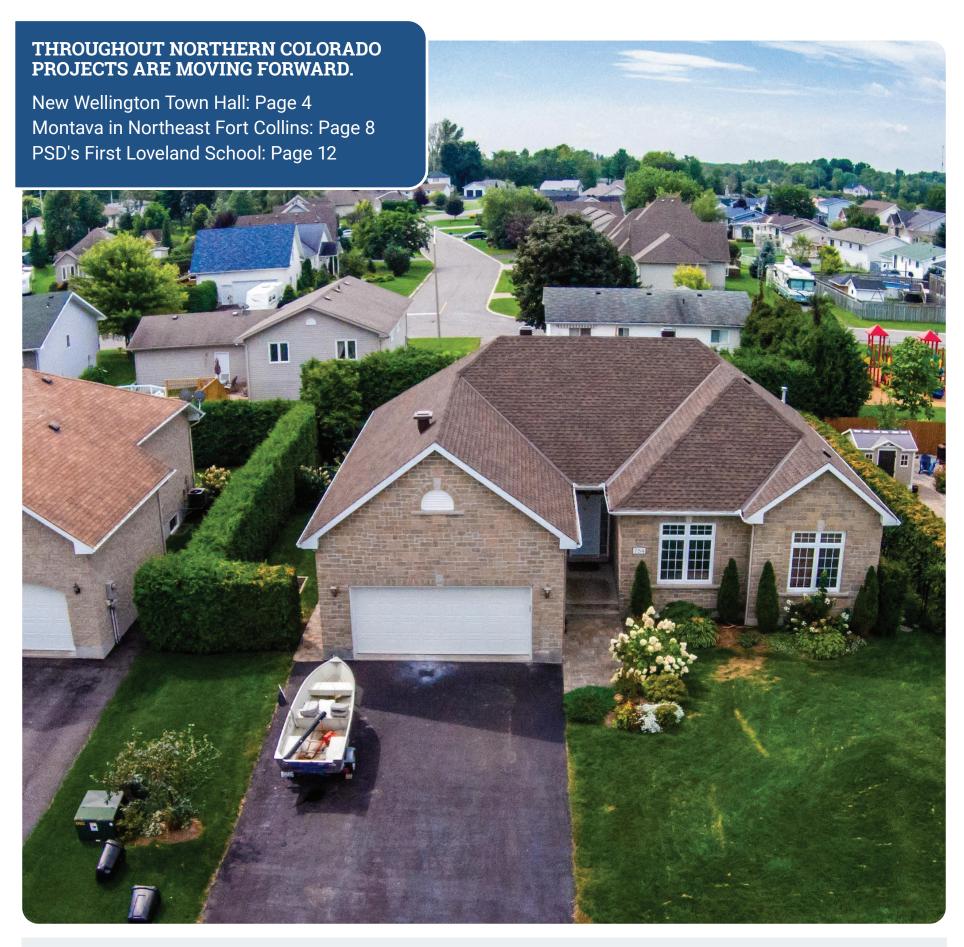


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#### If You Lose the News...



Across the country, local news is in a state of

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In May 2017 I was alarmed. North Forty News was about to become yet another statistic -- closing down after serving communities throughout Northern Colorado for over 25 years.

At a time when the population of this region is surging, adequate news coverage is seriously eroding. And no distantly-owned daily provides the local nuance that hyperlocal coverage requires to truly serve the needs of the people where it counts -- where they live!

So I did the unthinkable -- I stepped in to do the hard work of not only saving this newspaper but for the first time in its history, expanding it to a weekly.

Local news supports the democratic process and

drives civic engagement.

With its loss, studies show that citizens are:

- less likely to vote in local elections
- less politically informed
- less likely to run for office
- less informed about significant planned changes in their environment

We seek solutions that will safeguard, support and expand our operations.

Across the country some newspapers:

- are currently being supported through philanthropy
- have changed to nonprofit status and are currently being supported through grants
- are currently being supported through taxes as local news is not a "public market" as much as it is a "public good" much like public broadcasting.

If you are reading this, you are among our more informed citizens who understand the need for hyperlocal coverage -- so perhaps "I am preaching to the choir."

But in addition to subscribing and/or supporting us through a monthly donation of any size, please consider writing your elected officials. This will open the conversation about how we can preserve and expand local news coverage throughout Northern Colorado. Readers informed about nearby communities can then band together over local issues affecting their entire region -- this can provide the collective and competitive edge in planning for their future.

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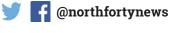
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#### ELLUER Building Colorado Communities in More Ways

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What they say is true: "The greatness of a community is most accurately measured by the compassionate actions of its members."

Throughout our lives, from childhood to adulthood, the community is an essential part of our everyday existence. Sometimes we don't see or fully understand its impact and sometimes we may think it is irrelevant. So often we take our community for granted but it is vital in ways we can't imagine. No matter where you grew up, it is almost certain that, in some way, the community of friends and family around you contributed positively to your formative years.

Actions truly do speak louder than words, and one successful example of this can be seen in a locally-owned community development contracting company, Elder Construction, who recently celebrated 25 years in business with its "25 Days of Giving" initiative.

The company focused on its core value of building the community by donating "Time & Talents" of employees to more than 25 area organizations. The result? A resounding 1,000+ volunteer hours contributed to surrounding communities across its locations in Northern and Southern Colorado in 2019.

When taking a closer look into the company's motivation behind this

milestone effort, it became clear with a single sentence from the company president, Chris Elder: "We believe great companies reveal their true character by the way they treat their people and their community."

For Elder, this mentality has taken shape since the company was established in 1994, by founder, Tom Elder, and father to Chris and Patrick, twin brothers who have since taken the helm of the company built by their father. Tom leveraged more than 20 years of industry experience to grow the company one project at a time, building a culture that continues to foster exceptional relationships with people, clients, consultants, and subcontractors. Since those humble beginnings, Elder has displayed a long history of actively supporting the local community, focusing on efforts that will have a lasting impact on the communities in which its team members live and work. Expanding its impact in 2009, Elder Construction opened a second office in Northern Colorado to better serve the communities of Colorado's

"Elder has been incredibly fortunate to have the support of our communities who have helped to build us into the company that we are today," said Tom Elder, Founder of Elder Construction. "It's truly humbling to be able to give back to

the real foundation of our business: our connections, our communities, our people. It's an unbelievable honor and privilege to serve the Centennial State and we look forward to the next 25 years together."

During the anniversary-driven "25 Days of Giving" initiative, the area programs and organizations in which Elder employees implemented their time and talents were specially selected by staff members. Efforts ranged from building projects and group workdays to the widespread mobilization of volunteer efforts supporting hunger-relief, programs focused on children, youth, and families, acts of social and civic service, and much more.

"As we wrap up our 25th year in business, we want to take this opportunity to give thanks to our community and highlight some of the many organizations that have given so much to make this an incredible place in which to live and work," said Patrick Elder. "It is our hope that by exercising our 'giving muscles' as the Elder Tribe, we will inspire others to give as well, creating a ripple effect among our team and others who are watching."

Beneficiaries of Elder's "Time & Talents" included organizations, community vitality programs such as neighborhood clean-up and service area events at Care and Share Food Bank for Southern Colorado and the Food Bank for Larimer County, as well as humanitarian efforts with the Salvation Army and Fort Collins Rescue Mission, alongside many more.

To learn more about Elder's "25 Days of Giving Campaign" and other charitable efforts, visit www. elderconstructioninc.com/about-us/ elder-construction-25-days-of-giving/

#### 25 Days of Giving: The 'Why' Behind it All

The Elder Tribe, as they call it, is bound by a vision of 'Building Purpose Into People' so that together they are inspired to leave this world better than they found it.

"It is our hope that this giving movement brings real life to those simple but powerful words," said Chris Elder. "We believe that true meaning never comes from what you get, it comes from what you give. The importance of giving to others can't be overstated because the secret to living, is giving. If you really think about it, what is life all about? Creating meaning. How do you create meaning in your life? It's not about what you do for yourself. It is about how you're able to better the lives of the people around you – your loved ones, the people in your community, or the people somewhere else in the world. This is why Elder believes it is so important to give back to those around us, even in small ways."

"Grow and be an important part of our community. It's what we expect of our employees because it's what we feel our community should expect of us."

#### Smart Growth, Infrastructure and Community: Where County and Cities Intersect

JOHN KEFALAS | Larimer County Commissioner



John Kefalas is a Larimer County Commissioner.

At our Wellington Community Conversation, we discussed the proposed Montava Planned Unit Development (PUD) in northeast Fort Collins - located within the Growth Management Area (GMA) where development is guided by an Inter-Governmental Agreement (IGA) between Larimer County and Fort Collins.

The county engineer, assistant city

traffic engineer and city development review manager provided details about the project, addressed coordination between the county and city and answered questions. So why have such a spirited conversation in Wellington?

The answer is because county residents have valid concerns about such a major development that has significant implications for Larimer County related to smart growth, infrastructure and community-building.

Where are we in this process? Last month, the Fort Collins City Council initially approved the PUD Master Plan and the Extended Term of Vested Rights Development Agreement. By resolution, City Council also approved amendments to the Mountain Vista Subarea Plan, Master Street Plan and the Parks and Recreation Policy Plan, and the Metro District Public Benefits Development Agreement that requires 15% of the housing be affordable -30-120% of the Area Median Income (AMI). For a four-person family in Fort Collins, AMI is \$85,100. A four-person family must earn \$92,000 annually to afford a single-

What is Montava? Montava is a proposed multi-use development that could build out to 3,900 homes over 20-25 years on

family home.

1000 acres of land - west of Budweiser to Turnberry Road with Richard's Lake Road to the north and Mountain Vista Drive to the south. There's also property in the southeast corner adjacent to I-25 below Mountain Vista for two schools.

The PUD Master Plan includes a variety of civic spaces and programs, an urban farm, community gardens, natural areas and greenways. While such amenities are appealing, the developer and Fort Collins must still address fundamental infrastructure issues regarding transportation (traffic and multi-modal connectivity), water and wastewater, and therein lies the rub.

What is smart growth? Smart Growth America https://smartgrowthamerica.org/ defines this as "a way to build cities, towns, and neighborhoods that are economically prosperous, socially equitable, and environmentally sustainable." Smart growth seeks to address urban sprawl and deteriorating environmental conditions. Is Larimer County implementing smart growth policies through our Comprehensive Plan and land use code?

I've heard from countless anxious residents about relentless car and truck traffic on Country Club Road (CR 50) - a collector street that is not designed to

safely accommodate current and future traffic volume. Effective this month, there will be a long-term prohibition of semitrailer trucks on CR 50 with increased law enforcement that should help improve public safety, and the city and county are collaborating on installing traffic signals for Hwy 1/Douglas Road and Vine/ Timberline intersections.

Montava is a phased development, and each phase must be approved by Fort Collins with infrastructure requirements that involve Larimer County and our jointly adopted standards. This development is a big deal, and if you have lingering questions and concerns then get involved. Join us at our March 7th Community Conversation, [Saturday], 9:30 - 11 AM, 222 Laporte Ave, [City of Fort Collins Administration Bldg.] 1 Colorado River Room. City and county folks will be listening and prepared to answer your questions with an eye towards addressing vexing problems facing our communities.

John Kefalas is a Larimer County Commissioner representing all of Larimer

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## The Facts Behind a Growing Hemp Industry, and a Wellington Chemist Making Strides in CBD Research

**ANNIE LINDGREN** | North Forty News



Photo Credit: Provided by Dr. Emek Blair Dr. Emek Blair in a hemp field with a ladybug.

Wellington resident and scientist, Dr. Emek Blair, who earned his Doctorate in Chemistry from the University of California, Irvine, has been working with the local cannabis and hemp industry since 2009. He started with helping to standardized grow and processing practices, assuring things are done in safe and hygienic ways, and now is paving the way in CBD research.

CBD, short for 'cannabidiol', is a non-psychoactive chemical derived from the hemp species of the Cannabis Sativa plant. Both marijuana and hemp plants contain CBD, but the hemp plant contains much higher levels of CBD, and very low (less than 0.3%) levels of THC (the component of the marijuana plant that produces the 'high'). CBD works with the endocannabinoid system, a system of receptors in the body that may have a mediating role in inflammation, pain, nausea, and many other biological functions. It was first discovered in 1940 by Dr. Roger Adams at the University of Illinois.

Hemp was a legal and common crop in the United States until the passing of the Marihuana Tax Act in 1937, during a time where competition with growing wood, paper, and plastic industries led to problems for the hemp industry. Then, it earned a bad rap when it was grouped in with its marijuana cousin in the Controlled Substance Act of 1970. Things changed when President Trump signed the 2018 Farm Bill, making it federally legal to grow hemp, and removing hemp-derived products from the Schedule 1 controlled substance status. One of the goals of the Farm Bill was to allow research on CBD. Another benefit is that farmers wishing to grow hemp are now allowed the same benefits and protections as farmers growing other

crops. It is up to each state to decide how they plan to regulate this crop, and hemp crops are popping up throughout the United States.

Hemp has been around for thousands of years, sharing a long-standing relationship with humans. The Vikings used it in building many aspects of their boats. In the colonial day's hemp was used for clothing, rope, feeding animals, oil for cooking and use in food, and paper. According to a PBS article, 8 things you didn't know about hemp, by Carey Reed, "King James I required every property owner in Jamestown to grow 100 plants of hemp for export in 1619". There was a 'Hemp for Victory!' program run through the U.S. Department of Agriculture, encouraging farmers to grow hemp during World War II. In the current era, hemp can be used to make plastics, building materials, fuel for transportation, food for humans and animals, and CBD is gaining popularity in its medical usefulness.

Hemp works well with the environment as a sustainable crop. Dr. Blair explains that hemp is a bioremediator, which means that it pulls toxins and toxicants (natural and manmade poisons) from the soil, making the soil healthier. When tilled back into the ground, it provides fertilizer for next year's crop. Native hemp crops create their own ecosystems, attracting helpful insects, like the ladybugs, that protect them from harmful insects, and allow more resilience to the local climate.

Medically, current research studies are testing how CBD may be useful in helping with pain, epilepsy, Multiple Sclerosis, Parkinson's, inflammation, nausea, anxiety, sleep, relaxation, and more. CBD products for sale in stores are being marketed to treat many of these conditions. Dr. Blair describes the current state of the CBD industry as being in the middle of a transition. A lot of people jumped into the hemp industry purely for profit—making, but the claims around the many benefits of CBD have not been scientifically researched, and products not properly formulated. Dr. Blair is doing that much needed scientific research, alongside only a handful of others, in a field otherwise supported through limited case studies done by doctors.

Dr. Blair's research includes a recently published article about the safety of CBD, and its ability to improve liver function and reduce blood sugar levels. He has done research on absorption rates, and created products designed to have better and more consistent absorption. He recently completed a study on the effectiveness of CBD in treating arthritis. Dr. Blair founded next-generation CELLg8™ liposomal technology, Valimenta™, and hemp manufacturing company Puffin Hemp, which is cGMP (Good Manufacturing Practice) certified to produce liposomal hemp. He has a strong belief in helping the industry, rather than competing with it, and does not sell CBD products, rather he partners with other organizations. Puffin Hemp has a Veteran Military Support Program offering reduced-cost CBD to veterans, with proceeds from the sale of PuffinMVP CBD benefiting local veteran organizations. To learn more about his research and company visit www.dremekblair.com and www.puffinhemp.com.

"We are trying to position ourselves as the leaders in the hemp industry, and we are doing it by executing a lot of very much needed human clinical studies, to truly understand what this ingredient is and how it interacts with your body," said Dr. Blair.

Hemp and CBD are here to stay, and it will be interesting to see what the future holds for these quickly growing industries. Stay tuned for more valuable research from Dr. Emek Blair.

## Community Invited to Share Ideas on the Future of Town Hall

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The Town of Wellington will hold an interactive workshop in March.

The Town is looking to take public feedback on the future of Wellington's new Town Hall. The Town wants to hear from all community members about their views and preferences for a location and features in our new Town Hall.

This workshop will allow the public to get involved and express to the Town and the project consultant on what is important to them.

All comments and feedback will be collected and considered as the Town develops the Town Hall Spaces Needs Assessment.

#### Future Town Hall Community Workshop

**Evening Session** 

March 3 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Leeper Center, Board Room

**Daytime Session** 

March 10

3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Leeper Center, Board Room

Families and community members of all ages are welcome to attend and are highly encouraged to actively participate.



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

#### In our February 17th edition:

An improper attribution was made in the article about Semester at Sea.

The proper attribution reads: "These countries are really fearful, so even if the students release medical records or immigration history, they still don't have to let them in so it is really up to the country were going to," said Seng

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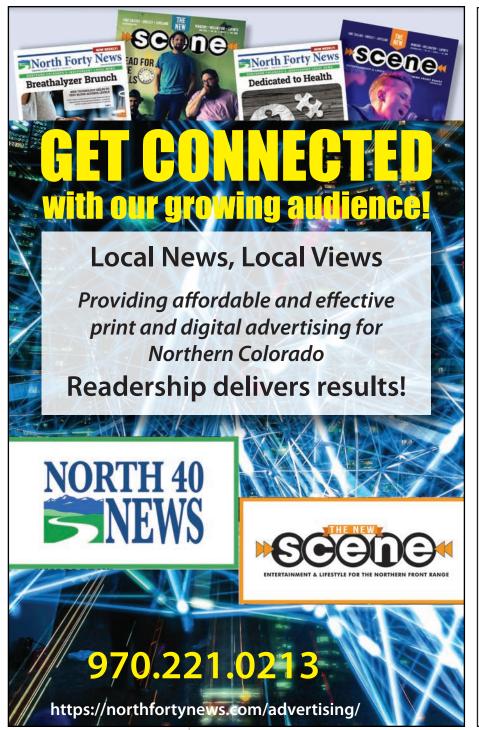
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We look forward to meeting you and to serving the residents and business owners of Wellington.

## Protect Your Heart and Your Wallet

MARK FETTERHOFF | AARP ElderWatch



Online dating sites and social media platforms have become one of the most popular ways for people of all ages to meet friends, significant others and spouses. While most people have good intentions when meeting others online, scammers have also been known to use dating sites, social media sites and apps (ex. Facebook, Instagram, Words with Friends, etc.) to obtain money, gifts or personal information.

When meeting people online, it is important that you always consider the possibility that the person you are chatting with is not the person they claim to be. The following are some "red flags" to help determine if the person who you are chatting with is a scammer:

You are asked to send money, purchase gift cards, send goods (ex. a phone or computer) or even open a bank account before meeting in person.

They are contacting you from thousands of miles away, have inconsistent information in their profile and/or they have an unrealistic photo.

You are asked to move the conversation outside of the dating website to phone, text, email or instant messenger.

They ask you for personal information such as your credit card numbers or Social Security number.

They express strong emotions toward you very early in your conversations.

If you recognize any of these warning signs or suspect unusual behavior, report it to the website's administrator and cease all communication with the person immediately. If you have any questions contact an AARP ElderWatch volunteer for assistance. 1-800-222-4444, option 2.

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March 26 at Noon at the Red Feather Lakes Library (71 Fire House Ln, Red Feather Lakes, CO)

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TOM DONNELLY | JOINT MEETING WITH MAYORS

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## Tree Top Plant Health Management Helps Form New Colorado Arborist Apprenticeship Program

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Randi Grady (left), Human Resources for Tree Top, has coordinated the registration with the state. Tyler Williams (right) is this year's apprentice.

Tree Top, Plant Health Management is based out of Wellington, CO. The company specializes in tailored service plans for commercial properties. Tree Top has been caring for trees along the northern Front Range for 18 years.

Founded by James and Anna Knotts, the company has grown to be the home of knowledgeable and dedicated industry professionals. In 2019 they elevated their commitment to 'be better Arborists' by creating a state-recognized apprenticeship program and by becoming accredited through the Tree Care Industry Association (TCIA).

To help their community foster a new generation of Arborists, the Colorado Tree Care Sector Partnership was formed, consisting of different companies, municipalities, and industry vendors. Through this partnership, the Arborist Apprenticeship Program was created.

On October 28th, 2019 Tree Top officially became a registered sponsor of the Arborist Apprenticeship Program. They are excited to announce the enrollment of their first apprentice in this groundbreaking

Apprentices will be trained in a variety of skills needed to become an arborist, with most of their instruction through on-thejob training by working one-on-one with a skilled professional. Apprentices are paid for on-the-job training and are eligible for increased compensation as they progress through the 3-year program.

Tree Top is now a TCIA Accredited company.

Due to the high standards of this process, apprentices are in good hands at Tree Top. They can count on getting quality instruction and the tools they need to succeed in the industry.



#### **Larimer County Rolls Out New Short-Term Rental Regulations**

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Larimer County has issued new rules and regulations for short-term property owners on Sept. 1, in order to make certain that short-term rental living spaces are safe and secure for residency and suited in their district communities.

The new regulations apply to short-term rentals within Larimer County, outside of city and town limits including the Estes Park Planning area. Although these new regulations such as short-term rental dwellings went into effect Sept. 1, shortterm rental property owners within Larimer County will be notified about the new rules beginning February 5.

Advising short-term rental property owners to comply with Larimer County Land Use and Building Codes standards, the notification of the new regulations will also counsel owners to acquire the required land use and building code permits

Dwellings or residencies rented by owners for fewer than 31 days are considered short-term rentals. Those owners who have yet to receive notifications on the new regulations are still needed to follow

them. However, they do have a few options for their short-term rentals.

Property owners can choose to obtain the required approvals and permits or they can stop the use of their property as a shortterm rental through the signing of a form that states as such.

Larimer County is incentivizing property owners to comply with the new short-term rental regulations through a discounted application fee throughout 2020. Larimer County encourages compliance from all short-term rental property owners in regard to obtaining approvals for their properties but will take necessary action to obtain said approvals if need be.

For more information on the new shortterm rules and regulations or to obtain the required approvals and permits for shortterm rental properties, please visit https:// www.larimer.org/planning/short-termrentals-str and https://www.larimer.org/ Planning/STR-Options or call Larimer County Community Development at [970] 498-7679.

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#### Taxpayers in 19 States and D.C. Now Eligible for Identity Protection PIN from IRS

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The Internal Revenue Service has announced it is expanding its voluntary Identity Protection PIN program to taxpayers in 20 locations, a step toward making the program nationwide.

The IP PIN is a six-digit number that adds a layer of protection to the taxpayers' Social Security numbers and helps protect against tax-related identity theft. It helps prevent a taxpayer's SSN from being used on a fraudulent tax return.

Taxpayers will be eligible for this voluntary program if they filed a federal tax return last year from Arizona, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Maryland, Michigan, Nevada, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Texas and

Taxpayers enter their IP PINs onto their federal tax return when prompted by their electronic provider or

their tax professional. Taxpayers must use the correct IP PIN on their tax returns to avoid return rejects or delays.

Taxpayers opting into the IP PIN program must use the online Get an IP PIN tool at IRS.gov/IPPIN. Before obtaining an IP PIN, taxpayers must pass a rigorous identity verification process. Not everyone can pass. Taxpayers cannot call the IRS to request an IP PIN. The IRS is working on an alternative for those who cannot authenticate their identities.

The IRS has created a new publication – Publication 5367, Identity Protection PIN Opt-In Program for Taxpayers - to help taxpayers understand the required steps. The publication is in English and Spanish. Taxpayers should review the publication or the IRS.gov/IPPIN page to make sure the program is right for them.

Taxpayers who opt into the program should be on high alert for phishing attempts by cybercriminals and others to steal their IP PINs. The IRS will never ask taxpayers to

disclose their IP PINs. The only time taxpayers should disclose their IP PINs is when prompted by the tax software provider as they are preparing their tax return or when their tax preparer needs it to complete the tax return. Any calls, emails or texts requesting the IP PIN are likely attempts at theft.

The IP PIN is valid for a calendar year. Taxpayers who opt into the program must return to the Get an IP PIN tool each year to obtain a new number.

The IP PIN protects only one SSN. For a married couple, each taxpayer must register on IRS.gov, validate their identity and request an IP PIN. Only dependents who can pass the identity verification process will be able to obtain an IP PIN.

The IRS expanded the program to the 20 locations based on identity theft reports submitted to the Federal Trade Commission. The IRS is expanding eligibility in stages to insure there is no adverse impact on existing systems. After the 2020 filing season, the IRS will decide whether to add additional states or expand nationwide.





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#### **CSU Libraries Calls for Volunteers to Decipher Century-Old Cursive Writing**

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#### PHOTO COURTESY CSU SOURCE **Delph Carpenter's Portrait**

If you can decipher century-old cursive handwriting, Colorado State University Libraries needs your help.

The Water Resources Archive is launching a pilot project to crowdsource transcriptions of three diaries written by Delph Carpenter, an influential water lawyer, state senator and river commissioner in Colorado in the early to mid-1900s.

Considered the "Father of Interstate River Compacts," Carpenter kept daily diaries, which chronicle his activities over 15 years during the height of his career. He is best known for writing, negotiating and promoting the 1922 Colorado River Compact, a seven-state agreement on the allocation of water rights in the Colorado River basin, which remains in place today.

The pilot will run through April 30, with volunteers transcribing the diaries through a popular online transcription platform, From the Page. If the pilot is

successful, the remainder of Carpenter's 14 diaries will be transcribed in the same way, to make a significant piece of Colorado water history more accessible to modern researchers.

#### **Handwriting Challenge**

Carpenter's loose, cursive handwriting combined with sometimes cryptic notes and sentences have made reading the diaries a challenge for researchers.

"Handwritten text can be difficult to read, and impossible to electronically search. With transcription, both are easier," says Patty Rettig, water archivist at the Libraries. "Transcribing Carpenter's diaries will make them more accessible and searchable, which is critical for researchers who need primary sources related to Colorado history, water law and policy, or natural resource management."

After editing by library staff, transcriptions will be freely available on Mountain Scholar, a digital repository for academic entities in Colorado and Wyoming, including Colorado State University.

With nearly 700 handwritten pages to transcribe, volunteers can transcribe as many or as few as they

"Every little bit counts. We couldn't do this without volunteers giving their time and effort," says Rettig.

For information on how to volunteer, visit the Libraries website. Questions about the pilot project may be directed to Patty Rettig, patricia. rettig@colostate.edu

#### Massive Development Approved in Northeast Fort Collins - Montava will Develop 999 Acres of Land

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#### **GRAPHIC COURTESY CITY OF FORT COLLINS** Rendering of a portion of Montava

The Fort Collins City Council gave final approval to the Montava Planned Unit Development (PUD) Master Plan and Overlay following a public hearing on Tuesday, February 18, 2020.

Montava is a long-term development project that covers a land area of 999 acres in northeast Fort Collins. The Montava PUD Master Plan proposes a phased approach to achieve buildout of the Montava community, which is planned to include about 4,200 dwelling units and 450,000-750,000 square feet of commercial, industrial, and/or employment uses. Montava is expected to be developed in phases over 25 or more years.

To ensure that communication about key

development milestones for the Montava project is consistent and comprehensive over this extended time frame, City staff have proposed a range of different methods to keep the public informed. The City's Land Use Code already requires certain kinds of notice related to development – for example, mailed notice, signposting, and published notice for neighborhood meetings and public hearings. In addition to these legally required notices, the City will also provide web updates, e-mail notification, and social media postings for each future phase of the Montava project.

Members of the public who are interested in following future phases of the Montava development are encouraged to visit the Montava website at https://ourcity.fcgov.com/Montava to sign up for project updates.

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#### FORT COLLINS

#### Musical Zoo 2020 -Orchestral Fun for Children

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The Friends of the Symphony will host Musical Zoo 2020 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Sunday, March 1, 2020 at the Fort Collins Timberline Church. This exciting program of musical education and fun is designed especially for children 3-12 years of age and their families.

The annual event features an instrument "Petting Zoo" wherein children observe, hold and "play" a variety of orchestral instruments between 2:00 and 3:40 p.m. Short performances of instrumental and choral works will be performed by youth ensembles, also at 2:00 and 3:40 pm. Guests can move about in order to attend both events. The Grand Finale takes place in the Main Auditorium from 3:45 to 4:30 p.m., with the Fort Collins Symphony performing 2 short works by Russell Peck. Playing with Style delightfully shows off various instruments in the orchestra; Jack and Jill on Bunker Hill, is a patriotic thriller. Guest Conductor Lawrence Golan will

be joined by Scott Wheeler as narrator. Dance will be provided by the Canyon Concert Ballet.

Tickets are \$5.00 each for adults and children and can be purchased at the door, Timberline Church, 2908 S. Timberline Rd., FC, beginning at 1:30 p.m. on the day of the event. The Musical Zoo 2020 is put on by more than 300 musicians, guides, and service volunteers and is supported by generous grants and sponsorships from the City of Fort Collins Fort Fund, Friends of the Symphony, Community Foundation of Northern Colorado, Canyon Concert Ballet, Boomers Music, and anonymous donors.

> More information is available at www.friendsofthesymphony.org, www.fcsymphony.org, and www.ccballet.org.

### **Piano Donations Needed for Pianos About Town**

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Pianos About Town, an interactive public art program in Fort Collins, is seeking piano donations to be painted or artistically decorated for the program. The program needs full-size upright pianos that are at least 48" tall and in good working order. Individuals who have pianos that they'd like to donate can email a photo of the piano

to Liz Good, Visual Arts Coordinator for the City of Fort Collins at lgood@fcgov. com or call (970) 416-2646. Site visits are scheduled to determine if the piano is a good fit for the program. If the piano meets program requirements, professional movers pick up the piano free of charge in Fort Collins, Loveland, Windsor and Wellington.

#### **Wine Fest Date Set for 2020**

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Disabled Resource Services (DRS) will be holding its 38th Annual Wine Fest on April 17, 2020 at the Hilton Hotel Fort Collins.

The event, founded in 1982, is DRS' primary fundraising event. Continuing to grow from previous years, it will feature more than 500 wines from over 150 Colorado, American and international wineries. Local craft beer will also be on hand in recognition of its popularity. Approximately 500 people are expected to attend.

"Wine Fest is more than a tradition. It's a truly unique event," said Joan LaBelle, DRS Executive Director. "This is an opportunity for Northern Colorado residents not to merely socialize. It's a chance to make a lasting and measurable impact on people close by in their own communities."

Knowledgeable representatives from wineries, distributors and breweries serve samples to help attendees learn to appreciate beverages through sight, smell, taste and touch. Guests will also learn about pairing by sampling gourmet tapas from nearly two dozen restaurants and caterers.

Participation levels have been developed to cater to all levels of wine enthusiasts.

VIP ticket holders are welcome at 6 p.m. for high-end wine tastings and intimate access to winery representatives.

Doors open to General Admission ticket holders at 7 p.m. for a night of wine, beer, tapas and conversation.

A reserve tasting for serious wine enthusiasts begins at 5 p.m. A limited number of tickets (12) are available for this tasting of select wines from the cellars of local wine connoisseurs.

Also at 5 p.m., a new feature...a special craft beer tasting hosted by Odell Brewing Co., will feature a brewmaster taking guests (24) on a journey of discovery - the art and science of specialty beers not generally available to the public.

As with previous years, there's more to Wine Fest than appreciating beverages. Guests will enjoy a photo booth, silent auctions, and raffles for a Wall of Wine Rack and two \$500 cash prizes.

Since its inception, Wine Fest has raised more than \$1,000,000 for people with disabilities living in poverty in Larimer and Jackson counties. Each year, proceeds from the event help provide services that eliminate barriers that prevent people with disabilities from living life to the fullest. With assistance from Disabled Resource Services they discover ways to live selfdirected lives with as much independence as their disabilities allow.

Tickets: General Admission \$80; VIP \$105; Private Craft Beer Tasting \$155; Private Reserve Wine Tasting \$205. \$5 more at the door. For additional information and to purchase tickets, visit winefestfc.org.

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About Disabled Resource Services provides services for individuals living with disabilities in Larimer and Jackson counties. It is one of nine Centers for Independent Living in Colorado. The program, Access to Independence, addresses a range of circumstances and fulfills critical needs to assist people of any age and with any disability in increasing their independence and quality of life. As a private 501(c)(3)organization, DRS receives over 9,000 requests for assistance each year. To learn more, visit disabledresourceservices.org or contact David Swinehart at (970) 482-2700.



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## BioBites: A Moo-Velous Way to Reduce Global Warming

A biologist-artist's ruminations about our roles in a science-inspired world.

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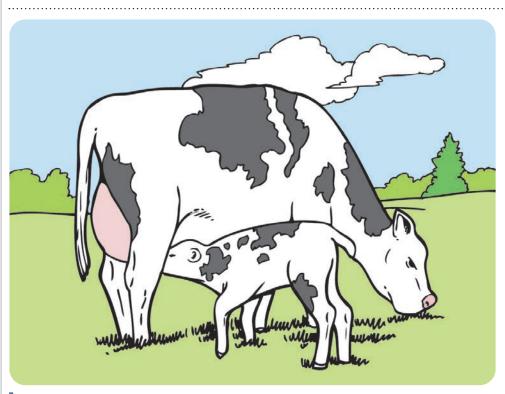


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Earth's billion head of cattle generate an astounding amount of methane.

In January, in my BioBites column titled "An ode to slime," I rambled enthusiastically about algae—the often microscopic photosynthesizing creatures that helped form the living world we know and may help us overcome our often failed stewardship of planet Earth. The other day I ran across a totally unexpected use for algae: a feed supplement for cattle that makes them belch less often, and thus significantly reduce the amount of methane they release into the air. Methane is a carbon compound 86 times more potent than carbon dioxide in warming the atmosphere.

Cow burps? Really? How important can they be in a changing climate? Roughly 1 billion head of cattle roam the planet these days (according to statista.com). These billion hamburgers-on-the-hoof, and milk-in-the-mammary-glands bovines emit close to 90

U.S. tons of methane into the air every year (according to muchadoaboutclimate.com). That total amounts to 10–15% of methane emissions worldwide. (Transportation and energy production top the methane production list.) Still, our friendly cudchewing neighbors—with the help of their symbiotic gut bacteria—account for a sizeable quantity of methane production.

It turns out that a University of California researcher named Breanna Rogue studied the problem and made a startling discovery: a little bit of algae in the cow's feed made a big difference. Feed containing 2% algae reduced methane emissions by a whopping 99%. Half that amount still reduced methane emissions by 67%. Science writer Jennifer Walter discusses some of the details in a recent article for Discover magazine (https://www.discovermagazine.com/environment/

cows-burp-out-tons-of-methane-feeding-them-seaweed-could-help).

Rogue's work builds on research conducted in Australia since 2016. Scientists are still unsure about whether or not algae in cattle feed may affect the meat and milk they produce in some way. Consumers wouldn't want milk with a fishy aftertaste, after all. Other matters of practical concern include figuring out the shelf life of feed with the additive and finding ways to scale up the production of the alga that seems to work well—a beastie called Asparagopsis taxiformis. Scientists also don't yet know the mechanism by which the algae work their magic.

Other ways to fix the cow methane problem seem a bit tougher than the algae additive solution. Since each cow emits about 400 liters (420 quarts) of methane per day—enough to power a small frig, for example—some scientists have attempted to capture the methane in a backpack. Scaling that project for a billion animals would seem daunting—not to mention the fire or terrorist hazard of cows wandering around with balloons of a flammable gas on their backs.



PHOTO COURTESY OF MUCHADOABOUTCLIMATE.COM Cows wearing methane-capturing backpacks.

Algae do seem like the way to go. And, who knows? Maybe algae in human diets in the future will make our own methane emissions more climate-friendly—although, most likely, no less aromatic.

## Front Range Contemporary Ballet Company Presents: Inner Voices

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A collaborative evening of poetry, contemporary ballet, modern dance, original music that investigates the inner voices and thoughts that provoke us in everyday life.

The Front Range Contemporary Ballet Company brings an exciting new event to the Fort Collins Lincoln Center Magnolia Theater on February 29th, 2020 at 7:30 pm. Inner Voices brings together 3 Colorado-based performance troupes, 6 choreographers, poets, and 2 singer-songwriters together for a one-night collaborative

event to celebrate Front Range Contemporary Ballet Company's breakout season. This dance festival style event will feature world premiere works by FRCBC choreographers Rita Corey and Leah Casper, as well as previously performed works by Emma Kimball and FRCBC Director Ixchel Levendosky. Inner Voices give audiences eclectic insight into the human psyche with performances by LuneAseas, Life/Art Dance Ensemble, poet Noah Kaplan, and the vocal stylings of

Charity Chapman. Inner Voices brings together the evolving Colorado dance community representing fresh, bold new works that evoke inspiration, thought, and conversation to continually push the art of dance forward in Colorado and beyond.

Front Range Contemporary Ballet Company is a group of classically trained dancers seeking to blend contemporary movements with the precision of a classical technique in order to express and reach a deeper side of humanity. Connecting with audiences through dance performances that integrate the abilities of highly-trained ballet dancers with innovative movements and choreographic endeavors that speak to the human experience in intimate environments where it can reach new audience members and bring dance to the forefront of culture in Fort Collins and beyond.

FRCBC makes its home at the Front Range Classical Ballet Academy where the dancers rehearse and take classes. The Ballet Academy trains beginners through professionals ages 3 to 103 in classical ballet, with a few classes in modern dance and other styles to round out the dance education of their students. This year's Academy performance at the Magnolia Theatre June 3–5, 2020 will be Thumbelina, an original production choreographed and directed by Ixchel Levendosky and performed by FRCBA students of all ages and levels.

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#### **Larimer County Sheriff Denies Special Event Permit for Arise Music Festival Near Buckeye**

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On February 4, the Arise Music Festival submitted an application to Larimer County for a special event permit to hold a festival this summer just off of County Road 80 (Northeast of Park Reservoir near

On the application, the organizer estimated 15,000 participants between July 30 and August 3rd.

Food and Alcohol would be served.

Most of the application was approved by various agencies throughout the county, however, a few have either not reviewed the application or need further information.

The description from the application:

"The festival will again feature a diverse line-up of musicians, yogis, artists, and visual performances, alongside workshops, seminars, films, and guest speakers. There will be one main stage with a smaller "tweener" stage and two additional performance areas situated on the approximate two hundred acre festival site. The event will also include a solutions village, visionary art installations, theme camps, local craft and food vendors, a kids' village, yoga tent and a community organization plaza. Most attendees camp for the duration of the event."

Neighbors in the area have contacted North Forty News with concerns about noise, fire, traffic and agency response.

The Larimer County Sheriff has "denied" the application citing concerns about the distance, road design, strain on emergency services, distance for first responders, and the flow of traffic on the roads.

"We have already done considerable work on the Sheriff's concerns—and believe that all of his issues are solvable through careful consideration and good management," said Luke Comer, Acting

Executive Producer of Arise in a statement to North Forty News. "Arise is entirely ready to work with the Sheriff on all his issues."

Comer says Larimer County has told him Arise is headed for another public meeting.

Comer is not entirely clear about the next steps yet. He is trying to get more information. "I am not sure that his denial means the event is off for that location," said Comer. "As always, Arise is entirely devoted to the safety of our patrons and surrounding people, communities and lands," he said.

Organizers from previous years of The Arise Festival (formerly organized and operated at Sunrise Ranch near Berthoud) have parted ways. In a separate statement to North Forty News, they have announced the festival will no longer take place at Sunrise Ranch.

"Paul Bassis and Tierro Lee on the one hand, and Luke Comer on the other hand, have agreed to part ways in connection with the Arise Music Festival, Mr. Comer will continue to operate the Arise Music Festival, Mr. Bassis and Mr. Lee will pursue other endeavors in the music and festival business. The Arise Music Festival will no longer be presented at Sunrise Ranch, but will take place at another location in Colorado to be announced. Sunrise Ranch will be pursuing the development of future festivals and concerts at the Ranch. "

To view the Special Event Permit Detail: https://apps.larimer.org/specialevent/application\_ detail.cfm?id=5720

#### **CDOT Warns Backcountry Users: Watch Where You Park!**

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The Colorado Department of Transportation urges outdoor enthusiasts heading to the backcountry to: WATCH WHERE YOU PARK!

CDOT recognizes and appreciates that the public uses and enjoys Colorado's backcountry, but when searching for areas to park vehicles or trailers, the public is reminded to do so safely and lawfully. Anyone leaving a vehicle unattended on the side of the road, runs the risk of breaking the law, being fined, and having their vehicle towed away by law enforcement.

"Never leave vehicles near or adjacent to snow slide areas!" said CDOT Maintenance Supervisor, Tyler Carlson. "Just this week, we were forced to cancel an avalanche control mission on US 50 Monarch Pass, because a vehicle was parked in the snow slide path area. This absolutely hinders our winter maintenance operations, plus it is extremely dangerous because your car or truck could be covered with snow by a natural slide."

Carlson went on to explain that it was apparent the occupants of the vehicle were backcountry skiing. Carlson also added that the section of US

50 is safe for the traveling public. The mission has been rescheduled for early next week.

Backcountry users should park only in clearly marked and designated parking areas, typically found at the summit of mountain passes and at some trailheads. While some areas along the highway may provide ample room to park several feet away and off the asphalt, CDOT warns vehicle owners that they run the risk of being trapped with snow pushed by the plow. Vehicles left on the side of the road also make the plowing job difficult for road maintenance crews.

OBEY THE LAW: Owners who leave vehicles unattended on the side of the road are at risk of obstructing avalanche control missions and the operation of heavy equipment. Obstructing highway operations is in violation of state law.

For more information or to read the Colorado law in its entirety, visit: https://law.justia.com/codes/ colorado/2016/title-42/regulation-of-vehicles-andtraffic/article-4/part-18/section-42-4-1803/

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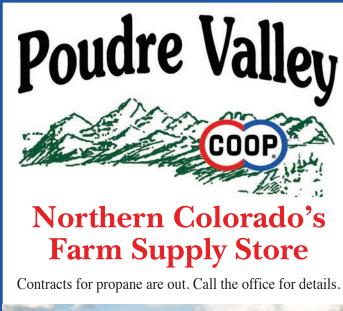
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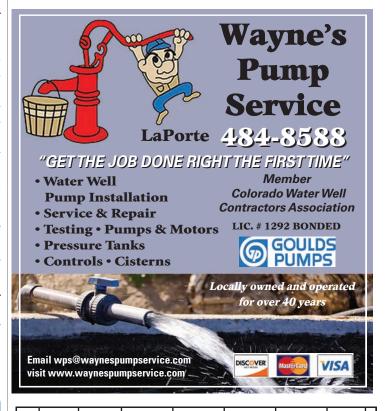
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#### LOVELAND

## **Poudre School District** To Begin Construction on 75,000 Square Foot K-5 Elementary School

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Poudre School District will host a groundbreaking ceremony for its new southeast elementary school from 1 to 2 p.m. Friday, Feb. 28. The ceremony will be held at the intersection of County Road 30 and County Road 5 in Loveland, the future site of the

Quick facts about the new southeast elementary school:

This school will be PSD's first in the City of Loveland.

It is scheduled to open in the fall of 2021.

The school will be approximately 75,000 square feet and is designed to serve 600 students from pre-K to fifth grade.

It is estimated to cost \$30 to \$35 million and is being paid for with money approved by voters as part of a 2016 bond and mill levy override.

The school's boundary is set and may be viewed on the PSD website.

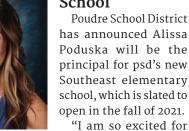
PSD is working on guidelines on grandfathering for the new under-construction schools, which will not be available until after Labor Day 2020. Once the guidelines are determined, the information will be shared publicly.

PSD is accepting name suggestions for the new school through March 31. For more information on this process, please visit PSD's website.

Attendees will have an opportunity to hear from multiple speakers, including new southeast elementary Principal Alissa Poduska and PSD Superintendent Sandra Smyser.

#### Psd Hires Principal For New Southeast

#### Elementary School



Poudre School District has announced Alissa Poduska will be the principal for psd's new Southeast elementary school, which is slated to open in the fall of 2021.

the opportunity to build a school community from the ground up, bring together students and families, and create a school with a strong climate and culture", Poduska said.

Poduska has been a PSD educator for nearly two decades and currently serves as the principal at shepardson elementary. She previously worked at bacon elementary school as an Assistant Principal and teacher.

"For the past five years, I have been lucky enough to serve the incredible students, families and staff at Shepardson Elementary School," she said. "I am so grateful to them for everything they've taught me. I know i will carry these experiences and lessons into my new role."

Under her leadership, Shepardson received the Governor's Distinguished Improvement Award in both 2017 and 2019 and was recognized for the highest math growth of all PSD elementary schools

#### National Fitness Campaign Honors Loveland With Healthy Infrastructure Award in Programming

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National Fitness Campaign (NFC) announces the inaugural Healthy Infrastructure Awards (HIA) recognizing community leaders and trailblazers from around the country that are changing the way cities are built through innovation, leadership and the development of healthy infrastructure in local communities. The Healthy Infrastructure Awards recognize winners annually in five distinct categories; Leadership, Programming Excellence, Storytelling, Design Excellence and Innovation.

National Fitness Campaign is proud to recognize the City of Loveland with the 2019 Healthy Infrastructure Award in Programming for their work to build a community of users, network of classes for all skill levels, and maintain the greatest level of community engagement in community creation on one Fitness Court®.

"The City of Loveland creatively expanded the use of the Fitness Court® to offer a variety of unique programming that has brought the local community together," stated Mitch Menaged, founder of the National Fitness Campaign. "In partnership with UCHealth they offer group fitness classes free of charge for all residents including emergency first aid, tai chi, bootcamps and introductory wellness classes. We applaud the City of Loveland for their leadership in driving unique programming that have truly united the local community."

"The Fitness Court® and the free programming that both UCHealth and the City of Loveland will provide is an incredible opportunity for all members in the community to take advantage of," stated LeAnn Williams, Loveland Recreation Division Manager.

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#### 3-month Closure of MacGregor and US 34 Intersection in Estes Park to Start March 2

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On March 2, the intersection of US 34 (Wonderview Avenue) and MacGregor will be closed for three months to allow the Colorado Department of Transportation to build a roundabout in the area and make other safety improvements to the area.

During the closure, traffic from US 34 (Wonderview) will be detoured to US 34 Business (Elkhorn) and traffic from MacGregor will be detoured to Big Horn Drive. Minor delays are expected.

This project is one that has been discussed for years, including a public meeting in December of 2018 to discuss design options for the intersection. The roundabout design that was the overwhelming choice of those in the meetings and the design team, was Option 1 (picture below). This option connects sidewalks on the north and was better for pedestrian safety while maintaining the access points for residents in

All of this work came about because of operational and safety concerns with the intersection which led to a CDOT study on the

The goals of the study were:

- Accommodate current and future traffic volumes
- Improve safety for vehicles, pedestrians, cyclists and other
- Cost savings for construction, maintenance, traveler delay and crashes

Why was the roundabout selected?

- · Best operation for all vehicles
- Lowest points of conflict with vehicles, cyclists and pedestrians
- Lowest number of expected
- Lowest cost over the next 20

#### **REMEMBER:** SLOW FOR THE **CONE ZONE**

The following tips are to help you stay safe while traveling through maintenance and construction work zones.

- Do not speed in work zones. Obey the posted speed limits.
- Stay Alert! Expect the unexpected.
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- Avoid using mobile devices such as phones while driving in work zones.
- Turn on headlights so that workers and other drivers can see you.
- · Be especially alert at night while driving in work zones.
- Expect delays, especially during peak travel times.
- Allow ample space between you and the car in front of you.
- · Anticipate lane shifts and merge when directed to do so.
- Be patient!



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#### **FEATURE**

#### **Ron Shriner: Gandy Dancer**

LAURA MAHAL | Special Contributor to North Forty News



PHOTO BY LAURA MAHAL

Ron Shriner, 92, can be found most mornings enjoying a cup of coffee and the chance to socialize and reminisce.

What if a gandy dancer lived in your midst and you didn't know it? Such is the case with a ninety-two-year old man, most recognizable for walking his very large Goldendoodle, Buddy. Yet few people in the neighborhood are aware of Ron Shriner's time as a gandy dancer, working on the railroads of southern Colorado more than seventy-five years ago.

Before the upkeep of railway lines became mechanized, men known as "gandy dancers" maintained ties and rails to ensure the railroads ran smoothly. Gandy dancers would often sing or chant while they laid ties, set and aligned rails, and drove spikes into place.

Ron Shriner was a gandy dancer in the summers of 1944 and 1945, along with several of his friends from North Denver High School. They worked on a bridge gang out of Walsenburg, Colorado. Shriner's crew maintained the tracks from Alamosa to Fort Garland every Monday through Saturday.

"Boy, you were really tired. That was hard work," said Shriner. After working from 8 a.m. until 6 p.m., with a short break for lunch, the men often went to bed right after dinner. Occasionally, they'd explore nearby streams and do a little fishing. All it took to catch a trout was to "stick a worm on a pin."

Crews rode to work in track cars and slept in the "smoker" car at night. They earned room and board and had their own cook, who was the only female. Breakfast consisted of eggs, bacon, and coffee. For dinner, they'd have fried chicken, along with mashed potatoes and gravy. On occasion, steak. It was tasty, said Shriner, who added: "[The] steak lasted a long time. You had to chew it all day."

The lever used to keep tracks aligned was referred to as a "gandy." The spoon-shaped end was wedged underneath a railroad tie. A man would bounce on the gandy to loosen the tie so others could shove ballast—sand, earth, and gravel—underneath. The ideal

gandy dancer weighed 185 pounds, heavy enough to bend the spoon and not "fly off the handle."

At age sixteen, Ron Shriner was too slight to take on this job. Instead, Shriner and his section crew handled freshly creosoted timbers for bridges. Creosote attracted heat. The foreman insisted the crew wear shirts, as the peril of not wearing one was a horrible sunburn. Jeans and heavy gloves were a necessity, and some men wore caps. But they didn't wear sun protection, which was unheard of at the time.

Shriner said it was the kind of job that "put hair on your brisket. You really learned the value of a dollar." Gandy dancers earned between sixty cents and one dollar an hour in 1945.

Smaller bridges required frequent repairs from men such as Shriner. Specially trained drivers operated large rigs for bigger bridges. Yet the cranes and pile-driver machines often broke down. When that happened, crews placed four-hundred-pound timber planks by hand. Six men worked together, using metal tongs to clamp around and transport the timber. The men sang to make the hot, difficult work pass more quickly, and to time the lifting of ties and throwing of ballast.

Shriner broke into snippets of bawdy songs, some from his gandy-dancing days, some from his time as a Marine during World War II and Korea.

"You're a drunkard and you're not going to heaven, chug a lug, chug a lug."

He clarified that there "was as much cussing and dirty jokes as there was singing. You'd hear some jokes that made your ears burn."

On Saturday nights, Shriner and his high-school buddies flagged down the local express from Alamosa. This northbound train stopped in Pueblo for one hour to unload mailbags, then arrived in Denver at 2 a.m. The boys caught a few hours of sleep at their parents' homes, before spending Sunday at Elitch Gardens. In the 1940s, the amusement park still attracted well-known performers such as the Glenn Miller Orchestra, Benny Goodman, Artie Shaw, and the Andrew Sisters. Lionel Barrymore and Helen Hays were both known to visit the famous Trocadero ball room. Between the dance hall, gardens, and rides, the boys spent much of their paychecks there. They returned to Southern Colorado on the 4 p.m. train.

Gandy dancing was hard work, no doubt, but Shriner has fond memories of the job, open to young men, as well as more seasoned laborers. If you can find a video of men singing while working on the railroads, you might gain a sense of the appeal of this job, now retired to the annals of history.



PHOTO BY PARAM MAHAL
Railroad tracks near the Trinchera Ranch just outside of Fort Garland, Colorado.

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Wednesday, February 26

16 Bars w/ Speech Thomas Q&A!, Lyric Cinema Cafe (Theatre), 7 pm -10 pm After School Art Classes,

Museum of Art Fort Collins, 4 pm -5 pm Avo's Open Bluegrass Jam,

Avogadro's Number and Avo's Bar, 7 pm Board Game Night at The Lyric!,

Lyric Cinema Cafe (Theatre), 5 pm -9 pm Colorado Avalanche vs. Buffalo Sabres, Pepsi Center, 6 pm -9 pm

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

eTown Presents Green Screens at eTown Hall: The Biggest Little Farm, eTown, 7 pm -9:30 pm

Games at Maxline Brewing, Maxline Brewing, 6 pm -10 pm Ian Ferguson, Magic Rat Live Music,

Parasite - Essential Cinema: South Korean Film, Lyric Cinema Cafe (Theatre),

6:45 pm -9:45 pm RE:Turn feat Ultrasloth (kLL sMTH x Duffrey x bioLuMigen) w/ Special Guests,

Hodi's Half Note, 8:30 pm -1 am Search Party Experimental Comedy,

Prost Brewing, 8 pm -10 pm Shut Up & Write!, Letterpress & Publick House Downstairs, 7 pm -8:30 pm

Signing Smart - Your Baby CAN Talk!!, Full Moon Books, 10:15 am -11 am Singletrack Social Ride, 4791 West County

Road 38 East, 80526 Fort Collins, 6 pm -8 pm Ski Patrol Hiring Clinic, Purgatory Resort, 9:30 am -12:30 pm

Take a "Detour" to the Museum of Art!, Museum of Art Fort Collins, 6 pm -7 pm The Big Lebowlski: Beer Pong and Bowling (Wednesdays), Chippers Lanes,

8 pm -11 pm The Crooked Wheel Pop-Up Bike Shop,

Letterpress & Publick House Outside (weather permitting), 12 pm -5 pm The Futures Tour, Copper Mountain, 9 am

Trivia Night, Sparge Brewing, 6:30 pm Wednesday Open Ride (WOR), 4616 South

Shields Street, 5:30 pm -7:30 pm Whiskey & Bacon Pairing, The Heart Distillery, 6:30 pm -8 pm

**Thursday, February 27** 2020 Black History Live Tour in Fort Collins

Becky Stone as Rosa Parks, Front Range Community College, 11 am -12 pm

Arrested Development, KRFC 88.9FM Live at Lunch, 7 pm -9:45 pm Bandwagon Magazine Presents: DJ Chan-

nell (Live On The Lanes), Chippers Lanes, 9 pm -11 pm

Beautiful – The Carole King Musical, The Lincoln Center, 12 am -11:59 pm

Brazilian Carnival Celebration, Pinball Jones

Campus West, D-1, 1228 West Elizabeth Street, Fort Collins, CO 80521, USA, 6 pm Chris Musial Live at Timnath Beerwerks,

Timnath Beerwerks, 5:30 pm -7:30 pm Colorado Second Chance Party Fundraiser, Illegal Petes, 4 pm -9 pm

"Constellations" Presented by OpenStage Theatre, Museum of Discovery, 7:30 pm -9 pm

CSU Sinfonia Concert: Beethoven at 250!, UCA, Griffin Concert Hall, 7:30 pm -9:30 pm Curator Talk: Cercle et Carré, Gregory Allicar Museum of Art at Colorado State University, 5 pm -6 pm

**DJ Dance Party,** Surfside 7, 10 pm -1 am FOCO Drink & Draw, Wolverine Farm Letterpress and Publick House, 5:15 pm -7:15 pm Jammin' Feud After Dark, Prost Brewing,

8 pm -10 pm J Calvin, Magic Rat Live Music, 8 pm -10 pm Kendall Street Company, Avogadro's Number

and Avo's Bar, 9 pm La Sportiva Shoe Demo, Whetstone Climbing, 5 pm -8 pm

Live On The Lanes Presents: The Kity Project, Chippers Lanes, 9 pm -11 pm Live @ Timnath Beerwerks, Timnath Beer-

werks, 5:30 pm -7:30 pm Northern Colorado RV & Outdoor Show, The Ranch at Loveland, 10 am -8 pm

Olde Town Folkways, Wolverine Farm Letterpress and Publick House, 7 pm -10 pm Teen Night, Museum of Art Fort Collins, 8 pm -11 pm

Tuesday/Thursday Group Ride (TTH), 1833 East Harmony Road, 11:12 am -12:42 pm Vincent with Prince Fox, KLO, Roses & Rubies, The Fox Theatre, 9 pm

Friday, February 28

A. D. Laws Tasting & Education at The Whisk(e)y, The Whiskey, 7 pm -9 pm Antibalas: 20th Anniversary Celebration, Washington's, 7 pm -9:45 pm

Apple Bottom Jokes!! Stand Up with Steve Vanderploeg, Scrumpy's, 8:30 pm -11 pm BandWagon Battle of the Bands @ Hodi's Half Note, Hodi's Half Note, 7:30 pm -10:30 pm

Beautiful - The Carole King Musical, The Lincoln Center, 7:30 pm -10 pm

Chess at Breakfast / Mr. Atomic / Satellite Pilot at PBJ, Pinball Jones Campus West, 9

College Fridays at Hesperus!, Hesperus Ski Area, 4 pm -9 pm

"Constellations" Presented by OpenStage Theatre, Museum of Discovery,

CSU Concert Band Concert: Folkloric / FREE, UCA, Griffin Concert Hall, 7:30 pm -9:30 pm Dos Equis Spy Goggle Giveaway, Purgatory Resort, 2 pm -3 pm

Electric Hot Tuna + David Bromberg Quintet, Boulder Theater, 12 am -11:59 pm **FOXY Friday Welcomes JUMP 104.5 Radio** Station to Fort Collins, Tony's, 5 pm -8 pm

Game Of Stones, Snowmass Village, Colorado, Harlem Globetrotters, Budweiser Events

Center, 7 pm -9 pm Kristen Ford at Black and Blues Music and Brews, Black and Blues Music and Brews,

Laser Lounge Grand Opening (Teen Party),

Chippers Lanes, 6 pm -8 pm Leap Year Book Sale, Wolverine Farm Letterpress and Publick House, 4 am -6 pm

Live@Lunch with iZCALLi, KRFC 88.9FM Live at Lunch, 12 pm -1 pm Live Music: Daniel Pouse, New Belgium

Brewing, 5:30 pm -7:30 pm Live music with Jon Ridnell, Sparge Brewing,

Matt Skinner Band, Prost Brewing,

8 pm -10 pm Northern Colorado RV & Outdoor Show, The Ranch at Loveland, 10 am -8 pm Open Mic Night at Red Truck, Red Truck Beer

Company, 8 pm -10 pm Poudre River Forum, Embassy Suites, 8:30 am -4 pm

Red Rocks Local Set Feat. Dream Feed & Pierce Murphy Band, Red Rocks Amphitheater, 5:30 pm -9 pm

SON LITTLE, The Fox Theatre, 8 pm South to Cedars & Strangebyrds, Avogadro's Number, 8 pm

Sugar Britches get sweet at the Terry Bison Ranch, Terry Bison Ranch, 6:30 pm -9:30 pm Taylor Shae Duo Live Music at Equinox

Brewing, Equinox Brewing, 6 pm -8 pm The Rocky Horror Picture Show!,

Lyric Cinema Cafe (Theatre), 10 pm -12 am Verboten Comedy, Putnam Museum, 8 pm -9:30 pm

Vintage Theatre presents "Marvin's Room", Vintage Theatre, 7:30 pm Woman Up Music Festival, eTown,

Saturday, February 29

6:30 pm -9:30 pm

Austin: Wine Tour and Tasting, The Infinite Monkey Theorem, 5 pm -6 pm

BandWagon Battle of The Bands (Round 1: Night 4) w/ Hannah and the Cuddies, Estin & The 86'd, Play Wr!tes, Jellyfish Farm at Moxi Theater, Moxi Theater, 7:30 pm

Catch & Release, Prost Brewing, 8 pm -10 pm Chuck Prophet (solo), Magic Rat Live Music, 8 pm -10:30 pm

Colorado Mammoth vs. Philadelphia Wings, Pepsi Center, 7:30 pm

Colorado Sound's 4th Anniversary Bash, Washington's, 7 pm -9:45 pm Comedy Showcase featuring Jordan Doll,

Hodi's Half Note, 6 pm -8 pm "Constellations" Presented by OpenStage Theatre, Museum of Discovery, 7

:30 pm -9 pm Cupcakes at the Whisk(e)y, The Whiskey, 9 pm -12 am

Elvis: The Gospel Side, Rialto Theater, 3 pm -5 pm

Fascism the Musical, Bas Bleu Theatre, 7:30 pm

George Gray & The Elvis Experience: The Gospel Side, Rialto Theater, 3 pm -5 pm Get Weird with Thomas, Writing Workshop, Wolverine Farm Letterpress and Publick House, 4 pm -7 pm

G. Love & Special Sauce with Jontavious Willis, The Fox Theatre, 8:30 pm

Harlem Globetrotters, Pepsi Center, 1 pm Introduction to Urban Homesteading, Gardens on Spring Creek, 10:30 am -12:30 pm

Ladies of the Mic 3 - Comedy Show, Avogadro's Number and Avo's Bar, 8 pm Little Shop of Physics Open House, Lory Student Center Ballroom, 10 am -4 pm

Live music with the Vagabonds, Sparge Brewing, 6 pm -9 pm Love Shack! 80s Dance Party with DJ Mikey

B, Hodi's Half Note, 9 pm Maxline Brewing Comedy Showcase, Maxline Brewing, 8:30 pm -10 pm

Mountaintop Yurt Dinners, Ski Cooper / Chicago Ridge, 5 pm -8 pm Mystic River Band, Red Truck Beer Company,

6 pm -8 pm Native Station / Copper Teeth / Big Yummy,

Pinball Jones Campus West, 9 pm -12 am Northern Colorado RV & Outdoor Show, The Ranch at Loveland, 9 am -7 pm Saturday Open Ride (SOR), 4616 South

Shields Street, 9 am -1 pm Stave Off The Winter Blues | Barrel Stave Planting Workshop, The Heart Distillery,

12 pm -1:30 pm Subaru Winterfest, Copper Mountain, 12 pm

Sugar Britches VIII: Return to Lucky Joe's, Lucky Joe's, 9:30 pm Summer Blooming Bulbs and Tubers,

Gardens on Spring Creek, 1:30 pm -3:30 pm The Host - Essential Cinema: South Korean Film, Lyric Cinema Cafe (Theatre), 12:30 pm -3 pm

Under Pressure: National Printmaking Exhibit Reception, The Lincoln Center, 5 pm -7 pm

Vintage Theatre presents "Marvin's Room", Vintage Theatre, 7:30 pm

Warren Station presents Canvas Uncorked; A Painting & Wine Event February 29th, 2020 Doors 6pm, Putnam Museum, 6 pm

Watercolors: Butterflies Gone Wild, Gardens on Spring Creek, 10:30 am -4 pm WhiteCatPink / The Chunderfins / Utahraptor, Surfside 7, 9 pm

Sunday, March 1

Christopher Ryan at Black and Blues Music and Brews, Black and Blues Music and Brews, 3 pm -5 pm

Comedy Brewers Improv Show, Bas Bleu Theatre, 7 pm -8:30 pm Denver Nuggets vs. Toronto Raptors,

Pepsi Center, 4 pm Friends of the Symphony Musical Zoo 2020,

Timberline Church, 2 pm -4:30 pm Great Plates of Downtown, Downtown Fort

Collins, 5 pm -10 pm JJ Grey - Front Porch Sessions, Washington's,

J Stone & Fashawn's "Loyalty Over Royalty" Tour w/Special Guests, Hodi's Half Note, 8 pm -11 pm

Letter Writing Club, Wolverine Farm Letterpress and Publick House, 2 pm -3 pm Rebecca Folsom, Buddy Mondlock, & Liz

Barnez - Writers in the Round, Avogadro's Number and Avo's Bar, 6 pm Saint Animal Live at Timnath Beerwerks,

Timnath Beerwerks, 5 pm -7 pm Sam Bush, Boulder Theater, 8 pm Snowbank Soup Cook-Off, Snowbank Brewing, 2 pm -5 pm

Soul Squared Taproom Turns 2!!!, Soul Squared Tap house, 12 pm -9 pm Sunday Funday: Karaoke at Chipper's College Lanes, Chippers Lanes, 8 pm -11 pm The Loveland Freeride Experience, Loveland Ski Area, 7:45 am -4 pm

Monday, March 2

Austin: No More Mundane Mondays w/ Spiritualish, The Infinite Monkey Theorem, 5 pm -6 pm

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

Collins, 5 pm -10 pm Mindful Writing w/ Courtney Zenner, Wolverine Farm Letterpress and Publick House,

6:45 pm -8:30 pm Miranda Lambert: Wildcard Tour, Pepsi

Center, 7 pm -10 pm Open Jam 3/2, Avogadro's Number, 605 S Mason St, Fort Collins, CO 80524, USA, 8 pm

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

Virtuoso Series Concert, Mendelssohn Trio, UCA, Organ Recital Hall, 7:30 pm -9:30 pm

Tuesday, March 3 Avo's Open Mic, Avogadro's Number and

Avo's Bar, 7 pm
Bill Frisell: HARMONY feat. Petra Haden, Hank Roberts, Luke Bergman, Boulder Theater, 8 pm

Denver Nuggets vs. Golden State Warriors, Pepsi Center, 7 pm **Durand Jones & The Indications,** The Fox

Theatre, 8 pm Girls' Night Out: Mean Girls!, Lyric Cinema

Cafe (Theatre), 6:30 pm -8 pm **Guest Artist Concert, Jackie Glazier, Clari**net / FREE, UCA, Organ Recital Hall, 7:30 pm

Knit and Sip Workshop, Sparge Brewing,

Laramie Mountain Bike Series, Happy Jack Trail, Laramie, Wyoming, 5:50 pm -9:20 pm Mason Maynard w/ Household Collective,

Aggie Theatre, 9 pm -11:59 pm Open Craft, Letterpress and Publick House, 5 pm -7 pm

Pilobolus: Come to Your Senses, The Lincoln Center, 7:30 pm Puppy Happy Hour at Timnath Beerwerks,

Putnam Museum, 5:30 pm -7:30 pm

Wednesday, March 4

A Bursts of Brilliance Workshop - What Matters to You, Old Firehouse Books, 6 pm -8 pm After School Art Classes, Museum of Art Fort

Collins, 4 pm -5 pm Avo's Open Bluegrass Jam, Avogadro's Number and Avo's Bar, 9 pm

Colorado Avalanche vs. Anaheim Ducks, Pepsi Center, 7:30 pm -10:30 pm

Composer Talks - Masterworks 4, Old Town Library, 12 pm -1 pm

Denver: Uncorked! Comedy Show, Infinite Monkey Theorem Winery, 7:45 pm -9:45 pm FREE KARAOKE w/ DREW, Surfside 7,

9 pm -10:55 pm Lift Ticket Giveaway! #PikesPeakBREWski, Pikes Peak Brewing, 3 pm -3:30 pm

Lyle Lovett and his Acoustic Group, Boulder Theater, 8 pm Mason Maynard, The Fox Theatre, 9 pm

Metal Shaping and Patinas at CF&G Public Market, Wellington Colorado Main Street, 6 pm -8 pm Pushing Chain, Avogadro's Number and Avo's

Bar, 7 pm Young Dubliners with The Stubby Shillelaghs at Moxi Theater, Moxi Theater,

8:30 pm

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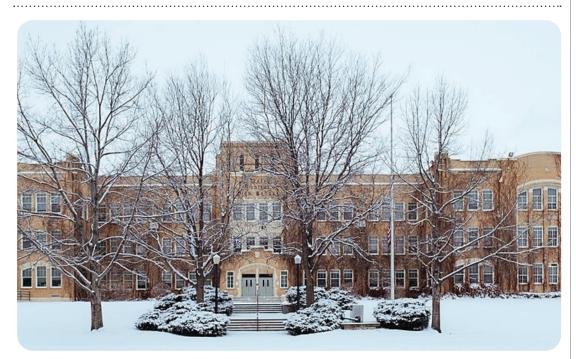


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#### **GREELEY**

#### **High School Student Raises Funds for Faucets**

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Jorge Rubio, a sophomore at Greeley Central High School (GCHS) has been selected into a group of ten finalists for 'Caring for Our Watersheds' in Northern Colorado due to his plan to replace leaking faucets

'Caring for Our Watersheds' is a program that educates and embraces students by getting them to become a part of conserving and enhancing their local watersheds through solutions derived from the students themselves.

It is also a curriculum-based program and brings project-based learning to the classroom in addition to students and their schools winning cash-prizes according to their website.

Rubio's plan is to purchase the required materials as well as the necessary labor for a plumber to come into his school and fix the leaking faucets on the first floor. However, due to the competitiveness of the Caring for Our Watersheds program, Rubio hopes to gain an advantage while taking his plan to the next level. Rubio wants to replace not only the first-floor faucets of GCHS but those on the second and third floors as well.

Rubio aims to execute this plan using funds gained through a GoFundMe account. GoFundMe is a crowdfunding website/platform that allows people just like Rubio to raise money for a cause through donations.

Currently, Rubio has raised a total of \$815, just shy \$185 of his \$1,000 goal. The first donation that was received through the GoFundMe page came just 25 days ago.

To donate to Rubio's cause or to learn more information about his plan, please visit gf.me/v/c/7bkt/replace-ourschools-faucets.

#### **Public Open House for** 65th Avenue and U.S. 34 **Bypass Intersection Improvements**

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Starting mid-March, 65th Avenue north of U.S. 34 Bypass will close for almost three months while the city works to improve the flow of traffic and increase safety at the intersection.

Originally slated for construction last year, delays caused by obtaining state approval forced city officials to push construction back to this

City officials want to discuss this upcoming construction and share details with community members and nearby residents at an open house from 6-7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 26, at the Greeley Family FunPlex, 1501 65th Ave.

Construction begins mid-March, however, officials are in the process of finalizing construction details and are still determining the exact start date. When construction officials finalize the start date, city staff will share that information on the

www.greeleygov.com/services/ pw/projects/65th-and-34 page, variable message board near the construction, and at the open

Instead of extending construction for an additional three months and leaving lanes open to through traffic, officials decided to completely close 65th Avenue just north of the U.S. 34 Bypass for about three months. Local, emergency and business access will remain open during all construction.

For more information about this project or the open house, or if community members cannot attend the meeting and want to ask questions, contact City Engineer Tom Hellen at 970-350-9793 or tom.hellen@greeleygov.

## WeldWerks Brewing Company Celebrates Five Years with Weekend-Long Party

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It wasn't that long ago when a handshake deal between two friends at the 2014 Big Beers Homebrew Competition in Breckenridge, Colorado led to a business plan that would morph into an award-winning brewery comprised of a passionate, collective of individuals. For Neil Fisher and Colin Jones, co-owners of WeldWerks Brewing Co.

"Thinking back to early 2015, just before we opened WeldWerks, I honestly hadn't given much thought to where we would be in five years. I was just hoping we would be open and still in business five years later. Now, I realize that I set my expectations far too low because we aren't just 'still in business' coming into our 5th year; we are growing, thriving, and evolving into something greater than I ever could have imagined," says Neil Fisher, Co-Owner and Head Brewer at WeldWerks Brewing Co.

For WeldWerks, it has been a busy five years. From launching one of the nation's most highly-regarded beer festivals, the WeldWerks Invitational, to releasing an average of 120 fully branded and packaged beers in 2018 and 2019 and setting their sights on opening a second location in Colorado Springs.

"Each individual on our team recognizes the value of creation and innovation. We like to remember that pushing boundaries is fun, and nuance and balance also have a place at the table," says Colin Jones, Co-Owner and CEO at WeldWerks Brewing Co. "To stand out in such an amazing craft beer state such as Colorado is not only an amazing feat for our team, but I am so proud of what we have accomplished and will continue to accomplish in the future."

To celebrate the wild ride, WeldWerks is hosting a 5-Year Anniversary Party on March 20 and 21. This extended bash comes fully equipped with four different barrel-aged stout releases (two per day) including bottles of Barrel-Aged Mexican Achromatic, Starry Noche, Medianoche Premier vol. 2 and Medianoche Brewer's Select, plus limitededition full-color wrap anniversary glassware, as well as the release of seven new canned beers. To support the bevy of bottle offerings, WeldWerks will also be holding a lottery that will give 200 lucky fans the ability to skip the lines and purchase the entire 4-bottle set, complete with custom packaging.

"Our community, both in Greeley and beyond, has provided such incredible and awe-inspiring support. In doing so, we are able to give back to our community," says Jones. "We have always had a heart for our town, and we are humbled each and every time this community shows up, with us, to work to better the lives of those who live here. We're proud to be a force for good and to support our community that makes us proud every single day."

For more information about WeldWerks Brewing's 5-Year Anniversary Party, contact Chea Franz at chea@ radcraftbeer.com.

WeldWerks Brewing Co. is an award-winning craft brewerv located in Greeley, Colorado recognized for brewing an array of beer styles including Juicy Bits, one of the most highly regarded hazy IPAs in the country. At WeldWerks, "Fine Tuned Beer" is a way of life, turning up all the dials to ensure outstanding excellence in craft beer, service and beyond. For more information about WeldWerks Brewing Co, visit www. weldwerksbrewing.com.

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- 6. Lawyer group
- 9. Factoid
- 13. Non-flat area
- 14. Loquacious person's gift
- 15. Member of clergy
- 16. Kitty sounds
- 17. Mesozoic one
- 18. All thumbs
- 19. \*Who's Pieces?
- 21. \*Life\_
- 23. Comic book cry
- 24. Evening in Roma
- 25. Boar's mate
- 28. Bank deposit
- 30. Actress Ali or singer Tim
- 35. Flying saucers
- 37. Yeahs' opposers
- 39. One of the Muses
- 40. Ancient region of western Europe
- 41. \*Sweet bear
- 43. In a little while, old-fashioned
- 44. Like a neon sign
- 46. Fashion's "New Look" inventor
- 47. Weasel's cousin
- 48. Cash in credit card points, e.g.
- 50. "Good grief!"
- 52. The Old Man's turf
- 53. Tucked in
- 55. Sine
- 57. \*"Gimme a break" bar
- 60. \*Egg with a surprise
- 63. Southwestern hut
- 64. Step on it
- 66. Small Asian ungulate
- 68. What radiology and biology have in
- common
- 69. Chihuahua's cry
- 70. a.k.a. Ernest?
- 71. Japanese money, pl.
- 72. Blitzed
- 73. Industrious

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- 1. Similar to an adder
- 2. View from a moving train
- 3. Yesteryear
- 4. Shopping
- 5. Creates disorder
- 6. Forever and a day
- 7. \*Hershey made the first American milk
- chocolate one
- 8. Belittle
- 9. Have supper
- 10. Tennis serving whiz
- 11. Memorial Day solo
- 12. "The \_\_\_\_ of Racing in the Rain"
- 15. Fast and lively
- 20. Increasing
- 22. Location of ulna
- 24. Hindered
- 25. \*Principal candy ingredient
- 26. Allowed into a bar, e.g.
- 27. Past tense of will
- 29. Glorify
- 31. SI unit of mass
- 32. Raja's wife, pl.
- 33. Do penance
- 34. \*Famous fictional bar
- \_\_ gin
- 38. Smoke plus fog
- 42. Baghdad resident
- 45. Not strongly
- 49. CEO's deg.
- 51. Fertilized
- 54. C2H5
- " by #46 Across 56. "J'\_
- 57. Green superfood
- 58. Desktop picture 59. Facebook photo links
- 60. Not disregarded, as in a promise
- 61. Marine eagle
- 62. Surprise at a speakeasy
- 63. \*Almond-induced state
- 65. Cardinal 3
- 67. Bovine hangout

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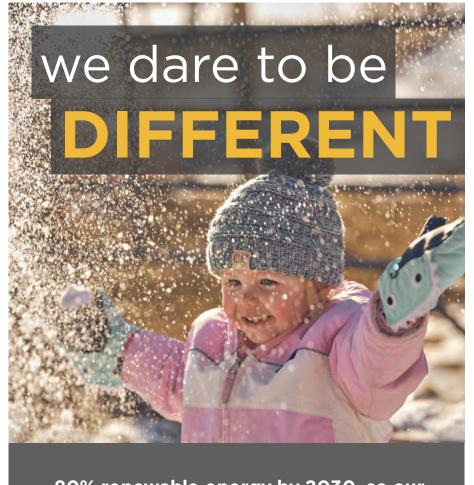
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