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FEBRUARY 2022

This month we have a whole slew of local music. The phrase "phenomenal February" is now synonymous with fun, flavor and alliterative description. It's a time for love, but not in the traditional sense.

Let's celebrate love with music, dancing and food. With events popping up all over The Valley, we can easily have our pick of entertainment. From Rock n' Roll to County, and a little Ukulele we are here to introduce you to a few local favorites, as well as visiting artist Frankie Ballard.

We have a giveaway for Rock Slide and special coupons throughout the issue. Read through and see where Mesa County Connection will be next month!

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The events covered in this issue were made possible by the vendors who should get a special thanks for receiving Mesa County Connection with such graciousness. It's an honor to be greeted warmly by Two River's Tavern and Warehouse 2565. Two atmospheres providing entertainment across a wide spectrum of musical variety.

It is my duty to inform the audience that due to COVID and Shipping issues, Mesa County Connection will be late from press. We have pushed our dates out to compensate. Our apologies for the inconvenience.

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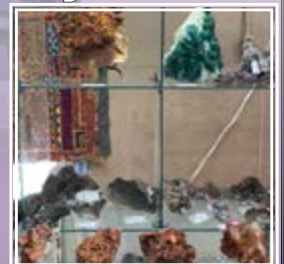
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Sarah Aguilera



Ms. Sarah Aguilera playing the ukulele presented us with a unique sound covering hit music and her originals. With a soft, sweet voice she lulled the crowd to silence making us all peer at her with wide-eyed admiration. Because the ukulele isn't the most renowned musical instrument, it was surprising to hear how rhythmic it is with the right voice.

The Most well known band playing the ukulele is Blue's Traveler which was quite a long shot from the sound that Ms. Aguilera provided. Because she was a solo act, we were really able to absorb the music in a way that let us hear the whole influence of the instrument with Sarah's voice.

Sarah Aguilera is 23 years old and has been playing the ukulele for 6 years. She started playing at The Two River's Tavern one and half years ago and is graciously welcomed back on numerous occasions.

You can find Sarah playing with local band Union of None, in which her boyfriend Drew Fields is the guitar player and lead singer. A local in the Grand Valley area, Sarah says she picked up a ukulele because it was small and she fell in love. We are glad she did!

She will be playing at The Two River's Tavern again in the future, and Mesa County Connection will list her event! If you need live music, Sarah would be happy to talk with you. Reach her on Facebook, or call Two River's Tavern to see when her next show is.

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February 5

Valentine's Day Market

1-4 pm

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February 19

Hunter Education Standard Course

2 - 11 PM

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the Sun Festival) hap-
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February 5

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Calendar



Loriann Klinglesmith
& Logan Seaton

Joey Rowland &
Friend Bayley Russell

Local Star on the Rise



It's such a treat to see someone this young play with a passion that makes every one swoon with delight.

Mr. Joey Rowland plays locally at Warehouse 2565 and usually has the band Over and Under with him. On this evening we were blessed to have a solo performance from Joey as he opened for Frankie Ballard. At only 18 years old, Joey Rowland came on to the stage with such confidence and charisma that the audience couldn't help but dance to the music. He says "I've been playing for 4 years and started playing "professionally" a year and a half ago." Joey didn't like the word professional; however, he was as good as anyone on that stage.

Covering a bunch of classics such as Johnny Cash, he

also plays original songs and has one called *Honky Tonk Life* that he would love for people to hear.

Joey says he might have forgotten to play that one Friday January 22nd 2022 in all the nervousness, but the crowd couldn't tell he was nervous. We diligently listened as he strummed the guitar with meticulous intent.

The cheers were loud and enthusiastic as he seamlessly played until the next artist. Women hooted and howl as the men tapped their feet and were slowly coaxed into dancing. It didn't take much. The dancing broke out all over the dance floor as Mr. Rowland played a magnificent set!

If Joey Rowland continues on this path of entertainment, we will be seeing him at upcoming County Jams. It is apparent Joey loves what he does. Now it's up to the community to come and support Mr. Rowland as he reaches for the stars!

Upcoming Shows at Warehouse 25Sixtyfive

FLATLAND CAVALRY

Thu, February 10, 2022
7:00 PM – 11:00 PM MST
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Oxymorons *FREE SHOW *

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11,
2022
7:30 PM 10:30 PM

SOUTHSIDE HIGHWAY

* FREE SHOW *

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY
12, 2022
8:30 PM 11:30 PM

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On a comparison note, since they played the same night, and he is from here; one can imagine where favor lies. We don't have to name anyone, but he is on the cover. Frankie Ballard is fairly well known and brought an extra large turnout for some of the local names.

It was an honor to be received at Warehouse 25sixtyfive so warmly. This was the first event covered by Mesa County Connection there and we hope to bring you more from this venue and others around The Valley. Contact Mesa County Connection directly for any events you think we should cover or list in future issues.

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Drew Fields

BACKSTAGE WITH THE BOYS

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On this January 15th, 2022 night, Union of None came to the stage with an energy reinforcing their passion for music. As a local favorite, they play at bars across The Valley and beyond.

Drew Fields, Peter Rosenthal and Jeff Steele have brought us a unique twist on some all time favorites. Playing a wide spectrum of music to include classic rock and new age rock, the guys put on a great show from start to finish. They were even able to welcome Sarah Aguilera as a guest singer.

Two River's tavern is clean and well managed. The ladies that run the bar will receive you with warmth and a great smile. As the bar hosts different events down the road, you will find Union of None there from time to time, as well as Sarah Aguilera. This local bar features local talent and Mesa County Connection is proud to support the people that make The Valley such a great place to live!

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Peter Rosenthal



Jeff Steele



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February 25

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February 25

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8:30 – 11:30 PM

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February 26

JOEY ROWLAND

and The Over &

Under Band **

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8:30 – 11:30 PM

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March 12

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