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You Have to Climb a Hill -- To Climb a Mountain

Last week I had the chance to take advantage of warmer weather to start clearing a spot at my mountain property for a cabin.

In recent weeks, I had machinery issues. The Kubota Tractor I purchased last year needed maintenance. It took three very long weeks to get the parts I needed, but I accomplished that "feat" this past week.

I fired up the Kubota, warmed her up, did my checks, and went to work!

The first goal was to build a temporary access road on the top of the hill I needed to remove. Then I started chipping away at the rocks, boulders, and soil to begin the leveling for the future structure. After about 10 hours of work, 50% progress! The machine is small. A friend in construction equipment sales referred to it as bringing "a knife to a gunfight." He's right. But, this is why I bought the tractor. I'll keep taking care of "her" and take my time.

I am adamant about reducing my footprint and impact on this beautiful place while making it accessible year-round. The foundation of the cabin will be pier-based, allowing for proper runoff. I want it to blend in as best as possible with the surrounding beautiful peaks and canyon. I'm working with a structural engineer to comply with Larimer County's requirements and make the structure SOLID to stand up well to the windy environment.

With bald eagle "babies and mama" circling and screaming at me from my neighbor's cliffs, I couldn't help but appreciate and love even more -- my future home. I will see the cliff and the eagle's nest with a perfect view of the cliff from my bedroom! And, they (along with the other wildlife) naturally control the environment around us. We are partners in nature.

While I was clearing, I realized what I was doing was no different than what I had been doing for years at North Forty News. I climbed a hill four years ago to climb a mountain!

My team and I started small and chipped away at the rocks and boulders (representing the problems). We move those "rocks" every day, and now we have started to climb the mountain. The mountain in North Forty News' case was expansion -- to form Northern Colorado's only regional



Climbing a hill with the Kubota (Photo by Blaine Howerton)

weekly!

So, my team and I at North Forty News are climbing the mountain.

Where do we go from here? As the newspaper closes in on its 30th year, North Forty News will get more involved in our communities as we report on them, and share the news about community-centered events, organizations, and people.

As I "chip" away at the boulders and rocks, I will continue to climb the mountain -- professionally and personally and I couldn't be more proud and excited about what lies ahead!

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The deadline for voting is April 22, 2022.

Great Plates of Downtown Raises \$133,736 to Benefit Food Bank for Larimer County

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The Fort Collins Downtown Development Authority (DDA), the Food Bank for Larimer County, and the 48 participating downtown Fort Collins restaurants have announced the 2022 Great Plates fundraising total. This year's promotion raised a record-breaking \$133,736 in donations for the Food Bank!

For every \$1 donated, the Food Bank can provide two meals' worth of food. Over the last 17 years, Great Plates of Downtown has raised \$964,149.

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What is Fine Texture, Anyway?

BRYAN FISCHER | Gardens on Spring Creek



Fine Texture Grasses Prairie
(Photo by Gardens on Spring Creek)

If you've read any of my articles, you've probably heard me rambling on about "fine-textured foliage". I can't help it - foliage texture is an integral part of any design work I do. In fact, it is so important to my process that I consider it in tandem with bloom color and timing when I assess plant choices for a space.

Gardeners in our region have long focused on blooms. The issue with blooms, especially in our region, is that they don't last. Most plants only bloom for a few weeks by design, as flowers are only the means to an end and are very energy-intensive. Add high-elevation sun, dry air, frequent wind, hail and temperature snaps, and counting on blooms to carry a design in northern Colorado just isn't realistic.

Cue fine texture: providing a cornerstone of elegant, diaphanous-looking gardens, fine-textured plants are those with very slender or petite leaf blades, often arranged in linear or geometric patterns. Examples include fennel, conifers, and other airy plants like *Nigella* spp. (love-in-a-mist), western hummingbird mints (*Agastache* spp.) and

many grasses. Narrow-leaf blades on all these plants provide a visual evenness and softness, unifying busy displays and knitting designs together. Many plants with narrow foliage have a penchant for breezy movement in the garden, which provides another layer of garden interest.

Often, too, fine-textured foliage is exhibited in plants as an evolutionary adaptation; small leaves have less surface area, and thus lose less water in dry climates. Bending around falling hailstones and flexing in whipping winds, they tolerate extreme weather with more grace than coarser companions. So, choosing fine-textured plants indirectly selects plants better adapted to our climate - something we can all get behind.

Diversity is the spice of life, and gardening is no different. Plants with moderate and coarse leaf textures are critical for setting these fine textures off, providing contrast and definition to render designs more legible. A garden composed of entire fine-textured plants can be visually pleasing but is more likely to look like a hectic meadow. Add in waves of plants with coarser textures to provide a framework, and suddenly the eye is pulled across the space, drawn to the contrasting margins of the two textures. Examples here could include lamb's ear (*Stachys byzantina*), oriental poppies (*Papaver orientale*), and tall bearded / German iris (*Iris x germanica*). While other garden classics like hostas (*Hosta* x and spp.) also fit this bill, I generally avoid them; their broad, woodland-adapted leaves are veritable hail targets and make them very thirsty in our arid climate.

So rather than relying on showy flowers, consider something with a bit more staying-power. A two-week flush of poppy blooms may be spectacular, but will be brief; left behind will be crispy leaves and scruffy stems. Great foliage doesn't quit, so keep the poppies but be sure to have a fine-textured plant next-door to cover up their canklles. Happy gardening!

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Town of Wellington Adopts New Land Use Code

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The Town of Wellington Board of Trustees adopted an updated Land Use Code on March 22, 2022.

The Land Use Code (LUC) is a set of regulations that guide how Wellington's property is used and developed. The purpose of the LUC is to protect landowner rights while also looking out for overall community interests. The LUC is a living document that changes over time to respond to new information and the community's needs. The Planning Commission, Town staff, and subject matter experts updated the Land Use Code to align with the community's vision in the Comprehensive Plan, adopted on August 2, 2021.

To learn more about the Comprehensive Plan visit www.wellingtoncolorado.gov/451/Comprehensive-Plan

The goal of the Land Use Code update was to create more predictable standards and processes, provide opportunities for innovative and quality development, and create a more user-friendly code. It was also updated to be consistent with the community vision defined in the Comprehensive Plan.

The Land Use Code includes a description of all uses, the processes that are available for development, and the standards for development. Zoning is one part of the Land Use Code. It is one of the tools that direct property development and use. "Zoning" is a set of zone districts that list uses and other requirements for each district.

The best way to stay in the know and receive

accurate information is to attend or review Planning Commission meetings. Planning Commission meetings take place on the first Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m., unless the date conflicts with a holiday. Meetings are held at the Leeper Center 3800 Wilson Ave, Wellington, CO 80549 or can be watched digitally on Zoom. You may access meeting information and material at: wellingtoncolorado.gov.

Work sessions are open to the public to observe. Sessions are intended to be a productive collaboration time for Planning Commissioners. Public comment is not intended to be a part of the agenda and is under the discretion of the commission chair. There was a survey done requesting public comment for the Land Use Code, and there was time for public comment during the Board of Trustee Meeting on March 22. To see the results of the Land Use Code Survey and the Land Use Code itself, visit <https://www.wellingtoncolorado.gov/497/Land-Use-Code>

Next up, the Planning Commission will hold a work session in May 2022 to discuss the Zoning Map update. The Land Use Code includes a description of all uses, the processes available for development, and the standards for development. Zoning is one part of the Land Use Code. It is one of the tools that direct property development and use. "Zoning" is a set of zone districts that list uses and other requirements for each district. Keep an eye out for updates and get involved if this impacts you or your business.

Wellington Community Band's 2022 Spring Concert

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Wellington Community Band at practice, Murell, Emily, Bob, and Patrick
(Photo from the band's Facebook Page)

The Wellington Community Band, an all-volunteer group of local musicians, led by Ms. Linda Anderson will perform their 2022 Spring

Concert on Saturday, April 23, 2022, at 2 pm at the Zion Lutheran Church, 8322 2d Street, Wellington, CO. Admission is FREE. The program will include contemporary, pop, and jazz band pieces.

Follow 'Wellington Community Band' on Facebook to see what they are up to and playing next.

This 14 member band is looking for more musicians. They accept members with no audition as young as 10 years old. Their oldest member is 84. It is free to join or play and is entirely volunteer ran.

If you are interested in joining the band or finding out more, please reach out to Diane Watkins at 970-482-6508.

Wellington Parks and Recreation Has New Recreation Software

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Wellington Parks and Recreation has announced they have a new recreation software. They are switching to SmartRec by Amilia. All actions are being switched over to the new software and they encourage everyone to sign up for the new system. At some point, all communication from ActiveNet will cease, and folks will only be able to receive messages by creating an account in SmartRec. This will include new programs, upcoming registration, and all other emails sent out.

SmartRec is more user-friendly, mobile-friendly, and includes features that will increase the overall

customer experience.

Here is the link to sign up: <https://www.amilia.com/store/en/wellingtoncolorado/shop>

Please sign up as soon as possible. They are currently taking registration for several activities, and summer sports registration will open in a few weeks. Sign up so you can register now and are ready for summer sports and activities!

If you have any questions, please call them at (970) 568-7410 or email at recreation@wellingtoncolorado.gov

Kefalas and CDOT talk Transportation in Wellington

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Commissioner Kefalas will host a Community Conversation on April 14 at 7:30 a.m. at Avuncular Bob's T-Bar Inn, 3803 W Cleveland Ave, Wellington, CO 80549.

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Boating Opened April 1 at Horsetooth Reservoir, Carter Lake

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- Horsetooth Reservoir**
 - South Bay ramp: 7 am-7 pm, 7 days a week
 - Inlet Bay ramp: CLOSED
 - Satanka: CLOSED
- Carter Lake**
 - North Pines ramp, 7 am-7 pm, 7 days a week
 - South Shore: CLOSED
 - North Marina: CLOSED

*Ramps may be closed for poor weather conditions, water level, or staffing constraints.

To comply with regulations, Horsetooth Reservoir and Carter Lake require mandatory vessel inspections. Inspectors are on-site at Horsetooth Reservoir and Carter Lake to check

boats for exotic invasive species.

"Please boat with caution during early spring conditions," Dan Rieves said. "Pay special attention to ice and debris on the water. Make sure your vessel has been properly de-winterized and is in good running condition."

Stay tuned for updates on additional ramp hours starting May 1. For the up-to-date schedule of boat ramp hours, visit larimer.org/boating.

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Natural Resources manages Larimer County's great outdoor places, including magnificent open spaces and water-based recreation areas, and fosters responsible land stewardship through weed management and healthy forest practices. To learn more, visit larimer.org.

Nursing Shortage Program Manager Begins Work at Larimer County

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Carol Salter

A Nursing Shortage Program Manager has been hired by Larimer County Economic and Workforce Development to address the nursing shortage in our region. Carol Salter joins LCEWD as its first Nursing Shortage Program Manager. Salter started work on March 31.

The newly created position will help tackle a serious nursing shortage in Northern Colorado. Salter brings 26 years of healthcare leadership experience to the position with a deep commitment to the Northern Colorado region. "I feel so fortunate to join Larimer County Economic and Workforce Development to begin work to address the nursing shortage in our region," said Salter. "The fact that LCEWD has made this a priority and funded this new role shows their commitment to Larimer County and the region."

The Northern Colorado Health Sector Partnership, created in 2013 to promote and improve health within our communities, helped with the creation of the new program. Recognizing the need for acute nursing talent, LCEWD received a grant

from the Economic Development Administration to fund the position for the next three years. The Fort Collins Area Chamber of Commerce has also contributed additional resources toward the position.

A shortage of qualified nurses is occurring nationwide, in Colorado and the Northern Colorado region. The new position will help connect various training institutions with our healthcare system.

"Our region has several initiatives underway to enhance economic competitiveness, build infrastructure for economic growth and invest in our workforce," said Larimer County Economic Development Associate Director Evan Wendland. "Bringing Carol Salter on to the team will help us identify potential solutions to the nursing shortage and lead our sector partners to identify potential funding streams and opportunities to assist with solutions to the nursing shortage in Northern Colorado," said Wendland.

Salter will work with health care partners and community leaders to build a shared understanding of the scale of the nursing shortage in our region and act as a liaison between LCEWD, the Northern Colorado Health Sector Partnership, healthcare providers, accrediting bodies, and educational institutions connected to the nursing profession.

Climate Leadership Summit for High School Students Hosted by CSU, PSD on Friday, April 15

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Over a dozen Poudre School District high school students, in cooperation with Colorado State University's (CSU) School of Global Environmental Sustainability, are organizing a free climate summit for Northern Colorado high school students from 9:30 am until 2 pm on Friday, April 15 at the Lory Student Center at CSU.

The main goal of the event is to have high school students engage with the foremost leaders in climate science. While the summit itself is free, attendees will have the opportunity to purchase lunch from the Lory Student Center food court.

The Climate Leadership Summit is an interactive experience organized by high school students, for high school students in the Northern Colorado region.

As a unique collaboration between Colorado State University's School of Global Environmental Sustainability and the Poudre School District's Career & Innovation Department, this event will engage students to learn from each other and from

the foremost leaders of climate science, including:

- Dr. Scott Denning, CSU Atmospheric Sciences
- Dr. Sheryl Magzamen, CSU Assistant Professor, Environmental and Radiological Health Sciences
- Dr. Sonali Diddi, CSU Associate Professor, Dept. of Design and Merchandising
- Dan Welsh, Air Quality Meteorologist, Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment
- Dr. Terrence Iverson, CSU Associate Professor, Department of Economics
- Dr. Jim Hurrell, CSU Scott Presidential Chair of Environmental Science and Engineering
- Dr. Pat Keys, CSU Lead Scientist, School of Global Environmental Sustainability
- Dr. Stephanie Malin, CSU Associate Professor of Sociology & co-Director of the Center for Environmental Justice
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Drag for Life Took Center Stage at Avogadro's Number with Suicide Prevention Theme

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Drag Performer Ophelia Peaches



Drag Performer Krisa Gonna

Drag for Life (Talking About Suicide Doesn't Have to be a Drag but it Can be a Drag Show) was a free event hosted on Sunday, April 3 at Avogadro's Number in Fort Collins. It featured performers Krisa Conna, Derri Air, Ophelia Peaches, and legendary Alanna Filipina, who is well known as Fort Collins' longest-running drag performer. There were a number of collaborating organizations that came together to put the event on, one, in particular, was The Alliance for Suicide Prevention. The following day on Monday, April 4, there was a QPR suicide intervention training held at the Fort Collins Donut Company that was intentionally inclusive for young adults, ages 18-24, as this particular demographic has proven to need a little more attention around such sensitive issues.

"From 2019 to 2020 the overall suicide rate in Larimer county decreased except for the age range 18 to 24; in that age range suicide rates actually increased within Larimer county, so we as a workgroup were sort of looking at that and became aware that a lot of our programming didn't necessarily reach that young adult older youth age range. We started having conversations about it and brainstorming on how to reach this population better and get some of these resources to them. Within that sort of brainstorming way, a magical thing happens when you're collaborating, we kind of stumbled upon the idea of, 'oh, what if we do a drag show?' We just wanted to bring them a fun event and entertainment and weave in the messaging and resources that we want to get them connected to," said Silen Wellington, LGBTQ+ Outreach Coordinator for Alliance for Suicide Prevention of Larimer County.

The Alliance for Suicide Prevention offers QPR training to community groups, organizations, and businesses in Larimer County. Always free and 60-90 minutes long, QPR can be delivered virtually or in person. Once attended, participants receive a 2-year certification that holds the same weight as a CPR certification, offering 1 CEU. Just like CPR, QPR is an emergency response to someone in crisis and can save lives.

QPR suicide intervention training stands for Question, Persuade, Refer and those are the three steps recommended to be taken in order to help someone who may be considering suicide. QPR is the most widely taught evidence-based suicide prevention gatekeeper training in the world.

QPR is a practical and empowering course that teaches what you need to know to prevent suicide in your personal and professional life. QPR teaches how to ask someone if they are considering suicide, how to connect someone to appropriate resources, how to get help for yourself, the common causes of suicidal behavior or emotional distress, the

warning signs and risk factors for suicide, as well as the myths and facts of suicide.

The show was considered a tremendous success with a much larger than expected turnout, which has sparked plans and intentions of doing more similar events in the future, though no specific details have been established for the immediate moment.

"We don't know exactly what another event will look like yet but Avo's has definitely expressed interest in hosting something ongoing[...]Anytime we can do visibility around suicide or self-harm prevention we certainly want to do it," said Kimberly Chambers, Executive Director for SPLASH Youth of Northern Colorado.

The show was hosted by Alanna Filipina along with Silen Wellington, who had a big hand in organizing and producing the actual layout and setlist. In addition to the Alliance for Suicide Prevention, the event was also brought to the community by the LGBTQ+ Workgroup Partners of Imagine Zero, SPLASH LGBTQIA+ Youth, Connections, and NoCoSafeSpace, as well as sponsored in-kind by Avogadro's Number and the Fort Collins Donut Company.

"Alanna Filipina is one of our oldest, eldest performers that's still local in Colorado. I think that roughly ten years or so is how long she's been performing in Fort Collins," said Kimberly.

"We really just recruited performers through our own personal networks and a handful of our performers expressed to me how needed they felt the space was, even within their own stories around this, they were happy that they could help shed some light on these conversations for their own communities[...]given the success of this event, we're very interested in continuing," Silen added.

For more specific information regarding the organizations who closely collaborated to create this event, you're asked to please visit any of the following websites:

- allianceforsuicideprevention.org/education-programs/
- splashnoco.org (LGBTQIA youth 5-24)
- nocosafespace.com (general LGBTQIA community, businesses)
- Websites regarding ongoing support in the community around suicidality and mental health are listed here, as well.
- healthdistrict.org/services/connections-adult-services
- allianceforsuicideprevention.org
- splashnoco.org
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FOCO Drag Queen Royalty Alanna Filipina

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Eric Stewart Named Interim Loveland Police Department Chief

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Eric Stewart (Photo from Loveland PD Twitter)

Loveland Police Department (LPD) Deputy Chief Eric Stewart has been named interim chief and began assuming the role on April 2 when Chief Bob Ticer relocated.

"I am humbled to be selected to bridge the gap between outgoing Chief Bob Ticer and the next chief of the Loveland Police Department. It's not lost on me that this department has critical work to do in order to strengthen public trust and to better communicate about the professional service the overwhelming majority of our police officers and professional staff provide in Loveland," said Deputy Chief Stewart. "Accountability and transparency are priorities for me as I step into this important role. Building trust within the community will be at the top of my list."

Deputy Chief Stewart will assume responsibilities including leading the department and overseeing day-to-day operations, as well as driving forward the LPD Accountability process that began in January following the LPD assessment by Jensen Hughes. As part of this effort, LPD has formulated five working groups comprised of LPD

officers, City staff and key community members who are working to formalize an implementation plan following the assessment recommendations.

Stewart was hired as LPD deputy chief in March 2017. His 37-year career began with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department and includes serving in several leadership roles with the Aurora Police Department including commander. With the LPD, Stewart is also a national instructor for the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) Leadership in Police Organizations and First-Line Leadership courses. He teaches nationally on Fourth Amendment topics, and is an adjunct professor at the Community College of Aurora and Regis University.

At the same time, the City and the LPD are preparing for the recruitment process to hire LPD's permanent chief of police by reviewing the role requirements and looking to hire a third-party recruiting firm to conduct a nationwide search.

Loveland City Manager said, "Identifying LPD's next leader is a critical task for our organization and we are keenly focused on ensuring that the LPD continues the important work of building on recent progress toward trust and accountability. We are honored to have Deputy Chief Stewart step in as LPD's interim chief. As we welcome him into this role, I also want to take a moment to thank Chief Ticer for his service and leadership over the past few years."

Governor Polis, Congressman Neguse Visit Loveland and Fort Collins

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Gov. Polis and Congressman Neguse at Aims Community College Flight Training Center (Courtesy Governor Polis's office)

Recently, Colorado Governor Jared Polis and Congressman Joe Neguse visited regional sites showcasing Colorado's innovative and creative use of landmark American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds in Northern Colorado as a part of the

Polis Administration's commitment to save Coloradans money, support small businesses, strengthen the workforce, invest in sound mental health, and create a better future for Colorado's children.

"Colorado's economy continues to grow stronger every day, and we continue to take even more impactful steps to do everything we can do as a state to save people money," said Gov. Polis.

"As Congressman Neguse and I saw today at the Aims Community College Flight Training Center and Heartside Hill, Colorado is at the forefront of innovative workforce training and development programs to support good-paying jobs and prepare our workforce for the future, and creative housing solutions are a key to supporting our thriving economy."

Loveland Police Department Announces Review of DUI Enforcement Program

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The Loveland Police Department (LPD) announced recently that it will conduct a professional review of its DUI enforcement program.

The Colorado Department of Transportation reports that 691 lives were lost on Colorado roads alone, up 50% since 2011. Since 2019, there has been a 44% increase in fatalities involving impaired drivers.

"A member of the defense bar and some individuals arrested for DUI have

expressed concerns about a program that is vital to public safety in our community," said LPD Deputy Chief Eric Stewart. "After assuming my role as interim chief of police, I will work with the City Manager's Office to identify the best person or organization to take on this important task."

This review will include policies and procedures, overall strategy, and status and outcomes of current and recent enforcement efforts.

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Celebrating our own homegrown music is a tradition in northern Colorado. There's a reason for that -- we have a great music scene, full of diverse sounds. Blues, punk, DJ, rock, funk, soul, hip hop, folk, bluegrass, metal -- you name it, someone is out there playing it.

There's no better opportunity to test the measure of the Fort Collins area music scene than the upcoming FoCoMX 2022 festival, set at a wide variety of area venues for April 22-23. It's an ambitious effort to showcase local and regional musical talent in just about everywhere in town you can play music.

FoCoMX, cheekily nicknamed "The Biggest Little Festival in America", is organized by the Fort Collins Musicians Association and it's been going on for a long time.

Since 2009, FoCoMX has done a Herculean job of promoting our own precious music, but was interrupted, like a lot of things, by the pandemic in 2020 and 2021.

But in 2022, it looks like it's going to happen. On April 1, the lineup for the festival was announced during an event at Odell Brewing and it is, again, breathtaking in its depth and breadth.

The big party is back!

What are the highlights? Well, I'm not sure I'm qualified to say. I count 322 performers on the list, playing on 36 stages around town. I have seen many of them, but there are a lot of performers on the schedule I haven't heard yet, so I really shouldn't just pick the knowns over the unknowns.

In fact, that's usually how I plot my own FoCoMX schedule -- I try to see bands and visit venues I have not yet experienced.

At the lineup reveal at Odell, I saw three new-to-me performers: Lewis Turner, There's an Ape for That, and Veronica May and the Magnetics. They're all on the FoCoMX schedule: Turner, a singer-songwriter, is set to play The Exchange on April 23 at 4:30. A truly funky DJ, There's an Ape For That will be heading up the

Sound Off Silent Disco in Old Town Square on April 23 at 5:00.

May, playing a rousing rhythm and blues, soul, and funk, will be performing at The Coast on April 22 at 6:15. She'll also be participating in "Sound Affects Us All: Collaboration with Shine" at the Art Lab on April 23 at 2:00.

If I really HAD to make a target list for the 2022 FoCoMX -- at least of the stuff I know about -- I would include:

On April 22, Elise Wunder, Songwriters in the Round (featuring Angie Stevens, Bonnie Sims, Alysia Kraft, and Liz Barnez), Post Paradise, Attack on Venus, Rejektet Kauses, Lindsey O'Brien, Honey Gitters, Megan Burtt, Guerilla Fanfare Brass Band, Cary Morin and Ghost Dog, More Than Physics, and The Swashbuckling Doctors.



Veronica May and the Magnetics 2022 (Photo by Tim Van Schmidt)

On April 23, Sol Pride, Johnny Johnston, Tim Cook Duo, Mad Dog Blues, 12 Cents for Marvin, John Magnie, Dave Dardine and Cowboys Dead, Last Call Romance, WhiteCatPink, Magic Cyclops, The

Catcalls, HOSS, iZCALLi, and Maxwell Mud.

I know, it doesn't seem possible to see so much music. But it is kind of possible, thanks to FoCoMX, if you just keep moving.

More than music, though, FoCoMX also includes opportunities for musicians to learn and share. There's a "Musicians Mental Health Meet Up" on April 23 at 12:00 at the Art Lab and the Armory will host keynote speakers Skerik and Jen Hartswick on April 23 at 2:00. There're

bargain -- it was a musical feast. My favorite band that year was Umlaut, a tongue-in-cheek metal trio. I've looked forward to the festival ever since as a prime opportunity to see just what NOCO musicians are up to.

Longtime NOCO music lovers know that FoCoMX isn't the first area festival to showcase homegrown talent. In the late 1980s, for example, there was the Front Range Music Fest, produced by Whitebird Productions.

In the 1990s there was a festival similar to FoCoMX called the Northern Colorado MusicFest. It was created to support NOCO public radio -- first KCSU, then Public Radio for the Front Range, the group responsible for putting KRFC on the air, then KRFC itself.

In the 2000s, Bohemian Nights picked up the tradition and made their stages burst with Colorado talent. The bad news is that this festival will not be returning after virus disruptions -- but they will still be promoting Colorado music with their Thursday Night Live series.

In the 2020s, FoCoMX now stands alone as the premier NOCO music event of the year, carrying on a rocking tradition. It's not a job to be done, it's more like a quest to keep our hearts alive, our souls fed, and our ears delightfully full.

See the entire FoCoMX schedule at focomx.focoma.org/schedule -- and go!

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



There's An Ape For That 2022 (Photo by Tim Van Schmidt)



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CANVAS CREDIT UNION CELEBRATES NEW ART AND NEW INVESTMENT IN FORT COLLINS COMMUNITY

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(From left to right: Todd Marksberry, President & CEO, Canvas Credit Union
Mayor Jeni Arndt, City of Fort Collins
Tricia Canonico, City of Fort Collins Councilmember, District 3
Shirley Peel, City of Fort Collins Councilmember, District 4
Steve Ferrero, Chief Community Engagement Officer, Canvas Credit Union
Tansley Stearns, Chief Operating Officer, Canvas Credit Union
Joe Parker, Director of Athletics, Colorado State University
Gary Ozzello, Director of University Relations, Canvas Credit Union)

Canvas Credit Union recently hosted an event celebrating the Canvas Foundation's latest efforts focused on investing in the Fort Collins community.

Fort Collins Mayor Jeni Arndt, representatives from Colorado State University, and local artist Lindz and Lamb admired the newest mural on the side of the Old Firehouse Books building in Fort Collins' Old Town.

Canvas commissioned the local artist team to paint a mural on Old Town's Old Firehouse Books Building. The mural captures the essence of Canvas' "Go Live" mantra - to add a touch of charm, character and color to the city.

"As artists, the opportunity to put our work on this high-profile building is beyond rewarding. It's even more exciting when we get to work with a partner like Canvas and bring to life their vision for enhancing the community," said local artist, Lindz and Lamb. "Seeing brands who support local artists and understand the value that art brings to a community, it adds even greater meaning to the work."

"Our partnership with CSU and the community speaks to the core of who we are and the impact we aim to have at Canvas," said Tansley Stearns, Chief

Operating Officer, Canvas Credit Union. "From granting scholarships to deserving students, to providing the admissions department with minibuses to enhance the campus tours experience, to beautifying a meaningful building that holds a rich history in Old Town, there is no limit to the ways we hope to support and uplift the university and larger Northern Colorado community."

Deepening its commitment to CSU, Canvas will also be awarding scholarships to university students, celebrating the second year of the Canvas Scholars Program benefitting first-generation college students. So far, the scholarship program has supported 10 students, awarding a total of \$36,500.

"At Canvas, we believe in leading with our heart and being a champion in the communities we serve, which will only continue to grow in our next chapter at Canvas Foundation," said Gary Ozzello, Director of University Relations, Canvas Credit Union. "We're humbled to see the impact we've been able to garner in the Northern Colorado community. Knowing that the community also recognizes the Canvas difference fills us with even more Fort Collins pride."



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The instructors offer a myriad of choices, including clay, watercolor, acrylics, fused glass, precious metal clay, alcohol ink, jewelry, wool felting, drawing, mixed media, Cricut, mandalas, silk scarves, poker, photography, and more. Coming soon is a wet wool felting class.

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Photo of a recent art class at Blue Moose Art Gallery, photo provided by Mary Corcoran.

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CITY BUZZ

PHOTO OF THE WEEK: "EASTERN SCREECH OWL IN FORT COLLINS"



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The Wailers at the Aggie Theatre (Photos by Jonson Kuhn)

I was at the Aggie Theatre on Sunday, April 3, and I hate to have to admit this, but it was actually my first time seeing a show at the Aggie. If you don't know the story behind the place, it's actually quite fascinating; it's literally been around for over 100 years and is considered the most historic venue in all of Fort Collins. It's a beautiful turn of the century historic Old Town building that dates back as far as 1906. Believe it or not, they actually started out as a furniture store which then later became a movie theater. They stopped showing movies somewhere in the mid-nineties and soon after was reborn as the live music venue we all know and love today.

I saw that The Wailers were playing on this particular Sunday night, and tickets were only \$40, so I figured why not, it's not like you get a chance to see a world-famous band every day.

I don't want to potentially ruin anything for any of you, but I feel it's probably important to mention that Bob Marley is no longer with The Wailers, he died quite some time ago, BUT that shouldn't ever deter you from catching this legendary band whenever they come through your town because they're still tight as ever and still deliver one of the more electrifying shows I've ever seen.

The opener was Denver's own Lola Rising, an Island Folk Rock band that are also known as "Jahawaiian." The band's name is said to be inspired from a song front man, Paul Medina Guevara, wrote about the passing of his 'Lola', which means Grandmother in Filipino. The word 'Rising' is meant to evoke images of spirituality and embraces the human condition. They definitely know how to capture a crowd's attention as the whole place was dancing and

singing right along with their honest poetry and multi-part harmonies.

Usually a six-piece, but this particular night they were a five-piece, they've quickly risen to some degree of fame with dates right alongside The Wailers, Matisyahu, The Green, The Wailing Souls, The Movement, Trevor Hall and Rusted Root. If their name is familiar, don't be surprised because in addition to making regular stops at the Aggie, they also perform all over the state at popular venues such as The Bluebird, Washington's, The Gothic, and The Fox. They were even voted Denver's Best Reggae Band by The Denver Westword in 2019 and 303 magazine voted Lola Rising's single "Colorado," as one of the best folk songs in 2017, selecting their music video to be in the 303 Magazine Music Video Screening at the 2018 Denver Film Festival.

They have an EP out right now entitled Moving Forward which is said to have pulled inspiration from basements of haunted hotels in Wyoming to the beaches of California; it's a musical conversation about love, loss, struggle and protecting Mother Earth. So, in the profound words of the great Spike Lee, Do the Right Thing and go check these guys out already, won't you?

Now then, for the main event: it's a toss-up sometimes with these older bands and you don't always know what to expect, especially when there's a mix of original members with new ones, but I'm happy to report that there are zero such concerns when it comes to The Wailers. They're careful to play the hits that Bob Marley is most remembered for, but they also do a pretty good job of balancing that out with new original music that fits in seamlessly.

To be clear, The Wailers Band was formed by original Wailers member Aston Barrett in 1989, which is considered to be a spinoff from the original Bob Marley and the Wailers band, as there have been a few different variations of spinoffs over the years. Aston has since retired but his son Aston Barrett Jr. on drums still proudly carries the torch. Another notable name within the lineup is lead guitarist and vocalist Donald Kinsey, who also spent time playing with Bob Marley and the original Wailers.

In 2020 The Wailers released a new album entitled One World, which marked their return to the studio after a 25-year hiatus; the album went on to be nominated for a 2021 Grammy Award in the

Best Reggae Album category. Sunday night's encore featured the popular single from that album called "One World, One Prayer", which was written by famed producer Emilio Estefan.

It really was a phenomenal show and despite being formed in Jamaica and despite being around since the 70's and having undergone tremendous lineup changes and transitions, they still do a great job of making each performance intimate and personal, making everyone on the dance floor feel as though they've been along for the entire ride. The Wailers are still out on tour at the moment, so if you missed them this time around you should definitely keep an eye on their upcoming dates. And while you're at it, be sure to keep the other eye on the Aggie's calendar, as well because they have a lot more exciting shows on the way!



The Aggie marquee

Wednesday, April 13
April 13 Meeting for Pikes Peak Genealogical Society, Online, 6:30 pm -9 pm
Blast N Bowl w/ Hospital Socks, Cletine, Scuffed & BUG: Presented by Blast N Scrap and Mishawaka, 830 North, 8 pm
FREE: Workingman's Wednesdays w/ Tumbledown Shack, 2454 West, 6:30 pm
Opiuo - The Doing Shows Playin Music Tour - Night 1 - Presented by Party Guru Productions, Aggie Theatre, 8 pm
The Mastersons with The Whitmore Sisters @ Moxi Theater, Moxi Theater, 8 pm -11:30 pm

Thursday, April 14
90s/00s Dance Party with TwoScoops & Jimeni, 100 Nickel, 8 pm
Antibroth/CONNORPARTY/ Dynamo Klat, Hi-Dive, 8 pm -11 pm
Develop a Business Plan with Purpose and Durability 2-part session, Larimer SBDC, 2 pm -5 pm
Jazz Compos Concert, UCA University Center for the Arts, 7:30 pm -9:30 pm
Melanin MagiQ, Online, 5:30 pm -6:30 pm
Museum at Twilight, Greeley History Museum, 4 pm -8 pm
Museum at Twilight: Local refugee experiences and resources, Greeley History Museum, 4 pm -8 pm
Opiuo - The Doing Shows Playin Music Tour - Night 2 - Presented by Party Guru Productions, Aggie Theatre, 8 pm

Friday, April 15
2022 Baby Animal Days at Centennial Village Museum, Centennial Village Museum
Blink 303 + Sweater Destroyer @ The Black Buzzard, The Black Buzzard, 8 pm -11:30 pm

Carlos Barata at Lucky Joe's, Lucky Joe's, 9 pm -12 am
Colorado State University: Spring Dance Concert, UCA University Center for the Arts, 7:30 pm -9:30 pm
Cunninlynguists & Sadistik - Presented by Party Guru Productions - Sponsored by WeldWerks Brewing Co, Aggie Theatre, 8 pm
despAir Jordan Album Release w/False Report, The Sum Beaches, Hi-Dive, 9 pm -12 am
Dirty Date Night: Adult Wheel-Throwing Class 4/15, Flingin Pots, 7 pm -9 pm
eTown Presents: Mr. Sun / Jayme Stone's Folklife, eTown Hall, 7 pm -9:30 pm
Kind Hearted Strangers + Mountain Rose and PJ Moon & the Swappers @ Globe Hall 4/15/22, Globe Hall, 8 pm
Lyric Turns 15 Party!, The Lyric, 6 pm -11 pm
Red-Handed Otter, Bas Bleu Theatre, 7:30 pm
Sense and Sensibility Presented by OpenStage Theatre, Lincoln Center Magnolia Theatre, 7:30 pm
Spring Craft & Gift Show, First National Bank Exhibition Hall, 2 pm
Stella's Singer-Songwriter Showcase Hosted by Johnny Day, Stella's Pinball Arcade & Lounge, 9 pm -12 am
The Bergamot, Sturtz, and Sam Rae, Roots Music Project, 8 pm -10:30 pm
Thin Air Crew w/ Boss Eagle and Special Guests, 830 North, 8 pm
Toughest Monster Truck Tour, Budweiser Events Center, 7:30 pm

Saturday, April 16
Ain't No Mountain High Enough - A Motown / Stax Revue with Dzirae Gold, Roots Music Project, 7:30 pm -10:30 pm
All Ages/Abilities Wheel-Throwing Class 4/16, Flingin Pots, 10 am -12 pm

WEEKLY SNEAK PEEK



CARLOS BARATA



Carlos Barata at Lucky Joe's, Lucky Joe's (Fort Collins Old Town), 9 pm -12 am, April 15
 Carlos Barata is a Portuguese-American solo singer, songwriter, guitarist, and performer - originally from Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. With soulful vocals and accessible songwriting, his intimate and alternative style is something simple, sweet, and special. No cover.

Colorado State University: Spring Dance Concert, UCA University Center for the Arts, 2 pm & 7:30 pm
Free Emergency Preparedness Event, Poudre Fire Authority Training Center, 9 am -1 pm
Kaitlyn KDubbs Williams with Glass Human + GhostPulse @ The Black Buzzard, The Black Buzzard, 8 pm -11:30 pm
Kids Easter Party, American Legion George Beach Post 4, 10 am
Nordista Freeze / Killer Whale / South Of France / Sunnner, Hi-Dive, 8 pm -10:30 pm
Overtime @ Moxi Theater, Moxi Theater, 8 pm -11:30 pm
Raku Workshop - Fire & Smoke, 200 W. Oak St., 6 pm -8 pm
Red-Handed Otter, Bas Bleu Theatre, 7:30 pm
Sense and Sensibility Presented by OpenStage Theatre, Lincoln Center Magnolia Theatre, 7:30 pm
Spring Craft & Gift Show, First National Bank Exhibition Hall, 9 am
The Intolerables, The Louisville Underground, 8 pm -11 pm

The Jeff Jenkins Organ Quartet, Pavillion Gardens, Sunrise Ranch, 1:30 pm -3:30 pm
Toughest Monster Truck Tour, Budweiser Events Center, 1 pm & 7:30 pm
Yak Attack at The Coast, The East Coast Bar, 7 pm -10 pm
Sunday, April 17
METALACHI @ Moxi Theater, Moxi Theater, 9 pm -11:30 pm
Red-Handed Otter, Bas Bleu Theatre, 2:30 pm
Sunday Morning Toast and Jams, Soul Squared Tap house, 11 am -2 pm

Monday, April 18
2022 Baby Animal Days at Centennial Village Museum, Centennial Village Museum,
Virtuoso Series Concert: Faculty Chamber Music #2, UCA University Center for the Arts, 7:30 pm -9:30 pm

Wednesday, April 20
Blast N Bowl w/ Trash., Big Aluminum, & Defeats the Porpoise, 2454 West, 7 pm
FREE: Electronic Wenzdaze at 830 North ft. MIDlcial, Don Hyphy, Revibe, 830 North, 8 pm
Interweave Yarn Fest, Embassy Suites Loveland
Joshua Ray Walker @ Moxi Theater, Moxi Theater, 8 pm -11:30 pm
Luna Shade "Bake Em Up" Bash w/ Pipin' Hot // Inside The Mind, The Lyric, 5 pm
Songwriting Circle, Roots Music Project, 7:15 pm -9:30 pm

Thursday, April 21
Neon Steve, 830 North, 8 pm
Secrets of Space, Union Colony Civic Center, 6:30 pm
UNC Greeley Jazz Festival SHEILA JORDAN with UNC Jazz Lab Band I & KINGS RETURN, University of Northern Colorado, Campus Commons Performance Hall, 4:30 pm & 7:30 pm

Friday, April 22
Boulder International Folk Dancers Spring Workshop, Avalon Ballroom, 7:30 pm -11 pm
Cumbia Night Volume 2: Ritmo Cascabel y Don Chicharrón, Hi-Dive, 9 pm -12 am
Mozart's Die Zauberflöte (The Magic Flute), Fort Collins Masonic Temple, 7 pm -9:30 pm
Red-Handed Otter, Bas Bleu Theatre, 7:30 pm
Rock Bottom String Band @ The Black Buzzard, The Black Buzzard, 8 pm -11:30 pm
Sense and Sensibility Presented by OpenStage Theatre, Lincoln Center Magnolia Theatre, 7:30 pm
Spring Sip & Shop, The Windsor Gardener, 5 pm -7 pm
The Rocky Horror Show by Richard O'Brien, UCA University Center for the Arts, 7:30 pm -9:30 pm

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Easter Events Springing Up All Over Northern Colorado This Season

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Easter: you know it, you love it, you want more of it? Well, then my friends, you're in luck because NOCO has you covered with one spectacular Easter event after another!

Join Fort Collins Marketplace on Saturday, April 9 from noon to 2 pm for an Easter egg hunt unlike any other you've ever seen or are likely to ever experience again! Get those Easter baskets ready and head out to the merchant's stores because all participating merchants will be handing out filled eggs while supplies last. They'll also feature face painting, balloon twisting, Easter Bunny visits, and Easter crafts. Come out and enjoy this FREE event to kick off the Spring season.



Still not enough? Okay, well, what about the Fort Collins KOA from around the way? They're inviting you to celebrate Easter camping style with the Fort Collins/Lakeside KOA Holiday Event! This is going on through the weekend of April 15 - 17 and they'll first be kicking things off with their 5K Run the Lake Series - Bunny Run; T-shirt and Swag Bag included in the race fee and the proceeds benefit KOA Care Camps. The weekend events will feature duck races, jellybean counting contests, movies, train rides, and egg dyeing, as well. Saturday night will host a ham dinner for the campground and campfire social with s'mores, followed by Sunday morning which offers pictures with the Easter Bunny and an annual egg hunt with pizza & pancakes available, as well.

I know, I know, you're still not satisfied! So, then what about taking a little trip over to Library Park in Fort Collins at 207 Peterson Street on Saturday, April 16 from 11 am to 2 pm for a FREE Easter Egg Hunt and community food bank drive??? You're asked to bring a non-perishable food item to support local food banks if you're able. There will be treat-filled Easter Eggs for the kids to have fun hunting.

Maybe you won't be in Fort Collins but Wellington instead? No worries because you've still got options with the Warbonnet Farms Spring Fun Fest, located in a beautiful established apple orchard just north of Wellington. They'll be featuring egg decorating, an egg hunt, a pinata, coffee trucks through Lazy Dane

Coffee, lunch, and More! Events open at noon and the egg hunt begins at 1 pm. They'll have a corn pit open to play in, as well as interaction with sweet KuneKune Pigs; plenty of photo ops! Lunch will be available for purchase, as well as farm-fresh goods... jams, jellies, fruit butter, honey, eggs, and baked treats. For more details, you're asked to follow on IG or FB as this event is said to fill up fast! \$5 donation per person.

Loveland, you say? Not a problem; The Ranch Events Complex has you taken care of with a huge craft show on April 15 & 16, which is said to be Colorado's biggest egg toss & egg hunt...maybe ever in the history of mankind! The exact times are 2 pm to 7 pm on April 15 and 9 am to 4 pm on April 16. Vendor spaces are still available. For more information and to apply to become a vendor contact sonshineshows@yahoo.com or visit www.sonshineshows.com.

Greeley and/or Windsor??? It's all good! In Greeley, you're invited to join the Westview Church of Christ at 4151 W. 20th Street from 10 am to 1 pm for a free Easter egg hunt for the entire family, or just smaller portions of the family, any variation or grouping is welcome! And as for Windsor, keep this on the down-low, but rumor has it that on April 15 "the" Easter Bunny will be stopping by to celebrate their 15th Annual Easter Eggstravaganza! You're asked to join the Windsor Community Recreation Center in search of eggs in the water during their egg splash in the indoor pool. You can also take part in their traditional egg hunt in the gym and also enjoy open gym activities, games, and a chance to win door prizes with your kid or kiddos. Open gym activities will be from 10 am to noon and the egg hunts will start at approximately 10:15 am You're asked to please register for your desired wave preference and choose only one wave in which to participate. The age range for this event is 3-5. 10:15 am (Wave 1 - Pool), 10:45 am (Wave 2 - Pool), 11:15 am (Wave 3 - Pool) 11:45 am (Wave 4 - Gym, Non-Swimmers).

If none of these events tickle your fancy, don't stress because each town still has plenty more events to offer, so feel free to check out the event calendar for yourself and see if one or more of these NOCO Easter celebrations is up your preferred alley!

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Election Results for Timnath, Windsor, Johnstown, and Wellington

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Unofficial Election Results for Town of Timnath

The Town of Timnath held a Regular Election on April 5, 2022. Unofficial election results are now available.

- Town Council:**
 Robert Axmacher: 842
 Conor Duffy: 743
 Luke Wagner: 812
- Ballot Questions:**
 A - Broadband Service:
 Yes-1049 / No-374
 B - Term Limits: Yes-1278 / No-153
 C - Charter Amendments:
 Yes-1247 / No-144

Preliminary Results from Windsor's 2022 Municipal Election Released

The Town of Windsor election to determine representatives for municipal Districts 2 and 4 was held Tuesday, April 5.

As of today, here are Windsor's preliminary results:

- District 2**
 Barry Wilson - 935
 Amy Kilcoyne - 409
- District 4**
 Julie Cline - 577

Hunter Rivera - 463
 Jason Hallett was uncontested for the District 6 representative seat.

Results cannot be finalized until the Town Clerk receives all ballots in accordance with the Uniformed and Overseas Absentee Voting Act (UOCAVA), which means official results will not be available until Friday, April 15.

For more information regarding elections, visit Windsorgov.com/elections.

Town of Johnstown 2022 Unofficial Election Results

Johnstown, CO - April 5, 2022 -- Town of Johnstown Town Clerk Diana Seele, has released the unofficial election results for the Town's 2022 municipal election. The Office of the Town Clerk received a total of 1620 ballots by 7 pm on Election Day, April 5, 2022. In 8 days, after confirming signatures, the Town Clerk will announce the official election results. This information will be posted accordingly on April 13, 2022. Please see the full results below or on the Town of Johnstown website: johnstown.colorado.gov/elections.

Candidates for Council Member Results

- Vanessa Dominguez: 698
 Jesse Molinar Jr.: 780
 Dianne Morris: 724
 Michael Stapleton: 679
 Bill Stevens: 685
 Lance Walker: 667

According to the unofficial results, Vanessa Dominguez, Jesse Molinar Jr, and Dianne Morris have received the highest number of votes. After official results are posted on April 13, 2022, the candidates with the highest number of votes will be confirmed for a four-year term on Town Council on April 18, 2022.

Ballot Issue Results

Ballot Issue: Amending the Town of Johnstown Home Rule Charter to require that proponents of initiative and referendum petitions be represented by 3 registered electors of the Town of Johnstown.

- Yes (make amendment): 1246
 No (do not amend): 206

Wellington 2022 Municipal Election Results

Town of Wellington Clerk, Krystal Eucker, has released the unofficial election results for the 2022 Municipal

Election. The Office of the Town Clerk received a total of 2,095 ballots by 7 pm on Election Day, April 5, 2022. There were three Trustee seats and the Mayor seat up for election. The Town Clerk will announce the official election results on April 15, 2022, and information will be posted accordingly. Please see the full unofficial results below or on the Town of Wellington website: wellingtoncolorado.gov/458/Elections

- Mayoral Candidates - Number of Votes**
 Calar Chaussee: 887
 Wyatt Schwendeman-Curtis: 706
 Ashley Renee Macdonald: 475
- Trustee Candidates (3 seats) - Number of Votes**
 Brian M. Mason: 1004
 Shirrell Tietz: 956
 David L. Wiegand: 820
 Timothy L. Whitehouse: 732
 Lisa Chollet: 726
 Lowrey Moyer: 682
 Wyatt M. Knutson: 479
 Melanie Murphy: 458

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Opportunity for Girls Interested in Learning More About Civic Engagement

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The American Legion Auxiliary (ALA), specifically ALA Unit 4 in Fort Collins and ALA Unit 1879 out of CSU, are proud to begin their recruitment efforts for ALA Colorado Girls State. This year, the Colorado Girls State program will take place from June 4 to June 9, 2022, at the University of Northern Colorado.

Colorado Girls State is a civic engagement program for young women between their junior and senior high school years.

Participants assume the role of delegates in a mock legislative session of the Colorado General Assembly. Delegates can learn about the state legislative process from a nonpartisan staff dedicated to helping young women develop themselves as leaders, public servants, and engaged citizens. In addition to legislative sessions delegates learn about and run for local county, and state-level elected positions in mock elections.



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1. In the Queen of Hearts' oven?
6. Indiana Jones' quest
9. Dance with leis
13. Sheikh, alt. sp.
14. Opposite of paleo
15. Hedgehog of movies and video games
16. Toilet, to a toddler
17. Pilot's estimate acronym
18. One deserving of respect?
19. *Like submarine
21. *Abbey Road location
23. Lobe location
24. Per person
25. To the _____ degree
28. *"Twist and Shout" endearment
30. English confection
35. Wraths
37. Swarm like bees
39. Not taken and taken
40. Skiing helmet manufacturer
41. Homework assignment
43. Kamakawiwo'ole's strings, pl.
44. Thermonuclear weapon
46. Type of list
47. Frost residue
48. "God, We Praise You" (2 words)
50. Redecorate, e.g.
52. What Carl Lewis did
53. Doctor's order
55. December 31st, e.g.
57. *"Whisper words of _____"
60. *"Please _____ Me," 1st album
63. Amusement
64. Rage
66. Scary movie consequence
68. _____ del Carmen, Mexico
69. Corn spot
70. Reach a goal (2 words)
71. Unit of heredity
72. Cry of alarm
73. Wipe out

DOWN

1. Cough syrup amt.
2. Greeting at sea
3. Blood vessel network
4. Ownership document
5. NASA's first space station
6. All over again
7. Retired, abbr.
8. Aussie bear
9. *"I want to _____ your hand"
10. Editing arrow
11. Bank holding
12. Acronym, abbr.
15. Mister in Brazil
20. Speak from a podium
22. Month X
24. Hideous sight
25. *"It's been a hard day's _____"
26. Social group
27. Roman king of Judea
29. *Starr's predecessor
31. *Fabulous number
32. Faquir, alt.sp.
33. Swelling
34. Ruhr's industrial center
36. Not all
38. Like a full-fledged Mafia man
42. Cry of the Alps
45. The enlightened one
49. Barn sound
51. Nervous (2 words)
54. Inflict a blow
56. Truth or Dare player?
57. _____ E. Coyote
58. Persian Gulf country
59. Eye infection
60. Peephole glance
61. _____ good example
62. Chows down
63. Frugal driver's acronym
65. Fish eggs
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- Follow the Council Agenda and give public comment at a meeting: www.fcgov.com/cityclerk/agendas





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