inclusion instead of exclusion. Manners are absent, courtesies are ignored, we abstain from kindnesses. Unsolicited service to others. Friendly with all; friends with a few. Polite conversation. Discussion, not verbal battles. Considerate concern for other's views, for another's condition, for others

As an aside, most of these school shooters are loners. The are socially maladjusted. How did that happen? Why do they shoot their classmates? Just maybe some of us are somewhat to blame, eh?

We, all of us. From the top down; from isolationism around.

Bill Bennett, Montrose





#### **REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS**

#### SPRING BURNING PLANNED FOR THE GMUG

Special to the Mirror

REGIONAL-The Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre and Gunnison National Forests' Norwood Ranger District is planning to conduct prescribed burns this spring. Most of the burns will occur between late April and into June, depending upon weather and appropriate ground and vegetation conditions. The most important factor to consider when planning prescribed burning is to provide for safety that of the firefighters, the public, and property. Fire managers have developed detailed prescribed fire plans that dictate conditions, staffing, and safety requirements and obtained smoke permits from the State of Colorado for each of the planned burns. The prescribed burns will be accomplished using joint-agency fire resources.

The objectives are to remove debris and vegetation (fuels) to help reduce the risk of larger wildfires. Prescribed fire in these areas will burn much less intensely than a wildfire and better accomplish the desired outcome on the land.

The following burns are currently planned:

Glencoe Pine: Located approximately 13 miles northeast of Nucla, CO off of 25 Mesa road (NFSR 503). The objective for this burn is to increase the resiliency and reproduction of native ponderosa pine stands. Approximately 450 acres are planned to be burned over a three to five day period.

Sanborn Park: Located approximately five miles northeast of Norwood, CO near Sanborn Park Road (NFSRs 530, 515, and 526). The objectives for this burn include increasing the resiliency and reproduction of native ponderosa pine stands and protecting adjacent private property from the spread of large unplanned wildfires. Approximately 300 acres are planned for treatment.

Thunder Road: Located approximately six miles southwest of Norwood, CO adjacent to Thunder Road (NFSR 609). The objectives for this burn include increasing the resiliency and reproduction of native ponderosa pine stands, increasing range forage production, and improving wildlife habitat. Approximately 350 acres are planned to be burned.

25 Mesa: Located approximately 25 miles west of Delta, CO on 25 Mesa Rd (NFSR 503). The objectives for this burn include increasing the resiliency and reproduction of native ponderosa pine stands, protecting adjacent private property from the spread of large unplanned wildfires, and reducing slash from mechanical treatments. Approximately 1406 acres are planned for treatment.

<u>Davewood:</u> This project is located approximately 15 miles southwest of Montrose, CO on the east and west sides of Davewood Road (NFSR 510). The objectives for this burn include increasing the resiliency and reproduction of native pon-

derosa pine stands and protecting private property from the spread of large unplanned wildfires. This project is a continuation of fire re-entry into this ecosystem. Approximately 1400 acres are planned for treatment.

Sawmill: Located approximately 15 south of Montrose, CO on Sawmill Mesa Road (NFSR 574). The objectives for this burn include increasing the resiliency and reproduction of native ponderosa pine stands, protecting adjacent private property from the spread of large unplanned wildfires, and reducing slash from mechanical treatments. Approximately 300 acres are planned for pine maintenance treatment, and an additional 300 acres are planned for first entry treatment.

Love Mesa: Located approximately 27 miles west of Delta, CO on Love Mesa Road and Dry Mesa Road (NFSR 500, 501). The objectives for this burn include increasing the resiliency and reproduction of native ponderosa pine stands, increasing range forage production, and improving wildlife habitat. Approximately 3846 acres are planned to be burned.

For information on prescribed burns, wildfires and fire restrictions on National Forest System lands and other areas, call the Grand Mesa, Uncompanyer and Gunnison National Forests Fire Information line at 970.874.6602, visit the GMUG Forest website (www.fs.usda.gov/gmug), or Twitter <a href="https://twitter.com/GMUG\_NF">https://twitter.com/GMUG\_NF</a>.



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# Spring POP UP SHOP

Saturday May 12th

9<sup>am</sup>-6<sup>pm</sup>

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## BUILD AN ENGAGED FAN-BASE WITHOUT LIVING ONLINE: WEEHAWKEN CREATIVE ARTS OFFERS WORKSHOP WITH PATRICIA MORRISON



Special to the Mirror

RIDGWAY-Weehawken Creative Arts has renewed their series geared towards artists and creatives who are looking to enhance business knowledge and career prospects. This series - "The Business of Art" will be presented throughout the year on a variety of business-building topics in partnership with the Ridgway Creative District, the Ridgway Chamber of Commerce and Region10.

The first of Weehawken's 2018 series is "Build an Engaged Fan-Base Without Living Online," an afternoon workshop with Patricia Morrison of Inner Fire, Outer Light. Patricia designed this workshop specifically to help artists find work/life balance that leads to more successful use of

time and creativity.

"Artists, writers, musicians and creative business people are increasingly responsible for connecting directly with their audience. With this responsibility comes the potential for increased income, community, and impact. Learn to identify, speak to and connect powerfully with fans without spending your whole life online, " says Patricia. "True fans and perfect clients are the key to satisfying, financially sustainable, and inspired creative careers and businesses! So, if you fear self-promotion, hate social media, worry you are alienating your friends in search of your fans, or wonder where more of those true fans and perfect clients who are happy to pay well for your work are hiding, come to this workshop. You will discover who they are, where to find more and how to talk to them (in person and online) so they immediately understand the value of your work, happily pay well for it, and you can get on with creating and serving!"

Patricia Morrison is the founder of Inner Fire, Outer Light, which she says helps overwhelmed and under-valued creatives to make a living, make a life and make a difference in the world with their gifts. Artists, writers, musicians and creative professionals who are tired of leaving their destiny under the control of others, trading their life goals for their creative ones, and looking successful from the outside, but not feeling that way inside.

Patricia is trained in visual art, writing, music, education and business coaching and toured nationally as a contemporary folk singer/songwriter.

Join Weehawken Creative Arts for "The Business of Art: Growing Into An Artist's Life" on May 8 from 1:30-3:30 pm at the Sherbino Theater. Registration is \$40 and pre-registration is highly encouraged as Weehawken needs a minimum number of enrollments for classes to take place. For more information or to save your spot and register in advance, head to Weehawken's website at <a href="https://www.weehawkenarts.org">www.weehawkenarts.org</a> or call Weehawken at 970.318.0150.



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#### **COLORADO NEWS BRIEFS**

#### GIRL SCOUTS OF COLORADO PROVIDE TREES FOR FOREST RESTORATION

Special to Art & Sol

COLORADO-As part of a budding partnership between the two organizations, the Colorado State Forest Service has received a donation from the Girl Scouts of Colorado to provide 7,500 seedling trees to be used for reforestation efforts in Colorado. The donation, made to the CSFSadministered Restoring Colorado's Forests

Fund, will be used to provide seedlings for planting in areas impacted by wildfires, floods or other disasters, and that are critical to water protection and wildlife habitat.

The number of trees was chosen to honor each of the approximately 7,500 Girl Scout volunteers statewide.

The timing of the gift this month coin-

cides with today being National Arbor Day and last week being National Volunteer Week; this year, in lieu of individual gifts typically given to its volunteers, Girl Scouts of Colorado instead chose to invest in the seedling trees.

"Girl Scouts of Colorado volunteers give their time, energy and, most importantly, their heart to making Girl Scouts a great experience for girls and that has a lasting and positive impact," said Girl Scouts of Colorado President and CEO Stephanie A.

"In recognition of all the amazing things that these volunteers do, we chose the gift of trees that will also have a lasting and positive impact by helping to restore forested areas in our beautiful state." Mike Lester, state forester and CSFS director, said that the goal is for this to be the beginning of a long-lasting organizational partnership between Girl Scouts of Colorado and the CSFS.

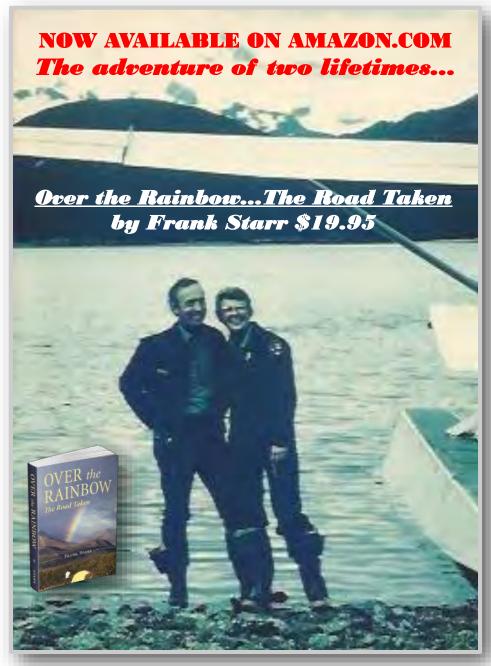
As part of a collaborative arrangement, the agency is helping Girl Scouts gain a deeper understanding and appreciation of trees and forests in Colorado, initially through increased participation in an annual CSFS-led Scout Day, tours of the CSFS Nursery and educational materials designed specifically for youth.

"We see clear parallels between our mission to achieve stewardship of Colorado's forests and the mission of the Girl Scouts of Colorado to prepare our youth for leadership," said Lester.

"Both of our organizations have the potential to mature and shape our collective future in positive ways."

Those interested in volunteering or making donations to help conserve and restore Colorado's forests can go to <a href="mailto:csfs.colostate.edu">csfs.colostate.edu</a> for opportunities and information.

To make a donation directly to the Restoring Colorado's Forests Fund, visit <a href="https://advancing.colostate.edu/">https://advancing.colostate.edu/</a>
RestoringColoradosForests.



#### **COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS**

#### DISTRACTED DRIVING CAMPAIGN URGES DRIVERS TO TURN ON DO NOT DISTURB MODE

Special to Art & Sol

STATEWIDE — Are you turned on? It's the question CDOT is asking motorists in a new safety campaign to reduce distracted driving. Launched last week, the campaign urges drivers to *turn on* the Do Not Disturb While Driving feature on their iPhones and to download other apps to prevent incoming distractions. As National Distracted Driving Awareness Month comes to an end, CDOT is providing resources for Coloradans to drive distraction-free year-round. Have you made your commitment

to avoid distractions behind the wheel? View the campaign messages: bit.ly/CDOTGetTurnedOn or bit.ly/CDOTGetTurnedOnVideos

Many phone manufacturers are including built-in functionality that limits phone use while driving. CDOT's campaign aims to raise awareness about these features so more people turn on Do Not Disturb While Driving.

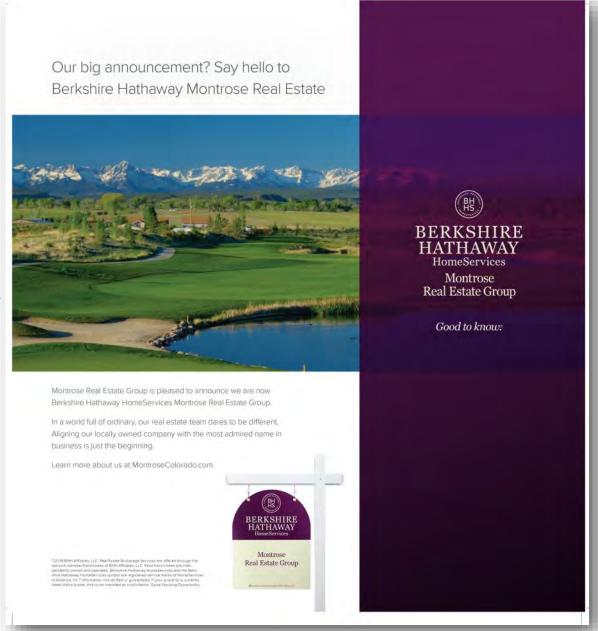
CDOT's 2017 mail survey of Colorado drivers revealed that 89 percent of participants reported driving distracted in the week prior to the survey; 40 percent admitted to reading a text message while driving and 25 percent said they had sent a text message. Through online video ads, gas station TVs and digital ads airing across Colorado, CDOT's Get Turned On campaign shows where to find the Do Not Disturb While Driving setting on

an iPhone and how to enable it. When activated, Do Not Disturb While Driving will mute incoming text messages, phone calls and notifications. For text messages, there is an option to send an automatic reply to your contacts that tells them you're driving and will respond later. In an emergency, a person who tries to contact you via text can write "urgent" to push the message through.

"These tools are great because they eliminate the temptation to glance over at notifications," said Sam Cole, CDOT Com-

munications Manager. "Breaking the impulse to grab your phone behind the wheel can be tough, but you don't have to rely solely on self-control. Turn on Do Not Disturb While Driving once and those distractions will be eliminated."

Once the setting has been turned on, your phone will automatically activate Do Not Disturb While Driving mode when it connects to your car's Bluetooth or when the phone detects the vehicle is in motion. Users can also manually turn on Do Not Disturb While Driving.





#### Montrose High School 2018 Senior Safe Party GOLF SCRAMBLE

When: Saturday May 12th 2018

Start Time: 9:00am

Type: 18-Holes with a Shotgun Start

**Location: Black Canyon Golf Course** 

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Cost: \$50.00 per golfer



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Registration Form and Fees are Due by April 1, 2018

Make Checks Payable To: Senior Safe Party

If you have any questions about the tournament contact: Vanessa Hughes at 970-596-3740 or Monica Huff Ping 970-209-9605 The Montrose Mirror | April 30, 2018 Page 34



#### NOTES FOR THE JOURNEY...

### Exploring Classical Music With Rob Brethouwer

#### WHAT DO YOU SEE WHEN YOU LISTEN TO YOUR FAVORITE MUSIC?

**W**hat do you see when you listen to your favorite music? Not in the literal sense as what is most often right in front of you, but in the abstract sense. Is the sound of your favorite music powerful enough to evoke visuals that are the same each time you hear a certain song? Let us take this one step further. If a song reminds you of what you were doing the first time you heard it then that is great. Keep that close to you, as that is powerful. Now, think about your favorite song and think about what immediately comes to mind, a bit beyond the memory to something deeper and stronger. Does this sensation happen even when you hear a song you do not like? Does your mind immediately go to visuals when music is heard? Perhaps this is a form of synesthesia.

The point is to not directly and formally answer these questions, but to gain an understanding of what it means and to think more deeply about whether or not this actually happens to you. To help facilitate this idea, this author will share some things that come to mind when certain music is played. Perhaps by reading a few examples you will come to the conclusion that you do the same thing. Or, perhaps it is all hot air and your music figuratively goes in one ear and out the other.

...The first twangy notes of a country song begin, and immediate escape is not possible or unlikely to be accomplished without slamming breaks, screeching tires, or tables and persons being run over and toppled as if by a rampaging bull. These notes immediately take me to the front seat of a pickup truck. I am moving away from a populated area towards open country, dilapidated houses, and the slight smell of motor oil and manure. Off

to one side is a stand selling farm fresh and eggs, and for no known reason, eight-packs of white tube socks. On the other side is a tiny restaurant that last saw its heyday in the summer of 1986. A sign out front is missing four letters but it is still legible and used to read "Saturday nights, both kinds of music, country AND western." I am being driven away from hot water, electricity, good coffee, and complete sentences. I cannot and will not escape.

...The immediate visual is of brick walls, dark floors, and a small stage bathed in a harsh yellow glow of a spotlight. Couples of all kinds huddle around small tables, share conversations in low voices, and hold their second drink of the night in one hand. On stage are four people, a quartet, and as the music starts it is clear that the visual is a jazz club and for some reason it is simply known that is somewhere in Montmartre or the Latin Quarter, both neighborhoods in Paris. No matter what kind of jazz is being played in real life, the cause of this visual, the tune being played on stage is always At the Perfume Counter by Dave Brubeck and the Paul Desmond Quartet. ...Sergei Rachmaninoff's Piano Concerto No. 2 in c minor, Op. 18 is in three movements and each movement offers its own visual with a common theme. The first is a train platform in a large city and it is late at night. Steam rolls out from underneath the body of the train as a lone Porter sleepily yells "all aboard!" The train begins to move away from the opening of the station and builds steam as it moves toward its destination. The beginning of the second movement brings a visual of a sleeping car, a cherry cabinet, and the



first light of the new day filtering through thick linen sheets. The smell of coffee and fresh croissants from the dining car finds your nose and you slowly motivate. The day will be spent on the rails and there is no rush to do anything but perform some light grooming, leisurely drink the dark brew, and perhaps have a short but poignant conversation with a fellow passenger. As the second movement ends, you see in your minds' eye that you are approaching the dining car where a seat has been reserved for you. Next to a basket of croissants and a small crystal bowl of strawberry preserves and butter sits that morning's newspaper. The third movement of the concerto begins and the first thing seen is the landscape rushing past a window.

The countryside is slowly receding, and signs of true civilization are taking over. Off in the distance tall buildings are seen and there is a rush of excitement. As the third and final movement ends, the train is pulling into a new station and a new chapter begins.



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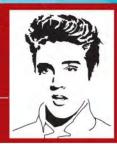
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#### **MIRROR IMAGES...OUT & ABOUT**



At left, Delta-Montrose Electric Association (DMEA) awarded scholarships to local youth in Montrose and Delta counties during a ceremony at the board of directors meeting on April 24.

NORTHSIDE

STEM\_FAMILY NIGHT
MAY IST 5\_7PM
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At right, Northside Elementary invites the community to a STEM Night and to meet the new school principal on Tuesday, May 1.

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#### **COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS**

#### SHIPWRECKED SUMMER CAMP: TAKING OLATHE KIDS ON AN ADVENTURE

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OLATHE-The Black Canyon Boys and Girls Club (BCBGC) and the Town of Olathe will sponsor the Shipwrecked Summer Camp for Olathe school-aged kids (6-18) at the Olathe BCBGC Unit at 300 Hap Court. Session 1 is June 4 – 29th 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Session 2 is July 9 – August 10th 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The cost is \$25 per child per session (meals are included). Register at Olathe Town Hall, the Olathe BCBGC unit, or at www.bcbgc.org by Friday May 18, 2018 at 5 p.m. Activities will include field trips, sports, art activities, and more! For questions, please contact Bud Taylor (btaylor@bcbgc.org) or Monique English at 970-323-5601 (menglish@olatheco.us). This program is brought to the community by The Colorado Health Foundation, The Town of Olathe, Black Canyon Boys & Girls Club, Montrose County School District RE-1J, and the Olathe Activities Department.

#### CAMPAMENTO DE VERANO EL BARCO HUNDIDO: LLEVANDO A SUS HIJOS DE EDAD ESCOLAR EN UNA AVENTURA

Especiale de Art y Sol

OLATHE-El Club Black Canyon Boys and Girls (Club de niños y niñas) estará patrocinando un campamento de verano con el tema El barco hundido para los niños de Olathe de edad escolar (6-18 años) en el edificio del club de niños ubicado en: 300 Hap Court. en Olathe. La primera sesión dará comienzo del 4 de junio al 29 de 7:30 a.m. a 5 p.m. Y la segunda sesión comienza el 9 de julio al 10 de agosto de 7:30 a.m. a 5:00 p.m. El costo es de \$25 por niño y por sesión (incluye la comida). Puede inscribirse en el ayuntamiento (donde se paga el agua) en Olathe, o en el edificio del Club de niños, y también en línea www.bcbgc.org antes del viernes 18 de mayo 2018 a las 5:00 p.m. este campamento incluye estas actividades, paseos, deportes, actividades artísticas, y mucho más! para más información comuníquese con Bud Taylor a (btaylor@bcbgc.org) o Monique English al 970-323-5601 (menglish@olatheco.us). este programa está siendo ofrecido a tu comunidad por el Colorado Health Foundation, El Pueblo de Olathe (The Town of Olathe), el Club de niños y niñas, el Distrito escolar Re-1J, y el Departamento de Actividades de Olathe.



#### **COLORADO NEWS BRIEFS**

#### BANK OF COLORADO OPENS BRANCH IN OLD TOWN FORT COLLINS

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FORT COLLINS— Bank of Colorado's newest location officially opened its doors to Old Town in February, and they're inviting the community to stop by for their Open House and ribbon cutting with the Fort Collins Chamber of Commerce on Tuesday, May 1<sup>st</sup>. The branch is open Monday-Friday from 9:00am-5:30pm, with 24 Hour ATM service available. The Old Town branch is located at 107 North College Ave Fort Collins, CO 80524 and can be reached at 970-267-3650.



#### **COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS**

#### **WATER BACK ON AT NAVAJO STATE PARK**

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ARBOLES-Repairs to the water system at Navajo State Park have been completed and water is again available throughout the park and to all campsites.

The system was shut down in January after the pump and casing of the main well failed. Those were replaced with new components. A second well is also being repaired.

The park is also in the process of installing a new water system, which includes new supply lines and a new treatment facility. The \$3.2 million project should be completed by late June. The new system will allow the park to decommission the water tower which has been in place for 40 years and is antiquated.

Navajo State Park is located in southwest Colorado at the north end of the 15,600-acre Navajo Reservoir. Navajo State Park offers 183 camping sites,

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three cabins, a marina, hiking and wildlife viewing. Contact the park at 970-883-2208. Camping reservations can be made at <a href="https://www.cpwshop.com">www.cpwshop.com</a>.











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#### **COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS**

#### FISHING DERBY MAY 12

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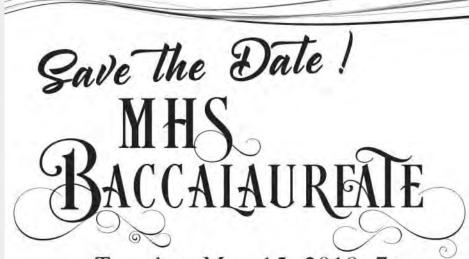
MONTROSE-Montrose Rotary Club hosts the 20th Annual Fishing Derby at Chipeta Lake (now a city park) on Saturday, May 12, From 9 am to 2 pm. This is an outdoor activity for children. There is no charge for this event. Children are given a fishing pole (to keep), hooks, bait, bobbers and sinkers. The fishing poles are provided by Colorado Parks & Wildlife (CPW). CPW stocks the lake with fish prior to the event, Rotarians provide the hotdogs and Pepsi provides the drinks. The children are taught to fish by rotarians and volunteers from the community. Come and join us for some fun in the sun!

# POMONA TEACHERS MICHAEL MEDINA, CHUCK TERRELL TO BE HONORED @ RECEPTION MAY 14

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MONTROSE-Please join Pomona Elementary School in extending best wishes to Michael Medina and Chuck Terrell who will be retiring from the Montrose School District at the end of this school year. They will be greatly missed by students and colleagues. Michael has been teaching in the Montrose School District for 29 years. He also taught for one year in New Mexico and one year in Grand Junction, Colorado. He did teach at Pomona Elementary School for 27 of those years. Chuck taught for ten years at John Mall High School in Walsenburg, Colorado. He has taught in the Montrose County School District for 20 years at Pomona

Elementary. We invite you to attend a reception in honor of Michael and Chuck on May 14<sup>th</sup>, at Cobble Creek Clubhouse from 4-6:30 p.m. The public is invited to join us in sharing memories and best wishes to Michael and Chuck.



Tuesday, May 15, 2018 7pm

Grace Community Church

(16731 Woodgate Rd.Montrose, CO)

#### THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT BACCALAUREATE

- ~ A Special Evening Of Celebration To Honor and Send Off Our Seniors ~
- No Special Attire Required but PLEASE BRING your Graduation gowns to wear, available to pick up on Tuesday the 15th from MHS
- Seniors need to report to the GRACE GYM by 6:15
- Students park at Cottonwood Elementary
- Doors Open for family and guests at 6:45

Seniors will be introduced in groups of 2 to 5. Students choose who you would like to go out on stage with. Be creative and have fun!

#### Graduation is going to be

at the New Event Center at the Montrose County Fairgrounds May 20, 2018 at 2:30 PM

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SEEK HIS WILL IN ALL YOU DO, AND HE WILL SHOW YOU WHICH PATH TO TAKE.

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#### **ONGOING-**

#### **ARTISTS' ALPINE HOLIDAY**

Ouray County Arts Association Call for Artists: Online registration for the 58th Annual Artists' Alpine Holiday Art Exhibit is open April 9 through June 25. The show will take place July 26 - Aug 4 at the Ouray Community Center. Go to ourayarts.org to learn more and register.

#### MONTROSE TOASTMASTERS

The first meeting will be held:

Wednesday, May 2nd, 2018 @ 6:30p

**Proximity Center** 

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Meetings will then be held every 1st & 3rd Wednesday of each month at 6:30 pm at Proximity.

**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 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month. Meeting location - Red Cross Training Center, 5<sup>th</sup> 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 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. 2<sup>nd</sup> St. The public is invited to free programs based on topics of regional history. For more information please call 249-2085.

MONTROSE LIBRARY GARDEN SERIES-this free 8-session series meets Tuesday evenings from 6:30-8 p.m. March 13-May 1 at the Montrose Library Meeting Room. Topics will include: information sources, seeds, plants, trees, soils, water, and managing plant and animal life in your garden. Time will be available for questions and discussion. Sessions taught by Larry Wobeter, Dave Dearstyne and Reed Irwin. Call (970) 964-2547 with questions.

**UPCOMING**-Montrose Regional Library Crafternoon club for teens and adults. Knit & crochet projects for charity. All ability levels welcome and supplies are provided; Library Meeting Room; 2:30 - 4:30 p.m.; May 2, 9, 16 and June 6, 13, & 20.

#### MONTHLY-

May 4-British Mountaineer Sir Chris Bonington to speak at Montrose Pavilion, 7 p.m. Call 970.275-3671 for tickets anf information.

May 5-Cinco De Mayo! Celebrate in Montrose's Centennial Plaza from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Car show, dance performances, food and more! Crowning of royalty & scholarships presented at 5 p.m.

May 5--On May 5, there will be a "From Stallion to Gelding" Clinic at the Dream Catcher Therapy Center in Olathe (5814 Hwy 348). The Clinic is being funded through the Unwanted Horse Alliance, organizer Cindi Swartz said, and is sponsored by Black Canyon Veterinary Clinic and End of the Trail Horse Rescue. Appointments must be made prior to the call; to learn more or to reserve a spot call 970-275-1810. Cost if \$60. Waivers must be signed and fees paid prior to the clinic.

May 5-Mustang Extravaganza, Montrose County Fairgrounds, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Learn about wild horses; see training demonstrations.

May 7--Montrose Giving Club meets at the Bridges Golf & Country Club of Montrose, 5:30 p.m. Open to ALL women who can afford the \$100 donation and a \$10 hospitality fee.

May 7--6:30 Montrose Library meeting room: Continue the Earth Day momentum by networking with Citizens' Climate Lobby. Plausible mitigation to carbon emissions discussed. All welcome.

**May 8**-Community Radon Seminar, 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Learn more about this elusive gas and what you can do if it is detected in your home. Free radon test kits will be available for all attendees. Montrose Regional Library, 320 South 2<sup>nd</sup> St.

May 8-Alpine Photography Club Meeting, Tuesday, May 8, 7 pm, Colorado Mesa University, <u>245 S. Cascade Ave., Montrose, Room 100</u>. Presentation: Macro Photography By Jim Pisarowicz. Quick Tip: Printing & Showing Your Work By Denise Bush. Sharing Theme: Library (3-5 images).

May 11-Montrose Workforce Center is teaming up with Nucla High School to present a job fair and career expo on Friday, May 11 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Nucla High School (225 West 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue in Nucla). Youth interested in attending or needing more information about the Career Expo on May 11 are encouraged to contact Rich Parr at the Montrose Workforce Center at 970-249-7783 or <u>richard.parr@state.co.us</u>. The event is free and open to any young person interested in gaining direction, opportunities, knowledge, and resources.

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May 12-Stupid Band Spring Dance, Turn of the Century, Doors open @ 7:30. Admissions is Free, with two non-perishable food items.

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May 15-Montrose Peace Officers' Memorial, Centennial Plaza, 10 a.m.

May 15-Montrose High School Baccalaureate, 7 p.m., Grace Church.

May 17-"Introductory Petrogylph Making" workshop at Ah Haa School for the Arts from 1 to 5 p.m. on Thursday May 17 -- right in the middle of Telluride's spring off-season. For more information on the Pino course, contact Ah Haa's Kristin Kwasniewski at 970-728-3886. Or go on-line to <a href="https://www.ahhaa.org">www.ahhaa.org</a> to sign up for the workshop. Class size is limited.

May 19-From 10-2 Cimarron Stables, a new horse boarding facility is holding its first annual Tack N Trade. Bring unwanted tack to sell or trade. No fees. Contact <a href="mailto:cimarronstables@outlook.com">cimarronstables@outlook.com</a> for more information.

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Above and right, young athletes from across the region took part in the Track & Field Meet @ Montrose High School April 28; below left, lilacs in bloom on the grounds of the Montrose County Historical Museum.



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