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## LETTER FROM THE PUBLISHER

# A Picture Can Say a Thousand Words

A little while back, my new friend Sue over at Pirate radio put a picture of her reading North Forty News on the radio station's social media page.

It was an honor to see another local media company being so supportive of what I have worked so hard to keep going over the years. She pitched our subscription program and said it was so good to have a "real newspaper."

Sue is a kind person. Her heart is steadfast! If you haven't heard her morning radio show on the Pirate - 93.5 FM in Fort Collins, be sure to listen. The show is unique and fun, and it mixes oldies with humor, birthdays, and a warm down-home feeling.

I got introduced to Sue through my other friend Nancy at Sanderosa Art Gallery. Nancy was a guest on the Pirate's morning show and told Sue that she needed to get North Forty as a guest. When I showed up at the studio, I was pleasantly surprised at the efficiency

and cleanliness of the radio studio. I have seen many radio studios over the years, and this one screamed PRO.

To make a long story short, Sue invited me to do radio news updates every weekday morning. I'm a very busy person. Getting me to commit to something like that is a tall order. But I can say, after a whole month of updates with very few issues, we have something going!

All this leads me to say; that I enjoy seeing North Forty News at work in the communities we serve. Please send us a picture of you reading North Forty News! My team and I love "fan mail." It lifts our spirits and keeps us energized. Our readers' support, on every level, helps keep the only regional weekly in Northern Colorado going and growing!

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## Letter to the Editor: Bill in Colorado Senate Will Cost You and Your Election Integrity

ANGELA MYERS  
Larimer County Clerk & Recorder

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It is extremely rare for me to reach out to citizens in an effort to ask for action regarding legislation that is being contemplated in the legislature. Unfortunately, I am compelled to do so today because of a late bill just introduced in the Senate - SB22-230 Collective Bargaining for Counties. This bill essentially opens county government up for unionization. I believe it has the potential to be the biggest threat to election integrity I have encountered during my 20 years in the clerk's office. Whether it includes binding arbitration and the right to strike or not, it potentially puts a powerful middleman where no middleman should be.

Please be aware that this bill was originally drafted to include special districts, school districts and municipalities. However, by the time it was introduced, it included only county government. Why? I would encourage every citizen to learn about the arguments made by the other entities that got themselves removed. I am especially curious about the removal of school districts - would they not have the most exposure to collective bargaining and, therefore, embrace it?

County government is arguably the most operationally efficient and effective in the state and, I believe, the nation. Personally,

(See "Election Integrity" on page 14)

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# 10 Perennials in Bloom in May

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Bartzellaltoh Peony (Photo by Fort Collins Nursery)

Here's an experience most avid gardeners can probably relate to: you're enjoying a nice cup of tea or coffee on a summer morning, looking out into your beautiful yard and you realize nothing is blooming. The most successful perennial gardens have something blooming all the time, but this isn't as easy as it sounds! There are some heavy hitters like Rozanne Geranium, Whirling Butterflies and perennial violas that bloom all summer, but most plants don't. Plan your planting accordingly to get flowers all summer long, as well as supplying food for pollinators, hummingbirds and birds. Some perennials thrive in the cooler weather like lupine, peonies or bleeding hearts while others crave that intense heat like helianthus, hibiscus and sedum.

Here is a great list of 10 perennials that are blooming in May as well as brief descriptions of each plant. Another technique to have color and interest through the season is utilizing leaf texture and color. Incorporate red or chartreuse leaved perennials throughout your garden to draw the eye through. Add pops of color when your other plants are not blooming.

- 1. Peonies-** There are three types of peonies: Itoh, herbaceous and tree peonies. Itohs are hybrids between herbaceous and tree peonies, with sturdy stems and large uniquely colored flowers. They come in yellow, apricot, pink and lilac. The herbaceous peonies are smaller and come in the more traditional shades of pink, red, and white. Tree peonies are much slower growing, usually in purple, pink or red.

- 2. Dianthus-** Dianthus comes in many shades of red and pink and smell amazing, too. The flowers can be large with many petals, or small and delicate. They also come in a range of sizes, from low-growing groundcovers to two-foot tall specimens.
- 3. Iris-** These come in a rainbow of colors and sizes, some varieties bloom twice. The variegated form has purple flowers that smell like grape kool-aid!
- 4. Pasque Flowers-** Hairy, nodding flowers that will catch the early morning dew. An invaluable source of early-season food for honeybees and native bees.
- 5. Rocky Mountain Columbine-** The large, blue and white spurred flowers are nice for floral arrangements. A native flower that hummingbird and hawk moths love.
- 6. Perennial Violas-** Workhorses in the garden, they bloom May through fall frost and come in a range of colors. They also reseed.
- 7. Chatahoochee Phlox-** A groundcover Phlox with fragrant, light-blue lavender flowers with a darker center.
- 8. Prairie Smoke Geum-** Delicate nodding flowers with attractive fluffy seed heads, like clematis. Native and low water.
- 9. Bonfire Euphorbia-** Beautiful spring bloomer with striking burgundy foliage and sulfur yellow flowers.
- 10. Lupine-** Tall spires of pea-shaped flowers, the native is blue but many cultivars come in a range of colors.



Pasque Flower (Photo by Fort Collins Nursery)

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# WELLINGTON

## Happening in Wellington in Upcoming Weeks

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The Larimer County Boys & Girls Club will celebrate "A Spring Soiree" on May 20 at the Budweiser Events Center. They will recognize Daren Roberson, CEO of Sage Homes, whose generous donation established the Wellington Boys & Girls Club. Guest Speaker will be Head Football Coach of the CSU Rams, Jay Norvell. Tickets are \$700 for a table of 8 (87.50 per person) or \$100 per ticket. The festivities begin at 6 PM with the program commencing at 7:15.

**Eyestone Elementary School Field Day** presents "Better Together – Community Strong!" May 20, 2022, 8:30AM to 2:20PM. This special day of fun activities will feature 15 beach-themed event stations: food trucks and an obstacle course. Businesses can get involved by volunteering to run a station, making a \$100+ donation to pay for the bouncy house and the obstacle course, or donating goody bags for all the students. You can also donate all the above! The deadline for sponsorships is May 6. Contact Sandy Fetzer at [sfetzer@psdschools.org](mailto:sfetzer@psdschools.org) or call 970.443.1316.

The annual Wellington **Fishing Derby** is set to be held May 21 from 8 AM – 12 Noon at the Wellington Village Ponds on the East side of Wellington by the Disc Golf Course. Kids below 15 years can participate. There will be free fishing rods for the first 120 kids. Educational materials will be

provided by Colorado Parks & Wildlife and the Wellington Fire District.

May 12th, **The Wellington Area Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours** will be held at Zions Church, 8322 2nd St. Food, fun, and networking with fellow Chamber Members will begin at 5 PM. Mark Gabbart, pastor of Zion Lutheran Church will welcome members and guests for a fun happy hour.

Planning is well underway for the annual **Wellington Brew Fest** on June 4, 2022. BEER FOR A CAUSE. Profits from Wellington Brewfest will benefit the Wellington Main Street Program. By partnering with organizations and leaders at the local, state, and national level, the Wellington Main Street Program protects the historic character of downtown and promotes shared prosperity. Tickets are on sale now!

Rich Eifert, owner of Sparge Brewery has booked several dates in 2022 under the banner of Spargetoberfest so this year, events are scattered throughout the year. There will be something for every age and every interest. If you want to be a vendor, be sure to apply early. Here's the schedule

May 21 – Music Festival

July 23 – Food Truck Rally and Craft Fair

August 6 – Fundo Bike Ride and Family Festival

September 17 – 5K Run/Walk

All events are sponsored by Sparge Brewery; Watch this link for Vendor Information: <https://www.spargebrew.com/events-and-food-trucks>

Wellington's **4th of July celebration** is coming up fast. Registration is now open for parade entries and vendors. 2022 Fourth of July Vendor Pre-Registration Form OPEN NOW! Vendors interested in pre-registering for the 2022 4th of July Festival may complete this form: <https://wellingtonmainstreet.org/event/town-of-wellingtons-4th-of-july-celebration>



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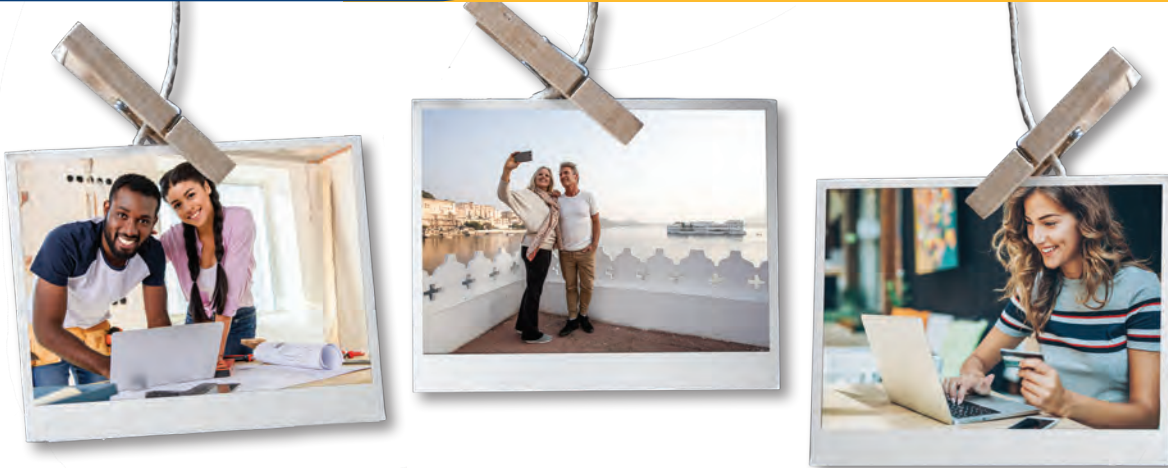
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# WELLINGTON

## Jay Norvell to Speak at Spring Soiree

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Boys & Girls Clubs of Larimer County's Spring Soiree will be the must-attend event of the spring season. The event will take place on Friday, May 20 at 6 pm at the Budweiser Events Center. The evening will feature the 2022 Youth of the Year winners, live music, one-of-a-kind auction items, organizational updates, and locally-sourced heavy hors d'oeuvres. Attendees will leave inspired by the event's keynote speaker, and energized by the old-school funk sounds of The Jakarta Band.

Jay Norvell is the 24th head football coach at Colorado State University. Coach Norvell began his coaching career as a Graduate Assistant (Offense

for Iowa. He has since coached at Northern Iowa, Wisconsin, Iowa State, Nebraska, UCLA, Oklahoma, Texas, Arizona State, and Nevada. He also coached in the NFL from 1998 to 2003 for the Indianapolis Colts and the Oakland Raiders. His noteworthy accomplishments include being named the 2020-2021 College Coach of the year by the National Coalition of Minority Football Coaches and being the first Black head coach in the program's history.

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## Wellington Businesses Win SBDC Awards

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Sparge Brewery was one of the local recipients of the SBDC's Cheers for Peers award. Pictured from L-R: Rich & Leslie Efird, Owners Sparge Brewery, Sally Ebeling, SBDC Representative, and Kyle Loewe, Head Brewer at Sparge (Photo by Matt Dierlam)

The Larimer County Small Business Development Center Team (SBDC) was in Wellington this past week awarding two Wellington small businesses with their "Cheers for Peers" Campaign.

The SBDC initiative for Small Business Week involved reaching out to local residents to vote for their favorite small businesses in each community.

The two winners were Salted Grace and Sparge Brewery.

Both were awarded a special visit from SBDC as well as a certificate and gift basket from Northern Colorado businesses.

Congratulations to all regional winners!

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## Getting to Know Fort Collins Mayor Jeni Arndt, in Her Own Words

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Fort Collins Mayor Jeni Arndt (Photo from Instagram)

to keep Fort Collins on track in terms of not going the way a lot of other places have gone in terms of being super ideological and having a split in our community. That piqued my interest and I thought I wonder if we could do it that way because that's a good goal. Honestly, that's what got me thinking about it. If I had gotten calls just from one party, that's not as intriguing to me in terms of how you govern a city; governing a city shouldn't be ideological in nature, so when I started getting calls from former mayors asking if I would consider running, I thought, 'Wow, we can really do this together.' I think (with me) people saw fundamental fairness or willingness to listen and see all sides of an issue; as Jacy Marmaduke (of the Coloradoan) said to me the other day, 'you always go for the unsexy sort of nuts-and-bolts approach to help things just go better.' I told her, 'well, thank you for recognizing that because yeah, that's what I do.' I think people notice and appreciate that fact; I was surprised and flattered that they noticed that, but it's true.

**NORTH FORTY:** What are some of the key issues that you've been passionate about since your time serving in office?

**JENI:** I mean this totally sincerely: my issues are the issues of the people. Everyone asks, 'what's your agenda' and I tell them my agenda is yours and I mean it. That's service, it's not about me. Personally, because I was a special education teacher and professor, I'm very emphatic about full inclusion, so when we talk about diversity, equity and inclusion, people always jump right to race and that's certainly a part of it, but I'm very passionate about people with disabilities; that would be the only personal issue I would bring to the table.

**NORTH FORTY:** Any plans of running for another term?

**JENI:** Yes, absolutely, I am intending to run again next term.

**NORTH FORTY:** Lastly, is there anything else you'd like to say to the public?

**JENI:** People can just call me; a little girl came from Dunn (Elementary IB World School) to shadow me for an afternoon and then went and reported to her student council and they asked her, 'how did you get in touch with the mayor' and she told them, 'I called her.' People can just call me; government is open, and everyone is welcome anytime.

## Free Wood Mulch Available to City of Fort Collins Community

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The City of Fort Collins Forestry Division will provide free wood mulch to the Fort Collins community on Saturday, May 21 from 8 am to 3 pm at 1380 Hoffman Mill Road.

Loading assistance will be provided onsite by City personnel using a front-end loader. Visitors should bring their own open-top vehicle or trailer and will be responsible for covering their loads upon departure from the facility. Please note, that this offer is not available to commercial businesses.

The Forestry Division began recycling all City-owned tree debris produced by tree maintenance

operations in 2009 and has been working since then to keep this material out of landfills. Each year, the Division provides free wood mulch to the community through Free Mulch Day in the spring and throughout the year at two self-load sites, Timberline Recycling Center and The Gardens on Spring Creek. The mulched material is also utilized on City capital improvement projects, in City Parks, as well as on Poudre School District properties.

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## The Fort Collins Trolley is Ready to Roll

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The Fort Collins Trolley will, once again, ride the rails up and down historic Mountain Ave between City Park and Old Town.

After a winter of maintenance and track updates, the 1919 and 1922 restored streetcars will be operating on weekends and holidays-

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# HEALTH



## Mental Health Awareness Month Offers Opportunity to Eliminate Stigma

MICHAEL ALLEN | Summitstone Health Partners



Since I started my career 30+ years ago, fighting stigma has been at the forefront of the work we do as behavioral healthcare professionals. As our communities have faced so many recent crises including suicides, the opioid epidemic, mass shootings, economic uncertainty, civil unrest, and climate concerns exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic, we have also seen an exponential increase in the need for behavioral health services. While it is heartbreaking to see that more of us are struggling during these times, I find solace in the fact that people are asking for help when it's needed, and, ideally before situations rise to the crisis level. I believe increased service demand is an indicator that our continuous efforts to eliminate stigma are working

In the fight against stigma, what has felt like baby steps over the past several decades has, in recent years, become giant leaps ahead. Cultural role models such as athletes, entertainers, politicians, community leaders, our youth, and those with lived experiences who step forward as advocates, have all made contributions to breaking down those walls. By sharing their personal stories, they show that mental health concerns and diagnoses are indeed not rare and are absolutely treatable. By emphasizing that it's okay to not be okay and that it's imperative to reach out and ask for help, they provide a path for others to consider seeking resources for support.

As we mark the 24th year May has been recognized nationally as Mental Health Awareness Month, I have never been more proud of the profession I chose, the organization I lead, and

the amazing colleagues and community partners we work with to help our neighbors, friends, and families live their lives to the fullest. In fact, this year SummitStone is marking our 65th year of providing unsurpassed behavioral healthcare across Larimer County. Over the years we have continued to expand our reach, our size, and the diversity of our services. The coming years are exciting ones for behavioral health. Our work, along with our partners and advocates, has paved many roads to reduce stigma and remove barriers to seeking help.

I urge you to reach out if you or a loved one is struggling with behavioral health issues. The difference between surmounting the walls that stigma imposes and reaching out for assistance can indeed be life-changing. Help is available. People can and do recover. We know this because we see it every day.

If you or a loved one are in crisis, call SummitStone at (970) 494-4200 Option 4 or text TALK to 38255 anytime, day or night. Walk-in help is available 8 a.m. to midnight every day of the week at 1217 Riverside Ave., Fort Collins.

About SummitStone Health Partners: SummitStone Health Partners is the not-for-profit behavioral health provider for Larimer County. Since 1957, SummitStone's mission has been to provide unsurpassed mental health and substance use prevention, intervention, and treatment services. SummitStone now serves more than 10,000 community members across Larimer County annually, which includes a Behavioral Health Urgent Care and Crisis Stabilization Unit located at 1217 Riverside Ave. in Fort Collins.

Michael G. Allen, MBA, LCSW, CAS is the CEO of SummitStone Health Partners.

## 2 Out of 3 Women with Depression or Anxiety Say They've Reached Their "Breaking Point" Yet More than Half Wait a Year Before Seeking Treatment

NORTH FORTLY NEWS | NorthFortlyNews.com

Two out of three women diagnosed with depression or anxiety say they have reached or are approaching their breaking point regarding their mental health, according to the GeneSight® Mental Health Monitor, a new nationwide survey from Myriad Genetics, Inc. (NASDAQ: MYGN).

This breaking point can be defined as a negative impact or a significant strain on anything from social life to caring for loved ones at home to professional obligations. Four out of 10 women without a diagnosis of depression or anxiety say they have reached or are reaching this point.

When feeling overwhelmed, nearly three in four (72%) of women say they "just need to take a break," with 31% believing "I need to try harder." Only 13% said they thought "I should see a doctor" when feeling overwhelmed.

"Women often feel pressure to 'hold it all together' and not admit when they are struggling," says Dr. Betty Jo "BJ" Fancher, family medicine and psychiatric physician assistant with a doctorate of medical science and a master's in psychopharmacology. "Yet, if you are sobbing on the floor of your shower, throwing things in anger, or repeatedly screaming into a pillow, these are signals that you have crossed a line and should see a healthcare provider about your mental health." Delaying mental health treatment is common

among the women surveyed. In fact, more than half (51%) of women diagnosed with anxiety and/or depression waited at least one year before seeking treatment – or never sought treatment at all.

"It is critical to receive treatment for mental health because we know that mental health conditions are highly comorbid with other physical diseases, such as cancer, stroke, and heart disease. Why live with a mental health condition that can impact every aspect of your life until you reach a breaking point," said Rachael Earls, Ph.D., a medical science liaison with Myriad Genetics.

According to the survey, the top reasons women diagnosed with depression or anxiety delayed treatment are:

- "I thought it was 'just a phase' or that I could get over it on my own" (60%)
- "I didn't want anyone to know I was struggling" (50%)
- "I didn't want to take medication" (31%)
- "I couldn't afford treatment" (26%)
- "I didn't have health insurance" (19%)
- "I didn't have time to seek treatment" (18%)

The GeneSight Mental Health Monitor is a nationwide survey of U.S. adults conducted online by ACUPOLL Precision Research, Inc. from Feb. 25 to March 11, 2022, among a statistically representative sample (n=1000) of adults age 18+. The margin of error for the total base population at a 95% confidence interval is +/- 3%.



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# LOVELAND & BERTHOUD

## Operation Spring Clean Sweep Launches

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Street Sweeping  
(Photo courtesy of City of Loveland)

The City of Loveland started citywide street sweeping operations on Monday, May 2. Crews will visit neighborhoods and perform thorough sweeping to remove debris from the streets and gutters through May.

They will systematically work through neighborhoods within city limits according to trash collection day. Sweeping will occur Monday through Thursday each week. Crews will not sweep on the normal trash collection day in each neighborhood. The schedule is as follows:

- Week 1: May 2 – 6, Thursday trash day
- Week 2: May 9 – 13, Monday trash day
- Week 3: May 16 – 20, Tuesday trash day
- Week 4: May 23 – 27, Wednesday trash day

Residents are asked to please not sweep leaves/debris from yards into the street; it is against City Ordinance and can clog storm drains.

Please visit [lovgov.org/recyclingcenter](http://lovgov.org/recyclingcenter) for more information about how to recycle leaves properly. The City has also released a helpful video outlining four easy ways to protect Loveland's waterways.

## Loveland Garden & Art Tour

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The 18th annual Loveland Garden and Art Tour will be on June 18, 8 am–2 pm.

The High Plains / Centerra neighborhood is an award-winning multi-use neighborhood and certified Community Wildlife Habitat located in Loveland at the heart of Northern Colorado. This unique community is also home to the High Plains Environmental Center, which oversees 275 acres of wetlands, open space, and reservoirs.

The Loveland Garden and Art Tour is the primary fundraiser for Loveland Youth Gardeners.

Learn more at [lovelandyouthgardeners.org](http://lovelandyouthgardeners.org).

## Mountain Cowboy Brewing Opens Taproom at Centerra

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Michelle and Ron Yovich of Mountain Cowboy Brewing Company (Photo courtesy Mountain Cowboy Brewing Company)

McWhinney and Mountain Cowboy Brewing Co have announced the opening of Mountain Cowboy's Loveland location, situated within Centerra's new Kinston Hub.

The original Mountain Cowboy, which opened in Frederick in 2017, is known for drawing the community together, whether its guests gather for conversation over freshly roasted coffee Friday mornings or music enthusiasts congregating over cold beers during open mic night. Entrepreneurial owners and Loveland residents Michelle and Ron Yovich are passionate not only about community engagement but also about farming and sourcing local products.

For both locations, they roast their own coffee beans and grow their own hops for brewing. In honor of their newest taproom, they created Kinston Kolsch, a beer that will be served exclusively at the Kinston Hub.

"We are honored to be partnering with McWhinney at the Kinston Hub and

thrilled to be opening a second location in northern Colorado, especially since we are Loveland residents," said Ron Yovich.

"We are excited for the community to develop around us; we've been fortunate to influence the design of this new space to create a warm, inviting place for everyone to gather. We hope local residents and guests will come to enjoy and fall in love with our crafted beer, freshly roasted coffee, handmade baked goods, and delicious snacks, and come to think of us as one of their top community go-to spots where everyone is welcome."

Kinston is McWhinney's newest residential village, located on 625 acres on the east side of I-25 within Centerra's award-winning master-planned community in Loveland.

At full buildout, Kinston plans to deliver an estimated 2,800 homes oriented around parks and trails to help support the growing demand for northern Colorado residents.

Kinston's first phase of amenities includes outdoor lounge areas, a splash pad, fire pits, demonstration gardens, and interactive art.

Single-family model homes are slated to open in summer of 2022 starting in the \$500,000s. Kinston Commons, which will be the central amenity campus in phase two, is planned to include a fitness/yoga studio, a swimming pool, and an outdoor amphitheater.

Mountain Cowboy hours of operation are slated to be Tuesday – Thursday, 7 am to 9 pm; Friday – Saturday, 7 am to 10 pm; Sunday, 8 am to 8 pm; and closed on Monday.

For more information, visit [mountaincowboybrewing.com](http://mountaincowboybrewing.com)



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# the new scene weekly

## Not Just Laundry: Rocking Tour Shirts

TIM VAN SCHMIDT | SceneNOCO.com

In honor of the official return of t-shirt weather -- and the roaring return of Colorado concerts -- I'd like to pay tribute to a true rock and roll tradition: the tour t-shirt.

It's usually black. It has a band name on it. There's usually some very striking artwork splashed across it. A lot of times, the tour dates are on the back too.

And they are a sign of just how cool you are.

Why? Because tour shirts express what kind of music you really dig -- and signal that you were willing to get out there and see your favorite bands play live.

Tour shirts are more than just product branding, though "branding" is certainly a part of it. But more, they are about a time and a place -- rock and roll memories are what make tour shirts more than just laundry.

They become the history of good concerts and great times.

I bought my first tour shirt in 1975 at a Rolling Stones show. That was the year the Stones played in Fort Collins at Hughes Stadium. However, I flew into Los Angeles to see them on two consecutive nights at the "Fabulous" Forum.

A friend from Phoenix -- not a city on the Stones tour -- asked me to buy him a t-shirt and since I was doing so, I bought one for myself. I wore that thing constantly, though I probably wouldn't fit into it now. Still, this old thing isn't going in the rag bin.

Since then, I have hardly ever failed to at least check out the merch booth. And once you're there, you may as well buy something, right?

Actually, before I bought any tour shirts, I was buying programs. I bought a full-color program at my very first concert overall -- Herb Alpert and the Tijuana Brass in Phoenix in 1966.

My favorite program of all time, though, was the one from the 1974 George Harrison tour with Ravi Shankar, which included a full tutorial on Indian music and instruments. I saw the show in Tucson and since Harrison was the first Beatle I got to see live, I still have that program.

There are other great rock and roll collectibles as well. Band buttons were

especially popular in the 1970s and 80s -- and a relatively inexpensive souvenir.

My first buttons were free. When I saw T. Rex in Santa Monica in 1972, they were handing out buttons to promote "The Slider" album. When I saw Blondie in 1978 at the Starwood, the famous punk club in LA, they were handing out buttons that said "Blondie is a Group" signifying that vocalist Deborah Harry wasn't the only one in the band.

Most recently, I just had to buy a UK Subs button when the venerable punk band made a stop in Fort Collins at Hodi's.

Of course, there are also posters, but I was never very interested in them -- they are just too hard to carry around during the show without messing them up. But the coolest poster that I did buy was a custom piece of art for a run by The Dead at Red Rocks one year -- a skeleton cowboy riding a bucking bronco.

Stickers? I have a David Lindley and El Rayo X sticker I picked up after a particularly raucous show out at Fort Ram. I have a few patches too, like the one I bought in Las Vegas to commemorate a wild show featuring Nine Inch Nails, Marilyn Manson, and the Jim Rose Circus, perhaps one of the rawest concerts I've ever seen.

I even snagged a Bob Dylan bandana at his most recent appearance at Red Rocks.

But tour shirts are the coolest rock and roll memorabilia of them all -- and I'll bet the 2022 tour shirts will be hot items.

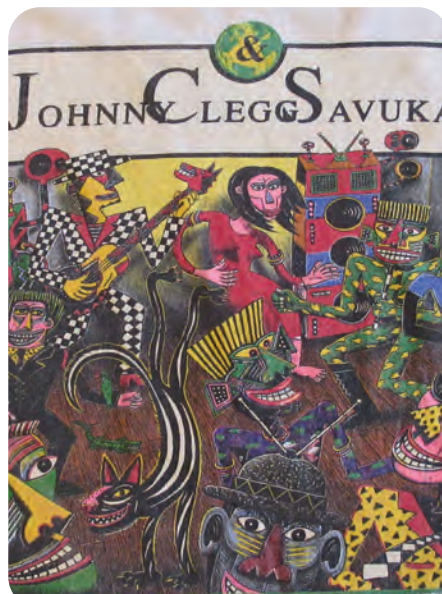
As stated, it's about the memories, but it's also about the artwork. Some shirts are just striking -- like the scary-looking Godsmack shirt I bought at Red Rocks. And some are even shocking -- like the bloody Gwar shirt, I collected at the Aggie Theatre.

Some of the shirts are folk art. My favorite t-shirt design of all time is one by Johnny Clegg and Savuka. The artwork shows a music party in full gear with a colorful and diverse number of characters living it up.

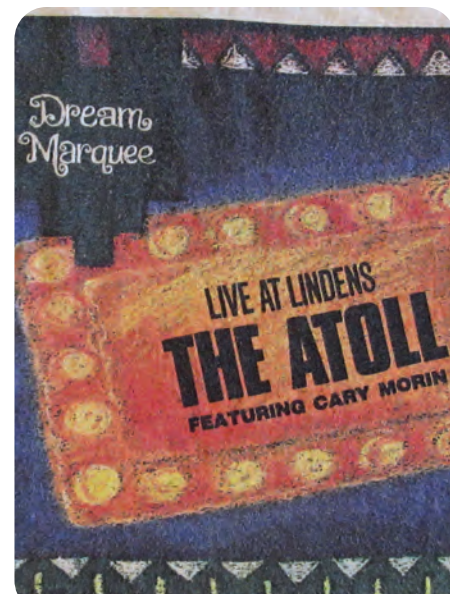
But I noticed when I was looking through my collection of tour shirts recently that there were some shirts missing, notably a U-2 shirt I bought at McNichols Arena on St. Patrick's Day in



First tour shirt Rolling Stones 1975



Favorite design Johnny Clegg and Savuka



Vintage NOCO shirt The Atoll

1985; and the Bruce Springsteen shirt I bought, also in 1985, at Mile High Stadium, the venue packed to the brim with Bruce fans despite volatile Colorado weather; and The Pretenders shirt I bought at Red Rocks one glorious afternoon.

Oh, that's right, I can remember seeing my daughter wearing them around at one point -- and those vintage shirts were never to be seen again.

The last tour shirt I bought was at the same place I bought the first one -- at the Forum in Los Angeles. It was Black Sabbath's farewell tour and I couldn't NOT get a shirt.

It was a special date for me and my brother. We had seen Sabbath open for

Grand Funk Railroad at the Forum in 1971 -- their first major LA appearance -- and here we were, 45 years later, seeing the band again in all their dark glory.

But wait -- I may not be done. I just bought a ticket to see Alice Cooper at the Budweiser Events Center in October. Hmmm, I don't have an Alice Cooper tour shirt yet...

*Tim Van Schmidt is a writer and photographer based in Fort Collins. Explore his channel on YouTube at "Time Capsules by Tim Van Schmidt".*



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## CITY BUZZ

# “YOU’RE WORTH IT” IS JILLIAN LEE ANTINORA’S SALUTE TO MOTHERS EVERYWHERE

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Jillian Lee Antinora (Photo courtesy of Dawn Jones, Pressed PR)

Writing from the heart, singer-songwriter Jillian Lee Antinora shares the gratitude she feels for her kids in her Mother’s Day track, “You’re Worth It.”

Jillian Lee Antinora, mother and musician, released a Mother’s Day track entitled “You’re Worth It” on May 3. Antinora explains that her inspiration for the song came, of course, from her children. As a mother of six, Antinora knows well the challenges and triumphs of motherhood. In the chorus, she shares candidly that having kids encompasses both “the greatest joys and the deepest pains.” Utilizing a stripped-back feel, the track includes the folky strings of Antinora’s guitar and her tender vocals to top off the song’s wholesome lyrics.

“This is a song I wrote for my kids for Mother’s Day,” she explains. “They always give me gifts and make me feel special for Mother’s Day, and they recognize all the work it takes to be a mom.”

Despite the sweet sentiment, Antinora doesn’t sugarcoat what it means to be a mother. She sings about the pains of labor and the sacrifices she took in her career to be there for her kids, along with the fear that can overwhelm mother’s so often. In this way, the track reflects a true representation of motherhood in all its messy glory. Antinora

explains that the message of the song came from a question her kids asked her: “Mom, why did you have kids, even though it can be hard sometimes?” Her answer was easy, “because you’re worth it!” “You’re Worth It” expresses gratitude, lifts up mothers, and invites listeners to share in the love.

You can stream the song on Spotify.

Jillian Antinora is the lead singer, songwriter, and guitarist for her compositions. Jillian was born in Belleville, Illinois. She grew up in Las Vegas, NV, and later moved to Colorado Springs, CO. Growing up, she studied ballet and was classically trained in voice as a lyric soprano beginning at age 15. In 1996 she moved to New York City to attend American Music and Dramatic Academy (AMDA) and pursue her dream of working in the theatre.

She worked professionally in musical theatre around the U.S. and on cruise ships for 6 years before getting married in San Diego in 2002.

She then lived in Sicily for 3 years where she studied opera. In 2008, she returned to Fort Collins, Colorado where she now lives.

Jillian lives with her husband and their 6 children. Jillian and her husband TJ own 3 Subway restaurants, and Jillian runs her own real estate agency.

# RIO GRANDE MEXICAN RESTAURANT RETURNS TO ITS ORIGINAL LOCATION IN FORT COLLINS ON MAY 19

NEW SCENE | SceneNOCO.com

After months of renovations, the Rio Grande Mexican Restaurant (the Rio) is bidding farewell to its temporary location on S. College Avenue and returning to its original home at 143 W. Mountain Avenue in Fort Collins. The space has been repaired from the fire damage and completely renovated with a fresh look and feel. The Rio will open on Thursday, May 19, and will be open for lunch and dinner from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily.

“After more than 30 years on West Mountain Avenue it was time for time for an update and the kitchen fire expedited the process,” said Pat McGaughran, founder and owner of the Rio. “Whether it’s a happy hour or wedding reception, the Rio has been a community gathering spot for years and we are very excited to be able to bring

the community back together in our original space. The renovation celebrates the history within the walls, and also gives the space a more modern and contemporary look.”

In addition to a full interior revamp, the Rio is also in the process of a significant patio expansion. The patio space will double in size and another outdoor bar will be added as well.

“The Rio” now has 5 Colorado locations (Fort Collins, Boulder, Denver, Greeley, Park Meadows).

Rio Grande Mexican Restaurant offers happy hour Monday thru Friday from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m., lunch and dinner daily (times vary per location), and weekend brunch on Saturday and Sunday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Vegan-friendly and gluten-free options are also available at each location.



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# CITY BUZZ

## PHOTO OF THE WEEK: "THE CATCH OF THE DAY"



Rawlin Davidson says he always sees the Great Blue Herons at City Park in Fort Collins, but this time the heron was not spooked by his dog, so he stopped and watched. Rawlin pulled out his camera and captured a heron hunting, catching, and eating a fish. This was his favorite picture in the series. Wonderful work Rawlin!

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SummerFest 2022 will present a unique series of concerts and lectures probing the creative imagination in music and science, exploring questions such as, 'How

do we get ideas?' and 'How does memory work with imagination in the creation of music or a scientific discovery?'

Among this year's performers are pianist-composers Bruce Adolphe and Michael Brown, violinist Kelly-Hall Tompkins, and cellist Matthew Zalkind.

For more information visit [offthehookarts.org](http://offthehookarts.org).

## JIM GAFFIGAN TO PERFORM AT THE BUDWEISER EVENTS CENTER

NEW SCENE | [SceneNOCO.com](http://SceneNOCO.com)

Jim Gaffigan and his "Fun Tour" will perform at the Budweiser Events Center on September 16.

Jim Gaffigan is a six-time Grammy-nominated comedian, actor, writer, producer, two-time New York Times best-selling author, top touring performer, and multi-platinum-selling father of five. He is known around the world for his unique brand of humor which largely revolves around fatherhood and his observations on life.

In addition to his own television show, popular stand-up comedy, and best-selling books, Jim has guest-starred in many television comedies and dramas, ranging

from "Portlandia" and "The Unbreakable Kimmy Schmidt" to HBO's cult hits "Flight of the Concorde" and "Bored to Death" to dramatic roles in all three versions of "Law & Order."

Gaffigan costarred with Peter Sarsgaard and Winona Ryder in Magnolia Picture's 2015 drama, Experimentor.

Gaffigan, who is one of the world's highest-grossing stand-up comedians, is currently on his "Fun Tour", with multiple national and international dates scheduled.

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**May 11 Meeting for Pikes Peak Genealogical Society**, Online, 6:30 pm -9 pm  
**Mr. Crowley: The Ozzy Osbourne Experience**, Moxi Theater, 8 pm -12:30 am  
**School of Rock Broomfield End of Season Show**, 100 Nickel, 5:30 pm  
**Slopes, Shapes, and Landscapes**, The Lincoln Center, 12 pm -6 pm  
**Sondre Lerche w/ mmeadows - Presented by 105.5 The Colorado Sound - Sponsored by WeldWerks Brewing**, Aggie Theatre, 8:15 pm  
**The Builders and the Butchers w/ Guests TBA**, Hi-Dive, 8 pm -11 pm

## Thursday, May 12

**Aaron Kamm and the One Drops + Cas Haley, Knuckleball**, Aggie Theatre, 8 pm  
**JURIED BFA EXHIBITION 2022**, Hatton Gallery, 10 am -4 pm  
**Lane-O with Wayne Watts + Jellie + Justin Matthew + Cleo @ The Black Buzzard**, The Black Buzzard, 9:30 pm -11:30 pm  
**Melanin MagiQ**, Online, 5:30 pm -6:30 pm  
**Mel Soul at The Gressiwick**, The Gressiwick, 7 pm  
**Museum at Twilight: Boys & Girls Clubs of Weld County - Inspiring and Engaging Young Community Members**, Greeley History Museum, 4 pm -8 pm  
**Nattali Rize + Indubious @ Moxi Theater**, Moxi Theater, 8 pm -11:30 pm  
**School of Rock Broomfield End of Season Show**, 100 Nickel, 5:30 pm  
**The Slaps w/ Guests TBA**, Hi-Dive, 8 pm -11 pm  
**The Thugs Feat. Sean Kelly**, The Fox Theatre, 9 pm  
**Wheelthrowing Sampler - Handmade Dinnerware Set - 5 Week Class**, Flingin Pots, 6:30 pm -9 pm

## Friday, May 13

**2022 Colfax Marathon - Volunteer**, City Park (Denver), All Day  
**Alice in Wonderland**, The Lincoln Center, 7 pm -9 pm  
**An Intimate Evening with Tony Lucca**, Roots Music Project, 8 pm -10:30 pm  
**Banshee Tree + Silver & Gold w/ Sarah Slaton & The Great Perhaps - Presented by The CO Sound**, Aggie Theatre, 8 pm  
**Bound for Peaches Tribute to the Allman brothers and Tedeschi Trucks Band**, Fox Theater Boulder, CO, 7:30 pm  
**Carlos Barata at Lucky Joe's**, Lucky Joe's, 9 pm -12 am

**Cloud Catcher with Green Druid + Shepherd @ The Black Buzzard**, The Black Buzzard, 8 pm -11:30 pm  
**Dafna**, eTown Hall, 7 pm -9:30 pm  
**Harland Williams**, Boulder Theater, 8 pm  
**Mark Gibson at The Gressiwick**, The Gressiwick, 7 pm  
**New Reb w/ Special Guests**, 100 Nickel, 8 pm  
**Party for Partners**, The Lincoln Center, 6 pm -9 pm  
**Professor Phelyx Mentalist & Magic Show**, The Louisville Underground, 8 pm -9:30 pm  
**Slopes, Shapes, and Landscapes**, The Lincoln Center, 12 pm -6 pm  
**Southern Culture on the Skids**, Washington's, 7 pm -10 pm  
**Spamilton: An American Parody**, Union Colony Civic Center, 7:30 pm  
**Stella's Stand Up Underground Comedy Showcase**, Stella's Pinball Arcade & Lounge, 7 pm -11:30 pm  
**Teminite**, 2454 West, 8 pm  
**Top Flite Empire + Shaun Mercier + JMacc + Dymondz & more @ Moxi Theater**, Moxi Theater, 8 pm -11:30 pm  
**Trumbo, Red White and Blacklisted**, Bas Bleu Theatre, 7:30 pm

## Saturday, May 14

**6 Million Dollar Band @ Moxi Theater**, Moxi Theater, 9 pm -11:30 pm  
**Alice in Wonderland**, The Lincoln Center, 1 & 7 pm  
**Dirty Date Night: Adult Wheel-Throwing Class 5/14**, Flingin Pots, 7 pm -9 pm  
**Fort Collins Symphony May 14 Concert: Debussy and Schumann**, The Lincoln Center, 7:30 pm -9:30 pm  
**Head for the Hills - Pickin' on the Poudre**, Mishawaka Amphitheatre, 8 pm  
**Infected Rain "Ecdysis By Night Tour 2022"**, 830 North, 8 pm  
**Latin Night ft DJ Lalo in.Bad**, Aggie Theatre, 8 pm  
**Start Making Sense: Talking Heads Tribute**, Fox Theater Boulder, CO, 9 pm  
**The Pickin' Pear @ The Black Buzzard**, The Black Buzzard, 8 pm -11:30 pm  
**The Who Do's**, The Louisville Underground, 8 pm -11 pm  
**THEY MIGHT BE GIANTS**, Washington's, 8 pm -10:30 pm  
**Trumbo, Red White and Blacklisted**, Bas Bleu Theatre, 7:30 pm

## Sunday, May 15

**All Ages/Abilities Wheel-Throwing Class 5/15**, Flingin Pots, 11 am & 3 pm  
**David Bromberg Quintet**, Boulder Theater, 8 pm  
**Horse Feathers @ The Coast**, The East Coast Bar, 8 pm -11:30 pm

## WEEKLY SNEAK PEEK



**Southern Culture on the Skids**, Washington's (Fort Collins), 7 pm -10 pm, **Friday, May 13**  
 Southern Culture On The Skids has been consistently recording and touring around the world since 1983. Their legendary live shows are a testament to the therapeutic powers of foot-stomping, butt-shaking rock and roll.

**Jackpierce @ Moxi Theater**, Moxi Theater, 8 pm -11:30 pm  
**Trumbo, Red White and Blacklisted**, Bas Bleu Theatre, 7:30 pm

## Tuesday, May 17

**Juan Wauters // Fort Collins**, The Coast, 7:30 pm -10:30 pm  
**Nilüfer Yanya with Tasha & Ada Lea**, Fox Theater Boulder, CO, 9 pm  
**RFC Networking Breakfast at the Hilton Fort Collins**, Hilton Fort Collins, 7:30 am -9 am  
**Rialto Theater Centennial Celebration**, Rialto Theater Center  
**Terrapin Flyer @ Moxi Theater**, Moxi Theater, 8 pm -11:30 pm  
**The Music of Cream Feat. Will Johns & Kofi Baker**, Boulder Theater, 8 pm

## Wednesday, May 18

**Author & Punisher/ MVTANT/ Guest TBD**, Hi-Dive, 9 pm -12 am  
**Blast N Bowl w/ WEEED, Starwraith, & Dead Man's Alibi**, 2454 West, 7 pm  
**Goatwhore @ Moxi Theater**, Moxi Theater, 8 pm -11:30 pm  
**Slopes, Shapes, and Landscapes**, The Lincoln Center, 12 pm -6 pm  
**Songwriting Circle**, Roots Music Project, 7:15 pm -9:30 pm

## Thursday, May 19

**An Evening with Bruce Cockburn**, Boulder Theater, 8 pm  
**Card Catalog with Time & Tonic + Wiff @ The Black Buzzard**, The Black Buzzard, 8 pm -11:30 pm  
**GlueMan - Album Release Show w/ Supreme Joy / Flora De La Luna / Pawns**, Hi-Dive, 9 pm -11:30 pm  
**House With A Yard w/ Pickin Pear**, 830 North, 8 pm  
**Kind Hearted Strangers + Violet Pilot with Elise Wunder @ Moxi Theater**, Moxi Theater, 8 pm -11:30 pm

## Friday, May 20

**Boogie Machine Costume Party @ Cheers**, At Cheers, 7 pm -12 am  
**Boys & Girls Clubs of Larimer County's Spring Soiree: A Night to Support our Future Leaders**, Budweiser Events Center, 6 pm -10 pm  
**Chain Station w/ Jake Leg**, 830 North, 8 pm  
**Co-Stanza w/ Write Minded, Two Headed Sweater**, Aggie Theatre, 8 pm  
**Dirty Date Night: Adult Wheel-Throwing Class 5/20**, Flingin Pots, 7 pm -9 pm  
**Ghost Revue + Rocky Burning Band + Luke Britton @ The Black Buzzard**, The Black Buzzard, 8 pm -11:30 pm  
**Lost City Live - David Burchfield w/ Plain Faraday**, Lost City River North Patio, 6:30 pm -10 pm  
**Patty Clayton CD Celebration Concert with Special Guests**, The Gressiwick, 7 pm  
**Rumors (A Tribute to Fleetwood Mac) @ Moxi Theater**, Moxi Theater, 8 pm -11:30 pm  
**Slopes, Shapes, and Landscapes**, The Lincoln Center, 12 pm -6 pm  
**Son Lux with Nappy Nina**, The Fox Theatre, 9 pm

**The Christians Presented by OpenStage Theatre**, Christ United Methodist Church, 7:30 pm  
**Thelma and the Sleaze/ The Savage Blush/ Fast Eddy/ Velvet Horns**, Hi-Dive, 9 pm -12 am  
**Wake Up and Live (A Bob Marley Tribute)**, 100 Nickel, 8 pm

## Saturday, May 21

**All Ages/Abilities Wheel-Throwing Class 5/7**, Flingin Pots, 10 am -12 pm  
**Aspire3D Kite Festival**, Loveland, Colorado, 10 am -3 pm  
**Colorado Jazz Repertory Orchestra - Simply Swingin': Great American Crooners with Steve Lippia**, Arvada Center, 7:30 pm  
**Dreamspace Database w/ Crooked Heir**, 100 Nickel, 8 pm  
**Hooligan's Holiday - A Tribute to Motley Crue**, 2454 West, 8 pm  
**Malevolent Creation + Narcotic Wasteland with Drahoria @ Moxi Theater**, Moxi Theater, 8 pm -11:30 pm  
**Raku Workshop - Fire & Smoke**, 200 W. Oak St., 6 pm -8 pm  
**Rob's 50th Birthday Bash Rolling Stones / Def Leppard / The Clash / British**, At Cheers, 7 pm -12 am  
**Son Lux - Tomorrows Tour w/ Nappy Nina**, Aggie Theatre, 8 pm -11:30 pm  
**Stem Ciders at Acreage 5k | 2022 CO Brewery Running Series**, Acreage by Stem Ciders, 10 am -1 pm  
**The Christians Presented by OpenStage Theatre**, Christ United Methodist Church, 7:30 pm  
**The Copper Children + David Lawrence & the Spoonful @ The Black Buzzard**, The Black Buzzard, 8 pm -11:30 pm  
**The Wildwoods at The Gressiwick**, The Gressiwick, 7 pm  
**Wake Up and Live (A Bob Marley Tribute)**, 830 North, 8 pm

## Sunday, May 22

**Etana @ The Black Buzzard**, The Black Buzzard, 8 pm -11:30 pm  
**Kid's Day! Ice Cream Bowls**, Crooked Stave FoCo, 2 pm -3 pm  
**MEGA Ran w/ Richie Branson & Rustage + More TBA**, Your Mom's House, 9 pm -2 am  
**Studio Concert 2022: For the Love of it!**, Fort Collins Senior Center, 3 pm -4 pm  
**Sunday Morning Toast and Jams**, Soul Squared Tap house, 11 am -2 pm  
**Swindlin Hearts / Lawsuit Models / Black Dots / The Animal Steel**, Hi-Dive, 8 pm -11:30 pm  
**Texas Hippie Coalition @ Moxi Theater**, Moxi Theater, 8 pm -11:30 pm  
**Todd Snider & The Cody Sisters**, Boulder Theater, 8 pm  
**Trail Session: iZCALLi & Fancy Bits**, Museum of Discovery, 1 pm -5 pm

## Monday, May 23

**Pikes Peak Safe at Schools Coalition**, Online, 4 pm -5:30 pm  
**Pineapple Thief Feat. Gavin Harrison with The Cyberiam**, Boulder Theater, 7:30 pm

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# NORTHERN COLORADO

## Northern Colorado Remembers Nancy Lorene Sheaffer

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Nancy Lorene Sheaffer Venturato of Fort Collins, CO passed away in her sleep on April 22, 2022. She was 80 years old and lived a full life before being called back home.

Born on July 11, 1941, in Independence, Missouri she grew up singing in the church choir, graduated from Van Horn High School, and attended Central Missouri State University earning her teaching degree. She married John Arthur Venturato, who was in the Marines, in 1963 and she taught 3rd grade in Kansas City. As a military wife, she moved around and lived in Virginia and California and opened in-home day care centers

during her travels.

After moving to Wellington and becoming a single parent to her two young daughters she started her 40-year career at Colorado State University. She helped start their Continuing Education Online Learning Program, worked as the Executive Assistant to the Head of Housing and Dining, and helped the International House residents as their Office Manager. She loved interacting with the international students so much, learning about their countries and keeping in touch with them as they started their families and careers, that she continued working until she was 76.

She taught Sunday School 1st graders for over 20 years at Wellington Federated Church and was responsible for running the elementary age opening each Sunday, playing piano, and teaching the young members all the fun Sunday School songs. She also worked tirelessly on many of the Christmas pageant productions. She supported her two girls in anything they wanted to do and was a Girl Scout leader for both, taking them through Brownies to Cadettes and then supporting their efforts in scouting through high school.

She was an avid reader and was active in her book club and had several of her club's book reviews

published. She enjoyed gardening, learning about history, playing with her dogs, eating lunch with her grandkids, and having a free Slurpee on her 7-11 birthday. She moved to Fort Collins and became a member of First United Methodist Church and especially enjoyed the music program. Her retirement was happy with no early morning meetings, lots of free time, and surrounded by her two children and five grandchildren. She overcame a lot to raise her family, was much loved by all, and will be missed.

She is preceded in death by her mother and father, Nancy Ellen (Willis) and John Luther Sheaffer, and her brother John Robert Sheaffer. She is survived by her two daughters Nancy Jeanne (Venturato) Murzyn, Sandra Lorene Venturato; son-in-law John Joseph Murzyn; and five grandchildren John Anthony Murzyn, Hannah Kathleen Gilbert, Bryce Andrew Murzyn, Thomas James Gilbert, and Wren Aeryn Murzyn.

Services will be held in the main sanctuary of First United Methodist Church on May 9, 2022, at 1 pm with a viewing at 12:30 pm. A reception will follow the ceremony and the burial service will take place at Grandview Cemetery at 3 pm. Donations to one of her favorite causes, Heifer International ([www.heifer.org](http://www.heifer.org)), can be made in her honor in lieu of flowers.

## Coloradans Encouraged to Prepare for Wildfire as Risk Increases

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Kruger Rock Firefighters (Picture provided by Resources Advisor on Division Whiskey)

Colorado is experiencing a new normal for wildfires with several destructive, record-setting fires occurring over the past two years driven by extreme weather and drought. With ongoing drought and warming temperatures across the state continuing to elevate wildfire risk for many Coloradans, state and federal agencies that manage wildfires and forests are urging residents to join in efforts to reduce that risk.

The Colorado Division of Fire Prevention and Control anticipates above-average temperatures and below-average precipitation from now into June. That will result in the persistence and expansion of drought conditions across the state and the emergence of above average, significant fire

potential over the eastern portions of Colorado this spring. Continuation of the warm and dry conditions is expected to result in drought intensification and earlier than average spring snowpack runoff, leading to above-normal large fire potential expanding across southern Colorado in May and throughout most of Colorado by June.

"Wildfire season is a thing of the past - it is a year-round battle. Colorado's core fire season is now an average of 78 days longer than it was in the '70s," said DFPC Director Mike Morgan.

The Forest Service recommends the following wildfire preparation activities:

- Rake and remove pine needles and dry leaves 5 feet from the home, as well as under decks, porches, sheds, and play structures.
- Remove leaves and needles from roofs and gutters.
- Sweep porches and decks clear of any burnable plant material.
- Move firewood piles at least 30 feet from the house, preferably uphill.
- Transfer items under decks or porches to a storage area.
- Cover any exposed eave or attic vents with 1/8-inch metal mesh screening.
- Ensure home address signs are clearly visible from the street.

For more information about reducing wildfire risk, search for the hashtag #COWildfireAware during May on Twitter and Facebook, or visit [bit.ly/COWildfireMitigation](http://bit.ly/COWildfireMitigation).



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## Election Integrity (from page 2)

Since becoming Clerk, I have pursued increases in salaries and pay grades and championed benefit enhancements for all my staff regularly. Our staff are among the finest in the nation and they are held appropriately accountable for their performance, which helps them all to rise. They are dedicated to serving the community they live in, and the stability and high calling of these positions are on par with their personal interests – it doesn't get better than that.

The sponsors of this bill have not even attempted to provide a compelling problem they are trying to solve – it is yet another answer in search of a problem. A problem (or many problems) that it will undoubtedly cause. Especially in recent years, when we have seen political gamesmanship at its most pervasive on both sides of the aisle. Let's don't let our staff and your tax dollars become pawns in this gamesmanship.

Aside from my concerns for

elections, this pits staff against themselves as taxpayers. Any additional costs (and this comes with the base cost of 1-2% of salaries to pay for the middleman before you even begin), must be borne by the taxpayer – making an already too expensive county government exponentially more expensive (especially over time) and putting taxpayer control yet one more step removed. How many other more compelling needs does county government, or you as a taxpayer, have for these dollars.

As your Clerk & Recorder directly answering to the citizenry and directly responsible for the administration of elections, I urge every citizen to communicate with their legislators immediately to ask their opposition to this bill. This is going to move through the legislature like a freight train, as late bills often do...leaving little time for proper discussion and vetting...please contact your legislators NOW!

# Northern Colorado Astronauts Arrive at Space Station

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Commander of Crew is a CSU Alum, Joined by Boulder Native



NASA's SpaceX Crew-4 astronauts participate in a training session at SpaceX headquarters in Hawthorne, California. From left to right: NASA astronaut and SpaceX Crew-4 mission specialist Jessica Watkins; NASA astronaut and SpaceX Crew-4 pilot Robert "Bob" Hines; NASA astronaut and SpaceX Crew-4 commander Kjell Lindgren; and ESA (European Space Agency) astronaut and Crew-4 mission specialist Samantha Cristoforetti of Italy. (Photo credit: NASA)

A Colorado State University alumnus made his second trip to the International Space Station, along with the first Black Woman to live on the Space Station.

Kjell Lindgren is commander of the mission, he earned a master's degree in cardiovascular physiology from CSU in 1996. Jessica Watkins, a Boulder native, is mission specialist.

The pair are joined by two others (Bob Hines, pilot and Samantha Cristoforetti, mission specialist) as part of NASA's SpaceX Crew-4 on Freedom.

"This is our fourth crew rotation flight – it's kind of hard to believe," said Steve Stich, manager, Commercial Crew Program, NASA's Johnson Space Center in Houston. "It seems like Demo-2 was just yesterday, and it's exciting to be here. We had a really clean countdown today – the Falcon 9 rocket did great; the Dragon vehicle did great. It was great to see the crew get in. You could tell they were excited to start their flight off."

Launching alongside the crew in the Dragon capsule is an investigation that seeks to restore meaningful vision to people suffering from retinal degenerative diseases like retinitis pigmentosa and macular degeneration. The Protein-Based Artificial Retina Manufacturing experiment tests the manufacturing of artificial retinas or retinal implants in microgravity, where it is expected their production could be optimized.

### About Kjell Lindgren



Dr. Kjell N. Lindgren was selected by NASA in 2009. He spent most of his childhood abroad and returned to the U.S. to complete his education and earn a Doctorate of Medicine from the University of Colorado. He earned a master's degree in cardiovascular physiology

from CSU in 1996. He is board-certified in emergency medicine. After serving as the Deputy Crew Surgeon for STS-130 and Expedition 24, he was selected as an astronaut in June 2009 as one of 14 members of the 20th NASA astronaut class. Dr. Lindgren flew on Expedition 44/45 and logged 141 days in space. He participated in two spacewalks and in more than a hundred different scientific experiments. Lindgren is currently serving as commander on NASA's SpaceX Crew-4 mission to the International Space Station, which launched on April 27.

### About Jessica Watkins



Jessica Watkins was selected by NASA to join the 2017 Astronaut Candidate Class. Watkins reported for duty in August 2017 and completed two years of training as an astronaut candidate. The Colorado native earned a Bachelor of Science in Geological and Environmental Sciences from Stanford University, and a Doctorate in Geology from the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA). Dr. Watkins conducted her graduate research on the emplacement mechanisms of large landslides on Mars and Earth. She has worked at NASA's Ames Research Center and NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory, and was a science team collaborator for NASA's Mars Science Laboratory rover, Curiosity. Watkins is currently serving as a mission specialist on NASA's SpaceX Crew-4 mission to the International Space Station, which launched on April 27.

### Scientific Research in Space

Lindgren said one of the scientific experiments the crew is conducting on this mission involves examining how weightlessness affects wound healing in a rodent

model, "which brings me back to my CSU days as well, given CSU's reputation as a veterinary training center." He said the crew will also be growing edible plants, as he did on his last mission.

"And that is an amazing thing, to plant it, then to watch it grow to the size that it can be harvested, to recognize that this could be a really important part of space flight as a source of food and even as part of our environmental control system," he said. "To see a little part of what science fiction has described for a long time ... and then to have that as part of a meal was a lot of fun."

Lindgren acknowledged that he has more responsibility and pressure serving as commander of this mission compared to his first trip to space, but he said his crewmates are fantastic. This marks the first trip to the space station for Boulder native Watkins and American pilot Hines. It is the second mission for European Space Agency astronaut Cristoforetti of Italy.

### Docking at ISS



NASA's SpaceX Crew-4 astronauts

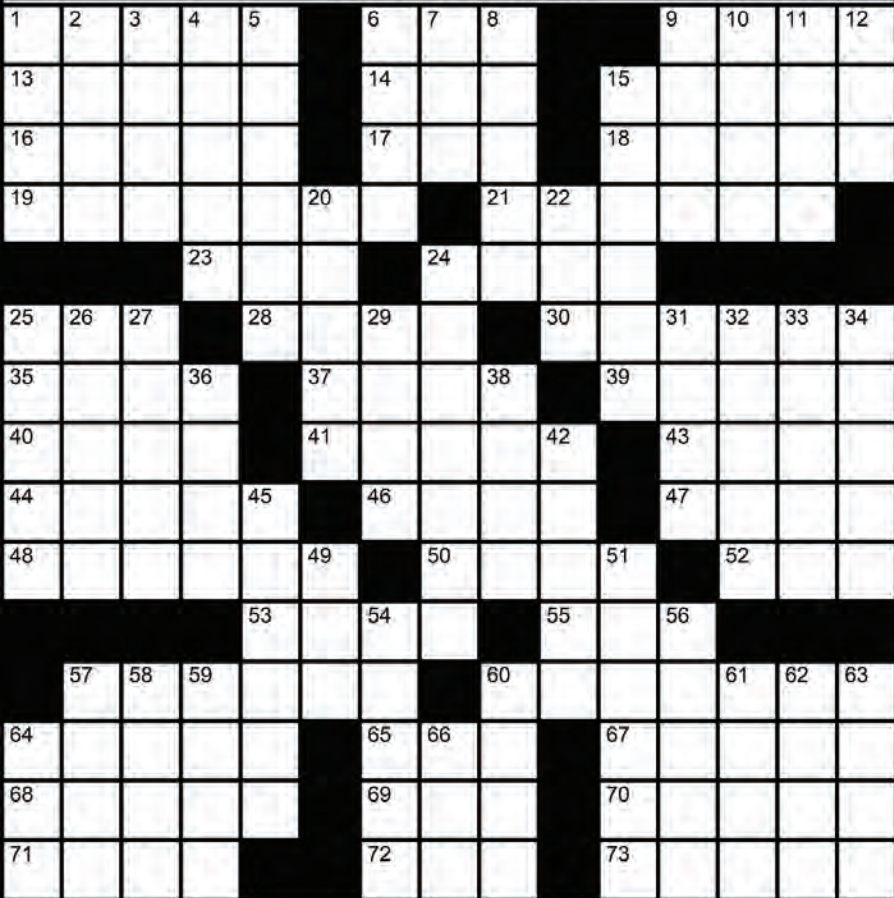
Upon their arrival at the space station, the Crew-4 astronauts were greeted by NASA astronauts of the Expedition 67 crew already on board. During their six-month stay aboard the microgravity laboratory, Lindgren, Hines, Watkins, and Cristoforetti have joined the Expedition 67 crew in conducting a number of science and research investigations.

Excerpts of this article and quotes were provided by Colorado State University (Jeff Dodge) and NASA ([nasa.gov](http://nasa.gov)).

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## GRADUATION

### CROSSWORD



### ACROSS

1. Like a bug on windshield noise
6. G-man
9. Type of race
13. Late actor Ledger
14. Waikiki necklace
15. Group of lions
16. Knight's shiny garb
17. Ensign, for short
18. One to beat
19. \*Graduation proof
21. \*"School's Out" singer
23. An indigenous person in Laos
24. 6-shooter
25. Founder of People's Republic of China
28. Porous rock
30. \*MFA or BA
35. Comrade in arms
37. Be inclined
39. Had in mind
40. Was a passenger
41. Ventricular beater
43. Same as ayah
44. \_\_\_\_\_ Trick, rock band
46. Nicholas II, e.g.
47. Initiation ceremony, e.g.
48. "Pollock" actor Ed
50. Foolish one
52. Ever, to a poet
53. "House of Gucci" star
55. Masters Tournament peg
57. \*Mortarboard attachment
60. \*"No more \_\_\_\_\_, no more books"
64. Fancy boat
65. Mozart's "L' \_\_\_\_\_ del Cairo"
67. Arm bones
68. Orderly arrangement
69. Granola grain
70. Gustatory sensation
71. Lord Byron's composition
72. Dashboard unit
73. Weasel's aquatic cousin

### DOWN

1. Herring's cousin
2. "Frasier" actress Gilpin
3. Bulb holder
4. Coral reef island
5. Neck cavity
6. Pestilence pest
7. Even, to a poet
8. "Saturday Night Fever" music genre
9. Type of coffee maker
10. Gauche or Droite in Paris
11. Month of Purim
12. Styling product
15. For the time being, Latin (2 words)
20. Cave opening
22. Like Hemingway's certain man on sea
24. Type of rummy
25. \*One in "Pomp and Circumstance" series
26. Hello to Israel Kamakawiwo'ole
27. Ahead in years
29. \*"You have brains in your head, you have \_\_\_\_\_ in your shoes"
31. Cleats to soccer player
32. China grass
33. Related on mother's side
34. Olden days anesthetic
36. \*School \_\_\_\_\_, which is about 180 days
38. No-win situation
42. Old-hat
45. Wilbur's home
49. \*Famous frat house
51. Adjective in sheet music
54. Low light
56. Enthusiastic approval
57. Tropical edible root
58. Land measure
59. A fake
60. Beaten by walkers
61. Research facil.
62. It's better than never?
63. Tiresias in "Oedipus Rex"
64. Small dog's bark
66. \*Gown's companion

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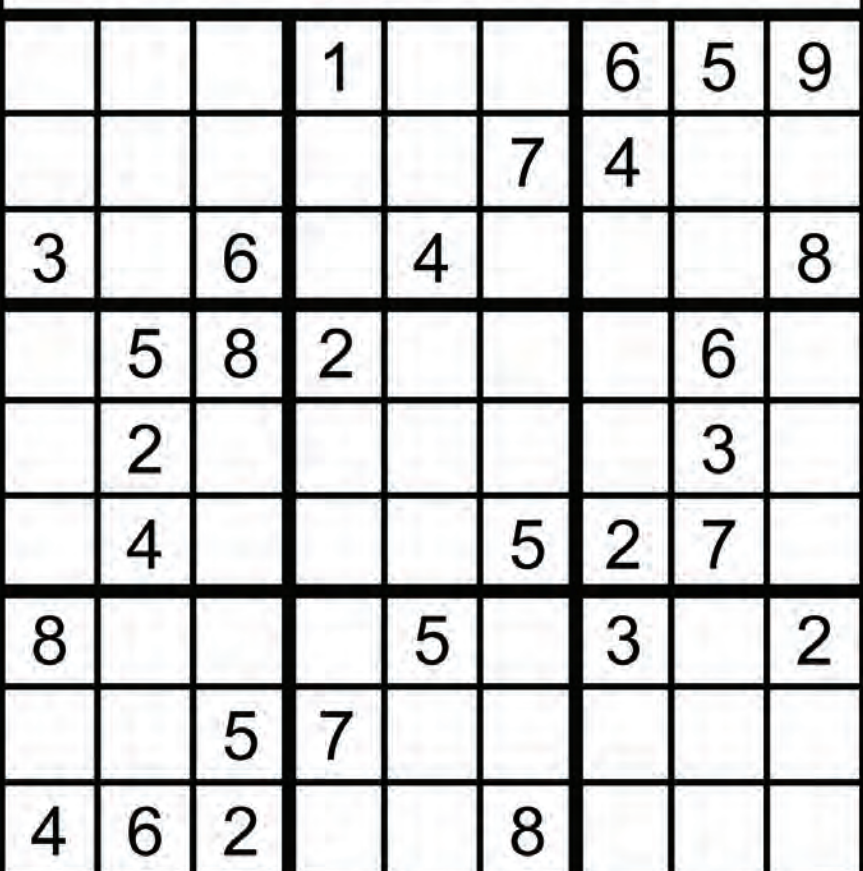
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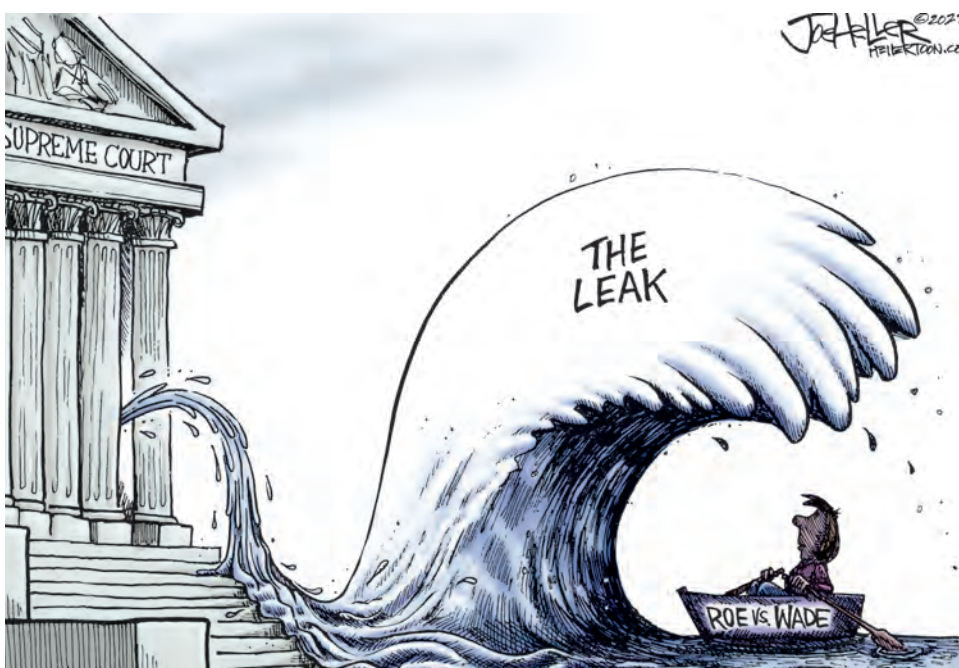


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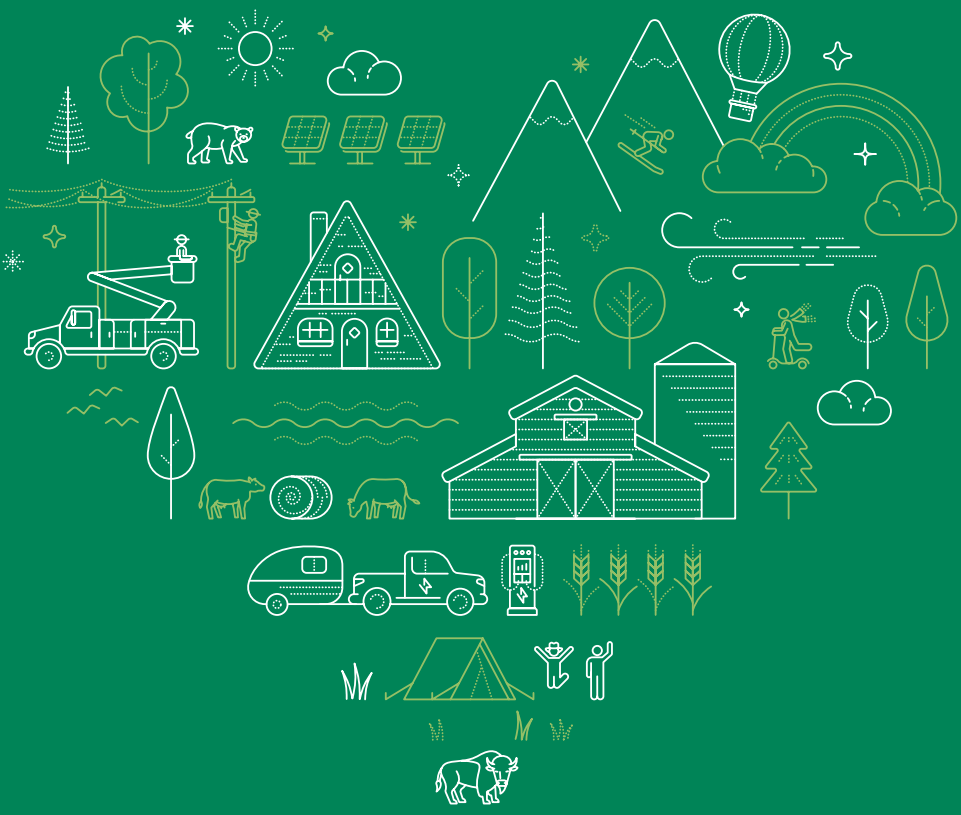


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