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## MONTROSE COUNTY APPROVES DESIGN CONTRACT FOR NORTH CAMPUS, ESTABLISHES MORATORIUM ON LARGE SCALE POWER GENERATION PROJECTS

By Caitlin Switzer

MONTROSE-All commissioners were present for the regular meeting of the Montrose Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) on Wednesday, Oct. 19. BOCC Chair Keith Caddy called the meeting to order.

Citizen Matt Miles led all in saying the Pledge of Allegiance.

Pastor John DeSario of Summit Church delivered the invocation, giving thanks. "Eternal God...we are grateful for your grace...we're grateful for the beauty, the color, the fall, the grandeur of everything you have around here, that you have brought us all to this area, this county, we are blessed with the beauty of creation...help us to be good stewards of that, help us to manage our county well..."

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Montrose County has approved a contract for design and engineering of a new Montrose County North Campus building, to be located somewhere on the Justice Center property at 1200 N. Grand Ave (above). Photo B. Switzer.

## CITY ATTORNEY PRESENTS DRAFT MURA BYLAWS

By Gail Marvel

MONTROSE-The Oct. 19 Montrose Urban Renewal Authority (MURA) board meeting was held at 2 p.m. in the Centennial Meeting Room. MURA Chair Tad Rowan opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call. All board members were present, with Councilman David Reed attending virtually. There were no citizen comments during the call for Public Comment.

**Consideration of Minutes** – Deputy City Clerk Briceida Ortega.

Minutes of June 2, 2022 were approved unanimously.

**TIF Expenditure Update** - City Engineer Scott Murphy

Murphy gave a verbal and visual update on the projects completed and/or taking shape in the Colorado Outdoors Urban Renewal Area. Projects included Basecamp [apartments], Bright Beginnings, the Flex Rec space, Montrose Anglers, the new public restroom, and the first concrete pour for the Fairfield motel.

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During the Oct. 19 Montrose Urban Renewal Authority (MURA) meeting, the board approved an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between the City of Montrose and MURA for legal services. Following the unanimous vote, the first act for MURA Attorney Ben Morris was to lead the discussion on Bylaws. (L to R) City Attorney Ben Morris and Montrose Mayor Pro Tem Barbara Bynum. Photo by Gail Marvel.

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Some private property damage may have occurred within several Main Street businesses and the city is proactively working with those owners to mitigate their losses and to guide them through the claims process. The city is preparing Citizens Incident Reports which will be used to make insurance claims so financial compensation could be available to help cover costs due to clean up or water damage caused by the water-line break.

"Thanks to the quick action from city utilities crews, the damage was limited in scope. We will be assisting property owners who sustained water damage from the water main break," said Mayor Pro Tem Barbara Bynum.

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## CRIME STOPPERS ALERT



*Montrose Regional Crime Stoppers*  
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The suspect stole one bottle of expensive liquor before running away from the scene. At about 3 am on Friday Sept. 23rd, an unknown person broke into and unlawfully entered Drive-In Liquor located at 700 N. Townsend Avenue. The suspect stole one bottle of the same expensive liquor and several packs of cigarettes. It appears that each incident was committed by a different person, however, because of the very specific nature of the theft, it is believed the incidents may be connected.

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# CITY COUNCIL VOTES TO STUDY STORMWATER UTILITY FEE



By Caitlin Switzer

MONTROSE-Mayor Dave Frank called the regular meeting of the Montrose City Council to order on Tuesday, Oct. 18. Frank welcomed everyone and led in saying the Pledge of Allegiance. All councilors were present, including Youth City Council Representative Grace Hotsenpiller.

Deputy City Clerk Briceida Ortega filled in for City Clerk Lisa DelPiccolo.

Mayor Pro Tem Barbara Bynum had no changes to the meeting agenda.

**YOUTH COUNCIL APPLICANT INTERVIEW**  
Council took time to interview Applicant Caitlin Dovey for the City Youth Council. "I want to learn how to solve problems without causing arguments, and to solve them peacefully and efficiently and to hopefully meet new people and make new friends," Dovey said.

## CALL FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

There were no comments heard from the public on non-agenda items.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Council voted to approve minutes of the Oct. 3, 2022, special City Council meeting and the Oct. 4, 2022, regular City Council meeting.

## HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION APPOINTMENT

Council voted to appoint City of Montrose Historic Preservation Commission Alternate Jeremy Omvig as a regular member of the City of Montrose Historic Preservation Commission for a term that expires on Oct. 16, 2025.

## RETAIL LIQUOR STORE TRANSFER APPLICATION

Council voted to approve the transfer of the Retail Liquor Store at 113 W. Main Street from Phil's Enterprises LLC, d.b.a.

West Main Liquors, to Quick Shop, LLC, d.b.a. West Main Liquors, for consumption off the licensed premises. Owner Fangling Kousoum was present to answer questions.

## ORDINANCE 2597 - SECOND READING

As previously discussed in work session and on first reading, council voted to adopt Ordinance 2597 on second reading, repealing Subsection 6-1-28(L) from the Official Code of the City of Montrose, Colorado, to remove a reference to an unused account. Youth Councilor Grace Hotsenpiller asked about the purpose of the ordinance; City Attorney Ben Morris explained the background and reasoning for the change.

## STORMWATER UTILITY FEE STUDY CONTRACT AWARD

Also discussed previously in work session, council voted to award a contract to Carollo Engineers, Inc. in the amount of \$54,404 to complete a Stormwater Utility Fee Study.

**Background-**A memo from Public Works Manager Jim Scheid to council states, "City Staff has requested proposals from consultants that specialize in utilities such as stormwater and the funding mechanisms that exist in similar communities to Montrose to conduct a comprehensive Stormwater Utility Fee Study... this study will include evaluating possible rate and fee structures by comparing them to benchmarks in the industry and to structures used by other agencies within the State of Colorado. The new approach under consideration would use a monthly stormwater fee based on the property's impact to the stormwater system. The stormwater utility billing system would be designed to create a system in which properties pay for their portion of the stormwater system's expenses and provide a predictable and sustainable funding source to properly maintain and update the stormwater system...The consultant would provide options for the City Council to consider for a later phase of the project, which would be the implementation phase. The consultant would work closely

with the City's finance department to be sure that any of the options provided would align with the existing billing system.

## CONTRACT AWARD FOR SAFEGUARDING OF HISTORIC POWER PLANT

Council voted to award a contract with Orion Environmental, Inc., authorizing \$74,261.25 to safeguard the former Bullock Power Plant at 30 W. South 4th Street. Facilities Manager Mark Armstrong presented information on the contract. Three bids were received; Orion was low bidder.

**Background-**A memo from Scheid to Council states, "The City purchased the former Bullock Power Plant in 2021 and has since been protecting the site and structure for future development possibilities and preparing for the pursuit of grant funding to remediate the site from environmental hazards. As a first step in this process the building and site need to be further secured and protected...This is not a budgeted project and would be funded out of undesignated fund balance."

## BASECAMP SUBDIVISION FINAL PLAT

Council voted four to one, with Councilor Ed Ulibarri voting "no," to approve the Basecamp Subdivision Final Plat to create two new multifamily residential lots, associated rights of way and easements, open space, and outlots.

**Background-**A memo from Planner II William Reis to Council states, "Basecamp Subdivision is a multi-family development at the southern end of the Montrose Urban Renewal Authority (MURA) project. The property is approximately 3.6 acres in size and is bordered on the east by North Grand Avenue, on the west by the Uncompahgre River, and on the south by the future extension of North 6th Street. The property is zoned I-1 Light Industrial District and is part of the MURA project initiated in 2017. City Council approved the Preliminary Subdivision Plat on March 2, 2021. The Basecamp Planned Development (PD) was created to replace the Colorado Outdoors Planned Development of which these properties were originally a part. The properties on this PD will remain a part of the Montrose Urban Renewal

## CITY COUNCIL VOTES TO STUDY STORMWATER UTILITY FEE *From previous pg*

Authority. It meets the minimum 20 percent open space requirement for Planned Developments. City Council approved the Preliminary and Final Planned Development on March 2, 2021."

Ulibarri said, "It used to be customary... that the locations of the buildings were actually put on a final plat so when we looked at these things we see...how they're located."

The final planned development was approved last year, Reis said. "This is a final plat; building locations typically are not shown on a final plat..."

### ORDINANCE 2598 - FIRST READING

Following a detailed presentation by Planner II William Reis, council voted unanimously to approve Ordinance 2598 on first reading, designating the Knights of Pythias Building, 33 S Cascade Ave, Montrose, Colorado, as a City of Montrose Historic Property Pursuant to § 4-15 of the

Official Code of the City of Montrose. The building has new ownership and renovations are expected to begin soon.

"That was a very good presentation, I really enjoyed it," Ulibarri said, and recalled seeing the building's metal stairs (now gone) as a child.

### STAFF REPORTS

Finance Director Shani Wittenberg gave the monthly and area Sales, Use & Excise Tax Reports.

### YOUTH COUNCIL COMMENTS

Youth Councilor Grace Hotsenpiller thanked council for allowing her to attend. "This has been a very interesting meeting, one of the most interesting ones I've been to," she said.

Ulibarri asked what had been resolved following the work session discussion on golf balls.

City Manager Bill Bell said, "Based on the discussion at work session...as a staff we

kind of debriefed quickly after the work session...when we go to do the tree plantings...they would try to plant the trees in groves to kind of provide a buffer...at this time we wouldn't pursue the almost \$400,000 netting, but we would try to resolve the situation with tree plantings..."

Montrose is part of the Tree City USA program and is revamping a tree-specific advisory board right now, Bell said.

The city spends hundreds of thousands of dollars on trees and has worked with Youth Corps workers to remove invasive species. "Planting the right species of trees is really important here in a dry climate."

Councilor J. David Reed thanked Wittenberg and Bell for their work on the recent budget open house.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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*Editor:*

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The problem with endorsing democrats is you also endorse the platform that they stand on. And that platform is covered in the blood of 60 million babies who died in abortion clinics. And that platform also includes unconstitutional gun control laws, defunding the police, open borders, sexualizing children in public schools and the

drug trafficking that is killing our young people, because of democrats open border policies. As well as the destruction of the energy industry that is adding to the inflation that is making life difficult for all citizens.

I thought I knew Don and understood his principles. Apparently I didn't know him as well as I thought I did. I will no longer support or defend him, publicly or privately. And I voted with the Montrose central committee to censure him. I still do not

agree with the current Montrose county republican executive committee but I definitely do agree with the republican platform and its principles.

I'll be voting for Lauren Boebert and John Kellner. I may disagree with other Republicans about who I support in the republican primary but I always vote for the republican in the general election.

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*Ray Langston, Montrose*

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*Special to the Mirror*

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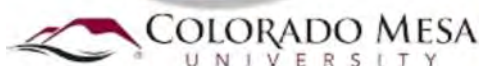
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### MEETING OF SUPPORT GROUP FOR THOSE AFFECTED BY ESSENTIAL TREMOR

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MONTROSE-The next meeting of the Montrose Essential Tremor Support Group will be held on Oct. 28, at Montrose Regional Health - Conference Room A at 4pm. Family members of children or others with essential tremor are also welcome. Anyone interested in attending may contact Cathy Trujillo at 405-205-9397 or [catvol2022@currently.com](mailto:catvol2022@currently.com) with questions.



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## MONTROSE COUNTY APPROVES DESIGN CONTRACT FOR NORTH CAMPUS, ESTABLISHES MORATORIUM ON LARGE SCALE POWER GENERATION PROJECTS *From pg 1*

### PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There were no comments heard from the public on non-agenda items.

### COUNTY MANAGER

County Manager Jon Waschbusch had no changes to the meeting agenda.

### CONSENT AGENDA

Consent Agenda items were approved, with Resolution No. 69-2022 assigned to Consent Agenda Item 7. Commissioner Rash seconded the motion to approve the Consent Agenda, which includes approval of meeting minutes, but noted that he was not present for the meeting of Oct. 5.

### GENERAL BUSINESS & ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

Facilities Director Ken Norris presented for consideration, possible approval, and authorization for the Chair's signature a bid award and contract in the amount of \$1,261,875 to Wold Architects and Engineers, for design and engineering of the Montrose County North Campus Project. Wold Architects and Engineers had the lowest responsive, responsible bid. The project is anticipated to start on or after Oct. 19 and be completed by Oct. 20, 2023. This item represents a budgeted expense.

Norris discussed the project. The purpose of the new facility is to provide space for functions currently served at the aging and inefficient South Campus building. Ultimately Health & Human Services, Finance, and HR personnel will move to the new North Campus.

"We had a preliminary walk-through a week ago with Wold," Norris said. "...as you know, we've utilized Wold as the ar-

chitect/engineer on the Jail Booking Expansion project and also on the West End Sheriff's Annex project. Those projects are going very well."

Initial pricing is based on a 50,000 square-foot building, Norris said, and will be adjusted to accommodate actual footage as the project moves forward.

BOCC Vice Chair Sue Hansen said that the current South Campus facility is old, utilities costs are high, and the structure is expensive to maintain. "It's definitely time to look at something new."

Commissioner Roger Rash said, "I appreciate Ken and his staff working on this and getting it out...I think it is advantageous to have these preliminary plans in the box and ready to go...if our finances warrant it..."

Commissioners voted unanimously to authorize the bid award and contract for design and engineering of the Montrose County North Campus Project.

The BOCC voted to approve Resolution 70-2022, to adopt the 2022 Revised Montrose County Standards and Specifications for Roads and Bridges. The revised standards will replace the 2006 standards. "It's definitely time to upgrade these," Public Works Director Keith Laube said. The new standards will be easier to read and understand, with updated engineering standards, he said.

Also adopted was Resolution 71-2022, regarding the moratorium for Power Generation Facilities. Attorney Julie Andress presented the moratorium, "The purpose of the moratorium would be to allow the board up to six months to review the zon-

ing code, review the master plan, and determine if certain standards and regulations need to be developed regarding power plants."

Hansen said, "...as renewables and other energy sources come to us for development we want to make sure that we've crossed the t's and dotted the i's, that we understand exactly what the implications are, want to make sure that we have bonding in place for decommissioning, and we want to make sure that we've done a good job of studying all those parameters...and make sure that we are making the wise decision..."

Commissioner Roger Rash said, "I just believe there's a lot of unanswered questions that we need to look into...I think we need to step back and review all of this, look into what other counties have experienced so we have a good game plan going ahead so we don't have any severe negative impacts to our community."

The resolution does not affect personal use of solar energy, but large-scale projects.

### PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

Commissioners approved the Hidden Lake MHP Special Use [SU22-010] proposal to formally change the name of River Meadows West MHP to Hidden Lake MHP and increase MH spaces from previously approved 186 to 216 at Parcel 376719100003.

The Montrose Forest Products Rezone [RZ22-011] proposal to Rezone from General Agricultural (A) Industrial (I) was approved as well. With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.



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### AMERICAN LEGION RIDER HANDGUN WINNER



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MONTROSE-American Legion Riders, at left, John Boughton, President Dave Vergamini and Les Williams at far right, present a Glock 19 handgun Oct. 21 to Montrose resident Stephen Zentmeyer - the latest winner of the Riders gun raffle. The Riders purchased the handgun from Wendy Brittell, second from right, owner of Charlie Golf One Pawn and Gun, and will be kicking off another raffle at the Montrose Gun Show in March.

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## CITY GIVEAWAYS CAUSING CONCERN AMIDST RISING FEES, COUNCILOR SAYS

*"Yet we don't have the funds for Park Avenue," - Montrose City Councilor Ed Ulibarri*

By Caitlin Switzer

MONTROSE-Montrose Mayor Dave Frank welcomed all to the city work session on Monday, Oct. 17. A dozen new city staff members were introduced during the work session, including: PT Pavilion Events Technician Michael Evans; PW Special Events Manager Michelle Wingfield; Parks & Special Projects Worker Kelsey Phillips; HR Generalist Kelly Wheeler; PT Guest Service Assistant Gunnison Clamp; Police Technical Support Specialist Jason Bresett; Police Officers Dave Copeland, Nate Irick, Syla "Rex" Rexhepi, and Dante Bertorello; Assistant to the Grounds Superintendent Travis Peabody; and Utilities Worker Jonas Molina.

Following introductions, Mayor Frank said, "We'd like to welcome all of you; we just think you're going to have a great time here at the City of Montrose, and we look forward to having a long working relationship with all of you...you're free to stay if you would like to, but your bosses would probably prefer you to go back to work."

### DISCUSSION ITEMS

The first item considered was a Request for Support of the Montrose Regional Health Ambulatory Care Center, to abate the cost of water and sewer connection fees. The fees are estimated to total \$47,533, and the abatement would require approval of Council.

**Background-**A memo from the City Manager's Office notes, "NexCore Group and Montrose Memorial Hospital have requested financial support of the proposed Montrose Regional Health Ambulatory Care Center. This project will be located at South Rio Grande and Orange Road in the River Landing Shopping Center. Montrose Regional Health has closed on the property...The City intends to offer additional support for the project which does not require City Council approval, including waiving an estimated \$297,547 of building permit fees, contributing up to \$50k for improvements along the Uncompahgre Riverway Trail that would benefit and be available for use by the public, contributing up to \$11,450 towards the extension of the public water main into the site (including mainline connection, valves, 8" lateral, and fire hydrant), and sponsoring

the project's bike racks."

Mayor Frank said that three members of Council had attended the groundbreaking for the MRH Ambulatory Care Center, and that the project will benefit the community. The requested offsets to water and sewer connection fees are similar to those offered other large construction projects.

Assistant City Manager Ann Morgenthaler said that the project provides a public benefit. "...We assist with building permit fees, because essentially we understand that those fees make, hopefully, the services less expensive for our community."

Building fees are waived so no money is actually transferred, Morgenthaler said, but Water and sewer fund abatements involve actual cash transfers. "Because the city pays for them it's not a waiver, and you have to approve them," Morgenthaler said.

"I can't think of a better public benefit for our citizens," Councilor J. David Reed said. Said Councilor Ed Ulibarri, "Actually I could think of a better public benefit. That would be our streets and stuff. I'm concerned about the fact that we're giving away, in my opinion, about three or four hundred thousand dollars, but yet we don't have the funds for Park Avenue."

Ulibarri mentioned upcoming city fee increases. "...I just feel that if we keep doing these things for all these developments, to help the bottom line of our developers, that we are really ignoring the fact that we have residents here that have other services that they can't afford."

Constituents are concerned about fees going up, Ulibarri said.

City Manager Bill Bell said, "That's a concern that I think a lot of constituents out there have. There's a little bit of a clarification I think needed, just to make sure that everybody understands. What you're saying is IF we were waiving water and sewer fees and not backfilling that and then raising water rates, that would be a problem. But we don't do that."

The city pays the water and sewer funds back with reserves to make water and sewer customers "whole," he said.

"We've been doing that for years. That's how we do it," Bell said. "...We are making the utility whole."

Park Avenue repair was reprioritized, Bell

said; the work was planned for this year but was moved to next year because the 6700 Road took precedence.

Still, "...that's on our radar, we want to get Park Avenue redone," he said.

After further discussion, Council spoke with golf course staff on how best to deal with complaints about stray golf balls from [Black Canyon Golf Course](#) impacting neighboring roadways and property owners. Protective netting was considered, as were tree groves.

Also considered was the Colorado Paid Family and Medical Leave Insurance (FAMLI) Act; Assistant City Attorney Chris Dowsey [discussed the FAMLI Act](#). The city's current plan is better; Dowsey recommended [opting out](#) of FAMLI.

City Clerk Lisa DelPiccolo led a discussion of [proposed fee schedule revisions](#). [Proposed revisions](#) are included in the work session packet.

City Attorney Ben Morris presented information to council on Defensible Decision Making. Items covered include what is a defensible decision, how a defensible decision is made, and what constitutes and how to avoid ex-parte communications. Morris also presented information from the City Charter regarding conflicts of interest. Councilor J. David Reed said that the role of the City Attorney is advisory only, "When a council member comes to you and asks, 'can I vote on this'...your position is really advisory in nature and not mandatory in nature...you can't instruct them not to."

Ulibarri asked for hard copies of the information from Morris' presentation.

Finance Director Shani Wittenberg reminded council of the budget open house the following evening.

With no further business, the work session was adjourned.

### EXECUTIVE SESSION

At Noon on Monday, Oct. 17, Montrose City Council reconvened for "An [executive session](#) for the purpose of determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(e) and the following additional details are provided for identification purposes: discussion of a partnership with local entities for future use of city property."

# READER PHOTO SPOTLIGHT & CARTOONS

Photographer Deb Reimann took these photos at the town of San Luis. Clockwise from below left, a historic stone barn in the town of San Luis; Southeast of San Luis lies La Vega, a rare public commons place where communal grazing of cattle and horses is allowed in uncultivated wetlands for five months out of the year; The Shrine of the Stations of the Cross on a mesa overlooking the town of San Luis.



## SOUR GRAPES

by Tim Jones



## REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

### FREE FLU SHOTS: NINTH ANNUAL DRIVE-THROUGH FLU SHOT CLINIC OCT. 26

#### *Special to the Mirror*

MONTROSE—Stop the flu bug! Join Montrose County, Montrose Regional Health, and partners on [Wednesday](#), Oct. 26 for the ninth annual free drive-through flu shot clinic. This year's clinic will be held from 3-7pm at the following clinic locations: the Montrose County Event Center (1036 North 7th Street, Montrose), Olathe Sweet Corn Park (59618 US-50, Olathe), and the Basin Clinic (421 Adams Street, Naturita). All locations will have regular dose flu shots for people over six months of age and high-dose flu shots for seniors 65 years of age or older.

"A quick, annual shot provides essential protection throughout flu season. It is the best thing that you can do to help protect yourself, your family, and the community from influenza," said Montrose County Medical Advisor Dr. Joseph Adragna, MD, MHA, MGH. "While the flu may just be a few days of missed work or school for some, influenza also has the potential for more serious medical complications, killing between 12,000 and 52,000 people annually between 2010 and 2020. The flu shot helps reduce your risk and the risk of your loved ones from flu illness and hospitalization."

"Getting a flu shot from the convenience of your car is the quickest and easiest way to make sure you are protected this year," said Scott Hawkins, Montrose County Emergency Manager. "We are proud to once again bring back high-dose flu shots for people 65 year old and older, who often have the highest risks of flu complications."

Participants may stay in their vehicles for the duration of the process or utilize the walk-up depending on the number and age of people in the vehicle. Upon arrival, all participants must sign a consent form. Vehicles attending the Montrose County Event Center location must enter through the right-hand turn lane off the San Juan

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## REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

### CITY MOVES FORWARD WITH SOLAR-POWERED LIGHTING

*Special to the Mirror*

MONTROSE — City crews have been replacing old, dilapidated path lights with new solar-powered units. Following the installation of solar-powered lighting at Rotary Park and LaRaza Park in 2021, the city's Parks Division is preparing to place additional units at Taviwach Park later this year and along the middle trails over the next several years.

The integration of solar-powered lights for pedestrian walking paths benefits the environment by lowering energy consumption and reducing the city's operation and maintenance costs.

In the past, city crews replaced only the top portions of path lights with modern, more efficient LED light fixtures and bulbs.

However, these upgrades still used the existing poles and underground wiring that were susceptible to deterioration due to exposure to the natural elements. They were also more vulnerable to vandalism and were expensive to replace, according to Daniel Payne, the parks and special projects superintendent for the City of Montrose.

"The solar lights also give more flexibility for selecting locations for new lights and eliminate the need to trench for power,"

Payne said. "The solar lights are vandal-resistant, are shielded from the dark sky, and have industry-leading warranties.

Also, they are all programmable to meet the needs of the area being illuminated and have up to six days of automation."

Payne said the transition to solar lights eliminates underground wiring, lowers maintenance and energy costs, and benefits the environment.

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# OPINION/EDITORIAL: LETTERS

## KEVIN KUNS CARES ABOUT US

*Editor:*

I'm writing to support Kevin Kuns in his bid to be our state House District 58 representative. As a former Gunnison County Commissioner, I know what it takes to listen, collaborate with others, and make decisions for the good of the public.

Kevin's background in ranching, as a businessperson recruiting national restaurant managers, and in public education have given him the skills to tackle all the challenges to be solved by our state. He is not a one issue person.

Perhaps most importantly, as a Western Slope Democrat, Kevin cares about all those who live in the district. He is beholden to no ideology or group and genuinely wants to improve the lives and protect the freedoms which we now enjoy, but which are also being threatened.

Kevin cares about us and being our representative would be his full-time job.

I believe in his campaign slogan, "FREEDOM FOR ALL," and encourage your readers to vote for KEVIN KUNS as our House District 58 representative.

*Sincerely,*

*Jim Starr, Crested Butte*

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# 3M DONATES SUPPLIES TO MONTROSE COUNTY SCHOOLS



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**MONTROSE-3M** Montrose nominated six area schools to receive donations through the 3M Supplies for Schools Program. This program has provided supplies for Montrose area schools for more than 10 years. Each October, a nominated school receives a pallet full of 3M products. Pictured are some of the local educators who took part in the program this year. Schools included Columbine Middle School; Naturita Elementary School; Nucla Junior/Senior high school; Paradox Valley Charter School; Northside Elementary School; and Olathe Elementary School. "It definitely feels good to be able to give back to the community through this program," 3M Montrose Plant Manager Nigel Fowler said. Background-3M Montrose manufactures Super Abrasive wheels for the oil & gas and cutting tool industries. 3M has been in Montrose for 16 years and employs 52 people at its plant on the north side of town.

## OPINION/EDITORIAL: LETTERS

### WHY WOULD I VOTE DEMOCRAT?

*Editor:*

I can't think of one reason. With the destructive policies they have pursued resulting in harming our country to the point it will take years to totally recover, they have become the "anti American" radical

party. There is not One Thing I can agree with for the policies they're promoting. In addition, they can't accept FACTS AND TRUTH!

They make their own truth. When people can't accept proven facts and truth you

know they have BIG problems and that affects the survival of our country. I want our country to survive and thrive for all American Citizens so I won't even consider believing any Democrat.

*Carol McBride, Montrose*

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## REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

### TAKE A WALK ON THE SPOOKY SIDE: MONTROSE COUNTY HISTORICAL MUSEUM

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MONTROSE-Oct. 28-29-The Montrose County Historical Museum takes a walk on the Spooky Side with tales of spooks, ghouls, and ghost stories. The museum's ghost authority mingles history and legends on a walk down Montrose's shadowy Main Street and dark alleyways. Armed with flashlights, patrons will hear mysterious tales of the town's eerie history of paranormal activity and perhaps have their own experiences to share afterward! Montrose County Historical Museum is the starting point for the tour which starts at 6 pm. There are limited spaces for this family-friendly tour, to reserve a place call 970-249-2085. Admission is \$10/ per person.

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## OPINION/EDITORIAL: LETTERS

### DEMOCRATS ONLY WANT TO TALK ABOUT DONALD TRUMP

*Editor:*

Have you noticed that Democrats only want to talk about Donald Trump and his supporters, even though Democrats have controlled the House, Senate, and Presidency for almost two years now? Leftists know their actions during that time have caused so much pain for the American people that the only hope they have for staying in power consists of cynically demonizing half the country as “extremists” and “insurrectionists.” They think American voters are too stupid to understand what “Biden’s America” is all about, and that they can simply condemn half the country as enemies of the state -- and voters won’t remember all of the Democrats’ “successes.”

“Successes” like opening our southern border to an endless invasion of unvetted illegals and a deadly Fentanyl crisis; eliminating bail for felons, defunding police,

emptying prisons, and out-of-control crime; destroying trust in elections; rampant inflation resulting from unfunded spending sprees; intentional destruction of our energy independence; a regulatory explosion that reduced food, energy, and fertilizer supplies; hiring 87,000 new IRS agents to complete the destruction of small businesses already hammered by pointless COVID lockdowns, inflation, and regulations; an illegal and unconstitutional plan to transfer student loan debt to those that don’t owe it (taking money from working-class people who never went to college to pay for loans of upper-class people who did); the most humiliating military defeat in US history with the disastrous and deadly exit from Afghanistan; weaponizing the FBI and DOJ against political enemies and destroying trust in our justice system; war threatening to engulf us all; abortion for any reason and at any

time and elimination of protection for babies born alive; indoctrination of our children with Critical Race Theory lies, transgenderism, and other highly contentious issues; redefining our country’s founding as something racist and evil; and many more “successes.”

Biden promised he would unify the country, but absolutely everything he has done is the exact opposite. Amazingly, Democrats are asking voters to give them two more years to continue the destruction -- with the assumption that voters are completely blind to the intentional chaos they have created the last two years. They think they can fabricate enough salacious lies about Trump or Boebert or their supporters that voters will somehow be oblivious to the pain of the last two years. Gaslighting is the only strategy they have left -- and they are desperate.

*Chanda Ouimet, Montrose*

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## OPINION/EDITORIAL: LETTERS

### MARC CATLIN WILL BE THE BEST REPRESENTATIVE FOR DISTRICT 58

*Editor:*

I have met Marc Catlin on a number of occasions and have been impressed with his level of knowledge on the Water resources here in District 58 and for that fact all of Colorado. He has been appointed the Vice -Chair of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Water committee. This has a big influence on the people of Western Colorado.

One of the interesting facts about Marc Catlin is that in Colorado's history there has not been a Vice Chair appointed from the minority party to this position. This is quite an honor and speaks volumes about Marc and his ability to work for the betterment of Colorado and not just District 58.

He is also a concerned about the state which we find our country in and co-sponsored the bill to introduce the Convention of the States to the State Legislature. This, once passed would give Colorado the rights back that the Federal Government has taken away over the years, even though in Our Constitution Article 10 give all the rights to the States not enumerated in the Constitution for the federal government

Marc's devotion to Colorado and the United States of America confirms the fact that Marc will be the Best Representative for District 58.

His work as a Representative for District 58 for Colorado already has a proven record of First-Class Representation for all of us here on the Western slope no matter which side of the isle you may be on. He has done all in his power to equally represent all Coloradoan's best interests and deserves your vote to continue his unquestioned ability to serve yours and my best interest.

Thank you for considering Marc Catlin to give your vote to.

*Scott Carlisle, Montrose*

### CATLIN DOES NOT HAVE COURAGE TO STAND UP TO POLITICAL EXTREMISM

*Dear Editor,*

The election in House District 58 has Republican incumbent Marc Catlin running against Democrat Kevin Kuns. Marc Catlin is widely regarded as a moderate. But his actions this year say otherwise.

In January, Marc Catlin co-sponsored amendment HD22-1004.

It said the House should "Acknowledge the serious accounts of election fraud across the country and call into question the legitimacy of Joseph R. Biden to be president."

It called on Colorado county clerks to "end the use of electronic voting systems, including Dominion Voting Systems," and "offers our support to Tina Peters, who upheld her oath of office and now faces unjust prosecution," according to Catlin. It ends by saying it stands with "Donald J.

Trump in his righteous efforts to fight for election integrity."

In addition, Marc Catlin did not endorse fellow moderate, Senator Don Coram, in his primary contest against extremist Lauren Boebert. Coram represented the HD58 prior to Catlin. He served as a State Senator since January 2017. Coram and Catlin worked together on numerous legislative efforts over the years.

Whatever Catlin's motivation, it is clear he does not have the courage to stand up to political extremism. Today, more than any time in the recent past, we need political courage from elected officials

I am independent. Unfortunately, it seems the Democratic Party in Denver, and the DNC in Washington, have no clue about the Western Slope. They don't understand our values and spend little time

and effort getting to know our problems, let alone offer reasonable solutions.

Thankfully, Kevin Kuns, Marc Catlin's opponent for HD 58, is an exception. He grew up around farming and ranching in Wyoming. He understands small business from his experience in the restaurant industry. His understanding of the problems of Western Colorado is clear from his policies around education, teen suicide, housing and strengthening law enforcement (see [www.kuns4hd58.org](http://www.kuns4hd58.org)).

With candidates like Kevin Kuns, there might be a better balance between Republicans and Democrats on the Western Slope. And that might serve all of us by making the Republicans more responsive to all constituents, not just the extremists.

*Steve Mandell, Montrose*





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# COLORADO NEWS BRIEFS

## DENVER SYMPOSIUM NOV. 2-3 OUTLINES GLOBAL WATER SUCCESSES

*Special to the Mirror*

DENVER — The 5<sup>th</sup> Annual CSU Spur Water in the West Symposium, to be held Nov. 2-3 in downtown Denver, will invite people from all backgrounds who are interested in the Western water future together to hear about global solutions that could have implications for local water issues. With speakers made up of policymakers, researchers, and experts from the business, non-profit, and agriculture sectors, the Symposium will look globally for lessons and strategies with the potential to inform how Colorado and other western states respond to the region's water challenges.

"This year, we are bringing speakers with wide-ranging expertise — from ag to business to investing — together from across the world to present solutions that might be useful here in the American West. We hope the CSU community and others from across the West will join us for a stellar speaker line-up, a solutions-oriented approach, and a chance to build new, and perhaps unexpected, connections," said Jocelyn Hittle, the CSU System's associate vice chancellor for CSU Spur and special projects.

The event's theme, "Global Water: Successes and Solutions," underlies a program that includes panel discussions and keynote speeches aimed at starting conversations about how communities and the entire region can respond and adapt to the pressures created by a growing population within a changing environment.

Program details and registration information for the 2022 Water in the West Symposium are available at [csuspur.org/witw/](https://csuspur.org/witw/).



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## OPINION EDITORIAL: LETTERS

### WOMEN'S RIGHTS ARE A PRIORITY FOR KEVIN KUNS

*Editor:*

Women's rights are a priority for Kevin Kuns. As a founder of the Montrose Women March group, Kevin Kuns has consistently stood with us. In 2018, I worked with Kevin on the steering committee for the first Women's March in Montrose. It was apparent he has been a fighter for women's rights for an exceptionally long time. Although females outnumber the male U.S. population, this gender imbalance is not representative in most legislatures locally, statewide, or federally.

We need a fighter in the Colorado state

house who will defend our healthcare rights and access to them.

We need an elected official to protect and strengthen women's rights and autonomy over their bodies.

We need to make an informed vote. Until we reach the point of equal gender representation in all levels of elected government, my vote will be cast for candidates who truly vote in the interest of women and their rights, especially regarding healthcare.

His campaign motto is FREEDOM FOR ALL, including women, and their right to

choose. HD58 candidate Kuns respectfully understands this sensitive issue and will not take it lightly when challenged on the statehouse floor.

Western slope women are free to make their own choices and must elect candidates who will defend those choices. We need a women's rights champion in these uncertain times and with so many issues at stake. My choice to represent the women of our district is Kevin Kuns for Colorado HD58. Proudly mark your ballot for Kevin Kuns.

*Jayne Bilberry, Montrose*

## CHOOSE WISELY, ELIMINATE 'ONE PARTY RULE' IN WASHINGTON

*Editor:*

In just 22 months we have all seen what the Democrats are capable of "DELIVERING," and NONE of it bodes well for each and every American, nor does it offer any hope for the future of our country! All of the insane Democrat policies that have brought us to this point, originated with Obama/ Biden! For 10 years our 3rd CD Representative failed to voice opposition to a growing liberal/ progressive movement designed to ruin our country!

In 2020 CD3 fed up voters elected Lauren Boebert, who has exhibited the grit and determination to actually speak out and push back against the radical policies of the looney left! Some have called that

"extreme," but "extreme" is really what the Democrats have wrought! The Colorado Spring Gazette noted that, "In just two years Boebert has done more than any Colorado freshman in memory to preserve our state's Western values and assets".

[See their Boebert endorsement at: [https://gazette.com/opinion/endorsement-reelect-boebert-to-save-the-western-slope/article\\_a70a3c04-4061-11ed-8ebd-8b9c06b1604f.html](https://gazette.com/opinion/endorsement-reelect-boebert-to-save-the-western-slope/article_a70a3c04-4061-11ed-8ebd-8b9c06b1604f.html)]

In recommending her reelection, the Gazette noted, "The GOP incumbent reflects her vast, rural district and is a pit bull for its interests. Her votes in Congress are true to her constituents."

Undecided voters would be wise to go to aspen [adam.com](https://adam.com) to review her liberal

Democrat opponent Adam Frisch's record on Aspen City Council, as well as the details of his recently exposed blackmail for vote scandal.

Serving a in a Congress that is one party [Democrat] rule makes it virtually impossible to have any reasonable bills come to fruition from the Republican side. Boebert detractors would like you to think she has been ineffective but that is far from the truth! Undecideds can review her REAL record of accomplishments on our behalf at : [boebert.house.gov/issues/getting-things-done](https://boebert.house.gov/issues/getting-things-done)

Ballots are out with lots of decisions for voters to make-choose wisely! We need to eliminate "one party rule" in Washington! *Dee Laird, Montrose*

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## ***CITY ATTORNEY PRESENTS DRAFT MURA BYLAWS FOR REVIEW From pg 1***

Murphy said, "The Basecamp [apartments] is a little over 50 percent completed."

In the Summary of Promissory Note Expenditures to Date spreadsheet, \$1,367,000 for Basecamp Apartment Horizontal Site Improvements has yet to be completed. The funding source for the MURA is in the form of Promissory Notes issued from the city to MURA.

**Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) Between the City of Montrose and The Montrose Urban Renewal Authority Regarding Legal Services** - City Attorney Ben Morris and Executive Director Bill Bell.

**Background:** Ben Morris served as Assistant City Attorney for the City of Montrose from 2003-2012 and then as a Seventh Judicial District Judge from 2012-2022. In July 2022 Morris returned to the City of Montrose and now holds the position as the Montrose City Attorney.

Morris said, "One of the first things I was asked to do was work on the agreement between the city and the MURA. There has been nothing official in place and the IGA is intended to accomplish that." As the MURA attorney, Morris added the caveat, "You will be using the city attorney, but it also allows you to hire outside attorneys. If something is too big, or too specialized to handle, I will tell you." Approved unanimously.

**Discussion of Proposed Bylaws for the Montrose Urban Renewal Authority** - City Attorney Ben Morris.

**Background**

Since its inception (2016), the MURA has functioned without formalizing the Bylaws. Morris presented a draft of the Bylaws to the board and laughter spread through the meeting when he quipped, "As the first act as your attorney..."

Discussion and suggested changes to the draft included more efficiency in calling a special meeting, attendance policy for board representatives, allowing public comment on agenda items prior to the board taking a vote, and conflict of interest.

Citizen Jim Anderson said, "One thing I didn't see here was use of proprietary information. Disclosing information to the board, a confidentiality section."

City Manager/MURA Executive Director Bill Bell said, "I suggest a small manual for board members. Roles and responsibilities of the board."

Discussing Bylaws Article V, Section 5 Rules of Procedure (various options presented).

Bell said, "Robert's Rules lite; not formal Robert's Rules. Some have suggested Bob's Rules of Order."

Attorney Morris will submit a revised draft of the Bylaws at the next meeting.

**Next Meeting**

When discussing the next meeting some possible agenda items included the site planning development for the new health care facility, extended tributary, potential for a big-name outdoor business, and a drive-through coffee shop. Murphy said, "Maybe the Dragoos can give us an up-

date." While the city of Montrose has some participation in the Montrose Regional Health Medical Center being built at River Landing (south of town), Bell pointed out that the city is not incentivizing the Colorado Outdoors planned health care facility (north of town). He said, "There is no city or URA involvement in the medical center in that particular project." The next meeting is scheduled for Nov. 16, 2022. There will be no meeting in December.

**Background:** The Montrose Urban Renewal Authority (MURA) was formed in late 2016 by a resolution of the Montrose City Council. The MURA Board oversees the Colorado Outdoors Urban Renewal Area and administers the Tax Increment Financing (TIF), the funding mechanism to finance public infrastructure in the MURA. The property, which covers 158 acres along the river corridor between the Justice Center on the north and West Main on the South, is being developed by the Dragoos' Mayfly Outdoors. The Dragoos Developers are son David Dragoos and father Doug Dragoos. The 10-member MURA board is made up of Montrose City Council (five members), City Manager Bill Bell (Executive Director), Brad Hughes (Montrose County), Chair Tad Rowan (Montrose Fire Protection District), Steve Bush (Montrose School District) and Allison Howe (Special Districts Representative). The six-member city constituency hold the controlling interest and actions of the MURA Board.

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## COLORADO NEWS BRIEFS

### THREE MEN ARRESTED IN CONNECTION TO SUSPECTED POACHING RING IN PARK COUNTY

COLORADO-On Tuesday, in the course of a criminal investigation into poaching in Park County, CPW executed search warrants at two houses in Colorado Springs and one in Fremont County and made three arrests.

The warrants and arrests were part of an ongoing CPW investigation into a Park County poaching case. A vehicle, firearms and wildlife parts were seized as evidence in relation to the investigation. David Schlitt, age 64, was arrested on suspicion of felony and misdemeanor charges including willful destruction of elk,

failure to prepare game meat for human consumption, hunting without a proper and valid license, along with other related charges.

Robert Schlitt, age 36, was arrested on suspicion of felony and misdemeanor charges including willful destruction of elk and bear, failure to prepare game meat for human consumption, hunting without a proper and valid license, along with other related charges.

Richard Schlitt, age 33, was arrested on suspicion of felony and misdemeanor charges including willful destruction of elk and bear and

failure to prepare game meat for human consumption. "When you poach an animal, not only is it illegal, but you are stealing from the people of Colorado," said Mark Lamb, CPW's area wildlife manager for Park County. "We do not tolerate poaching and take these crimes very seriously." CPW wildlife officers, park rangers and the Colorado Springs Police Department participated in the searches.

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## OPINION/EDITORIAL: LETTERS

### VOTE REPUBLICAN ON NOV. 8 AND YOU WILL BE GLAD YOU DID

*To all the good People of Western Colorado:*

Thank you to the Montrose GOP and Congresswoman Boebert for exposing Don Coram for the Democrat he is. Don Coram is a person that in the past has bullied his way around the district, and expected everyone to bow to him. Restore the Balance isn't fooling anyone either. The reality is we are a conservative community and the only way for the Democrats to have political power on the western slope is to pretend they are something they aren't. Aspen liberal Adam Frisch is no different. Frisch can spend all the money he wants pretending to be a moderate, but his record on Aspen City Council exposes him for the liberal he truly is. Vote Republican in this election knowing you are getting the real deal. Lauren Boebert is the real thing, she has done what she said she was going to do and that is expose all the Liberal Democrats, and phony Republicans for what they truly are. We need her in Washington fighting for us. VOTE Republican on November 8th and you will be glad you did.

Thanks!

*Doris Van Ness, Montrose*

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## OPINION/EDITORIAL: LETTERS

### WHAT IS THE REPUBLICAN PLAN TO COMBAT INFLATION?

*Editor:*

The Republican Party is ecstatic about the current inflationary situation, maybe because that is the only issue they are pinning their hopes on to retake Congress. Costs for goods were already at some of their highest levels before Biden took office, in part because of COVID relief spending enacted under President Trump. That money exceeds current Democratic spending by \$1 trillion and kept many households and businesses flush with cash and ready to spend once restrictions eased.

This cash influx, pent up demand along with supply chain issues have been big

drivers of the current inflationary situation. It appears there is no Republican plan to combat inflation, several ideas are being promoted within the party, such as raising the eligibility age for Medicare and SSI to 70. Raising the age limit for Medicare means folks will need to stay on private insurance or go uninsured until then, given that a repeal of Obamacare is also on the radar. Most recipients of Social Security retiring at the current retirement age of 67 cannot afford to wait until 70 to collect benefits that they have been putting money into all of their working life. Another popular Republican plan is extending the Trump tax cuts for corpora-

tions and the wealthy, both of these fly in the face of fighting inflation. Extending the three corporate tax breaks will add roughly \$600 billion to the federal deficit in ten years outpacing Biden's student debt relief program. In 2018 after the Tax Cuts Act, 91 profitable Fortune 500 companies paid no corporate income taxes and 379 profitable corporations paid a tax rate of just 11.3% on their income. Rather than pumping more dollars into the economy furthering inflation Republicans should focus on enacting taxes on big corporations and the ultra-wealthy to reduce the deficit.

*Pamela Rule, Montrose*



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## OPINION/EDITORIAL: LETTERS

### ARE YOU BETTER OFF NOW THAN YOU WERE TWO YEARS AGO?

*Editor:*

Are you better off now than you were two years ago? Voters need to ask that question as a reality check to the barrage of falsehoods coming from Democrats. Everything has become dramatically more unaffordable under Democrat rule (grocery prices up the highest in four decades, gas prices dramatically higher, natural gas up 40%, home heating costs set to skyrocket again this winter, etc.) And Democrats voted in August to raise taxes on the middle class, hire 87,000 additional IRS agents to harass families and small businesses, and ultimately worsen inflation. Rents are up, wealth is tanking, and savings are depleting. The American dream of owning a home and building a better life for their children is being destroyed. Retirees are having to re-enter the workforce and one in four Americans say they are delaying retirement. Americans feel unsafe as the crime wave continues unabated. Achievement dips in our schools as they become breeding grounds for toxic left-wing ideologies. The DOJ and FBI are weaponized against Biden's political opponents. Not to mention our President talking about Nuclear "Armageddon," and saying things like Hunter is "on the Straight and Narrow." Colorado voters in particular need to look at all the disasters during Biden's first two years, and ask themselves why they should vote for or promote any Democrat at any level of government knowing those Democrats will simply fall in line with Pelosi and Biden and make all our lives more difficult. I understand that people are fed up with partisanship, but given the Democrats list of "accomplishments" under Biden/Harris, one has to realize that continuing to go along with the current Democrat Party is totally insane. Don Coram's 10/12 MDP "guest column" illustrates my point. Coram, a (Liz Cheney) Republican, is endorsing Democrat millionaire Aspenite Adam Frisch over small business owner Lauren Boebert under the guise of his "caring about the majority of people .... that are fed up with extreme partisanship". So, Coram would rather have another Democrat in congress who will go along with Pelosi's agenda than a Boebert who has proven she will fight that agenda tooth and nail? Frisch opposes gun owner-

ship, supports AOC's Green New Deal at the expense of Colorado's energy industry, supports Pelosi's hiring of 87,000 new IRS agents (rather than hiring 87,000 new Border Patrol agents or policemen), and was a registered New York Democrat even though he claimed he has been "unaffiliated his whole life". In other words, Coram is endorsing a far-left Pelosi extremist over an honest conservative small business owner.

Coram believes "Frisch is a good man," and "knows him to be decent, honest, and persistent." I guess Coram considers a married "family man" who thought an Aspen storage unit was a safe place to sleep with his married mistress, and got caught, is a decent fellow? The honesty part also seems to be in question given that the business owner who documented that liaison claims he used that information to get Frisch to change his vote on the Aspen city council on a project that would have put that person out of business? Coram is also endorsing Democrat Phil Weiser for Colorado attorney general over Republican John Kellner thinking he will "leave politics out of it". I guess Coram missed the fact that Colorado AG Weisner and Governor Polis supported the same destructive measures in Colorado that created the crime waves in Dem-run cities nationwide. Colorado's cities now have some of the highest crime rates in the nation. Colorado also now ranks first in auto thefts after Polis and company made many auto thefts misdemeanors, and is second highest in the nation when it comes to property crimes.

I am surprised Coram isn't endorsing Democrat Griswold for Secretary of State over Republican Pam Anderson. You know, the same Griswold that in 2020 sent out thousands of voter registration invitations to ineligible voters, and just followed that up this year by sending another 30,000 voter registrations to noncitizens. Or why not Governor Polis over University of Colorado Regent Heidi Ganahl. I am sure Polis is not responsible for the fact that 60% of Colorado's students cannot read, write, or do math at grade level, right? You know, the same governor that fast-tracked the gray wolf introduction on the western slope, that is now killing cattle and family pets. He also spent \$23 million of his own money to get elected

in 2018, and another \$9 million plus thus far in the current campaign. Why not Democrat Michael Bennet over Joe O'Dea for U.S. Senate? You know the same Bennet that voted for Biden/Pelosi's trillion-dollar spending spree that destroyed our economy, and added 87,000 new IRS agents. The same person who last week during a drag queen themed fundraiser stated he is even more progressive than socialist Democrat Bernie Sanders.

Here's the point folks. If you believe all the Democrat happy talk about how great things are rather than what you see with your own eyes and in your own pocket books, vote for Democrats at the local, state, and national levels. Go ahead and believe Don Coram about how we have to play nice with these wonderful Democrats who aren't really destroying this country. (You know, the same Don Coram who got his butt kicked by Lauren Boebert in the primary because he tried to hide where he stood on issues important to voters.)

As a footnote, the MDP publisher Dennis Anderson's 10/15 editorial regarding Boebert and Frisch to some extent follows a pattern often used by the liberal press. When a negative is exposed about a Democrat, twist the message to gloss over the Democrat's failure, and put Republicans in as bad a light as possible. For example, when Biden says something totally crazy, or Harris goes into one of her totally unintelligible "word salads," the story becomes more about how Republicans react to that rather than about Biden's declining mental abilities or Harris' inherent limitations. Anderson's article is more about how Boebert reacted to the revelations about Frisch than about Frisch's lack of character. ("Boebert's team seems to want to drag us all into the sewer.") Sorry, but if a politician of any party is a real sleaze ball, I want to know about it before the election. Only Frisch's actions are dragging us into the gutter, not the Boebert campaign's reaction to it. (I am surprised the FBI wasn't there to cover it up until after the election. I guess they were too busy arresting 86-year-old concentration camp survivors peacefully protesting outside abortion clinics.)

*Ed Henrie, Montrose*

# Restore the Balance, Really?

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- Certain Americans are prosecuted for their beliefs
- Money is allocated base on "equity"
- 87,000 new IRS agents are hired to come after Americans
- Children are being exploited and a war on womanhood ensues
- Cancel culture and propaganda dominate our society
- Criminals are now the victims
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## OPINION/EDITORIAL: LETTERS

### MRL DOES NOT FILTER PORNOGRAPHY FOUND IN YOUNG ADULT BOOKS

*Editor:*

I called the Montrose Regional Library (MRL) and asked a hypothetical question: "If a child went online at one of the library's computers would they be able to view pornography?" The answer was no, they would not, and the following act was cited:

*(The Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA) was enacted by Congress in 2000 to address concerns about children's access to obscene or harmful content over the Internet. CIPA imposes certain requirements on schools or libraries that receive discounts for Internet access or internal connections through the E-rate program – a program that makes certain communications services and products more affordable for eligible schools and libraries. In early 2001, the FCC issued rules implementing CIPA and provided updates to those rules in 2011.)*

MRL filters pornography for everyone using MRL internet services. MRL does not filter pornography found in young adult (YA) books. The young adult section of MRL is in the section labeled ages 12-18. (RICHMOND, VA (NBC12) (December 20, 2008) - A federal court in Richmond has

*denied the appeal of a man who claimed the first amendment protected his right to send and receive child porn over the internet, because, they were in the form of cartoons. Dwight Whorley of Richmond was convicted on 74 counts of child porn. Police say he used a computer at a state unemployment office to commit the crimes. Whorley is currently serving a 20-year sentence in the Federal Correctional Institution Gilmer in Glenville, West Virginia.)*

*Cartoons depicting sexual acts with children are considered child pornography. (Abuse of the child occurs during the sexual acts or lascivious exhibitions of genitals or pubic areas which are recorded in the production of child pornography. Child pornography may use a variety of mediums, including writings, magazines, photos, sculpture, drawing, painting, animation, sound recording, video, and video games. Child pornography may be created for profit or other reasons.) Wikipedia*

*One illustration/cartoon in the book "Gender Queer" shows a man with a beard, with an erection, fondling a young boy's erect penis. The boy is obviously*

*under the age of 18.*

The most valuable natural resource in Montrose County is its children.

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They will make this county, state, country and the world a better place or they will continue to destroy all the good that our founding fathers gave us, as we are doing. If we protect them and let them be children without addling their innocent minds, if we allow them to mature slowly and gently, then they may improve the human condition. If we continue on the path that we are on, we will then raise only psychotic children which will then grow into disturbed adults and we will be guilty. We will be guilty of making their world an ugly place where the normal are the insane.

The book Gender Queer is not only pornography it is child pornography and is illegal to possess.

There are currently 21 hard copies of GQ at MRL all of which are checked out. There are, in addition, two eBooks that are also checked out.

*Don Hemme, Redvale, CO*

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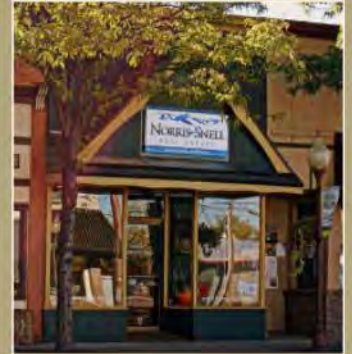
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## OPINION/EDITORIAL: LETTERS

### "NO BORDER, NO WALL, NO U.S.A. AT ALL!"

Editor;

Abortion....abortion....abortion.....black lives matter....black lives matter....black lives matter....That's all we hear from Democrats! But wait, if black lives matter, then why do Democrats support and push abortions? It's a tragedy they can't come up with a patriotic issue. They know as well as anyone that a huge percentage of abortions are black babies. Don't they care about black babies? So which way is it? Ya can't have it both ways! Blacks should realize Democrat donkeys don't care about their lives. They only care about them listening to their propaganda, believing it and voting for them. History is full of proof. It was Democrat politicians who organized the deadly Ku Klux Klan. It was Democrat politicians who ran the Ku Klux Klan. Democrat Senator Robert Byrd was a high official in the Ku Klux Klan. It wasn't Democrats who passed civil rights laws for blacks. It was Republicans who fought Democrats for years to get legislation passed. Then with arm twisting Republicans secured the Civil Rights Act of 1964. After that, Democrats realized what a huge voting bloc blacks were and began promising them anything that would get their vote. And the rest is history. It's pitiful the Democrats don't have any patriotic issues to campaign on. Instead, they resort to making up lies about Republicans. In almost every main election they say Republicans are going to cut Social Security and Medicare. Nothing could be a bigger lie than that. Just a couple days ago liar Biden said in his angry diatribe that Republicans said they would cut Social Security and Medicare. That's just another

example of Democrats accusing others of what they do. It was Bill Clinton who cut Social Security by imposing an income tax on the benefits.

Another Donald Trump Save America Rally took place two days ago in Texas with.....you guessed it. Another massive standing room only crowd with happy people dancing, waving and laughing while waiting. Nobody was assaulting anybody, nobody was destroying furniture, breaking windows, or stealing anything. Nobody was jumping up and down on police cars, filling the streets with trash or shooting each other. What a pleasure it always is to watch civilized, mature patriots who love America gathered in the tens of thousands to celebrate the eventual return of the most patriotic president ever. During Trump's speech some freedom-loving Americans began singing the Star Spangled Banner and soon the whole gathering joined in. What a chorus of patriotic spirit that enshrined! Many times during Trump's speech the crowd would erupt in a chorus of "we love you". Frequently they would chant in a chorus, "USA, USA". No, this was not a president who lost an election with honest votes from honest voters. During the campaign, Biden couldn't fill a small bathroom with listeners while Trump had overflow crowds with huge outside tv screens for people who couldn't get into the venue. And Trump is still attracting huge standing room only crowds! Yup! Biden's bragged about voter fraud certainly paid off!

The current news from Antifa Biden lovers is the chant, "No border, no wall, no U.S.A. at all!" Now it's reported prominent

supporters in the Biden cult support that idea. Our so-called Secretary of State Antony Blinken has proposed opening all borders along the United States, Mexico, and Canada so we can consolidate the region of North America and be like the EU! The Mexico president is also in total agreement. So now we might merge with Mexico in the middle of the most brutal drug war in history and be controlled by the cartels! And who in their right mind would want to be connected to Canada's socialist Justin Trudeau? We see Blinken's idea of open borders in action now. His scheme is making the United States even more unrecognizable with the drug cartels becoming fixtures in our nation. We have so many illegals in the United States now that the Biden cult is asking for "volunteers" to go to invader-infested cities to clean up the waste from their invaders. Ya just can't make this stuff up either! There's no limit to Biden's idiocy. Some cities involved are, El Centro, Ca., San Diego, Ca., Big Bend, Tx., Del Rio, Tx., El Paso, Tx., Laredo, Tx., Rio Grande, Tx., Tucson, Az., Yuma, Az., and many more. Democrat voters.....you can help stop this insanity. If you haven't sent your ballot in yet you can still make changes. All Democrats need to be voted out of office at all levels. The locals are also influenced by the, "big guy" who gets his 10% for his China collusion. Do you want your country back? There might still be time to change things starting with this election. If you don't vote to take our country back then you will suffer with everyone else. Vote RED!

*Jerry Bartholome, Montrose*

## CELEBRATING LOCAL BEAUTY.



## OPINION/EDITORIAL: LETTERS

# VOTE CATLIN FOR HOUSE DISTRICT 58

*Editor:*

Ladies and Gentlemen Mr. Catlin is the penultimate gentlemen. I have known him for over 20 years and I am sure that the only time he has even raised his voice has been to emphasize a point.

I agree with Kuns on one point and that is that public (and even private) life in America has often broached on the waves of incivility but Mr. Catlin has not done that. Mr. Catlin has spoken out about the most formidable problem in Colorado that mandates a solution or we shall all die---THAT IS WATER. He is an expert on West Slope

water issues. And there are few candidates including Mr. Kuns who have the depth of knowledge of that subject other than MISTER CATLIN who is running for HD 58.

It is knowledge and dedication to the cause that will help to find and implement solutions to our water shortages---speaking loudly and clearly of the problem and its possible solutions. It is MARC CATLIN who has the depth of knowledge born only of years of service to "water" issues, its sources, its allocations, its uses and its conservation. Who knows who the sin-

cere negotiators are. These discussions and negotiations will not be won by the elite polite pansies bent on offending no one in the cause of cum-by-ya in order to all get along at the next cocktail party or legislators breakfast---such discussions will be won by people who know the problem and stick by their knowledge to get a workable outcome.

Vote CATLIN for House District 58. MARC Catlin is the House District 58 representative who is, inter alia, able, and willing to represent us for the best results.

*Bill Bennett, Montrose*



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# OPINION/EDITORIAL: LETTERS

## VOTING IS A PRECIOUS RIGHT, AND A RESPONSIBILITY OF CITIZENSHIP

*Editor:*

The one thing better than being a voter is being an informed voter. Voting is essential to a healthy democracy. Voting requires decisions, and we all want to make the best decisions possible. A resource in our community can provide several different and easily accessed ways to learn what voters need to know. The League of Women Voters of the Uncompahgre Valley works to educate and empower voters. The League has offered non-partisan educational opportunities for voters throughout the three counties of our service area: Delta, Montrose, and Ouray Counties. Lately, we've provided presentations on Colorado's election system, on 2022 ballot issues, a virtual CD3 candidate forum, and a second forum for HD58, on October 28 at Montrose City Hall Chambers. These events are often livestreamed, recorded,

or both, for those who can't attend in person or at the time they're offered. And, we're currently distributing our familiar Ballot Issue pamphlets throughout our 3-county service area.

The League also provides comprehensive voter information online through [VOTE411.org](http://VOTE411.org). Millions of voters access [VOTE411.org](http://VOTE411.org) nationwide for information and access for voter registration, for important dates, times, and locations related to elections, and for information about issues and candidates. All it takes is your zip code. Local Leagues contact candidates for all offices within their service areas, and ask them questions pertinent to local issues and concerns. Candidates prepare and upload that information to [VOTE411](http://VOTE411), if they choose to do so. It's a free, easy and convenient way for candidates to get their messages out to voters.

For voters, it's an easy way to learn about candidates and their perspectives. We encourage you to look up your local candidates and see if they've provided answers to the League's questions. You can find means to contact them and urge them to participate, if they haven't yet done so. Voters have looked to the League of Women Voters for 102 years for education and information that helps demystify seemingly complicated voting issues and processes that keep many from exercising the power of their vote. Voting is a precious right, and a responsibility of citizenship. We are here to help you do your part to vote as the best way to keep our country strong and free. You can find us at [www.lwv-uv.org](http://www.lwv-uv.org).

*Jan Edwards, Voter Service Chair  
League of Women Voters of the  
Uncompahgre Valley*

## VOTE TO SAVE DEMOCRACY!

*Editor:*

I'm a big believer in democracy. You know, that system where all the people have an EQUAL part in running the government? I think it's what makes America great. So I don't like tax cuts for the richest people, because I know that wealth equals power. That's why the 2017 tax bill made me angry. The president and the congress knew damn well that they were handing more power to the wealthy, who already have too much. But it didn't surprise me. Republicans have been cutting taxes for their banker / oil-corp / robber baron donors for 40 years. That's not good for democracy, OR for the economy. We now have the greatest inequality America has had since the 1920's, and we know how that ended. I also really like the separation of church

and state. The founding fathers had a great idea- that we should all have the freedom to choose our faith. But now Republicans like Lauren Bobert are saying they don't like separation of church and state. She even said "the church is supposed to direct the government"! Wow. Like the Taliban? Not my government, thank you. It's tempting to say, "Hey, this is America! Love it or leave it!" There's a good reason our founding fathers put that separation in the FIRST amendment.

Our congresswoman is also against education! She recently tweeted that the Biden student loan forgiveness bill would "lead to rampant learning and wonton education." Yes, she said wonton! I'm not sure what's worse, being against learning or needing more of it! Maybe they go to-

gether. Sounds like the Taliban again.

And now a lot of red states are making it harder to vote. I guess they don't believe all people should have equal power in our government. Is this the kind of America we want? I don't. I like the freedoms guaranteed by our constitution. Anyone who tries to overthrow our government is our enemy. America is great because it's a democracy, but it's threatened by the two-faced politicians who SAY they believe in freedom while they try to destroy it. While I still have the right to vote, I'm going to vote against anyone who doesn't believe in my kind of America, where equality is a basic part of being an American.

VOTE! Vote for democracy! If you don't, you will lose it.

*John Baldus, Montrose*

## COMMUNITY OBITUARIES

### GAYLAND STEVEN THOMPSON

*October 4, 1953 - October 17, 2022*



GAYLAND STEVEN THOMPSON, age 69, passed away peacefully at the Historic Calamity Camp on the Uncompahgre Plateau on October 17, 2022, while out on a ride enjoying the fall colors and a picnic with his family.

Gayland was born on October 4, 1953 in Montrose, Colorado to his parents Oran Thompson and Lilly Duteil Thompson. Gayland grew up and attended schools in Nucla, Colorado. He joined the Navy in 1973.

Gayland married Jane Catt on January 24, 1974 and they had three children, Kristi, Brandi and Cody. In 1994, they adopted Logan and in 2003, they adopted Sadie, Seth and Spencer.

Gayland spent 8 years in the Navy, stationed in San Diego and Long Beach, CA and Great Lakes, IL and then moved back to Colorado, settling in Paradox and working for Atlas Minerals.

When the uranium mines closed, Gayland rejoined the Navy and stayed 12 more years, honored to be a part of the Reagan era Navy.

He was a decorated veteran, who served in the US Navy for 20 years and the Colorado National Guard for three years. He retired as a Machinist Mate Senior Chief in 1994. The family returned to Colorado and settled back in Paradox.

Gayland loved to play golf and was always up for a trip to the golf course. He taught all of his kids and grandkids how to play and just last week he was able to play golf with his great grandson, Kato.

Anyone who knew Gayland knew that he loved his family and was the rock that they all leaned on. Gayland is survived by his wife Jane and his children, Kristi Schultz of Alaska, Brandi Thompson of Nucla, CO, Cody and Shayna Thompson of Naturita, CO, and Logan and Jamie

Thompson of El Cajon, CA. He was blessed with grandchildren Sadie, Seth, and Spencer, whom he and Jane adopted; Austin, Ashlee, Kaylee and Xander and great grandsons Kato and Leo James.

Gayland is also survived by his mother Lilly Conwell of Grand Junction, CO, and his siblings Randy & Dena Thompson of Grand Junction, CO, Janice Thompson of Montana, Nancy Bassett of St. George, UT, Chris Wright of Grand Junction, CO and Glory Ugalde of Grand Junction.

Gayland was loved immensely by family members Dean & Cathy Catt, Duane & Sharon Johannsen, Rick & Wendy Boone, Zane & Heidi Williams, Chris & Aimee Tooker, Josh Johannsen, and many more nieces, nephews and cousins. Additionally, Gayland was loved by dear friends and co-grandparents, Jim & Patti Schultz.

Gayland was preceded in death by his father, Oran (Junior) Thompson and his in-laws, whom he loved very much, Bill and Ruthann Catt.

Gayland served as the Commander of VFW Uranium Post 9058 for the past 10 years and the family requests that donations in lieu of flowers be made to Uranium Post 9058, PO Box 423, Nucla, CO 81424.

Arrangements are under the care of Crip-pin Funeral Home of Montrose, Colorado.



## COMMUNITY OBITUARIES

### GRAYDON "JACK" DURHAM, JR.

*June 14, 1929 - October 16, 2022*



How do you encapsulate the life of a beloved family hero in the sterile environment of an obituary? How do you let people know that someone who was so loved and admired is

no longer present in your lives and how deeply that cuts? We called him Jack, Dad, Granddad; but to the rest of the world, he was Graydon M. Durham, Jr. or "Jack."

He was welcomed into the world by Graydon M. Durham, Sr. and Elizabeth Marie (Rogers) Durham on 14 June 1929 in Albany, TX. He spent his youth in Clovis, NM, where he attended Clovis High School. He played basketball and football with the same gusto he addressed everything in his life. Clovis was where he fell in love with

his future bride, Donna Lee Clark 75 years ago. He attended Texas Tech in Lubbock, TX, where he earned a BA in Business Administration.

Jack and Donna began their 73 years of marriage on 2 June 1949 in Clovis, NM.

He was a quiet man who loved God and was a true Patriot. Loving his country as he did, it was only natural that he would enlist in the U.S. Navy Reserve in 1950. After two years he applied and was accepted into Officer Candidate School. Upon graduation he received his commission as an Ensign in the U.S. Navy in 1952, where Jack and Donna served for 22 years. During those years their family grew to include two daughters, Deena and Laura.

The family enjoyed assignments in Virginia, California, Hawaii, and Alaska before Jack retired and moved his family to beautiful Montrose, CO. Montrose and throughout Colorado were the perfect locations for the fly fishing, camping, hunting, and hiking that were his favorite pastimes. He and Donna also loved to

travel; they traveled extensively throughout Europe on their many adventures.

Jack died peacefully at home on Sunday, October 16, 2022. Even in the pain of his final days he had a quick wit and loving smile for all who spent those last precious days and hours with him. His love was true, deep, and unconditional. He was a man of great dignity and integrity. Those who are left to grieve his passing include his devoted wife, Donna (Clark) Durham, daughters Deena Marquardt, and Laura Bond. He was cherished by his grandchildren Jeremy & Amanda Bond, Brandi (Marquardt) & Michael Bruno, Caleb Marquardt, Lacy (Marquardt) & T.J. Sanchez, Danielle (Bond) & Trinity Bass, Emily Bond, Merry Bond, and Robert Bond. He also has nine great-grandchildren who will miss his presence in their lives.

In lieu of flowers the family requests donations be made to Hope West or Colorado West Christian School.

Crippin Funeral Home and Crematory is assisting the family. 970-249-2121.

### ANNE MCCLELLAND

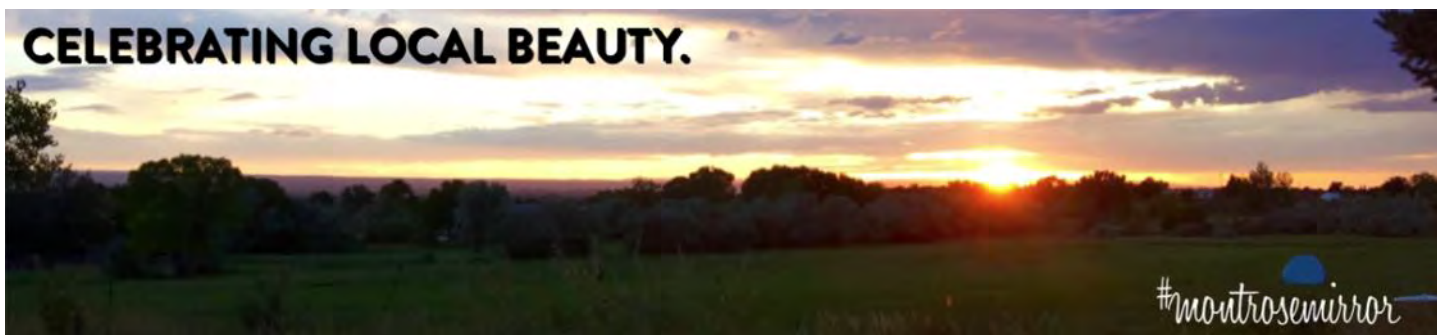
In memory of our mother, Anne Lee McClelland, aged 85, passed away on October 18, 2022.

She leaves behind two sons: Bill and Matt, four grandchildren, three great grandchildren, and one great great grandson. With all our love we are so happy you are now home.

There will be a short viewing followed by a service at the Crippin Funeral Home Chapel, Tuesday October 25, 2022, at 9:30am, service at 10am.

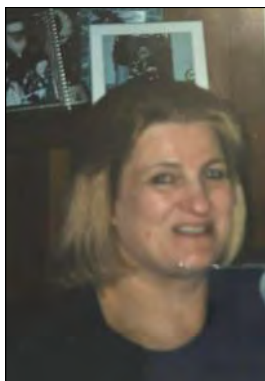
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## COMMUNITY OBITUARIES

### DONNA JEANNE WADE *January 21, 1949 – October 9, 2022*



Beloved Mother and Nana

The lord has called our beloved Mother, Sister and Nana to Heaven and she will be greatly missed. We can rest knowing, that she will no longer be in pain, but in peace

inside the golden gates. Happy again, as she meets the ones she loved and lost so

many years ago.

Born to Raymond & Catherine Wade in Green Bay, Wisconsin she was a Cheesehead throughout her life. She had green and gold in her veins. She also loved NASCAR and always rooted for the guys named Earnhardt.

She worked her entire life and made sure none of us did without, whether it was food on our tables or anything else we needed, big or small. She was selfless in so many ways. Always, putting her family's needs before her own.

Preceded in death by her father, mother

and sister Amy. She is survived by sisters Mary, Margo, Beverly, brother Gary, daughter Becky, Sons Chris and Jason. Grand Children Stephanie, Kaiden, Shirika, Daytona, Mikayla, Loki, Serena and Great Grand Children Evangeliene, Aleana and Ellouise. Also, many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends who she deeply loved. She was the glue that held us together and we mourn our loss, we also thank God for all the happiness she brought into our lives.

Rest in peace Mama, I love you!

No Service is being held at this time.

### PAM LILLARD

*September 28, 1944 – October 17, 2022*

PAM LILLARD, 78, passed away in her home on Monday, October 17, 2022. She was surrounded by her husband, Dick, of 60 years and her two daughters, Kimber and Dana.

Pam was born on September 28, 1944 at the naval yard in Brooklyn, New York. After 15 years as a navy brat, she finished her last two years of schooling at Fairview High School, in Boulder, Co. She and her high school sweetheart, Dick, graduated in 1962, and married a few months later in July. She began her teaching career, at Fairview High School, in 1968, for 13 years. She took a few years off and began teaching at Paonia High School in 1985 after she and Dick moved to Crawford, Co.

Throughout her career, she always gave 110 percent to every student and every lesson. Teaching was her calling and she was the greatest of all time! In retirement, beginning in 2001, she spent lots of time with her parents, her children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren, while traveling the west, with her husband, in their motorhome. They finally settled in Montrose where Dick still resides. She will be missed by many.

A public memorial will take place on Saturday, November 12 at Paonia K-8 (formally known as Paonia High School), from 3-5 pm. All are welcome.

Crippin Funeral Home of Montrose is in care of the arrangements.



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# ART & SOL

## JOHN HEWITT COMES TO HEALTHY RHYTHM ART GALLERY OCT. 27

### *Special to Art & Sol*

REGIONAL-John Hewitt is a Canadian singer/songwriter based in Alberta. He will be on tour in Colorado performing Wildwood Sounds in Del Norte Oct. 26, Healthy Rhythm Art Gallery on Oct. 27 in Montrose, and the Black Rose Acoustic Society in Colorado Springs on Oct. 28.

John is a songwriter who takes his influences and makes sure they are present in his writing. From Van Morrison to Bob Dylan, Tom Petty to the Beatles his Folk/Americana sound is authentic and real. Healthy Rhythm Art Gallery is pleased to have him on Thursday Oct. 27.

Tickets are \$15 Reserved and \$20 at the door. Doors at 7PM Show at 7:30. At right, John Hewitt courtesy photo.



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# COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS

## MHS INTERACT CLUB TO BE HONORED FOR NATIONAL PHILANTHROPY DAY 2022

### *Special to Art & Sol*

MONTROSE-Congratulations to Montrose High School Interact Club for being selected as an award recipient for 2022 National Philanthropy Day in Colorado in the Outstanding Youth category! They were nominated for an award and a selection committee comprised of Colorado leaders then selected an honoree for each category. National Philanthropy Day is the special day set aside to recognize and pay tribute to the great contributions that philanthropy - and those people in the philanthropic community - have made to our lives, our communities, and our world. Celebrations are held annually in many states across the nation. For more

information on the local event, please visit our website NPD in Colorado.

For more information on the national events, please visit <https://afpglobal.org/NPDLove>

National Philanthropy Day, an annual event in Colorado, celebrates individuals, organizations, foundations, and businesses for their exceptional philanthropic and volunteer contributions in Colorado. MHS Interact was nominated by Tessa Imus with Black Canyon Rotary Club.

A Selection Committee comprised of past award winners and community leaders reviewed the nominations and had the difficult task of selecting this year's winners. MHS Interact and their parents are

invited to a luncheon where they will be honored on Thursday, Nov. 10, 2022, at the Seawell Grand Ballroom at the Denver Performing Arts Complex. They will also receive \$3,000 to put toward their next community service project. Students being honored are the Interact Officers as follows:

Co-Presidents and Rotary Liaisons: Ariana Najjar and Connor Bell

Vice President: JC Castaneda

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*an all-vocal rock band*

*Event benefits the San Juan Healthcare Foundation*

**Saturday, November 5, 2022**

*at the Montrose Pavilion*  
1800 Pavilion Drive; Montrose, CO  
**Concert doors open at 7pm**

**Tickets**



SCAN ME

***VIP Reception & Tickets: \$125***

Include VIP reception with food and beverage and reserved concert seats  
VIP Reception begins at 5:30pm

***General Admission: \$35***

Student \$20 (with valid student ID)

Kids 12 and under free

**Online\***: [events.ourtownmatter.net](https://events.ourtownmatter.net) or [hello@ourtownmatters.net](mailto:hello@ourtownmatters.net)

**Phone\***: 970-765-0913

**In person\*\***: Our Town Matters Business Center  
1245 E. Main Street, Montrose

\*Online/Phone (Credit Card)

\*\*In Person (Cash, Check or Credit Card)

Fundraiser for San Juan  
Healthcare Foundation



# MIRROR CHURCH DIRECTORY

## ALL SAINTS ANGLICAN CHURCH

Anglican Church in North America  
Address: 2057 S. Townsend, Montrose, CO 81401  
Office Hours: Varies and by appointment  
Contact Information: (970) 249-2451  
<https://www.allsaintsmontrose.org/>  
Priest: The Rev Gary L. Way  
Worship Service Times:  
Sunday, 9AM, Holy Eucharist.

## CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

**Denomination:** Christ Lutheran Montrose  
**Affiliation:** Lutheran Church Missouri Synod  
**Address:** 1980 N. Townsend Ave., Montrose, CO 81401  
**Contact:** 970-633-0226

## FIRST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

**Denomination:** Church of the Nazarene  
**Address:** 705 South 12th Street  
**Office Hours:** Monday - Thursday 9 am- Noon and by Appointment  
**Contact Information:** Office Phone 970 249-9213, [mncfirst@gmail.com](mailto:mncfirst@gmail.com), [www.montrosenazarenechurch.org](http://www.montrosenazarenechurch.org)

## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH MONTROSE

**Affiliation:** Presbyterian  
**Address:** 1840 E Niagara Rd. Montrose CO. 81401  
**Office Hours:** M-Thu 9AM - 12PM  
**Contact:** 970-249-4732, [info@fpcmontrose.com](mailto:info@fpcmontrose.com)

## HILLCREST CONGREGATIONAL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

**Denomination affiliation:** United Church of Christ  
**Address:** 611 South Hillcrest Drive, Montrose, CO 81401  
**Office hours:** By appointment  
**Contact information:**

## MONTROSE MEDITATION CENTRE

The Meetings will be on Tuesdays at 6:30 PM at 602 N. Nevada in Montrose, 81401 at the Lions Park Community Center. Brought to you by Denis Hoin Darby, a Buddhist Zen Monk. Contact [Rev.Hoin.Darby@gmail.com](mailto:Rev.Hoin.Darby@gmail.com) for more information.

## MONTROSE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

**Denomination Affiliation:** United Methodist  
**Address:** 19 S. Park Avenue Montrose CO. 81401  
**Office Hours:** M-Thu, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
**Contact Information:** 970-249-3716, [office@montroseumc.org](mailto:office@montroseumc.org), [montroseumc.org](http://montroseumc.org)

Wednesday, Noon, Multi-denominational Prayer Hour. There are multiple Bible Studies during the week. All Saints Anglican Church is Biblical, Anglican and Orthodox. The Liturgy (order of service) is from the Anglican Church in North America Book of Common Prayer (2019). Music is a combination of traditional hymns, contemporary, and more modern songs. This is a family-sized church that welcomes all individuals

**Website:** [www.montroselutheran.org](http://www.montroselutheran.org)

**Email:** [montroselutheran@gmail.com](mailto:montroselutheran@gmail.com)

**Pastor:** Tim Onnen

**Worship:** Sundays at 9 AM

Sunday School and Adult Bible Class at 10:15 AM; Women's Bible Study Fridays at 9 AM. At Christ Lutheran Montrose you will

**Pastor:** Buddy Cook

**Services Sunday:** Worship 10 AM, Adult Bible Study 11:30 AM Worship includes age-appropriate children's ministry during adult worship.

Wednesday: Prayer Boot Camp - 7 PM

Mission Statement: *Montrose First Church of the Nazarene exists to make Christlike*

[form@fpcmontrose.com](mailto:form@fpcmontrose.com),

[www.fpcmontrose.com](http://www.fpcmontrose.com)

**Pastor:** Jesse Mabanglo

**Worship Service times:** 9:30AM,

Student Worship at 6PM. *We strive to encourage, challenge and support one another*

Phone number: (970) 249-9047

Email address: [office@montroseucc.org](mailto:office@montroseucc.org)

Website: [montroseucc.org](http://montroseucc.org)

**Current Pastor:** Rev. Wendy Kidd

**Worship service times:** Sunday, 10 a.m.

Hillcrest Congregational UCC is a welcoming, open and affirming church, open to all no matter who you are or where you are

and families. We are currently comprised of families and singles, ages 25 to 90. Fellowship time follows each Sunday Service with a potluck meal following the service on the 3d Sunday.

All Saints Anglican Church

2057 S. Townsend Ave

Sunday Holy Eucharist, 9 am

The Rev Gary Way, Interim Priest

[allsaintsanglicanmontrose.org](http://allsaintsanglicanmontrose.org)

find friendly people gathered in a welcoming environment being comforted and encouraged by the forgiveness and love of Jesus, and sharing that with one another.

We are a small congregation of seniors and middle-aged, sprinkled with young children and teenagers.

*disciples in Montrose Colorado and around the world.*

**Demographics:** Our church consists of older and younger people. We have younger families with children and young teens and older adults as well. We also support the work of Calvary Ranch Colorado and its addiction recovery ministry.

*er through spiritual growth, worship, and service in our community, country, and world. We also encourage children and youth to grow their relationship with Christ through our children and student ministries.*

on life's journey.

Church demographics: HCUCC welcomes all ages to worship with

us. (predominately family, youth, seniors, singles)

We offer inter-generational worship with a children's "prayer-ground" and activity packets. A cry room is also available.

*inclusive, loving and just servants of Christ. Our church family welcomes people from various cultural and faith backgrounds: single, married, remarried, with or without children, from diapers to dentures. Wherever you are on your spiritual journey we invite you to come discover hope, joy, peace, purpose.*

# MIRROR CHURCH DIRECTORY From previous pg

## ROSEMONT BAPTIST CHURCH

**Affiliation:** Southern Baptist

**Address:** 1598 E. Niagara Road, Montrose, CO 81401

**Office Hours:** Tues-Thurs, 9am-4pm

**Contact information:**

Phone: 970.249.4887

website: [www.RosemontBaptist.org](http://www.RosemontBaptist.org)

email: [office@rosemontbaptist.org](mailto:office@rosemontbaptist.org)

**Senior Pastor:** Rolland Kenneson

**Worship Service Times:** Our engaging and relevant Sunday Worship Service is at

10:45 AM. We also have Bible Study for All Ages Sunday mornings at 9:15 AM. We provide a professionally-staffed nursery throughout both.

*Rosemont Baptist's desire is to passionately bring people face-to-face with the life-changing power of Jesus Christ.*

*We are a multigenerational church from different walks of life who love Jesus, love each other, and love our community. Everyone comes dressed in whatever is comfortable. We love meeting new people no*

*matter what stage of life they are in.*

**Children's services:** *We have a fun Sunday School for children from four years old through youth. We provide Children's Church during the Sunday Worship Services where children four years old through 9 years can learn to be worshippers of Jesus.*

*We provide a nursery for children under four years old with paid staff providing excellent care during Sunday Morning Bible Study and Worship Service.*

## SPIRITUAL AWARENESS CENTER

**Denomination affiliation:** Independent Interfaith

**Address:** Meeting at Lions Park Community Building, 602 N. Nevada, Montrose  
Office hours: Tues-Fri, 9 am to 4 pm,

**Home Office** – 970-252-0908

**Contact information:** Rev. Dr. Arlyn Macdonald, 970-252-0908,  
[arlyn@spiritaware.org](mailto:arlyn@spiritaware.org),  
[www.spiritaware.org](http://www.spiritaware.org)

**Name of current pastor:** Rev. Dr. Arlyn

Macdonald, Senior Minister; Rev. Catharine Gates, Associate Minister. Spiritual counseling available.

**Worship service times:** In-person Sunday Unity Service at 11 a.m., (Social Time begins at 10 a.m.); Quiet Meditation at 10:30 a.m. Virtual Afternoon Service on Zoom at 2:00 p.m.; Chai Chats, a Wednesday morning midweek informal gathering at 10:30 a.m. at Pun Hill Himalayan Restaurant, Montrose; Thursday Empowerment Circle at 10:30 a.m. on Zoom. Everyone is wel-

*come. The Spiritual Awareness Center is an interfaith spiritual community welcoming spiritual seekers and people of all faiths, providing a safe place to explore and nurture the individual's unique connection to the Divine through Unity services, classes, family and community projects, including the Great Community Give-away and Wellness Fair. People of all ages are welcome. There are currently no Sunday School or nursery services provided but craft supplies are available for youth.*

## SUMMIT CHURCH OF MONTROSE:

**Denomination affiliation:**

Southern Baptist

**Address:** 10977 60.75 Rd. Montrose, CO 81403

**Office hours:** Varies

**Contact information:**

phone number: 970-275-7026

email: [summitchurchmontrose@gmail.com](mailto:summitchurchmontrose@gmail.com)

website: [www.summitchurchmontrose.org](http://www.summitchurchmontrose.org)

**Name of current Senior Pastor:** John De-

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**Worship service times:** Sunday Worship is at 9 am followed by a time of fellowship and snacks. Summit Church has frequent Bible studies and other events for adults, young adults, youth and children. Please visit <https://www.summitchurchmontrose.org/events> for more information.

*Summit Church Montrose is a new church plant that preaches the Word of God,*

*reaches the lost with the Gospel of Jesus Christ and equips Christians to serve the Lord. Summit Church has people of all ages!*

*We have families with children (babies, school aged, recent high school and college graduates) There are retired couples and widows. During the Sunday sermon we offer teaching for children ages birth to Kindergarten, in a kid friendly room called Base Camp.*

## VICTORY BAPTIST CHURCH OF MONTROSE

**Denomination Affiliation:** Independent Baptist

**Address:** 2890 N Townsend Ave., Montrose, CO 81401

**Office Hours:** Monday-Friday 8am-12pm

**Contact Information:** Phone (970) 249-6874;

email at [info@vbcmontrose.org](mailto:info@vbcmontrose.org); website: [vbcmontrose.org](http://vbcmontrose.org)

**Current Pastor:** Roland Kassales

**Worship Service Times:** Sunday School at 9:30am, Sunday AM Service at 10:30am, Sunday PM Service at 6pm, Wednesday Night Service at 6:30pm (all services include childcare)

*Victory Baptist Church exists to exalt God, edify saints, and evangelize the lost.*

**Demographics:** *Victory Baptist serves everyone with age-appropriate classes, groups, and activities. Families with children make up the majority of VBC with young adults, singles, middle-aged couples, and seniors comprising the rest.*

## Church Directory

### Mirror Editorial Staff

MONTROSE-As a way of serving the faith community in Montrose, the Montrose Mirror is in the process of establishing a Church Directory. If your congregation or fellowship would like to be included in the directory, please supply the following

## information to the Montrose Mirror:

**Name of church**

**Denomination affiliation**

**Address Office hours**

**Contact information (phone number, email address, website)**

**Name of current Senior Pastor**

**Worship service times**

**Please give a one sentence description of your church and its mission in the Montrose community.**

**Brief description of your current church demographics (predominately family, youth, seniors, singles).**

**Do your church services include Sunday School and childcare?**

# COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS

## KOKANEE SALMON SPAWNING UNDERWAY, PUBLIC GIVEAWAY DAYS SCHEDULED

### Special to the Mirror

DURANGO— Colorado Parks and Wildlife aquatic biologists across the Southwest Region have started this year's spawning operations for kokanee salmon.

Kokanee grow quickly, typically live about four years and naturally die after spawning. CPW conducts kokanee salmon giveaways to make sure the meat is not wasted. Kokanee are tasty fish considered easy to filet and cook.

Giveaways at the Roaring Judy Fish Hatchery north of Gunnison are scheduled for Oct. 21, 28 and Nov. 4. The kokanee run is low this year, and the number of fish available on giveaway days will fluctuate depending on the number of fish spawned during the week. Participants should call Roaring Judy Hatchery at 970-641-0190 prior to the giveaway day for more information.

Lake Nighthorse in Durango will host giveaway days at 3 p.m. Nov. 4, 11 and 18. Lake Nighthorse staff typically allow participants to access the parking area around 2 p.m.

Joe Rowell Park in Dolores will also host giveaway days at 3 p.m. Oct. 27, Nov. 3 and Nov. 10. It is recommended those wanting fish arrive early to get in line at this well-attended giveaway event

"The kokanee salmon public giveaways are subject to fish availability," said CPW aquatic biologist Jim White. "The number of fish given away will depend on how many fish we are able to spawn that week and how many people are in line prior to the start of the giveaway, as we try to split the fish evenly among participants. It is first come, first serve. Please bring your own fish containers and don't show up late."

To be eligible for the giveaway, a 2022 Colorado fishing license must be presented. Up to four youth may receive kokanee if accompanied by a license-holding adult.

Those interested in receiving kokanee should bring their own small cooler or other container. Most of the kokanee are 10 to 13 inches in size.

Kokanee are a freshwater, land-locked Pacific sockeye salmon. Though not a native fish to Colorado, they are well suited

to Colorado's large reservoirs. Those interested in the Dolores or Lake Nighthorse giveaways may call 970-247-0855 for more information. Call 970-641-7070 or 970-641-0190 the evening before giveaways at the Roaring Judy Hatchery for updates on the number of fish expected to be given away. Anglers are reminded that

snagging kokanee at Lake Nighthorse is prohibited. Those fishing at the reservoir must stay at least 100 yards from the salmon-spawning platform. For more information on kokanee salmon snagging opportunities in Colorado as well as the giveaway days, see the 2022 Kokanee Regulations brochure.

**PLANNING FOR THE HOLIDAYS?  
WE HAVE CATERING OPTIONS: WEDDINGS, REUNIONS,  
RECEPTIONS, OR YOUR EVENT**

**Liquor:**

**Beer Barn II**  
970-249-5550

**House of Spirits**  
970-240-4799



***DineOutMontrose.com***

**Camp Robber**  
970-240-1590

**Jimmer's Steak & BBQ**  
970-252-1227

**Stone House**  
970-240-8899

**Fiesta Guadalajara**  
970-249-2460

**Mimo's**  
970-249-0616

**Alpen Confections**  
970-648-0609

**Pahgre's**  
970-249-6442

**Remington's at the Bridges**  
970-252-1119

**My Favorite Muffin**  
970-765-0076

**Rib City**  
970-249-7427

**Light House Eatery**  
970-964-4424



# It's the 47<sup>th</sup> Annual Basement Boutique

Craft Show and Sale at the  
**Montrose Pavilion**

Locally Handcrafted gifts  
for all ages

Friday, November 25  
& Saturday, November 26  
9 am to 4 pm

a central checkout for your  
shopping convenience

Cash - Check - Visa - MasterCard

canned goods appreciated  
to support



# Colorado House District 58 Candidate Forum

Friday, October 28, 2022

6:00 – 7:00 pm MDT

Montrose City Council Chambers  
107 S. Cascade Avenue, Montrose



**Marc Catlin**  
**Republican**



**Kevin Kuns**  
**Democrat**

Send questions for candidates to [zoom@lww-uv.org](mailto:zoom@lww-uv.org) by 5 pm Oct. 26  
with subject: **HD58 Question**

Livestream on [cityofmontrose.org/759/Live-Meetings-Viewer](https://cityofmontrose.org/759/Live-Meetings-Viewer)  
Recording will be available on [youtube.com/user/MontroseCityGov](https://youtube.com/user/MontroseCityGov)



Sponsored by the Gunnison Valley,  
Montezuma, and Uncompahgre  
Valley Leagues

Hosted by City of Montrose

## WINTER COLLECTION FOR VETERANS

**Montrose Elks Lodge#1053 will be collecting items for Veterans who are in need until November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022; Veterans Day**

**They will be distributed to Veterans at the Montrose Elks Veterans Breakfast which is Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup> between the hours of 9:am to 11:am at the Lodge.**

**Please bring your generous donations to the Lodge for the Veterans By November 11<sup>th</sup>. Due to the incredible outpouring of donations from last year we are not in need of clothing except for the items listed below.**

### **Winter Clothing Items**

**Socks (all kinds, heavy duty) Hats (stocking caps), insulated gloves, ski masks, mufflers, neck warmers, and ski gloves.**

### **Personal care items:**

**Toothbrush, toothpaste, denture creme, gallon plastic bags, hand and foot warmers, hotel toiletries (small plastic bottles.**

### **Food Items**

**Portable snacks for protein (i.e. Lunchables, Kraft , and Keebler, sandwich crackers, cheese and peanut butter sandwich crackers, Beef Jerky, Hot chocolate Packs, Coffee packets, and dry packages of instant soup.**

### **Pet Food**

**Cat and dog food for the Veterans' service animals.**

**These items listed will help to make the life of our Veterans in need, easier.**

*Thank You for your contributions to our Veterans in need. Any questions please contact **Judy Atencio, 303-374-410**, Elks West District Chair for Homeless Veterans*

**Montrose Elks Lodge #1053  
801 S Hillcrest Montrose, CO 81401**

## COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS

### FREE RESOURCE HELPS FAMILIES TALK ABOUT HEALTH CARE DECISIONS *Touch of Care Hospice is Providing Five Wishes in Celebration of National Hospice Month*

*Special to Art & Sol*

MONTROSE – In recognition of how difficult it is for people to think about and discuss health care decisions, Touch of Care Hospice is distributing free copies of the nation's most popular advance care planning resource, *Five Wishes*. (We serve Montrose County, Delta County, Telluride, San Miguel County, West End, Norwood, Naurita, Nucla)

*Five Wishes* allows individuals and families to make important decisions in terms that are meaningful and understandable to them and helps patients and families to more effectively communicate their decisions to health care providers. In addition to important medical issues, *Five Wishes* addresses matters of the heart and soul

(comfort, family relationships, dignity, and spirituality) and encourages people to be specific about their wishes in their own words.

"Touch of Care Hospice is devoted to the preparation in end-of-life care. In the final stages of one's life, it is imperative to plan for several reasons. Planning allows for you to determine the type of care you would like to receive as well as where you would like to be at this stage in your life. These documents provide you with further independence and control of the care that you receive," Jessica Homewood, Director of Business Development.

Hospice offers relief from the pain and symptoms experienced by people living with advanced, serious illness. In addition

to providing high-quality medical care, hospice provides psychosocial support and spiritual care to patients and their families. Hospice is available to anyone with a life-limiting illness when curative treatment is stopped.

Touch of Care Hospice is celebrating National Hospice Month throughout the month of November by promoting the importance of thinking and talking about health care decisions well in advance of a serious illness or accident that may lead to someone being cared for by hospice.

Additional information about hospice and advance care planning is available by calling (970) 787-9988.

Anyone wishing a free copy of the *Five Wishes* resource can call (970) 787-9988.



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Download The APP. **P3TIPS** 

**MONTROSE REGIONAL  
CRIME STOPPERS**

*see something, say something*



### **PEAK PROFESSIONALS**

1550 Niagara Road Montrose  
(970) 497-4921  
[peakpros.org](http://peakpros.org)

### **PEDIATRIC ASSOCIATES**

947 South Fifth Street Montrose  
(970) 249-2421 **VFC PROVIDER**  
[thepediatricassociates.com](http://thepediatricassociates.com)

### **NORTHSIDE HEALTH CENTER**

528 North Uncompahgre Ave Montrose  
(970) 240-6438 **VFC PROVIDER**  
[pfb.com/northsidechildhealthcenter](http://pfb.com/northsidechildhealthcenter)

### **CEDAR POINT HEALTH**

300 South Nevada Ave Montrose  
(970) 249-7751  
[cedarpointthehealth.com](http://cedarpointthehealth.com)

### **BASIN CLINIC**

421 Adams Street Naturita  
(970) 865-2665 **VFC PROVIDER (RHC)**  
[basinclinic.org](http://basinclinic.org)

### **UNCOMPAHGRE MEDICAL CENTER**

1350 South Aspen Street Norwood  
(970) 327-4233 **VFC PROVIDER (FQHC)**  
[umclinic.org](http://umclinic.org) **340B PARTICIPANT**

### **DELTA COUNTY HEALTH DEPT**

255 West Sixth Street Delta  
(970) 874-2165 **VFC PROVIDER**  
[deltacounty.com/8/personal-health-services](http://deltacounty.com/8/personal-health-services)

### **RIVER VALLEY FAMILY HEALTH CENTERS**

1010 Rio Grande Montrose  
(970) 497-3333  
308 Main Street Olathe  
(970) 323-6141  
[rivervalleyfhc.com](http://rivervalleyfhc.com)  
**340B PARTICIPANT & VFC PROVIDER (FQHC)**

### **THE PIC PLACE**

87 Merchant Drive Montrose  
(970) 252-8896  
[pic.place](http://pic.place)

### **MESA COUNTY HEALTH DEPT**

510 29 1/2 Rd Grand Junction  
(970) 248-6900 **VFC PROVIDER**  
[health.mesacounty.us/services/family/immunizations](http://health.mesacounty.us/services/family/immunizations)

### **VFC (VACCINES FOR CHILDREN)**

The Vaccines for Children Program (VFC) is a federally funded program that provides vaccines 0-18 years of age who are enrolled in Medicaid, who have no insurance, or who are American Indian / Alaska Native. \*Children who are underinsured may receive VFC vaccines at a federally qualified health center (FQHC) or rural health center (RHC).

### **340b**

The 340b Drug Pricing Program is a US federal government program created in 1992 that requires drug manufacturers to provide outpatient drugs to eligible health care organizations and covered entities at significantly reduced prices.

**CITY MARKET SOUTH**

16400 South Townsend Ave Montrose  
(970) 240-1994 **340B PARTICIPANT**  
Register Online

Flu	Shingles
Pneumonia	MMR
Tdap	Rabies
Meningococcus	Polio
Chickenpox	Japanese Encephalitis
Hep A	Hep B
	COVID-19

**WALGREENS**

2351 South Townsend Ave Montrose  
(970) 252-1743  
Register Online

Flu	Shingles
Pneumonia	HPV
Tdap	MMR
Td or DT	Rabies
Meningitis	Polio
Varicella	Japanese Encephalitis
Hep A	Typhoid
Hep B	Hep A/Hep B
	COVID-19 (Moderna)

**CVS (IN TARGET)**

3530 Wolverine Dr Montrose  
(970) 497-8981  
Register online

Flu	MMR
Hep A	Tdap
Hep B	Varicella
Hep A/Hep B	Pneumococcal
HPV	Meningococcal
Shingles	Hep A/Hep B
Typhoid	Japanese Encephalitis
Polio, adult	COVID-19 (Pfizer & JJ)

**CITY MARKET NORTH**

128 South Townsend Ave Montrose  
(970) 249-2064 **340B PARTICIPANT**  
Register Online

Flu	Shingles
Pneumonia	MMR
Tdap	Rabies
Meningococcus	Polio
Chickenpox	Japanese Encephalitis
Hep A	Hep B
	COVID-19

**SAFEWAY**

1329 South Townsend Ave Montrose  
(970) 249-1160 **340B PARTICIPANT**  
Register online

Flu	Shingles
Pneumonia	Tetanus
HPV	Pertussis
MMR	Meningitis
Hep A	Hep B
	COVID-19

**WALMART**

16750 South Townsend Ave Montrose  
(970) 249-7742  
Walk-in's welcome

Flu	Hep A & Hep B
Shingles	IPV
Tdap	Varicella
Td	Pneumococcal
MMR	Meningococcal
	COVID-19 (Moderna & JJ)

**STACIE'S APOTHECARY SHOPPE**

112 Village Square West Ridgway  
(970) 626-7100

Flu	Pneumonia
Shingles	Tdap



Please note that this list is not exhaustive and is not an endorsement of any pharmacy or provider. Visit [www.cdc.gov/vaccines](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines) for the latest recommendations. Please contact your Pharmacy or Provider to confirm availability of vaccines. Montrose County Public Health will not provide immunizations after June 30th, 2020. Last Updated 7-25-2022.

# MONTROSE ELKS BINGO

## COSTUME PARTY

**TUES OCT 25, 2022 6:30 PM**

CELESTIAL EVENTS:  
*New Moon & Last  
Partial Eclipse*

**WIN  
AWESOME  
PRIZES  
FOR BEST  
COSTUMES**

**Progressive Game #2**

**\$500 "Must Go"**

**Awarded to 1<sup>st</sup> Person  
that reaches Bingo**

**FREE  
STAND-UP  
GAME!**



*Josh and Von Present:  
Loaded Baked Potatoes  
or Grilled Cheese  
w / Tomato Bisque*

**Doors Open at 4:30 PM,  
Early Bird starts at 6:30 PM.  
Main Bingo Session starts 7:00 PM**

# SAVE THE DATE! LOCAL EVENTS CALENDAR

## ONGOING-

Schedule a \$10 **RIDGWAY TRUE GRIT WALKING TOUR**, named readers choice for best historic town tour by True West magazine. [evebeck-erdoyle@icloud.com](mailto:evebeck-erdoyle@icloud.com) Or Schedule a \$10 Ridgway walking tour of True Grit downtown filming sites. Contact [evebeckerdoyle@icloud.com](mailto:evebeckerdoyle@icloud.com).

**MEDITATION CENTRE** in Montrose. Meetings will be on Tuesdays at 6:30 PM at 602 N. Nevada in Montrose, 81401 at Lions Park Community Center. Brought to you by Denis Hoin Darby, a Buddhist Zen Monk. Contact [Rev.Hoin.Darby@gmail.com](mailto:Rev.Hoin.Darby@gmail.com) for more information.

**NEWCOMERS AND NEIGHBORS** welcomes adults who are new to Montrose or have been here awhile, who would enjoy learning more about the town and area, plus have opportunities to participate in social activities. Meetings are held on the first Wednesdays of the months September-May (Dec./holiday party TBA). We gather at 10:00-11:30 am in the downstairs meeting hall of Cedar Creek Church (222 S. Townsend and S. 3rd). Hope to meet you there! Contact Patti at 951-544-6289 with questions.

**NURSE FAMILY PARTNERSHIP**-Beginning Sept. 1st, NFP will be hosting a Breastfeeding Support Group on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of every month. This is a great opportunity to come talk to Montrose County NFP nurses Jodi Hyatt, RN, BSN, IBCLC and Kim Cook, RN, IBCLC and get support from fellow moms. An infant scale will also be available to check your baby's weight. WHAT: Breastfeeding Support Group (Bring your questions and your family!) WHERE: Montrose County Event Center (1036 North 7th Street Room 3) WHEN: 10am - 12pm. Questions? Please call 970-252-5015.

**BINGO EVERY FRIDAY, SATURDAY, SUNDAY** AT 7pm at the American Legion Post 24 Olathe doors open at 5:30 more info call Tom 970 260 8298.

**FREETHINKERS** meet 1st Sunday of the month at 1pm. more info at 970-708-8333.

**THE HEALING COLLECTIVE OF WESTERN COLORADO** offers local practitioners, who focus on healing the whole being, to attend a free one-hour informative get together every first Tuesday of the month from 12p to 1 pm and every third Tuesday from 6 pm to 7 pm, upstairs at the Mother Earth store on Main Street. We support one another with our practices, business, and personal needs. For more information please contact Erin Easton at [ErinKEaston@gmail.com](mailto:ErinKEaston@gmail.com)

**THE MONTROSE GENEALOGY CENTER** at 700 E. Main St. is now open Wednesday and Thursday afternoons, 1-4 p.m. or call for an appointment: 970-240-1755. Free help and resources for your family history research."

(The center is sponsored by the non-profit organization, Fore-Kin Trails Genealogical Society.)

## MONTROSE FARMERS MARKET SCHEDULE

Summer Market Dates:-Every Saturday May-October 29 9 am – 1 pm

Holiday Market Dates: First three Saturdays of November and December-10am-1pm

**MONTROSE ALTRUSA**-1st Tuesday of the month Program meeting; 2nd Tuesday of the month committee meeting; 3rd Tuesday of the month Business meeting. Meetings are held at the Hampton Inn conference room at Noon.

## MONTHLY

**Oct. 26**-Ninth annual free drive-through flu shot clinic. This year's clinic will be held from 3-7pm at the following clinic locations: the Montrose County Event Center (1036 North 7th Street, Montrose), Olathe Sweet Corn Park (59618 US-50, Olathe), and the Basin Clinic (421 Adams Street, Naturita). All locations will have regular dose flu shots for people over six months of age and high-dose flu shots for seniors 65 years of age or older.

**Oct. 28-29**-The Montrose County Historical Museum takes a walk on the Spooky Side with tales of spooks, ghouls, and ghost stories. The museum's ghost authority mingles history and legends on a walk down Montrose's shadowy Main Street and dark alleyways. Armed with flashlights, patrons will hear mysterious tales of the town's eerie history of paranormal activity and perhaps have their own experiences to share afterward! Montrose County Historical Museum is the starting point for the tour which starts at 6:00 pm. There are limited spaces for this family-friendly tour, to reserve a place call 970-249-2085. Admission is \$10/per person.

**Oct. 28**-The next meeting of the Montrose Essential Tremor Support Group will be held on Oct. 28, at Montrose Regional Health - Conference Room A at 4pm. Family members of children or others with essential tremor are also welcome. Anyone interested in attending may contact Cathy Trujillo at 405-205-9397 or [catvol2022@currently.com](mailto:catvol2022@currently.com) with questions.

**Oct. 31**-Medicare Monday, CMU's Cascade Hall 245 South Cascade Avenue, 11am.

**Oct. 31**-Monday Oct. 31st 5:30 Montrose library meeting rm. Trick or treat Mother Earth with Citizensclimatelobby.org, Nonpartisan, national, All Welcome info 970-765-9095.

**Nov 5**-1-3 pm WHAFV. 4 Hillcrest Plaza Way. Open Studio. Classes in alcohol ink Christmas ornaments and mixed media Holiday cards. \$15 Open Studio- you provide your own materials. \$25-30 Open studio or classes with all materials, coffee, and tea provided. Cash bar for soft drinks, beer and wine, packaged snacks.

Register here. <https://kathrynrburke.com/110522-studio/>

**Nov. 7**-The next meeting of the Montrose Women's Giving Club is Nov. 7, 5:30 p.m. at The Bridges. Everyone who attends may nominate their favorite charity. More information is available by contacting the club at [GIVINGCLUBOFMONTROSE@GMAIL.COM](mailto:GIVINGCLUBOFMONTROSE@GMAIL.COM) or call 970-209-9598.

**Nov. 9**-Polio Survivors' meeting. The meeting is to be held at the Delta rec center Nov 9 from 1- 3 pm. All those effected by polio their caretakers, spouse and family. The meeting will have a time of education and time for sharing of resources.

**Nov. 10**-Healthy Rhythm Music Series Presents Kirstie Lynn Mosher + Galen Clark :: Live at Healthy Rhythm Thursday, Nov. 10, 2022 Advance Reserved Seat \$10 • Day of Show \$15 Doors 7 p.m. — Show 7:30 p.m.

Healthy Rhythm Art Gallery 232 E. Main Street, Montrose, CO [www.healthyrhythm.net](http://www.healthyrhythm.net)

**Nov. 12**-Down Home Country Bazaar, Montrose United Methodist Church, 8am to 3pm.

**Nov 17**- 6-8 pm. Mosaic. Alcohol Ink and Drink. Christmas ornaments. All materials and a drink provided. Also, a cash bar for more. Register here. <https://kathrynrburke.com/111722>

**Nov. 19**-The San Juan Weavers Guild will celebrate its 44rd Annual Show and Sale on Saturday, November 19, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the Ute Indian Museum, 17253 Chipeta Rd., Montrose. One of the area's oldest holiday traditions, this one-day event is free, and the public is encouraged to attend. Up-to-date information about the guild and show & sale are available on the guild's website, [www.sanjuanweavers.org](http://www.sanjuanweavers.org).

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## MISS RODEO COLORADO LADY IN WAITING: RANDILYN MADISON



Photographer Gunnison Clamp caught up with Miss Rodeo Colorado Lady in Waiting Randilyn Madison during her "Turquoise Crown Car Show" on Main Street Oct. 22.



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