

970-464-1400

The best quality, The best price. You deserve the best!

10% OFF for Seniors & Veterans

ABOVE ALL

WINDOW CLEANING & SERVICES

Clogged Vents & Chimney's **Cause Fires!**

CDC & CHD RECOMMENDS CLEANING ALL VENTS AND REPLACING FILTERS EVERY YEAR.



TWO COMPANIES, ALL SERVICES, ONE PRICE!

YEARLY SERVICES PLANS STARTING AT \$145 PER MONTH











www.TaxProGJ.com

Located in Clifton behind Murdocks in the

Peachtree Shopping area

CONNECTING

February 202



PEACH STREET REVIVAL P. 12 AND JUST AS WELL

538 Main St

January 14

7:30 - 10pm

The Avalon Theatre

Pops Concert: John Williams - Mae-stro of the Movies

645 Main St, Grand Junction, CO

The Grand Junction Symphony Orchestra

Hook, Catch Me If You Can, Harry

MESA CONNECTION P. 8 LOVE FOR MESA LAKES



vents CONNECTION Joey Rowland and the Over & Inder Band

30 - 11:30pm

565 American Way, Grand Junction

The Fab Four - The Ultimate Tribute

he Avalon Theatre 645 Main St, Grand Junction, CO

you want to experience the best Beatles ribute ever you won't want to miss The

EVENTS CONNECTION P. 16



CANYON VIEW VINEYARD CHURCH FOOD DRIVE

OMMUNITY

February is synonymous with love, a subjective feeling. All to often we categorize it as directed affection between two individuals. It can take many forms. This is a challenge for the community to think of love as an all encompassing emotion that transcends life.

Lets praise the gift we've been given; plenty of snow! The season's snowiest months are February and March. Hopefully, snow pack we've

recieved will become a common theme for years to come. It's not too early to start thinking of water conservation. Just because we started off good, doesn't mean we are out of the drought's clutches. The reservoirs were dangerously low the last couple years. We could see where the lake lines receded. With all the wet weather lately, people might start forgetting how treacherous the situation is up there. Remember, our drinking water comes from up there. Show the Mesa some Love!

Acknowledgments

CONTACT 970-260-2781

Sales@MesaConnection.com



PUBLISHING & DESIGN JESSE FORNWALT

Frozen seems to understate the actual coldness that has swept over the valley. The one thing we can count on to warm us up is love! Snow, Music, charities and sleep are all things we can definitely love.

This month we are talking with Ute Water about snow fall totals, and what it would take to bring our lakes and reservoirs up to par. We also find out some other unfortunate information from them about water rate increases.

Mesa Theater hosted an exemplary night of musical talent; Just As Well, and Peach Street Revival, two bands quickly becoming sensational locally and beyond. The music they play proved to be applaud and encore worthy. Hopefully we get to see them again soon, but find out on page 12 how you can get a taste.

Judy's Mattress Warehouse shows all the love with half the population's

favorite thing to do, sleep. Find out about Judy's excep-

tional knowledge of mattresses

and furniture. Last, we have come across some selfless individuals who help community and show their love by giving food away every month. Way to go Canyon View Vineyard Church!

The content of this publication is accurate to the best of our knowledge. **Published by Mesa County Connection** 2023 All rights reserved.



Editor@MesaConnection.com



JUDY'S MATTRESS



MesaConnection.com



GRAND JUNCTION

ANB Bank ANDY'S LIQUOR BANK OF THE WEST BANK OF COLORA-DO

BANK OF SAN JUAN **COURT HOUSE**

C&F

COPY COPY **DMV** FIRST WATCH FISHER LIQUOR **FOOD BANK WORKFORCE WESTERN ROCKIES** MOON MOUNTAIN

GEMS PRO TIRE ROCK SLIDE LIBRARY LOKI

CLIFTON

DOS HOM-

CIRCLE K

LIQUOR

CORONADO

C&F

BRES

ALPINE BANK

MAIN St. BAGELS **NEWS RACK POST OFFICE NEWS RACK 3RD & MAIN NEWS RACK 6TH &MAIN**

KOKIPELLI

STARBUCKS

CLIFTON LI-

LIQUOR

STARVIN'

ARVIN'S 357 RELOAD-

ED

QUOR

PALISADE

SINCLAIR COLORADO ALTER-NATIVE HEALTH **GRAND VALLEY BANK PALISADE** HAPPY CAMPER

PALISADE PHARMA-THE WEEDARY

C&F

LIBRARY

FRUITA

ALPINE BANK BANK OF THE WEST **COWBOY MERCAN-**TILE C&F **CITY MARKET** FRUITA FAMILY DEN-TAL **FAMILY HEALTH**

MUNCHIES RECREATION CEN-TER SHELL **STARBUCKS**

STARVIN' ARVIN'S

DE BEQUE

EAST VALLEY **LIQUOR**

ELK MOUNTAIN DISPENSARY KUSH GARDENS KUM & GO DE BEQUE LIQUORS DE BEQUE GROCERY & GAS

ORCHARD MESA

CITY MARKET Library STAR BUCKS Whitewater **SMOKER** Post **FRIENDLY** Office

Environmental Mitigation | Specialty Cleaning Disaster Cleanup

20%

Carpet/Tile/ Upholstery Cleaning

\$120 or More



Please Present Coupon Expires 3/15/23



Treated Untreated

20%

Teflon Carpet Protector

Please Present Coupon Expires 3/15/23



\$50

Air Duct Cleaning

\$275 or more Offer expires 3/15/23

970-248-9805 RapidResponsegj.com VISA





KIVA ACCOUNTING LLC

Tax Returns & Bookkeeping

Affordable rates for individuals and Small Businesses!

Special Rates for High School and College Students. Free if we do your parents.

3002 I-70 Business Loop

WEST



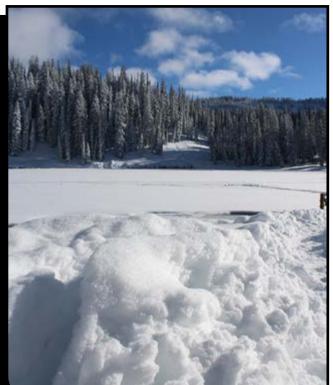
It doesn't matter what your favorite season is. Whether you like fishing in the warm summer air, or making fresh tracks in powder. Water levels matter! In 2021 Ute water had to release Colorado River water to the valley's drinking supply for the first time in 65 years because of exceptional drought

conditions.

"Drought Pumping Rate" *Ute Water*. Nov 1st, 2002. www.ute-water.org/droughtinfo

Compared to previous winters, we have started off wonderfully! There isn't anything better than seeing mountains of snow after droughts brought our reservoirs to alarming levels. One may wonder what it would take to get our Mesa of Thousand Lakes to even out?

Logan Wagner, Assistant to Andrea Lopez, External Affairs Manager of Ute Water says, "2022 was an alright year; however, the dry ground just soaked the water right up". Logan says the start of this year is looking good. The best months,





February and March are still to come, but with 138% Snow Water Equivalent for Mesa Lakes reservoir and 191% for Park reservoir, you would think we are doing good.

If you paid attention last summer, most lakes on the Mesa are still suffering tremendously. Alga is growing places it shouldn't be, old sunken boats are reappearing, and previous water lines can be seen as waters recede. Even though it looks exceptional, we have a long way to go Logan iterates. If we continue on a path that grants snow like this for the next 10 years, we might get back to normal levels.

With weather being as erratic as it has in the past few years, we can only hope the above photos become a common theme. Our Mesa provides us with recreation and most vital part of our existence, water. Conservation should always be kept in mind. As a community we can contribute by abiding to restrictions and only using what is necessary.

We can prepare for another water rate increase according to Ute Water's website, "Beginning February 1, 2023, water rates and water tap fees will increase. The monthly minimum will increase from \$22.00 to \$25.00. Tiers above the 3,000-gallon minimum will increase by approximately 15%". However, we should not only consider our wallets, but also the Mesa and it's precious resources.

For more ways you can help conserve water go to:

www.utewater.org/drip





IT'S <u>Your</u> business.

Whether you've created the business of your dreams or it's a dream-in-progress, you can count on me to help you protect it. Let's talk, business owner to business owner.



Jerry Martinez, Agent

(970) 241-2445 627 24 1/2 Rd Ste A Grand Junction, CO 81505 Se Habla Español



American Family Mutual Insurance Company, S.I. & Its Operating Companies, 6000 American Parkway, Madison, WI 53783 006222 – Rev. 4/15 ©2015 – 15616516











MesaTHEATER



It's an absolute pleasure to see two local bands playing with such energy, while having a great time! Just As Well and Peach Street Revival, two completely different sounds, came together in a harmonic set. Driving the crowd wild with their performances, both bands were adept at bringing the audience to life!

Just As Well was first up. Formed in 2020, the band was received warmly by fans, and provided an electric energy which charged the crowd with excitement.

The five member band includes Lead Singer Dante, Jason Medina on guitar, Micheal Minervini on drums, Alex Murillo on saxophone and Caleb Dresser playing bass. The band has a ska beat,

mixed with Sublime feel to them. Dante wasn't scared to interact with the crowd. Jumping off stage to dance. His passion overflowed as he mingled with the audience and didn't miss a beat.

Dante did mention that their normal bassist couldn't make it. Caleb Dresser from another local band, Dear Friday was kind enough to grace them with his abilities. Dante says, "He learned our set in just 3 days and absolutely killed it!".

They are in the process of finding another bassist, but will still be playing locally.







Presents

A warm treat that seems to be quickly growing in popularity is Peach Street Revival. The band has a large following in the Valley, which was apparent when the floor quickly filled with eager enthusiasts.

They have become a lot busier and will be on the road this summer. They couldn't specify when we can see them again; however, their roots are in Mesa County. Gonzales, lead singer for the band says, "Mesa The-

ater has been a wonderful place for many bands to grow in this valley. We love the big stage, lights, sound, and staff! They always treat us like gold. We have created a love affair with our Grand Junction fans at Mesa Theater".

The lady dominated band comprised of Jordan Will, the Bassist and back up vocalist to the bottom right; Sofia Benham Drummer and backup vocals, Cooper Shull on Guitar, and of course as previously mentioned, Lead Singer Gonzales.

They are shooting music videos for a few of their singles, which includes "Magic Pill" coming out in March. Even though we don't have a definitive date of their next show, we will be patiently awaiting for the magic they bring to the valley! Until then, find their videos and music on Youtube!









Sales@MesaConnection.com









PROFESSIONAL COVER UPS & PIERCING 761 ROOD AVE 970-589-4204



Bring this ad with you and Buy one cocktail and get one FREE!

Limit one per person

Business Hours: Mon. 4pm - 11pm Tues. 4pm - 11pm Wed. Closed Fri. 4pm - 11pm Sat. 4pm - 11pm Sun. 2pm - 10pm

(970)-314-9152 2454 Hwy. 6 & 50 **Grand Junction** Next to Play It Again **Sports**

Grand Junction

February 3

NEON SKY BAND

8:30 - 11:30pm

Warehouse25sixty-five Kitchen + Bar 2565 American Way, Grand Junction **FREE SHOW**

February 4

Rick Mancuso and The Fyve Star Band

7 - 10pm

Reckless Roadhouse

424 Minter Ave

Debegue Co

Come enjoy your evening with the boys at a new venue in Debeque.

February 4

Awaiting Eternity

8 - 11pm Mesa Theater 538 Main St. Grand Junction All ages. \$22

February 4

WAR HIPPIES with special guest **Randy Brown**

8 - 11:30pm

Warehouse25sixty-five Kitchen + Bar 2565 American Way, Grand Junction War Hippies is a new country duo and lifestyle brand from USMC and US Army combat veterans

\$15 February 8

Judy Collins: Winter Stories Tour

7:30 - 10pm

The Avalon Theatre

645 Main St, Grand Junction, CO

In her 50-plus years in music, Judy Collins has always exhibited impeccable taste in songcraft.

\$32

February 9

SPENCER **CRANDALL**

7 - 11pm

Warehouse25six-

ty-five Kitchen + Bar

2565 American Way, Grand Junction GJ get ready for a great night of LIVE COUNTRY MUSIC with quick rising star.

\$15

February 10

JOEY ROWLAND and The Over & **Under Band**

8:30 - 11:30pm

Warehouse25sixty-five Kitchen + Bar 2565 American Way, Grand Junction Y'all READY KNOW.... It's gonna be a PARTY when these boys hit the big stage! **FREE SHOW**

February 10

Izzy Burns + Faith Eliza + Sarah dAguilera

8pm

Mesa Theater

538 Main St, Grand Junction

Izzy Burns is a 20-something year-old singer/songwriter from Moscow, Idaho. Izzy sings indie music with folk and jazz undertones.

All Ages. \$10

February 11

THE OXYMORONS

7:30 - 11pm

Warehouse25sixty-five Kitchen + Bar 2565 American Way, Grand Junction YOU ALREADY KNOW The Oxymorons on a SATURDAY NIGHT it's gonna be a BIG ONE.

FREE SHOW

February 11

VALENTINE'S GRIND: DANCE **HOUSE DJ SHOW**

8pm

Mesa Theater

538 Main St, Grand Junction

All Ages.

\$20

February 11, 12

Classics Concert: Re:Awakening

Sat. 7:30pm

Sun 3pm

The Avalon Theatre

645 Main St, Grand Junction, CO

Emilie Mayer's Symphony No. 5 in F Minor, Antonio Rosetti's Concerto for 2 Horns in Eb Major, and Felix Mendelssohn's Hebrides Overture.

\$35

February 13

Sherlock Jr. - Movie

7:30 - 8:30pm

The Avalon Theatre

645 Main St, Grand Junction, CO \$7 children under 12 - \$5

February 14

BYU International Folk Dancers

7 - 9:30pm

The Avalon Theatre

645 Main St, Grand Junction, CO

With a beautiful array of ethnic costumes and props, International Folk Dance Ensemble presents a program of dances from more than a dozen nations, including Ukraine, Russia, Korea, Poland, Mexico, and the United States.

\$15



CONTINUED P. 20

16

PUDY'S

Judy Backer has lived in the Grand Valley since 1984. As she watched Mesa County grow over the years, she realized the need for a place where people can get great mattresses without getting gouged.

When Judy decided to start in the mattress industry with Mattress By Appointment, she studied mattresses; how they work, the quality of the materials

used, and coil count all make a difference. After a few years with Mattress By Appointment, Judy decided to embark on her own.

Knowing how to make her customers happy and confident they have purchased at the right place is her duty. Judy says, "When purchasing a new home, most people refer to the expertise of real estate agents; specialized professionals that have been and will be selling homes for years. Why accept less expertise when you need to fill your new home with Mattresses & Bedding Accessories? Stop and think about it. If you really want help -- go to the experts!

We have been in the Mattresses & Bedding Accessories business for years.

That's what we love, that's what we do, and that's what we know. So if you want to get your money's worth, come shop with us and expect nothing less than expert advice and service. We are locally owned and operated and it's our business to know everything about the most popular and reliable manufacturers around. We have long standing relationships with the biggest manufacturers and know all of our products inside and out. The result? You get exceptional service for the life of your Mattresses & Bedding Accessories.

Come shop where experts can help you choose the right Mattresses





MATTRESS warehouse

& Bedding Accessories to match your budget, needs, and style. Come shop where it's easy to protect your new investment with professional installation and extended warranties (if available). Judy's Mattress Warehouse is where you can expect exceptional service for the life of your new purchase".

Judy is also selling furniture. Anything on Ashley Furniture's website can be acquired by her at a discount. She has some items at her location, but can get any item delivered quickly and guaranteed. Other brands she sells are:

Sherwood Bedding, Beauty Rest, Sert, Sealy and Mlily. She also has Crib Mattresses by Bundle Of Dreams.

Judy and her husband Vance have been married for 15 years. Bringing two families together, they have four daughters between them, and 4 grandchildren. Brittany and her son Brantley are on the cover and two of them are above: Olivia and Barrett.

Judy and her family invite you down to experience mattresses for every sleeper. She has the best prices in town and carries everything from foam to hybrid mattresses.

She is offering a free mattress protector with the purchase of a king size mattress. They start at a phenomenal price of \$275. Judy offers financing in house, and plans to give you the best mattress or furniture buying experience you have ever had!





OPEN Monday - Saturday 9am to 5pm

3225 1-70 Bus 1000 Cliion CO. 31520

970-640-4047

JudysMattress.com

Grand Junction

February 16

TREY LEWIS

7 - 11pm

Warehouse25sixty-five Kitchen + Bar 2565 American Way, Grand Junction TREY LEWIS is BACK and ready to throw it down at the Warehouse for another kick butt live show!

\$15 February 17

STRAY GRASS

8pm

Mesa Theater

538 Main St, Grand Junction

All ages. \$13

February 17

JOSH WARD with special guest Jake Jacobson

7 - 11pm

Warehouse25sixty-five Kitchen + Bar 2565 American Way, Grand Junction Texas country music star Josh Ward is brining the TONK to western CO Call for price.

February 18

ZOLOPHT

9 - 11:30pm

Warehouse25sixty-five Kitchen + Bar 2565 American Way, Grand Junction PSYCHEDELIC. FUNK. ROCK. Price not listed, call for more info.

February 19

Bruce Cockburn

9 - 11:30pm The Avalon Theatre 645 Main St, Grand Junction, CO \$35

February 22

FLESHGOD APOCALYPSE

Obscura, Wolfheart, Thulcandra

7pm

Mesa Theater

538 Main St, Grand Junction

All ages.

\$25 - \$30

February 22

TANNER USREY

7 - 10pm

Warehouse25sixty-five Kitchen + Bar 2565 American Way, Grand Junction \$15

February 23

Live Nation presents Brian Regan

7:30 - 9:30pm

The Avalon Theatre

645 Main St, Grand Junction, CO \$45

February 23

SPAFFORD

Mike Dillion & Punkadelic

8pm

Mesa Theater

538 Main St, Grand Junction

All Ages.

\$20 - \$25

February 24, 25

BANFF Mountain Film Festival

6pm

The Avalon Theatre

645 Main St, Grand Junction, CO \$25

February 25

Still They Ride * The Very Best of Journey

8 - 11:30pm

Warehouse25sixty-five Kitchen + Bar 2565 American Way, Grand Junction For ticket pricing call Warehouse2565

February 2

Board of Directors Meeting

12 - 1pm

305 Main St UNIT 102,

Palisade, CO

The Palisade Chamber of Commerce welcomes membership attendance and comments. Membership comments are limited to members only. Presentations are limited to three minutes.

For more information:

http://palisadecoc.com

February 2

Amadika Aesthetics Launch Party

5 - 8pm

Orchard River View

3926 HWY 6 &, 24

Palisade, CO

Grand Opening of Amadika Aesthetics! We hope to see you there!

- giveaways
- tiny tats
- discounts

And so much more!

February 10

Handgun Concepts: Speed, Accuracy & Movement - Cameo, CO (Ammo Available!!)

9am

Cameo Shooting and Education Complex, Colorado Parks and Wildlife 3934 I 9/10 Rd, Palisade, CO

- discounts

And so much more!

Handgun Concepts: Speed, Accuracy & Movement

February 18

Defensive Pistol Skills

8:30 - 11:30pm

Cameo Shooting and Education Complex, Colorado Parks and Wildlife 3934 I 9/10 Rd, Palisade, CO

February 9

Business After Hours: Family Health West

5:30 - 7pm

401 Kokopelli Dr.

Fruita, CO 81521

We invite you to come and see the beautiful new expanded space that houses Fruita's most robust Primary Care clinic.

February 11

Sweet Heart Run

10am

Fruita Community Center

324 N. Coulson St.

Fruita, CO 81521

Entry: Early Bird Rate until January 26:

5K: \$30 10K: \$35 (970) 858-0360

February 17

Coffee Club Network

9am

325 E Aspen Ave, Fruita, CO

The Coffee Club is a new networking group hosted by FWorks, The Fruita Chamber & The Business Incubator Center The Third Friday of Every Month. Contact Fruita Area Chamber of Commerce for more info.

February 18

Sweet Heart 5K/10K

12pm

Fruita, CO 81521

February 23

Thursday Night Lights, MTB Ride

12pm

Colorado Backcountry Biker

150 S Park Square, Fruita, COBring your Hardtail, SS or MTB and meet us at varying trailheads throughout the winter for a WEEKLY NIGHT RIDE!

We will post in the comments here each week where we'll be meeting.

See you there!

LOVE & charity



It's nice to see people going above and beyond. We have a great community that is willing to help any way they can. Food has become a problem for many people! Inflation is sucking our pocketbooks dry and not everyone can afford the basic necessities.

Everything on grocery store shelves has gone up. Eggs being the prime example. Some might have to choose whether to buy food or pay their bills. Whatever the reason, Canyon View Vineyard Church is here to help with their monthly food drive.

They had an overwhelming response on 28 rd. and North Ave. which Landon

Miracle, representative of the church says happens the 3rd Sunday of every month. They do get

help from Homeward Bound to use their vehicles, as well as Food Bank of the Rockies for more food resources.

Food isn't the only commodity raising in price. As mentioned in a previous article, water prices are going up, and in recent news we discover Food Assistance programs are going to be cut starting in March:

There are several changes that may affect SNAP household's benefit amounts over the coming months. The temporary boost to SNAP benefits put in place during the COVID-19 pandemic, known as emergency allotments, will end nationwide after the February 2023 issuance. In addition, households that receive SNAP and Social Security benefits will see a decrease in their SNAP benefits because of the significant cost of living increase to Social Security benefits that took effect on Jan. 1, 2023.

https://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/changes-2023-benefit-amounts

We are grateful for the nameless heroes like the volunteers at Canyon View Vineyard Church. More resources are available through Clifton Church, Food Bank of the Rockies, Community Food Bank and the Catholic Outreach.



970-464-1400

The best quality, The best price. You deserve the best!

10% OFF for Seniors & Veterans

ABOVE ALL

WINDOW CLEANING & SERVICES

Quarterly Cleaning Club

ON All SERVICES!
Carpet cleaning, window cleaning, vent cleaning to Covid home sanitations.

\$50 Off Any Service

With Coupon. Not valid with other offers.

ANY JOB!

With Coupon. Not valid with other offers.

Blind Cleaning

Any Job Over \$100

With Coupon. Not valid with other offers.





22

LOCAL POSTAL CUSTOMER



Clogged Vents & Chimney's Cause Fires!

DUCT CLEANING & VENT CLEANING \$25 Per Vent
DRYER VENTS \$125
CHIMNEY SWEEPING \$195
GAS FIREPLACE CLEANING & START UP \$135
ROOF, CHIMNEY OR VENT INSPECTION \$145
SMOKE DETECTOR BATTERY REPLACEMENT \$25

Free Air Filter & Disinfection Fogging

Call Now!

FREE Air filter or vent scent stabilizer Kills 99.9% of germs \$120 value

970-639-0127

CDC & CHD RECOMMENDS CLEANING ALL VENTS AND REPLACING FILTERS EVERY YEAR.

Don't Think You Can Afford Advertising?



PROVEN RESULTS ~ GREAT CIRCULATION ~ 970-260-2781

Print ~ Web ~ Social