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2018 TRIBUTE TO AVIATION CELEBRATES FEMALE AVIATORS, MORE AIRCRAFT THAN EVER BEFORE

By Caitlin Switzer

MONTROSE-Montrose takes to the skies next month, with a two-day event that spotlights one of Western Colorado's greatest assets. Generating more than 20,000 visitors annually, the Montrose Regional Airport's Tribute to Aviation also generates sky-high excitement for people of all ages—and both genders. The 2018 Tribute to Aviation celebrates women in aviation.

Said Airport Manager Lloyd Arnold, "Our logo this year represents Amelia Earhart, a famous aviator. We have several women coming—a Boeing 737 captain, an Airbus 319 captain, and a flight instructor.

"We want to highlight the opportunities in aviation for the young ladies in our community."

Set for Sept. 15-16, the tribute is free to the public. In its fourth year of existence,

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Coming to the 2018 Tribute to Aviation is the iconic B-52H Stratofortress. Don't miss this rare chance to see and tour this iconic aircraft! The B52 completed 60 years of continual service with the United States Air Force (USAF) in 2015, and will be on static display Saturday and Sunday. Courtesy photo Montrose Regional Airport Tribute to Aviation.

RE-1J SCHOOL BOARD FACES TEACHER SHORTAGE, SPIKE IN VAPE USE



Montrose County School District RE-1J Superintendent Stephen Schiell discussed his superintendent goals at the board of education meeting Aug. 15. "I have great people around me who make me look good all the time," Schiell said.

By Caitlin Switzer

MONTROSE-Montrose County School District RE-1J is currently experiencing a teacher shortage, and will seek candidates from out of state as well as the Front Range, RE-1J Director of Human Resources Michelle Pottorff informed members of the board of education during her personnel report at the [regular school board meeting](#) on Aug. 15, in response to a direct question from RE-1J District F Director Phoebe Benziger.

"Are we experiencing a teacher shortage?" Benziger asked. "Absolutely," Pottorff said.

There are currently 14 vacancies in the District, Pottorff noted.

"I think it's a real positive thing that we have a STEM program," RE-1J Board Vice President and District C Director Gayle Johnson said. "That attracts leaders."

District A Director Jeff

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ANSWERING THE CALL: MPD DETECTIVE JASON ENGLISH

By Gail Marvel

MONTROSE-Montrose Police Department (MPD) Detective Jason English is a 2001 graduate of Montrose High School. Following a four-year tour of duty with the Marines, English went to college in Denver. He said, "Some of my military buddies talked to me about law enforcement and I did some ride-alongs in the Denver area." English, who moved back to Montrose in 2009, reflected on his Police Academy training, "The hardest part was criminal law and the verbiage." English did not finish college; however, he is now going back to CSU Global to finish his degree in business management.

English is one of four detectives and he has been with MPD for eight and a half years; one year as a detective, "We work daytime office hours with a rotating, week-long, on-call schedule. Part of my job is to investigate major felonies, sexual assaults and child abuse." There is a lot of paper work, but for the detectives in the office there is a lot of computer work.

In specialized training English is a precision marksman on the SWAT Team and a member of the Critical Incident Investigative Team for the 7th Judicial District. He said, "If any law enforcement agency is involved in a shooting you don't want that agency investigating themselves. We meet several times a year, but it may be six months when we don't meet. It's not as often as what is done on regular cases."

Describing the most stressful part of his job English said, "It's trying to get convictions in serious cases. Gathering all the evidence and getting enough evidence for probable cause. It depends on the case, but when there is not enough evidence to charge them it's frustrating and stressful. Sometimes there might not be any evi-



MPD Detective Jason English. Courtesy photo.

dence."

For English the most enjoyable aspect of his job, "When you get those good cases where there is a genuine victim and when you can get the criminal off the street. It's rewarding when the victim comes back to thank you and show their appreciation." In the past English has used CPR a lot, "Unfortunately, I've never saved a life."

Skill sets that serve English well include his attention to detail, "I like to be thorough. I'm fairly empathetic to people, especially the victim. I want an understanding of how they are feeling." A self-described introvert, English displays a serious side, "...but I'm upbeat around people I know." That being said, English also likes to find a little humor in every call, "I try get a laugh out of things. People's reac-

tions and what they say. The irony in what they say." In career aspirations English hopes to finish his degree next year with an eye on a master's degree in the next five years. "Right now, I want to gather knowledge in different aspects of law enforcement. My goal is to stay with MPD and become a sergeant."

When off-duty, English likes outdoor activities such as hiking and camping, "But my wife and I have a one-year-old and that takes a majority of my time."

Reflecting on his chosen career English said, "With all the media stuff going on people sometimes discount law enforcement. We're human. We want to do a good job and to help people. We're not here to hound people, but to make it a better community."



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2018 TRIBUTE TO AVIATION From pg 1

the event brings military and civilian aircraft from around the country to Montrose Regional Airport, for people to tour and enjoy. The Tribute to Aviation was created as a way to advertise the role of the airport and provide education for the community, Arnold said.

"It's a way to highlight what we do here."

Local youth can come and learn more about the field of aviation and try flight simulators.

"This is an opportunity to get almost any question answered," Arnold said. "You can learn about the steps to becoming a pilot; if you want to be a military pilot you can learn those steps, and if you are more interested in the civilian side you can learn about the civilian side."

"This opportunity is unique."

To date, 51 aircraft are scheduled to attend, from vintage aircraft to the very latest and largest in the military fleet. "We have an [F-7F Tiger Cat](#)—only a handful are still flying in the entire world," Arnold said.

"We have a more broad variety (of aircraft) coming this year, and a larger variety of helicopters."

Various new exhibits will be featured this year, along with a number of distinguished guests.

Among the exhibits for 2018 are a National Weather Service display. "Weather is a large part of aviation," Arnold said. "And we will have a NASA booth this year, with personnel."

Dave "Bio" Baranek will be in attendance at the Tribute to Aviation; "He helped to make the movie Top Gun," Arnold said.

"People can buy his books, and he is going to give a couple of talks on the making of Top Gun."

The United States Airforce Glider Demonstration Team will be here as well; "They will be giving an aerial demonstration of glider abilities."

The Tribute to Aviation also offers the public a rare glimpse of the Airport itself, which covers nearly 1,000 acres. And for Lloyd Arnold, an airport manager for nearly half of his life, the Tribute to



Experience hard working aircraft at the 2018 Tribute, like this firefighting helicopter, "Twisted Sister." Mirror staff photo.

Aviation is an opportunity to share a passion for aviation with future generations.

"Flight is an extremely safe form of transportation, and the United States has one of the best safety records in the world," Arnold said.

"The most dangerous part of a flight is your drive to the airport."

To learn more about the aircraft and opportunities available to the community at the 2018 Tribute to Aviation, visit the web site at www.tributetoaviation.com.

COUNTY PUTS 1901 S. TOWNSEND ON THE MARKET, DELEGATES FIRE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY TO FISHER

By Caitlin Switzer

MONTROSE- BOCC Chair Keith Caddy led the invocation at the regular meeting of the Montrose County Board of Commissioners (BOCC) on Aug. 15, including a plea for rain, "...to quench this dried, parched land that we are living in at this time..."

Consent Agenda items were passed with two votes of approval and one recusal (Hansen).

GENERAL BUSINESS & ADMINISTRATIVE

With the passage of Resolution 50-2018, District Two Commissioner [Sue Hansen](#) was appointed to serve as commissioner on the board of the Montrose County Housing Authority.

[Mike Wilson and Jackie Schneider](#) were unanimously re-appointed to two-year terms on the County's Citizens' Advisory Committee.

Also unanimously approved was award of an [exclusive right-to-sell listing contract with Renfrow Realty](#) for County-owned surplus property at 1901 South Townsend Avenue to be listed at \$2,300,000. Of four proposals received in response to a public solicitation, Renfrow Realty was recommended following a panel review, "...based on their experience with commercial properties, their experience with similar properties, and the volume of commercial property they are handling at this time," County Government Affairs Director Jon Waschbusch said.

[Resolution 51-2018](#), "A Resolution Approving Delegation of Fire Management Authority to Greg Fisher, Emergency Manager for Montrose County," was approved unanimously.

Montrose Regional Airport Manager Lloyd Arnold presented a \$1,061,836 [Federal Aviation Administration \(FAA\) grant agreement](#) to the BOCC for possible approval. With a state contribution of \$58,991 and a local match of \$58,991, funds will be used to widen Taxiway C and D Fillets and expand the Terminal Apron. Following questions and brief discussion, the grant agreement was unanimously approved. Due to the timing of the grant, construction may not begin until Spring, Arnold said.

Montrose County Fairgrounds Manager Emily Sanchez asked the BOCC to authorize a [contract close-out in the final re-tainage amount of \\$5,485.09 to All Sound Designs](#), for design and installation of the Event Center sound system.

"They have completed the work to our specifications and satisfaction," Sanchez said. "...we have a warranty, so we'll be able to follow up with them as events come along."

The contract closeout was unanimously approved.

Sanchez also asked the BOCC to approve closeout of a \$62,000 contract with Sport Court of the Rockies, for fabrication and delivery of the temporary floor for the Event Center.

"We received the floor the first week in August, and all appears in order," Sanchez said.

Commissioner Hansen asked, "Have we had an opportunity to put down the floor, pick up the floor, try it out?"

"I anticipate potentially we will have a chance in October to do it," Sanchez said. "If not, we will have to do it the very last week in November."

She noted that all pieces are accounted for, that broken pieces are warrantied, and that the county used its own measurements to order the floor.

Commissioner Rash asked if training was involved, Sanchez noted that the floor snaps together, and that the sides can be trimmed as needed.

"It would be nice to have a trial before we have an event there and we're out there trimming," Hansen said.

Said Caddy, "I am excited about this floor; it is going to increase the usage of this facility and will help us get more people in there for different types of events." "We have confirmed three events in 2019 that will use it," Sanchez said.

The contract closeout was unanimously approved.

The Montrose Memorial Hospital (MMH) Board of Trustees, represented by Mark Rackay, released their semi-annual report to the BOCC.

"I appreciate the professional presentation of this," Hansen said. "The board of



Montrose Memorial Hospital Board of Trustees Chair Mark Rackay presented a semi-annual report to the BOCC.

trustees is an important role in our community and I appreciate the energy that went into this...I can't wait to read it."

Former County Commissioner Ron Henderson requested a summary of the report.

"They have met all the lease requirements," Rackay said. "They have changed the way they invest the funds of the cash on hand; they had their own little turmoil, now they finally have a new CEO. We're still fighting a battle with a temporary CFO. Larry Dupper is supposed to be retired but he is coming in and overseeing everything that we have going on there with him. Things are going along very smoothly—any of the problems we once had are long gone...nothing but good things have been going on."

"I am looking forward to reading it; thank you," Caddy said. The semi-annual report of the MMH Board of Trustees was approved unanimously.

Commissioners entered into Executive Session regarding the contracts for construction of the Events Center and Road & Bridge Facility, and regarding legal advice concerning claims and potential litigation regarding the coroner's office. The executive session concluded at 10:52 a.m.

No decisions were made during the session and no other matters discussed during the executive session, County Attorney Marti Whitmore said.

BOCC Chair Keith Caddy announced that the Sept. 19 meeting will be held on Sept. 18 due to a scheduling conflict.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned.



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CITY TO SELECT DDA DIRECTORS AUG 21, EXECUTIVE SESSION SET FOR POSSIBLE LITIGATION

Mirror staff report

MONTROSE-With a potential liquor license seeking to be located less than 500 feet from Montrose High School, Montrose City Council will discuss Alcohol Set-backs for Schools at the regular [work session of Aug. 20](#).

Other discussion items include Assignment of a Private Activity Bond Bonding Authority; a resolution establishing a Draft Public Safety Sales Tax Committee; expense authorization for Riverbottom Park Restroom construction; and a lease agreement with Tuxedo Corn.

Council will also welcome new six new staffers. Joining the City are Parks & Special Projects Division Workers Derrick Archuleta and Natalie Hunter; IT Technical Support Specialist David Gilmore; Utilities Division Workers Todd Good and Corbin Gerhardt; and Records Clerk Mark Tofflemoyer.

Council will also discuss a Labor Day meeting schedule change.

On Aug. 21, Council will hold executive sessions to discuss matters pertaining to possible litigation and a real estate matter.

On Sept. 4 Council will consider a Montrose Regional Airport Economic Impact Study Report; a workforce housing proposal for Mountain Pines Subdivision; a replacement grant contract with the State Historical Fund for the roof at the Railroad Depot/Historical Museum; and applicant interviews for the City's Historic Preservation Commission.



At the regular City Council meeting of Aug. 21, Council will consider appointing two of three applicants to seats on the Montrose Downtown Development Authority (DDA) Board of Directors. Applicants include Brenton Martinez, Sarah Curtis (right), and Michelle Klippert (left). Photo by Gail Marvel.

On Sept. 18 Council will consider a new liquor license application for Alta.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

At the regular City Council meeting of Aug. 21, Council will consider appointing two of three applicants to seats on the Montrose Downtown Development Authority (DDA) Board of Directors. Applicants include Brenton Martinez, Sarah Curtis, and Michelle Klippert.

Council will consider a new hotel and restaurant liquor license application on behalf of Curiel-3 LLC, doing business as Rio Bravo, to be located at 1544 Oxbow

Drive. Council will consider passing Ordinance 2455 on first reading, disconnecting property at 1680 Chipeta Road from the City. An expense authorization in the amount of \$99,496.23 for the Riverbottom Restroom Design-Build Project will be considered as well. During staff reports Council hear a presentation on results of the City's recent lifestyle enhancement survey; a sales, use, and excise tax report; a second quarter budget review; and a public information officer report. Following staff reports Council will adjourn.



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OPINION/EDITORIAL: LETTERS

CLIMATE CHANGE IS SERIOUS ENOUGH FOR ALL OF US TO GET INVOLVED

Editor:

Good citizenship involves more than simple awareness of isolated facts. It involves connecting the dots and pushing for action. The empirical evidence in front of us in regard to climate change is clear. We are experiencing record seasonal heat with low humidity, a forest beetle epidemic, consequent fires, a shorter and more erratic ski season, ecosystem shift, and drought conditions. The resulting economic impact is only starting to be felt. Why do we keep sitting on our hands and ignoring the implications? We are ignoring questions of "What can we do about it?" and "How can we live with it?"

To not discuss these implications is not only unfathomable, but it is a huge crime to future humanity. Personal efforts are helpful, but we are now to the point where more extensive actions are needed. Besides the effort to keep informed, we need to take effective action. It is helpful to monitor our legislators, keep them informed of our needs, and work with others to show solidarity. Climate change is serious enough for all of us to get involved.

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RE-1J SCHOOL BOARD FACED WITH TEACHER SHORTAGE

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Bachman was not present at the meeting, which began with an update on the new Columbine Middle School. RE-1J Director of Property Services Philip Bailey said that the building has received its temporary certificate of occupancy (TCO). "That's pretty exciting," Bailey said.

RE-1J Board President Tom West reviewed board of education goals for [2017-18](#) and 2018-19.

RE-1J Superintendent Stephen Schiell and Bailey provided a school safety update. "We have put out a request for proposals for a fencing initiative," Bailey said, noting that security has been upgraded at entrances and vestibules throughout the district, and doors with card readers installed. "We have distributed fire extinguishers," Bailey said. "Every classroom now has one."

Schiell reported that 78 percent of district staff have undergone ALICE training for active shooter incidents; West noted that school board members are also encouraged to take ALICE training. "I've trained."

Johnson said that five-foot security fences at some schools have been increased to six feet for increased safety.

Schiell presented his superintendent goals for [2017-18](#), and for [2018-19](#). Elementary schools will focus on a language

arts program this year, he said. "That's a big deal; we want all of our teachers to be trained well."

Director of Instructional Services Jessica Beller presented information on the results of the [Healthy Kids Colorado Survey](#). "We identified [strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats](#)," she said. "We trust the data that we get from this."

The anonymous Healthy Kids Colorado Survey is given every two years to middle and high school students, and will be undertaken again in the fall of 2019, Beller said.

Among the "threats" listed were access to substances and a low perception of the harm caused by vaping and use of marijuana.

PEAK Academy Principal Thomas Godfrey noted that the odorless nature of vaping makes it difficult to ascertain what a student is consuming. "It could be pot," he said. "You can't even smell it."

Olathe High School Principal Scot Brown said that vape products are easily available to youth, and that OHS would have a vaping presentation this Fall. "We suspended lots of students for vaping this year, and their parents came in mad because they had bought it for them," Brown said.

Columbine Middle Principal Ben Stephen-

son said that the vaping trend has spread to middle school students.

RE-1J District B Director Jacob Suppes, a retired police officer, said that no matter what substance students are vaping, it's illegal. "They have to be over age 18 to purchase (vaping supplies)."

Said Montrose High School Principal James Barnhill, "We need to educate parents and our community...obviously vaping is a huge deal."

Beller also noted that, according to the Montrose Suicide Prevention Coalition, 92 people have taken their own lives in Montrose over the past three years. "We are working with the suicide prevention coalition to address this."

In other business, the board of education heard a [report from Early Childhood Center](#) Director Penny Harris, approved [Consent Agenda](#) items, and heard a review of Board Policy Exhibits AC-E3, AC-E4, and AC-E5 (First Reading).

AC-E3, Guidelines Regarding the Support of Students and Staff who are Transgender and/or Gender Nonconforming, was borrowed from the Boulder School District, Schiell said.

"...It's all about our kids; we want 'em all to be safe."

Following the [Personnel report by Pottorff](#), the meeting was adjourned.



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OPINION/EDITORIAL: LETTERS

MONTROSE HAS MORTGAGED THE FUTURE FOR ADULT FUN; WHAT ABOUT THE SAFETY OF OUR YOUTH?

Editor:

In Montrose today it is back to school and we are back at it with security largely like it was in yesteryear---very little or none. That is because a deranged kid or a terrorist will never do it here. Certainly not when the present leaders are on watch.

Like it or not things have changed. Cub Scouts used to carry their knives to school; hunters used to have their rifles in the back window of their truck; we used to leave our house doors unlocked and all was safe. We used to dip pigtails into inkwells; put cherry bombs in rural mail boxes; and have fights on the playground---nobody squealed and nobody got very excited. Not any more. Except in gang fights (rumbles) in the inner city where unless a participant got shot with a zip-gun, no one, except the mob, ever got shot. Yes, things have changed. And unless you have your head in the sand you know the old ways will never, that is never, return to Montrose, to schools or to anywhere else in America.

But if it ever does happen, what will be the toll? In Parkland Florida (where I am sure it would 'never happen') it happened six months ago with the loss of 17 children. It did not happen, until it did. For

those 17 young corpses and their families it did happen where the I am sure the consensus was that it never would. The 'wakeup' was horrendous!

Today at Stoneman Douglas High School, Parkland, Florida the surviving children return to a school that is now surrounded by a 12-foot fence, improved classroom door locks, additional security guards and a school full of security cameras continuously monitored. I would imagine metal detectors at the doors and gates, too. It is amazing what a horse escaping from a barn can do, isn't it?


Maybe we should pay just a little bit of serious attention to this stuff. We may be able to defend against our very own mental deviates and defectives who decide to take out the bullies among them---their personal enemies--- but what about the terrorists that walk our streets and teach little kids to shoot others. One terror-kid in a grade school classroom might only kill one or two with a pistol'. That itself would be a disaster. Worse, he or she goes to school with a bomb in his backpack and explodes kindergarten. From last week's event at the 'camp' (in the news from New Mexico), obviously concentrating only on High School security is asking for something else to happen. We

can easily see that our courts will do little to protect us.

Montrose is a great place to live as long as it does not happen here. We have spent over a hundred million dollars to have a 'Rec Center,' a large Event Center, Friendship Hall and the Pavilion. We seem to want to build an Amphitheater. Largely places for adults to play and be entertained. No security at these. Oh yes we will hire more police for that. If adults are stupid enough to take a chance so be it. But the kids? A mere two cops for all of them and the bond issue for more got put off. We mandate by law that the kids go to school and that the parents send them. We make them go to school every weekday and the kids (and adults) gather at schools for extracurricular functions, ball games and whatnot, but we refuse to make the schools safe. We have mortgaged the future of Montrose for adult entertainment for the next 30 years and left the kids' safety to wave in the breeze. Everything for the adults, nothing for the kids, no wonder they are the self-centered generation. Of course, the children are oblivious to being short-changed.


How can we be so cheap, short-sighted, so ignorant?

Bill Bennett, Montrose



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REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

MONTROSE COUNTY RETURNS TO STAGE 1 FIRE RESTRICTIONS

Special to the Mirror

MONTROSE-The unincorporated areas of Montrose County are returning to Stage 1 Fire Restrictions beginning Aug. 17. Conditions are extremely hot and dry and fuel moisture levels have returned to lower levels. In May, the Board of County Commissioners passed Resolution 2018-30 that authorized the Sheriff, the fire warden for the county, to implement and lift fire restrictions as necessary through the summer months.

"Conditions have once again warranted a return to Stage 1 Fire Restrictions," Sheriff Dunlap. "I would like to express my gratitude to the firefighters and team working the Bull Draw Fire and this is one way that I can continue to help them at a local level. To be clear, the fires in the county so far have been caused by lightening but the restrictions are necessary to eliminate any additional risk to our community."

The restrictions apply to the unincorporated county area and do not include the City of Montrose, Town of Olathe, Town of Naturita, and Town of Nucla. The stage 1 fire restrictions do not allow open burning of any kind to include agricultural burning, open campfires, and fireworks. Smoking cigarettes outdoors is not allowed, unless in an enclosed vehicle or building or in a developed recreation site. Campfires in a pre-approved campground, State Park/KOA, or enclosed fire pits are permitted.

Please be advised that penalties for violating the fire ban include: Class-2 petty offense with fines ranging from \$100 to \$500 depending on the number of offenses. If a fire causes damage to another individual's property, additional criminal charges may apply. These fire restrictions will remain in effect until further notice.



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Stage 1 Fire Restrictions Fact Sheet



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Fires contained within liquid fueled or gas fueled stoves, lanterns, or heating devices.



Target shooting in a safe manner is permitted.



NOT Allowed



The personal use of all fireworks is prohibited.

Any fire or campfire, not within a permanently constructed fire grate in a developed park, campground, private residence, or picnic area.



Smoking, EXCEPT within an enclosed vehicle or building, a developed recreation site, or while stopped in an area of at least six feet diameter that is barren or cleared of all combustible material.

Agricultural burning is not allowed.



Welding or operating acetylene or other torch with open flame EXCEPT in cleared areas of at least 10 ft in diameter and in possession of a chemical pressurized fire extinguisher.

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REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

SMALL BUSINESSES INVITED TO CDOT PROJECT TRADE FAIR

Special to the Mirror

REGIONAL-The Colorado Department of Transportation is partnering with Connect2DOT to host a "Reverse Trade Fair" on Wednesday, September 12 at the Double Tree Hotel in Durango.

"This event is an industry trade fair in reverse," said Kelly Whaley, CDOT Civil Rights Specialist. "Small businesses will have the opportunity to showcase their services to potential prime contractors interested in the upcoming US 550/160 Connection South design-build project. And interested prime contractor teams will have the chance to visit with small businesses, learn about their experiences, skills and the variety of capabilities available within the local small business community."

The day-long event will include a workshop on the design-build process, as well as effective bidding and estimating practices. A complimentary networking lunch will allow participants to meet the CDOT project team and interested prime contractors.

"The day will end with our Reverse Trade Fair, where small businesses can reserve free exhibitor tables," explained Whaley. "But there are a limited number of exhibitor spots and preference will be given to DBE and ESBs."

DBEs and ESBs are Disadvantaged Business Enterprise and Emerging Small Business firms qualified and certified in the special programs. Other business slots will be allocated based upon availability on a first-come, first-serve basis.

EVENT REGISTRATION:

Additional information and online registration for the trade fair is available at <http://www.connect2dot.org/BookingRetrieve.aspx?ID=285426>. Individuals with questions should contact Kelly Whaley at 970-385-1405.

PRE-EVENT WEBINAR:

Participants and exhibitors are encouraged to register for a pre-event webinar on Tuesday, August 28 from 11 a.m. to noon. To register for the webinar visit <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/8709622322462147842>.

REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

REGION 10 LEAP CELEBRATES ITS NEW BUILDING WITH OPEN HOUSE

Special to the Mirror

MONTROSE-The Region 10 League for Economic Assistance & Planning is happy to announce its new location at 145 S Cascade in downtown Montrose and will celebrate the move with an open house on Thursday, Aug. 23, from 4-6 p.m. The open house will feature refreshments and door prizes from the six-county area Region 10 serves. A Chamber of Commerce ribbon cutting will be held at 4:30 p.m. The event is free and open to the public. "We are very excited to be in our new location in the heart of downtown," said Region 10 Executive Director Michelle

Haynes. "We are so appreciative of our partners who made our move possible: City of Montrose, Alpine Bank, the Center for Mental Health, Stryker & Co., and John Renfrow." Earlier this year, Region 10 signed a contract with the Center for Mental Health to trade buildings. "It was the perfect solution—they needed more space and we had more space than we needed," said Haynes. Region 10 owned and operated The Enterprise Center, which provided office space to several nonprofit organizations including Volunteers of America (VOA) organizations, on North Cascade. "As a result of the building trade,

the Center for Mental Health has the space and capacity it needs to provide a very important service in our community, while Region 10 has the ability to focus more on our projects and programs."

Established in 1972, Region 10 is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization offering public programs in support of six counties in western Colorado, including Delta, Montrose, Hinsdale, Gunnison, Ouray, and San Miguel counties. Services include an array of Community Living Services, Small Business Resources, and Regional Development Projects. More information can be found at www.region10.net.



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4,585 sq. ft. on 3 acres



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UNCOMPAHGRE PLATEAU AND GRAND MESA TRANSITION BACK TO STAGE 1 FIRE RESTRICTIONS

Special to the Mirror

DELTA-Beginning Aug. 17, the Plateau Division, north of Highways 62, 141 and 145, of the Uncompahgre National Forest, and the Grand Mesa National Forest, including the Fruita Division will transition back to Stage 1 Fire Restrictions. Fire managers base decisions about fire restrictions on specific fuel moisture measurements in vegetation and other risk factors such as predicted weather and amount of current fire activity. The present state of the Bull Draw Fire indicate that current conditions on the plateau represent a high-level of fire danger. These restrictions will remain in place until further notice.

Stage 1 Fire Restrictions means that the following are **PROHIBITED**:

FIRES, CAMPFIRE, OR STOVE FIRES, in-

cluding, but not limited to, **CHARCOAL GRILLS**, hibachis, and coal or wood-burning stoves. **Exceptions allowed:** Campfires in Forest Service-provided, manufactured fire grates and grills within Forest Service developed campgrounds and picnic grounds. Petroleum fueled stoves or lanterns that use gas, jellied petroleum, or pressurized liquid fuel.

Fully enclosed (shepherd type) stove with a ¼" spark arrester type screen.

SMOKING, except within an enclosed vehicle or building, or in a developed recreation site, or while stopped in an area at least 3 (three) feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable materials.

CHAINSAWS without a Forest Service or SAE approved spark arrester. Operators must be in possession of a chemical pres-

surized fire extinguisher with a minimum rating of 2A and a round-pointed shovel with an overall length of at least 35 inches.

WELDING or operating acetylene or other torch with open flame, except in cleared areas of at least 10 feet in diameter and in possession of a chemical pressurized fire extinguisher with a minimum rating of 2A.

EXPLOSIVES, including fireworks, tracer bullets, and exploding targets.

For more information on prescribed burns, wildfires and fire restrictions on National Forest System lands please call our Fire Information line at 970-874-6602 or visit our website: <http://bit.ly/GMUGFireRestrictions>

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



Courtesy photo Fort Lewis College.

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DURANGO-- More than 400 students were named to Fort Lewis College's Dean's List for the Spring 2018 semester. These students took at least 15 credits of gradable hours and achieved a 3.60 or higher grade point average.

Brayden Reese of Montrose; Reese's major is Accounting.

Sierra Vigil of Montrose; Vigil's major is Biology.

Elise Hill of Montrose; Hill's major is Business Administration.

Danielle Hauger of Montrose; Hauger's major is Educational Studies.

Kyle Freeburg of Montrose; Freeburg's major is Exercise Physiology.

Tabitha Andersen of Nucla; Andersen's major is Writing.

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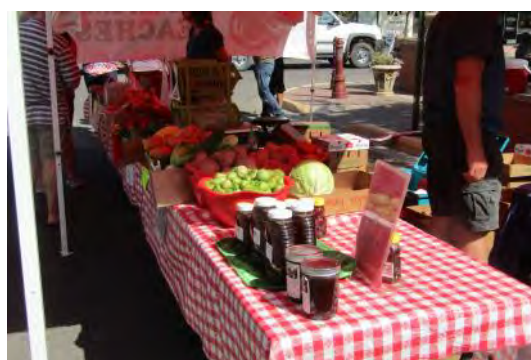


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MIRROR IMAGES...OUT & ABOUT!



Clockwise from top left, carriage rides, food and fun Downtown at the Montrose Farmers Market Aug. 18; below right, the Natural Market in Montrose celebrated the company's 63rd anniversary with a community party on Aug. 16; MHS football players practice Aug. 15; at left K9 Oxx, K9 Roo, and MCSO Sgt. Keith Sanders welcomed fans to Chow Down Pet Supplies as part of Youth Appreciation Day 2018 on Aug. 18.



REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

GMUG EXPANDS BULL DRAW FIRE CLOSURES

Special to the Mirror

DELTA-The Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre and Gunnison (GMUG) National Forests have announced further closures in response to the Bull Draw Fire. The remote blaze, burning 12 miles northwest of Nucla, has reached approximately 27,320 acres and is burning on both the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and Forest Service lands.

Due to the fire's continued encroachment on Forest Service lands, increased fire traffic and the safety of the public and fire personnel, the following area of the Uncompahgre National Forest's Plateau Division will be closed to public access:

- The area bordered on the northeast by NFSR 404 (Divide Forks Road) and to the northwest by NFSR 416 (Rim Road), on the west and southwest by National Forest boundary and NFSR 600 (Windy Point Junction) to 1 mile east of the NFSR 402 (Divide Road) back to the north at NFSR 404 (Divide Forks Road).

The area closure is in addition to an expanded road closure as the Divide Road (NFSR 402), from its junction with Big Creek Road (NFSR 403) south to its junction with Wind Point Junction (NFSR 600) will be closed to public access. These closures are being enacted in the interest of public health and safety. The public's patience and understanding is greatly appreciated on this matter. For questions concerning these emergency closures please call the Grand Valley Ranger District at 970-242-8211. Early season hunters in Unit 61 who may be impacted by the Bull Draw Fire closures are asked to direct their questions to the Colorado Parks & Wildlife Montrose Office at 970-252-6000.

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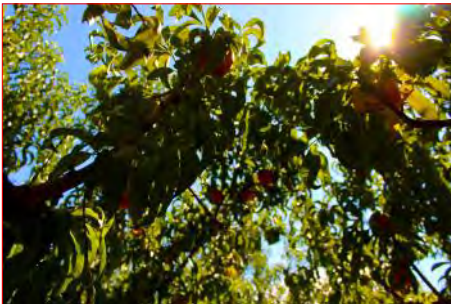
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MIRROR IMAGES...SCENES FROM PALISADE



Photos by Rachel Boschen



Rachel snapped these photos in Palisade over the weekend, where the annual Palisade Peach Festival was in full bloom.



TOWN OF MOUNTAIN VILLAGE CLEAN-UP DAY AND CELEBRATION SET FOR AUG. 25 FROM NOON TO 4 P.M.

Special to Art & Sol

MOUNTAIN VILLAGE – Join Town of Mountain Village's Green Team in cleaning up our trails and ski-runs in Mountain Village, Saturday, Aug. 25 from 12 to 2 p.m. Clean up will be followed by a community-wide party in the Meadows Park, located adjacent from the Meadows parking lot on Adams Ranch Road. Music will be provided by DJ Sunday from 2 to 4 p.m.

Volunteers are asked to arrive by 11:30 a.m. for registration and groups will be assigned an area of clean-up by a Green Team member. Trash bags are provided, and participants are encouraged to bring gloves, wear long pants, comfortable shoes, and park at the Meadows parking lot (carpooling is encouraged!) Fabulous prizes will be awarded for various trash discoveries. Thanks to thoughtful donations from Telluride Ski Resort, Telluride Sports, the Telluride Toggery and others, prizes include a GoPro Hero4, Osprey Exos backpack, Grand Trunk Parachute Hammock, August Ink Sweatshirt and more!

Lunch will be provided for those who attend, please bring reusable plates and cups. The inaugural event is intended to



Join in cleaning up trails and ski-runs in Mountain Village, Saturday, Aug. 25 from 12 to 2 p.m. Courtesy photo.

spread awareness of picking up trash when found, celebrating the beauty of where we live, and taking steps to keep our mountains clean and trash free!

All are welcome to join and take part in

the Community Clean-Up Event. For more information on the event and the Town of Mountain Village's Green Team, please visit townofmountainvillage.com/green-team.

COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS: ARTS & EDUCATION

VOA CAREGIVER TRAINING FOCUSES ON DEMENTIA, ALZHEIMER'S; MORE SESSIONS PLANNED FOR SEPTEMBER, OCTOBER



Mirror staff photo
MONTROSE-Volunteers of America Memory Care Program Director Brandi Garcia taught the Validation method to VOA staffers on Aug. 14-15 at Holiday Inn Express Montrose, as part of the non-profit's on-going efforts to provide exceptional care for residents dealing with dementia or Alzheimer's disease. Garcia is a master level Validation trainer; the Validation method trains caregivers to tune into a person's inner world by helping the patient restore the past, relive good times and resolve past conflicts. Garcia will teach sessions in September and October as well. To learn more visit voahealthservices.org.

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COLORADO NEWS BRIEFS: ARTS & EDUCATION

DU'S STURM COLLEGE OF LAW OFFERS NEW PROFESSIONAL PART-TIME JD PROGRAM

Special to Art & Sol

DENVER-The University of Denver Sturm College of Law transformed its #14-ranked (*U.S. News & World Report*) part-time JD program to make it more accessible to students with competing professional or familial commitments. Effective fall 2018, students admitted into the Professional Part-Time JD Program can complete all of their required courses in a convenient hybrid format, through a combination of state-of-the-art online instruction and weekend on-campus classes.

First-year students enrolled in the new Professional Part-Time JD Program come to Denver on eight weekends each semester for in-class sessions, with the remaining instruction provided online, in an asynchronous format capable of being accessed on each student's own schedule.

Students are taught by full-time faculty members, in a program designed in consultation with a national leader in online legal pedagogy. After completing their first two years of required courses, students can choose from the entire breadth of the Denver Law curriculum, including externships, clinical courses, and a wide range of doctrinal classes offered in a variety of formats. Students also benefit from the law school's full range of scholarships, financial aid and co-curricular programming, including academic support, professional advising, mentoring, and access to a network of roughly 17,000 Denver Law alumni.

"The University of Denver Sturm College of Law has offered a nationally-acclaimed part-time JD program for more than 100 years. Our goal was to make this historic and mission-driven program even more accessible, affordable, and attentive to work-life balance—while, at the same time, preserving its exceptional quality and rigor," said Dean Bruce Smith. "I have met the roughly 35 students in our inaugural cohort and look forward to teaching them this fall. Quite frankly, the academic credentials, professional experience, and geographic reach of our inaugural class exceeded even our loftiest expectations."

Students matriculating in fall 2018 come from a broad range of professional backgrounds, including compliance, education, financial services, government contracts, health care, human resources, social work, and sports management. Several have advanced degrees, in fields ranging from business to engineering to molecular microbiology. Many have extensive records of public service. And while the majority of students live and work in Colorado (including Denver, Boulder, Colorado Springs, Greeley, and Highlands Ranch), the convenient educational format (and ease and affordability of Denver International Airport) has made it possible for students from as far away as Utah, South Carolina, and Texas to attend.

Johnathan Clark, vice president of Workplace Planning and Advice at Fidelity In-

vestments, is one of the students in the inaugural class. He is based out of Salt Lake City, Utah and says he looked at other part-time law programs but found Denver Law's to be the best fit.

"I always liked the idea of earning a JD but didn't think that as a working executive that was possible. When I heard about the format, I was excited because it allows me to continue to progress through my career, while at the same time go to law school," Clark said. "I was accepted to a few other programs, but Denver Law, by far in my opinion, was structured best to fit my schedule." For more information on the Professional Part-Time JD Program, please visit law.du.edu/admissions/about-denver-law/professional-part-time-jd-program, email admissions@law.du.edu or call 303-871-6135.



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Up Bear Creek by Art Goodtimes

Shroomfest sold out



Paul Stamets and Art Goodtimes beside altar at memorial for Gary Lincoff and Dr. Emanuel Salzman, two founders of the Telluride Mushroom Festival who passed this year (photo by Giuliana Furci).



Above right, Art Goodtimes and Giuliana Furci of Chile in overflow crowd at Paul Stamets lecture Friday Aug. 17 at the Telluride Conference Center (photo by Paul Stamets).

PAUL STAMETS ... Over 700 people packed into the Telluride Conference Center Friday Aug. 17 to listen to the amazing mycologist Paul Stamets of Fungi Perfecti in Washington state deliver a lecture on "Psilocybin Mushrooms: Medicinal Mushrooms for the Brain and the Evolution of Consciousness" ... Stamets has been a leader in the effort to demonstrate what the Telluride Mushroom Festival has been all about the last 38 years – that psilocybe mushrooms are powerful medicines and that other mushrooms like agarikon (*Laricifomes officinalis*) hold the key to many revolutionary changes we can make in society. Like saving the disastrous die-off of bees that currently threatens our entire agricultural system. Like overcoming many diseases and debilitating human conditions ... Thanks to the work of John Hopkins University, MAPS (the Multidisciplinary Association for Psychedelic Studies), the Telluride Mushroom Festival and writers like Eugenia Bone and Michael Pollan, we are coming to understand the

stances the culture rejected in the Sixties, when our young people embraced the life-altering properties of many ancient medicines that had been lost – magic mushrooms, ayahuasca, peyote, san pedro ... The list is a long one ... It was only 40 years ago that Western scientists realized fungi were their own kindom [sic], and not a subset of plants. Even to this day most universities, if they have mycology studies, classify them under the Botany Department. Truth is, fungi are closer to animals than plants on the tree of life. And they form a vast mycelial network in the soil that is symbiotically the basis for all plants – which is what paved the way evolutionarily for animal life ... It's a marvelous story, full of extraordinary information. And once a year more and more people are coming to Telluride in August to learn about this little known biological world ... But it's not just data download. It's also a return to our hunter-gatherer history, where attendees go on forays into the mountains to hunt and find mushrooms –

scientific value of entheogenic sub-

an activity our species has been doing for at least a couple hundred thousand years – to collect them, to identify them, to eat them, to use them for medicine and survival ... While the intellectual is a big component of the event, it's not the only one. Lovers of fungi like to have fun. So on Saturday hundreds of fungophiles – young and old -- dressed up like mushrooms and paraded down Telluride's main street in wild costumes, holding signs and chanting: "We Love Mushrooms – Nosotros Amamos Los Hongos" ... The Telluride Mushroom Festival falls every year on the third week of August. Paid events or free events, lectures in halls or professional identification of mushrooms you bring to Elks Park, there's lots of ways to participate for the whole family.

CLUB 20 DEBATES... Just to show how irrelevant Grand Junction's Good Ol' Boy/Girl network plays statewide under the majority thumb of deadweight industrial interests, here's Dem Governor candidate Jared Polis' answer to a reporter's question recently on whether he planned to attend the Western Slope face-off with his Republican counterpart, Walter Son of Stapleton ... [Club 20 Debate?] "I'm not

Up Bear Creek by Art Goodtimes

sure which one that is."

SMOKE GETS IN OUR EYES ... Fires, fires everywhere, and -- of water -- nary a weep ... Well, a few select drops from occasional passing thunderheads masquerading as monsoons ... This may not be the global warming that scientists have been warning us about, but damn it's hot. And dry.

PHIL WOODS ... My Denver poetry buddy sent me this little note recently, and I

thought it was worth sharing ... Was reading [Gary] Snyder tonight and came across this (he's talking about Chinese landscape painting and much more). "... these invented landscapes were somehow true to organic life and the energy cycles of the biosphere. The paintings show us earth surface as part of a living being, on which water, cloud, rock, and plant growth all stream through each other--the rocks under water, waterfalls coming down from above clouds, trees flourishing in air. I overstate to make the point: the cycles of

the biosphere process do just this, stream vertically through each other. The swirls and spirals of micro- and macroclimate ('the tropical heat engine' for example) are all creations of living organisms; the whole atmosphere is a breath of plants, writhing over the planet in elegant feedback coils instructed by thermodynamics and whatever it is that guides complexity. 'Nature by entanglement produces beauty.'" pp. 125-126 *The Great Clod: Notes and Memoirs on Nature and History in East Asia*

THE TALKING GOURD

Art Goodtimes

Let the good times roll.
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That's him. That short gnome
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A mushroom king
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Burning sage around.
Drumming beat comes out.

Let's party.
I'm gonna rock your world.
Mushroom.
This is all I know.

Yeah! That's beautiful.
Keep dancing.
Be cheerful.

Gnomes. Witches.
Fairies
and wizards.
It's very groovy.

A mushroom car. A mushroom head.
A mushroom king
at the mushroom fest.

-Clara Lima Vargas
Brasil

READER PHOTO SPOTLIGHT...DEB REIMANN



Recent photos from Owl Creek...clockwise from top are a twisted stalk; a honeysuckle/twinberry; ferns and fungi; a yellow monkey flower; a yellow aster with insects. Photos by Deb Reimann.



"Eye of newt, and toe of frog ..."



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COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS

HEALTHY RHYTHM WELCOMES THE LOCAL STRANGERS AUG. 25

Special to Art & Sol

MONTROSE, CO- [Healthy Rhythm Music Services](#) Presents "The Local Strangers: Soulful Americana at Healthy Rhythm" Aug. 25, in The Listening Room at Healthy Rhythm Art Gallery, located at historic Sampler Square (68 S. Grand Ave) in downtown Montrose, Colorado! Special guest Chris Mullen will open the evening.

"The Local Strangers have a very unique sound created by two very talented artists and skilled musicians", stated Healthy Rhythm Art Gallery owner/curator Ken Vail. Vail said, "Healthy Rhythm is really looking forward to having the Seattle-based duo perform their special style of Americana in our intimate Listening Room." "Emerging and talented singer-songwriter, Chris Mullen, will open for The Local Strangers," said Vail.

NOTE: A portion of concert proceeds will go to the family of FIVE-year-old brain cancer survivor Emily Reiss to help with medical expenses.

THE LOCAL STRANGERS

Compelling lyrics and rich harmonies have delighted fans of The Local Strangers at sold out venues in the Pacific Northwest and intimate living rooms around the country since 2010. Seasoned by over 20,000 miles of independent touring, Aubrey Zoli and Matt Hart showcase both their powerful duets and raucous 5-piece band with their most ambitious and evocative work so far: the two-disc set *Take What You Can Carry*.

Their second full-length album highlights the band's musical breadth, with eleven

songs recorded in two distinct ways. Disc One features the full band's thunderous drums, complex arrangements, and wailing guitar hooks, while the second disc brings it back to their roots — Aubrey, Matt, and an acoustic guitar, recorded live in front of a captivated audience. *Take What You Can Carry* is a collection of bitter anthems and hopeful refrains, love songs and murder ballads, powerfully delivered in The Local Strangers' dual styles.

Deeply involved in the Seattle music scene since Midwest transplants Matt and Aubrey came together in 2010, the band has grown a supportive and enthusiastic fanbase. *Take What You Can Carry* was recorded at Jupiter Studios in Seattle with Martin Feveyer (Brandi Carlile, Mark Lanegan, Hey Marseilles) and live at the Ballard Homestead with Jonas G. (Allen Stone, Kris Orlowski). The Local Strangers' full band shows feature the collective talent of Mike DeBenedictis on electric guitar and banjo, Shay Childress on bass, and Josh McClung on drums. www.thelocalstrangers.com

CHRIS MULLEN : Special Guest
Chris Mullen is a performer and songwriter from Montrose, Colorado. Over the course of a decade, he has built a portfolio of original music consisting of 4 EPs, 1 full-length album, and a few singles aside from a deep well of unrecorded material. Chris'



The Local Strangers. Courtesy photo.

music is built off of lyrical depth and strong vocal melodies that are both thoughtful and accessible.

His songs are rooted in who he is, and what he believes. It does not appear that he is slowing down either, with two releases in the last year and at least one planned for later in 2018.

www.chrismullen.bandcamp.com

Advance Studio GA and Main Gallery Reserved Seats are \$8 and \$13 at the Gallery. Online purchase is available at www.healthyrhythm.net. Space is limited to 50 concertgoers.

Advance purchase is recommended. This is a ticketless show. Doors open at 7 p.m. Show starts at 7:30 p.m. Street and rear lot parking are available. Admission is \$2 more Day of Show.

HEAR THE UNKNOWN STORIES OF MONTROSE ON HISTORIC WALKING TOUR...

Special to Art & Sol

MONTROSE-There are only two "Legends and True Tales" walking tours left for this year, so come and enjoy the "Unknown Stories of Downtown Montrose" on Aug. 24, starting at 6 pm. This short walk will take you to the alleys of our historic downtown where you will learn the locations of our first jails and courthouse. Along with the some of the stories of our famous visitors who had "come" to town to work, live or visit. Be sure to join us for some of the unknown stories that have happened behind the closed doors in our historical buildings, the cost is \$8/person, and space is limited. Please call 249-2085 for reservations or information.

Save the Date! Upcoming Regional Events

CURRENT/ONGOING-

DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS meeting every 3rd Thursday at 6 p.m. at Friendship Hall in Montrose. All veterans with at least a 10 percent service connected disability are welcome. For more information call [\(970\)964-4375](tel:9709644375).

MONTROSE TOASTMASTERS

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

MONTROSE HISTORICAL MUSEUM-"Montrose County Historical Society Presents" is held at 7 pm on the first Wednesday of each month in the Pioneer Room of Friendship Hall, 1001 N. 2nd St. The public is invited to free programs based on topics of regional history. For more information please call 249-2085.

MONTROSE COUNTY GOP MEETING

6:30 p.m. second Thursday of each month.

MC-GOP Headquarters at 242 E. Main.

Information: 970-765-7406

MONTROSE COUNTY REPUBLICAN WOMEN MEETING

Noon - third Fridays.

Hampton Inn, [1980 North Townsend Ave.](#)

Information: Dianna 970-249-0724

MONTHLY-

Aug. 20-10 a.m. – Free Children's Concert, San Juan Chamber MusicFest – Sherbino Theater, 604 Clinton Street, Ridgway. Free concert for children and their families.

Aug. 21-5 p.m. – Salon Concert, San Juan Chamber MusicFest – Private home in Ridgway. Tickets \$95. Information at www.ocpag.org.

Aug. 23-The Region 10 League for Economic Assistance & Planning is happy to announce its new location at 145 S Cascade in downtown Montrose and will celebrate the move with an open house on Thursday, Aug. 23, from 4-6 p.m.

Aug. 24--7:30 p.m. Ridgway State Park, "Geology of Ridgway State Park and Dam" by geologist, Jon Mitchell.

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Aug. 25-9:30a.m. Ridgway State Park Nature Detectives "*Native American crafts and food*". Make cordage from yucca leaves, and string a necklace with "ghost beads," plus some games!

Aug. 26-3rd Annual Log Hill Hustle 5K 10K Fun Run On the Mesa Sunday, August 26, 7 am registration, 8 am start. Register at www.FortunaTierra.com.

Sept. 1-Ridgway State Park, 9 a.m. "**Hunger Games**" Archery. Ages 8 and up. We will have gear and volunteers on hand plus smaller equipment for those under 8!!

Sept. 1-7:30 p.m. Ridgway State Park-A celebration of "**Fall Migration**" The history of bird banding at Ridgway State Park, entities involved and pictures of volunteers and birds! By park naturalist and bird banding volunteers!

Sept. 2-Ridgway State Park, 7:30p.m. "*Advocates for Wilderness*" Robyn Cascade will talk about the "Great Old Broads (and Bros) For Wilderness" and the work they do across the country protect wilderness areas.

Sept. 6-Join us for a fascinating presentation on Georgian wine, on Sept. 6 at Colterris at the Overlook, 3548 E ½ Rd., Palisade! The Kvevri wine making method was recently added to UNESCO's "Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity" list.

Sept. 6-7 p.m. Ridgway State Park, "Hawks and Owls" live demonstration with a Golden Eagle, Great-horned owl, and Harris Hawk by Natures Educators. Meet at the overlook!

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.

Sept. 8-7:30a.m. – 12p.m. Ridgway State Park "Public Bird Banding," bridge at Dallas Creek and Uncompahgre confluence. Visit with volunteers and the bird bander plus see some birds get measured, weighed, and banded.

Sept. 8-Ridgway State Park, 7 p.m. "Archeology of the Southwest" by Glade Hadden, popular archeologist and speaker.

Sept. 15-16-Tribute to Aviation at Montrose Regional Airport, 9am to 4pm.

Sept. 15 - Museum of the Mountain West presents "Romancing the West," a journey through the trials and triumphs of the people of the west, celebrating their diverse cultures, lives and legacy from the Old West through the Great Depression, The Golden Age of Hollywood, and into the Modern West. Performances by Romancing the West's Cowboy Poet/Balladeer Butch Martin and Singer and Songwriter Christina Lynn Martin.

Sept. 15-Ouray Ice Park – Uncompahgre River Canyon Cleanup & BBQ, Saturday, Sept. 15, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Join the Ouray Ice Park and Uncompahgre Watershed Partnership volunteers to pick up litter and debris in the ice climbing areas of the Uncompahgre River Canyon in Ouray. Then, enjoy a BBQ party to celebrate our efforts. For info: <http://www.uncompahgrewatershed.org/events/>

Sept. 17-18- Delta County Economic Development are hosting their 2nd Annual E2 Energy Conference. Sept. 17 & 18, 2018 in Paonia. Sept. 17 will be a special kick-off event, Spark Tank at the Paradise Theatre in Paonia. Starts at 4pm. (FREE). Sept. 18th is the Conference, which takes place at the Energy Tech in Paonia. Registration on line, \$60 for the whole conference, student rates available. Please visit: <https://engagedeltacounty.org/2018-conference/> for more information and a link back to registration/sponsorship options.

Oct. 6-7-41st Annual Cedaredge AppleFest in Cedaredge.

Oct. 10-14-Montrose Visual Arts Guild 27th Annual Art & Exhibition Sale Oct. 10 – 14 @Camelot Gardens. Public Viewing: Thursday, Oct. 11; Friday, Oct. 12 and Saturday, Oct. 13 from 10 am to 5 pm; Sunday, Oct.14 from 10 AM to 2 pm.

Nov. 5--The 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.

STUDENTS, PARENTS GET SET FOR SCHOOL!



At left, MHS teacher Rebecca Schwerdtfeger welcomed teachers and students to the Montrose High Library for orientation Aug. 16. Above right, athletes from the MHS Football team ran wind sprints last week to get prepared for the upcoming season.

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