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took the Oath of Allegiance
with Fort Collins residents in attendance.

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PHOTO BY U.S. CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION SERVICES Fort Collins resident Jessica from China took the Oath of Allegiance on February 12 with 150 others.

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KIDS OR GRANDKIDS -- Teach Them to Cook



With the proliferation of fast foods and convenience foods, loaded with chemical-laden preservatives and low nutrition, some of our children are doing poorly, showing signs of allergies and other ailments that may puzzle their parents. On this Standard American Diet (SAD) many will experience the early onset of lifestyle diseases such as diabetes and obesity that can make the last third of their lives painful and expensive.

It is more important than ever to teach our children about real food, how to shop for it, and how to cook it.

On an almost daily basis, I cook with my kids and they love it. These days my 10-year old loves to cook the family breakfast. By letting my kids cook, I find they are far more eager to try new foods and a little less eager to ask for junk food. It's a process of educating their palate.

Recently, we came across a cookbook called: A Grandfather's Lessons, In the Kitchen with Shorey by Chef Jacques Pepin cooking with his granddaughter. In addition to clear instruction, many of the recipes have an accompanying video on surletable.com/jacquespepin. Check your local bookseller for this or other cookbooks that might have accompanying videos.

With the right shopping list, some of the meals are surprisingly easy to prepare. For example, there is a recipe for Roast Chicken and Salad with a Hot Dressing. Shop for an organic rotisserie chicken, cut it apart, crisp the skin in the oven, buy a (pre-washed) salad, prepare the Hot Dressing and in no time, you have a delicious real food meal that will serve 4 to 6 people.

While your kids are still at home see what you can do to make learning to cook fun. Purchase this cookbook (or one like it), perhaps buy your kids the apron of their choice, and watch a cooking video with them. Teach them how to read a recipe, prepare the shopping list, and then help them prepare a meal at home. In addition to teaching them an important skill, it's an opportunity to spend time together away from electronics. We have great discussions while peeling the carrots.

Here in Northern Colorado, we have access to a fine assortment of local ingredients -- especially during the growing season at local farmers' markets. Take your kids and grandkids to these markets and discuss what's for sale. Show them how to check for freshness.

Once your kids and grandkids eat real food regularly, they'll know how to prepare it. Healthy

eating will just be a part of their daily lives. Educate your family on ways to eat wholesome real food for better health, better performance in school, and a longer, pain-free life. It's worth the time.


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History Colorado Center Hosts Their Largest Naturalization Ceremony Ever with 151 People

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History Colorado has been home to naturalization ceremonies for more than a decade as a warm, welcoming place that highlights some of Colorado's immigrant history. February 12, 151 people from 50 countries took the Oath of Allegiance.

It was the largest ceremony ever hosted at History Colorado.

Jessica lives in Fort Collins with her two sons and her husband. She is from China.

She came here in 2008 to work as a business analyst. Jessica attended high school and college in New Zealand. She's an entrepreneur who owns her own private investment company.

She says she is excited to vote, have a voice, and she wants to make this country even better.

Jessica says the U.S. is very welcoming to ideas and energy.

She appreciates her freedom of speech and she feels respected here.

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Acting Deputy District Director Kristi Goldinger administered the Oath of Allegiance. Magistrate Judge Kristen L. Mix presided over the ceremony.

Graland Country Day School third grade students sang to the new U.S. Citizens as part of the ceremony.

Marissa Volpe, History Colorado Center's community outreach director, was the guest speaker.

Ivan Taylor, the spouse of a citizen who naturalized, sang the national anthem.

During the fiscal year 2019, USCIS naturalized 834,000 people at ceremonies throughout the country and around



People filled the History Colorado Center to witness their largest Naturalization ceremony ever.

the world, an 11-year high.

People originally from Afghanistan, Algeria, Argentina, Australia, Bangladesh, Belarus, Bhutan, Bolivia, Brazil, Burma, Burundi, China, Colombia, Congo (Kinshasa), Denmark, Dominica, El Salvador, Ethiopia, Ghana, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Israel, Liberia, Mexico, Nepal, Nigeria, Peru, Philippines, Russia, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Korea, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Sweden, Taiwan, Tanzania, Thailand, Togo, Ukraine, Venezuela, and Vietnam were naturalized at the ceremony.

They live in Arvada, Aurora, Avon, Boulder, Brighton, Buena Vista, Castle Rock, Centennial, Colorado Springs, Commerce City, Dacono, Denver, Dillon, Englewood, Erie,



Jessica and her husband
She was naturalized as a US Citizen
in Denver on February 12th, 2020.

Nutrien Announces \$10 Million Long-term Investment in CSU's College of Agricultural Sciences

TONY PHIFER | Colorado State Univeristy

Colorado State University and Nutrien, the world's largest provider of crop nutrients, inputs and services, have entered into a strategic partnership with a primary goal: feeding the world in the most sustainable, inclusive and innovative way.

Nutrien is providing CSU's College of Agricultural Sciences \$1 million each year over the next 10 years. This \$10 million gift will fund state-of-the-art research and teaching initiatives on campus and provide scholarship support to students, elevating CSU into a position of leadership in developing a diverse, highly skilled agricultural workforce and boosting Nutrien's ability to deliver industry-leading products.

"We are grateful for this incredible support from Nutrien," CSU President Joyce McConnell said. "Both Nutrien and CSU share a vision of using high-tech agriculture to help sustainably feed the world. We face immense challenges to accomplish this task, and it is through improved research capabilities and training more students to bring their innovative ideas forward that CSU will make a bigger

impact on the future."

Nutrien, a global company with offices not far from campus in Loveland, Colorado, has been providing crop inputs and expert agronomic services for more than 50 years. The company has operations and investments in 14 countries and 20,000 employees, including more than 600 CSU alumni.

Mike Frank, Executive Vice President and CEO of Retail at Nutrien, said studying strategic plans put together by CSU and the College of Agricultural Sciences that look 10 years into the future inspired his company to seek a partnership with the University. He said CSU's commitment to sustainability, diversity and inclusion, global research, and high-tech agriculture perfectly fit with Nutrien's vision.

"We're extremely excited about our partnership with CSU - the University itself and in particular the College of Agricultural Sciences," Frank said. "When we talk to CSU and the folks in the ag school about their strategic vision, it really aligns with what we're doing."

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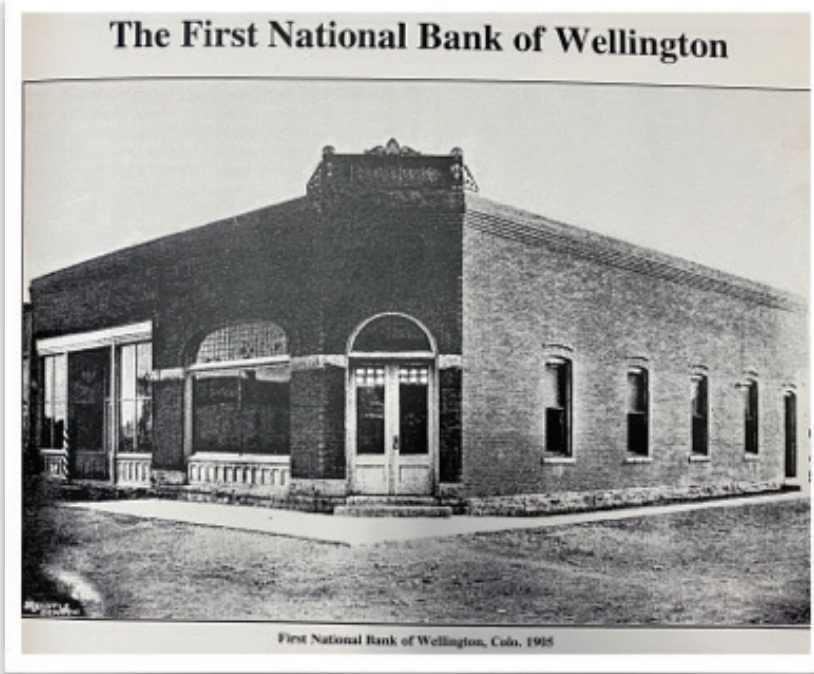
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A Story of Scandal in Wellington's History

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Historic photo of the original First National Bank building, obtained from the History of Wellington, Colorado and The Boxelder Valley 1864-1996 authored by Arlene Ahlbrandt

A story of scandal in Wellington's early history connects two of downtown Wellington's historic buildings. The beautiful Queen Anne style home, that now houses Drohman's Salon & Day Spa, at 3922 Cleveland Avenue, and the original First National Bank building, which now houses the North Poudre Irrigation company, located at 3729 Cleveland Avenue.

Christopher Cusack, President of the First National Bank of North Bend, Nebraska, invested in Wellington in 1905, when he purchased the lot at 3729 Cleveland Avenue from North Poudre Irrigation Company. On this lot, the First National Bank of Wellington would be built (a once beautiful brick, but now stuccoed over, building). Christopher founded the bank, and was its primary stakeholder, but he remained in Nebraska, sending his son, John Cusack, to manage the Wellington bank. John, who was in his mid-twenties, was part of the inaugural board of directors for the bank, and served as cashier for six years. Also serving on this board, was C.L. Wellington, the man for whom the town was named. The bank started out with \$25,000 in capital stock, and ownership of the property was turned over to the bank, which was open for business in September of 1905.

John purchased the large lot three blocks east of the bank, at 3922 Cleveland Avenue, and began developing the property in 1906,

adding outbuildings and the beautiful victorian home that still stands today. The First National Bank of Wellington was thriving, as was John's reputation in the community, and within a year of arriving to town, the Wellington Board of Trustees voted to have John serve as Town Treasurer. He married Mary 'Aldah' Wilson this same year, and they moved into their new home upon return from the honeymoon. John served as Mayor of Wellington from 1907-1908, and was involved with the local Masons, Odd Fellows, and Elks clubs. Aldah gave birth to a healthy baby boy in 1909. By the end of 1910, the bank reported \$169,882 in financial resources.

The tune changes in August of 1911, when Christopher and John sold their controlling stock interest in the bank. Samuel Clammer, a prominent entrepreneur and former Mayor of Fort Collins, purchased the stocks, and also purchased the Cusack home at 3922 Cleveland Avenue. A good portion of Clammer's payment to the Cusack's came in the form of a ranch near Saratoga, Wyoming. John continued as bank cashier for four months, until December of 1911, when he left Wellington for good and moved his family to the ranch in Wyoming.

In the May 31st, 1912 edition of Fort Collins's The Weekly Courier, the first headline reads "Former Cashier Wellington Bank Under Arrest." John Cusack had

recently been arrested by a US Marshal in Wyoming, charged with embezzlement of bank funds from the First National Bank of Wellington, for a crime committed in June of 1911, with two other unnamed individuals. He was accused of issuing loans for a phony irrigation company project in Weld County, and was transported to Denver to await trial. The article reports that when this crime was discovered, Christopher Cusack traveled from Nebraska to Wellington to re-pay his son's debt, which was between \$25,000-\$35,000, and then sold the bank in part payment for a Wyoming ranch, that John was removed to.

Another highly regarded member of the Wellington community, Francis Grable, founder of the North Poudre Irrigation company, prior bank president, and prominent developer and promoter of the area, was charged with assisting in the scheme. A federal grand jury in Pueblo, investigating the charges, issued an indictment against Cusack and Grable in November of 1912. It wasn't until December of 1915 that the case finally went to trial, held at the US District Court in Denver. Cusack was charged with thirty counts of embezzlement, misapplication of funds, and fraudulent bank entries. During the hearing Cusack claimed innocence, blaming Grable for the fraud. After the hearing the jury returned with a verdict of 'not guilty' on all charges. Two weeks later, Grable's charges were also dropped due to lack of sufficient evidence.

Meanwhile, John's wife, Aldah, permanently moved to California with their son, in August of 1914. She never

remarried and claimed to be 'widowed,' even though John was still alive, and was aware of where she and his son moved to. John had gained employment with a livestock company in Colorado, and remarried. Christopher Cusack died in December of 1912, prior to the trial.

The Cusack home would go on to serve as a residence and Inn, and the First National Bank of Wellington would move across the street in 1919, when the present day building of Papa's Table (which is listed on the National Historic Registry as the 'First National Bank Building'), was built by a bank that bought out the first. The original bank building, became a hardware store, and then served as the Wellington Post Office for 40 years, before the property would return to the North Poudre Irrigation Company in 1964.

With all of this occurring over 100 years ago, there is no one alive to tell what really happened, and it will remain a mystery in Wellington's history. What we do have is these beautiful old buildings that help keep history alive, and stories that often leave us with more questions than answers. Something to think about on your next drive through downtown Wellington.

The above information was pulled from historical surveys completed on both of these buildings in 2018, by Tatanka Historical Associates, a project completed through the Wellington Colorado Main Streets Program, using State Historical Grant Funding. They can be found at <https://wellingtonmainstreet.org/resources>.



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Meridian Federal Trust & Credit Union, 8205 Wellington Blvd., Wellington

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Owl Canyon Coffee, 3745 Cleveland Ave., Wellington

'WOW' Women of Wellington • Wed., Feb. 19, 6:00-8:00 p.m.
"Making Genuine Business Connections"
Guest Speaker: Ann Baron, CEO and Organizer at NorthernColoradoCommunity.com
Owl Canyon Coffee, 3745 Cleveland Ave., Wellington



We are human, and we make mistakes. We do our best, but sometimes they slip through.

In our February 5th edition:
Our intern's name was misspelled - proper spelling is Steven Bonifazi.
The OP Ed: on page 3 by Jan Roth contained an "xxx" for the continuation of the story. The OP Ed continued on page 6.

A complete and corrected digital version of the edition can be downloaded at <http://northfortynews.com/hme7>

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Candidates Sought for Health District Board

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The Health District of Northern Larimer County is accepting candidate nominations for its board of directors. To become a regular candidate, eligible residents must file by Feb. 28. The election is May 5, 2020. The form can be downloaded at www.healthdistrict.org/2020-board-election. Forms must be returned to the Health District by 5 p.m., Friday, Feb. 28.

Anyone wishing to run as a write-in candidate must submit a Write-in Candidate Affidavit of Intent (also available at the Health District or online) by 5 p.m., Monday, March 2. The Secretary of State’s office recommends that either form be submitted no later than 3 p.m. on the due date to allow time for the designated election official to check for errors.

The Health District is a special district that provides residents of northern Larimer County with dental, mental health, preventive health, and advance care planning services, in addition to connecting people to more affordable health insurance and prescription options. It is governed by a five-person board of directors whose members are elected at-large from the community.

Candidates in this election will vie for two seats on the Health District board. Each position has a three-year term. Colorado is transitioning to a new odd-year schedule for special-district elections, and board members elected in this and the 2022 election will have three-year terms. The new election schedule will start in 2023, at which time terms of office for newly elected members will revert to four years.

A board candidate must be an eligible elector in the district. An eligible elector is a U.S. citizen aged 18 years or older who is registered to vote in Colorado and a resident of the district. Non-residents of the district also may be eligible electors if they or their spouse own property within the district.

The district encompasses the northern two-thirds of Larimer County and includes the cities of Fort Collins, Timnath, Wellington, Laporte, Livermore and Red Feather Lakes. Voting in the May 5 election will take place at two polling places (Health District offices and Spirit of Joy Lutheran Church, 4501 S. Lemay, Ave.) or by absentee ballot. An Application of Absentee Ballot is available online.

For more information on the Health District board of directors election, contact Chris Sheafor, designated election official, at 970-224-5209. More election information is available at www.healthdistrict.org/2020-board-election.

Wellington Recreation Gears up For Spring

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Registration is now open for the activities below. Registration and more information is available online at townofwellington.com.

Youth Activities – Ages 3–7

Start Smart Soccer (ages 3–5, fee \$55): Sessions held on Tuesday nights, 6:30pm, at the Boys and Girls Club

Start Smart Flag Football (ages 4–6, fee \$55): Sessions held on Thursday nights, 6:30pm, at the Boys and Girls Club

U5 Soccer (ages 4–5, fee \$50): Games begin Saturday, April 4

U7 Soccer (ages 6–7, fee \$50): Games begin Saturday, April 4

U8 Flag Football (ages 6–8, fee \$50): Games begin Saturday, April 4

Youth Activities – Ages 8–12

U9 Soccer (ages 8–9, fee \$55): Games begin Saturday, April 4

U12 Flag Football (ages 9–12, fee \$55): Games begin Saturday, April 4



U12 Soccer (ages 10–12, fee \$55): Games begin Saturday, April 4

Adult & Youth Activities – Ages 14+

Adult Coed Softball: Wednesday Lower Division (ages 14+, fee \$355): Games begin March 25. Team representative meeting on March 12, 6pm, in the Leeper Center

Adult Coed Softball: Friday Open Division (ages 16+, fee \$355): Games begin March 27. Team representative meeting on March 12, 6pm, in the Leeper Center

Adult Coed Kickball (ages 14+, fee \$250): Games begin March 27. Team representative meeting on March 9, 6pm, in the Leeper Center

Early Bird registration for Adult Coed Kickball and Softball: Register online between February 8 and February 10 and receive a 10% discount on the team registration fee.

Please contact the Recreation Office with any questions 970.568.7410

Meridian Trust Federal Credit Union's Wellington Branch Opens for Business

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The new Meridian Trust Federal Credit Union Building is the first in a business development at 8205 Wellington Blvd.

The Meridian Trust Federal Credit Union branch in Wellington, 8205 Wellington Blvd, is now open.

After months of construction, tireless work, and moving – the team is ready to serve.

The new branch includes walk-in service with a lobby along with drive-through lanes. Meridian Trust offers loans, free checking accounts, certificate specials, youth accounts and more.

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The branch is open Monday through Friday. The drive-through lanes are open from 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. The walk-in lobby is open from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.



Meridian Trust Federal Credit Union employees (left to right): Trae Kimble, New Accounts Representative
Nic Redavid, Vice President Branch Manager
Kaylin Schloesser, Mortgage Loan Officer

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Brewing Exhibit and Beer Archaeologist at Global Village Museum

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Beer Archaeologist Travis Rupp

Brewing History: Fort Collins' Global Connections opens Friday, March 6, at the Global Village Museum of Arts and Cultures with free admission from 6–9 pm during Fort Collins Art Walk. The new exhibit is a joint collaboration between the Museum and graduate students in Colorado State University's Department of History.

"The display connects the brewing landscape of Fort Collins to the long international history of brewing," said Madelyn Newman, a student in the Museum Studies class taught by Assistant Professor Thomas Cauvin. "In addition to presenting the history of brewing, the exhibit will focus on relevant

topics such as prohibition, homebrewing, and the rise of craft beer."

The exhibition, which runs through May 20, will also address questions on brewing's environmental impacts and breweries' efforts to become more sustainable.

In conjunction with the exhibit, Travis Rupp will present Re-Creating the Past: The Archaeology of Beer from 2–4 pm Saturday, March 28. Rupp, the Innovation & Wood Cellar Manager at Avery Brewing Company in Boulder, will survey the beginnings of beer in the ancient Near East through its development and stylization throughout Europe. He will explore how beer production and consumption was at the core of ancient culture and imperial expansion. Rupp will also introduce the Ales of Antiquity Series at Avery Brewing.

The Global Village Museum, with four galleries and a Museum Shop, is located at 200 West Mountain Avenue. The Museum's hours are 11 am to 5 pm Tuesday through Saturday. For more information, please visit globalvillagemuseum.org or call 970–221–4600.

The Global Village Museum of Arts and Cultures is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Our mission is to foster and celebrate international connections between Northern Colorado and the world through exhibits of folk art, fine arts, and artifacts from around the globe; and to provide international resources and educational opportunities.

Larimer County: Be Prepared to Vote

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The Presidential Primary is just around the corner on March 3rd, and our State Primary is June 30th. There are several things you should know!

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The Colorado Votes Act, which took effect in August 2019, allows 17-year-olds who will turn 18 by the General Election to vote in the March Presidential Primary and June State Primary Elections.

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In 2016, Colorado voters decided unaffiliated (also known as "independent") voters should be allowed to vote in primary elections. As an unaffiliated voter, unless you indicate a "preference" as to which ballot you wish to receive, you will receive both a republican and a democratic ballot in each of the primaries.

ONLY VOTE ONE! If you return a voted primary ballot for both parties, neither ballot will be counted.

Presidential Primary ballots will be mailed to all registered voters the week of February 10th.

Read the instructions included with your ballot – they contain all the information you need!

Dropbox and drop-site locations – After February 24rd don't use the postal system, instead, drop your ballot at any one of several drop-off locations listed in the instructions.

Voter Service and Polling Centers (VSPCs) – Where you can get a replacement ballot, change your address or register and vote if needed.

Website and contact information for our office – go to www.votelarimer.org any time for all things elections-related for Larimer County.

Never give your ballot – especially unvoted or unsealed – to ANYONE else! Use one of the many options for returning it yourself. We take great care with your ballot, you should too!

Vote early, if you can! – If we receive more than 20,000 ballots on Election Day, we will not complete the counting process Election Night but will continue counting the next day.

Keep the stub of your ballot as a souvenir! It has the actual election name on it and can be used to replace your "I Voted!" sticker! We need that stub removed for our processes, so please remove it before returning your voted ballot.

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ALWAYS sign your own ballot envelope before returning it to us! We check every single signature on the exterior of each ballot envelope to make sure it matches that voter before any envelope is ever opened or ballot is counted.

All ballots must be RECEIVED by 7p on Election Day – a postmark does NOT count as received.

Most importantly... VOTE! Every vote matters!

We had a race in Loveland last November that was decided by three votes – a great reminder for all Larimer residents that the vote carrying your voice matters!

If you have any questions or concerns about the voting process, go to www.votelarimer.org

Meet Rosa Parks

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Becky Stone as Rosa Parks on a bus

Actor and scholar Becky Stone will portray Rosa Parks as part of Colorado Humanities' Black History Live tour. In partnership with Poudre River Library District and Front Range Community College, this living history portrayal will give insight into how and why Rosa Parks prepared for her pivotal act of resistance. This program is free and open to the public and will be held at Front Range Community College, Long's Peak Student Center, 4616 S Shields Street, Fort Collins, 80526 on February 27, 2020 at 11:00 a.m.

"There had always been an uneasy truce between black and white folks in the South. Emancipation granted citizenship to black Americans, but white Americans ended all progress by returning to slave-master protocol that was enforced by Jim Crow law. These laws went beyond segregation. They were designed to make black people feel inferior and whites, superior. By 1955, black Southerners had been oppressed as much as they could allow. They needed the right person to say 'no more.' That person was Rosa Parks," said Becky Stone.

Stone holds a B.A. in Drama from Vassar College and a M.A. from Villanova University in Elementary Educational Counseling. Born and raised in Philadelphia, PA, Stone became a storyteller upon moving South. Her acting credits include Lime Kiln Arts Theater, VA; Warehouse Theatre, Greenville SC; Haywood Arts Regional Theatre, Southern Appalachian Repertory Theater, Asheville Community Theatre, Highland Repertory Theatre, Asheville Contemporary Dance Theater in Asheville and Merida, Mexico, and Asheville on Broadway. Ms. Stone has also presented at North Carolina and Colorado Humanities Chautauqua festivals and Black History Live tours as Maya Angelou, Harriet Tubman, and Rosa Parks.

Colorado Humanities is the only Colorado organization exclusively dedicated to supporting humanities education for adults and children statewide. To learn more, visit coloradohumanities.org or call 303.894.7951

Fort Collins Councilmembers to Host Listening Sessions in February

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Three Fort Collins City Councilmembers will host informal community listening sessions in the coming weeks.

Saturday Feb. 15: Councilmember Ross Cuniff will host a listening session from 10–11 a.m. in the Sand Lily Room at the Senior Center, 1200 Raintree Dr.

Saturday Feb. 29: Councilmember Susan Gutowsky will host a listening session from 9–10 a.m. in Eagle Room 1 at the Northside Aztlan Center, 112 E. Willow St.

Saturday Feb. 29: Councilmember Julie Pignataro will hold a community volunteer cleanup at Warren Park, followed by a listening session. 9–10 a.m., Warren Park cleanup, 1101 E. Horsetooth Rd. 10–11 a.m., Listening Session, CB&Potts at Collindale, 1441 E. Horsetooth Rd.

Participants should RSVP by Feb. 26 at engage.fcgov.com to ensure adequate supplies are available.

All residents are invited to attend and share ideas about the issues facing Fort Collins.

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Colorado Parks and Wildlife Releases Video Series “My First Big Game Hunt”

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“My First Big Game Hunt” is a 16-part video series from Colorado Parks and Wildlife. It debuted in November.

The series introduces non-hunters to hunting through the journey of Crystal Egli. Egli is a videographer for CPW, who had no resources or connections to hunting until she joined the agency, and decided to give it a try as an adult.

New videos in the series are released weekly on Mondays. Egli filmed and edited each video over the course of a year, documenting every step of her passage from realizing her fear of firearms to going into the field with a mentor to becoming a mentor herself to new hunters.

"Before I started working for Colorado Parks and Wildlife, I wasn't for or against hunting. I knew it was something some people did, but it never occurred to me that it would ever be something I would do," said Egli.

Having grown up in rural Vermont, Egli is passionate about conservation and making the outdoors accessible for all. Although she grew up exploring the outdoors, Egli never considered hunting because she was terrified of firearms.

“It took me a while to realize that the only barrier I had to hunting was my intense fear of firearms,” said Egli. “Once I was able to overcome that through hunter education and my mentors, I was able to switch my mode of thinking from, ‘there might be an accident around me’ to ‘there will be one less accident because of me.’”



Experiencing hunting allowed her to see firearms as a tool to harvest sustainable and affordable organic meat. Participating in the field brought Egli an even deeper understanding of how hunting contributes to conservation and wildlife management. Now she is an avid hunter who mentors and supports other new hunters on their own hunting journeys.

“I wanted to make this series to show people that if someone like me, a millennial who lives in a

city and is terrified of guns, can learn how to hunt, then anyone who wants to can do it too.”

Join Crystal on her hunting journey as she first learns the steps necessary to hunt big game in Colorado. New episodes will be posted weekly on Mondays at 3 p.m. Mountain time on the “My First Big Game Hunt” playlist on the CPW YouTube page. Subscribe and turn on notifications to be updated with each new episode.

Crystal is eager to bring locally sourced meat to her family while learning new ways to connect to the outdoors with her hunting mentor.

To learn more about how to start your own hunting journey, visit cpw.state.co.us.

John Bykerk Runs for Poudre Valley Rural Electric Association’s Board of Directors

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John Bykerk, a self-employed contractor and volunteer firefighter is running for a seat on the Poudre Valley REA Board of Directors.

John pledges to work with PVREA to keep rates low, maintain a stable grid, and boost the local economy. Anyone who purchases energy from PVREA should receive a ballot in the mail around March 7.

“As a volunteer firefighter, I know how important it is to have reliable, proactive, and responsible service—whether from your first responders or your utility companies,” said John Bykerk. “Last year, PVREA committed to an 80% renewables by 2030 initiative, and now we need a plan to deliver on it.”

Other areas in Colorado enjoy lower rates

than PVREA members do, in part because their energy providers are taking advantage of the development of cheaper energy sources. Bykerk sees the 80/30 initiative as an opportunity for PVREA to be proactive and build a plan that supports our community, with local economic development and affordable rates. “I have been a self-employed businessman for over 40 years and a volunteer firefighter for the past 7. I have the proven leadership and community service experience needed to help PVREA develop a responsible energy plan,” said Bykerk.

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Poudre Valley Rural Electric Association Brings More Solar Online

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Poudre Valley Rural Electric Association (PVREA) has announced two new solar arrays with a combined capacity of 2 MW are now online and generating clean, renewable electricity to support PVREA’s renewable energy goal and benefit PVREA members.

These arrays expand two of the three existing utility-scale solar projects completed by the partnership between PVREA and Silicon Ranch: the Kersey Solar Farm, located adjacent to the Platte Valley High School in Kersey, and the Skylark Solar Farm near Severance. With these expansions, the two solar projects together generate enough electricity to power over 2,100 PVREA households annually.

The solar farm expansions help PVREA reach its “80 by 30” goal of powering the communities it serves with 80% renewable energy by 2030. The co-op, which serves 45,000 homes and businesses in Larimer, Weld, and Boulder Counties, introduced its carbon-free initiative last summer. According to PVREA President and CEO Jeff Wadsworth, the co-op began procuring renewable energy from local sources, however, long before this goal was set.

“We have been proactively adding more renewable energy in our communities for over eight years, beginning with our first community solar farm in 2012, while also maintaining affordable rates – PVREA has had only one small rate increase in the past seven years and has announced no rate increases through 2021,” PVREA President and CEO Jeff Wadsworth said. “We’re proud of our accomplishments and continue to look for methods of incorporating more carbon-free resources while holding the line on rates for our community.”

Silicon Ranch, one of the nation’s largest independent solar power producers, funded the construction and will own and operate the new facilities for the long term, as it does with every project it develops. The construction of these facilities supported approximately 60 jobs, many of which were filled by local labor and local subcontractors, and brought roughly \$2,000,000 of labor related income to the community.

“Silicon Ranch is pleased to continue to expand our long-term partnership with PVREA and we’re

grateful for the trust they have placed in our company to deliver these facilities that will both provide enduring value to co-op members and help reach their renewable energy goal,” said Silicon Ranch Co-Founder and CEO Reagan Farr. “We applaud PVREA’s long standing commitment to renewable power to serve their members, their communities, and their state.”

Silicon Ranch introduced its holistic approach to land management, trademarked Regenerative Energy™, on the Skylark Solar Farm in 2019, and later this year, the company will integrate this approach on both the Kersey and Skylark Solar Farms. Regenerative Energy™ keeps the property in agricultural production, as adaptively-managed grazing livestock, diverse plant life, pollinator habitat, and wildlife work together to revitalize degraded soils, enhance biodiversity, make ecosystems more resilient, improve the watershed, and sequester carbon in the soil. Quantifiable ecological, economic, and social outcomes are backed by third-party verified standards.

In recent years, PVREA has made significant carbon-free advancements by incorporating local renewable energy into the electric grid. PVREA’s current power mix includes two hydroelectric generators, four large solar arrays, and three community-owned solar farms. With these two new arrays becoming operational, the co-op has brought online 11 local renewable energy projects totaling 20.5 MW of renewable energy that powers 3,650 homes and businesses that receive electricity from PVREA. Altogether, PVREA members receive 30 percent of their energy from renewable resources, which is planned to increase to 50 percent by 2024.

PVREA is a member-owned, not-for-profit electric distribution cooperative serving over 45,000 homes and businesses in Larimer, Weld, and Boulder Counties in Northern Colorado. More information is available at www.pvrea.coop

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Kristin Stephens Campaigns for District 2 Larimer County Commissioner

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Kristin Stephens, current Fort Collins City Councilmember, and Mayor Pro Tem announced her candidacy for Larimer County Commissioner for District 2 in November.

Kristin has lived in Larimer County for almost 30 years and has served on the Fort Collins City Council for 4 1/2 years. She also serves as chair of the Poudre Fire Authority and is a representative of the North Front Range Metropolitan Planning Organization. During her time on City Council, Kristin has fought for working families on issues like affordable childcare, affordable housing, environmental health, transportation, and job training.

“I am happy to have called Larimer County home for almost 30 years. During this time, I have served my community in numerous ways – working as a 4-H leader for 15 years, volunteering with non-profits like Meals on Wheels, serving on city and county boards, and holding a leadership position on the Fort Collins City Council as the Mayor Pro Tem. It has been a true pleasure serving the people of Fort Collins, but I know that we need a regional approach to solve some of our most difficult problems like affordable housing and childcare, mental health needs, and economic health.”

As County Commissioner, Kristin says she will be a voice for everyone in Larimer County. “I am proud of the work I have done to help open local government to everyone. During my time on Council, I have held regular listening sessions with children’s activities so that families would



Kristin Stephens is campaigning for Larimer County Commissioner, District 2.

feel comfortable attending. I have worked with community groups like the Family Leadership Training Institute to encourage residents to get involved in local government and spent time in local schools, and places of worship building bridges and listening to the needs of our community. I am committed to do this same outreach all over our county so that everyone can be a part of planning Larimer County’s future.”

“Larimer County is a beautiful place to work, live and raise a family, but

we face many challenges including housing and childcare affordability, road and transportation needs, and economic issues including workforce development. With my budgeting, policymaking, and strategic planning experience, I have the skills and leadership experience to find solutions to these problems. I have built relationships with elected officials and community members throughout the county, and believe we can work together to protect our precious natural resources and build a bright future for all our residents.”

Stephens will have a volunteer kickoff on Sunday, February 16 from 2-4 p.m. at Restaurant 415, 415 S. Mason St., Fort Collins.

To learn more about Kristin Stephens and get involved in her campaign, visit her website: kristinforlarimer.com

Visit https://www.larimer.org/sites/default/files/commissioner_districts.pdf to see a map of the Larimer County Commissioner Districts.

2020 Timnath State of the Town Address

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“The state of your town is strong. We are in a very positive position to keep moving Timnath forward.” That was the bottom line shared by Timnath Mayor Jill Grossman-Belisle at the 2020 State of the Town address a few weeks ago at the Timnath Town Center.

Fiscal responsibility, strategic development, growth management and exciting projects that align with the community’s priorities were at the center of Timnath’s State of the Town presentation. Mayor Jill Grossman-Belisle spoke to a crowd of more than 100 people, highlighting the work the

Town has done over the past several years to grow Timnath into one of the most desirable locations to live in northern Colorado and beyond. “When people cross that bridge on Harmony and enter Timnath, we want them to know and feel that they are in a very special place – a place with small-town charm called Timnath.”

A video of the event is on their website at timnath.org

Windsor Police Announces Promotion of Five Officers, Presents Others with Life-Saving Award

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In a January 2019 Ceremony in Windsor, Aaron Krause, Aaron McConnaughey, and Jared Paul were promoted to the rank of Sergeant, and Robert Holt and Aaron Lopez to the rank of Commander.

The Windsor Police Department honored several of their own this month in separate ceremonies to recognize their service.

On January 15, several officers were honored in a promotion ceremony at the U.S. Army Reserve Training Center in Windsor. In all, five officers were recognized for their advancement in rank: Aaron Krause, Aaron McConnaughey, and Jared Paul to the rank of Sergeant, and Robert Holt and Aaron Lopez to the rank of Commander.

Family, friends, coworkers, and officers from several neighboring agencies were in attendance as Chief of Police Rick Klimek introduced the officers, with Mayor Kristie Melendez administering the oath of office. Separately, at their regular

meeting on January 27, the Windsor Town Board recognized five officers for their efforts in saving the lives of two people in unconnected incidents last year.

Chief Klimek presented Sergeant Richard Cook and Officer Joshua Dunworth with a Life-Saving Award for their use of CPR to save an individual’s life during an incident in May 2019.

Sergeant Cook and Officers Kyrie Rosson and Marshal Allen were also presented with a Life-Saving Award for their actions on a call in October 2019, which included the administration of Narcan to save the life of an individual suffering from a drug overdose.

The four officers were awarded a plaque and lapel pin in recognition of their service.

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Semester At Sea Responds to Coronavirus in China

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Semester at Sea, a Fort Collins-based program, hosted by Colorado State University, has diverted its Spring 2020 Voyage as a result of the coronavirus outbreak in China.

According to an update on SAS's site at semesteratsea.org, the choice to divert from Shanghai, China was influenced by a number of organizations advising against travel to and from China. A few of those organizations include the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and the World Health Organization (WHO), which declared the outbreak a Public Health Emergency of International Concern on Thursday, January 30.

As a result of the diversion from China, the Spring 2020 program extended its stay in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam by a total of seven days. Scheduled to arrive in Vietnam on Tuesday, February 11, SAS students and faculty arrived Tuesday, February 4 instead.

Nevertheless, the SAS program is no stranger to changing itineraries, especially if the safety of their voyagers is at risk in any way. "We are very risk-averse, so even before the WHO called it a Public Health Emergency of International Concern, we said we are going to change it anyway, we are not taking our students there," said Layne Hanson, Vice President of Public Affairs for SAS.

The coronavirus has caused concern for people around the world. Countries like Vietnam have shut down their schools on top of denying entrance to people incoming from China, including SAS voyagers who only hold Chinese passports.

"These countries are really fearful, so even if the students release medical records or immigration history, they still don't have to let them in so it is really up to the country were going to," said Seng. This is Seng's second voyage with SAS, where she serves as part of a three-person team in the field office, planning all in-country excursions that take place with a focus on field classes.

Staff members on the ship have been committed to making those students not



Semester at Sea is a Colorado State University sponsored program.

able to leave the ship feel included through activities such as dinner with the captain.

During a WhatsApp interview from a hotel in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam, Stephanie Seng, Assistant Director of Field Classes and Programs for SAS and current voyager of the Spring 2020 voyage reassured that the ship staff is giving students with Chinese passports a great experience regardless.

"They're doing a lot of special things on the ship for them to try to give them a positive experience while they're stuck in the ship in Vietnam and potentially future ports as well," said Seng.

Since diverting from China, safety protocols have risen, ensuring no one contracts the virus. SAS faculty are monitoring when voyagers get on and

off the ship, making sure that they use hand sanitizer as well as when they go out to eat in ports.

The safety measures SAS's current voyage is taking are helping to protect every voyager on board. In addition to that, they are also providing the entire shipboard community a much-needed sense of relief in the face of fear from the coronavirus as well as a disappointment due to change in itineraries.

"People have been amazingly calm and reassured by the safety precautions that have been taken," said Seng. "I don't feel any sense of over-the-top worry or panic, just normal reasonable caution," she said.

To learn more about the coronavirus or Semester At Sea, visit <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/index.html> and <https://www.semesteratsea.org>.

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Wednesday, February 19

2020 Fly Fishing Film Tour, Boulder Theater, 6:30 pm
Adaptive Adventures, Whetstone Climbing, 6 pm -8 pm
After School Art Classes, Museum of Art Fort Collins, 4 pm -5 pm
Avo's Open Bluegrass Jam, Avogadro's Number and Avo's Bar, 7 pm
Be Kind FoCo 2020 Kickoff, Maxline Brewing, 4:30 pm -6:30 pm
Board Game Night at The Lyric!, Lyric Cinema Cafe (Theatre), 5 pm -9 pm
Colorado Avalanche vs. New York Islanders, Pepsi Center, 8 pm -11 pm
Contemplative Art Classes Series, Wolverine Farm Letterpress and Publick House, 6 pm -8 pm
Donavon Frankenreiter, The Music District, 7 pm -9:30 pm
Greeley Warehouse Presents: Wood Belly with Bonnie and Taylor Sims at Moxi Theater, Moxi Theater, 7:30 pm
Groove Theory 2020 Kick-Off, The Music District, 5:30 pm -8 pm
Lift Ticket Giveaway! #PikesPeakBREWski, Pikes Peak Brewing, 3 pm -3:30 pm
Molly Tuttle, The Fox Theatre, 7:30 pm
Rekindle the Classics, Wolverine Farm Letterpress and Publick House, 6:30 pm -8:30 pm
Re:Turn feat. 3420 with Comisar & Dream-space Database, Hodi's Half Note, 8:30 pm -11:30 pm
Signing Smart - Your Baby CAN Talk!, Full Moon Books, 10:15 am -11 am
Small Business Before Hours - Networking Event, Larimer SBDC, 8 am -9:30 am
Songwriters in the Round, Magic Rat Live Music, 7 pm -9 pm



The Big Lebowski: Beer Pong and Bowling (Wednesdays), Chippers Lanes, 8 pm -11 pm
The Crooked Wheel Pop-Up Bike Shop, Letterpress & Publick House Outside (weather permitting), 12 pm -5 pm
Volunteer - Network - Do Good (closed2open), Fort Collins, CO, 8 am -2:30 pm
Wednesday Open Ride (WOR), 4616 South Shields Street, 5:30 pm -7:30 pm

Thursday, February 20

2020 CHSAA State Wrestling Championship, Pepsi Center, 2 pm
2/20 Artist 2 Artist House Concert with Joe Schicke and Franklin Taggart, Museum of Art Fort Collins, 6:30 am -8:30 am
3rd Thursday Pub Run: Scrumpy's Hard Cider, Scrumpy's, 6 pm -8 pm
Ale Trail Days at Maxline Brewing, Maxline Brewing, 5 pm -7 pm
An Evening w/ our friend GARRETT DALE (RedCityRadio), Surfside 7, 9 pm
Bandwagon Magazine Presents: LadyGang (Live On The Lanes), Chippers Lanes, 9 pm -11 pm
EOTO, The Fox Theatre, 8:30 pm
February New Moon Circle for Women, Wolverine Farm Letterpress and Publick House, 6 pm -9 pm
Jammin' Feud, Prost Brewing, 8 pm -10 pm
Live On The Lanes Presents: Space Force, Chippers Lanes, 9 pm -11 pm
Loveland Ski Area Women's Only Clinics, Loveland Ski Area, 9 am -4 pm
Lukas Nelson & Promise of the Real, Boulder Theater, 8 pm
Max Mackey (Solo) Live at Timnath Beerwerks, Timnath Beerwerks, 5:30 pm -7:30 pm
Oatmeal '97 / Frail Talk / Smelling Melons at PBJ, Pinball Jones Campus West, 9 pm -12 am

Proxima Parada, Avogadro's Number and Avo's Bar, 8 pm
Próxima Parada at Avogadros w/ Ms. Nomer, Avogadro's Number, 8 pm -11 pm
Scarpa Shoe Demo, Whetstone Climbing, 5 pm -8 pm
Thankful Thursday: Social Workers, The Human Bean, 5 pm
The Best Brothers, Bas Bleu Theatre, 6:30 pm -9 pm
The Best of The Second City, The Lincoln Center, 7:30 pm
Thursday Tot Time, Standley Lake, 10 am -10:45 am
Tuesday/Thursday Group Ride (TTH), 1833 East Harmony Road, 11:12 am -12:42 pm
WinterWonderGrass Colorado 2020, Ghost Ranch Steamboat, 6 pm -10 pm
Youth of the Year Breakfast, Embassy Suites, 7 am -8:30 am

Friday, February 21

2020 CHSAA State Wrestling Championship, Pepsi Center, 5 pm
Chad Price at The Forge, The Forge Publick House, 7 pm -10 pm
College Fridays at Hesperus!, Hesperus Ski Area, 4 pm -9 pm
Feel Good Fridays at Copper Mountain, Copper Mountain, 9 am -4 pm
Fireman's Firehose Relay, Arapahoe Basin Ski Area, 10:30 am -3:30 pm
Fort Collins Foodie Walk, Downtown Fort Collins, 5 pm -8 pm
Friday Morning Uphill Breakfast, Cliffhouse Restaurant. Buttermilk Mountain, 8:30 am -10 am
Game Of Stones, Snowmass Village, 3 pm -5 pm
Hole Shot Tour-Ski Cooper, Ski Cooper / Chicago Ridge, 10 am -3:30 pm
Laney Lou and the Bird Dogs & Pioneer Mother, Avogadro's Number, 8:30 pm
Live@Lunch with Cass Clayton, KRFC 88.9FM Live at Lunch, 12 pm -1 pm
Live Music: Kate Burgess, New Belgium Brewing, 5:30 pm -7:30 pm
Live music with Chris Musial, Sparge Brewing, 6 pm -9 pm
Local Set with Horizon Line, Red Rocks Amphitheater, 6 pm -9 pm
MarchFourth with The Pamlico Sound, The Fox Theatre, 8:30 pm
Open Mic Night at Red Truck, Red Truck Beer Company, 8 pm -10 pm
Playground Ensemble - Live in the Dome, OtterBox Digital Dome Theater at FCMoD, 7:30 pm -9:30 pm
Songs From The Road Band, Magic Rat Live Music, 8 pm -10 pm
TAUK, Boulder Theater, 7:30 pm
The Best Brothers, Bas Bleu Theatre, 7:30 pm
The Just Jazz Quintet, Avogadro's Number and Avo's Bar, 4:30 pm
The Omaha Boys EP Release Show, The Whiskey, 8 pm -11 pm
The Tight at Black and Blues Music and Brews, Black and Blues Music and Brews, 8 pm -10 pm
Tumbledown Shack, Prost Brewing, 8 pm -10 pm
Uncle Lame Bake / Jackson Cloud Odyssey / BackBone at PBJ, Pinball Jones Campus West, 9 pm -12 am
Wylie Crazy Horse Jones, Red Truck Beer Company, 6 pm -8 pm

Saturday, February 22

105.5 The Colorado Sound Presents North Mississippi Allstars- Up and Rolling Tour, The Fox Theatre, 8 pm
17th Annual Mardi Gras Fundraiser, Bas Bleu Theatre, 6 pm -10 pm
Artist Meet and Greet with Welders Josh and Dave, Timnath Beerwerks, 12 pm -3 pm
Austin: Wine Tour and Tasting, The Infinite Monkey Theorem, 5 pm -6 pm
Bailey Choral Festival Presents Elijah, UNC Campus Commons Performance Hall, 7:30 pm -9:30 pm
Bald Eagle Viewing at River Bluffs, Fort Collins, CO, 8 am -10 am
Creekbed, Prost Brewing, 8 pm -10 pm
Deborah Stafford & The State of Affairs at the Swing Station, Swing Station, 8 pm -11 pm
Dino Flash Mob, Sunlight Mountain Resort, 10 am -4 pm

Dweezil Zappa: Hot Rats Live! + Other Hot Stuff, Washington's, 8 pm -10:30 pm



Early Bird Walk, Standley Lake, 8 am -10 am
Heart Beats Gala 2020, The Ranch, 5 pm -7 pm
Live music with Ali Rae, Sparge Brewing, 6 pm -9 pm
Losel Dolls ~ Trademarks of Tibet, Global Village Museum of Arts and Cultures, 2 pm -4 pm
Magic Tree House: Showtime with Shakespeare, The Lincoln Center, 2 pm -7 pm
Mardi Gras in Fort Collins with Crescent City Connection, Magic Rat Live Music, 9 pm -11 pm
Ott. with DYNOHUNTER (DJ Set), mxnx-watchers, Boulder Theater, 8:30 pm
Polari-Palooza, Wolverine Farm Letterpress and Publick House, 7 pm -10 pm
Run For The 22, Soul Squared Tap house, 8 am
Ryan Hutchens at The Forge Publick House, The Forge Publick House, 8 pm -10 pm
Saturday Open Ride (SOR), 4616 South Shields Street, 9 am -1 pm
Shoulda Stayed a Plumber / Sliver / Moving Still / Trashfest, Pinball Jones Campus West, 9 pm -12 am
Ski Bike Rally, Purgatory Resort, 8 am -2 pm
Special Olympics Winter Games, Copper Mountain, 9 am -12 pm
Steamboat Mardi Gras, Ghost Ranch Steamboat, 11 am -5 pm
Sustainable Garden Design Workshop, Gardens on Spring Creek, 9 am -3:30 pm
SYSTEM RESTORE / DOC ROTTEN, Surfside 7, 8 pm
The Best Brothers, Bas Bleu Theatre, 7:30 pm
The Buzz at Black and Blues Music and Brews, Black and Blues Music and Brews, 8 pm -10 pm
Wine and Thunder, Red Truck Beer Company, 6 pm -8 pm

Sunday, February 23

Composting 101 Workshop, Sparge Brewing, 12:30 pm -2:30 pm
Copper Leaf Votive Holder Workshop, Museum of Art Fort Collins, 1 pm -3 pm
FC: Uncorked! Comedy Show, The Exchange - Fort Collins, 6:45 pm -9 pm
Found Footage Fest Vol 9 in Ft Collins, Lyric Cinema Cafe (Theatre), 7:30 pm -9 pm
Hippy Bluegrass Church: February 23rd, eTown, 10:30 am -12 pm
Molly Tuttle, Armory FoCo, 7 pm -9:40 pm
Puppy Yoga - Fort Collins, Maxline Brewing, 10 am -11 am
RAPSODY, The Fox Theatre, 7:30 pm
Reid Tynan Live at Timnath Beerwerks, Timnath Beerwerks, 5 pm -7 pm
RioSwap 2020 pb Mike Weber- Keller Williams Real Estate, The Agave Room at the Rio Grande, 4 pm -8 pm
Ryan Hutchens at Black and Blues Music and Brews, Black and Blues Music and Brews, 3 pm -5 pm
Ski Bike Rally, Purgatory Resort, 8 am -2 pm
Ski Free Sunday - February 23rd, Kendall Mountain Ski Area, 11 am -4 pm
Sunday Funday: Karaoke at Chipper's College Lanes, Chippers Lanes, 8 pm -11 pm
Sunlight Mountain Snowshoe Shuffle, Sunlight Mountain Resort, 9 am -1 pm
The Fresh Pour Comedy Tour at Infinite Monkey Theorem, The Infinite Monkey Theorem, 6 pm -8 pm
Tom Paxton & The DonJuans with Special Guest Amy Speace, Avogadro's Number and Avo's Bar, 7 pm
Workshop - Copper Leaf Votive Holder, Museum of Art Fort Collins, 1 pm -3 pm

Monday, February 24

Austin: No More Mundane Mondays w/ Spiritualist, The Infinite Monkey Theorem, 5 pm -6 pm
Beers, Bags & Brats, Prost Brewing, 6 pm -9 pm

Caregiver Community Group, Pathways, 1 pm -2:30 pm
Red Solo Cup Night, Chippers Lanes, 8 pm -11:59 pm
Relocalizing Restaurants, DC Oakes Brew-house & Eatery, 5:30 pm -7:30 pm
Special Olympics Winter Games, Copper Mountain, 9 am -12 pm
Weld County Caregiver Community Group, Pathways, 1 pm -2:30 pm

Tuesday, February 25

Artup Week at The Music District, The Music District, 9 am -7:30 pm
Artup Week "Gratitude Hour" (social event), The Music District, 3:30 pm -5 pm
Avo's Open Mic, Avogadro's Number and Avo's Bar, 7 pm
Bingo, Soul Squared Tap house, 6:30 pm -8:30 pm
City Streets Criterium Series, 625 9th Street, Fort Collins, 4:30 pm -8:30 pm
Creative Outfitters Expo, The Music District, 1 pm -3:30 pm
Fat Tuesday, DC Oakes Brewhouse & Eatery, 6 pm -9 pm
Hangboarding 101 w/ Ken Klein, Whetstone Climbing, 5 pm -6:30 pm
Keystone 2020 Mardi Gras Party ft. the River Run Gumbo Cook-Off, River Run Village, 2:30 pm -5 pm
"Kids: Chasing Paradise" Community Film Screening, Sie FilmCenter, 7 pm -8:30 pm
Laramie Mountain Bike Series, Happy Jack Trail, 82070 Laramie, Wyoming, 5:50 pm -9:20 pm
Lunch N Lecture with Holly LeMasurier, Jay's Bistro, 12 pm -1:30 pm
MARDI GRAS PAINT PARTY! "Abstract Jazz", Sparge Brewing, 7 pm -9 pm
Music Match Bingo, Prost Brewing, 6:30 pm -8:30 pm
Open Craft, Letterpress and Publick House @, 5 pm -7 pm
Rialto Presents: We Banjo 3, Rialto Theater, 7:30 pm -9:30 pm
Robert Earl Keen, Washington's, 7 pm -9:45 pm
Ski Patrol Hiring Clinic, Purgatory Resort, 9:30 am -12:30 pm
The Beaver Believers, The Lyric, 6:30 pm

Wednesday, February 26

16 Bars w/ Speech Thomas Q&A!, Lyric Cinema Cafe (Theatre), 7 pm -10 pm
After School Art Classes, Museum of Art Fort Collins, 4 pm -5 pm
Avo's Open Bluegrass Jam, Avogadro's Number and Avo's Bar, 7 pm
eTown Presents Green Screens at eTown Hall: The Biggest Little Farm, eTown, 7 pm -9:30 pm
FREE KARAOKE w/ DREW, Surfside 7, 9 pm -10:55 pm
Search Party Experimental Comedy, Prost Brewing, 8 pm -10 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, Fort Collins, 6 pm -8 pm
Ski Patrol Hiring Clinic, Purgatory Resort, 9:30 am -12:30 pm
Take a "Detour" to the Museum of Art!, Museum of Art Fort Collins, 6 pm -7 pm
The Crooked Wheel Pop-Up Bike Shop, Letterpress & Publick House Outside (weather permitting), 12 pm -5 pm
The Futures Tour, Copper Mountain, 9 am -12 pm
Trivia Night, Sparge Brewing, 6:30 pm
Wednesday Open Ride (WOR), 4616 South Shields Street, 5:30 pm -7:30 pm
Whiskey & Bacon Pairing, The Heart Distillery, 6:30 pm -8 pm

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Serving a Need in the Community

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There is an old saying: “There’s no such thing as a free lunch.” Stop in at FoCo Café in downtown Fort Collins. You’ll discover a whole new take on that old adage.

On a recent wintry Saturday afternoon, the cozy and charming small restaurant at 225 Maple Street was vibrant with activity. “Saturdays are usually not our busiest days,” said a friendly volunteer who greeted customers. “But today is different.” He wasn’t sure why they were serving such a crowd.

Founded by Kathleen Baumgardner and her husband Jeff in 2014, FoCo Cafe is unique among the 500-plus eating establishments in Fort Collins. It exists because of the couple’s conviction that all people should have access to good food, whether or not they were able to pay for it. FoCo Cafe’s opening six years ago was the unlikely fulfillment of their dream. Former general manager Mallory Garneau is the current executive director. She took over the reins in 2017 when the Baumgardners left the state.

When she was a graduate student in social work at Colorado State University, she knew she wanted to work where she could address basic needs in the community. FoCo Café was a perfect fit.

The restaurant’s mission is to provide nutritious meals to the people of Fort Collins regardless of their ability to pay. Here’s the way it works: Customers have several choices when it comes to paying for their meal. Based on the average cost for soup, salad, and dessert—and that means all you can eat of each item-- a customer pays \$12 for their meal. If that is not within their budget, a customer can pay as little as \$5. Those wishing to “pay it forward” and cover the cost of a meal for someone else, pay \$24 or more. Those who can’t afford more than \$4, volunteer their time and talent by working to help maintain the functioning of the restaurant. A fellow sweeping the pavement in front of the cafe explained, “I like to work and then eat.”

Most ingredients are organic, local, and sustainably grown. The menu rotates. It is formed by what is in season. Some of the items on a recent menu included



PHOTO BY LIBBY JAMES
This customer works before he eats.

Caesar or mixed green salad, beef stew, chicken vegetable pasta soup, cornbread and cherry almond cake or a cupcake for dessert. Coffee and tea included. The executive director, operations manager, chef, and two part-time dishwashers are the only paid positions. Volunteers take on all other jobs at the cafe. The welcoming environment creates a strong sense of belonging and commitment. In 2018 when the donations box containing \$100 was stolen, the community responded within hours by contributing \$500 to make sure FoCo would continue to exist.

The cafe has become much more than a place to get a delicious lunch. A rack of hand-knitted scarves, free for the taking, graces one of the walls. The Giving Tree, just outside FoCo, offers clothes, shoes, and a wide assortment of toiletries for anyone in need. There is a food pantry where people donate packaged items they can no longer use, preventing waste while helping others in need.

During the summer months, Colorado Commons raises vegetables in a series of raised beds on the FoCo property. There is a small library of books where people can help themselves or donate a book.

As Garneau looks to the future, she hopes to find the funds to support a fifth paid position for a hospitality specialist. She is aware that customers who are welcomed at the door and explained the mission of FoCo Café, are usually inspired to pay it forward by contributing more than the cost of their lunch.

Another dream of hers is to work with Vindicate Market, a pay-what-you-can grocery store, to provide a single welcoming location to buy groceries and to have a nutritious meal.

FoCo Café is open between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. six days a week and sponsors several special events during the year. Anyone interested in volunteering can find information on the FoCo Café website at [fococafe.org](#)



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18. *Ayn Rand's "_____ Shrugged"

19. *Record-breaking Oscar-winner

21. *TV's Jim Anderson

23. Immeasurable period

24. Editor's oversight

25. Fugitive's get-away

28. Vegas cube

30. Even smaller

35. "Rock of _____"

37. Cleopatra's necklace

39. Saddam Hussein's Islam

40. Surrender

41. Young Atlantic cod

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44. Work the dough

46. Diamond Head island

47. Quarterback's downfall

48. Pollen producer

50. Charged particles

52. *"_____ must I be a teenager in love?"

53. Sound of pain or pleasure

55. Us, in Mexico

57. *Levittown, e.g.

60. *Like one born in '50s

63. Like a private circle

64. Highest card in "War"

66. Sea near Australia

68. "The _____ Runner," pl.

69. *Cuban syllable

70. Musician's exercise

71. Heroic poem

72. Boy toy

73. Sterilize
1. Cigar residue

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7. *Crick/Watson/Franklin discovery

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9. Trodden track

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11. *"A _____ Is Born" with Judy Garland

12. "For _____ a jolly ..."

15. Jamaican vernacular

20. Yards and miles, e.g.

22. Address abbreviation

24. T in ATV

25. *Source of immortal Hela cells

26. *Occupation of Ian Fleming's protagonist

27. Mythological princess of Colchis

29. *Fashion designer who made a comeback in 1954

31. Small pieces

32. *Rose to Jackie

33. Methuselah's father

34. *Tenant of Fred Mertz

36. Clothing line

38. Type of salmon

42. "Beats me!"

45. Formal objections, in court

49. And not

51. Like Santa after coming down the chimney

54. Taken follower

56. Inflict a blow

57. Barber shop sound

58. To, in the olden days

59. Swarm members

60. Pinto or black

61. Outback birds

62. Was a passenger

63. *"We'll take _____ to Washington"

65. *Guevara's nickname

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