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As we all get ever busier and more swallowed up by technology, it might be easy to forget where we live -- in one of the most stunning parts of the country -- Northern Colorado!

There are reasons people are moving here in droves. But much like residents of a mega-city like Manhattan, most of whom have never been to the top of the Empire State Building though they pass it every day, you may be passing by some wonderful places that are easily within your reach.

Why does it matter to make it a point to put down your cell phone and visit a part of nature, perhaps an area you've been meaning to visit for years? It matters because with the expansion of your actual real-time life experience, your whole perspective can broaden. And this can improve areas of your life that may seem totally unrelated.

Anyone who knows the statistics or just watches the news is rightfully concerned about the sharp uptick of suicides within the past decade -- among young people the rate of suicide is drastically up. And why would this be? A myriad of reasons are given such as the loss of social cohesion, and a deepening isolation as people turn inward toward technology instead of outward to do the hard work of meeting new people and making new "real" friends.

But I believe there is another reason for depression and despair (that is not understandably related to significant loss) -- it just might be a worldview that is not as big as it can be even within the person's current environment. Despair is sometimes defined as a temporary narrowing of perspective.

With all the things we can point to that are not going especially well in modern life, I encourage you to get out to see a "new-to-you" aspect of nature, perhaps one you've been meaning to see for some time. It might be our new and expanded trails that now connect several cities in our area. It might be the new Poudre River Whitewater Park. It might be Estes Park or a nearby historic town you've been meaning to visit like Ault or Berthoud. But wherever it is, make it something that is "new-to-you." The more you discover in this beautiful area we all call home the more "you" you will have to bring to every endeavor in your everyday life -- because when life deals you a temporary blow, you'll remember just how much life has to offer and how much larger it is than any of us gets to discover in one lifetime.

Be. H.

Blaine Howerton



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One of my favorite places in NOCO is in the High Park Burn area. I am awed by nature's transformation and solitude.

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The desire to collect runs deep in Bob Sullivan’s DNA. His dad collected matchbook covers, stamps, coins, and baseball cards. Since his middle school years when he learned the fundamentals of golf, his favorite game, Sullivan has searched for and collected between 35 and 40 thousand golf balls.

His high school teacher, coach, and golf pro at the Dwight, Illinois golf club, hired him to man the caddy shack and mow greens when he was in middle school. It was then that he began to retrieve golf balls from the creek that meandered through the golf course. He sold “cut” balls for five cents, named balls brought 10 cents and really good balls, Sullivan sold for 15 cents. In addition to providing him with pocket money, his job came with a membership to the club.

Now 78, Sullivan retired 16 years ago from a career as a college administrator and English/math professor at Aims Community College. Since that time his hobby has evolved into a fine art. “I’ve always loved to fish,” Sullivan says by way of explaining his passion. “I’m analytical and have lots of patience,” he says, explaining these traits as why fishing and golf ball collecting are both so satisfying for him.

Golf balls are everywhere in the home he shares with wife Pat in Erie, Colorado. Pat is not only a golfer, but also joins him on collecting expeditions. Over time he has learned that the best balls are to be found a least 200 yards from a tee, where the better golfers are more likely to shoot. Other balls can be found anywhere, usually shorter distances from the tee.

A bad weather day when golfers are not

out is a good day to hunt, Sullivan says. He uses a golf ball retriever that expands to 18 feet to snag balls that are out of his reach. He can collect 400 to 500 balls in a single outing. Often during his hunts, he comes across strange pieces of bone which he places in a spot in his yard dubbed the boneyard.

Collecting the balls is only the beginning. Step one in processing involves placing 80 balls at a time, along with several big beach towels, in his washing machine and sending them through the cycle. No. They don’t go into the dryer.

At this point, he wipes the balls dry and examines each one. Some emerge clean and unmarked and need no further treatment. Others he sets aside to scrub with a scratchy pad and scour with acetone to remove unwanted markings. Once processed, the balls are organized on his basement shelves by brand, from Bridgestone to Wilson, they are ready to begin their second life.

He donates golf balls to Goodwill and the Salvation Army. He gives balls to his golfing buddies, to coaches and high school golf teams. He keeps five to seven thousand in stock, for his own use, to give as prizes in tournaments, and for informal competitions with golfing friends.

Why does Sullivan devote so much time and effort to this unusual hobby? “The expenses are minimal,” he says. “I never know what the next ‘catch’ will be. It provides me with lots of fresh air and exercise. It’s a conversation starter. It nurtures my mind and analytical nature. It is a great escape from the never-ending home ‘to do’ list. My wife Pat says, ‘Do what will make you feel best.’ So often, that’s what I do.”



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Bob Sullivan demonstrates his golf ball retriever



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Pathways Announces Plans for New Inpatient Care Center and Launch of Capital Campaign

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A view of the planned main entrance.

Pathways, northern Colorado's leading provider of hospice, palliative care, and grief and loss counseling services, is launching a capital campaign to raise \$8 million to build a 12-bed inpatient care center adjacent to their Fort Collins campus, 305 Carpenter Road.

At a kick-off celebration on January 16, 2020, Pathways shared their vision for a home-like inpatient hospice care center, as well as the need for the new facility to meet anticipated growth. "Pathways has provided inpatient hospice care since 2001 at the McKee Medical Center in Loveland. This partnership has been invaluable however, in the near future, this space will no longer meet the growing needs of our community. The time to build a stand-alone, inpatient hospice care center is now if we are going to meet the needs of our patients and families going forward," explained Nate Lamkin, President of Pathways. The Colorado State Demographer predicts local population will more than double by 2050. Over the next 20 years, in Larimer County alone, the population of those 65 and older will grow by 140 percent. Pathways has already felt the impact of this growth with consistent increases in patients by 10 to 15 percent annually.

The Pathways Inpatient Care Center will be designed to care for hospice patients with the most acute end-of-life needs. Each of the 12 rooms will be designed to accommodate groups of visitors as well as family members who wish to stay overnight with a patient. There will be access to outdoor garden spaces where patients will be able to enjoy the outdoors from the comfort of their bed. Also included will be a chapel, a large, shared communal kitchen, areas for quiet reflection and gardens and walkways throughout the site blending indoor and outdoor spaces.

Marsha Sesskin, Director of Development for Pathways, will be leading the capital campaign to fund the costs of the inpatient care center

facility. "This is a long-term investment in the community to ensure the growing need for this level of care is sustainably met for generations to come," stated Sesskin. "We want everyone in the community to participate in this historic effort, and we welcome gifts of all sizes." Many opportunities for investment in this project are available including various levels of naming rights and recognition. To view the opportunities, please visit pathways-care.org/capitalcampaign.

Thousands of families have trusted Pathways to care for and support them through serious illness and loss by means of a wide array of programs and services. Pathways holds many notable certificates and recognition that allow them to provide unparalleled service to northern Colorado including: Department of Veterans Affairs We Honor Veterans Level IV status, Leader in Dementia Care through Alzheimer's Association as well as a membership in the National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization. Additionally, in 2019 and 2020, staff has amped up the care they provide for pediatric patients, truly serving all the entire community with vital services for end-of-life and grief and loss care.

For more information about the Pathways Inpatient Care Center and Capital Campaign please visit www.pathways-care.org/CapitalCampaign. Interested donors may contact Marsha Sesskin at (970) 663-3500 or marsha.sesskin@pathways-care.org.

About Pathways:

Established in 1978, Pathways is a nonprofit agency providing exceptional hospice care in the last months of life, complete palliative care for those with long-term serious illness, and community-wide grief support for residents of Larimer and Weld counties in northern Colorado. For more information, visit www.pathways-care.org.



RENDERING COURTESY PATHWAYS
An aerial view of the planned campus at 305 Carpenter Road in Fort Collins.

Two Owls Counseling Now Serves Wellington

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Wellington has a new psychotherapist in town! Wellington resident Deb Coyote, MA, LPCC, NCC has opened her office on First Street in old town Wellington. Deb has lived in Wellington for six years and recently graduated from UNC with a masters in clinical mental health. She specializes in counseling adults and teenagers. While she does see clients at her office space in Ft. Collins, her heart belongs to Wellington. “Wellington is an underserved community,” she states. “Since the day I began graduate school it was my intention to open an office in Wellington and provide much needed services. Everyone can benefit from counseling, whether they are dealing with anxiety, grief or depression. Talk

therapy has been proven to help people through life transitions.” Deb has a beautiful office situated on the first floor of her house. Psychotherapy is confidential and private. She offers flexible hours, whether to adults who want to come before or after work, or to teenagers after school. While she does not accept insurance at this time, she offers sliding scale fees and provides out of network invoices for clients who want to add this to their deductible. Whether you are facing challenging times or just need someone to talk to, Deb would love to hear from you. You can go to her website at www.deborahcoyote.com for more information.

Tanner Brown State Farm Seeks Community Partnerships

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Tanner Brown State Farm opened for business in Wellington November 1st of 2019. Tanner worked at State Farm as a team member before becoming an agent. Tanner is driven to help the people in his community and protect what they love most. He wants to focus on the town of Wellington and surrounding areas before expanding to other parts of the state. Tanner currently has one team member, Josh. They both graduated from the University of Northern Colorado and have been living in Northern Colorado for many years now. Tanner looks forward to partnering with local organizations to help do good in the community. To be a community partner with Tanner, visit tannerlbrown.com

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More than 1,000 people packed the room at the Embassy Suites in Loveland on January 22. The Group's 225 Realtors attended and invited clients to join them. They were there to hear the Real Estate and Economic Forecast for Northern Colorado. The Group has organized the event for the past 25 years.

The Group compiles quality data with its insights from the last year to help show customers, realtors and investors what the 2020 landscape will look like in Northern Colorado.

The forecast has earned community respect by being 99.5% accurate with the number of homes sold and 98.75% accurate with average home sale price.

The audience was captivated and the mood was upbeat. There were multiple audible gasps when Brandon Wells, The Group President, showed the 10-year recap data demonstrating how the average home sales price increased between 2010 and 2019. In Ault/Eaton/Kersey/LaSalle/Mead/Milliken, for example, the average combined home price increased by 205%.

"Our outlook is very positive," said Wells, in an interview with North Forty News. "We can expect continued growth but at slower rates when compared to the past decade; we see no looming recession in NoCo at this time."

"From my perspective, looking at the region, we have had an incredibly healthy and robust job market. We went through the great recession a decade ago. It had minimal impact compared to other parts of the country," he said "We believe the



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The Group presented its 2020 Forecast on January 22, 2020.

health of our economy is still very strong." The Group is forecasting average home prices in Northern Colorado will increase another approximately 2.1% in 2020, from \$415,669 (2019) to \$424,761. Interest rates should remain relatively stable in 2020, which increases affordability.

The company says data shows unexpected opportunities in previous years (for both buyers and sellers) allowed homebuyers to borrow more money to buy a house. Meanwhile, allowing current homeowners to refinance to lower their monthly costs through refinancing programs. This created a stable and growing market.

The findings also show employment in Northern Colorado kept growing while interest rates stayed low – especially in

Larimer County (Fort Collins and Loveland). By the end of 2019, 7,000 more Larimer County residents were working than the year before. Weld County employment increased by nearly 6,000. Jobless rates in both counties hovered well below the national average at 2.1 percent.

Personal finance website SmartAsset ranked Fort Collins-Loveland No. 4 among the country's most stable housing markets for 2019. WalletHub ranked Greeley as No. 20 nationally among 300 cities on its list of best local real estate markets in 2019 (Fort Collins was No. 34). The area's surrounding communities (Berthoud, Severance, Windsor and Wellington) are key factors in those rankings, due to the regional nature of the data collected.

"We are still very much in a sellers market," said Wells. "We think there's going to be continued stabilization in the marketplace."

In his presentation, Wells shared a 10 year Northern Colorado perspective from 2010 to 2020. He said the Average price of a home increased by 86% in Fort Collins, 91% in Loveland, 135% in Greeley/Evans, 80% in Windsor/Severance, 175% in Timnath, 86% in Wellington, 129% in Berthoud, and 205% in Ault (and surrounding combined areas).

Over the years The Group has built its community of Real Estate Agents in Northern Colorado to 225 strong. "The Group has been involved in 26% of real estate transactions in Northern Colorado. So that's one in four," said Wells. "We are incredibly grateful and thankful for all of the people who trust us to provide their real estate services and information."

The report and slides from the evening have been posted at: www.thegroupinc.com/forecast-2020

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Retirement Accounts: Traditional Vs. ROTH

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If you have earned income, then you are eligible to create a retirement account (or if your spouse has earned income). Your employer may even provide one in the form of a 401(k). If your employer doesn't offer you a retirement plan, then you still have access to an IRA account.

That might seem simple enough, but where it starts to get complicated is determining whether you should choose Traditional contributions or ROTH contributions. (This article was inspired by a conversation I had on Twitter, thanks Michele!)

Traditional Contributions: 401(k)s & IRAs

- Most common
- Pre-tax contributions: Tax-deductible, which essentially reduces your taxes
- Growth: Tax-free
- Withdrawals:
 - ▶ You pay taxes when you withdraw at your future tax rates
 - ▶ 10% Penalty to withdrawals made prior to age 59.5 (few qualified exemptions)

Roth Contributions: 401(k)s & IRAs

- After-tax contributions: which means you do not receive a tax reduction for contributions
- Growth: Tax-free
- Withdrawals:
 - ▶ Tax-free withdrawals!
 - ▶ Contributions can be withdrawn without penalty
 - ▶ 10% Penalty for withdrawals that exceed the contributed amount prior to age 59.5 (few qualified exemptions)

So which one is the best? That depends on where you expect your tax rates to be in the future when you begin to withdraw funds compared to your tax rates today.

If you expect your future tax bracket to be higher, then the Roth account would be more favorable to reduce your taxes overall. This tends to be the case for many people who are early in their career today with plenty of room to grow both in income and professionally.

Alternatively, if you expect your future tax bracket to be lower, then the Traditional accounts will allow you to reduce your taxes by the greatest amount. If you are a high-earner in the top tax brackets, but a low spender, you may benefit from reducing your tax rates now and creating a distribution strategy that allows you to control your future taxes.

What made sense previously may not make sense in 2020 and what you choose for 2020 might not be the best thing forever. Each year you should evaluate the Traditional Vs. Roth debate and make an intentional decision. I actually, love it when my clients have a mixture of Roth and Traditional investments because it allows for more advanced tax strategies when they retire.

Lucas Casarez is a husband, father of two amazing kids, and a Certified Financial Planner™. He founded Level Up Financial Planning, which is one of the few fee-only financial planners in Northern Colorado. The mission of Level Up Financial Planning is to guide his clients in taking their financial confidence to the next level.

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Biologists get excited about the strangest things. In my case, I've always had a fondness for the myriad forms that microscopic pond creatures have evolved over the eons: single cells made with glass shells, blobs of protoplasm radiating spikes, big hollow balls coated with fluttering tails, and strings of cells connected like boxcars on enormous aquatic trains. Non-biologists, not privy to microscopic views of these creatures, may dismiss their aggregations as merely slime and move on—as quickly as possible. But the living world owes its very existence—and perhaps its future on Earth—to slime.

Ruth Kassinger wrote a fascinating book titled *Slime* with the subtitle “How algae created us, plague us, and just might save us.” I haven’t finished the book yet, but I am intrigued by the picture she paints of the early Earth, 3.7 billion years ago, when slime was all there was—a time before slime remade the Earth and transformed itself into us and everything we know. The artist in me is now primed to paint a picture of this early version of our planet in all its weirdness.

Earth was still a warm water world 3.7 billion years ago, but breathing its atmosphere would have been deadly. The air contained a mix of carbon dioxide, methane, hydrogen, carbon monoxide, and nitrogen, spiced with sulfur dioxide. Although the sun was only 70% as bright as it is today, these gases did serve as an insulating blanket that kept temperatures reasonable for living things even under a dimmer sun. Water could exist in all its phases: liquid, solid, and gas. The moon,

formed roughly a billion years earlier during a collision between Earth and a Mars-sized body of rock, had not yet spiraled out to its current orbit. It would have hung in the sky like an enormous globe ten times bigger than the one we admire on our favorite lover’s lane. The Earth itself rotated twice as fast. The sun rose and set with a six-hour rhythm.

Life flourished—slime flourished—in Earth’s early oceans, but it was not our slime. Early cells were chemoautotrophs, a fancy term for creatures that could use chemicals like hydrogen sulfide to generate energy and make the proteins, carbs, and fats necessary for life. Perhaps a few hundred million more years would pass before life found a more dynamic way to live—a path that involved using solar energy to fuse carbon compounds together, yielding water and oxygen as byproducts. Cyanobacteria (blue-green slime, formerly known as blue-green algae) invented photosynthesis.

The oxygen produced by photosynthesis was toxic prehistoric pollution—bad news for chemoautotrophs—but a billion years would pass before oxygen would combine with all the iron it could find, both on land and in the oceans, and begin to change the atmosphere. Eventually, oxygen forced chemoautotrophs into seclusion, but it made a world suitable for humans and all the life that we hold dear.

I’m anxious to finish Kassenger’s book and find out how she thinks slime may save us from our own brands of toxic pollution. I’ll be sure to share. But first, I have a haunting scene I want to paint.



ILLUSTRATION BY R. GARY RAHAM.
Through a microscope "slime" resolves into myriad single celled forms of exquisite beauty.

I'm reading a book about anti-gravity.

It's impossible to put down!

2020 College Scholarship Applications Now Available

MISHELLE BAUN | Community Foundation of Northern Colorado | nocofoundation.org



Community Foundation accepts applications until February 28

The Community Foundation of Northern Colorado announces its scholarship applications are now available. The Foundation is honored to help shape the future of students from Northern Colorado and the Eastern Plains.

We have been entrusted with funds from donors who want to make an impact on student’s lives. These scholarships are targeted by location, high school, field of study, and other criteria that reflect the passion of the donor. There are also awards for those who may not fit the mold of the traditional college-bound student. Scholarships range from \$1,000 to \$5,000.

The application process is simple. Students are invited to complete one brief, general application that will automatically match them to the scholarship awards for which they qualify; they can then complete any supplemental information required for each opportunity.

Apply here: www.nocofoundation.org/scholarships.

For the 2019–2020 academic year, the Foundation

awarded 43 students over \$530,000 in scholarships. These recipients are from a broad range of communities served by the Foundation, including Berthoud, Estes Park, Fort Collins, Loveland, and Windsor as well as Atwood and Sterling in Eastern Colorado. Current award recipients attend 11 colleges and universities in Colorado along with Auburn, Notre Dame, Grand Canyon University, and Texas Christian University.

About the Community Foundation of Northern Colorado

The Community Foundation is a nonprofit, public foundation working for the benefit of charitable causes and organizations in Northern Colorado. It manages over 540 individual charitable funds and over \$120 million in assets, and it serves a unique leadership role by bringing people and resources together around important local issues. More than 75 local nonprofit organizations have their endowments housed with the Community Foundation, and many individuals and businesses have established donor advised funds.

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IN AND FOR VOLUSIA COUNTY, FLORIDA

Robert Richard Kauer, Petitioner vs. Rogelio Romero Navarro, Respondent
CASE NO.: 2019 13071 FMDL

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Dated: December 11, 2019 and signed by Laura E. Roth, Clerk of the Circuit Court.

The Big Five and a Beetle

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The big five.

The Garbage Gobblers

Kruger National Park in South Africa has a huge number of interesting and exotic animals. People who go there like to see if they can seek out the Big Five--a lion, a Cape buffalo, a rhinoceros, an elephant and a leopard. They are known as the most difficult animals to hunt and it is not easy to find them all in a single visit.

But there is one small animal that is hard to miss. Dung beetles are everywhere and while they don't get very much attention, they do an important job in the park and wherever they live.

The first one I saw was busy rolling a ball of dung a least ten times its size to some unknown location. The beetle had a friend who shared the work. One rode on top of the dung ball while the other pushed it along until the beetle on top was moved forward. His weight helped to pull the ball along. Then the beetles changed places and the pusher had a free ride for a while.

Why were these beetles so interested in dung? Why were they moving it and where were they going?

Dung beetles have been around for almost as long as dinosaurs. There are 7,000 different species of dung beetles, all small busy workers who are most active at night.



DUNG BEETLE

There are three kinds: Tunnelers burrow under a piece of dung and live there. Dwellers search out the best pile of dung they can find and make their home there. Rollers, the kind I met in Kruger Park, build a burrow and then work hard to transport dung to their home.

Dung beetles never go hungry and they always have a place to live. In Kruger Park, their favorite food and home-building material is elephant dung but in other parts of the world they are happy with cow, sheep, and horse dung. Once, some people researching the beetles saw 16,000 of them descend on a big pile of dung. They either moved or ate every bit of it in less than two hours.

These beetles turn dung into natural fertilizer, help to keep the fly population down, and control the spread of bacteria. They are super recyclers, using waste material for their food and shelter.

The largest dung beetles can move 50 times their own weight. There is a kind of dung beetle that rides of the back of large snails and feeds on the snail's dung. There are thief beetles that eat from and lay their eggs on dung balls collected by other beetles. Sometimes they are rude enough to eat the eggs of the beetle who lives in the dung ball.

Kruger Park would be a dirtier, smellier place without the busy little garbage gobblers who live there.

State Government Leaders Respond to Baca v Colorado Department of State

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The United States Supreme Court has decided to review the Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals' decision in Baca v. Colorado Department of State. The Tenth Circuit in Baca decided that Colorado cannot remove a faithless presidential elector for violating state law, even if they attempt to cast their electoral college ballot for a candidate who did not win the majority vote in Colorado.

The following is a statement from Colorado Secretary of State Jena Griswold: "Unelected and unaccountable presidential electors should not be allowed to decide the presidential election without regard to voters' choices and state law. When Americans vote in the Presidential election, we are exercising our most fundamental right - the right to self-governance. We hope the U.S. Supreme Court will protect the rights of states to enforce their laws and defend the rights of Americans to choose the U.S. President."

The following is a statement from Colorado Attorney General Phil Weiser: "I am pleased that the U.S. Supreme Court has decided to review the Baca case and determine whether states can bind their presidential electors to the candidate who wins the most votes in the state's presidential election. Having the U.S. Supreme Court resolve this critical question about the foundation of our democracy before the 2020 election will avoid the uncertainty, chaos, and confusion that would arise in the wake of post-election litigation. As this case proceeds, I will vigorously defend the people of Colorado before the Court and work hard to ensure that the Electoral College ballots of electors reflect the will of voters in Colorado."

Vintage Valentine's Day Candlelight Tour at The 1879 Avery House

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The Avery House by Susan Hoskinson. Photo courtesy of poudrelandmarks.org

Treat yourself (and your sweetie) to a candlelight Vintage Valentine's day at the 1879 Avery House. Sip on hot chocolate while you step back in time to an earlier era via the historic artifacts, architecture and memorabilia from days gone by. Knowledgeable docents will explain several of the traditional customs of Valentine's day, such as cards, chocolates, lockets, and more. Fresh posy pin included.

Proceeds from ticket sales go toward the nonprofit Poudre Landmarks Foundation's mission to preserve, restore, protect, and interpret the architectural and cultural heritage of the Fort Collins area.

For more information, email poudrelandmarks@gmail.com, call (970) 221-0533, or visit poudrelandmarks.org

Thursday, February 13
7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

The Avery House
328 West Mountain Avenue
Fort Collins

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Poudre Landmarks Foundation (PLF) manages two City of Fort Collins-owned historical properties--the 1879 Avery House and the 1883 Water Works--and offers numerous educational activities in Fort Collins. PLF envisions a community that understands, appreciates, and values its past, with a mission to preserve, restore, protect, and interpret the architectural and cultural heritage of the Fort Collins area.

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Windsor Youth Participate and Advance to Next Round of Denver Nuggets Skills Challenge

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The Windsor Parks, Recreation & Culture Department hosted the annual Denver Nuggets Basketball Skills Challenge on Saturday, January 18, at the Community Recreation Center, 250 N. 11th St. Nearly 60 area youth participated in the event, eight of which earned first-place honors and advanced to the sectional round scheduled for Sunday, February 23, in Windsor. Winners of the sectional round compete at the state competition in conjunction with the Nuggets game on Saturday, April 11.

The Denver Nuggets Basketball Skills Challenge is a basketball competition that allows youth to showcase their talents in dribbling, passing and shooting. The Skills Challenge is a program of the Colorado Parks & Recreation Association and the Denver Nuggets.

The following children will advance to the sectional round on February 28 in Windsor.

Boys		
Name	Age Group	Hometown
Andre Flores	6-7	Greeley
Jonah Rivera	8-9	Timnath
Christian Willison	10-11	Windsor
Kyle Baldwin	12-13	Windsor

Girls		
Name	Age Group	Hometown
Desiriah Gallegos	6-7	Windsor
Neeve Henry	8-9	Severance
Liv Paradis	10-11	Greeley
Lily Wale	12-13	Windsor

Clearview Library District and Foundation to Host Author William Kamkwamba February 22

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The Clearview Library District and the Clearview Library District Friends and Foundation will host New York Times bestselling author William Kamkwamba as part of the Clearview Reads series on Saturday, Feb. 22, at Windsor High School.

Kamkwamba’s amazing journey to achieve his dream of bringing electricity, light, and the promise of a better life to his family in Malawi is captured in the memoir “The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind: Creating Currents of Electricity and Hope,” co-authored with Bryan Mealer. Seemingly against all odds, he constructed a windmill from scraps to bring lighting to his family’s home. In addition to being a best-selling author, Kamkwamba is a speaker, innovator, TED Fellow, IDEO.org Global Fellow, and co-founder of the Moving Windmills Project. The evening will begin with a free Innovation Fair from 5-6:30 p.m. in the cafeteria. The Innovation Fair will include an interactive showcase of STEM technology from local students, companies, and organizations. The author talk with Kamkwamba will begin at 6:45 p.m. in the auditorium with a book signing immediately following. Tickets are \$5 for the author talk, and can be purchased on the Foundation’s website, www.cldfriends.org/william_kamkwamba.

Proceeds benefit the Friends and Foundation’s Clearview Reads fund. For more information, visit www.cldfriends.org/william_kamkwamba or call 970-686-5603.

About Clearview Reads

Each year, the Clearview Library District, Clearview Library District Friends & Foundation, and the Kathy Murphy Speaker Series Fund are proud to present Clearview Reads, a series of literary events that brings popular authors to our community. The author series is funded by the Kathy Murphy Speaker Series Fund at the Community Foundation. The fund was created by a donation from Vincent Murphy in memory of his wife, Kathy, a former director of the Clearview Library District.

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Loveland's Largest Sculpture is Being Dismantled for I25 Expansion

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Equinox by Doug Erion, Doug Rutledge,
and Jack Kreutzer

The five-story-tall, 13-ton sculpture depicting three horses galloping across a span of rails at Interstate 25 and U.S. Highway 34 is being taken down to accommodate a redesign of the interchange.

Pieces of Equinox, the work of a three-member team of Loveland artists who erected the sculpture on the site in September 2014, will be stored until a new location can be selected.

The largest and most prominent piece of Loveland's public art inventory, Equinox features three steel horses, each 24 feet long and 12 feet high, and a 100-foot-long curved arch of railroad track, making up the biggest public art project in Loveland's history. A Colorado Department of Transportation System Enhancement grant in the amount of \$163,000 funded most of the project, with the remaining \$62,000 from Loveland's Art in Public Places fund.

The work is inspired by the art of Arapaho and Southern Cheyenne Plains Indians and is the collaborative endeavor of three Loveland residents – figurative sculptor Jack Kreutzer, structural engineer and artist Doug Rutledge and

artist and philanthropist Doug Erion.

Each horse is unique: One bears a stylized hand, symbolic of community volunteerism, along with a meandering section of the Big Thompson River. Another is branded with a stainless steel mobius heart, alluding to the Sweetheart City. The third depicts a printed circuit board, along with a railroad network, symbolizing Loveland's present and future high-tech economies and its romantic past.

Dismantling the sculpture will require a crane to lower its pieces to the ground, and removal of its supports from the footings composed of 54 tons of concrete.



LPR Construction, the Loveland steel construction specialist that worked with the artists to install the sculpture, will provide the expertise and equipment needed for its removal.

Cattail Creek Golf Course Re-Opens After Being Closed Due to Ice

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The crew at Cattail Creek has been chipping ice for days. After loads of heavy work, they have announced that the driving range is open for business again. The golf course is a favorite among beginners.

It offers plenty of challenges with water coming into play on five of the nine holes.

- About the course:
- 9-Hole, Par 3
 - Right across the street from The Olde Course at Loveland, in the heart of Loveland
 - Cattail Creek is a non-metal spike facility
 - Services include: driving range, pro shop, PGA golf instruction, and tournament coordination.
 - Driving range is open 10:00A – 3:00P daily, weather permitting.

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SNAG is open 10:00A – 3:00P, weather permitting.

For online tee time reservations and more information about Cattail Creek Golf Course visit cityofloveland.org/departments/parks-recreation/golf-courses/cattail-creek-golf-course or call 970.663.5310

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The training is taught by

Certified Interpretive Trainer Michele Van Hare, City of Loveland Open Lands & Trails.

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- How people learn
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DATES AND TIMES

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Basic training is \$230.00

Course information and how to register online can be found at https://www.interpnet.com/nai/nai/_events/Event_Display.aspx?EventKey=CIGo2o82o

Alternatives To Violence Hosts 4th Annual Purple Ribbon Breakfast

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On Thursday, April 2, Alternatives to Violence (ATV) will be hosting its fourth annual Purple Ribbon Breakfast at the Embassy Suites Loveland, which serves to raise funds for ATV's SafeHouse and programs.

"Many victims hesitate to leave an abusive relationship because they don't have a safe place to go or have the means to start over," said Executive Director of Alternative to Violence, Kari Clark. "The money we raise at this breakfast provides the critical funds to maintain our SafeHouse and programs to help these victims heal and rebuild their lives."

The Purple Ribbon Breakfast will feature special guest speaker, Mildred Muhammad. Muhammad

is the ex-wife of the D.C. sniper, John A. Muhammad, who went on a three-week rampage with the intent to ultimately find and kill her too. Muhammad will open up with personal details of her experience involving fear and abuse. She will share her expertise and challenges on what it's like to be a victim and survivor of domestic violence "without physical scars."

Those wishing to volunteer or participate should call the ATV office at (970) 669-5150. For those who cannot attend the event, but wish to contribute to Alternatives to Violence, can donate at: alternativestoviolence.org/Pages/Donate.php

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Homeward Alliance Announces Launch of Mobile Laundry Program

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The mobile laundry truck is the first of its kind in Northern Colorado.

Homeward Alliance is proud to announce the Fort Collins launch of its 11th program—Mobile Laundry

Mobile Laundry is what it sounds: a custom-renovated truck stocked with six washers, seven dryers, a self-contained power source and waste water tanks. The truck began operations in Loveland in the fall of 2019 and began offering services at two locations in Fort Collins on January 13—one in north Fort Collins and one in south Fort Collins.

Services are provided in collaboration with the Poudre and Thompson School Districts to engage with (and complete loads of laundry for) families and children who are homeless and/or at risk of homelessness. The laundry truck is the first of its kind in Northern Colorado and among roughly one dozen operating worldwide. More than 35 loads of laundry can be washed, dried and folded in one day.

The program, inspired by a similar operation in Denver, was envisioned and brought to life by a team of dedicated volunteers and staff, led by community members Woody Carlson and Patricia Friehauf and Homeless Gear (now Homeward Alliance) founder Ken John. Those volunteers visited other programs, conducted best-practice research, interviewed key community stakeholders and, ultimately, raised more than \$100,000 to launch the program. Contributors included local foundations, businesses, service organizations, churches, and over 100 individuals.

“I’ve worked on housing issues since the 1980’s, but never once thought about the importance of clean clothes or access to washing machines,” said Woody Carlson, Program Co-Founder, “We have learned that when you have clean clothes, you have more self respect and dignity, kids do better in schools and parents feel more confident about applying for new jobs as they take the lead in their own journey out of poverty.”

Added Patricia Friehauf, Co-Founder: “The biggest surprise for me has been learning how many school children in Fort Collins and Loveland are dealing with issues related

Woody Carlson is part of the team of volunteers who started the program.

to homelessness. The second biggest surprise is that virtually everyone who hears about Mobile Laundry "gets it" and wants to help by spreading the word, donating money or supplies, or volunteering.”

Homeward Alliance is a Larimer County-based nonprofit that empowers individuals and families who face homelessness to survive, move forward and thrive. The organization operates 11 programs and initiatives, including the Murphy Center, Larimer County’s hub of services for people experiencing or at risk of homelessness.

“We expect that the Mobile Laundry truck will help us connect to individuals and families with whom we might not otherwise engage,” said Pam Brewer, Development Director for Homeward Alliance. “As a result, we think that the program will not only achieve its immediate, most direct mission—completing loads of laundry—but also help individuals and families access other services within Homeward Alliance, at the Murphy Center and elsewhere across the County.”

HOW TO HELP

- *Donate high-efficiency (look for “HE” on the label) liquid laundry detergent. Donations can be dropped off at the Murphy Center (242 Conifer Street in Fort Collins), Monday through Friday, 9 AM to 5 PM. or, order through Amazon. Our Wish List is here: <http://a.co/217Og7N>*
- *Become a Driver or Laundry Volunteer. Email laundry@homewardalliance.org to learn more.*
- *Make a financial contribution to the program. Visit www.homewardalliance.org and click “donate now.”*

Colorado Audiology Center, The Hearing Place Continues Growth Under New Ownership

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The Hearing Place, a network of premier audiology centers with seven locations spanning Northern and Eastern Colorado, has announced the successful transfer of ownership from its founder Mike Walker to former employee Dr. Brittany Mathisen.

The Hearing Place has helped people to restore their hearing, providing consultations and clinical screenings from its expert team of audiologists and hearing instrument specialists who strive to assist people at all stages of hearing loss.

“Our motto is ‘better hearing, better life’ and I am confident that Dr. Mathisen will continue to provide the highest level of hearing care to the Northern and Eastern Colorado community,” said Walker. “As

a previous employee of the clinic and a qualified practitioner, she will bring an immense amount of value to her leadership and ownership role.”

Mathisen’s extensive experience as a practitioner includes performing a variety of diagnostic examinations, including cochlear implant qualifications, infant/adult auditory brainstem responses, and examination/fitting of hearing aids for all ages, from infants to adults. Mathisen holds a bachelor’s degree in Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology and a doctorate in Audiology from the University of Northern Colorado. Upon completion of an externship at Denver Health Medical Center, she launched her career working

with Mike Walker in his Greeley, Colorado location. After working in Greeley for four years, Dr. Mathisen decided to expand her skillset in Fairbanks, Alaska at an ear, nose, and throat clinic. Today, Mathisen returns to her home state of Colorado to continue pursuit of her lifelong passion.

“My passion is to help improve relationships and ultimately lives through better hearing,” said Mathisen. “I’m looking forward to helping patients with their hearing alongside an exceptional team of area audiologists.”

As one of the few remaining locally owned practices in Colorado, The Hearing Place works to ensure that patients always receive quality care and service at each of

its seven locations. Previous owner and founder, Mike Walker, will remain in a transitory role, assisting Mathisen and The Hearing Place team members to ensure a seamless transition for patients.

Mike Walker started providing hearing services in 1989, The Hearing Place is a network of premier audiology centers with seven locations spanning Northern Colorado. The Hearing Place and its expert team of audiologists work to help patients achieve “Better Hearing, Better Life” by working to restore hearing through quality care and services. More information: www.thehearingplaceco.com



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What do barrel-aged beers, top-notch sour offerings, mead and ogs of the new england-style ipa have in common? These producers will be pouring their most memorable specialty beers and barrel-aged offerings at the 2020 weldwerks invitational on saturday, june 20, 2020 at the doubletree in greeley. Forty seven of the country’s best breweries will showcase their best at this premiere event.

The brewery proudly unveils the participating breweries, which include:

3 Sons brewing co., Alvarado street brewery, amalgam brewing, american solera, bottle logic brewing, burial beer co., Casa agria specialty ales, casey brewing and blending, cerebral brewing, equilibrium brewery, firestone walker brewing company, funk factory geuzeria/untitled art, great notion brewing, green cheek beer company, hidden springs ale works, highland park brewery, holy mountain brewing company, homes brewery, hop butcher for the world, horus aged ales, jester king, mikerphone brewery, modern times, moksa brewing, monkish brewing co., More brewing company, ology brewing co., Other half brewing, phase three brewing company, pinthouse pizza,



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pijs meadery, primitive beer, pure project, the rare barrel, rowley farmhouse ales, russian river brewing company, side project brewing, southern grist brewing, speciation artisan ales, superstition meadery, the bruery, the lost abbey, the veil brewing co., Trillium brewing company, voodoo brewery and wiley roots.

Tickets, which cost \$100, will go on sale at on february 8 via eventbrite. Guests can

choose from two sessions: afternoon (11:00 a.m. To 2:00 p.m.) Or evening (4:00 to 7:00 p.m.). Entry includes a commemorative tasting glass and samples of more than 150 beers from 47 breweries from across the country. Several local food trucks will be on site with food available for purchase separately (food is not included with tickets). 100 Percent of the proceeds of this event will be donated to weld county

nonprofit organizations through the weldwerks community foundation.

Weldwerks has additionally partnered with the doubletree and homewood suites to offer discounted lodging for this event. Please refer to this eventbrite link on how to book your stay.

For more information about weldwerks brewing co. Or the weldwerks invitational, contact chea franz at chea@radcraftbeer.Com.

ABOUT WELDWERKS BREWING CO.

Established in 2015, weldwerks brewing co. Is an award-winning craft brewery located in greeley, colorado recognized for brewing an array of beer styles including juicy bits, one of the most highly regarded hazy ipas in the country. For more information about weldwerks brewing co, visit www.Weldwerksbrewing.Com.

Landscape Lecture: Emerald Ash Borer and Trees

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Last year officials confirmed the presence of the Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) beetle near the Town of Berthoud in Larimer County — the pest has not been found in Greeley. However, that confirmation warns of the upcoming and unavoidable introduction of EAB to Greeley’s urban forest. When that happens, the infestation could adversely affect thousands of ash trees in the Greeley community. On Feb. 5, Shiloh Hatcher, Greeley’s forestry manager, will teach how to identify EAB infestations and explain the impact it could have on the environment. His presentation will include information about what property owners can do to protect their ash trees.

The class is free. Space is limited, and RSVPs are required. This ensures that we have enough seats and materials.

Sign up: greeleycalendar.com/EAB/

Greeley’s Water Conservation Program offers a Landscape Lecture series to the community. This is one of these events. Visit GreeleyGov.com/LandscapeLectures for more information on all upcoming sessions. Follow the “water” tag on Greeley Calendar to find out more about all of our water and conservation events.

Water Audits Save Money and Conserve

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Free water audits are available to Greeley residences, businesses, and organizations.

Indoor Audit

All homes could benefit from an audit — but homes that are more than 20 years old will see the most savings. Landlords and property managers are also encouraged to schedule audits at all of their properties. Commercial, industrial, or institutional properties may also get audited. Indoor audits are available year-round.

By following our audit recommendations, you’ll conserve water — and you should see not only a lower water bill but also a healthier lawn. According to a recent survey, residential customers are 13 percent more efficient and commercial customers 16 percent more

efficient after an irrigation audit.

Commercial Audits

The commercial audit finds areas of water waste and develops targets for improvement. Once problem areas are located, Greeley’s Conservation Program will help businesses implement efficiency improvements by offering technical support and rebates. Visit the commercial water conservation page for more information about past successful projects.

Those wishing to volunteer or participate should call the ATV office at (970) 669-5150. For those who cannot attend the event, but wish to contribute to Alternatives to Violence, can donate at: alternativestoviolence.org/Pages/Donate.php

Life After Lawn Incentive Program

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Get advice about how to remove part of your lawn and replace it with low-water-use plants.

The Life After Lawn landscape lecture covers the most effective ways to transform your landscape from grass to xeriscape. If you are a Greeley Water customer, you may be a candidate for the Life After Lawn (cash for grass) program.

Get financial assistance to remove water-thirsty bluegrass turf and plant a more sustainable Colorado Xeriscape. To participate, attend this landscape lecture to find out more.

This class will be led by Ruth Quade, Water Conservation Manager at the City of Greeley.

The class is free. Space is limited, and RSVPs are required. Sign up at: greeleycalendar.com/cash-for-grass/.

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Wednesday, January 29

Avo's Old-Time Open Bluegrass Jam, Avogadro's Number and Avo's Bar, 8 pm
Avo's Open Bluegrass Jam, Avogadro's Number, 605 S Mason St, Fort Collins, CO 80524, USA, 7 pm -10 pm
Board Game Night at The Lyric!, Lyric Cinema Cafe (Theatre), 5 pm -9 pm
FREE KARAOKE w/ DREW, Surfside 7, 9 pm -10:55 pm
Johnny Burroughs - Day 1 Live at Moxi Theater, Moxi Theater, 7:30 pm
Leave No Trace Screening, The Lyric, 6 pm -9 pm
McDonald's Twilight Nights Race Series, Purgatory Resort, 6 pm -9 pm



Search Party Experimental Comedy Show, Prost Brewing, 7:30 pm -9:30 pm
Shut Up & Write!, Letterpress & Publick House Downstairs, 7 pm -8:30 pm
Signing Smart - Your Baby CAN Talk!!, Full Moon Books, 10:15 am -11 am
Singletrack Social Ride, 4791 West County Road 38 East, 80526 Fort Collins, Colorado, United States, 4791 W Co Rd 38 E, Fort Collins, 6 pm -8 pm
TAXES - Get Informed and Organized Now!, Larimer SBDC, 8:30 am -12 pm
The Crooked Wheel Pop-Up Bike Shop, Letterpress & Publick House Outside (weather permitting), 12 pm -5 pm
Trivia Night, Sparge Brewing, 6:30 pm
Wednesday Open Ride (WOR), 4616 South Shields Street, 5:30 pm -7:30 pm

Thursday, January 30

11th Annual Boys & Girls Club Mayor Recognition Night, Boys & Girls Club, 6 pm -8 pm
1/30 • YBN Cordae w/ 24kGoldn, Aggie Theatre, 9 pm -11:59 pm
Denver Nuggets vs. Utah Jazz, Pepsi Center, 8:30 pm
Denver: Quinn's Last Hurrah, Putnam Museum, 4 pm -10 pm
FOCO Drink & Draw, Wolverine Farm Letterpress and Publick House, 5:15 pm -7:15 pm
Foreign Words / Peaceful / Shoulda Stayed a Plumber, Surfside 7, 9 pm
Honey Fermented Garlic DIY & Info, Canna World Market Loveland CBD, 6:30 pm -7:30 pm
Jammin' Feud, Prost Brewing, 8 pm -10 pm
Live On The Lanes Presents: Space Force (Chipper's College), Chippers Lanes, 9 pm -11 pm
Loveland Ski Area Women's Only Clinics, Loveland Ski Area, 9 am -4 pm
Taylor Shae (Duo) Live at Timnath Beerwerks, Timnath Beerwerks, 5:30 pm



The Best Brothers, Bas Bleu Theatre, 6:30 pm -9 pm
Theo Katzman with Rhett Madison, The Fox Theatre, 7:30 pm
Tuesday/Thursday Group Ride (TTH), 1833 East Harmony Road, 11:12 am -12:42 pm
YBN Cordae w/ 24KGoldn, Aggie Theatre, 9 pm

Friday, January 31

1 Year Anniversary Party, Whetstone Climbing, 5 pm -10 pm
Apple Bottom Jokes! Featuring Elliot Woolsey!, Scrumpy's, 9 pm -11 pm
Apres at A-Basin w/ Hobo Village, Arapahoe Basin Ski Area, 2 pm -5 pm
Bandwagon Magazine Presents: Dizzy With A Dame (Greeley), Chippers Lanes, 9 pm -11 pm
Bar Hop Friday w/ Steamworks Brewing, Purgatory Resort, 11 am -4 pm
Black Market Translation / Spliff Tank / Back-Bone at PBJ, Pinball Jones Campus West, 9 pm -12 am
Bo DePeña at Red Truck Beer Co., Red Truck Beer Company, 5:30 pm -7:30 pm
BOOTS to Business Reboot, Larimer SBDC, 8 am -4:30 pm
College Fridays at Hesperus!, Hesperus Ski Area, 4 pm -9 pm
Compost 101 Class, Maxline Brewing, 12:30 pm -2:30 pm
Dos Equis Spy Goggle Giveaway, Purgatory Resort, 2 pm -3 pm
Friday Morning Uphill Breakfast, Cliffhouse Restaurant, Buttermilk Mountain, 8:30 am -10 am
Icelandic's Winter on the Rocks: ZHU, Red Rocks Amphitheater, 6:45 pm -11:59 pm
International Rug & Fine Art Sale, The Cube - MCA Stapleton, 5 pm -8 pm
Keystone's Winter Bluegrass Weekend: Friday, Jan 31 & Saturday, Feb 1, 2020, Warren Station Center for the Arts, Keystone, 6:30 pm -11 pm
Live Music: Super Bummer with Safekeeper, New Belgium Brewing, 5:30 pm -7:30 pm
Maddy O'Neal w/ Homemade Spaceship, Motif, TwoScoops, Aggie Theatre, 8 pm
Mark Chesnutt & Tracy Byrd, Union Colony Civic Center, 7:30 pm -11:30 pm



"Men on Boats" Presented by OpenStage Theatre, Lincoln Center Magnolia Theatre, 7:30 pm -9:30 pm
National Geographic Live: Spinosaurus: Lost Giant of the Cretaceous, Cheyenne, Wyoming, 6:30 pm
Open Mic Night at Red Truck, Red Truck Beer Company, 8 pm -10 pm
Solpride, Prost Brewing, 8 pm -10 pm
Sparge Brewing Beach Party, Sparge Brewing, 5 pm -11 pm
Supper Club - Beer Makers Dinner featuring New Belgium, Arapahoe Basin Ski Area, 7 pm -10 pm
The Best Brothers, Bas Bleu Theatre, 7:30 pm
The Midnight Club with Jackson Cloud Odyssey, The Fox Theatre, 7:30 pm
The Seers at Black and Blues Music and Brews, Black and Blues Music and Brews, 8 pm -10 pm
The Timberline w/ Blueprint & Home By 11, Hodi's Half Note, 9 pm -12 am
Upstream Mountain Songwriting Retreat, Putnam Museum, 4 pm -6 pm
Whippoorwill at Hi-Dive, Hi-Dive, 9 pm
YBN Cordae, The Fox Theatre, 9 pm

Saturday, February 1

Austin: Wine Tour and Tasting, The Infinite Monkey Theorem, 5 pm -6 pm
BOC Family Series Presents: Puss in Boots, eTown, 2 pm -4 pm
Chamber Music Mixer, Foothills Unitarian Church, 3 pm -6 pm
Coop at Prost Brewing in Fort Collins, Prost Brewing, 8 pm -10 pm
Coop & the Chicken Pluckers, Prost Brewing, 8 pm -10 pm
DIY Hammered Metal Jewelry, Gardens on Spring Creek, 10:30 am -12:30 pm
Ethan J. Perry at Black and Blues Music and Brews, Black and Blues Music and Brews, 8 pm -10 pm

Gold Standard: Shor, Kovacs, Britten, and Beethoven, The Lincoln Center, 7:30 pm -9:30 pm

Holly Herson for HD 48 Coffee With the Candidate Greeley, Gourmet Grub, 12:30 pm -2:30 pm
International Rug & Fine Art Sale, The Cube - MCA Stapleton, 10 am -4 pm
It's the Funkin' Blues!, Matt's Place, 8 pm
Kehoe & Haller Cup Ski Races, Ghost Ranch Steamboat, 8 am -4 pm
Lady Denim w/ Holdfast. and The Red Scare, Aggie Theatre, 8 pm -11:59 pm
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Live music with The Seers, Sparge Brewing, 6 pm -9 pm

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Michael Carbonaro Live!, Budweiser Events Center, 7 pm -10 pm

Miranda Lambert: Wildcard Tour, Pepsi Center, 7 pm -10 pm

Mountainfilm on Tour, Rialto Theater, 2 pm -4 pm

Puppy Love Valentines Party, Soul Squared Tap house, 2 pm -4 pm

Pups of the Prairie, Standley Lake, 11 am -12 pm

Saturday Open Ride (SOR), 4616 South Shields Street, 9 am -1 pm

Summer Camp: On The Road Tour 2020, The Fox Theatre, 8:30 pm

The Wailers, Boulder Theater, 8:30 pm

Wendy Woo, Avogadro's Number, 8 pm

Sunday, February 2

Groundhog Day at The Lyric!, Lyric Cinema Cafe (Theatre), 7 pm -8:45 pm

Ian Neligh presents #SpurredWest at Old Firehouse Books, Old Firehouse Books, 2 pm -4 pm

International Rug & Fine Art Sale, The Cube - MCA Stapleton, 10 am -2 pm

Letter Writing Club, Wolverine Farm Letterpress and Publick House, 2 pm -3 pm

"Men on Boats" Presented by OpenStage Theatre, Lincoln Center Magnolia Theatre, 2 pm -4 pm

Red Rocks Local Set, Red Rocks Amphitheater, 7 pm -11 pm

Ski-A-Thon for POW, Powderhorn Resort, 9 am -3:30 pm

Sunday Funday: Karaoke at Chipper's College Lanes, Chippers Lanes, 9 pm -11 pm

Super Bowl Party, Prost Brewing, 4:30 pm -8 pm

The Best Brothers, Bas Bleu Theatre, 2:30 pm



The God of Carnage, Bas Bleu Theatre, 7:30 pm

Wild Skills Junior Ski Patrol: Arapahoe Basin, Arapahoe Basin Ski Area, 9:30 am -3:30 pm

Monday, February 3

Austin: All Day Happy Hour, The Infinite Monkey Theorem, 3 pm -9 pm

Colorado: All Day Happy Hour, Putnam Museum, 3 am -10 pm

DIY Letterpress Mondays, Letterpress & Publick House @ 316 Willow St, Fort Collins, CO 80524, USA, 5 pm -9 pm

Mug Night: Stand-Up Comedy Open Jam at 10PM, Hodi's Half Note, 7 pm -12 am

Red Solo Cup Night, Chippers Lanes, 8 pm -11:59 pm

Shakey Graves' "For The Record | An Acoustic Tour", The Fox Theatre, 12 am -11:59 pm



The Bard's Confession: Sounds of Healing, Ginger & Baker, 7 pm -9 pm

The Dev Sessions - Rialto Open Mic, Rialto Theater, 7:30 pm -9:30 pm

Tuesday, February 4

A Metta Musical Journey, OtterBox Digital Dome Theater at FCMoD, 6:30 pm -9 pm

Avo's Open Mic, Avogadro's Number, 7 pm

City Streets Criterium Series, 625 9th Street, Fort Collins, 4:30 pm -8:30 pm

Denver Nuggets vs. Portland Trail Blazers, Pepsi Center, 8 pm

Free Headshot Day at DWC, Digital Workshop Center, 1:30 pm -5:30 pm

Laramie Mountain Bike Series, Happy Jack Trail, 82070 Laramie, Wyoming, United States, 5:50 pm -9:20 pm

Max Mackey Solo at the Regional, The Regional, 7 pm -9 pm

Open Craft, Letterpress and Publick House, 5 pm -7 pm

Wednesday, February 5



107th Steamboat Springs Winter Carnival, Ghost Ranch Steamboat, 5:30 pm -2 pm

A Late Quartet: Brentano hits the silver screen, Lyric Cinema Cafe (Theatre), 7 pm -9 pm

Avo's Open Bluegrass Jam, Avogadro's Number and Avo's Bar, 7 pm

Comedians Anonymous, Prost Brewing, 8 pm -10 pm

Contemplative Art Classes Series, Wolverine Farm Letterpress and Publick House, 6 pm -8 pm

Denver: Uncorked! Comedy Show, Infinite Monkey Theorem Winery, 7:45 pm -9:45 pm

FREE KARAOKE w/ DREW, Surfside 7, 9 pm -10:55 pm

Lift Ticket Giveaway! #PikesPeakBREWSki, Pikes Peak Brewing, 3 pm -3:30 pm

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The Crooked Wheel Pop-Up Bike Shop, Letterpress & Publick House Outside (weather permitting), 12 pm -5 pm

"These Jokes Are For You" Stand-Up Comedy Showcase, Moxi Theater, 9 pm

Wednesday Open Ride (WOR), 4616 South Shields Street, 5:30 pm -7:30 pm

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Are You Prepared for the Next Natural Disaster?

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PHOTO BY BLAINE HOWERTON. The High Park Burn area in Bellvue.

The devastation of recent hurricanes has left an indelible mark and also served as a reminder of the importance of being prepared for the unexpected. Worldwide, 281 natural disasters impacted more than 60 million people in 2018, according to the Centre for Research on the Epidemiology of Disasters. As unexpected occurrences continue around the globe, it is important to plan how to keep your family healthy and safe in the event an emergency or national disaster strikes close to home.

Given recent news headlines outlining the devastation left in the wake of natural disasters, now is the perfect time to make simple preparations to ensure your family has essentials on hand for an emergency. While many comprehensive resources exist to help you build an emergency kit, the first step is to start with the basics: water, food, light, communications and first aid.

An emergency preparation element often taken for granted is access to safe and potable drinking water. From earthquakes and hurricanes to floods and wildfires, natural disasters can contaminate and disrupt water supplies and systems.

“During disasters, water systems are often compromised, and it may take days or even weeks for proper testing to be done and for systems to be restored,” says Alison Hill, managing director of LifeStraw, a manufacturer of water filtration systems that has been on the ground in India, Indonesia, Myanmar, Mozambique, here in the US, and most recently the Bahamas, offering support to those affected by devastating natural disasters.

While most emergency preparation checklists include clean water, it can be difficult to plan for more than a few days’ supply. Emergency preparation tips suggest keeping a few gallons on hand (about a 3-day supply), however for longer-term protection and to eliminate the bulk and weight of carrying large quantities of water during an evacuation scenario, a personal filtration device stored within your at-home emergency kit or go bag provides greater flexibility and longer-term protection.

Options from LifeStraw are a good choice, as they remove virtually all bacteria (99.9999 percent) and parasites (99.99 percent) that can contaminate water when systems break down or present within backup water sources. Because of their ability to filter out these contaminants like E. Coli, Salmonella, Giardia, Cryptosporidium, and other waterborne bacteria and parasites, LifeStraw products make it possible to drink from any nearby river or body of water. The original LifeStraw, is durable, weighs only 2-ounces, is easy to store and lasts for up to 1,000 gallons of water. Its easy to keep a few in an emergency kit or even the glove compartment of your car. LifeStraw also offers other models, such as the LifeStraw Flex with Gravity Bag, LifeStraw Mission, and LifeStraw Community, which are ideal for families and groups.

To build out your emergency kit, check out these additional resources: ready.gov/build-a-kit and fema.gov.

Before the next natural disaster or emergency strikes, take steps to prepare your family.

Mish Under the Moon with Float Like a Buffalo

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The Mishawaka Ampitheatre is always a great place to escape to. This show is no exception.

Float Like a Buffalo is a 7-piece high-energy Funk Rock band, which includes Cory Pearman (lead vocals & rhythm guitar), Jason Clukies (bass guitar & backup vocals), Evan Crabdree (lead guitar), Phil Pleckham (drums & backup vocals), Garrett Achten (percussion), Luke Story (saxophone & trumpet), and Cory “Beef” Meier (trombone), which has become a local funk sensation over the past three years, playing shows at The Bluebird Theater, Gothic Theatre, Lost Lake, and Larimer Lounge at the highly anticipated inaugural River North Music & Arts Showcase – and securing a nomination for Best Funk Band in Denver Westword’s 2018 Music Awards.

Their songs “She Don’t Care” and “Smile for the Cameras” have also been featured on KTCL 93.3, 105.5 The Colorado Sound, 97.3 The Rock, KRFC Fort Collins, and Tri-Lakes Radio.

The band released Back From Nowhere, their debut full-length album on Jan. 4th, at a near-sold-out release party at The Gothic Theatre.

This event is hosted in the SpokesBUZZ Lounge with FREE parking!


Saturday, February 8th
Show at 8 PM (Doors 7 PM)
Float Like a Buffalo, House with a Yard, and The Goons
Genre: Funk, Rock, Alternative Rock
Fans Also Like: The Great Salmon Famine, The Burroughs, Graham Good and the Painters

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Slash Pile Burns Continue in Canyon Lakes Ranger District

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Firefighters are continuing to make great progress on burning slash piles on the Canyon Lakes Ranger District. To date, more than 14,000 piles have been burned on the district this winter. Crews plan to continue today and throughout the coming week as conditions allow.

Pile burning could occur in one or more of these locations:

- Red Feather 3 (hand piles located north/northeast of Red Feather Lakes)
- Red Feather 4 (hand piles located in the Red Feather Lakes area south and east of Molly Lake Trailhead)
- Glen Haven 1 (hand piles located north of Glen Haven near North Fork Trailhead)
- Thompson River 4 (hand piles located six miles east of Estes Park)
- Deadhorse-Pratt Creek (machine piles located north of County Road 80C on Forest Service Road 182, adjacent to Deadhorse Mountain)
- Magic Sky 2 and 3 (hand piles east of Red Feather Lakes, north of County Road 74E and near Magic Sky Ranch)

These piles are only ignited under certain conditions, including favorable smoke dispersal and adequate snow cover. The areas are monitored after burning is completed. When and where burning occurs depends on the conditions listed above.

Fire managers track weather and site conditions for control, primarily focusing on treatment unit perimeters. Fire staff monitor burned areas and unit perimeters are of greatest concern. If snow is lost or piles continue to hold heat within these areas, fire crews will extinguish them. Smoke and flames are visible while piles burn down.

For information on where pile burning is occurring on the Arapaho and Roosevelt National Forests, visit <http://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/4648/>

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ACROSS

1. Cracked open
5. Protrude
8. *"Once Upon a Time... in Hollywood" supporting nominee
12. Eggnog time, traditionally
13. Pol request
14. Capital of Senegal
15. *Jo Van Fleet won for her role in "East of ____"
16. Augmented
17. Shoemaker without shoes, e.g.
18. Ones full of desire
20. VSCO girl's shoes
21. New Zealand native
22. "The Nutcracker" step
23. Boiled bread product, pl.
26. Guarapo de jagua fruit
30. Edith Wharton's "The ____ of Innocence"
31. "____ 'er ____!"
34. *1935 Best Picture nominee "A ____ of Two Cities"
35. Plant a.k.a. golden buttons
37. *Dustin Hoffman was nominated for role in "____ the Dog"
38. Does like Matryoshka
39. Narrative poem
40. Brunch drink
42. Gumshoe
43. 10-sided polygon
45. Qatar native
47. Greek R
48. "Friends" favorite spot?
50. Fodder holder
52. *Oscar winner for "The Revenant" and 2020 nominee
55. Uses a paring knife
56. Twelfth month of Jewish civil year
57. Whirlpool
59. *The first to refuse his award, for "Patton"
60. *He was nominated for "Lost in Translation"
61. Sunburn aid
62. Negative contraction
63. Chi precursor
64. *"The Marriage Story" nominee

DOWN

1. Reply to a captain
2. *RenÉE Zellweger's role
3. Away from wind
4. Dub again
5. *Movie with most 2020 Oscar nominations
6. First cradles
7. *Oscar-winners Gore, Fonda and Cameron did this talk, pl.
8. *South Korean black comedy thriller
9. Image in an Orthodox church
10. Soaks in rays
11. The old college one
13. With numerous veins
14. Backless sofa
19. Campaign trail gathering
22. Coach's talk
23. Diminished
24. Open-mouthed
25. Relating to a gene
26. Garbage in, garbage out
27. Primo, on Italian menu
28. What tailor shops do
29. *He won an Oscar for role in a Scorsese movie
32. *Oscar-winning writer Julius Epstein to Oscar-winning writer Philip Epstein
33. Ewe's mate
36. *She's nominated in 2020... twice
38. Civil rights org.
40. Jersey call
41. Sudden increase in wind
44. *Whoopi Goldberg scored an Oscar for this movie
46. *"Phantom ____," 2018 nominee
48. Locomotive hair
49. Round openings
50. Cul de ____, pl.
51. *Meryl Streep won for "____ Lady"
52. Mortgage, e.g.
53. Not in action
54. Skunk's defense
55. Tire measurement
58. Japanese capital

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COMMUNITY MEETINGS
with Larimer County Commissioners

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JOHN KEFALAS | COMMUNITY CONVERSATIONS
Feb. 1 at 9:30 a.m. at Northside Aztlan Community Center
(112 E Willow Street, Fort Collins, CO, Eagle Room 1)

Feb. 6 at 7:30 a.m. at the T Bar Inn
(3803 Cleveland Ave, Wellington, CO)

Feb. 8 at 8:30 a.m. at Me Oh My Pie
(3310 W County Rd 54G, Laporte, CO)

Feb. 27 at Noon at the Red Feather Lakes Library
(71 Fire House Ln, Red Feather Lakes, CO)

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STEVE JOHNSON | MEATLOAF MONDAYS
Feb. 3 at Noon at the Trail Head Tavern
(148 W Mountain Ave, Fort Collins, CO)

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TOM DONNELLY | JOINT MEETING WITH MAYORS
Feb. 15 at 7:30 a.m. at the Windsor Community
Recreation Center (250 11th St, Windsor, CO)

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