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JIMMER'S BACKCOUNTRY BBQ EXPECTS RED BARN RESTORATION TO BE DONE BY JUNE'S END

By Caitlin Switzer

MONTROSE-It pays to be patient. Like slow -cooking delicious barbecue, turning a decrepit Main Street building into a gorgeous 21st century eatery takes time. Still, by June's end the wait should all be worthwhile, when <u>Jimmer's Backcountry BBQ</u> completes restoration of the Red Barn building and moves in.

After more than two years in business at 1140 North Townsend, Jimmer's is a local mainstay. At the Red Barn location, "We're going to increase the menu all through the day with different things," owner Jim LaRue said. "We'll have steaks and prime

rib, smoked pork chops—all kinds of specials.



Jimmer's BBQ will move into the Red Barn by June's end.

"And we'll be able to have adult beverages at the new location."

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Centennial Honor

Leader Joe Simo!

RIDGWAY VALLEY ENTERPRISES WILL TAKE OVER AS MAYFLY GC; BUILDING TO ARRIVE 5/17



After weeks of no construction activity, Mayfly Outdoors has hired a new, local, GC—Ridgway Valley Enterprises.

By Gail Marvel

MONTROSE-New road construction continues to move forward in the Urban Renewal Authority (URA) area; however, residents may have noticed the last few weeks there has been no activity at the Mayfly Outdoors construction site.

Mayfly Outdoors President David Dragoo said, "The delay was our choice. We are three or four weeks behind, but on track to have the building delivered on May 17th."

Dragoo noted that Ridgway Valley Enterprises has been hired as the new general contractor, "We're excited to be working with them."

<u>Gail Marvel's</u> Answering the Call series!

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ANSWERING THE CALL: PATROL OFFICER ANTHONY NARO

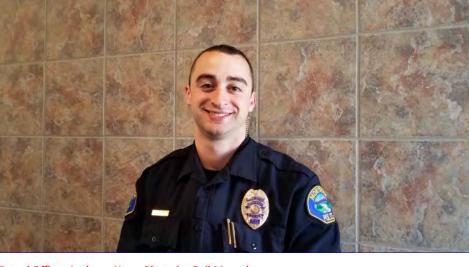
By Gail Marvel

MONTROSE-Originally from the Front Range, Montrose Police Department (MPD) Patrol Officer Anthony Naro went to college at Colorado Mesa University (CMU). A first-generation law enforcement officer Naro's parents were at first hesitant about the idea of him becoming a police officer, "They were concerned the pay would not be good, that I'd have long hours and be constantly exposed to danger. But I wanted to do it. Being there for someone on the worst day of their life whether their car was stolen, or someone TP'd [prank using toilet paper] their house. It means a lot to me to be there to work through a tough period in their life."

Naro put himself through the four-month long Police Academy in Grand Junction, which on average, was five days a week, "The hardest part for me was constantly looking to find my own way. With so many instructors it's hard to decide who you want to be as a police officer. You don't have to do what someone else recommends if it doesn't reflect your personality." However, being exposed to a number of different ways to react has its advantage, "You take portions of what you like and make it your own, you find your own way. You take what will work for you."

Naro has been with MPD for seven months and finds the most stressful part of the job is the hours, "You're almost always on call, even when you're on vacation. Sometimes on your days off you're not really off. You sacrifice days with your family to do your job effectively."

For Naro the most enjoyable part of law



Patrol Officer Anthony Naro. Photo by Gail Marvel.

enforcement, "Definitely the people you work with. The police officers in the department are good teammates, comrades and friends. They are people you want to come to work with and to see."

When asked about the least enjoyable aspect of law enforcement Naro laughed and said, "Putting on my uniform...it takes a long time. In most jobs you need 30minutes to get ready for work. Police officers can take an hour and a half before a shift. You need a clean uniform, boots shined, all equipment 100 percent. Your pens, recorder and notepads need to be in the right place and the right pocket. Getting dressed is a big deal!" Unlike other jobs in today's society, police officers are not afforded a casual Friday, "We do need to present a professional and clean appearance."

Interestingly, there are times when Naro

goes on a call and he chooses not wear a law enforcement persona, "I relate better to the other person and can communicate better with the person if I'm not an officer. If the person is upset or angry, and if it isn't called for, I tend to down play the officer role." Naro has yet to be in a situation that called for CPR.

A Computer Science major, Naro is a selfdescribed huge nerd, "I play a lot of video games on my off-time, I've played every video game imaginable. I build my own computers and do computer coding on the side for enjoyment." Naro is engaged and his fiancé is very supportive of his chosen career.

Naro would like citizens to know he's accessible, "I'm always available to talk. I spend a lot of time in the gym and if anyone wants to come up and chat I'm available."



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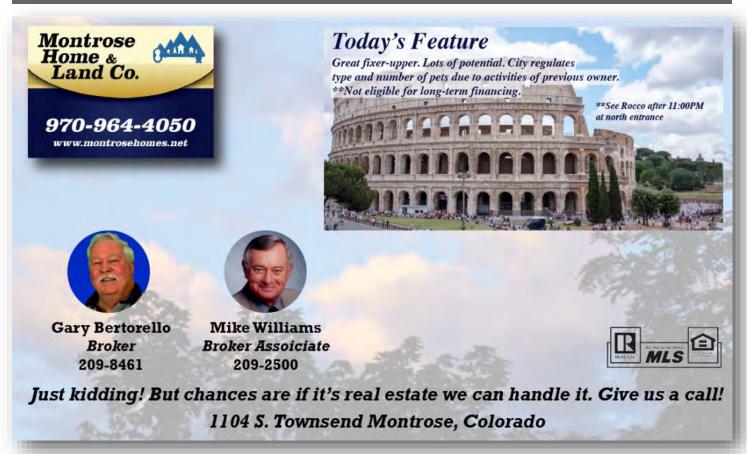
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CRIMESTOPPERS WILL TALK PUBLIC SAFETY WITH COUNCIL @ WORK SESSION

Mirror staff report

MONTROSE-**WORK SESSION**: The Montrose City Council will discuss statistics and trends in public safety with Montrose Regional Crimestoppers at the <u>work session</u> of May 14. Council will also consider a fee waiver request from Casa of the Seventh Judicial District for the First Place on Second Street project.

Topics of future City Council discussions include the historic preservation ordinance, and Downtown Development Authority (DDA) Plan of Development on June 4. On June 5, Council will discuss the 1890 Homestead Addition Annexation and Hogback Addition Annexation Hearing Resolution. On June 17 will be the Hogback Addition Annexation Hearing. A new arts liquor license application for Magic Circle Theatre and new hotel and restaurant liquor license application for Jimmer's BBQ will be considered June 18. **COUNCIL MEETING:** At the regular City Council meeting of May 15, Council will consider Ordinance 2445 on second reading, repealing Chapter 9, Title 9 of the City Code of Montrose regarding cable television system permits.

Also on second reading, Council will consider Ordinance 2446, granting and authorizing the conveyance of an interest in City-owned real estate: Ordinance 2447, for annexation of the Triesch Addition; and Ordinance 2448, for zoning of the Triesch Addition as an R-6



On May 14, Montrose City Council will consider a fee waiver request from Casa of the Seventh Judicial District for the First Place on Second Street project, which broke ground last week, above. First Place on Second Street will help house young adults emerging from foster care. Photo by Gail Marvel.

medium-density/ manufactured housing district.

Council will consider approving the Waterfall Canyon Subdivision Filing No. 3 Final Plat.

Council will consider awarding a contract with Providence Infrastructure "to include Design of Air Addition to Spruce Point Lift Station and to Cobble Creek Force main system for an hourly not-to-exceed design fee of \$69,441.00, the addition of 11 carbon absorption filters in manholes along Chipeta Trail and in Riverbottom Park for a total of \$6,917.00, and the lining of 30 additional manholes at an estimated cost of \$50.000."

Council will consider awarding a contract to Layne Inliner, LLC, in the amount of \$161,355, for cured in place lining of sanitary sewers.



REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

UPDATE: HUNTING DEATH RULED A HOMICIDE

Special to the Mirror

MONTROSE-— In the late afternoon of Saturday, April 21, 2018, Kyle Cody Duran, 23, of Montrose died in a hunting incident near Traver Trail on the Uncompany Plateau in rural Montrose County. The death is under investigation by the Montrose County Coroner's Office of Medical Investigation, the Montrose County Sheriff's Office and Colorado Parks and Wildlife. An autopsy was performed and the Montrose County Coroner has certified the cause of death as a gunshot wound to the chest and the manner of death as a homicide.

SUMMER SCHEDULE UPDATE: AMERICAN ADDS SECOND DAILY DFW FLIGHT





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MONTROSE– On the heels of strong sales and increasing demand, American Airlines has added a second daily flight from Dallas-Ft. Worth (DFW) to the Telluride-Montrose Regional Airport (MTJ) this summer. The second DFW flight was initially set for Saturdays only, but will now operate daily from June 7 – August 20, in addition to daily, year-round DFW-MTJ service.

With the added capacity, DFW-MTJ will see a 63% increase on the route over last summer, and a 3-times increase in DFW seats over two summers. Overall air service to the region will grow by approximately 14 percent this summer and has grown 41 percent over two years. Recap of summer flights: United Chicago (ORD) – MTJ will now run daily from June 7 – October 3 Houston (IAH) – MTJ will be served on a larger 70-seat aircraft through the summer, June 7 – September 4 Denver (DEN) – MTJ continues with multiple daily flights year-round American DFW-MTJ continues year-round with larger aircraft through the summer season and 2x daily June 7 – August 20. Phoenix (PHX) - MTJ runs daily June 7 -September 4 Chicago (ORD) – MTJ runs Saturdays June 9 – August 18 For detailed schedule information, please see the attached route map, visit www.coloradoflights.org, or go to www.united.com, and www.aa.com.

REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

MONTROSE COUNTY RELEASES CITIZEN TRANSPARENCY MODULE

Special to the Mirror

MONTROSE- The Montrose Board of County Commissioners are proud to officially release the latest in transparency software---Montrose County Citizen Transparency. In cooperation with Tyler Technologies, Citizen Transparency is a module that provides unparalleled financial transparency for county residents. The interactive module features data on expenditures, revenues, vendors, and more. Community members may use the interactive site to search details of spending by category, department, fund, and vendor.

"In the past, our traditional budget process usually only draws a few community members to public meetings," said Chairman of the Board Keith Caddy. "This module allows the public 24/7 access to county financial information with just a few clicks and will highlight the work of our team to spend taxpayer dollars wisely."

Through Citizen Transparency, community members have access to both current and previous fiscal years and covers every level of finances from year totals to individual vendor payments. The data provided is considered public information and would be produced if requested under the Colorado Open Records Act. Protected financial information or other personal information protected by law or regulations--such as personal identifying information--is not provided. In the bottom of the main page of the module, it lists a date of the data input--which ensures the most accurate and up-to-date data is available. Not only will the module serve to help the public, but it will also be used internally as well for employees not-well versed in the financial software.

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On April 12, 2018, at approximately 3:23 p.m. an older white male, with a tall slender build and long light brown hair, was seen leaving the scene of a brush fire in the 14000 block of Mustang Lane. The out of control brush fire threatened structures during a period of high fire danger and winds. The suspect may be driving a white 1990's model Chevrolet Blazer.

Anyone with information about this crime or the identity of the perpetrators or any other crimes, may call Crime Stoppers anonymously at 970-249-8500, use the mobile app P3 Tips, or provide information via P3tips.com. Crime Stoppers wants your information, not your identity. If the Tip results in an arrest, the Tipster may receive a cash award. For additional information, please view our Facebook page, <u>www.facebook.com/montroseregionalcrimestoppers</u>. Crime prevention and crime solution are everyone's responsibility.



OPINION/EDITORIAL: LETTERS

ADAM MURDIE HAS THE PROVEN ABILITY TO BE SHERIFF

Dear Editor:

Have you ever met someone that impressed you immediately? The person I am referring to has purpose, commitment, knowledge and sincerity. This man is Adam Murdie, and he is running for sheriff to replace Rick Dunlap.

For the last five years Adam has served as our undersheriff. Among his many duties is the implementation of policies and procedures, overseeing the detention facility (jail), which is a huge liability and part of being sheriff. The other candidate does not have this necessary experience or the knowledge. Adam also oversees the multi-million-dollar budget, court security, personnel management and training, as well as many other tasks.

Adam Murdie has proven that he has the ability to be sheriff of Montrose County and can be efficient from day one. He will continue the outstanding service and commitment for excellence that the citizens of this county have grown to expect.

We need to keep Montrose County and its assets separate from the City of Montrose, although the city would like it to be just one entity.

Trust and efficiency is what the Montrose Sheriff's Office is all about. There is more than meets the eye for the K9 Unit, the sheriff's posse and wildfire management. These are all part of the equation to make life in Montrose County as safe and secure as possible. This outstanding organization is in the hands of knowledgeable and professionally trained officers. Let's keep it that way and Elect Adam Murdie as our next Montrose County Sheriff!

Marcia Bailey, Montrose



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JIMMER'S BACKCOUNTRY BBQ <u>From pg 1</u>

The old Red Barn building has been completely updated, LaRue said. "It needed a lot of work.

"People will be in for a big surprise," he said. "We gutted the place. We put in all new material; everything is going to be fresh and clean it's really cool inside. We will have a wood-fired pizza oven, and we're going to have an outdoor patio."

Jimmer's already has a strong catering business, and LaRue said he hopes to increase that side of the business in the new location as well. He has added another chef, and intends to hire additional staff after the move.

Yes, it's still a month out. But as moving day nears, "We are excited for ourselves, our employees, and the community," LaRue said.

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

Special to Art & Sol

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 14th, 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.

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FISHERING DEMANDS STRONGER STUDENT PRIVACY POLICY





At left, Finance Director Adam Rogers and Superintende nt Stephen Schiell report to the board. Above, student Alexis Beller will visit Chile as a Rotary scholar.

By Caitlin Switzer

MONTROSE-The May 8 meeting of the Montrose County RE-1J Board of Education was scheduled to begin at 6:30, but with only three directors present (District E's Sarah Fishering, District C's Gayle Johnson, and District B's Jake Suppes), the meeting did not begin until 6:36 p.m., when District A Director Jeff Bachman arrived.

Administrative Assistant Deann Balash introduced Montrose High School student Alexis Beller, who will spend ten months in Chile as a foreign exchange student through the Rotary Youth Exchange. Beller will live in a community 45 minutes north of Santiago. "I am really excited, and I hope that other students around the Montrose area will be interested as well," Beller said.

When asked why she chose Chile, Beller said that she hopes to become fluent in Spanish and wanted to visit a rural area. B alash reported on recent donations and community partnerships.

Centennial Middle School Principal Joe Simo received a round of applause when recognized for being named Colorado Middle School Principal of the Year; Simo then stepped forward to recognize Centennial's seventh grade math teacher Hydee Parker, who was recently honored as Colorado Council for Learning Disabilities Teacher of the Year.

"Hydee has brought a focus to math that

we have never had before," Simo said. "... we are very lucky to get her at Centennial, and we are very happy to be able to keep her. Our students are growing more than they ever have."

Said Parker, "I think we are doing great things at Centennial; it is quite an honor to be recognized."

Olathe Elementary School Principal Joe Brummitt recognized two school staffers, Special Education Paraprofessional Paulette Maness and third grade teacher Debbie Matteson.

Board Vice President Gayle Johnson offered the President's report in the absence of President Tom West. About the new Columbine Middle School facility, "I cannot wait for you to see the new school," Johnson said. "It speaks volumes about what we've done, and how well we have used the BEST grant. We have done things to make the school exciting."

The first school board meeting of the 2018-2019 school year will be held at the new Columbine Middle School on Aug. 20, Johnson said. "We're counting on big chocolate chips," Superintendent Stephen Schiell said. "We're making plans for that at the new school."

Bachman asked when a community meeting would be scheduled.

"There are lots of choices," Schiell said, "We will invite lots of dignitaries, open up for tours, with middle school students so that adults don't get lost." He suggested four to six weeks after the start of school would be ideal. "There are lots of ways to do it."

Prior to beginning the Superintendent's report, Johnson invited those with finished business to leave the meeting.

In his report, Schiell said that the web site <u>backgroundchecks.org</u> has listed Montrose County Schools as 84th best in the state. "We're in the top 53 percent," he said. "I am very proud of our teachers, staff and administrators and the cabinet members who make me look good every day."

Director of Finance Adam Rogers presented information on the budget "in process" as part of the Superintendent's report. "At the end of the week the state will announce our revenue...we are waiting for news about our property tax...it could be doom and gloom or it could be great news."

Schiell expressed hopes for a budget that is in the black \$200K to \$500K.

Rogers provided <u>an enrollment report</u> and <u>quarterly financial information</u> as well.

"We're losing students," he said. The October Count showed 6,260 students enrolled, while the <u>May 2 Count</u> shows 6,110. "That's about par for how the school year goes," Rogers said. "We have a significant population of migrant workers, and they start to leave after the October count."

FISHERING DEMANDS STRONGER STUDENT PRIVACY POLICY From previous pg



Re-1J Administrative Assistant Lori Laird (with computer at left) joined in the board discussion when District E Director Sarah Fishering (center) demanded a stronger privacy policy concerning student directory information. Acting as board president, District C's Gayle Johnson (right) asked to table the matter.

With regard to financials, Rogers said there was an issue with the audit, over \$1,200 booked in to an account for capital/equipment student nutrition, which required prior approval.

"Someone at the State Board of Education has a lot of time on their hands," Rogers said. "At the end of the day it's \$1,200 bucks...it's kind of silly." The expenditure was for an IPad to be used to take orders in the lunch line, he said. Rogers provided a guarterly investments report as well.

Olathe Middle/High School Principal Scot Brown introduced new assistant principal Jeff Mitchell and presented an update on the student body's efforts to re-brand the school by focusing entirely on being Pirates, rather than Vikings in middle school and Pirates in high school.

"In all reality, in Olathe Elementary School they're pirates; they want to be pirates in middle school too; the majority of schools have one mascot."

Staff is "overwhelmingly in support," and 74 percent of middle school students want to be Pirates next fall. Brown said. "We truly do believe it will increase student pride in middle school." Said School Board District B Director Jake Suppes, "As an old Viking and an old Pirate, I like the idea."

Early Childhood Education Center (ECEC) Director Penny Harris presented information on the ECEC; 192 ECEC students will move on to Kindergarten this year.

The School Board heard End-of-Year reports from Pomona Elementary School; Cottonwood Elementary School; Johnson Elementary School; Olathe Elementary School; and Northside Elementary School. Also providing End-of-Year reports were the Technology Department and Instructional Services.

Following the End-of-Year reports, most of those remaining in the audience left the meeting.

During Old Business (approval of revised board policies), Director Sarah Fishering asked to have Item 7, "Student Records/ Release of Information on Students," pulled from the Consent Agenda. Fishering expressed concern over the following paragraph:

"Disclosure of directory information

Directory information may also be disclosed without written consent of the parent or eligible student. "Directory information" means information contained in a student's education record that would not generally be considered harmful or an invasion of privacy if disclosed. Directory information which may

be released includes but is not limited to the student's name, e-mail address, photograph, date and place of birth, major field of study, participation in officially recognized activities and sports, weight and height of members of athletic teams, dates of attendance, grade level, enrollment status, degrees, honors and awards received, the most recent previous education agency or institution attended by the student, and other similar information. Directory information also includes a student identification number or other unique personal identifier displayed on a student ID badge or used by the student to access or communicate in electronic systems, but only if the identifier cannot be used to gain the Superintendent's evaluation.



access to student education records except when used in conjunction with one or more factors that authenticate the user's identity, such as a password known only by the authorized user."

Fishering asked the board to consider a stronger policy to protect students. "In this day and age that's too much information; we are putting our students at unnecessary risk...what is it used for, how is it protected, and who has access to it? "You could easily build a detailed picture of a student's life with this information; it's really terrifying in my opinion."

Superintendent Schiell noted that parents may opt out; Fishering responded that few parents she has spoken with are aware of the issue and the fact that they may opt out. Laurie Laird, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent & School Board, said; "We don't have a directory... it's directory information not a directory. There is no directory book, just pieces of directory information."

"This is a real big security issue," Fishering said. Board Vice President Johnson said, "Laurie just told us there isn't a real choice...I am not interested in going against CASB (Colorado Association of School Boards)."

"We would not be going against CASB," Fishering said, "Just adopting a stronger policy." As Laird began to speak at length, Johnson asked, "Can we table it?" A motion to table Item 7 was unanimously approved. The School Board also approved unanimously a personnel report presented by Kathy McKie, and then went into executive session for the purpose of discussing

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

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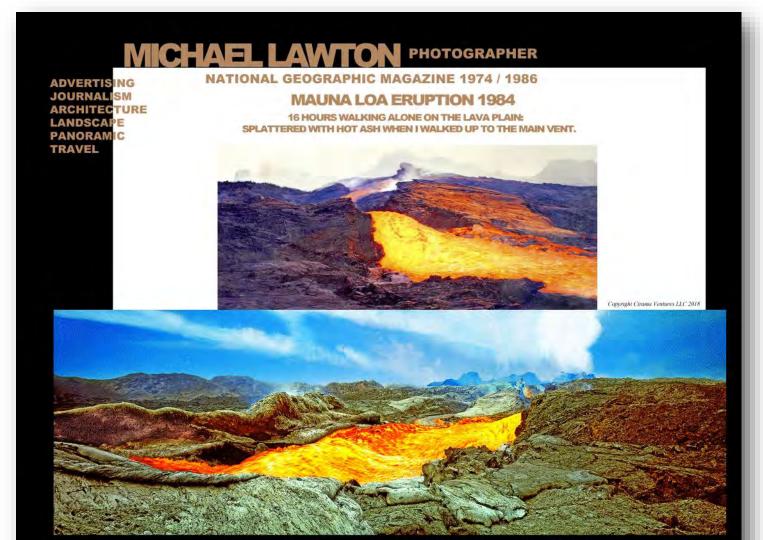
LA PLATA COUNTY — The Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) will be performing shoulder work along US Highway (US) 550 north side of Red Mountain Pass, this week. A geotechnical engineering crew will be working in two areas, surveying and drilling to collect ground samples. Work locations will be at mile point (MP) 81, very near the north side of the pass summit, and at MP 90, about two miles south of Ouray.

HIGHWAY TRAVEL IMPACTS: Weather permitting, work is scheduled to last two days – Tuesday and Wednesday, May 15 and 16 from 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Motorists will encounter intermittent lane closures and brief traffic stops of 15-20 minutes. The traveling public is urged to obey signage and speed reductions through the work zone. Motorists should also be aware of flaggers, maintenance workers and heavy equipment on and along the roadway.

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REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

OLATHE SWEET CORN FESTIVAL ANNOUNCES HEADLINER ERIC PASLAY Celebrate Agriculture with Olathe Sweet Corn, Family Fun, Plenty of Butter!





EMI Records Nashville breakout country artist, Eric Paslay, delivers a powerful

punch as a renowned, Platinum-selling, hit songwriter and dynamic performer.

Photo Courtesy Olathe Sweet Corn Festival.

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OLATHE-Olathe Sweet Corn Festival is proud to announce that Grammy Nominated Artist Eric Paslay will headline the 27th Annual event on Aug. 4, 2018.

EMI Records Nashville breakout country artist, Eric Paslay, delivers a powerful punch as a renowned, Platinum-selling, hit songwriter and dynamic performer. Paslay has celebrated five No. 1 hits including "Even If It Breaks Your Heart" (Eli Young Band), "Barefoot Blue Jean Night" (Jake Owen), "Angel Eyes" (Love & Theft), "Rewind" (Rascal Flatts) and "Friday Night," the smash lead single from his critically acclaimed self-titled debut album. The Temple, Texas native has earned numerous songwriter award nominations including GRAMMY's Best Country Song,

ACM's Song of the Year twice and

the CMA Song of The Year for "Even If It Breaks Your Heart." Eric was also honored with GRAMMY nomination as an artist in 2016 for Best Country Duo/Group Performance for "The Driver"- a collaboration with friends Charles Kelley and Dierks Bentley. A true artist's artist, USA Today calls Paslay "flat out-brilliant" and American Songwriter names him an influencer of country music. For latest information on Eric go to www.ericpaslay.com.

Courtesy photo.

"The festival committee is excited to bring another high-caliber entertainer to our 27th annual event," said Festival Coordinator, Kyle Martinez. He continued that, "It should be an exciting festival celebrating Olathe's strong agriculture heritage, local non-profits, and we will have plenty of butter." The annual event hosts more than 50 food and craft vendors and a local beer and wine garden. Kids and families can enjoy entertainment all day from multiple bands, a petting zoo, games, and of course all of the Olathe Sweet Sweet Corn you can eat!

The Olathe Sweet Corn Festival is proudly presented by City Market and Alpine Bank and is a component fund of the Montrose Community Foundation.

For more information and online ticket sales please visit

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REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED FOR SCHOLARSHIPS IN HEALTH SCIENCES FIELD

Special to the Mirror

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

Applicants of any age wishing to pursue training in a health-related field are eligible to apply. Preference will be given to applicants from the Montrose area who intend to return to this area to utilize their talents. This scholarship is open to any graduate, nurse, medical student, therapist, or anyone who has been accepted into a health sciences program/college.

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

Completed applications can be mailed to the San Juan Healthcare Foundation at P. O. Box 2108, Montrose, CO 81042 or emailed to <u>ljacob-</u> <u>sen@sanjuanhf.org</u>. If you have any questions, please contact Lark Jacobsen at 970-252-2580. Applications will be taken through August 13th, and the recipient(s) will be announced after September 10th. Selection of the scholarship recipient(s) will be made by the San Juan Healthcare Foundation Board.

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REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

HAM RADIO CLUB SPONSORS TAILGATE PARTY

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MONTROSE-The Montrose Amateur Radio Club will hold its annual Tailgate Party on June 2, 2018 at the Lions Pavilion, Confluence Park, Delta from 8AM to 11 AM. Talk-in frequency is 147.195+ 107.2

The Tailgate Party is an opportunity to buy, sell, and trade amateur radio equipment and socialize with area hams. Those interested in the participating in ham ra-

dio can learn more about the hobby and pick up some good equipment at bargain price. According to Steve Schroder, the event coordinator, "This is a great opportunity for old and new hams to get together. Recently several new hams have gotten their first licenses and need to acquire some radio equipment at good prices. Older hams always have excess equipment that they no longer need. We will also have a door prize consisting of a new ICOM mobile dual band radio. There is no cost for admittance."

Everyone is automatically entered for the door prize.

Tables for sellers are available for five dollars a table. You must be present to win the door prize.

For more information contact Steve Schroder at 970-201-5997.

INDEPENDENCE PASS CLOSED FOR PAVING OPERATION NEXT WEEK

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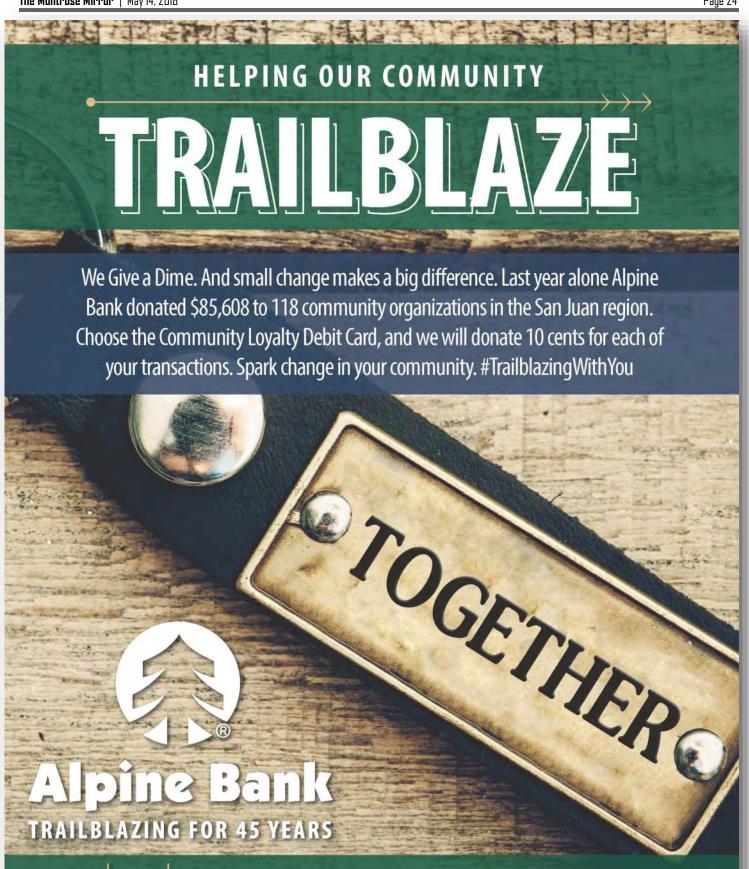
COLORADO-Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) crews will be paving sections of CO 82 Independence Pass next week beginning Monday, May 14-17 in an effort to prepare the highway for opening on the targeted date. A flagger will be stationed at the gate to turn anyone around that tries to access the pass in an effort to maintain a safe work zone. This includes pedestrians as well as cyclists.

ALTERNATE ROUTE: The alternate route to Aspen during the months the pass is closed is I-70 to Glenwood Springs, and CO 82 into Aspen.

Due to tight curves, steep inclines and narrow lanes on some sections of the pass, commercial and recreational vehicles 35 feet or longer are prohibited.

Motorists are reminded that inclement weather can still be a possibility on mountain passes so please visit any of our sources listed below to view updates before you go.<u>www.facebook.com/</u> <u>coloradodot</u>.







LOCATIONS FROM DENVER TO DURANGO

COLORADO NEWS BRIEFS

WELLNESS ANNEX TO BE INSTALLED OUTSIDE TELLURIDE MEDICAL CENTER

Special to the Mirror

TELLURIDE-A shipping container designed to serve the Telluride Regional Medical Center as a "Wellness Annex" will be delivered and installed outside the medical center. The interior will be finished onsite. Staff at the medical center anticipates to open the new space for educational events and community meetings by early summer.

Monday, May 14. Contractors say the crane will arrive at 9:30a.m. and the shipping container will arrive to the medical center at 10a.m. It's estimated it will take contractors two hours to set up the structure.

The Telluride Regional Medical Center,

500 W Pacific Ave.

Annex is the latest effort by the Telluride Hospital District to address serious capacity issues while they continue their search for a site for a new facility.

The temporary annex will accommodate the medical center's growing mental health services and community education forums, it also provides the opportunity to bring the CEO's office back under the roof of the medical center.

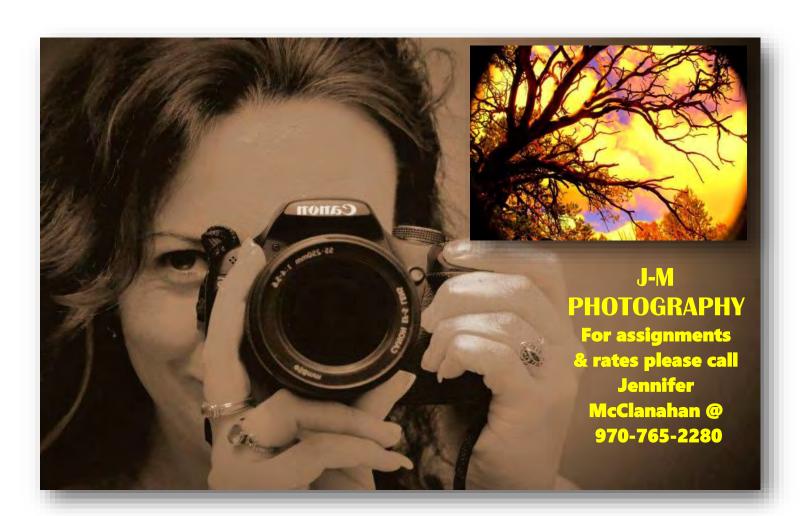
In 2015 the Hospital District moved the offices of their CEO and other non-medical staff to an office suite on the east side of town to make accommodations for additional exam rooms. As part of that effort,

other essential medical staff relocated BACKGROUND: The addition of a Wellness their offices to work stations below the clinic, an area where on-call doctors had used for years to spend the night.

> "That was always meant to be a shortterm fix," said Gardner. "Having our administrative staff across town is not ideal. Synergies are lost."

For forty years the medical center has existed in the current facility, there have been at least a dozen renovations made to keep up with healthcare technologies and patient growth.

"We're still searching for a new site, but grateful for this opportunity to provide staff and the community badly needed space for essential services," said Gardner.



REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

BLM, FOREST SERVICE SEEK COMMENTS ON OIL & GAS DEVELOPMENT NORTHEAST OF PAONIA

Special to the Mirror

MONTROSE-The Bureau of Land Management Uncompahgre Field Office and Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre and Gunnison National Forests are seeking public comments on Gunnison Energy's North Fork Mancos Master Development Plan preliminary environmental assessment which analyzes oil and gas development about 12 miles northeast of Paonia.

The proposal is adjacent to the BLM Bull Mountain Master Development Plan and includes drilling up to 35 wells. The analysis considers placing the wells on three pads located on public lands managed by the Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre and Gunnison National Forest Paonia Ranger District and two pads on private land. These proposed wells could produce up to 700 billion cubic feet of natural gas over the 30-year life of the project.

"This project could make additional energy reserves available for the American public while bringing additional jobs to our local communities," said Greg Larson, BLM Uncompany Field manager. "Additionally, the expansion considers new or upgraded access roads and gas and water gathering lines while encouraging environmentally responsible development of energy and minerals on public lands."

The State of Colorado receives 49 percent of revenues from leases issued on public lands in Colorado, which could result in up to \$27 million in payments over the life of the project.

The proposal and preliminary environmental assessment can be viewed online at <u>https://go.usa.gov/xQBaq</u>. For comments to be considered, submissions must be received by June 9, 2018, via mail to the BLM Colorado River Valley Field Office, 2300 River Frontage Road, Silt, CO 81652, via email to <u>comments-rocky-mountaingmug@fs.fed.us</u> or online at <u>https://</u> go.usa.gov/xQBaq.

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CENTENNIAL MIDDLE SCHOOL HOSTS ASSEMBLY FOR JOE SIMO, COLORADO MIDDLE SCHOOL PRINCIPAL OF THE YEAR



Mirror staff report

MONTROSE-On Friday, May 11, Centennial Middle School students, teachers, and staff took time out to honor Principal Joe Simo, recently named Colorado Middle Principal of the Year. Simo has built the school, located in a diverse neighborhood with a steep income disparity and with a high percentage of students who qualify for free and reduced lunches, into an academic powerhouse. Simo also received a spontaneous round of applause at the RE-1J School Board meeting on May 8 when his award was mentioned. At the assembly, "My honor today is all of Centennial's award," Simo said. Centennial teacher Jackie Schneider videotaped the assembly; to watch, click here:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K86-LEf5OzE&feature=youtu.be.

REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

BLM UNCOMPANGRE FIELD OFFICE WARNS PUBLIC ABOUT DANGEROUS BOATING CONDITIONS ALONG SAN MIGUEL RIVER

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SAN MIGUEL COUNTY-The Bureau of Land Management Uncompangre Field Office is advising the public against boating along a portion of the San Miguel River, one-half mile upstream of the Caddis Flats recreation site.

This section of the river has changed course making it impossible for boats, duckies and other watercraft to safely travel through the area. The new diversion contains dense trees and brush in a narrow river channel causing hazardous conditions. The Placerville river access site is the last chance for boaters to take out before reaching this part of the river.

"We are posting signs at public access points along this stretch of the river warning boaters of the danger," said Greg Larson, BLM Uncompany Field Office manager. "We caution all boaters to avoid this area, regardless of their experience level."

It is safe to access the river from the Caddis Flats recreation site and other points downstream. Maps and further information are available by calling the Montrose Public Lands Center at 970-240-5300.

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BLM AND USFS ANNOUNCE WORKSHOPS FOR REGIONAL REVIEWS

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REGIONAL-Stakeholder workshops will be held on the following dates at locations in all 5 of the states with corridors in Regions 2 and 3. All meetings will run from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. local time: May 31, 2018: BIA Southwest Regional Office, <u>1001 Indian School Rd.</u>

NW, Albuquerque, New Mexico

June 4, 2018: BLM Arizona State Office, <u>1</u> <u>N Central Ave. Suite 800 Phoenix, Arizona</u> June 6, 2018: Nugget Casino Resort, <u>1100</u> <u>Nugget Ave., Sparks, Nevada</u> June 11, 2018: DoubleTree Hotel, <u>743</u> Horizon Dr., Grand Junction, Colorado June 13, 2018: Sevier County Administrative Building, <u>250 N Main St., Richfield,</u> Utah

We value any input you have and look forward to your feedback on how we can improve the West-wide energy corridors to better serve the nation's energy transmission needs. Please, if you plan to participate in any of these meetings, a RSVP is required so that we have enough materials available for participants.

Please indicate which meeting(s) you would like to attend and provide an email address as requested on the form (click here to RSVP).

For more information on the Regional Reviews or questions regarding Section 368 Energy Corridors, contact Jeremy Bluma, Project Manager, at 208-373-3847 or jbluma@blm.gov.

Additional information and background is available on the West-wide Energy Corridor Information Center website at <u>http://</u> <u>corridoreis.anl.gov</u>.

If you have questions, contact the Westwide Energy Corridor project team at <u>Corridors@anl.gov</u>

Please forward this message to any party you feel may be interested in Section 368 West-wide Energy Corridors.



SHIPWRECKED SUMMER CAMP SAILS INTO OLATHE!

By Caitlin Switzer OLATHE- This summer, kids from both Olathe and Montrose are invited to get shipwrecked—at Shipwrecked Summer Camp that is! Though Black Canyon Boys & Girls Club (BCBGC) has had a summer program in Olathe for years, the new Shipwrecked Summer Camp brings more fun and opportunities to

youth than ever before, and Montrose kids are encouraged to sign up as well.

"I hear they will be doing things like easy day hikes, art projects, outside activities and field trips—maybe even to the Ouray Hot Springs," said BCBGC Volunteer Communications Coordinator Amy Taylor. "They will not just be staying in Olathe, they'll be getting out and about."

The expanded camp came about through a partnership with the Town of Olathe, with support from the Colorado Health Foundation and RE-1J Schools. "We always offer summer programming, but we have more money this year," Taylor said. "Shipwrecked Summer Camp is completely new."

BCBGC's Montrose location is extremely popular, and presently has a waiting list of around 75 kids, she said. The club regular-



Members of the Black Canyon Boys & Girls Club in Olathe have fun outdoors. Courtesy photos.

ly serves a total of 170 kids a day in both Olathe and Montrose.

"In Olathe we have an average of 30 kids every day, and we have room for more, so we are really trying to push the availability of summer camp in Olathe."

Black Canyon Boys & Girls' Club has"It'splayed a vital role for youth in the commu-
nity since the Montrose site opened insaid.1999 and the Olathe site in 2002.sessi

Today, "We are creating an experience" with Shipwrecked Summer Camp, Taylor notes. "It's going to be really cool." Shipwrecked Summer Camp is bilingual

as well, with counselors fluent in English and Spanish.

And best of all, Shipwrecked Summer Camp costs just \$25 per session, which includes food, field trips, and fun.



"It's super affordable for a family," Taylor said.

Shipwrecked Summer Camp offers two sessions, June 4-29 and July 9-Aug. 10. The deadline for registration is May 18. Sign up <u>online</u>, at Olathe Town Hall, or at the Olathe Club location at 300 Hap Court.

For more information on Black Canyon Boys & Girls Club, visit the web site at http://www.bcbgc.org.

For statistics and information on how the club makes a real difference for local youth, read the <u>2017 Impact Report</u>.

MIRROR IMAGES...MONTROSE SUMMER FARMERS MARKET!







The Montrose Farmers Market opened in Centennial Plaza for the summer season on May 12.











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COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS

CELEBRATE CEDAREDGE RETURNS JUNE 2

Special to Art & Sol

CEDAREDGE-Cedaredge will be bustling this summer with lots of family-friendly, community-oriented events and activities. The Town of Cedaredge and the Cedaredge Area Chamber of Commerce are again collaborating to bring Celebrate Cedaredge to the community.

Based on suggestions from both community members and vendors during last year's Celebrate Cedaredge events, there have been some changes made to enhance this year's celebrations explained Kami Collins, the economic development coordinator for the Town. There will again be three events, but only one of them will take place on Main Street; the other two will take place in the beautiful Town Park.

Celebrate Cedaredge kicks off on Saturday, June 2, with the traditional downtown Main Street vendor fair and live music. The street fair will be open from 9 a.m. -3 p.m. Vendor applications are now available at Town Hall, on the town's website (cedaredgecolorado.com) or by calling Collins at 856-3123. "We really want to honor and celebrate those businesses and organizations that make the Surface Creek Valley a wonderful place to live, play and work," Collins said.

Therefore, if your business, nonprofit, church or civic group is located within the Surface Creek Valley, the booth fee is \$25; all other booth fees are \$40. "The event is also the perfect time to pop into all of our local businesses, both on Main Street and along the highway, and reacquaint yourself with the products and services Cedaredge-area businesses offer," Collins said. "Come spend the day with us, have breakfast or lunch, grab a cup of coffee, check out our galleries and retail shops, and celebrate Cedaredge with us." Plans for the June 2nd Celebrate Cedaredge also include a car show on the 100 block of Main Street and live music.

In July, on Saturday the 14th, Celebrate



Celebrate Cedaredge kicks off on Saturday, June 2, with the traditional downtown Main Street vendor fair and live music. Courtesy photo.

Cedaredge will be held at Town Park, and in true sense of the name, the patrioticthemed event will focus on celebrating community and country. The community fair and will highlight the civic organizations, churches, youth organizations and nonprofits that provide services that enhance the community.

There is no charge for these types of organizations to participate as long as the group is offering an activity during the event. For example, staff with the Cedaredge Public Library is tentatively planning to provide kids crafts and possibly a mobile story walk. "We hope that these organizations can use this event to highlight and promote their work within the community while also providing something fun for families to do," Collins said. Think: petting zoos, face painting, kids games or a community art project. Nonprofits are welcome to use the event as a fundraiser by hosting a barbecue lunch or an ice cream social, for example. If you are interested in participating or would like more information, please call Collins at 856-3123.

While that event is happening at Town Park, the Town is also organizing a community yard sale/flea market in the parking lot of the public works building, across from Subway on High Country Avenue. Booth spaces for the yard sale/flea market are just \$10 for a 10x10 space. That event will also run from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. on July 14th. Registration forms are also available at Town Hall and online at cedaredgecolorado.com.

The last Celebrate Cedaredge will take place on Saturday, Aug. 4, again at Town Park from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. The date coincides with the annual Serenity Run – it is sure to be a fun-filled weekend with lots of activities and events happening.

Vendors are welcome at this event, and priority will be given to those businesses that produce handmade or homemade wares, though all businesses, nonprofits and civic organizations are welcome.

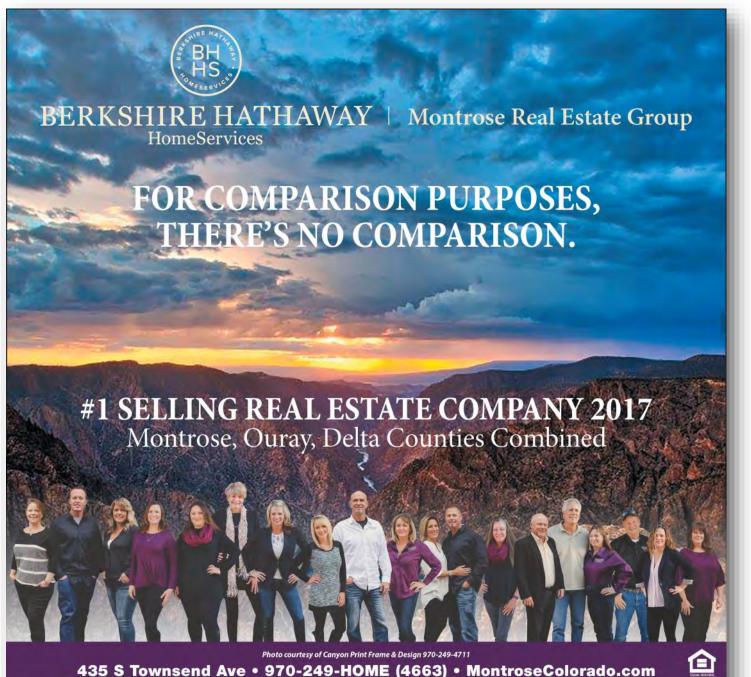
"We are also trying to organize a farmer's market at this event – we'd love to help you showcase your locally-grown veggies, fruit, wines and other food products," Collins said.

COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS

DELTA COUNTY ROCK, GEM & MINERAL SHOW IS JUNE 2

Special to Art & Sol

DELTA-The Delta County Rock, Gem and Mineral Show will be held on June 2, 2018 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Heddles Recreation Center, <u>530 Gunnison River Drive, Delta, Colorado</u>. Feature items will include lighted mineral and specimen displays, gold panning, a fluorescent mineral display, demonstration on filigree, and educational displays for children. There will also be door prizes, grab bags, a silent auction, and a wheel of rocks. Over twenty-five vendors will have gemstones, jewelry, mineral specimens, cabo-chons, slabs, fossils, and many other types of rocks for sale and on display. This event is free to the public, and children and adults of all ages are welcome. Come and enjoy the Annual Rock Show.



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COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS COLORADO LAWMAKERS PAY TRIBUTE TO IMPORTANCE OF FOREST HEALTH

Special to the Mirror

Health Advisory Council, the Colorado House of Representatives has passed a formal tribute recognizing the importance of forest health to the citizens of Colorado.

Introduced by Reps. Marc Catlin and Jeni Arndt, the bipartisan tribute emphasizes the need for sound stewardship of the nearly 25 million acres of forestland in Colorado.

The Forest Health Advisory Council was created in 2016 to provide a collaborative forum to advise the Colorado State Forester on a range of issues, opportunities and threats with regard to the state's forests. The council is administered by the Colorado State Forest Service and consists of 21 members representing the interests of a broad group of stakeholders connected to Colorado's forests - and a collective need to keep them healthy - including: sportsman's organizations, wood products businesses, private landowners, public utilities, conservation organizations, municipal drinking water agencies, economic development agencies and environmental organizations. The council is chaired by State Forester Mike Lester.

"No matter where you live in the State, forest stewardship provides direct benefits to Colorado's citizens that are important to be recognized," Catlin said. "Wildfires have devastating effects on local communities, and by managing our forests for these events before they occur, forestry agencies are protecting these communities and their economies."

More than 2.2 million people live in Colorado's wildland-urban interface, and Lester asserts that forest health treatments and active management help to reduce the risks of wildfire and to protect human life, property and critical infrastructure.

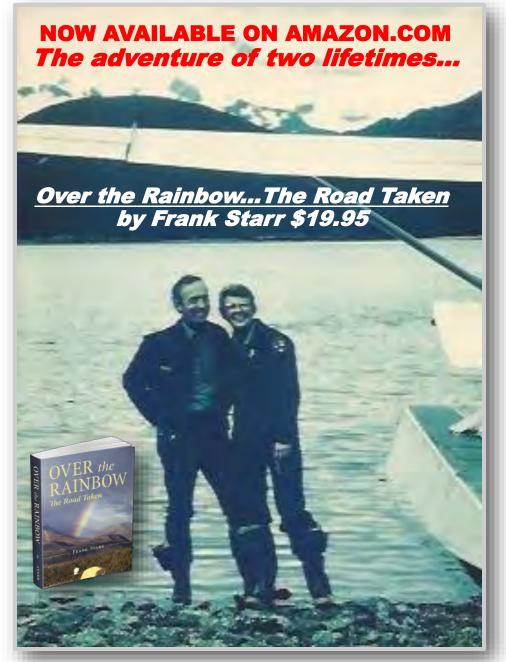
Healthy forests also are necessary for

clean and robust water supplies. Water COLORADO-On behalf of the state's Forest derived from Colorado's mountain forests is utilized by everyone and everything in the state, from municipalities to farmers and ranchers and from fisheries to wildlife.

> Several of the Advisory Council's members represent recreational interests, with

recreation in the state's vast forested settings being a significant driver of tourism revenue.

According to the Outdoor Industry Association, outdoor recreation accounts for \$28 billion in consumer spending annually in Colorado, as well as 229,000 jobs and \$9.7 billion in wages and salaries.



COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS WIN PRIZES, READ BOOKS: ADULT SUMMER READING DEBUTS @ MONTROSE LIBRARY

Special to Art & Sol

MONTROSE-Why should kids have all the fun? Summer reading is for grownups too! Adults ages 18+ will receive a free gift when registering for Libraries Rock! at the Montrose Library. Read at least one book from May 22 – July 27 and be entered to win one of two reading-themed prize packages. Special events include a kickoff event for the PBS initiative "The Great American Read;" Name That Tune music trivia contest; and special author presentations with writers/adventurers Jennifer Pharr Davis and Jane Parnell. Check out www.montroselibrary.org or call the library at 249-9656 for more information.

EXPERIENCE ONCE UPON A MATTRESS AT THE SHERBINO

Special to Art & Sol **RIDGWAY-If you thought** you knew the story of 'The Princess and The Pea,' you may be in for a walloping surprise! Did you know, for instance, that Princess Winnifred actually swam the moat to reach Prince Dauntless the Drab? Or that Lady Larken's love for Sir Harry provided a rather compelling reason that she reach the bridal altar post haste? Or that, in fact, it wasn't the pea at all that caused the princess a sleepless night? Carried on a wave of wonderful songs, by turns hilarious and raucous, romantic and melodic, this rollicking spin on the familiar classic of royal courtship and comeuppance provides for some side-splitting shenanigans. Chances are you'll never look at fairy tales guite the same way again. May 17-20: Sherbino Theater Company presents "Once Upon A Mattress" Tickets: \$18 in advance / \$22 at the door. Doors at 7:30 P.M. Curtain @ 8 P.M.

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ENJOY BIRD WATCHING ON PUBLIC LANDS DAY AT NAVAJO STATE PARK

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DURANGO-Colorado's public lands are vital to wildlife. So what better way to spend Colorado Public Lands Day, May 19, than to view various bird species at Sambrito Wetlands at Navajo State Park.

Colorado Parks and Wildlife will host an informal event there for wildlife watchers from 7 a.m. until 1 p.m. The area, however, remains open until ?? p.m...

The wetlands area holds abundant bird habitat, including willows, irrigation ditches, swampy areas and nearby Navajo Reservoir. A mile-long hiking trail provides excellent viewing locations and it connects to other trails that lead to more good locations for observation. The area is home to a wide variety of ducks, shore birds, raptors and song birds.

There's also a good chance of seeing deer, coyotes, foxes and rabbits – even river otters have been spotted there.

"This area holds a surprising amount of wildlife," said Brian Sandy, manager of Navajo State Park. "Plus, the trails are well suited for kids and people of all ages. If people want to venture farther they can walk for more than a mile through wetland areas all the way to Navajo Reservoir."

Besides the Sambrito area, in the northeast corner of the park an easy trail is located near where the Piedra River enters the reservoir. That location contains abundant wetlands, cottonwood galleries and a variety of other wildlifefriendly vegetation. At the Sam-



The Sambrito Wetlands at Navajo State Park are one of southwest Colorado's birding hotspots. Come out to see birds on Colorado Public Lands Day, May 19. Courtesy photo.

brito Wetlands, Colorado Parks and Wildlife will have a couple of spotting scopes for public use and information about the park and bird species of the area.

Sambrito Wetlands are located in the southwest corner of Archuleta County just off County Road 988. From Ignacio on the west, travel 13 miles on Colo. Highway

151, then turn south on the county road that leads to the wetlands. From Arboles on the east, go four miles to County Road 988.

Daily entry fee to the park is \$7 per vehicle. This is a remote location, so please pay by check or with exact change. An annual pass for the park costs \$70.



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NOTES FOR THE JOURNEY... Exploring Classical Music With Rob Brethouwer TWO IMPORTANT CLASSICAL MUSIC TOPICS, ONE COLUMN...

Playing with the piano in your head

The path to understanding a concept at its foundation includes the ability to visualize that concept in your head and to derive needed information from that visual. Yes, to have something explained verbally and to also have an example in front of you is ideal but not always available. Those with some background will be able to follow along. For those that do not have some background, read this description and then try to place the words on the actual item being discussed. The topic is the basics of reading music written for the piano, and the needed item is a piece of music written for that instrument.

Basics. Everything mentioned here would of course have an exception. The very basic buildings blocks will be explained as a means to get started. Music for the piano is written on what is called the grand staff. Two lines of musical notation, the bass clef on the bottom, and the treble clef on the top, are bound together with a giant bracket on the right end binding them together. Think of each line of music as representing one of your hands, the left hand is the bottom bass clef music and the right hand is the upper treble clef music. Let us keep going with the left and right hand business. The right hand works from middle C up to the right towards the higher notes. The left hand works from the B below middle C all the way down to the last A on the left end of the keyboard. Now, this is not entirely accurate as both hands can work all over the keyboard, but it is a good place to start. The music is written so that each hand plays its own part at the same time to make up

the entirety of the music. Dynamic markings will be at the bottom of each line of music and at the beginning of the line, right after the clef symbol, will be the time signature. Consisting of two numbers, the time signature is easily interpreted as each number, stacked on top of each other, has a different meaning. The top number is the

number of beats within a measure of music. The bottom number is the type of note that gets the beat. The most basic example is 4/4 which indicates four beats per measure and the quarter note gets the beat. Another common example is 6/8; six beats per measure where the eighth note gets the beat. Following the time signature is the key signature. For specifics on this, do a quick Google search or refer to prior articles in this series. The piano is an orchestra wrapped in a wooden case and is incredibly versatile when musical ideas need to be expressed. Sure, a flute can provide a musical example, but it will always sound like a flute. The ability to play ten notes at once representing the entire range of music pitch is what sets the piano far above other instruments.

The importance of criticism

A critic of any kind, music, film, art, food, or television, uses words and personal experience to describe to their audience their thoughts on the chosen topic. This information will provide the reader with some direction on whether not to see the latest movie or to go to a certain restaurant.



The late New Yorker Critic Andrew Porter. Courtesy photo.

"Huh, Stan thought the movie was a train wreck of plot and characters, perhaps I won't waste my money on this one." That information is all good and well but it is only the beginning. Great critics provide direction and insight, and most importantly, relevant background on the area being discussed. They convey to their readers the background of a performer, the origins of a story, and perhaps the history of a Chef at a restaurant or a brief biographical sketch of an artist that is being featured at a gallery show. For our purposes, I want to bring attention to music critics whose words and thoughts go above and beyond a basic critical review and reach the level of being recognized as some of the best and most thoughtful writers of their time. We will start with two classical music critics from "The Gray Lady," the mighty New York Times. Harold C. Schonberg was the first to win a Pulitzer Prize for Criticism in 1971. He was also famous because of the Composer, Conductor, and Educator Leonard Bernstein, especially during the time that Bernstein was at the helm of the New York Philharmonic. In addition. he was passionate about his dislike of

TWO IMPORTANT CLASSICAL MUSIC TOPICS, ONE COLUMN... From previous pg

of the performance collaboration between Bernstein and the Canadian pianist Glenn Gould when the latter performed with the Philharmonic and offered a very unusual and disliked interpretation of the Brahms piano concerto. The current classical music critic at the New York Times is Anthony Tommasini. His insights into the entire world of classical music are worth the time and the effort. Now, you may be thinking to yourself, "Criticism, how boring!" No. To put things into perspective think of your most favorite pastime and how you would want to spend your time if you could be doing anything you wanted. Now, imagine that you were required to engage in that activity with the only price

being you had to tell others about your experiences and thoughts about the activity. That is what a critic does day after day. Two other critics need to be mentioned. The first is Andrew Porter. Working as a music critic for The New Yorker magazine from 1972-1992, Porter was known for his relentless attention to detail and the fact that he would approach and write about topics and performances only after he felt he knew them very well. The magazine Opera News had the following to say about Andrew Porter, "When reviewing an opera that was new to him, such as Bloch's *Macbeth*, he might attend three performances before he felt qualified to write about it; he frequently re-

turned to productions after opening night to refine his viewpoint, and he reviewed virtually all music only after learning it from the score." The last critic that needs to be mentioned is Jay Nordlinger. For those of you who may be curious about this list of known liberal elites, let it be known that Nordlinger is a known Conservative and is the music critic for *The New Criterion*, an exceptionally wellproduced Conservative journal. Sources:

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TOWN OF MOUNTAIN VILLAGE TO PROVIDE FARM SHARE COMMUNITY INCENTIVE PROGRAM

Special to Art & Sol

MOUNTAIN VILLAGE-The Town of Mountain Village is excited to announce a community-wide income gualified 'Farm Share to Community Incentive Pilot Program.' Grown out of the newly formed Mountain Village Green Team Committee, and approved at the April Town Council meeting, up to 45 Mountain Village residents that meet the annual household income gualifications can apply to the program. Eligibility will be on a first come first served basis for households that meet the requirements and have completed the necessary application by June 1, 2018.

"We are excited to offer our residents a community-supported agriculture program (CSA) directly linking our income gualified community members to local farmers," said Planning and Development Services Director, Michelle Haynes. "This program is in alignment with many community goals. A community's resilience depends upon implementing strategies

that reduce reliance on nonrenewable energy, develop local food sources and increase local transportation and energy security. The program will also educate our community members regarding the many local food sources available to us and provide low cost high nutrient food to our residents who may not otherwise have the income or time to participate in a similar program."

The farm share program puts income gualified individuals and families at the centerpiece of the model, subsidizing farm shares based on income, and providing convenient during or after-work pick-up hours to distribute locally farmed, high-quality, sustainably grown, and affordable food and produce. Participating members can

purchase "shares" of a farmer's crop for the entire growing season (approximately nine weeks), at minimal cost.

To best serve our community members, understand the food habits and desires of our residents, and to enhance this pilot program, we have asked applicants and community members alike to provide their comments and input through an online survey by visiting townofmountainvillage.com/farm-to-community.

Haynes goes on to say, "Supporting local agriculture on this scale reduces the distance food is transported and incrementally lowers our carbon emissions. It also supports our local farms through the CSA model providing money in advance of a growing season for the purchase of seed and food planning. This program creates an important regional bridge and cooperative relationships that we hope will continue to grow."

Participating farms and partners of the Farm to Community Program include

Mountain Roots Produce based in Mancos, Colorado and F.R.E.S.H Food Hub, a community-run food co-op based in Norwood, Colorado. F.R.E.S.H Food Hub purchases food from local farms and producers such Indian Ridge Farm and Bakery, Buckhorn Gardens, Birdhouse Farm, Laid Back Ranch, South River Aquaponics, and many more small-scale producers on the western slope offering the best possible prices on wholesome, and healthy food in the region.

The F.R.E.S.H. Food Hub will have a presence at our Market on the Plaza. In addition to the Market on the Plaza being the primary CSA share pick up location, local produce and food items will be available for sale to residents and visitors.

For more information about our Farm to Community Incentive Program, please contact Planning and Development Services Director, Michelle Haynes at (970) 239-4061, or email mhaynes@mtnvillage.org.

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MONTROSE ELKS LODGE: ELK TRACKS





ELKS PAJAMA PARTY BINGO TO BE MAY 15!

Montrose Elks Lodge

MONTROSE -Welcome to Elk Tracks, a periodic update of what is taking place at our local Montrose Elks Lodge, located at 801 So. Hillcrest, Montrose CO 81401.

Tuesday May 15, 2018

"Elks Pajama Party Bingo"

Come on by the Elks Lodge on May 15 wearing your best "sleepwear' and enjoy a good game of Bingo with some great folks. This is going to be fun!

It's the *Elks Pajama Party Bingo night*! Wear your favorite Onesies, Robes, Long Johns, Snuggies or Flannels to be eligible to win \$\$ prizes. 1st Place Winners for Men's and Women's sleepwear** will win a cash prize. (**Boxer shorts and Negligées require tights, bodysuits, or long john undergarment). No birthday suits or nudity, just good clean fun!

Jackpots for May 15th: Progressive Game 2 is worth \$450 & Progressive Game 4 is valued at \$998. Both Jackpots can be won by reaching BINGO in 37 numbers or fewer.

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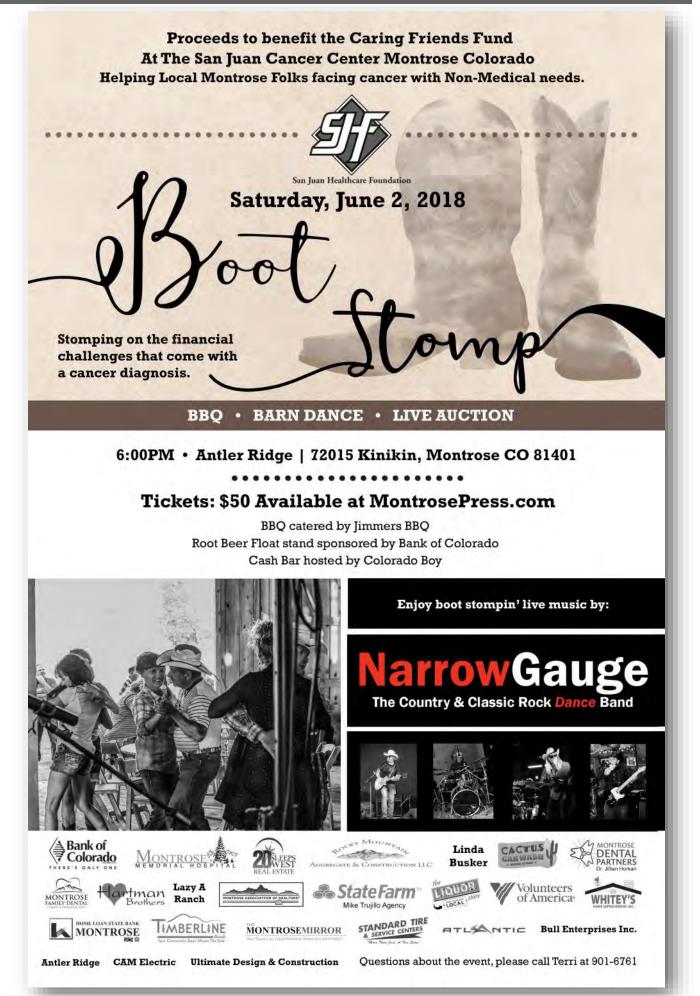
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POET KIERSTIN BRIDGER RETURNS TO MONTROSE TO OFFER THREE WRITING WORKSHOPS WITH WEEHAWKEN CREATIVE ARTS

Special to Art & Sol

MONTROSE-Weehawken is excited to have Kierstin Bridger return to Montrose to offer three writing classes beginning with "Write Where You Live" on May 29 at MRD Field House.

"Write here, write now. Don't you find the sunsets in Montrose extraordinary?" says Kierstin, "There is big sky here. To the alert observer river walks are coursing with life, waiting for us to drink in metaphors and rich detail. The seams between the past and new development make for startling contrasts in this western hub. Let's talk about how some of the best to noon. writers of place tap into the heart of where they live to deliver prizes for the reader. We'll look at examples of how setting can make our prose and poetry feel grounded and specific all the while creating a world which will fascinate readers. Whatever your genre; memoir, lyric, songwriting, non-fiction, or fiction we'll discuss specific strategies to enliven our work. Prepare to write, read and discuss. We'll spend time outdoors as well, walking, watching, and writing." Tuition for this class is \$45, and the class runs 9 am to

noon.

In the June 1 class "Split Open Craft," Kierstin says, "You are reading a novel, a memoir or a captivating poem and you find yourself immersed. You relate to it on a deep level even though the details of the story or lines are vastly different than the specifics of your own life. So how did they do that? We'll look into several works of contemporary literature create scenes and moment that stop time. We'll explore how they operate and what we can do to add spark to our own work." Tuition for Split Open Craft is \$45 and the class runs 9 am to noon.

Weehawken invites students to sign up for "Write Where You Live" and "Split Open Craft" for discounted combined tuition. This discount is available by phone registration only.

On June 9, Kierstin offers a full day class, "Truth Telling and Finding Truth" from 9 am to 3 pm. This will be a writing intensive workshop. If you have only scratched the surface in your current project and want to be pushed and fully supported, this is the workshop for you. "We'll see how sensory details and the mining of deep image can add essential layers into your writing. Oh, we'll go there-- so put on your brave boots and let's walk into this wilderness together. Let's be fearless. Let's write to find out what we want to know," invites Kierstin. Tuition for this class in \$90.

Kierstin Bridger is a Colorado writer and author of Demimonde (Lithic Press) which won the 2017 Women Writing The West's Willa Award for Poetry. All Ember (Urban Farmhouse Press) is her full collection. Bridger has won the Mark Fischer Poetry Prize, the 2015 ACC Writer's Studio award, and was short-listed for the Manchester Poetry Competition in the UK. She is is both editor of Ridgway Alley Poems and Co-Director of Open Bard Poetry Series. She co-hosts Poetry Voice with poet Uche Ogbuji. Find more of her work in December, Prairie Schooner and Painted Bride Quarterly. She earned her MFA at Pacific University. All classes will take place at MRD Field House, located at 25 Colorado Ave in Montrose. For more information, or to register for a class, go

to <u>www.weehawkenarts.org</u> or call (970) 318-0150.

SUGAR & THE MINT TO PLAY RADIO ROOM JUNE 7

Special to Art & Sol

GRAND JUNCTION-The Radio Room proudly presents Sugar & The Mint June 7. Doors open at 7 p.m.; show starts at 7:30 p.m. Sugar & The Mint, winners of the 2017 Telluride Bluegrass Festival, is comprised of six amazing young musicians ranging in age from 17-21. The band's repertoire spans many genres, including songs from artists like Bill Monroe, Robert Johnson, and even AC/DC, and they have shared the main stage with Norah Jones, the Punch Brothers, Sam Cush Bank, Hot Rize, and others.

Sugar & The Mint (originally known as Generation) originated as a youth cultural music conservatory group with The Sharlot Hall Museum in Prescott, Arizona in 2011. Sugar & The Mint is a vibrant young band with a unique style, playing a blend of new old-time, contemporary bluegrass and indie-folk music.

In addition to winning last year's Telluride Bluegrass Festival, Sugar & The Mint's first place honors include Pickin' in the Pines Acoustic Music Festival, and the Wickenberg Arizona Bluegrass Festival.

Their debut album, *Grape Flavored* was released in 2017, and their new album, *Just Past Midnight* will be out May 19th. Tickets are \$12 in advance; \$15 at the door and can be purchased by calling **970-241-8801**, or online



Sugar & The Mint. Courtesy photo.

at **kafmradio.org.** The Radio Room is located at 1310 Ute Avenue, Grand Junction, CO 81501. Doors open at 7pm, and concert begins at 7:30pm.

COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS INNOVATIVE NEW WEST GUITAR GROUP FEATURED MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND IN OURAY



New West Guitar Group. Courtesy photo.

Special to Art & Sol

OURAY-Kick off the Memorial Day weekend with plans to attend a concert by one of the premier guitar ensemble groups, the New West Guitar Group. The show is on Saturday, May 26 at 7:30 p.m. at the Wright Opera House in Ouray.

New West Guitar Group has a reputation as pioneers in the realm of guitar ensembles, combining acoustic and electric guitars performing classic pop covers, jazz standards and exciting originals. Their signature sound comes from an innovative style that highlights rhythm, beauty and virtuosity. They have been praised as "sharp and refined" by the *Seattle Times* and "A rare chemistry... shimmering arpeggios, collectively strummed chords, tight cracking interplay and complementary playing" by *Metronome Magazine*.

The group features guitarists John Storie, Perry Smith and Will Brahm, graduates of University of Southern

California Thornton School of Music.

Founded in 2005 by Storie and Smith, each of their projects features their unique style of laid-back virtuosity through expert arrangements crafted by the members of the group. Their music is regularly featured on NPR and jazz radio stations, and the trio travels throughout the United States and abroad. The group has also released seven full-length albums since 2005.

The New West Guitar Group is presented by the Ouray County Performing Arts Guild. Tickets are \$25 for Adults and \$5 for students (18 and under) and are available online at <u>www.ocpag.org</u>, or at the door, if still available. A cash bar will be available.

Then on Sunday, May 27 at 1 p.m. until 2:30 p.m., Weehawken Creative Arts has arranged a master class with New West Guitar Group open to all ages and abilities. The class will be broken down into smaller groups depending on skill level or age. Tuition is \$25 and tickets to the class may be purchased at

apm.activecommunities.com/ weehawkenarts/Activity_Search/2725. This will also be held at the Wright Opera House in Ouray.

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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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RIDGWAY FARMERS MARKET ANNOUNCES SEASON OPENING MAY 25

Special to Art & Sol

RIDGWAY-It begins with simple actions: footsteps unto the field, eggs cracked into a bowl, creativity at work with stones or paint. In countless ways, local farmers, food makers, and artisans are preparing for Opening Day of the Ridgway Farmers Market (RFM). The Market begins Friday, May 25th for the 2018 season. It is located in what is fondly known as Ridgway Town Park but is technically Hartwell Park, with easy access from Hwy 550 in the heart of downtown. Market hours are every Friday, from 10:00 am-3:00 pm, through October 12th, 2018.

New to the market this year is *Crumb Bakery* and *Café*, which will be offering prepared foods you can enjoy while strolling the market, or take home for later! Shoppers can find them and other prepared food vendors as well as a bounty of garden produce as the season progresses. Other new finds this year include spice vendors, potters, and more! Special for the kids the season, the return of the Sheriff of Fun, and the addition of a popsicle stand! The market is also supporting utilization of reusable bags with the group *Carry On! Ridgway Reuses.* They will have many reusable bags, straws and more for sale and helpful tips to eliminate plastic use.

The market will welcome back the vendors that Ridgway has come to love such as Wag's World Orchards, The Bin, Moutain Breeze Soapworks, and many other favorites. There will be bountiful local fruits and vegetables, sustainable meats and eggs, breads and baked goods, artisan gifts, bodycare, live music and more. Every week at the Ridgway Farmers Market, the vendors bring the freshest foods of the seasonal harvest. We never visit the same Ridgway Farmers Market from one week to another with the vendors and offering frequently changing. Many vendors offer samplings, recipe ideas, opportunities to try on their wares, and so much more! Come spend some time enjoying the music, enjoying local offerings, and connecting with the community, all the best that Ridgway has to offer!

MOLLIE O'BRIEN & RICH MOORE TO PLAY RADIO ROOM MAY 20



Special to Art & Sol

GRAND JUNCTION-Singer Mollie O'Brien and her husband, guitarist Rich Moore will play the Radio Room May 20. Doors open at 7 p.m., show starts at 7:30 p.m. O'Brien and Moore have for more than 30 years steadfastly made it their mission to unlock the secrets of the diverse array of styles that comprise the canon of American Roots Music. Geniuses at interpretation and never sacrificing the essence of the songs they tackle, they are at home with their musical selves. They are unafraid of risk taking, authoritative in their performance and at the very top of their game.

Grammy winner Mollie has long been known as a singer who doesn't recognize a lot of musical boundaries, and audiences love her fluid ability to make herself at home in any genre while never sacrificing the essence of the song she tackles. She is a singer at the very top of her game who's not afraid to take risks both vocally and in the material she chooses, while Rich, is a powerhouse guitar player who can keep up with her twists and turns. Their latest release is Love Runner on Remington Road records.

Tickets are \$20 in advance and \$22 at the door and can be purchased by calling (970) 241-8801, or online at <u>www.kafmradio.org</u>. The Radio Room is located at 1310 Ute Avenue, Grand Junction, CO 81501. Doors open at 7p.m.

Courtesy photo by Marc Dalio.

ROCC PARKING LOT SALE ROCKS IN RIDGWAY

Special to Art & Sol

RIDGWAY-The ROCC Parking Lot Sale in Ridgway is an annual rite of spring for bargain hunters and sellers alike. The huge yard sale, sponsored by the Ridgway -Ouray Community Council, will be held in the parking lot surrounding the Ouray County 4-H Center, off Highway 550, just south of the Highway 550 & Highway 62 intersection, on Saturday, May 19th, 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. For 26 years, the ROCC Parking Lot Sale has offered a treasure trove of toys, books, clothes, jewelry, furniture, sports equipment, and miscellaneous findings. Large items such as cars and boats occasionally turn up. A typical year's sale includes more than 100 vendors. The sale is both a community service and social event organized by volunteers of the nonprofit ROCC. Admission for buyers is always free.

The ROCC sale offers a 10' x 10' marked space to vendors for \$15 and additional spaces for \$10 each. Spaces are allocated on a first-come, first-served basis and money is collected the day of the sale. All vehicles should have exited the exhibit area by 8:00 a.m. ROCC offers up to two complimentary spaces to qualifying nonprofits that participate in the sale to raise funds. Vendors are responsible for removing all items after the sale. Volunteers from Second Chance Human Society will be on site to receive unsold items, other than electronic equipment, for donation.

The parking lot sale is affiliated with the celebrated, nationwide Great U.S. 50 Yard Sale. Since 2000, community yard sales have sprung up along or near U.S. 50 on the weekend that precedes Memorial Day weekend. The coast-to-coast chain of sales was founded to promote tourism, unite communities and encourage recycling of household items through resale.

For more information about vendor rules and parking, Contact Kate @ 810 599-8766 or <u>katekellogg@gmail.com</u> or Don Swartz, 970 316-1970.



REGISTRATION OPEN FOR 6TH ANNUAL MICHAEL MCCULLOUGH'S AMATEUR SCULPTING CONTEST IN RIDGWAY

Special to Art & Sol

RIDGWAY--Now in its sixth year, Michael McCullough's Amateur Sculpting Contest attracts amateur sculptors from across the Western Slope of Colorado to sculpt three to five pounds of clay into a masterpiece in just two hours. A panel of professional artists determines the winners and award hefty cash prizes.

In honor of Michael McCullough, John Billings, together with Sculpture House and Weehawken Creative Arts will present The 6th Annual Ridgway Amateur Sculpting Contest Sunday, June 2nd.

Artist Check-in will run from 12:30 until 1 pm at the Sherbino Theater at 604 Clinton St. The contest will run from 1 pm until 3 pm for adults at Sherbino Theater and 1 pm until 2:30 pm for youth at 610 Arts Collective (next door at 610 Clinton St.). The public is welcome to silently observe during the 2 hour creation period. Refreshments and treats will be served outside during the entire event and people will be encouraged to play with multiple clay materials at "play stations". There will be a one-hour break for judging, followed by an awards ceremony reception, starting at 4 pm.

Registration for adults costs \$30 through Weehawken Creative Arts. Registrations will be accepted from 12:30 until 1 pm on



The late sculptor Michael McCullough, above, is honored with the 6th Annual Sculpting Contest on June 2 in Ridgway. Photo at right courtesy photo.



June 2nd for drop-in contestants for \$35. Registration for youth is \$15 in advance through Weehawken Creative Arts. Registrations will be accepted from 12:30 until 1 pm on June 2nd for drop-in contestants for \$20, but supplies are "firstregistered, first-served".

This registration fee gets adults up to 5lbs of Plaxtin Plastilina clay and youth will get 3 lbs. of Jolly King Plastilene Clay, and a pack of sculpting tools

from <u>www.sculpturehouse.com</u>. Participa nts can also bring additional tools if they choose which can be brought from home, but armatures are not allowed. Please note that there is not a theme --- participants can create as they wish. Please note: Clay type and brand subject to change based up on Sculpture House

availability. Practice clay is available online at Sculpture House, Inc (609.466.2986 or www.sculpturehouse.com). The clay is oil and wax based and will not dry out. Order item SKU:PLXR2 Plaxtin Modeling Material by Fiaba - Medium. Prizes for adults \$500 1st prize \$300 2nd prize \$200 3rd prize \$250 John Billings Award Choice Prizes for youth \$200 1st prize \$100 2nd prize \$50 3rd prize \$150 John Billings Award Choice For more information, or to register, go to <u>www.weehawkenarts.org</u> or call (970) 318-0150.

WEEHAWKEN, ARTISTS PRESENT POPUP GALLERY MAY 19

Special to Art & Sol

MONTROSE-Montrose Center for the Arts and Weehawken Creative Arts are excited to partner to present a "popup" gallery featuring local artists at the new Weehawken location at MRD Field House.

The gallery will open on May 19 from 2-4 pm with reception, offering refreshments and light snacks. After May 19, the gallery will be open from 10 am to 4 pm every day, except May Sunday 27th, until it closes on May 31st.

The gallery will feature works in a number of mediums created by local artists. All art will be available for sale during the hours of the gallery. There will be more than 40 pieces on display in a variety of mediums. This "pop-up" gallery will be held at MRD Field House at 25 Colorado Ave. For more information, go to <u>weehawkenarts.org</u> or call 970-318-0150.

MIRROR IMAGES...OUT AND ABOUT!





Pictured above, owner Leslie Triesch (left) welcomes shoppers to the Ginger Cat, Montrose's newest antique mall, located at 323 North 4th Street.



Above, kids from the Montrose Black Canyon Boys & Girls Club show off with their light sabers May 4. Courtesy photo Amy Taylor.



Vocal student Kassadee Morris (above right) performs at the Montrose United Methodist Church during a recital for students of Maggie Kleeves (left).



Above and right: Yvonne Meek (at right) hosted a pop-up market at her Lark & Sparrow venue Saturday, May 12.



Hold the Date! Upcoming Business & Cultural Events

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 <u>ourayarts.org</u> to learn more and register.

MONTROSE TOASTMASTERS

Meetings every 1st & 3rd Wednesday of each month at 6:30 pm at Proximity; 210 E Main St, Montrose, CO 81401.

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

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. 2nd St. The public is invited to free programs based on topics of regional history. For more information please call 249-2085.

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 14-Join Pomona Elementary School as they extend best wishes to Michael Medina and Chuck Terrell who will retire from the Montrose School District at the end of this school year. Attend a reception in honor of Michael and Chuck on May 14, 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.

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

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

May 16-May is Colorado Archaeology Month! Come celebrate with the Chipeta Chapter of the Colorado Archaeological Society. On Wednesday, May 16 we present US Forest Service archaeologist Don Irwin with "What's Up Down Below in the Abajos." Don will discuss managing and master planning for the wonderful Puebloan archaeology of the Monticello Ranger District in Utah, in the face of rapidly expanding visitation of the Bears Ears area. Don's talk will be at the Montrose United Methodist Church, 19 S. Park Street, at 7 pm. The public is invited; no charge.

May 17-20--Sherbino Theater Company presents "Once Upon A Mattress" Tickets: \$18 in advance / \$22 at the door. Doors at 7:30 P.M. Curtain @ 8 P.M.

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 <u>www.ahhaa.org</u> 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 <u>cimarronstables@outlook.com</u> for more information.

May 19-The 43rd Annual Black Canyon Ascent sponsored by the San Juan Mountain Runners takes place on Saturday, May 19th. Come join the fun as walkers and runners participate in this scenic and challenging six-mile event. The race starts at the junction of US Hwy 50 and CO Hwy 347 just east of Montrose, walkers @ 7:30 a.m. and runners @ 8 a.m. Go to http://www.sjmr.club/ for a link to runningguru to register and for more info, or call Jan at 970-316-1988. Race day registration is also available 6:30-7:30 a.m. at the start.

May 20-MHS Graduation, Montrose County Events Center, 2:30 p.m.

May 22--7 - 9 pm Montrose Library Meeting Room. Great American Read. Join other readers at the Montrose Library to watch the PBS series launch special and kick off a summer of reading.

May 25-Photos of Ouray is hosting award winning guest photographer Natalie Heller of Ridgway, CO. Opening reception is Friday May 25 from 6 P.M. until 9 P.M. The exhibit is on-going through mid-September. 738 Main St., Ouray <u>www.loneconephotography.com</u>.

May 26--7:30 p.m. – New West Guitar Group - Wright Opera House, 472 Main Street, Ouray. Tickets \$25 adults, \$5 students (18 years and under) available online at www.ocpag.org or at the door.

May 27--1-2:30 p.m. – New West Guitar Group master guitar class- Wright Opera House, 472 Main Street, Ouray. Tickets \$25 available at apm.activecommunities.com/weehawkenarts/Activity_Search/2725

June 2-The Delta County Rock, Gem and Mineral Show will be held on June 2, 2018 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Heddles Recreation Center, <u>530</u> <u>Gunnison River Drive, Delta, Colorado</u>. Admission is free to the public, and children and adults of all ages are welcome.

June 2-The Montrose Amateur Radio Club will hold its annual Tailgate Party on June 2, 2018 at the Lions Pavilion, Confluence Park, Delta from 8AM to 11 AM. Talk-in frequency is 147.195+ 107.2 There is no cost for admittance. Everyone is automatically entered for the door prize; you must be present to win. For more information contact Steve Schroder at 970-201-5997.

June 2- Montrose Boot-Stomp ~ An Old-Fashioned BBQ & Barn Dance: Entertainment by - Narrow Gauge ~ 6PM, Antler Ridge Weddings & Events, 72015 Kinikin Road, Montrose. Survivor & memorial sponsorships available. Please call Terri @ 970-901-6761 Proceeds ~ San Juan Healthcare Foundation ~ Caring Friends Fund.

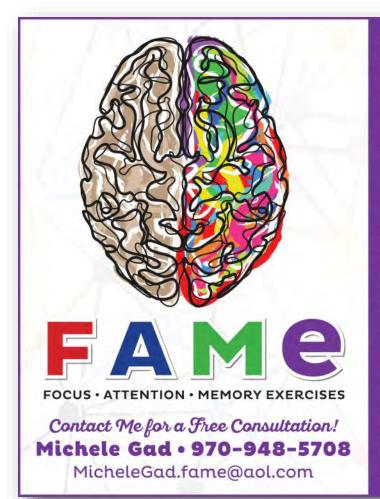
Aug. 6--Montrose Giving Club meets at the Bridges Golf & Country Club of Montrose, 5:30 p.m. Open to ALL women who can afford the \$100 donation and a \$10 hospitality fee.

Aug. 7-National Night Out, an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships, will take place at Target on Tuesday, Aug. 7, 2018. Don't miss the opportunity to personally meet and greet local law enforcement members and first responders.
Sept. 8-Denim and Diamonds fundraiser for Dreamcatcher Therapy Center (DCTC). This year the Ghost River Band will be playing, and Rib City Grill will be providing food. Denim and Diamonds will be held at the Montrose Pavilion Sept. 8; an entry fee of \$40 is charged. DCTC is looking for table sponsors at \$250 each, as well as auction items for a live and silent auction. All proceeds will go to supporting DCTC and End of the Trail Rescue. For more information or donating you may call 970-323-5400.



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