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# METAPHORSE BRINGS EQUINE EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING TO SPRING CREEK CANYON

#### By Caitlin Switzer

MONTROSE-Long before mankind began its love affair with the automobile, there was another relationship...a historic partnership that involved not only transportation, but mutual respect and love.

Today, a Spring Creek Canyon resident and lifelong equine professional hopes to rekindle the "romance" of horse and human, with classes and training that benefit both. Jody Nixon of Metaphorse specializes in equine experiential learning, bringing humans of all abilities together with the animals who have carried us forward throughout history. In the process, Nixon's students rediscover a timeless





Above, Metaphorse owner Jody Nixon with Rooster, a retired Missouri Fox Trotter, at her business in Spring Creek Canyon. Nixon helps people of all ages and abilities through equine experiential learning.

#### **BOCC ISSUES PROCLAMATIONS IN SUPPORT OF POLITICAL NEUTRALITY** AND IN RECOGNITION OF 100-YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF END OF WWI



The Montrose Board of County Commissioners (BOCC), local veterans, and a service dog gathered in front of the Veterans' Memorial on the Courthouse lawn on Wednesday, Nov. 7 to recognize the 100-year anniversary of the end of World War I, the "War to End all Wars," and to thank Montrose County veterans for their service to our nation.

#### By Caitlin Switzer

MONTROSE-The Montrose Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) drew a sizeable crowd for the regular meeting of Wednesday, Nov. 8. The meeting included a resolution regarding the BOCC maintaining political neutrality when asked to support ballot measures and campaign issues; a well-attended Proclamation recognizing the 100th anniversary of the end of World War I, the "War to end all wars"; and an executive session for the purpose of receiving legal advice and determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations related to a construction contract with Ridgway Valley Enterprises.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

No comments were received from the public.

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#### ANSWERING THE CALL: PATROL OFFICER JEREMY PAYNE

#### By Gail Marvel

**MONTROSE-Montrose Police** Department (MPD) Patrol Officer Jeremy Payne, originally from Maine, attended the University of Southern Maine where he played lacrosse. Payne said, "I felt a higher calling and after two years I left college and enlisted in the Army." During his eight years of military service this Army Staff Sgt. did two tours in Iraq. Payne was stationed at Fort Carson for three years and it was there that he met his future wife. who was from the North Fork area. "When I was sta-



Montrose Police Department Patrol Officer Jeremy Payne. Photo by Gail Marvel.

tioned at Fort Carson, Montrose was my favorite place to visit. This town is awesome. There is so much to do."

The MPD sponsored Payne to the Police Academy in Grand Junction. "I'm a newolder-rookie, I'm 33." In describing his academy experience Payne said, "Death by PowerPoint! But the academy was fun. As I look back the academy was a modified ments of his job, "Working with fellow version of basic training. I learned so much and the director was excellent. I was definitely impressed."

Similar to his reason to enlist in the Army, Payne was attracted to a career in law because of a sense of duty. "I also worked as a jail deputy for Montrose County Sheriff Office (MCSO) and as an EMT for Olathe. I love working for the MPD. It's an awesome department. You can see right away it's a good organization. I work with outstanding officers and I'm very impressed with my co-workers." Payne was sworn into the MPD in May 2018.

When asked about the most stressful

part of his job Payne said, "The job is not without stress, but I can't pinpoint the most stressful." He paused and said, "I'd say it's learning a whole new field. It's truly learning a whole new world, but there is a brotherhood and sisterhood that is the same found in the military."

The most enjoyable and fulfilling eleofficers and hopefully we help people on their worst day. I'm just a happy dude, I'm happy to be here." If there is a downside to Payne's job, it's the paperwork, "But I recognize the importance of it."

With a little more than six months on the job, Payne does not have any specific career goals. He said, "I'm happy where I am. I want to get my job down and be the best patrol officer I can be."

Payne identified the personality skillset that helps him connect with citizens, "I think I have a good level of emotional intelligence. I feel like I can relate to a lot of people. Empathy is not difficult. I've been

around the world and in a lot of situations; there's a lot to be referenced that way."

Recently, on two different occasions, Payne had the opportunity to use CPR. "I couldn't take credit without giving credit to the paramedics. I'm fortunate to have an emergency medical background and it's always good to help the paramedics. We have some fantastic paramedics in this town; they are all one team."

Payne's wife and son support his law enforcement career, "I couldn't ask for a more supportive family. I'm a very fortunate man. My wife is the love of my life." In what might be described as a family affair, both Payne and his wife coach kick boxing for kids and adults. He said, "I train my seven-year-old son. I also train and compete in Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu." Payne's other interests include playing the guitar, mountain biking, and competing in powerlifting.

Payne's message to citizens, "We're here to help."



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# EQUINE EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING IN SPRING CREEK CANYON <u>From pg 1</u>

bond while exploring new ways to approach the future.

Unlike hippotherapy, which focuses on people with physical disabilities, equine experiential learning is for everyone, Nixon said. A longtime horse trainer and a certified riding instructor since age 20, Nixon is now focusing on her own business after four years with Pegasus Equine Therapy.

Nixon has chosen her animals wisely, working with well-trained but retired trail horses. She currently has 17 horses, each one with its own personality and unique gift for working with humans. "I have rescue horses here," she said, "whoever needs a home." And for the past five years she has worked with a stable owner in Crested Butte; "when his trail horses are done, they come to me."

Metaphorse is located on the family property in Spring Creek Canyon, and includes an event center suitable for weddings and private gatherings. "I would like to do empowerment workshops," said Nixon, who has already begun a popular Women's Empowerment Group and leads regular equine empowerment workshops in Costa Rica in the months of February and July. "In July, we take full moon rides on the beach," she said, adding that horses enjoy a refreshing swim as much as humans. "Most of them just love it," she said.

People of all ages and both genders are welcome at Metaphorse; from riding and horsemanship instruction to pony parties and unicorn parties, to empowering trail rides, there truly is something here for everybody. "My women's empowerment group just ended, and will start up again in the spring," Nixon said. Members of the group have included everyone from ages 28 to 48, "Young mothers to grandmas," she said.

"I really like equine experiential learning," she said. "Really, it is like doing a ropes course, with horses—what does it take to set a goal, and follow through?"

Metaphorse is not just about riding; Nixon teachers her students to care for their animal, through proper grooming and round pen work. Experienced riders benefit from her gentle insights and coaching; beginning equestrians are encouraged to explore a whole new world.

This reporter spent time with Rooster, a retired Missouri Fox Trotter, a refreshing break from a desk-bound life. And for Ridgway businesswoman Kateri Drexler, Metaphorse has brought a renewed sense of joy.

"I have been on a meditative ride, and I did a horse retreat in Costa Rico," Drexler said. "I am so blown away that this exists in Montrose; I really think it saved my life—the quality of it. Horses have a lot to teach us—it's amazing how they know things, and they show us exactly what we need.

"Their hearts are bigger than ours; they help us get our minds and bodies in balance."

The next workshop takes place March 28-31. To learn more about Metaphorse and the many options Jody Nixon offers her students, visit the website, www.metaphorse.com.



# A CHRISTMAS EXTRAVAGANZA AT THE HUGE NEW MONTROSE EVENT CENTER November 29<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> and December 1<sup>st</sup>

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# **REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS**

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The incident involved a white female who, on November 3rd at 2:19 p.m., after shoplifting merchandise, left the store and escaped in an older (early 2000's) Chevrolet S-10 Blazer with a white male in his 60's with white hair. Clear photographs of the female suspect were taken by in-store surveillance cameras and exterior cameras photographed the escape vehicle.

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prevention and crime solution are everyone's responsibility.

#### TCR TO OFFER ONLINE HYBRID CNA CLASS

#### Special to the Mirror

DELTA-Technical College of the Rockies (TCR) in conjunction with local high schools is offering an online hybrid CNA class for the spring 2019 semester. Students will complete the academic portion of the class at their home high school with support of TCR instructors. Students will attend TCR for the hands-on skills portion on Fridays throughout the semester. Interested students should contact their school counselors or TCR at 970-874-7671 for more information.

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#### **REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS**

#### **MONTROSE COUNTY AWARDED \$200,000 DOLA GRANT** FOR HISTORIC COURTHOUSE RENOVATION DESIGN

#### Special to the Mirror

MONTROSE—The Montrose Board of County Commissioners received a stamp of approval earlier this week on a Colorado Department of Local Affairs (DOLA) grant to support design documents for the renovation of the historic county courthouse. The courthouse, located at 320 South 1st Street, was completed in 1923 utilizing almost entirely local labor and materials—including sandstone mined just county is exploring plans to temporarily five miles outside of Montrose. Chairman of the Board Keith Caddy noted the building's historical significance as he stated, "This is a tremendous building that has been a landmark and source of pride for the Montrose community for nearly a century. A full renovation would not only preserve the building, but also provide an

efficient means for the county to continue to provide core services in the same downtown location." The upper two floors of the four-story building have been vacant since completion of the Justice Center in 1998. At present, only a portion of the building is used to house the Assessor's offices, Treasurer & Public Trustee's offices, Clerk & Recorder's office, and Geographic Information System offices. The relocate those offices, as well as the adjacent administration and legal staff, to complete the remodel. The grant dollars awarded by DOLA will be used to help fund design documents for courthouse renovations. The successful grant application was written by Deputy County Manager Jon Waschbusch and was award-

ed the maximum amount of \$200,000. "There are a lot of positive aspects to this project." said Waschbusch. "Grant funding is highly competitive and receiving the full award says a lot about the quality of this opportunity in terms of preservation, efficiency of operations and investment in downtown. DOLA has been a phenomenal partner to the county over the years and we're once again grateful to have this level of support for a Montrose project."

Logistical planning for temporary office space will remain ongoing. The county plans to issue a request for proposals for design work in early 2019.

The county will continue to keep the public informed regarding progress on this project.



#### **REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS**

# ONE FATALITY IN HWY 50 ROLLOVER ACCIDENT

#### Mirror staff report

MONTROSE-One fatality was confirmed in a one-vehicle rollover accident involving a white Ford sport utility vehicle reported at 2:08 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 9, at Hwy 50 Milepost 96, according to Trooper Gary Cutler of the Colorado State Patrol. The 68-year-old female driver was flown to Grand Junction, and the 68-yearold male passenger was the confirmed fatality.

#### CITY OFFICES TO CLOSE TO OBSERVE VETERANS DAY

#### Special to the Mirror

MONTROSE – In observance of Veterans Day, City of Montrose offices will be closed Monday Nov. 12. Closures will include Montrose City Hall, Municipal Court, Animal Shelter, Visitor Center, City Shop, Montrose Pavilion, and Police Department.

The Black Canyon Golf Course will remain open all day. Police department offices will be closed, but officers will be on duty and responding to calls.

Monday's trash route is the only impacted trash route. For residences with Monday, Nov. 12 collection, trash pickup will occur on Tuesday, Nov. 13 and Wednesday, Nov. 14.

Collections for residences south of South of San Juan Avenue, which are normally on Monday's route, will be picked up Tuesday, Nov. 13. Collections for residences north of San Juan Ave., which are normally on Monday's route, will be picked up Wednesday, Nov. 14.

For customers with Monday, Nov. 12 recycling collections, pickup will occur Friday Nov. 16.

For more information contact City Hall at 970.240.1400, or visit <u>CityOfMontrose.org</u>.

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# REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS COLORADO PARKS AND WILDLIFE COMMISSION TO MEET NOV. 15 - 16 IN BURLINGTON

#### Special to the Mirror

DENVER - The Colorado Parks and Wildlife Commission will discuss a citizen petition requesting eliminating the ban on hazing nuisance geese with dogs from March 1 -July 31, adjusting wildlife license fees based on implementation of the Future Generations Act, potential parks fee increases based on implementation of the Future Generations Act, the Chronic Wasting Disease Response Plan, future state parks selection criteria, and a study on future funding mechanisms for CPW.

The Commission will also consider annual changes regarding turkey hunting and 2019 license quotas; final regulations re-

garding alcohol on state parks, state wildlife areas, and Division-leased state trust lands based on implementation of Senate Bill 18-243; annual review of regulations regarding big game hunting and general provisions; Colorado Wildlife Habitat Program RFP final recommendations; and a marketing presentation from GOCO and CPW. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 8:30 a.m. and adjourn at 5 p.m. on November 15 at Old Town Museum/Barn, 420 S. 14th St., in Burlington. The meeting will reconvene at the same location at 8:30 a.m. on November 16 and will adjourn at noon.

Additional agenda items include:

Annual review of final fishing regulations Herd Management Plans for Deer in D-10 and D-4

Draft Mountain Lion Plan for DAU L-19 Draft Herd Management Plan for Buffalo Peaks/Mount Silverheels/Tenmile Bighorn Sheep Draft Herd Management Plan for Tobe

Pronghorn Department of Agriculture Update Department of Natural Resources Update Financial Update IPAWS Update

**Executive Session** 

A <u>complete agenda</u> for this meeting can be found on the <u>CPW website</u>.

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TRI-COUNTY HEALTH NETWORK

#### BOCC ISSUES PROCLAMATIONS IN SUPPORT OF POLITICAL NEUTRALITY AND IN RECOGNITION OF 100-YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF END OF WWI <u>From pg 1</u>

#### **CHANGES TO AGENDA**

Item D5 under General Business was removed from the meeting agenda at the request of County Manager Ken Norris. The item involved BOCC approval to waive the County's right of first refusal for purchase of the hangar at 27696 DD Road in Nucla, owned by Reed Mitchell, to permit its sale to William H. Arthur, and authorized staff to negotiate for a new ground lease.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

<u>Consent Agenda items</u> were unanimously approved.

#### GENERAL BUSINESS & ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

<u>Item D1</u> was presented by Deputy County Manager Jon Waschbusch, and involved an exclusive right-to-sell listing contract with Doug Phillips and Vicki L. Jones of ReMax Alpine View Realty. Phillips and Jones will provider brokerage services for County-owned property located at 6700 and M17 Roads.

Four total bids were received, with three deemed responsive, Waschbusch said. Item D-5 was unanimously approved.

Also approved unanimously was <u>Item D-</u> <u>2</u>, concerning the replacement of a water truck that dates to 1989, presented by County Engineer Keith Laube. The item asked for consideration and possible award for the purchase of one tandem axle truck to lowest responsible bidder Transwest Truck of Grand Junction, in the amount of \$107,186.

"This year was pretty hard on our water trucks," Laube said. "We want to get this one ordered in time for construction season."

Said BOCC Vice Chair Roger Rash, "I am happy to see that we are able to replace some of this older equipment that's pretty well wore out and high on maintenance...I want to thank the public for the road and bridge tax, which is instrumental in us being able to keep this equipment up and running, in good order, and in safe condition for our public." "I completely agree," BOCC Chair Keith Caddy said. "Without the road and bridge tax, we'd be running the 1989 water truck for another ten years, and it would be costing us a lot of money."

<u>Item D-3</u> concerned apparatus for the new water truck, consideration and possible award for the purchase of one water tank to lowest responsible, responsive bidder O.J. Watson of Denver, in the amount of \$42,633, to be installed on the tandem axle truck from Transwest Truck. The combined bid amount for the tandem axle truck and water tank is \$149,819. Item D-3 passed unanimously; "We've got a new water truck," Caddy said. Commissioners also unanimously approved Item D-4, involving Resolution 66-2018, regarding the <u>Montrose County</u> Snow Removal Policy.

Item D-5 was unanimously approved, authorizing the signing of <u>a lease agreement</u> between Montrose County Health & Human Services and the University of Colorado School of Medicine for the special health care needs clinic.

Commissioners ratified a proclamation that was issued at a Montrose City Council meeting on Nov. 6, honoring local resident Joyce Loss for her 38 years of work with the Neighborhood Watch program; the BOCC also passed <u>Resolution 67-2018</u>, regarding Montrose County Commissioners remaining neutral when asked to support ballot measures and campaigns.

"We feel like each person should be able to vote their own conscience on issues that come up," Commissioner Sue Hansen said. "It's not our job to influence how you feel about certain ballot measures. We can obviously take personal positions, but as a body we won't take a position."

Caddy said, "We've talked about this at length; we don't want to unduly influence somebody...that's why we are taking this position."

"For me it's about representing the County as a whole," Rash said. "Republicans, Democrats, independents, everybody. We're citizens, we're all in this boat together."

Commissioners unanimously approved the reappointment of Luke Brian Kimble to the Montrose County Fair Board for a three-year term that expires on Sept. 1, 2021.

"I appreciate Mr. Kimble stepping up to the plate again," Rash said. "...I'm just grateful for all of the folks who serve on the different committees we have." Caddy and Hansen also expressed gratitude for the hard work of Kimble and the Montrose County Fair Board.

#### **PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT**

Commissioners held a public hearing, and unanimously approved <u>Resolution 68-</u> <u>2018</u>, rezoning 7.7 acres located behind Alpine Lumber from general agriculture to general commercial. The property has been used for commercial purposes in the past, and the location is designated for commercial growth in the county master plan, Planning & Development Director Steve White said.

A proposal to divide one lot from a 681.18 -acre parcel at <u>Star View Minor Subdivi</u>sion passed unanimously.

#### COUNTY MANAGEMENT

At the request of County Manager Ken Norris, the BOCC and those in attendance left the commissioner's meeting room to reconvene on the Courthouse lawn beside the Veteran's Memorial, where commissioners issued a proclamation in recognition of the 100-year anniversary of the end of World War I, "The War to End All Wars," and in recognition of all Montrose County veterans.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The BOCC convened for an executive session to receive legal advice and determine positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations related to a construction contract with Ridgway Valley Enterprises. No action was taken during the executive session.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

# **OURAY COUNTY CONTINUES MARIJUANA CULTIVATION LOCATION TRANSFER DECISION UNTIL NOV. 19**

#### By Caitlin Switzer

RIDGWAY-In a matter that was continued from the Ouray Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) regular meeting of Oct. 30, the Ouray BOCC convened Nov. 6 for a continuation of the public hearing regarding a request by KOB Group, LLC (dba Ourtrees) for transfer of an existing Marijuana cultivation license to an alternative property.

#### BACKGROUND

The license was initially granted to KOB Group, LLC for 304 Weahgatay Road; KOB Group, LLC has asked approval to transfer the license to an unaddressed parcel on Country Road 1C, which it has under contract to purchase.

Though the existing marijuana ordinance has no provision for a transfer of cultivation facility location, Ouray County Planning Director Mark Castrodale, who recommended approval, told commissioners at the Oct. 30 meeting that KOB Group, LLC had met the requirements for transfer of ownership. He suggested that the ordinance be amended to cover a transfer of facility location.

Ouray County limits the number of marijuana cultivation permits that may be issued to ten. The County's marijuana cultivation licensing ordinance states that in order to receive a license, applicants must meet a list of requirements, and must provide evidence that the facility will not disrupt the character and use of surrounding properties.

The facility should be compatible with the community character and surrounding land uses, and must not unreasonably impact wildlife or significant wildlife habitat.

#### SECOND PUBLIC HEARING

On Nov. 6, the Ridgway 4H Event Center was even more crowded than at the first hearing. After receiving complaints on Oct. 30, Ouray County provided microphones at the second hearing to allow those in the room to hear the proceedings.

BOCC Chair Don Batchelder opened the meeting to public comment, saying that the applicants would be allowed to re-

spond to citizen commentary, but denied a request that commenters be allowed to respond to comments of the applicants. "As much as I enjoy a good argument, I have things I'd like to get done later today," he said, and reminded those present, "I don't want cross communication in the audience."

Citizen after citizen expressed opposition to the transfer over

the next hour, after which applicants were ed noise levels, the possibility that the allowed to present information in favor of their business and the requested cultivation license location transfer.

Attorney Jeffrey Hurd, representing Log Hill Community Action, shared a letter he had written opposing the application, and said that the number of area residents registering opposition had risen to 135. Hurd noted concerns over deficiencies in the application, the lack of an existing facility at the proposed location, and possible impacts to wildlife and migration corridors.

He requested denial of the application. Log Hill resident Henry Jupille was among the citizens who spoke, telling commissioners that approval would have "long lasting, far-reaching repercussions."

Said Jupille, "The reality is that the proposed facility is an industrial drug manufacturing operation...something you would commonly find in an industrial park... clearly this is not compatible with the community."

Neighbor Jennie Bridgman reminded commissioners that on quiet Log Hill Mesa, "Sound travels, especially at night." She pointed out the low water level in Ridgway Reservoir, and asked, "do we really need another drain on our water resources?"

Other concerns raised by speakers includ-

A second public hearing in Ouray County at the 4H Event Center on

a request to transfer a marijuana cultivation facility location license to Log Hill Mesa's CR1C drew vocal opposition from area residents.

facility would not succeed, and that it is better suited to an industrial area than a pristine, high mesa location.

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Said Log Hill resident Harvey Martinez, "We sure don't want to come out to the mailbox every day to see that big old giant building and put up with the noise and lights.

"Do the right thing and vote this out." Resident Dale Demuth said that elk regularly cross from north to south "right where the building will be."

A letter included in the meeting packet from Elizabeth Paul expressed support for the applicants, but not the location. "I do not support cultivation facilities in residential areas and suggest again that Ouray County support this business with developing an industrial park for these and other businesses," Paul's letter began, and concluded, "In my dealings...the KOB team, at all times, was professional, cooperative and supportive. They listened to the neighborhood's concerns and tried to develop solutions to combat the issues. They have never behaved in an unprofessional manner and have treated everyone with respect."

The Commissioners made no decision following the Nov. 6 hearing, but will once again consider the application at a special meeting to be held at 9 a.m. on Nov. 19.

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#### COUNCIL REVIEWS PROPOSED FEE REVISIONS; BOWMAN ASKS FOR DUES INFORMATION, POLICE TAKE PART IN NO-SHAVE NOVEMBER

#### By Caitlin Switzer

MONTROSE-Montrose City Council reviewed proposed revisions to the City's schedule of fees, a Department of Local Affairs (DOLA) grant application for gray and black market marijuana enforcement funds, and an amendment to a lease agreement with Tuxedo Corn Company at the work session of Nov. 5. Also, Councilor Dave Bowman asked the City Manager to let Council know which area organizations receive dues payments from the City (the requested information is listed in this report); Councilor Bynum asked for legal staff to assist in crafting ordinance revisions to prohibit youth vaping.

#### FEE SCHEDULE REVISIONS

City Clerk Lisa DelPiccolo outlined the proposed <u>fee schedule revisions</u> for Council. "We started a year ago, emailing department heads about the changes they would like to see," she said, adding that the fee revisions better reflect the City's actual costs for the services provided, and, "In terms of the Pavilion, we were undercutting our competition."

Councilor Doug Glaspell questioned why the revisions addressed why fee updates addressed gasfitters and plumbers, but not electrical contractors. City Manager Bill Bell said that while the City issues plumbing licenses, electrical services are not within their jurisdiction.

Among numerous changes, pellet gun permits will now cost \$25; "We get a lot of requests for pellet gun permits when the prairie dogs are active," DelPiccolo said, noting that the City checks with law enforcement before issuing a pellet gun permit. "There are some people we've been asked not to issue permits to."

City Animal Control Officer Mike Duncan helped to explain some of the changes to animal control fees; for example, owners of impounded pets that are vaccinated will now be charged a \$20 impound fee if the pet is picked up on the first day, with \$5 for each additional day. "You can redeem your animal for free if it has already been vaccinated," Duncan said. He clarified that relinquishment fees will not apply to strays, only to pets, and the existing "litter fees" charged to those relinquishing litters of pet animals will be discontinued. Councilor Barbara Bynum asked whether the

fee increase would discourage people from bringing animals to the shelter. "What if people just end up dumping them in a ditch?"

Duncan said that people who want to be responsible should not be deterred by the fee, though, "You may have a point...we may see an increase in abandoned pets."

Police Chief Blaine Hall pointed out that it is illegal to dump animals in any case. "There are laws against animal dumping they could be charged with cruelty to animals."

"We want to be sure we don't change something that makes people behave in a way that is more hurtful," Bynum said.

Duncan noted that pets adopted through the shelter will continue to offer value despite the increase in dog adoption fees, which will be raised from \$75 to \$100 for dogs eight weeks to one year of age, and from \$60 to \$75 for dogs over one year of age. There is no change to cat adoption fees, which are \$50 for cats eight weeks to one year of age and \$30 for cats over one year of age.

"We are at least 100 percent less than any other agency in the state on what we charge for adoption of pets," Duncan said. "We don't want to raise it too high, but we have limited resources out there... these prices are what we feel our community can afford."

There is currently a waiting list for residents who wish to bring cats to the shelter, he noted. "At times we have so many cats...we have to do what we can to move those cats out of there and make room for more."

Fees for those wishing to close Main Street will decrease from \$500 to \$250.

"Are we trying to encourage more Main Street events?" Bynum asked.

City Manager Bill Bell said, "We want to encourage more use of Main Street... that's why we did the swap for the bypass."

Following more discussion of various event fees, Councilor Judy Ann Files asked, "If I walk in, say I want to close Main



City Councilor Barbara Bynum, center, asked the City's legal team to help craft changes to the smoking ordinance that would prohibit youth vaping.

Street for a couple of hours and pay the fee, is that all it takes? I wonder what that would do to business?"

Any closures must be approved by the Downtown Development Authority (DDA), DelPiccolo said, and noted that there is a 90-day wait period as well.

DelPiccolo said that after extensive research of fees charged by other event venues, Montrose Pavilion Manager Kara McKenna has suggested a 20-percent increase. "We haven't raised Pavilion rental fees in quite a while."

Files asked McKenna, who was present at the work session, if there had been any pushback against a fee increase.

McKenna said that contracts through 2019 have already been signed, so the increase won't apply to most users until 2020. The new fees, "just make it more fair for everyone else."

After further discussion of fee revisions, Mayor Roy Anderson said that the redline version was easier to follow than the unmarked new fee schedule, and thanked staff for their hard work on the fee changes.

#### GRAY AND BLACK MARKET MARIJUANA ENFORCEMENT DOLA GRANT

City Grant Coordinator Kendall Cramer said that the opt-in grant program helps to cover the cost of law enforcement and investigations concerning illegal marijuana. "You don't have to have a problem in your community; you can still apply for these funds."

Police Chief Blaine Hall reminded Council that the Montrose County Sheriff had

#### **COUNCIL REVIEWS PROPOSED FEE REVISIONS; BOWMAN ASKS FOR DUES INFO** From previous pg

seized a large, illegal marijuana grow in recent weeks, and said that the benefits of participation in the grant program far outweigh any costs; "It is an issue here...there are a lot of things that this money could be used for."

# FIRST AMENDMENT TO LEASE AGREEMENT WITH TUXEDO CORN COMPANY

Council discussed amending the lease to extend insurance coverage through CIRSA to the lessee. "They found it difficult to obtain umbrella insurance coverage," City Director of Innovation and Citizen Engagement Virgil Turner said. "We feel... that this is an acceptable risk."

The lease amendment would apply to the sub-lessee as well, he said.

#### **GENERAL CITY COUNCIL DISCUSSION**

Councilor Dave Bowman asked staff for a list of organizations to which the City presently pays dues. "I'm not exactly sure who we pay dues to...I would be curious to know...are they relevant? Are they necessary? Are we making sure we are not contributing to organizations that have become partisan?"

City Manager Bill Bell said that the information can be found in the Council budget, under memberships and dues. (Listed under the 2018 City Council Budget are dues for: Region 10-\$15,995; Colorado Municipal League-\$13,826; Club 20-\$1,300; Chamber of Commerce-\$500; New National League of Cities-\$1,489; and Montrose Economic Development Corporation (MEDC)-\$250.)

Councilor Bynum said that she would like to follow up with legal staff on the subject of youth vaping, and possible changes to the City's smoking ordinance. "Can we change things in a way that supports school district efforts to prevent vaping by underage folks...I feel like the sooner the better," she said. "We're already behind."

Chief of Police Hall said, "It's really important to work with legal and come up with an ordinance to give School Resource Officers the ability to provide enforcement."

City Attorney Stephen Alcorn asked whether Council wanted to consider adult vaping as well as vaping by youth.

Other items Council discussed included the changeover to Westco Dispatch; the switch was extremely smooth, Chief Hall said. Councilor Bowman promoted the new television offered through Delta-Montrose Electric Association's Elevate Broadband company. "They're selling TV service as of today... contracts are all done and on their way...they're giving a little discount on packages!" Bowman said.

The Hillcrest Avenue extension project was opened last week; Council discussed whether to have a ribbon cutting, "At the last couple of ribbon cuttings, we've only had staff," Files said.

Chief Hall mentioned that the police department is taking part in <u>No Shave November</u>, in which police officers do not shave and collect donations for programs that fight cancer.

"Please look that up and donate," Hall said. "We'll take a picture at the end." Normally, beards violate dress code, he noted, "But we felt this is for a pretty good cause."

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#### HOTCHKISS HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL TEAM RAISES 9K FOR GRAND MESA ONCOLOGY & INFUSION CENTER

#### Special to the Mirror

HOTCHKISS-The Hotchkiss High School Volleyball team donated \$9,147 to the DCMH Foundation to benefit Grand Mesa Oncology and Infusion Center, located in Delta, Colorado, by hosting a Pink Out night on Oct. 19.

Grand Mesa Oncology and Infusion Manager Nysha Wilson said, "I was overwhelmed by what these ladies were able to accomplish and am so appreciative of their kind hearts."

Students, parents, community members, and local businesses supported the fundraiser by donating silent auction items, baked goods, and selling tickets to win half a beef that was also donated. At the volleyball game, the team recognized all those in attendance who have been affected by cancer by giving each person a flower.

The DCMH Foundation and entire Grand Mesa Oncology department would like to thank all of these outstanding young ladies, their families, and the community that helped them to raise this incredible donation.



Top Row: Dr. Allan Miller, Indigo Miller-Barnes, Amelia Hickam, Tycee Taylor, Vianney Mendoza, Carson Collins, Lexi Wrich, Elsie Vazquez, Ruby Shiflet, Katie Powers, Dr. Helen Goldberg, Nysha Wilson, Grand Mesa Oncology Manager, Arienne Huff, RN, Bottom Row: Nadia Hill, Wendy Maring, RN, Bella Brezonick, Allyson Regelman, Bailey Miller, Kelsey Stark, RN. Courtesy photo.

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#### **CENTENNIAL MIDDLE SCHOOL VETERANS' DAY ASSEMBLY**







Students and staff of Centennial Middle School welcomed community members, honored guests and dignitaries to the annual Veterans' Day Celebration on Nov. 9. "Look for light in the darkness...and you will find your way," keynote speaker U.S. Army Specialist Steven Baskis, retired, (top right) told the crowd.









#### COUNCIL HONORS COMMUNITY MEMBERS; SPEAKER IGNORES MAYOR @ LIQUOR LICENSE HEARING IN REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING NOV. 7



The Montrose City Council issued proclamations in support of Joyce Loss Day (left) and the State Champion Montrose High School Golf Team (right) and in support of Hospice & Palliative Care at the regular meeting of Nov. 7

#### By Caitlin Switzer

MONTROSE-CASA of the 7<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Board member Jim Haugsness' refusal to heed the Mayor's request to "wrap it up" while commenting during a liquor license hearing brought tension to an otherwise upbeat regular meeting of the Montrose City Council on Tuesday, Nov. 6. With Councilors Bynum and Files in Burlington for a grant presentation, the two took part in the regular meeting by phone. Also present at the meeting was Youth Council Representative Rhiannon Allen.

Mayor Roy Anderson reminded those present that it was election day. "I encourage anyone who hasn't voted to do that."

Council issued <u>proclamations</u> in recognition of the State Champion Montrose High School Golf Team, in honor of 38-year Neighborhood Watch volunteer Joyce Loss (in a joint proclamation with Montrose County officials), and in support of Hospice & Palliative Care Month.

#### CALL TO THE PUBLIC

No general comments were received from the public.

#### CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda was unanimously approved.

#### PLANNING COMMISSION APPOINTMENT

Council unanimously voted to approve the appointment of Janet Chastain to the City's Planning Commission, for a term that will expire on Dec. 31, 2020. **HOTEL & RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSE** 

#### TRANSFER

City Council considered the transfer of a hotel & restaurant liquor license at 1415 Hawk Parkway from Twenty Four-Seven Corporation d.b.a. The Stone House to All for One LLC, d.b.a. The Stone House, for consumption on the licensed premises. Longtime Stone House staffer Donald Vincent now owns the establishment, taking over after the retirement of former owner Jack Ludwig. "Initially things will continue just as they have," Vincent said, noting that serving food represents 80 percent of the Stone House's business.

"You don't have a lot of 17-year-olds sneaking in for bottles of wine or beer," City Attorney Stephen Alcorn said.

"Our clientele is mainly age 50 and over... we card very diligently," Vincent said.

Said Councilor Dave Bowman, "I feel like this is the end of an era, a changing of the guard. Jack Ludwig was a personal mentor to me. Placing the Stone House in your hands is a great decision on Jack's part." Youth Councilor Allen asked Vincent, "Do you limit alcohol sales to people over 21 or do you just hand out as much as they want?"

"We can't serve anyone who is visibly intoxicated," Vincent said. "If we see the signs—if they're slurring speech, if they're getting really rambunctious, we will no longer serve them."

The Stone House clientele tends to be well-behaved, he noted.

Council voted unanimously to approve the liquor license transfer. **NEW TAVERN LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICA-**

#### TION Up for consideration was a new tavern

Up for consideration was a new tavern liquor license at 207 North Townsend Avenue for Top Notch Mobile Food, owned by Ada Fisher, for consumption on the licensed premises.

Fisher said that the building would house a tavern with a food truck owned by husband Kirk in the parking lot. "We would like to have other food trucks on a rotation basis so people can have other culinary experiences."

The hours would be from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., and the tavern will not be open if there is not a food truck in the lot. "We want our business to be an enjoyable experience," Fisher said. "We don't want drunks, we want people to have a glass of wine with dinner...we are familiar with the beer and liquor code."

Councilor Doug Glaspell asked about parking needs; Senior City Planner Garry Baker said that one space is required for every 100 square feet of floor area.

Mayor Anderson asked how teen drinking would be prevented.

"That wouldn't be acceptable at all," Fisher said. "We know what signs to look for."

Youth Councilor Allen asked whether the establishment would only cater to adults, or would welcome youth for meals. Fisher

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said that she welcomes all ages, though she expects a largely adult clientele, and has created a special chocolate milk beverage for younger customers.

Speaking against the application was CASA of the 7<sup>th</sup> Judicial District representative Jim Haugsness. He said that CASA opposed the liquor license application for societal and parking reasons. <u>CASA is a regional non-profit</u> that provides a safe environment and advocacy for youth, a safe environment for visitation with non-custodial parents, and advocacy for young adults transitioning from foster care.

"Our mission is advocacy and safety for at-risk children," Haugsness said. "...Two months ago we purchased the old Jeans Western Building directly south of this... the building will have a Youth Access Center, 2,000 square feet where youth can come in to talk to adults, and learn to make good decisions..."

As Haugsness reached the three-minute limit for public comment, Mayor Anderson interrupted.

"Can you wrap it up?" Mayor Anderson asked.

Haugsness ignored the request and continued to speak. "We are partnering with PEER Kindness. We have invested \$800,000 in the building, with 30 hours of volunteer time. We also have community partners..."

"I need to ask you to quit," Anderson said. "You are over the three-minute limit."

Haugsness kept on. "This sends the wrong message. Most of our cases come from broken families—that is the societal part of it."

"Wrap it up please," Anderson said.

"Backstreet Bagel already takes up the parking in the morning, and in the evening, parking is a real issue for what we are trying to do," Haugsness said. "Their (Top Notch Food Co) hours directly compete with our hours. Parking is definitely a problem."

"Please will you sit down," Anderson said.

As Police Chief Blaine Hall prepared to intervene, Haugsness relinquished the floor and left the meeting room, waiting just outside in the foyer to speak with the applicants.

Citizen David Stockton stepped forward to address Council, thanking Councilors for the opportunity to have questions answered, "I am encouraging City Council to approve efforts to approve the new tavern."

Councilor Doug Glaspell advised the applicants to be careful when it comes to parking, "Don't overstep your bounds."

Council voted unanimously to approve the tavern liquor license application. ORDINANCES-SECOND READING

Council approved three ordinances on second reading. Approved were Ordinance 2458, authorizing the disposal of real property; Ordinance 2459, amending the zoning designation of parcel 376728149901 from (P) public district to (B3) General Commercial District; and Ordinance 2460, amending the zoning district designation of a portion of Tract 2 of the John D. Exemption from (R3) medium density district to (B2A) regional commercial district.

#### **ORDINANCE 2461-FIRST READING**

Councilors unanimously approved Ordinance 2461 on first reading, providing and appropriating funds for defraying the expenses and liabilities of the City of Montrose during the fiscal year beginning Jan. 1, 2019. Total appropriations amount to \$58,315,643, City Assistant Finance Director Chelsea White said.

Council approved the 2019 budget unanimously.

#### SAN SOPHIA WEST SUBDIVISION FILING NO. 2 FINAL PLAT

Council unanimously approved the San Sophia Subdivision Filing No. 2 Final Plat, a request to final plat 17 lots and two small HOA areas. The property is zoned (R3) and located east of the intersection of 6450 Road and San Sophia Drive.

#### LIFT STATION ELIMINATION SEWER LINE PROJECT CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT

Council voted unanimously to award construction and survey/engineering support contracts for the Lift Station Elimination Sewer Line Project. A construction contract in the amount of \$558,374.91 was awarded to Mountain Valley Contracting and a survey stakeout contract in the amount of \$22,500 was awarded to DOWL, on a time and materials, not-to-exceed basis.

#### PUBLIC INFORMATION REPORTS AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

Assistant City Manager Ann Morgenthaler informed Council that City Offices will be closed on Monday, Nov. 12 for Veterans' Day. Clear bags for leaf pickup are available for purchase at City Hall, allowing leaves to be treated as green waste rather than regular trash.

On Nov. 24, Montrose Bucks will go on sale at the Visitor Center, Morgenthaler said. "For every \$100 purchased, you get \$20 free Montrose Bucks," she said. "It's a great way to get a little bit extra."

Youth Council Representative Rhiannon Allen provided an update on Youth Council's "Rock the Rec," event at the Montrose Rec Center on Oct. 27. The event featured a glow in the dark party with laser tag and dodge ball, and drew 120 to 125 kids, she said. "There was enough food for everyone, and lots of high schoolers stayed until 10 p.m."

Montrose Police Chief Blaine Hall provided an update on the transition from Montrose Regional Dispatch Center to Westco Dispatch. "The transition went very, very smoothly, there were no issues. It was an incredible feat by both entities." He thanked the City for helping with safety needs and budgeting for two new police officers in 2019.

Councilor Glaspell reminded citizens not to blow leaves into City streets because that clogs storm drains. He also said that Westco Dispatch is hiring.

Councilor Bowman commented on a conversation he had recently with a Downtown business owner who expressed dissatisfaction with a Council decision. "Council does the best job we can," Bowman said. "...democracy is not a one-way street...tell us what you want...to lament a decision we made when you weren't here doesn't help anyone."

Bynum thanked staff for their hard work on the budget, Files thanked Council for allowing her and Bynum to call in by phone for the meeting.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned.

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# **REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS**

# **MONTROSE COUNTY VEHICLE DEATH**

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MONTROSE- On the afternoon of Friday, Nov. 2, 2018, a single vehicle accident occurred when a vehicle traveling down Sunset Mesa Road approaching Chipeta Road lost control and slid down the embankment and rolled over one-and-a-half times. The driver was restrained by his seat belt and suffered no severe injuries. The passenger wasn't restrained and was ejected sustaining fatal injuries.

The passenger has been identified as Mason D. Mcclenathan, 16, of Montrose. The cause of death was multiple traumatic injuries and the manner of death has been certified as an Accident.

The case is being investigated by the Montrose Police Department with the assistance of the Colorado State Patrol and the Montrose County Coroner's Office of Medical Investigation. Thomas M. Canfield MD, Coroner



#### **COLORADO NEWS BRIEFS**

#### **COLORADO POISED TO GROW ITS MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY** Statewide Manufacturing Study Released at EDCC's Annual Conference

#### Special to the Mirror

ESTES PARK-More than 200 economic development professionals and stakeholders gathered at the Ridgeline Hotel for the Economic Development Council of Colorado's (EDCC) annual Drive Lead Succeed Conference. With mid-term elections on the horizon and ballot initiatives that could have devastating impacts on the state's economy, the convening of such an audience was timely and dynamic. Inspired by Estes Park, nicknamed the "gutsiest little mountain town in Colorado" for its steadfast comeback after two devastating floods, the three-day conference focused on economic challenges and opportunities communities will be facing in the next three to five years. A variety of industry experts were on hand to provide leading-edge resources and strategies to help communities and businesses address these challenges. Topics ranged from: -the upcoming election and how it will affect our local economies -the recent release of Metro Denver EDC's Toward a More Competitive Colorado (TMCC), an annual benchmark report analyzing Colorado's strengths, challenges, and opportunities for future job growth

and economic expansion -how communities are tackling our hous-

ing crisis -and how Colorado is leading nationally in the Opportunity Zones race for investment, giving Colorado the competitive edge, it needs to bolster local economies

#### around the state

Among the dynamic topics discussed at the conference was the release of EDCC's statewide manufacturing study analyzing Colorado's manufacturing skills clusters and supply chain opportunities, produced by <u>Emsi</u> – a labor market analytics firm. Over the course of the past year, EDCC convened a steering committee comprised of top industry leaders and economists in Colorado including CU Leeds School of Business, Manufacturer's Edge, Lockheed Martin, Freeport-McMoran, Colorado Department of Labor and Employment, Business and Industry Services Network - Colorado Community College System, and EDCC members: La Plata Economic Development, and Town of Gypsum.

The study aimed to identify business expansion and recruitment opportunities for each of the six regions in Colorado, that would help support, and potentially bolster, manufacturing statewide. Key findings in the study showed that: -Colorado is among only two states in the nation to possess five distinct skills clusters, aiding in skills diversity for the State's manufacturing industry cluster. -The top skills cluster identified in this study was Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP). GMP relates to quality control and ensuring products meet necessary standards, whether those are consumer-driven or mandated by groups like the Food and Drug Administration (FDA). This skills cluster sees the greatest potential in growth

#### for Colorado.

-Out of the six geographical regions in Colorado; the western, southwestern, and San Luis Valley region – although the smallest in terms of the average earnings per employee, the number businesses, and gross regional product (GRP) for manufacturing – is projected to see the fastest growth of the six regions over the next five years.

-The manufacturing industry in Colorado imports 91.6 percent of all purchases (\$316 million) from plastics material and resin manufacturing, making it a prime target for recruiting opportunities.

"It's important that business and community leaders, economic developers, and chambers of commerce read this study, understand it, and put its findings to work in building new supply chain efficiencies across the state" said Jeremy Rietmann, EDCC Board Chair. "We can do a better job of connecting existing skillsets and manufacturing capabilities to in-state supply chain needs to support quality job growth and economic output that benefits both rural and urban communities in Colorado."

Colorado's manufacturing is re-emerging after decades of steady job losses. Colorado has a unique opportunity to support the new demand for multi-skilled production workers and shore up the supply chain gap. The executive summary and report can be found at <u>edcconline.org/</u> <u>manufacturing-study</u>.



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#### Editor:

Montrose Regional Crime Stoppers, Inc. (M.R.C.S.), a Colorado 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation, is estimating that by the end of November, it will have awarded over \$11,000 in rewards to Tipsters who have provided information anonymously about a fugitive, suspect or crime, with a resulting arrest. While precise numbers are difficult, given under-staffed law enforcement, it appears over 111 charges leveled have been cleared and over 48 arrests have been made based upon information provided by Tipsters to the anonymous communications channels of M.R.C.S. Tips may be provided by calling 970-249-8500, using the mobile app, P3Tips or using internet <u>P3Tips.com</u>. Cash for successful Tips is paid at Alpine Bank at 2770 Alpine Dr. in Montrose upon presentation of payment and Tip codes, with no Tipster identification being made. This is a safe and convenient way to make our community secure from crime and collect money for the holidays as well. Individuals and businesses may make tax deductible donations to support this public safety organization by mailing them to M.R.C.S., Inc. at 434 S. 1st Street, Montrose, CO 81401.

Have a safe and happy Thanksgiving and holiday season. John W. Nelson Montrose Regional Crime Stoppers, Inc.

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#### **'ROOSTER' LANDS AT OURAY COUNTY RANCH HISTORY MUSEUM**



A team of local artists created Rooster, now perched at the Ouray County Ranch History Museum in Ridgway.

#### Mirror staff report

RIDGWAY-A quick glance reveals many treasures at the Ouray County Ranch History Museum (321 Sherman Street in Ridgway), but among the newest is Rooster. The life-sized sculpture of a crow wears a sheriff's badge, in the likeness of namesake Rooster Cogburn. Rooster exemplifies the creative spirit that infuses Ridgway, and honors the late John Wayne, star of the original movie version of "True Grit."

Rooster is also part of a flock--dispersed around Ridgway are other crows, each one with an identity all its own. The crow sculpture project took flight after creator John Billings and his wife Robin Meiklejohn were chatting with fellow artist Shannon Marjenhoff one Thanksgiving. "We are all fans of Banksy and Shepard Fairey," Billings said. "So this started out as a guerilla art project, but we ended up asking for permission."

Today the crows adorn several other locations in addition to the Ouray County Ranch History Museum—for example Taco Del Gnar--and there are more planned, Billings said. Each crow is made of hard plastic; Billings creates the molds, Marjenhoff paints the birds, and Billings then decorates them.

Ranch History Museum Board President Joan Chismire invites all who are inspired by the history and the Old West to visit the beautiful museum, which is now housed in the town's historic railroad depot.

"The museum is open year-round," Chismire said. "We only keep our summer hours from May through October, but you can call us for a private tour at any time of the year."

The museum has completed phase one of its planned development, moving into the beautifully kept depot building adjacent to Hartwell Park. The building was purchased in 2016 from longtime owners the Mitchell family, who bought the depot from the Denver & Rio Grande Western Railroad in the 1960's and made it their home for half a century. Artifacts were moved from the museum's former location at the Colona School, and the Ouray County Ranch History Museum re-opened to the public in 2017.

Also sharing the museum "campus," which includes a pasture area to the north of the Depot, is the Ridgway Railroad Museum. Eventually, the Ouray County Ranch History Museum will build a new Museum complex at the north end of the pasture area, with a barn, working blacksmith shop, corrals and more.

Phase two of the project, which will begin shortly, involves the construction of a half-mile loop of track for operation of a steam train and Motor 1 (a prototype of the famed Galloping Geese). According to plans, the Railroad Museum will operate the trains and offer scheduled rides to the public. The Railroad Museum has moved its outdoor collection from the former location near the Ridgway Visitor Center to the pasture area; in Phase 3 of the project the Ouray County Ranch History Museum will move to the new museum complex, and the Ridgway Railroad Museum will move its indoor displays to the historic depot building.

To arrange a tour, volunteer or to make a donation, call the Ouray County Ranch History Museum at 970-316-1085 or the Ridgway Railroad Museum at 970-318-0322. Find the Ouray County Ranch History Museum online at ocrhm.org.



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# COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS: ARTS & AGRICULTURE MONTROSE FARMERS MARKET

# WINTER MARKET' OPENS IN CENTENNIAL ROOM



Winter Market courtesy photo.

Special to Art & Sol MONTROSE-Temperatures have dropped, so local farmers, producers, and artisans will continue bringing their products to the community from a comfortable, indoor location during the winter months. The Winter Market will be held in the Centennial Meeting Room of the Montrose City Hall, just steps away from the Centennial plaza that features the open-air summer market. The Montrose Farmers' Market committee, in collaboration with Valley Food Partnership and the City of Montrose, will host the holiday market the first three Saturdays of November and December and beginning in January, every other Saturday through April, open from 10 am to 1 pm. "The market is on the grow," said market manager Michele Deanne, "It just gets better and bigger each and every year.

"As well as the highest quality late-season fruits, veggies, greens, meats, and eggs, there will be fresh baked goods, honey, jams, jellies, specialty candies, bath and body care products, art and so much more this holiday season," Deanne said. "If you like the summer market, you definitely don't want to miss this one."

Come support your local farmers, producers, and artisans this holiday and winter season.

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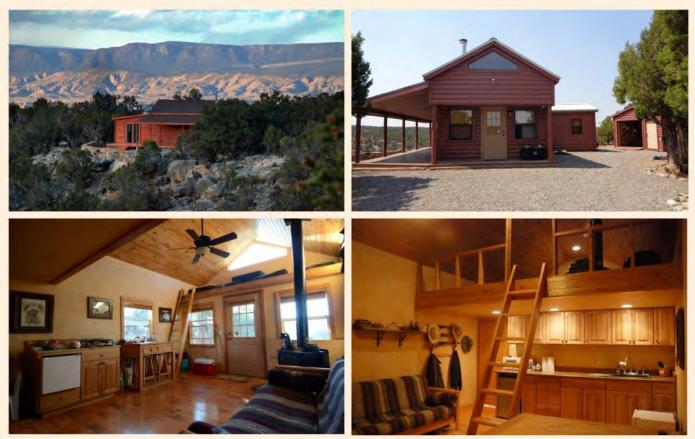
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Remember to avoid peak travel times whenever possible and consider carpooling or alternative transportation.

Have a plan-If you are stuck in a serious storm, do not leave your car. Run the engine periodically and wait for help.

Prepare a winter driving vehicle kit. Carry blankets, water, a flashlight, a shovel, some nutrition bars or other food for sustenance. Winterize your vehicle's safety kit by including extra blankets, sand to help gain traction in the event you become stuck on ice or snow, jumper cables and an ice scraper.

All motorists should be familiar with Colorado's Passenger Vehicle Traction Law and Passenger Vehicle Chain Law. These laws are implemented when weather and road conditions require it, at which time highway signage will be activated to alert drivers.

When a storm is predicted, maintenance crews begin 24-hour operations—rotating 12-hour shifts—until roads return to normal driving conditions. And, when warranted, avalanche control crews will work with forecasters from the Colorado Avalanche Information Center to trigger avalanches along mountain highways before they run naturally.

To learn more winter driving tips and about the strategies CDOT implements during winter storms, visit <u>winter.codot.gov</u>. To find roadway conditions and closures, view CDOT's traveler information site at <u>cotrip.org</u> or call 511 from anywhere in the state.

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#### **COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS**

# **BEATLES VS. STONES TRIBUTE SHOW TO SETTLE** AN OLD SCORE IN GRAND JUNCTION



Beatles vs. Stones – A Musical Showdown performs on Thursday, Jan. 10 at 7:30 pm at the Avalon Theatre. Courtesy photos.

#### Special to Art & Sol

GRAND JUNCTION--The debate between the Beatles and the Rolling Stones has been going on ever since they first crossed paths on the charts 54 years ago. The argument at the time, and one that still persists, was that the Beatles were a pop group and the Stones were a rock band: the boys next door vs. the bad boys of rock. So who's better?

These two legendary bands will engage in an on-stage, throw down - a musical 'showdown' if you will - on Thursday, Jan. 10 at The Avalon Theatre at 7:30 pm courtesy of tribute bands Abbey Road and Satisfaction - The International Rolling Stones Show.

Taking the side of the Fab Four is *Abbey* Road, one of the county's top Beatles tribute bands. With brilliant musicianship and authentic costumes and gear, Abbey Road plays beloved songs spanning the Beatles' career. They face off against renowned Stones tribute band Satisfaction - The International Rolling Stones Show, who offer a faithful rendition of the music and style of Mick Jagger, Keith Richards and the bad boys of the British Invasion.

Where did the idea for the show come from?

"Music fans never had a chance to see the Beatles and the Rolling Stones perform on the same marquee," said Chris Legrand, who plays "Mick Jagger" in the show.

"Now, music aficionados can watch this debate play out on stage."

The Grand Junction show is part of a 125 -stop tour of the U.S., Australia and Canada and has been touring since 2011. The show also performs long term residencies for a number of the Harrah's Casino properties.

The production includes some of the more popular songs from the two rock pioneers and covers the scope of their musical careers, although the set list for Satisfaction usually includes Rolling Stones be an evening of high-energy music," said songs up to the 1980s.

"They certainly have more pop songs but we're a really great live show. The fans are in for an incredible night of music!" says LeGrand.

During the two-hour show, the bands perform three sets each, trading places in quick set changes and ending the night with an all-out encore involving both bands. The band members have their outfits custom-made, since avid fans know exactly what the Beatles and Stones wore

onstage during different time periods in their careers. There's a lot of goodnatured jabbing between the bands as well.

"Without Beatlemania, the Stones might still be a cover band in London," said Chris Overall, who plays "Paul".

"There's no question that the Beatles set the standard."

The audience naturally enjoys top shelf tributes to two legendary bands in the same evening. Like The Idaho Statesman said: "If you see only one tribute show, see this one ... smart and loads of fun."

"It's just a fun time and a cool back-andforth nonstop show," Overall said.

"We're going to bring it all. It's going to Legrand.

Beatles vs. Stones – A Musical Showdown performs on Thursday, Jan. 10 at 7:30 pm at the Avalon Theatre. Tickets are \$35 -\$65 and may be purchased online at www.avalontheatregj.com, by phone at 800-626-TIXS (8497) or at the theatre box office

The Avalon Theatre is located at 645 Main St, Grand Junction, CO 81501. The show is appropriate for all ages. The goes on sale to the public on Nov. 9 at noon.

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#### **COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS**

# **GMUG CHRISTMAS TREE PERMITS AVAILABLE SOON**

#### Special to the Mirror

DELTA-Christmas tree permits will be available for purchase at Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre and Gunnison (GMUG) National Forests office locations beginning Nov. 19. The cost per permit is \$8.00 and may be purchased with cash, check or credit card at National Forest office and vendor locations. There is a maximum of five tree permits per person. Permits will be available and valid from November 19, 2018 through Dec. 31, 2018

Christmas tree cutting is allowed in most areas on the GMUG with the following exceptions: Wilderness, scenic pullouts, commercial timber sales areas, recreation and ski areas, campgrounds, trailheads, developed sites and administrative areas and otherwise as detailed in the package provided with your permit.

Trees may not be cut within 100 feet of any road or trail. Trees must be less than 20 feet tall from the stump, may not be greater than 6 inches in diameter at the base of the tree and the stump height should be no greater than 6 inches high. Topping trees is not allowed (i.e. cutting only the top of the tree and leaving the bottom with limbs attached). Trees are for personal use only and cannot be resold. The tags must be attached to the tree at the cutting location and must be left on the tree until it arrives at its final destination.

Maps showing where Christmas tree cutting is allowed are available at all offices where permits are sold and will be provided with permits along with a regulations list.

The GMUG is pleased to continue the 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Free Christmas Tree Program again this holiday season. Fourth graders are eligible for a free Christmas tree permit through the Every Kid in a Park (EKIP) Initiative. Every Kid is a nationwide call to action to build the next generation of conservationists. All fourth graders are eligible to receive a fourth grade pass that allows free access to federal lands and waters across the country for a full year. In support of this initiative, the Forest Service will make available a free Christmas tree permit to every interested fourth grader who presents a 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Pass or paper voucher at any GMUG National Forests office location.

Instructions on how to obtain a pass and collect a free tree permit:

In order for students to receive a free Christmas tree permit, they must present a valid 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Pass or paper voucher printed from the Every Kid in a Park website: <u>https://everykidinapark.gov/</u>. To earn the voucher, simply visit the website, click on the "Get Your Pass" button and follow the instructions to obtain the voucher. Print out the paper voucher and bring it with you to a District Office on the Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre and Gunnison National Forests.

The Forest Travel Management Plans and or weather conditions may close various forest roads prior to or on November 30. As a reminder, Motor Vehicle Use Maps (MVUMs) have been produced for the entire Forest and show forest roads, trails and areas that have been designated for seasonal closures. Motorized users are responsible for obtaining an MVUM to determine where one can drive, ride and recreate.

These maps are free and are available at District Offices or on the Forest website: <u>http://www.fs.usda.gov/gmug</u>. Snow and winter conditions will dictate road access for Christmas tree harvesting. Conditions associated with winter travel on forest roads may include, but are not limited to: heavy snow, ice, soft shoulders and constantly changing road conditions.

#### **Permit Sale Locations:**

The Fort Uncompahgre, 8 AM to 5 PM Monday through Saturday 440 N Palmer Drive; Delta, CO

#### 970-874-8349

Grand Valley Ranger District, 8 AM to 5 PM, excluding weekends and holidays 2777 Crossroads Blvd, Suite 1; Grand Junction, CO

#### 970-242-8211

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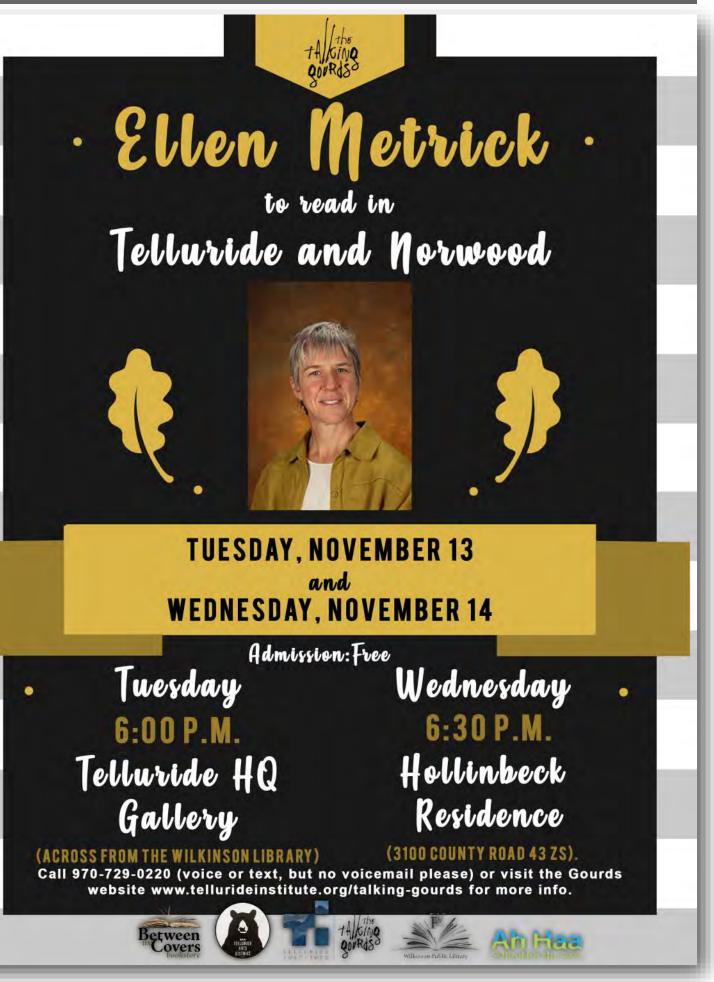
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#### **COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS**

#### CHRISTMAS AT THE FORT PRESENTED BY ALTRUSA AND FRIENDS OF THE FORT

#### Special to Art & Sol

DELTA –Fort Uncompahgre (440 North Palmer Street, Delta) will recreate Christmas as it was celebrated in the 1830's, on Saturday, Nov. 24 from 7- 9 pm following the Delta Parade of Lights. Santa will arrive at 8 pm and will be in the Trade Room area. Historical interpreters will be depicting celebration of Christmas time as it was celebrated in the 1830s, including traditional music and lighting of the Christmas tree and traditional Christmas Stories. There will be a living Nativity Scene, live

demonstrations, an actual Smitty in the Blacksmith Shop and folks spinning wool.

The FORT will be decorated for the holidays and "period correct" candles and lanterns and 300 luminarias. You'll learn about the history of the Christmas tree and listen to local school children perform Christmas carols. When you visit the FORT, you will literally step back in time. Authentic trade goods and piles of furs and animal hides fill several of the rooms. Every aspect of the FORT is maintained as

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authentically as possible. You will see the trade room where Indians and trappers exchanged furs for guns, knives, beads, and other prized trade goods and learn about the history of the American Long rifle developed for the American Frontier. You'll be able to gather around the fireplaces in the "Cocina," the kitchen and the Trade Room, and listen to stories and learn about the History of Antoine Robidoux and the Fort on the Old Spanish Trail. Antoine became involved in the fur trade and established Fort Uncompangre in the late 1820's a short distance from the confluence of the Compangre (Uncompangre) and the Blue or Eagletail (Gunnison) rivers. Furs were brought to the fort by local Indians and trappers and were traded for goods that had been brought in from both Santa Fe and St. Louis. Antoine built the Fort in its original location because of the close proximity to the Old Spanish Trail and a historic Indian Trail. The gift shop will be open and will allow you the opportunity to purchase books and authentic trade goods similar to those used at Fort Uncompahgre. Refreshments will be served. Popcorn popped over the campfire. Outdoor activities will depend on the weather. Please plan to attend this special Christmas celebration. Location: 440 North Palmer Street, Delta--Right across from Bill Heddles Rec. Center – turn right into the Fort parking lot. "Fort Annual Food Drive" – Bring a canned good – FREE Admission

General Admission \$2. Ages 12 and under **FREE**. For more information please call 874-8349 or 640-7076.

### **MIRROR IMAGES...WINTER COLORS!**



Reader Deb Reimann captured images of Molas Pass, above, last week, and Monarch Pass, below, last month.





Happy Fall! Colorful Pumpkins, above right, are by Deb Reimann. The welcoming entrance to Ikie's Trailer Park on Main Street, below, was captured by Mirror Reporter Gail Marvel last week.



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# Save the Date! Upcoming Regional Events

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**GARDEN OF LIGHTS AT THE MONTROSE BOTANIC GARDENS**-5:30 pm to 8:30 pm, Saturday & Sunday, Dec. 15 & 16; Saturday & Sunday, Dec. 22 & 23; Wednesday & Thursday, Dec. 26 & 27. Illuminated garden paths and displays, horse drawn wagon rides, music. Check the website for details. <u>www.montrosegardens.org</u>

**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.

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

#### MONTROSE 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, <u>1980 North Townsend Ave</u>. Information: Dianna 970-249-0724 **MONTHLY-**

**Nov. 15-16**-Colorado Parks and Wildlife Commission to meet Nov. 15 - 16 in Burlington. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 8:30 a.m. and adjourn at 5 p.m. on Nov. 15 at Old Town Museum/Barn, 420 S. 14th St., in Burlington. A <u>complete agenda</u> for this meeting can be found on the <u>CPW website</u>. The next commission meeting will take place Jan. 11 - 12 in Denver.

**Nov. 15**-Hwy 550 Access Plan Open House, 5 to 7 p.m., Montrose County Public Works, 63160 LaSalle Road. **Nov. 16**--The Black Canyon Boys & Girls Club's 4th Annual Crab Crack fundraiser, presented by Elevate Fiber, will be held on Friday Nov. 16, 2018 at 6 p.m. at the Montrose Pavilion. All proceeds from the event benefit the Black Canyon Boys & Girls Club of Montrose and Olathe. For more information on the Club check out www.bcbgc.org.

**Nov. 17**-Have you lost a loved one to suicide? AFSP Survivor Day, Colorado Mesa University Montrose, 245 South Cascade Avenue, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Contact information 928-640-1106, hdarbe@centermh.org.

**Nov. 22**-Montrose Community Dinner, Nov. 22 Noon-3 pm, Friendship Hall.

**Nov. 23-**Montrose Christmas tree lighting, Courthouse lawn.

**Nov. 24-**FREE coffee cupping (like a wine tasting) at Cimarron Coffee Roasters in Montrose, 72 S. Grand Ave. Nov. 24 10 -11 am

**Nov. 29**-Are you in a leadership role in your organization? About to be? Did you know that whatever role you play, you can lead? Learn more at a regional training on Thursday, Nov. 29, from 9 a.m.-4 p.m.at the United Methodist Church in Montrose, 19 South Park Avenue. The workshop is co-sponsored by the San Juan Nonprofit Council of Montrose, Gunnison, Ouray, Hinsdale and San Miguel Counties; the Community Foundation of the Gunnison Valley; and the Community Resource Center of Denver. Their collaboration and sponsorship means that the fee is only \$60 if you register in advance online. For more information, or to receive the registration link, contact Maryo Ewell at the Community Foundation of the Gunnison Valley, <u>maryo@cfgv.org</u> or 641-3570.

**Nov. 30-Dec. 1**-Friday Nov. 30<sup>th</sup> and Sat. Dec. 1st – Cobble Creek 7th Annual Watercolor Show. Reception Friday 4 –7 pm. Show runs Saturday 10-3. Upstairs at the Cobble Creek Clubhouse. 699 Cobble Drive. 249-5645 for more information.

Dec. 1-Montrose Parade of Lights.

**Dec. 1**-Montrose Elks Lodge Charity Ball, 801 South Hillcrest @ 7 p.m. \$25 couple, \$15 single.

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