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TELLURIDE HORROR SHOW WELCOMES FANS FOR WEEKEND OF FUN, FRIGHT, WORLD CLASS FILM

By Caitlin Switzer

TELLURIDE-Wondering what there is to do this weekend? With brisk weather and bright foliage, Western Colorado offers plentiful choices for outdoor Autumn fun. But if you actually prefer sitting in a darkened room and enjoying a good scare—with plenty of popcorn—you may want to head to the wildly popular Telluride Horror Show, now in its ninth year.

The Telluride Horror Show appeals to lovers of the horror movie genre, with a location that can't be beat. Fort Collins resident Claire Clemens said that she loves to attend the festival each year because watching horror movies is something that she and her partner have always done together.

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The 2018 Telluride Horror Show will take place October 12-14th in Telluride. As part of this year's festival, 2018 guest authors Robert Johnson and Paul Tremblay will read from their acclaimed horror stories in Elks Park on Friday night, Oct. 12. Courtesy photo Telluride Horror Show.

CITY APPROVES CABLE FRANCHISE WITH DMEA



Montrose Mayor Roy Anderson, far left, smiles for the camera with the newly-appointed members of the City's Youth Council, as City Director of Innovation and Citizen Engagement Virgil Turner looks on. In addition to 2018 Youth Council appointments, City Council unanimously approved a new cable television franchise with Delta Montrose Electric Association (DMEA).

By Caitlin Switzer

MONTROSE-The City of Montrose convened for a regular meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 2. All counselors were present for the meeting.

2018-19 YOUTH COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS

Before making the annual appointments to the City of Montrose Youth Council, Mayor Roy Anderson apologized for leaving appointee Kellie Sandoval's name off the list that was included in the [City Council meeting packet](#).

Resolution 17-2018 appoints the following to youth council: Alejandra Tapia; Claire Wilson; Harrison Hall; Jenna Holyfield; Kylie Lange; Mari Wilson; Olivia Haga; Rheannon Allen; Kellie Sandoval; Sage

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ANSWERING THE CALL: MPD PATROL OFFICER LANDON BECK

By Gail Marvel

MONTROSE-Montrose Police Department (MPD) Patrol Officer Landon Beck was raised in Watertown, Wisconsin. Beck worked as a paramedic in St. Louis for 15 years, did a stint as a flight-paramedic, and for a short time was a part-time fire fighter as well as a volunteer firefighter. He said, "As a kid I always wanted to be a firefighter, paramedic and a police man. I did the first two...fire fighter and the paramedic. I guess I never kicked the idea of being a police officer. I'd worked alongside of them in my other jobs and that attracted me."

Beck was drawn to Colorado because of the beautiful scenery and the outdoor opportunities like fishing and hiking. He said, "Before coming to Colorado, I did research on police academies throughout the state. On paper and on the website Grand Junction looked like they had the right stuff and a more respectable academy to go to."

The MPD sponsored Beck to attend the Grand Junction Police Academy. Beck recalled, "For me the time investment was the hardest part of the academy. You put in 10 to 12-hour days, seven days a week. I had a girlfriend, a home and the academy...there was no "me time." Beck has been with MPD since December 2017.

In the area of specialized training Beck is POST certified [Colorado Peace Officer Standards and Training] in Arrest and Control Tactics and has numerous certifications as a paramedic.

The most stressful aspect of Beck's job, "I was a paramedic for so long that I was comfortable in my career. Starting all over



MPD Patrol Officer Landon Beck. Photo by Gail Marvel.

as a know-nothing employee was stressful...but I enjoy my new role." While Beck is content as a patrol officer he doesn't rule out climbing the career ladder. He said, "At some point detective seems like it would be an enjoyable position. It's a pleasure to have the opportunity to work here."

Considering the most enjoyable part of his job Beck said, "Being able to be out and about and interact with people. I'm not stuck in a building, in an office and at a desk. Granted, there are days that that happens, but it's not typical. You tend to get out every day for sure." The least enjoyable aspect is the volume of paperwork, "It's safe to say that a good solid day can result in three to four hours of paperwork."

In working with citizens Beck identified communication as a skill set strength, "I

have the ability to talk to people like a normal person. I don't talk to them like a cop." Beck credits his paramedic career with helping him to not only talk, but to also listen. He said, "I can't personally relate to a felon or a criminal, but I've seen a lot of it and that helps me relate better to the situation. I have empathy for people in those situations."

When asked if he had a humorous incident he could share with readers Beck laughed and said, "Not that you could put on paper. Some people just don't get our humor."

Beck enjoys spending off-duty time with his girlfriend and doing outdoor activities such as hiking and fishing. He said, "Fly fishing is a new passion of mine since I've moved here."

Beck's message to citizens is short and simple, "[Obey the law!](#)"



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TELLURIDE HORROR SHOW WELCOMES FANS FOR FRIGHTFUL FUN, WORLD CLASS FILMS From pg 1

"The Telluride Horror Show is something that uniquely appeals to those of us who are into the niche, and it is a really spooky place to have this festival," Clemens said. "You've got this big, scary, mountain thing going on in the background, and sometimes we see bears while walking to and from the night movies--right there in the middle of town, just doing their bear thing."

Also, "The Telluride Horror Show gets really good movies," Clemens said. "We get to see some of the best scary movies before they become available to the general public; and some of the movies we have seen at the festival are never shown anywhere else, that we can see. "It's worth it if you are into the genre like we are."

The festival, which draws guests not only from across Colorado but from around the nation and around the world, takes place Oct. 12-14. All venues are located within walking distance of one another in Telluride. This year's guest director is Stephen

Chiodo, who joins the 2018 Telluride Horror Show for a special 30th anniversary presentation of his *Killer Klowns from Outer Space*.

In addition to an unparalleled lineup of more than 20 feature films and 50 short films, the [2018 Telluride Horror Show](#)

features an ice cream social, a pig roast, and book signings with guest authors Jeremy Robert Johnson and Paul Tremblay, who will also read from their acclaimed horror stories in Elks Park on Friday night, Oct. 12.

Other events include a killer karaoke party;



Mirror file photo by Barton Glasser.

ty; virtual reality experience, "Delusion: Lies Within," directed by Jon Braver; a horror trivia podcast presented by Who Goes There Podcast; and a closing party at the Last Dollar Saloon.

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CITY APPROVES YOUTH COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS FOR 2018, DMEA CABLE FRANCHISE From pg 1

Wilber – Ad Hoc Member; Kathi Pest – Ad Hoc Member. Interviews for candidates were conducted on Sept. 18; on Oct. 2, each was asked to stand as his or her name was read into the record.

"Kathi is an exchange student from Germany," Anderson said, and noted that Holyfield would serve as representative to the City Council during the meeting.

[Youth Council appointments](#) were unanimously approved.

CALL FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

No comment was heard from the public concerning non-agenda items.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Council voted unanimously to approve [minutes of the Sept. 18, 2018](#) regular meeting.

REVISED ORDINANCE 2410-FIRST READING

Ordinance 2410 is a revised version of an ordinance previously approved by Council, opting into a Colorado statute that allows liquor tastings, City Attorney Stephen Alcorn said.

"It ended up being extremely popular throughout the state and with our liquor stores that allowed tastings."

The City's ordinance is now out of compliance with changes made at the state level, he said.

Alcorn reviewed the changes; tastings are now allowed 156 days of the year. "They have pretty much doubled the number of days."

Following a public hearing in which no comment was received, Council unanimously passed [Ordinance 2410](#) on first reading.

ORDINANCE 2457-FIRST READING

Ordinance 2457 concerns a cable franchise agreement between the City of Montrose and Delta Montrose Electric Association (DMEA). City Director of Innovation and Citizen Engagement Virgil Turner presented information on the agreement, which he called, "A product of many months' deliberations between

DMEA and Council."

As right-of-way holder, the City of Montrose must be approached by any provider interested in obtaining a franchise agreement. "...There's a lot to it," Turner said.

"This is not our only franchise agreement with cable television; we currently have a franchise with an incumbent provider.

"The franchise agreement must be equitable among those competitive companies."

The incumbent franchise comes up for renewal soon, he said. "The City will receive three percent of gross revenues from operators of cable television systems in our right-of-way...it's an important source of revenue for our City."

The City has requested a public education/government channel such as it has with the incumbent provider (Charter Communications Channel 191), Turner said. "It's an important thing we'll be receiving from DMEA." Customer service standards concerning cable franchise operators are taken from the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and are extensive. "We felt the FCC standards currently in place for customer service obligations had enough meat and would serve our citizens well."

At the request of Attorney Stephen Alcorn, Turner explained the difference between the product offered by the incumbent provider and that being offered by DMEA.

"It's a true fiber optic network," Turner said. "I would say it is definitely a different offering; they will only be offering high definition...it's a competitive market now."

Jenna Holyfield asked whether the channels are all local or if others are included.

"Anything you would expect to be on a cable television lineup, you'll be able to have," Turner said.

DMEA Board Chair Bill Patterson spoke to Council. "What we're offering is the same type but we're hoping to have a better selection...it does require more customer service and we intend to fulfill that."

Those who answer the phones at DMEA's cable franchise will not be from a call center, but will be local, he said. "We are looking forward to working with the City of Montrose."

[Ordinance 2457](#) passed unanimously on first reading.

PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER REPORT

City Manager Bill Bell deferred to Mayor Anderson, who said that the City has received 12 applications for its Public Safety Citizens Advisory Committee. "Yesterday we interviewed seven for the historic preservation committee," he said, "And one person has applied for the Planning Commission."

"I encourage folks to think about contributing to your community by serving on the Planning Commission."

Anderson also complimented Office of Business & Tourism staffer Kelly Rhoderick for her work with Youth Council, and Holyfield for her participation in the meeting.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilor Barbara Bynum promoted the weekly forum at Heidi's Brooklyn Deli, "DART will be giving a presentation; come to the Forum at Heidi's Deli."

Councilor Judy Ann Files spoke about attending a joint emergency operations planning meeting with staff and officials from Montrose County and Montrose Memorial Hospital. "We had an interesting day working together as partners."

Files also mentioned a Colorado Municipal League (CML) meeting held in Telluride. "We toured the Gondola," she said, adding that it was a tour of the actual workings of the gondola and not a fun ride on the same.

Councilor Dave Bowman shouted a compliment to the *Montrose Daily Press* for sports coverage, and to Montrose High Schools' undefeated football and golf teams.

He praised the MHS band's performance in Grand Junction, and Storm King Distillery for winning a silver medal award for their gin.



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COUNTY BUDGET MEETING SLATED FOR OCT. 10

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MONTROSE- The Montrose Board of County Commissioners invites the public to the annual Public Budget Meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 10 at 5:30 pm. As part of a county budget process, the county meets annually for the County Manager's budget presentation to the board. County Manager Ken Norris and the county's finance team, led by Director Cindy Dunlap

and Assistant Director Lanny Paulson, have been meeting for months with elected officials, division directors, and department heads to fine-tune operations budgets, discuss capital and personnel requests for 2019, and more. The result is the county manager's draft budget that is presented to the board for consideration. The board will then repeat the same budget meetings with division directors

and elected officials in order to ask questions and make cuts as needed.

"I am proud of the work of my team in preparing this comprehensive budget," said County Manager Ken Norris. "The budget guides the actions of the county for 2019 and provides an opportunity for the commissioners to prioritize projects based on our core services."

The public budget meeting will be held on Oct. 10 at the board room at 161 South Townsend Ave. In the past, the meeting has been hosted at the Pioneer Room, but moving the location to the current board room will offer live and on-demand streaming video options. For more information, please visit www.montrosecounty.net.

CITY ANNOUNCES
COLUMBUS DAY CLOSURES

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MONTROSE – The City of Montrose will be closed Monday, Oct. 8 in observance of Columbus Day. City Hall, the Downtown Visitor Center, Municipal Court, Animal Shelter, Montrose Pavilion and the City Shop will all be closed. Police Department offices will be closed, however, officers will be on duty and responding to calls.

The Black Canyon Golf Course will be open that day.

The trash collection schedule has been modified. For residences south of San Juan Avenue and U.S. Highway 50, pickup will occur Tuesday, Oct. 9. For residences north of San Juan Avenue and U.S. Highway 50 trash pickup will occur on Wednesday, Oct. 10. The city's recycling collection normally scheduled for Oct. 9 will be picked up Friday Oct. 12. For more information contact City Hall at 240.1400.



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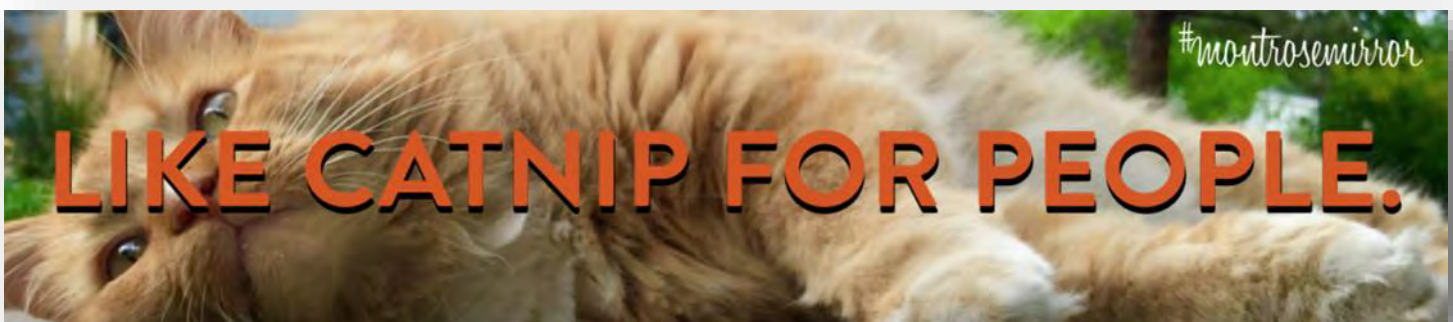
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CPW REMINDS PEOPLE TO REMAIN BEAR AWARE DURING HYPERPHAGIA - A BEAR'S TIME TO PACK ON POUNDS



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COLORADO-With autumn officially upon us, Colorado Parks and Wildlife reminds residents and visitors that bears have entered a phase called hyperphagia, an instinctual need to consume as many as 20,000 calories a day in preparation for hibernation. With bears now firmly in this "feeding frenzy" period, it is especially important to bearproof your homes and cars when in bear country. During hyperphagia, CPW often sees an increase in bear-human conflict reports. That's because bears are currently foraging for food up to 20 hours a day, compared to the 2-4 hours of active foraging during spring and summer months. They are also focused on building up their fat reserves ahead of the winter. This need to store fat also brings changes to a bear's preferred food sources, shifting from a summer diet of insects, leaves, and plants to a higher fat, higher carbohydrate diet of fruits and nuts. Given the amount of fat and carbs found in items like pet food, birdseed and food scraps in our trash, bears are more likely to let their need for calories override their innate wariness of humans once this calorie drive kicks in. "It's important for people to remember that they need to keep bearproofing their homes and vehicles in the fall," said Matt Yamashita, district wildlife manager with CPW. "The weather cooling down doesn't mean that bear season is over; in fact, we always tell people to keep up the good habits you made spending time outdoors

all summer. Keep your trash secure, don't feed birds until well into the winter, and keep anything with a scent out of your cars. You actually help save bears by staying bear aware throughout the fall." Properly bearproofing your home may include several of the recommended steps below:

Keep Bears Out

Close and lock all bear-accessible windows and doors when you leave the house, and at night before you go to bed.

Keep car doors and windows closed and locked if you park outside. Make sure there's nothing with an odor in your vehicle, including candy, gum, air fresheners, food wrappers, lotions and lip balms. Close and lock garage doors and windows at night and when you're not home; garage doors should be down if you are home but not outside.

Install extra-sturdy doors if you have a freezer, refrigerator, pet food, bird seed, or other attractants stored in your garage. Remove any tree limbs that might provide access to upper-level decks and windows. Replace exterior lever-style door handles with good quality round door knobs that bears can't pull or push open.

Get Rid of Attractants

Don't leave trash out overnight unless it's in a bear-proof enclosure or container. Be sure to research all local ordinances and regulations if vacationing.

Take time to clean your garbage cans to keep them odor-free; ammonia serves as both a cleaner and a bear deterrent. Don't store food of any kind in an unlocked garage, flimsy shed or on or under your deck.

Don't leave anything with an odor outside, near open windows or in your vehicle, even if you're home. That includes scented candles, air fresheners, lip balms and lotions.

Only feed birds when bears are hibernating. If you want to feed birds when bears are active, bring in seed or liquid

feeders at night or when you leave home, and regularly clean underneath them. Thoroughly clean your grill after every use, ensuring grease and odors are burned off. Pick fruit from fruit trees before it gets ripe, and do not allow fallen fruit to rot on the ground.

Remind Bears They're Not Welcome

If a bear comes close to your home, haze it away. Loud noises like a firm yell, clapping your hands, banging on pots and pans or blowing an air horn should send bears running.

Utilize electric fencing, unwelcome mats and scent deterrents like ammonia to teach bears that your property is not bear-friendly.

If a bear enters your home, open doors and windows and ensure it can leave the same way it got in. Don't approach the bear or block escape routes.

Never approach a bear. If a bear won't leave, call your local CPW office. If a bear presents an immediate threat to human safety, call 911.

"Easy access to food makes bears more comfortable in an area, more willing to push the boundaries of their natural risk-benefit instinct. If you needed to pack on the pounds and were eating up to 20,000 calories a day, finding a neighborhood alley with trash cans and dumpsters is a lot easier than hunting around for nuts and berries," Yamashita said. "We want to avoid situations where bears become comfortable around humans at all costs. It's up to all of us to help our bears stay wild and we just ask everyone to do your part and prevent bears from becoming too familiar with your house and neighborhood."

Colorado Parks and Wildlife has several resources available that can help you find the right methods for protecting your home and property while bears are most active. For additional information, see our [Living with Bears page](http://cpw.state.co.us/bears) or visit cpw.state.co.us/bears.

REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

MMH CELEBRATES COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP AT FALL CLINICS EVENT



Tom Barrett with family. Tom was recognized at the MMH Fall Clinics event for his outstanding service to the Hospital and community. Courtesy photo.



Dr. Mindy Miller was named Physician of the Year at the MMH Fall Clinics event for her leadership and community service. Courtesy photo.

service activities and years of service. Dr. Mary Vader highlighted the many accomplishments of this year's recipient, Dr. Mindy Miller. Dr. Miller has been active in the Hospital for 21 years seeing patients, delivering babies, chairing committees and covering the Acute Rehab Unit. Dr. Miller was a volunteer physician for the Montrose Medical Mission, and volunteers for international medical missions. Dr. Miller is married to Eric Weig and they have two children, son Mason, and daughter Jordan.

The Fall Clinics is an annual educational conference for medical professionals, attracting providers both local and out of state. This year's conference speakers included Dr. Sarah Allen, Professor of Medicine at the University of New Mexico; Dr. Michael Myers, Professor of Clinical Psychiatry at the SUNY Downstate Medical Center; Dr. Ryan Aleong, Associate Professor of Cardiology and Director of Lead Extraction Program at University of Colorado Hospital; and Dr. Anna Lembke, Chief of Addiction Medicine Dual Diagnosis Clinic at Stanford University School of Medicine. The event serves as an opportunity to recognize Montrose's leaders in the medical community.

Special to the Mirror

MONTROSE-At the 47th annual Fall Clinics event, the medical community recognized several for their outstanding contributions to the Hospital, the Medical Staff and the community. The Community honoree is chosen for outstanding service to the Hospital and community. Dr. Mary Vader, representing the Fall Clinics Committee, recognized Tom Barrett. Tom developed the Grin and Barrett Butt kicker 120 Bike Ride into an annual event that has emerged as the signature of the Caring Friends Fund.

The Caring Friends Fund provides assistance for cancer patients in non-medical, supportive ways that are not often considered – some examples include providing a wig, a house payment, a gas card, or a massage. The fund emerged from his own illness and treatment to benefit the ultimate "pay it forward" for many in our community. Tom is married to Kristy and they have three grown children, Landon, Krisana, and Derek. The "Physician of the Year" is chosen based on the on-going contribution to quality medical care, medical staff and hospital activities, community

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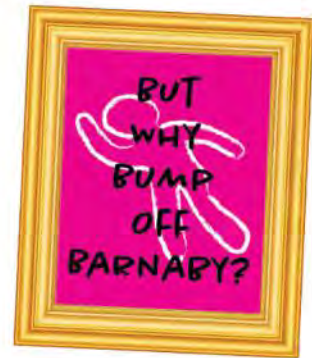


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Oak Grove Elementary School students Spencer Leggett, fourth grade; and Nizy Espinoza, fifth grade, wait with Principal Dana Carpenter to address the BOCC.

By Caitlin Switzer

MONTROSE-The Montrose Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) welcomed citizens of all ages, including Oak Grove Elementary School Principal Dana Carpenter and two Oak Grove students, to the [regular BOCC meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 3.](#)

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

No citizens stepped forward to speak during the time for public comment.

CONSENT AGENDA

At the request of County Manager Ken Norris, Consent Agenda Item 5, consideration of acceptance of the 2018 gravel crushing project, was moved to General Business & Administrative as Item D 6.

The Consent Agenda was accepted unanimously.

GENERAL BUSINESS & ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

Commissioners voted unanimously to appoint Sheena Yehling to the Montrose Memorial Hospital Board of Trustees for a five-year term to expire Oct. 3, 2023, and swore Yehling onto the board.

"I am happy to see this going through on our agenda," BOCC Vice Chair Roger Rash said. "I appreciate all of the board members—I see we have a few of 'em here—

their hard work and dedication has been paramount in getting to where we're at today in overcoming some struggles that were in the past. I am proud of the work they do; this is a good day."

RESOLUTION 56-2018

Also approved unanimously was [Resolution 56-2018](#), presented by County Government Affairs Director Jon Waschbusch. "Montrose County has partnered with [Oak Grove Elementary School](#)," Waschbusch said, "to complete and submit a grant application to Great Outdoors Colorado for new playground equipment at Oak Grove School."

BOCC Vice Chair Roger Rash is an Oak Grove alum, he pointed out.

Also addressing the BOCC were guests of honor: Oak Grove students Spencer Leggett, fourth grade; and Nizy Espinoza, fifth grade.

Said Leggett, "The reason we are here is because we want to ask you if you can help us improve Oak Grove's playground. The reason we need your help is because Oak Grove has been around for a long time and the equipment is getting old.

"We need usable equipment for special needs kids. We have broken equipment

that is boarded over for safety reasons," Leggett said. "We have worked hard to raise money through fundraisers the last few years but still need to get this new equipment for our school."

Said Espinoza, "Our playground needs to be improved on because there is some dangerous stuff in the playground that should be removed and improved on so our playground could be funner and good.

"Also, there's a lot of trees falling down and we would like to get that fixed," she said. "Some of the monkey bars, the paint is coming off, and also with the gymnastic bars. Kids are helping by last year our school raised \$10,000; this year we are planning to raise \$12,000. They have also helped by keeping the playground clean."

Waschbusch read the Resolution, a requirement of GOCO, into the record.

Commissioner Sue Hansen said, "The playground's really in disrepair? If it's been around since Commissioner Rash was there? I think Commissioner Rash ought to be involved in that playground construction project when we put it up."

"I bet all the commissioners would come out after we get it built, maybe we'll have a celebration," Rash said, and commended the students. "Thank you two for your public service; it's really outstanding for you to get up there and speak in public."

RESOLUTION 57-2018

Montrose County's historic courthouse at 320 South First Street [now has a bronze plaque](#) showing that it is listed on the National Register of Historic places. County resident Phyllis Alleman preserved and nominated the courthouse, which was placed on the register in 1994, said County Media Relations Manager Katie Yergensen, who presented Resolution 57-2018 to the BOCC.

"Mrs. Alleman actually paid for and purchased this plaque out of her own funds. I think that is extremely noteworthy. It's a very large contribution to our community and to historic preservation of our courthouse," Yergensen said.

She invited Mrs. Alleman to speak.

"It took me three years to get this on the register," Alleman said. "That building is beautiful. The guys that built that back

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then took pride in what they were doing... please keep it preserved, because it will last forever if it's taken care of...it's one of the prettiest buildings in Montrose."

The courthouse was constructed in 1922.

"I want to thank you for paying for that yourself...I am proud to have you as a citizen here in Montrose that is willing to also give and not just get," Hansen said.

Rash also thanked Alleman, and said, "Thank you so much for going out and doing that for us; it is one of our priorities to refurbish that courthouse and it's actively being pursued right now as we speak."

"I have ten great-grandchildren, and I said it'll be there some day," Alleman said.

"...we're going to preserve it for all our grandchildren...history's important and preserving it's absolutely paramount to this board," Rash said.

[Resolution 57-2018](#) was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION 58-2018

Following a brief presentation by Waschbusch, Commissioners unanimously approved [Resolution 58-2018](#), revising the Montrose County Personnel Policy Manual, setting paid holiday hours back to eight hours per employee per holiday.

"We wanted to be fair to all employees," Rash said. "This is setting the record right and being fair not only to all the employees but to the taxpayers themselves."

Waschbusch read the resolution into the record.

RESOLUTION 59-2018

County Engineer Keith Laube presented [Resolution 59-2018](#), to demolish a residential structure and accessory buildings at the LaSalle Gravel Pit. Laube noted the structures are currently of no use to the County, and there were no responses to a solicitation for bids.

"The next step is to move forward with demolition," Laube said, and read Resolu-



The Montrose Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) poses for a photo with Phyllis Alleman, who has purchased a bronze plaque for Montrose County's historic courthouse.

tion 59-2018 into the record. Cost of demolition is not to exceed \$50K, according to the resolution.

"We have been working on this for about a year," Rash said, and said that the Montrose County Housing Authority explored the possibility of moving the structure to a new site, but the effort was found to be "not fiscally responsible."

Rash thanked Laube and crews for their help; "We have exhausted all avenues trying to save these structures; I think we're at the point now where, because it's a safety hazard, it does need to be removed," Rash said. "We've had issues with kids breaking into it and nefarious things going on inside this structure. I think it's time that we get it done, get it off the property before we have something tragic happening."

Resolution 59-2018 was approved unanimously.

2018 GRAVEL CRUSHING CONTRACT

The final item, acceptance of the [2018 gravel crushing project](#), was also unanimously approved.

According to Laube, the \$437,795 project was awarded to Western Gravel of Montrose on Dec. 20, 2017.

The project was completed six days late of the contract completion date of Aug. 31, 2018. In lieu of liquidated damages, Western Gravel crushed additional material. Notice of final payment has been published and the retainer in the amount of \$21,889.69 will be released to Western Gravel.

In other business, the BOCC reconvened as the Montrose County Liquor Licensing Authority to approve a [3.2 beer or retail liquor license renewal for Cedar Bowl Three Coins in Nucla](#).

The BOCC reconvened, and with no further business, the meeting was adjourned.





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CHINN'S RETIREMENT ANNOUNCED, CITY COUNCIL HEARS UPDATE ON CMU MONTROSE



Above, CMU Scholarship recipients Emani Baltazar and Daniel Nieto; at right, (front row) Montrose Police Chief Tom Chinn, whose retirement is official Nov. 1.



By Caitlin Switzer

MONTROSE-Montrose City Council met for a work session at City Council Chambers on Monday, Oct. 1. As Council, staff and guests enjoyed boxed lunches and beverages, Mayor Roy Anderson expressed appreciation for the cool, wet weather. "It's the first rainy day work session in a long time."

Council conducted interviews with four applicants for the newly-created Historic Preservation Commission: Ian Atha (realtor); John Elie (architect); Jon Horn (archaeologist); and Bob Stollsteimer (Historian, volunteer, retired architectural engineering technician). Applicants were asked to wait outside of Council chambers until it was their turn. All four offered strong credentials and compelling reasons for wanting to serve; "I've got history in my blood," Stollsteimer said. The remaining candidates were interviewed prior to the Council meeting on Tuesday night.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Highway 550 Access Control Plan

Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) staffers Raelene Shelly and Dan Roussin and Consultant Michelle Hansen from Stolfus & Associates presented an update on the Hwy 550 long-term access control plan. Information on the plan will also be presented on Nov. 15, from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Montrose County Public Works Facility.

Much of the discussion focused on the intersection of Hwy 550 and Chipeta Road. Options include keeping the intersection where it is today and adding a traffic signal, or moving it further south and eliminating the option to turn north onto 550 from Chipeta. "There are a lot of advantages to moving the intersection further south," Hansen said, "but implementation may be difficult."

City Engineer Scott Murphy noted that Chipeta is a County road, primarily loading from the county, and that the connection to Hwy 550 South "has always been a very challenging intersection."

CDOT staffers Raelene Shelley and Dan Roussin said that if CDOT installs a traffic signal at the intersection, it will be permanent.

City Councilor Barbara Bynum urged a cautious approach to either option. "It's not like there's another road other than Main Street to get around Sunset Mesa... either way, you have to consider the domino effect of changes...the City and the County together need to come up with solutions...if we want to have control we should start talking."

Councilor Judy Ann Files asked about results of new striping on 550 South, and Shelley said that it has not been in place long enough for data to be available.

Colorado Mesa University (CMU) scholarship program update

CMU Director Gary Ratcliff and College and Career Advisor Jeff Turner presented information on scholarships and on the Montrose Campus.

The percentage of local youth who go on to attend college is lower in Montrose than in the State of Colorado and the United States, Ratcliff said, and noted the correlation between higher education and higher earnings and home values.

"Today's economy requires specialized knowledge, beyond a high school diploma, to really earn enough income for a family."

Ratcliff introduced CMU Scholarship recipients Emani Baltazar and Daniel Nieto. Baltazar is a 2018 graduate of Montrose High School starting college at CMU, with the goal of becoming a dental hygienist in Montrose. Nieto is a 2018 graduate of Olathe High School working on a bachelor's degree in criminal justice, with the goal of becoming a Western Slope police officer.

Scholarships are helping students with real financial needs, Ratcliff said. "This is really making a difference in student's lives." Any leftover funds may be used on a welding program, he said.

Campus enrollment has increased this year, from 245 to 282, with a 23 percent increase in students age 18 to 21 attending CMU Montrose since the fall of 2017. CMU Montrose has added an associate

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degree in nursing to its class offerings and will be launching adult programs in machining and welding.

Jeff Turner, who is based at the local high schools, thanked Council for investing in CMU students, and said that he is putting together career field trips for those who are interested in learning about a specific career choice. Bynum asked about tuition and fees, and opportunities for work study. Few work study positions are available on the Montrose Campus, Turner said. Mayor Roy Anderson thanked Ratcliff and Turner for presenting and called the City-funded scholarships for CMU "a great use of community resources."

Resolution of Support for Ballot Issue 7A
Community volunteers John W. Nelson and Jim Haugsness spoke about the impacts of Colorado's Gallagher Amendment on the Montrose Fire Protection District, and asked Council to issue a Resolution stating its "support for the Montrose Fire Protection District Referendum 7A, which increases the mill levy for the Montrose Fire Protection District up to 0.429 to produce an income of \$175,048 to regenerate funding currently lost due to a reduction of the Residential Assessment Rate and provides for an adjustable mill levy thereafter to produce a tax income consistent with the one approved by voters in 2006."

Said Nelson, "...the residential assessment rate has gone down, funding for the fire department has gone down...calls are up by 40 percent." Fire Department staff have not seen a pay increase in nine years, he said. "They have been tremendous stewards of tax dollars...service needs are going up and income is going down through no fault of their own."

When asked to support the Resolution, Mayor Roy Anderson opted not to place it on the Oct. 2 meeting agenda for possible approval, but to wait. "If we do it in two weeks it will be closer to the election."

Calling the Resolution "A political decision," Bynum noted, "it's sure to alienate someone." Councilor Judy Ann Files asked Nelson and Haugsness to correct the promotional video shown at the meeting; "The City does get have a mill levy for property tax...it's kind of a sore point with us." Anderson said, "We will consider it in two weeks, thank you for the presenta-

tion."

6800 Waterline Replacement Project

City Engineer Scott Murphy discussed the award of construction and survey/engineering support contracts totaling \$662,606.97 for construction of the 6800 Waterline Replacement Project.

"It's pretty straightforward," Murphy said. "It's a pretty time-sensitive project. We're looking to start November 1."

Low bidder on the project was Williams Construction, and Murphy recommended award of a survey stakeout and engineering support contract to the design engineer, Del-Mont Consultants, budgeted at \$27,600.

Wastewater Treatment Plant Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) System Improvement

Council discussed a recommendation to award a contract to Browns Hill Engineering & Controls for the Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) Supervisor Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) system improvements in the amount of \$241,100. Utilities Manager David Bries said that the project was not included in the 2018 budget (it was budgeted for 2019), but the improvements are needed now.

"I was made aware of a lot of problems," he said, noting that the system was built in 1996. "This is ancient...it's a very critical part of the treatment plant; it operates the plant when the operators are not there." Two responsive bids were received, from Mountain Peak Controls and Browns Hill Engineering & Controls. Proposals were reviewed by plant operations staff as well as IT staff. The proposal from Browns Hill offered more resources and more testing, Bries said. Improvements are expected to be complete by May of 2019.

Botanic Gardens GOCO Planning Grant

City of Montrose Grant Coordinator Kendall Cramer presented a Resolution of Support for and grant application to Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO) on Behalf of the Montrose Botanic Gardens.

The grant of approximately \$74,000 from Great Outdoors Colorado on behalf of the Montrose Botanical Society is to help the botanical society develop a master plan and site plan documents for the expansion of the remaining undeveloped two acres

of the Montrose Botanic Gardens.

"The City has to be the applicant," Cramer said. "That's why they approached us" The City is covering the cost of the match as well, he said, and will be reimbursed from grant funds.

"Do we charge interest?" Bynum asked.

"No," Cramer said.

Lease Agreement with Region 10 League for Economic Assistance & Planning (Region 10)

City Director of Innovation and Citizen Engagement Virgil Turner said that the location being leased at the City Hall Annex (433 South First Street) is a carrier neutral location for a network hub, "both regionally and in the City—schools, government buildings, and a couple of non-profits...multiple carriers can meet at the location and gain access. The lease payment is \$1 a month and the lease runs through July 31, 2023.

Disposal of Property Ordinance

Turner presented information on an ordinance that would dispose of surplus property, North Cascade Subdivision Lot Three, a parcel approximately 11,743 square feet in size. "People have frequently parked cars there," Turner said. "This is more of a maintenance issue than a benefit; we are in the process of having it appraised."

"The City has to sell at Fair Market Value," City Attorney Stephen Alcorn said.

Comments

City Manager Bill Bell said that he had received a notice of retirement from Montrose Police Chief Tom Chinn, who first joined the Department in 1973. Chinn's retirement is effective Nov. 1, Bell said. Chinn spoke to Council. "You really do have a great staff here. Bill Bell is a tremendous asset to the City of Montrose. You need to keep the guy; he really is leading us in a very positive direction."

Files said that she received a thank you from the Colorado Medical Society for a recent visit. She also said that city officials should be aware of Amendment 74, "It would have a huge impact on municipalities." Alcorn advised a Resolution in opposition to Amendment 74, which he called, "A non-stop, no-win situation with a lot of unintended consequences."

"74 is one all of Council could agree on," Alcorn said. "I'll get a resolution together."



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AN IMPORTANT SAFETY MESSAGE FROM BLACK HILLS ENERGY

Roof vents damaged during summer storms could lead to ventilation issues this fall

Special to the Mirror

FOUNTAIN-As outdoor temperatures begin to drop, families will soon be turning their heating equipment on to stay warm at home. But, local residents should be aware that severe hail from summer storms has caused damage to some roof vents throughout Colorado. Damaged vents can create a safety hazard due to the lack of proper ventilation for furnace equipment. To avoid serious safety issues, homeowners should have roof vents inspected by a certified heating, ventilation, air conditioning (HVAC) specialist.

"It's important to schedule an annual ventilation and heating inspection to ensure that your equipment is running properly and efficiently," said Susan Bailey, Vice President of Black Hills Energy's Colorado natural gas operations. "This is especially important this fall due to the severe summer storms which affected structures in many areas we serve." Black Hills Energy also recommends that customers install and regularly inspect carbon monoxide detectors. Detectors may offer an early warning of carbon monoxide, a colorless and odorless byproduct of the incomplete

burning of fuels including wood, gasoline, charcoal and natural gas. Signs of a potential carbon monoxide exposure can include, slight headache, nausea and fatigue. Other indicators in the home could include, soot buildup on or near a fireplace or furnace chimney or excessive moisture on windows and walls. If you think carbon monoxide is present, leave the premises immediately and call 911 or the Black Hills Energy emergency service line, 800-694-8989, from a nearby location. Visit www.blackhillsenergy.com for more safety information.

COMMENT ACCEPTED ON MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN THROUGH OCT. 8



rita, Nucla and Olathe, and the Montrose FPD, Nucla-Naturita FPD, Olathe FPD and Paradox Valley FPD are seeking public input on the County's Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan.

This is your chance to review and provide feedback on information regarding natural hazards in the area.

We are also asking the public to review the mitigation strategy developed by the County and participating jurisdictions.

Our strategy focuses on mitigating the effects of natural hazards through proposed actions that protect lives and property across the county.

Public input will ensure the priorities of the Hazard Mitigation Plan match those of Montrose County residents.

The County and participating jurisdictions are accepting comments on the Draft Hazard Mitigation Plan itself through Oct. 8.

To view and comment on the mitigation activities and draft plan, please visit:

mitigatehazards.com/montrose-hmp/
montrose-county-hmp-docs/

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MONTROSE-As part of Montrose County's

natural hazard risk reduction efforts, the County, City of Montrose, Towns of Natu-

REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

ROCC AND WISE OFFER CANDIDATES FORUM IN RIDGWAY

Special to the Mirror

RIDGWAY-Candidates for federal, state and local offices in the 2018 November Election or their representatives will take questions from the public at a Candidates Forum at the Ridgway Elementary School Thursday, Oct. 11 at 6:30 p.m.

The forum, co-presented by the Ridgway-Ouray Community Council (ROCC) and Women in Support of Education (WISE), will begin with a "Meet and Greet" among candidates and citizens at 6 p.m. The event will be held in the Eagles Nest auditorium of the school, located at 1115 West Clinton Street.

Representatives for Scott Tipton (Republican incumbent) and Diane Mitsch Bush (Democrat), major party candidates for Colorado's Third Congressional District, will attend the forum. State Attorney General candidates Phil Weiser (D) and George Brauchler (R) also will be represented. At the local level, Ouray County Sheriff candidates Joel "BB" Burk (R) and Lance FitzGerald (unaffiliated) will attend in person, as will Jill Mihelich (D) and Julie Wesseling (R), candidates for Ouray County Treasurer.

The panel format will allow each candidate or representative two minutes of

introduction followed by two-minute responses to written questions from the audience.

A moderator will provide cards for the written questions at the beginning of the evening and read the questions aloud to the candidates. The evening will conclude with brief statements from the candidates that sum up their positions.

WISE will present a second candidates forum on Tuesday, Oct. 16 at the Ouray Community Center at 6 p.m. Candidates for State Representative, District 59, and State Senator, District 6, will attend that forum.

OPINION/EDITORIAL: LETTERS

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Editor:

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CO STATE PATROL TROOPER TIPS: BUS STOPS...IT'S ALL ABOUT THE KIDS



Mirror file photo.

By Trooper Gary Cutler

COLORADO-It's that time of year when the trees lose their leaves and parents lose their kids to the school system. This means we have kids all over the place going to school along with other activities and that means we need to be more careful out there when driving, particularly around school buses.

We've all seen those big yellow school buses with the red flashing lights and the stop sign that extends out of the left side. Today we look at what you should do when you see those all so important lights.

First, let's look at how buses operate. When making a stop, buses should try to stop as far right of the roadway as possible to reduce obstruction to traffic. The alternating flashing yellow lights you see when the bus is moving need to be turned on at least two hundred feet prior to the point where the bus is planning to stop. This doesn't mean you should quickly try to pass the bus when you see those come on. Drivers should also begin to slow. You have to remember kids also see those lights and sometimes run across the road to get to the bus. So please be patient and know it won't take long to get the kids on or off the bus. When the yellow lights transition to the red lights is when the bus

is stopped. This means everyone must also stop.

So here are the reasons a bus will activate its lights: whenever the school bus is stopped to load or unload schoolchildren, stopped because it is behind another school bus that is loading or unloading kids, or is stopped because it has met a school bus traveling in a different direction that is unloading or loading kids.

A school bus driver carrying any schoolchild is also required before crossing any tracks of a railroad, to stop within fifty feet but not less than fifteen feet from the nearest rail and shall not proceed until the driver can do so safely.

So now, here's the refresher on what to do when you come upon a school bus. If you are a driver on the road and come upon a bus from either direction that has stopped and its lights are activated, you need to stop your vehicle at least twenty feet before reaching the school bus. After the kids are off or on the bus, you are not allowed to proceed until the signal lights are no longer on. So make sure no one starts to go just because they think they don't see any more kids. You can only proceed driving again once the bus driver turns off the lights.

Now we answer the question on what to do on a divided road. There aren't too many of those in the rural areas, but here is what to do when you see one. If the highway has separate roadways then you are not required to stop upon meeting or passing a school bus which is on a different roadway. For the purposes of this section, "highway with separate roadways" means a highway that is divided into two or more roadways by a depressed, raised, or painted median or other intervening space serving as a clearly indicated dividing section or island. I would like to add to watch for those kids running across

roadways though. Also, if children are crossing the road at an intersection make sure you stop for them as required.

Another thing to know is the driver of a school bus not only can, but is required to call in any vehicles that disregard the activated red lights and passes the bus. Law enforcement will then take the information the driver provides and visit the other driver and will often issue a mandatory summons into court. The driver then gets to explain to the judge why he or she failed to stop for a bus loading or unloading kids. So if you see a bus loading or unloading kids, it's best to make sure you stop.

If you care to read up on the law, you can find it in the Colorado Revised Statutes under 42-4-1903 (1).

I'd like to mention one last thing this month. It is the goal of these articles to keep people as informed and safe as possible when driving in Colorado. With that being said, it was brought to the attention of the State Patrol that information in the article "Bicycles and Automobiles" was viewed as biased towards automobiles and did not encompass the law as it should have been stated.

I apologize if there was confusion on what I was trying to convey when it comes to automobile and bicycle laws. I believe if I had gone into more detail into some of the information I was providing in the article, it would have been a little clearer. We here at the Colorado State Patrol are dedicated to putting out information as accurately as possible.

I hope you enjoy these articles and will continue to read them in the future. We value everyone who uses the roadways and our goal is to keep everyone safe. I will strive to provide you with sound advice and safety measures to help you stay safe on our roadways.

Thanks,

As always, safe travels!

OPINION/EDITORIAL: LETTERS

TO FAIL TO LEARN FROM HISTORY IS TO BE DESTINED TO REPEAT IT

Editor:

When the city wants something and wants no blame to come to them, the best way is to appoint a 'citizen's committee,' to work with city counterparts, so that they may be brought over to the city's side of the question and support the city's favored (generally predetermined) position on a particular issue or issues.

The committee men and the committee women generally do not realize their conversion to the 'party' line is taking place but as we saw with the county's not-too-recent Public Safety Sales Tax ballot measure and its subversion first to "whatever we (the county) wants" by the Sheriff and later to the 'then commissioners' writing of it for the ballot, the committee of the time failed to see through the corruptly worded ballot issue, backed it and the rest is history.

But no! It is not history. Instead it has returned to haunt us with 'no dough for the Boys in Blue and none of it (the tax money) was ever used to support the ill funded and ill fated clinic for our friends in the West End where some of the funds were to go. The citizens of Montrose may have forgotten about this but those of us who lived it have not. To fail to learn from history is to be destined to repeat it. Insanity is to do the same thing over and over expecting a different outcome. Not such a good idea, indeed.

While I have nothing but admiration for those of you who have volunteered for 'the committee' I caution you to be suspicious, be cautious, be careful, be wary and above all make sure of what you sign onto---that you are not led where you do not wish to go. Make sure you are personally convinced that what you support is what YOU think is best for YOUR community, and not just for city hall.

Bill Bennett, Montrose

WHY THE POOR AND DOWNTRODDEN ARE YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES...

Editor:

In a Nut Shell: "Explain to me again how the poor and downtrodden of the world are my responsibilities..."

'You become responsible when you try to convince everyone that does not have the ability, that they do have the ability.'

Timothy Storrs, Montrose

REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

COLORADO STATE PATROL WILL HONOR TROOPER MOLLY TYLER IN FALLEN OFFICER MEMORIAL CEREMONY ON OCT. 13

Special to the Mirror

GUNNISON-A Fallen Officer Memorial Ceremony will be held on Saturday, Oct. 13 from 10 am until 11 am to honor Trooper Molly Tyler in Gunnison at the Gunnison County Courthouse, located at 200 East Virginia Avenue in downtown Gunnison. A CSP Memorial Sign will be erected and unveiled in Trooper Tyler's honor at the County Courthouse. The event is open to the public and all are welcome to attend.

Trooper Tyler entered CSP service on Jan. 12, 1998. On January 15, 2008, Trooper Tyler was working in Troop 5C, Montrose. Trooper Tyler was seriously injured as she left the jail in Gunnison and fell due to icy conditions. She underwent multiple surgeries and treatments due to her injuries. She separated employment from CSP in November 2009, and ultimately succumbed to her injuries and died on Nov. 23, 2012. Trooper Tyler left behind a husband and four children

MIRROR IMAGES: FALL BRIGHTS



(Left) Pumpkins adorn the steps of Montrose Methodist Church as part of its Youth Missions fundraiser. Photos by ELK Media - you can find more on Instagram @ericalewiskennedy.



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REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

OCTOBER IS DISABILITY EMPLOYMENT AWARENESS MONTH

Focus is on increasing the employment of individuals with a disability

Special to the Mirror

DENVER – Governor John Hickenlooper has issued a proclamation declaring October as Disability Employment Awareness Month, a time to recognize the value that people with disabilities bring to Colorado's workforce and to promote the hiring of individuals with disabilities.

During Disability Employment Awareness Month, the Department of Labor and Em-

ployment and its Division of Vocational Rehabilitation will present the second annual Shining Stars of VR Awards, honoring the achievements of workers with disabilities as well as celebrating businesses and advocates who are committed to increasing the employment of individuals with disabilities. Nominations are now being accepted at www.colorado.gov/dvr until Oct. 12.

Throughout the month, the Department of Labor and Employment will also be sharing information about the employment of people with disabilities on Facebook (facebook.com/ColoradoLabor) and on Twitter (twitter.com/ColoradoLabor). Success stories will be featured along with testimonials from employers and news about events happening across the state.

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ART & SOL

COME OUT FOR FUN & HELP RAISE FUNDS FOR MONTROSE SENIOR CENTER MEALS!



Enjoy comedy skits, great music and a ventriloquist at the Variety Show Oct. 15!



By Marilyn Huseby

MONTROSE-The Montrose Senior Center has had a large need for the past four years, which is when I began volunteering as the Benefits Resource counselor for the center. I have teamed up with Cindy Marino of the Montrose Rec District to draw attention to the center as a vibrant, lively place to come for the 50+ trips to the educational and popular history programs. People have been seeing that this is a lively community, not just a senior center. Didn't you know that 70 is now the new 50+, and these people have so much energy and varied interests and talents that they share here at our center? The Montrose Senior Center has had meals catered by Volunteers of America Homestead with no grant or other sponsorship programs

keeping the lunch costs affordable. The Homestead's new contract with the Golden Circle Seniors has risen to \$7 a meal and now they can't afford to send extra meals to offer our volunteers! We need to raise \$8,000 to \$10,000 to restore the \$5 lunches and the volunteer lunches.

The Golden Circle Volunteers are putting on this VARIETY SHOW to create a Pay It Forward Fund that will subsidize the cost of the community lunches at the Montrose Senior Center. We are all putting a little TIME into this fun project to create the **solution for the rising costs of lunches** so we can continue to enjoy our congregate community lunches on fixed incomes. Volunteers for the Montrose Hospital, the Library, Hospice and Christ's Kitchen are the generous life blood of this

city. Every day the Golden Circle volunteers give of their time to care for all the details required to serve our delicious four course lunches. The lunch hour for the Senior Center is the biggest meal of most peoples' day, but its biggest value is that it's a pivot point of most peoples' social connection to each other. We need to keep this an affordable benefit for our 50+ community.

On Monday Oct. 15th at 4 PM we will start the event with a FREE BBQ and potluck while people view all the silent auction offerings. The Variety Show will begin at 5.PM. We will have a variety of different talents with comedy skits, great music and a ventriloquist. We have a sponsor for BBQ and if you would like to help and donate time or money, or be part of the show! Come have some fun creating the 'ALIVE and STILL KICKING' Variety Show. Entertainers include Tim Veazey, an amazing keyboard player who has played with everyone from Crystal Gayle, Billy Joe Royal and Rita Collage. Also the popular Huck Experience, Two Cents and Change and Cheryl Clapton; a skit from Beckett from the Magic Circle Players, and choral groups.

For more information call Marilyn 970 901 9914 or email her at greatfull123@hotmail.com

COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS: ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

STORM KING DISTILLING COMPANY GIN WINS SILVER MEDAL AT NATIONAL COMPETITION



Storm King Gin won silver @ San Diego Spirits Festival. At right, courtesy photo. Mirror file photo of Storm King Distilling Co. above.

*Special to
Art & Sol*
MONTROSE-This

summer, distilling team David and Greg Fishing of Storm King Distilling Co. in Montrose took the leap and decided to submit the company's Gin, Agave Blanco, and Agave Especial to the 2018 San Diego Spirits Festival competition. Storm King's entries were tasted alongside 252 other entrants from around the world. The judges tasted the entries for each category blind and assessed "appearance, aroma, taste, and finish" (https://

www.sandiegospiritsfestival.com/results-2018-bottle-competition). It is with great excitement then that we are able to announce that our Storm King Gin won silver! We are honored and thrilled to have one of our very first products make such a positive impression on the judges' palates. The Agave was up against some stiff competition, as it was judged alongside some of the world's best tequilas from Mexico. Tourists and locals alike are invited to visit our tasting room to buy a bottle of our award-winning Gin or try one of our delectable cocktails.

What's next? We are currently preparing the labels for our Agave Especial and we hope to have this available for purchase in the next month or so. In addition, we're carefully monitoring some aged gin that will be ready for release shortly.

Finally, over the next few weeks we will begin distilling our first run of Rum, once complete a silver or un-aged version of this product will join our other

un-aged spirits in the tasting room while a portion will be placed in barrels to produce an additional aged product.

Follow us on Instagram and Facebook (@StormKingDistilling) to be the first to find out when these new offerings will be available and to keep up to date on happenings at the tasting room. We look forward to seeing you at: 41 W Main St, Montrose, CO 81401. Come hungry and check out DLICIOUSFOODCO's menu for lunch, dinner and brunch on Sunday. Hours: Thursday and Friday 4-9pm, Saturday 1-9pm and Sunday 10-4pm.

COMEDIAN RUFUS 'TANK' TANKSLEY TO PERFORM @ SHERBINO



Special to Art & Sol

RIDGWAY-The Sherbino Theater is excited to offer the comedic styling of Rufus "Tank" Tanksley in "Get Tanked" Sherb Comedy Night on Oct. 12. Tank has had years of practice to become an award-winning comic, starting with his early career of performing to teens as a high school teacher for five years in Texas before moving to California where he was a police officer for 24 years. Those careers made for interesting material to feed his passion and love of comedy. Tank has been a working comedic artist for more than 30 years. Favorite gigs include opening act for Gloria Estefan and the Sound Machine, Glen Campbell, and The Jets. Tank has been featured in countless film and videos, the latest being with Macy Gray. TV credits include Americas Court, Let's Make a Deal, Winsanity, To Tell The Truth and Deal or No Deal. Tank additionally has been honored to be awarded a Life Saving Award and Humanitarian Award for this work with homeless people. Tank lives in Southern California with his wife Cat, and enjoys spending time with his family and friends, laughing.

Tank joins the cast of the upcoming Sherbino Theater Company presentation *Of Mice and Men*, and is looking forward to his residency in Southwest Colorado in the little town of Ridgway and performing his passion at the Sherbino Theater.

Tickets for "Get Tanked" are available in advance online at sherbino.org or \$15 at the door. Doors and bar open at 7 pm, and the act begins at 7:30 pm.

"Tank" Tanksley. Courtesy photo.

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COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS

LEARN ABOUT MAYA CULTURE OCT. 17

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MONTROSE-Have you ever wondered what the regular folks were doing when the important kings and priests were building pyramids and carving stelae in ancient MesoAmerica? On Oct. 17 the public is invited when archaeologist David Hyde shares insights about the non-urban, non-elite Maya culture at the Colorado Archaeological Society, Chipeta Chapter meeting. He will present an overview of excavations and research based on his ongoing research in a study area at Medicinal Trails, Belize. Dr. Hyde has been a professor of archaeology at Western State Colorado since 2011 and has conducted studies all around the western US. The meeting is at 7 pm, Wednesday, Oct. 17, at the United Methodist Church, 19 S. Park Street, Montrose. For more information contact Leigh Ann Hunt, 970-835-5228.

MONTROSE WOMEN'S GIVING CLUB MEETS AT BRIDGES GOLF & COUNTRY

Special to Art & Sol

MONTROSE-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.

Oct. 13-Montrose GOP Lincoln-Reagan Dinner & Fundraiser, Holiday Inn Express Montrose. Tickets \$50, table sponsor \$10. Cocktails at 6 p.m., cash bar and dinner at 7 p.m. Guest speaker is Lt. Governor Candidate Lang Sias. Buy Tickets now: DeVinny Jewelers – 970-249-3231; In Design Signs – 970-765-7291; 'Sooolutions' – 970-424-1314; GOP Headquarters – 242 E Main - 970-765-7604; On-line at our website: www.montrosegop.org.

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COLORADO'S RED GRAPE COMES INTO ITS OWN:

TASTE CAB FRANC OCT. 12: FREE ADMISSION TO WINE, CHOCOLATE & CHEESE PAIRING @ GARRETT ESTATE CELLARS

By Caitlin Switzer

OLATHE—According to Colorado Wine Industry facts, the state's growing wine industry is unique in the world. The CWB notes that Colorado's grape growing regions range in elevation from 4,000 to 7,000 feet and are the highest in the Northern Hemisphere and among the highest in the world, beneath only Argentina.

With an astonishing industry growth rate of 14 percent since 1992, Colorado is home to more than 150 licensed wineries, including 20 cideries and 12 meaderies. Ninety percent of the wine grapes produced in Colorado come from two federally designated viticulture regions, according to the CWB—the Grand Valley along the Colorado River between Palisade and Grand Junction, and the West Elks along the North Fork of the Gunnison River between Paonia and Hotchkiss.

Garrett Estate Cellars, now in its tenth year of wine production, does not fall within either of those areas, but is tucked above Olathe, surrounded by more traditional agricultural operations. Still, for those who love excellent wines, Garrett Estate Cellars is becoming something of a household name. And while all of Garrett Estate Cellars' wines are sought after, it is the Cabernet Franc that has become legendary even outside Colorado.

That's because two U.S. states are ideal for producing fine cabernet varieties—Virginia, and Colorado, according to Mitch Garrett of Garrett Estate Cellars. The CWB notes that Cabernet Franc grapes account for 9.18 of the 2017 harvest, and frequently earn "Best of Show" in the Colorado Governor's Cup. At a recent Garrett Estates tasting event, those who tried the Cabernet Franc were heard to exclaim, "This is the best thing I have ever tasted in my life."

The compliments come as no surprise.

"The wind, sun, soil, rain, and altitude just produce a really nice little red wine," he said. "We've been making the Caber-



Olathe's Garrett Estate Cellars is increasingly known for producing world class wines.

net Franc for ten years, and we've had vintages that are a little different; from year to year, we've had both medium-bodied and big-bodied Cabernet Franc.

"This one has done really well."

Though the grapes used for Cabernet Franc are more traditionally blended into Bordeaux, "It's a wonderful little grape, and it has just come into its own," Garrett said. "It has been getting recognition on its own; Californians now come to Colorado to buy the Cab Franc."

The crisp, dry, red goes with both meat and seafood, he said. "There was a dinner here last night, and they were serving steak and grilled salmon," Garrett said. "The Cab Franc goes well with both of those."

Also delicious when paired with the Cabernet Franc is chocolate; those who hope to try this pairing can enjoy a wine, chocolate and cheese event—complete with music—at Garrett Estate Cellars from 2 to 7 p.m. on Oct. 12 at the winery.

"We'll have gourmet chocolate from Drosts' of Eckert, and cheese from Olathe's Rockin' W Cheese," Garrett said.

"We're getting ready for the holidays."

Berry flavors, earthiness, and even a spiciness continue to impress not only tourists and locals, but wine aficionados and judges. "My Cab Franc has won the bronze medal at the Governor's cup," Garrett said, "And the Cab Franc from other wineries has gotten the gold medal—and it should."

For Mitch Garrett, increasingly known for savvy marketing and the best wines around, Garrett Estate Cellars' growing reputation is the result of hard work and extensive knowledge of what it takes to create a truly great glass of wine. "I have always been impressed with the Cabernet Franc," Garrett said, "And I get a lot of people saying, 'that's a good wine.'"

Like any other small business owner, he also knows how much effort has gone into the production of one of Colorado's truly unique agricultural products.

"It's important for people to realize that there are small businesses here making exceptional products," Garrett said. "My personal opinion is that Cab Franc is Colorado's red grape."

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Up Bear Creek by Art Goodtimes

OCT. 8TH IS INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY

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Roland McCook speaking at the dedication of the Placerville County Park monument to the Ute people at the first Indigenous Peoples Day in 13016 [2016 CE]. (photo by James Anaquod.)

ROLAND MCCOOK ... As a Ute elder welcoming participants to the first Original Thinkers Festival at the Telluride Conference Center in the Mountain Village this past weekend, Montrose's Roland McCook explained that the Ute people were the first original thinkers who cared for the land in this place, using the mountain resources without damaging or depleting them ... As our kick-off speaker at Indigenous Peoples Day weekend in Telluride, Roland explained the historical displacement of his band, the Uncompahgre Utes, from the Western Slope, and how they ended up having to live in Utah. He shared the meaning of the Euro-American words used to describe his people and the original Nuche words they were derived from. And he told tales of personal discrimination, the failure of Utah to keep promises made, and how his counsel to administrators at the Montrose High School regarding the use of the name "Indians" as their sports mascot, given several years ago, have been entirely ignored ... While it is sobering and sad to hear these stories, it's also a testament to what a relentless warrior of peace Roland continues to be on

the Western Slope, trying to change Euro-American minds, as difficult as that is, and serving as a cultural ambassador for his Ute Nation.

INDIGENOUS ... Ever wonder why the media these days calls blacks "African-American" and Indians "Native-American" but rarely, if ever, calls whites "Euro-American?" Our English language is not a level playing field. Crypto-racism is often hidden in the very words we use ... I've often pointed out the crypto-racism inherent in the media and government's use of "marijuana" for the dried herb of *Cannabis spp.* That's hundred-year-old Mexican slang derived, I believe, from a South American usage for the plant: "Santa Maria." Why are we using Mexican slang and not the scientific term, or American slang (pot, weed, etc.), for the psychoactive form of cannabis? Clearly Hearst reporters and other "yellow journalists" wanted to associate its use with lower classes in the U.S. in order to criminalize it, which they were quite successful in doing -- until very recently ... "Indian" is a particularly odd and inappropriate usage, since it's based

on a mistake first perpetuated by Columbus -- that he was sailing to the Indies, not a new world. It's a term many tribes reject. People from India are legitimately critical of its application to indigenous peoples in this country ... The use of indigenous "mascots" by sports team without tribal permission has been a sore point with many tribes. Certainly Montrose High School's use of "Indians" without obtaining consent from the three Ute tribes in the region seems particularly insensitive and inappropriate, since the Utes were forcibly removed from the Montrose area at gunpoint. Stanford University in California used to be called the "Indians," but long ago changed their sport mascot name to the Cardinals ... Recently the term "indigenous" has come to be the generic word for tribal peoples in the U.S. and around the world. It was codified internationally with the adoption by the U.N. General Assembly of the Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples in 13007 [2007 CE], with 143 states in favor (Afghanistan, Albania, Algeria, Andorra, Angola, Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Armenia, Austria, Bahamas, Bahrain, Barbados, Belarus, Belgium, Belize, Benin, Bolivia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Botswana, Brazil, Brunei Darussalam, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Cambodia, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Chile, China, Comoros, Congo, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cuba, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Denmark, Djibouti, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Estonia, Finland, France, Gabon, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Guatemala, Guinea, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Hungary, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Ireland, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kuwait, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Latvia, Lebanon, Lesotho, Liberia, Libya, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Macedonia, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Maldives, Mali, Malta, Mauritius, Mexico, Micronesia [Federated States of], Moldova, Monaco,

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Up Bear Creek by Art Goodtimes

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Tomé and Príncipe, Seychelles, Solomon Islands, Somalia, Tajikistan, Togo, Tonga, Turkmenistan, Tuvalu, Uganda, Uzbekistan, and Vanuatu) ... All four member states that voted against the resolution have their origins as colonies of the United Kingdom, and have large non-indigenous immigrant majorities and thriving indigenous populations. Achieving reconciliation with the genocide that followed Columbus to the Americas would involve restitution far exceeding the paltry sums indigenous people received for land, if it wasn't just stolen outright from them (as it was from the Uncompahgre Ute in Western Colorado). Since then, all four countries have moved to endorse the declaration in some informal way, so that it would not actually become binding law pleadable in court, with Canada officially dropping its objection to the resolution two years ago ... However, while many states adopted it in the U.N., many still treat their indigenous people unjustly (Myanmar's treatment of the Rohingya Muslim people is one flagrant example) ... Nevertheless, "indigenous" has become

the international designation for tribal peoples around the globe, most of whom have their own names for themselves in their own languages ... I myself often used the word "Anglo" to designate Euro-Americans in my columns. But I was called to account by a Telluride local who said, "I'm not of English ancestry. I'm no Anglo." So I've become to use Euro-American as the generic term for those of European ancestry, like myself ... But more and more I see tribal peoples using the word "indigenous" – which literally means born in a place, and being tied to place is definitely a characteristic of tribal peoples. Their stories, their ancestors, their ways of life are almost always tied to place. While we as Americans (an odd name in itself derived from a minor historical figure) tend to move around a lot, and rarely stay in the place we were born, indigenous people tend towards the opposite ... Changing one's language is often a precedent for changing one's view or one's life. In the case of our tribal peoples in this country, indigenous seems like a positive change.

THE TALKING GOURD

October Fire

The color's gone from canyon walls.
Now just the green of pines and firs
and aspens grey with branches bare.
Leaves gone to wind and freezing days.

But roadside runs the San Miguel.
Deep blue water sparkling white,
carved this canyon down through sandstone,
carved it deeply down through time.

Still riotous color blazes here:
fiery gold in cottonwoods,
scrubby oaks lit from within,
bronze and copper glowing bright.

This color could be shed tomorrow,
sacrifice consumed in dying.
Offered up to freezing fire,
perfection burns and then is gone.

-Carol Anne Modena
Wrenheim on Naturita Creek

COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS: ARTS & CULTURE

BOW WOW FILM FEST TO BENEFIT SECOND CHANCE HUMANE

Special to Art & Sol

MONTROSE-If you want to raise your spirits, it's easy at the Bow Wow Film Festival on Sunday, Oct. 21. The dog-centric short films will inspire, make you laugh, and maybe even get misty-eyed. At the same time, you'll be helping to support Second Chance Humane Society. The doors of the charming Turn of the Century Saloon in Montrose will open at 4 pm and the event will run from 4:30 - 6:30 pm. It's located at 121 N 4th Street. Popcorn, other snacks and refreshments will be available.

Each year Bow Wow brings new, innovative movies. These short films celebrate the varied ways dogs bring us joy and provide service in the world. And don't be surprised if there's a movie about felines tossed in for the cat lovers.

Bow Wow films are crafted by filmmakers who are amazing storytellers, animators and artists, as seen in our 90 wonderful minutes of award-winning, funny, and poignant shorts. The films will engage you as well as touch your heart. For 2018-19, we have the return of the hysterical *Ask Frank - Advice for Dogs*, the moving story of Stacy's Cute Rescue Dog, the story of how a Montana-based organization is helping to catch poachers in the wilds of Africa, and more.

"We are so excited about the 2018-19 Tour! The movies are phenomenal and we cannot wait to get out and share the event with our co-hosting organizations", says Susan Kelley, The Festival's Founder and Director. "Like Second Chance, many of our organizations are now hosting their event for the 4th year and have created a wonderful community event for filmgoers.



Boulder, CO 2016-image credit Rianna Neal. Courtesy photo.

You can't help but have a wonderful time at a Bow Wow."

The Bow Wow Film Festival is a Boulder, Colorado-based festival that celebrates, educates and inspires all things dog, through the art of short film. Bow Wow partners with animal welfare organizations, such as Second Chance, across the country to raise money and awareness. 100 percent of ticket sales benefit Second Chance. In the first three years of touring, Bow Wow has co-hosted more than 100 shows and raised more than \$175K for our animal welfare groups!

Equal parts adventure, heartwarming and delightful, Bow Wow is a family-friendly show and has played to enthusiastic audiences in cities that include Austin, TX; Minneapolis, MN; Denver, CO & San Francisco, CA.

Purchase tickets and see a trailer with this year's film selections at www.bowwowfilmfest.com. Advance tickets are \$12 general admission and \$8 for kids 12 and under. At the door, tickets will be \$15 general admission and \$12 for 12 and under. You can find details at: <https://adoptmountainpets.org/events>. Attendees' dogs should remain home watching Lassie reruns, with the exception of service dogs.

Second Chance Humane Society Animal Resource Center and Thrift Shops service San Miguel, Ouray & Montrose Counties. Call the SCHS Helpline at 626-2273 to report a lost pet, learn about adopting a homeless pet, or about the SCHS Spay/Neuter, Volunteer, Feral Cat, or other Programs. View our shelter pets and services online: www.adoptmountainpets.org.



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COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS

TELLURIDE MOUNTAINFILM ON TOUR COMES TO BOYS & GIRLS CLUB



Special to Art & Sol

MONTROSE-Mountainfilm on Tour came to the Black Canyon Boys & Girls Club Montrose unit on Friday Sept. 28. More than 30 kids enjoyed an hour-long program of short films selected by kids for kids, hosted by moderator Kristen Milord.

The films ranged from animated features, extreme sports shorts, and documentaries. There was also a question and answer session where the kids could share their thoughts on the movies.

Thank you Mountainfilm for a wonderful experience! For more information on Mountainfilm, including the main festival held annually in May and Mountainfilm on Tour, check out

www.mountainfilm.org. For more information on the Black Canyon Boys & Girls Club, check out www.bcbgc.org.

At left, courtesy photo.

HEAR OF HISTORIC ADVENTURES ON THE COLORADO PLATEAU

Special to Art & Sol

DELTA-Bob Silbernagel, Author, *Historic Adventures on the Colorado Plateau*, will give a program and have a book signing, Tuesday, Oct. 16, 6:30 p.m. at Bill Heddles Recreation Center in Delta. Chris Miller, executive director of the Interpretive Association of Western Colorado states that Silbernagel will share stories about the Explorer's and Traders who once trekked across this rugged terrain and the development of a trail that was to become a Commercial Highway known as the North Branch of the Old Spanish Trail.

History tells us that before the Spanish exploration of Western Colorado, the native inhabitants had a variety of routes for traveling on the Western Slope. With Spanish exploration those routes were utilized along with native guides, bringing explorers up from such colonial outposts as Santa Fe into our region. Rivera, exploring in the summer and fall of 1765 being the first in Western Colorado to travel along the western San Juan Mountains

north into the Delta area. Rivera's travels with the assistance of native guides would expose the Spanish to the many trails and topography of our region. These explorations would lay the foundation for individuals like Antione Robidoux who would build Fort Uncompahgre in the late 1820's to trap furs, host trappers, trade with the Utes prior to the Mexican War in 1846.

The Colorado Plateau is home to nearly thirty national parks, monuments and recreational areas. The unique geology, stunning rock formations, powerful rivers and numerous scenic canyons that compose such a striking region also made navigation difficult. Yet daring explorers like Juan Rivera came calling in 1765 followed by Dominguez and Escalante in 1776 seeking information on the native populace, religious converts and trade routes. Silbernagel's book covers a broad range of history on the Plateau, The Earliest Travelers, Explorer's and Traders, Rivers of Opportunities, Ranchers and Homesteaders Arrive, Miners Dig the Colorado Plateau,

Outlaws on the Move, Mechanization and Mobility and Far-Flung Entertainment.

Supported by years of research, Bob Silbernagel traces the Colorado Plateau's intrepid inhabitants throughout history. Silbernagel was the editorial page editor for the Daily Sentinel newspaper in Grand Junction for nineteen years. Now retired, he continues to write a regional history column for the Sentinel. Mr. Silbernagel is the author of the book *Troubled Trails: The Meeker Affair and the Expulsion of Utes from Colorado*, published by the University of Utah Press in 2011. He also wrote *Dinosaur Stalkers: Tracking Dinosaur Discoveries of Western Colorado and Eastern Utah*, published by Dinamation International, the Bureau of Land Management and the Museums of Western Colorado in 1996. Copies of *Historic Adventures on the Colorado Plateau* will be available for \$15. For additional information please call 970 – 874-8349. Contact: Chris Miller, Executive Director, IAWC 970-640-7076.

COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS

BLM UNCOMPAHGRE FIELD OFFICE ACCEPTING COMMENTS FOR 2019 SPECIAL RECREATION PERMIT APPLICATIONS

Special to the Mirror

MONTROSE— The Bureau of Land Management Uncompahgre Field Office is seeking public comments on 19 Special Recreation Permit (SRP) applications.

The BLM evaluates permit applications using specific criteria, including type and quality of customer service, experience, business plan and overall quality of the application. Five new applications and 14 applications for renewal are being evaluated.

“Public input will help us identify potential conflicts with users, health and safety concerns, and any resource conflicts,” said Uncompahgre Field Manager Greg Larson. “We want to provide excellent customer service and ensure quality recreation experiences while protecting natural resources and providing for public access to the public’s land.”

New SRP applicants include:

Colorado Adventure Center

Enduro Ranch Ltd.

Great Western Hunting Camps

Huntsman Mountain Outfitters, LLC

Western Slope Rides

SRP renewal applicants include:

Carney’s Guide Service (amendment)

Cross S Outfitters

Dark Canyon Outfitters

Gunnison River Pro

Hubbard Creek Outfitters

Keys Outfitting, LLC

McLeod Outfitters

Mountain Waters Rafting and Adventure Company, LLC

Ridgway Independent Guide Service

Rough Canyon Outfitters

Scree Slide Outfitters

Travis Kruckenburg Outfitting

Western Slope SUP

Wilamar Outfitters DBA Arkansas River Tours

The most effective comments should address resource concerns, compliance history, public health and safety, user conflicts and diversity of services.

Permit applications are available for review in the Montrose Public Lands Center located at 2505 South Townsend Avenue in Montrose. Written comments may be submitted by mail or email. Send comments no later than November 5, 2018 to Robin Lewis, Outdoor Recreation Planner/ Permit Administrator, Uncompahgre Field

Office, 2465 South Townsend Avenue, Montrose, CO 81401, or rlewis@blm.gov. Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, be advised that your entire comment -- including your personal identifying information -- may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold from public review your personal identifying information, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

The BLM issues SRPs to provide recreation businesses opportunities to operate on BLM public lands, provide the public opportunities for guided services for recreation activities, implement recreation management decisions and to ensure a fair return to the public for commercial use of public lands. Supporting local economies and providing quality recreation experiences for the public by making public lands available for these activities is integral to BLM’s management objectives. In Fiscal Year 2017, recreation on public lands in Colorado generated \$618.5 million and supported about 5,000 jobs.

MONTROSE CONCERT BENEFITING HOPEWEST FEATURES INTERNATIONALLY ACCLAIMED HARPIST

Special to the Mirror

MONTROSE—A concert, benefiting HopeWest in Montrose, will give members in our community the opportunity to support a meaningful cause all while enjoying the musical talent of internationally acclaimed harpist, Martha Gallagher. Martha will be accompanied by her husband, Dennis Gallagher, on guitar. The duo will perform unique arrangements from a variety of genres including Celtic, classical, and swingin’ jazz.

The best part is, a portion of the donations collected at entry will support the programs of HopeWest – your community’s non-profit hospice, palliative care and grief support program.

“Hospice workers and the organizations that facilitate these services have a special place in my heart,” said Martha Gallagher. “I’m delighted that HopeWest embraced our idea to host a benefit concert – it will be a wonderful evening all around!”

The event, open to the public, begins at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 18 at the United Methodist Church located at 19 S. Park Ave. No tickets are required, but donations are suggested.

Martha and Dennis will be available for interviews from 6:30 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. before the event. To secure an interview, please contact Nancy Hannah at (970) 712-2780.

COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS: ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

ADAM AGEE & JON SOUSA RETURN TO MONTROSE TO PERFORM TRADITIONAL IRISH MUSIC AT HEALTHY RHYTHM



Courtesy photo.

Special to Art & Sol

MONTROSE-Healthy Rhythm Music Services Presents the return of "ADAM AGEE & JON SOUSA :: A NIGHT OF TRADITIONAL IRISH MUSIC" • Friday evening, Oct. 12, in

The Listening Room of Healthy Rhythm Art Gallery, located at historic Sampler Square (68 S Grand Ave) in downtown Montrose, Colorado!

"I am extremely pleased to announce the return of Adam Agee and Jon Sousa, two of the top Irish musicians in the state of Colorado, to perform in Healthy Rhythm Art Gallery's Listening Room October 12th", stated Healthy Rhythm Art Gallery owner/curator, Ken Vail. Vail said, "Adam, a world-class fiddle player and fine artist, and Jon, a master of the guitar and tenor banjo, have traveled the globe, individually and together, crafting their skills and sharing their fine tuned, creative, versions of Traditional Irish Music." "For concertgoers who attended last year's amazing show at Healthy Rhythm, you know this

duo's music is very special, engaging, and entertaining. If you haven't seen Agee and Sousa in concert, now's your chance. I promise you won't be disappointed," stated Vail.

Advance Studio GA and Main Gallery Reserved Seats are [\\$13](#) and [\\$16](#) at the Gallery. Online purchase is also available for an additional [\\$2](#) at www.healthyrhythm.net. Space is limited to 50 concertgoers. Advance purchase is recommended. This is a ticketless show. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Show starts at 7 p.m. Street and rear lot parking are available. Admission is [\\$2](#) more Day of Show. 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.

News, if unreported, has no impact.
It might as well have not happened at all.
Thank you for reading The Montrose Mirror.

Save the Date! Upcoming Regional Events

CURRENT/ONGOING-

AMERICAN LEGION POST 24 hosts Bingo every Saturday and Sunday at 7pm, at the Bingo Connection, 2075 East Main Montrose. Its open to the Public. Doors open at 5:30 p.m.. For more info call Tom at 260-8298.

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 Centennial Room, 431 South First in Montrose.

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-

Oct. 8-Monday Oct. 8 6:30 Monthly meeting of Citizens' Climate Lobby Montrose Library meeting rm. Network with those concerned about environment to influence and educate legislators and public on ways to help the world. Nonpartisan, national and international. citizensclimatelobby.org local contact 970-240-9146.

Oct. 9-The Giving Guys Club of Montrose will have their next meeting at 5:15 – 6:30 pm on Tuesday Oct. 9, upstairs at the Cobble Creek Clubhouse. The group meets quarterly to network and raise money for local non-profits. Each member kicks in \$100 for the award and \$10 for hospitality food and drink.

Oct. 9-Tuesday Oct. 9 gather at 6:30 at Two Rascals Brewing 147 N 1st for free screening at 7 of documentary, Happening:Clean Energy Revolution.

(70Min). Redford Center presents hope for future by movements for clean renewable energy now. Sponsored by Montrose Citizens' Climate lobby. Local contact 970-240-9146

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.

Oct. 10-The Montrose Board of County Commissioners invites the public to the annual Public Budget Meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 10 at 5:30 pm. The public budget meeting will be held on Oct. 10 at the board room at 161 South Townsend Ave. In the past, the meeting has been hosted at the Pioneer Room, but moving the location to the current board room will offer live and on-demand streaming video options. For more information, please visit www.montrosecounty.net.

Oct. 12-Garrett Estate Cellars (53582 Falcon Road) Gourmet Chocolate and Cheese Pairing, from 2 to 7 p.m. sample excellent wines paired with fine artisanal products, including Drosts' Chocolates and Rockin' W Olathe cheeses. Admission is free.

Oct. 13-Annual CSU Plant Sale and Tree Auction, Saturday, Oct. 13 from 9 am – 2 pm at the Mesa County Fairgrounds (behind the CSU Extension building).

Oct. 13-Montrose GOP Lincoln-Reagan Dinner & Fundraiser, Holiday Inn Express Montrose. Tickets \$50, table sponsor \$10. Cocktails at 6 p.m., cash bar and dinner at 7 p.m. Guest speaker is Lt. Governor Candidate Lang Sias. Buy Tickets now: DeVinny Jewelers – 970-249-3231; In Design Signs – 970-765-7291; 'Soolutions' – 970-424-1314; GOP Headquarters – 242 E Main - 970-765-7604; On-line at our website: www.montrosegop.org.

Oct. 15-Pay it Forward Variety Show, fundraiser for Montrose Senior Center. At 4 PM we will start the event with a FREE BBQ and potluck while people view all the silent auction offerings. The Variety Show will begin at 5.PM. We will have a variety of different talents with comedy skits, great music and a ventriloquist. We have a sponsor for BBQ and if you would like to help and donate time or money, or be part of the show! Entertainers include Tim Veazey, Huck Experience, Two Cents and Change, and Cheryl Clapton; a skit from Beckett from the Magic Circle Players, and choral groups. For more information call Marilynn 970 901 9914 or email her at greatfull123@hotmail.com

Oct. 17-On Oct. 17 the public is invited when archaeologist David Hyde shares insights about the non-urban, non-elite Maya culture at the Colorado Archaeological Society, Chipeta Chapter meeting. The meeting is at 7 pm, Wednesday, Oct. 17, at the United Methodist Church, 19 S. Park Street, Montrose. For more information contact Leigh Ann Hunt, 970-835-5228.

Oct. 19-20-Altrusa of Delta Sugar Plum Festival 2018 will be Oct. 19 and 20 held at Bill Heddles Recreation. This year's theme is Once Upon a Time..... Friday, Oct. 19, table viewing, Artisan shopping, Hors d'Oeuvres 5-7:30 pm. tickets \$10. Saturday, Oct. 20, Luncheon and Fashion Show: Altrusa of Delta is an international non-profit organization making our local communities better through leadership, partnership and service. For more information or tickets call Cindy, 874-6344.

Oct. 19-21-The Friends of the Montrose Library will hold a used book sale from Friday, Oct. 19 through Sunday, Oct. 21 in the library meeting room. Special members-only hours are Friday, 8 am to noon. Public open hours are noon to 6 pm Friday; 10 am until 6 pm Saturday; and 10 am until 4 pm on Sunday. On Sunday 2 to 4 pm, customers can fill a reusable bag with books for \$5. For information, call the library at 970-249-9656.

Oct. 20-21-Montrose Botanical Gardens Scarecrow Festival and Library Story Walk. Saturday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Sunday Noon to 4 p.m. Bid on scarecrows made by creative community members. This is a fundraiser for the gardens.

Oct. 21-The 4th Annual Bow Wow Film Festival will be held Sunday, Oct. 21, at the Turn of the Century Saloon in Montrose. Doors open at 4 pm and films will roll at 4:30 pm. Purchase tickets and see a trailer at www.bowwowfilmfest.com. Advance tickets are \$12 general admission and \$8 for kids 12 and under. At the door, tickets will be \$15 general admission and \$12 for 12 and under. You can find details at: <https://adoptmountainpets.org/events>.

Oct. 24- Join us for a Motivational Leadership Event Hosted by Express Employment Professionals on Oct. 24 from 9am-11:45am. • Grand Junction | @FACTORY • Montrose | @ Proximity Space. Enjoy a distinguished and diverse lineup of speakers as they share their insight and experience on what makes great leaders. This is an inspirational learning and networking event you won't want to miss! [Click here to register prior to the event, space is limited!](#)

Oct. 27-2nd Annual Halloween Costume Horse Show. 2pm at Cimarron Stables in Montrose.

Oct. 31-Halloween Costume Contest for Kids @ The Real Estate Store, 500 East Main Street. 11 a.m. during Downtown trick or treating.

Nov. 1-Montrose Economic Development Corporation (MEDC) 2018 Manufacturing Expo. 1 to 5:30 p.m. at the Montrose Pavilion. Open to the public.

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.

'CONQUER THE WOLF INSIDE YOU AND FEAR NO WOLF BEFORE YOU'



A concrete barrier behind Montrose's Crossfit Agoge gym has been re-imagined with a breathtaking mural by artist Alex Kwong, who signed his work, "Many thanks to the Crossfit Agoge Family and the City of Montrose," Alex Kwong, 2018.



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