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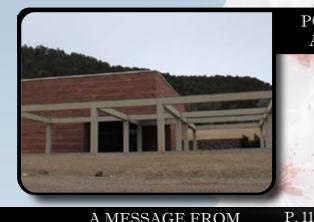


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P.20 BEAUTIFUL CORNERS



Park Open! Glenwood Canyon Adventure Park 10am

COMMUNITY

It's very exciting to connect with a new community! There are so many wonderful people on the Western Slope; this is a great place to live! Beauty is in every corner of our marvelous State, and it's time to explore! Come with us as we cover Colorado in a brand new way.

This Spring, County Connection Magazines is preparing to embark on a mission

of sharing unique activities and stories. It's our job to keep our readers excited and wondering what they might find in the next issue of Mesa County Connection or Garfield County Connection.

It's our passion to bring you new and surprising content every month. If you can share your story with us, we would love to help you get it out there. Connecting Community is what we do. Email, call, text or tap us on the shoulder; we are ready to talk!



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You should checkout both magazines! They are Online now. There are some big differences, and the progression is ever evolving. As we move forward, you should know, articles are different, but we will have cross-county articles if they have relevance in each county.

Take for example Outlaw Country at the Ute Theater in Rifle. A couple of the bands playing that evening are well known in the Valley and deserve recognition in both places. The Queen Bees and Exit 42 are both bands well known on the Western Slope. If you haven't seen them, it's about time you do! We have some information inside on where these bands will be and when you can see them.

Of course some articles will be different. We implore you to look for yourself. We always put all our publications Online. You can see how we have



progressed over the last couple years, and make sure not to miss something about your

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Powers Art Center



A hidden gem right here, in Garfield County, is the Powers Art Center. This world- class Museum and study center was dedicated to John G. Powers and his wife Kimiko, who were avid collectors of contemporary art. The Center has been around for 9 years and is free to the public.

The Ryobi Foundation was established to help share Mr. & Mrs. Powers extensive collection, which includes a permanent display of Jasper Johns and rotating pieces from artists such as Andy Warhol, Claes Oldenburg, Roy



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Lichtenstein, Willem de Kooning, Robert Rauschenberg, James Rosenquist, Frank Stella, Christo and others.

On display now, is Artworks of the American Pop Art era, which have drastically different styles. They can only be fully appreciated in person. Roy Lichtenstein's art, on the middle right, is said to be one of the most influential artists of the time.1

On the bottom, you can see just how different and unique each artist is. Robert Rauschenberg uses actual photography abstractly in this montage that is almost reminiscent of a long night on the town.

In a Summary of Pop Art, they mention that the style is originally from the United Kingdom during an era of post-World War 2 social atmosphere. There was a turn towards celebrating life's more com-

American Pop Art Exhibit



mon place items, and using what was at hand. The style was made particularly

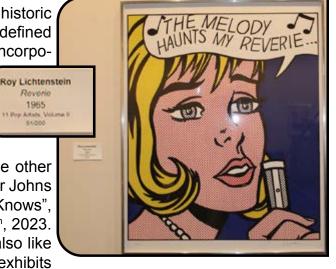
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famous by the American artists who followed suit. Dumping traditional historic

artistic subject matter, they redefined their opinion of what art is by incorporating images that dominated the time².

You are welcome to take the time to enjoy the American Pop Art exhibition

through October 28th, 2023. The other installation you will find is Jasper Johns "Things The Mind Already Knows", which is going through April 29th, 2023. The Powers Art Center would also like the public to know that new exhibits



such as Jasper Johns' "Seasons Of Change" starts May 3rd, 2023 and Issey Miyake starts Dec. 5th, 2023.

If you haven't been to the Powers Art Center, spring would be a good time to go. Melissa English, Administrator, says The construction of

this Japanese inspired building includes a reflective pool, which reflects the opposing mountains.

1) Berman, Avis. "BIOGRAPHY." https:// lichtensteinfoundation.org/biography/, 2022.

2)" Summary of Pop Art." https://www. theartstory.org/movement/pop-art/

Robert Rauschenberg Still, From Reels (B&C) 1968



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A MESSAGE FROM DR. JOE DAHLIN & DR. ANNA MOORE

With longer days and warmer weather, comes a desire to go out and explore the great outdoors. This comes, of course, with



the inevitable increase in activity; increased stress and demand on the bones, tendons, joints and ligaments of the foot and ankle. When exploring, be sure to advance your activity in a gradual and responsible manner. Be mindful to wear appropriate shoe gear and supportive inserts, as needed. If discomfort or injury is experienced to the extremity, rest is paramount. If symptoms persist, seek medical care promptly. This expedites recovery and prevents further damage. For an expert foot and ankle consultation, contact your local podiatrist at Colorado Foot and Ankle Wellness. 970-433-7547





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It's an honor to catch so much talent in one night! The Ute Theater presented Garfield County with a musical smorgasbord of unique sound. From a soloist, to an all female band, and Exit 42 from Mesa County! We got to hear a little of everything.

Mr. Ranen Ware, up first, explained before his set that he hadn't performed in quite a while, and his nerves were a little jittery. However, he did a wonderful job of pushing his nervousness aside with a comical ditty from artist Roger Miller. The ice breaking tactic worked for him and the crowd, as every-



one settled in for a great evening.

Next up, the Queen Bees, an all female band shown to the right. These ladies also play in both counties, and have been together for 3 years. They have a very melodic sound and play a variety of songs including originals and a classic favorite, Jolene.

The four ladies; Portia Rogers playing guitar and mandolin, Joey Ball on guitar and vocals, Pam Rosenthal playing the upright bass and Aundrea Ware on vocals, gave a wonderful performance including some historical facts about some of the artists they like to cover, such as the Judd Sisters, who were once called the Soap Sisters. The Queen Bees are recording an album soon and hope you keep your eye open for it! You can find these gals buzzing around at the Brew Zone in Rifle, April 15th. The Queen Bees were fol-



lowed by Feeding Giants. If someone looks familiar, believe your eyes! Mrs. Aundrea Ware is in both bands on vocals, but sounds completely different.

The two

bands have big differences, mainly Mr. Ware, who's bass voice stands out clearly. The three member band, consisting of Kevin and Aundrea Ware, and Max Tustin, have been around 10 years, with Max joining the band about 5 years ago. You can see them again May 20th at the Tipsy Trout in Basalt. However, Kevin Ware, Ranen Ware and Max will be playing at the Brew Zone in Rifle April 29th. They implore you to come and see!

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Exit 42 is synonymous with Mesa County, since their name is Palisade's main exit from I-70. They are quickly becoming sensational across the Western Slope. They standout with their use of the Peddle Steel Guitar. A great performance and a variety of instrumental talent makes them a must see show!

This concert was held by the Ute Theater Society, which is a nonprofit. The proceeds went to local scholarships for high school seniors around Garfield County who are going into the Arts. The Society has been doing this for the past 3 years and started a *Patio Series* during Covid.

The Ute building was purchased by the city of Rifle in 2006 and has some great history surrounding it. You can look at this history and upcoming events at: www.UteTheater.com

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8th Annual Cesar Chavez Celebration & Car Show

10 - 6pm

Amphitheater at Las Colonias Park 925 Struthers Ave, Grand Junction, CO We will have music, vendors, food trucks, performers and classic cars at our free family event.

April 1

EDM: DEMOLYCH + BASS TORQUE + SOBER + BB 8pm Mesa Theater 538 Main St, Grand Junction, CO \$10

April 3 MARCHFOURTH MARCHING BAND

8pm Mesa Theater 538 Main St, Grand Junction, CO \$25 - \$28

April 5, 6, 7

Journey To The Cross 6 - 9pm 483 30 Road (Corner of 30 and E) 45 minute experience Come taste, touch, hear, see and smell as we experience Jesus' steps to the Cross and beyond.

April 7 JAMES WILLIAMS & The Faith Peddlers

8:30 -11pm

Warehouse25sixty-five Kitchen + Bar 2565 American Way, Grand Junction James and the gang have been lighting up stages all over the US and they are ready to raise the roof! **FREE SHOW**



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April 8

Easter Potluck & Egg Hunt!

lpm Junction West Grand Junction RV Park 793 22 Rd, Grand Junction, CO Happy Easter! Join us on Saturday, April 8th for a day of family Easter-themed fun! We will be playing yard games in the grass area at 1 PM and we will also be dyeing Easter eggs.

April 8

Michelle DeYoung 3 - 5pm Moss Performing Arts Center 1221 N 12th St, Grand Junction, CO Operatic, song, and chamber music performance by Metropolitan Opera star, mezzo-soprano Michelle DeYoung.

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Tea Party 1pm Natalia's Hat Bar 634 Main St #101, Grand Junction, CO Explore all upcoming tea party events in Grand Junction, find information & tickets for upcoming tea party events happening in Grand Junction.

April 13

TYLER FARR

7 -11pm
Warehouse25sixty-five Kitchen + Bar
2565 American Way, Grand Junction
Country music star TYLER FARR set to
rock the Warehouse.
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Grand Junction

April 13

- Hemlock 8pm Two Rivers Tavern 539 Colorado Ave Hemlock throw down at Two Rivers Tavern!
- 21+
- \$15 \$25

April 14

CLiC & Connect: In-Person Rural Meetups

9am

Colorado Mesa University

1100 North Ave, Grand Junction, CO

CLiC & Connect events emphasize a relaxing environment where you will have opportunities to network to learn from each other.... to set aside time for in-depth learning, and of course –have fun!

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April 14

PEACH STREET REVIVAL

8:30 - 11:30pm

Warehouse25sixty-five Kitchen + Bar 2565 American Way, Grand Junction GJ the gang from Peach Street Revival are ready to take over the Warehouse. Call The Warehouse 2565 about tickets and pricing.

April 15

International Fly Fishing Film Festival 7 - 10pm The Avalon Theatre 645 Main St, Grand Junction, CO \$25

April 15

POP EVIL The Word Alive, Avoid 7:30pm Mesa Theater 538 Main St, Grand Junction, CO \$25

April 14

Joey Rowland and The Over & Under Band 8:30 - 11:30pm

Warehouse25sixty-five Kitchen + Bar 2565 American Way, Grand Junction He started working here, started playing on the stage with his dad and Clark Jensen and now headlines his own shows, he's opening for national acts that ask "who is that kid?" **FREE SHOW**

April 15

Mesa Experience

10am

Colorado Mesa University

1100 North Ave, Grand Junction, CO The Mesa Experience visitation program gives future students and their families a comprehensive opportunity to visit Colorado Mesa University in person.

April 16

POP EVIL The Word Alive, Avoid

7:30pm Mesa Theater 538 Main St, Grand Junction, CO \$25

April 16

Elevate Kids Fun Run

3 - 5pm

Las Colonias Park, Grand Junction, CO This event is for all ages and all abilities, whether you're in it to win, or you're out for a fun Sunday morning walk. Come out and take a step to help kids in Grand Junction. \$40 - \$55

April 16

GJ Centennial Band 40th Anniversary 3 - 5pm Avalon Theatre 645 Main Street Grand



Events CONNECTION

Junction

Come celebrate the 40th year of the Grand Valley's premier community band. FREE to the public.

April 17

Key Largo 7:30pm Avalon Theatre 645 Main Street Grand Junction 1948 (Humphrey Bogart | 1948 | 1 hr. 41 mins.) \$5

April 18

Summer Job & Activity Fair 10am - 1:30pm MESA County Workforce Center 512 29 1/2 Rd, Grand Junction, CO Join the Mesa County Workforce Center and Find Your Future team for our Youth Summer Job & Activity fair.

April 21

UNTIL I WAKE Dark Divine, Catch Your Breath 7:30pm Mesa Theater 538 Main St, Grand Junction, CO \$14 All Ages!

April 21

The Last Train to Juarez 8:30 - 11:30pm Warehouse25sixty-five Kitchen + Bar 2565 American Way, Grand Junction GJ get ready for some OUTLAW LIVE COUNTRY MUSIC **FREE SHOW**

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Grand Junction

April 21, 22

Classics, Romantics & Modern Day Works Friday 7:30pm Saturday 2 pm & 7:30pm Avalon Theatre 645 Main Street Grand Junction \$20 - \$30

April 22

Southwest Arbor Fest

9am - 5pm 1340 Gunnison Ave, Grand Junction, CO With several ways to join in on the action, there is sure to be something for everyone!

Craft Beer - Tasting for \$25

April 22

Ice Cube at R & B's Bigass BBQ 3 - 5pm

Amphitheater at Las Colonias Park 925 Struthers Ave, Grand Junction, CO As much as technology, business and society have changed since the 1980s, one thing has remained constant: Ice Cube. \$86 -\$127

April 22

JON STORK

7 - 11:30pm
Warehouse25sixty-five Kitchen + Bar
2565 American Way, Grand Junction
A young singer-songwriter out of Southeast Texas.
Call Warehouse 2565 for ticket info.

April 22

1st Annual Open Car Show

11am Mesa Mall 2424 US-6, Grand Junction, CO 1st annual Crime Stoppers of Mesa County Car Show! We will have 20 award classes for participants to enter.

April 26

ELTON DAN & THE ROCKET BAND 7pm

Mesa Theater 538 Main St, Grand Junction, CO \$30 - \$70 All ages!

April 25

Community Concerts of the GV: Beginnings 7:30 - 9:30pm Avalon Theatre 645 Main Street Grand Junction \$35

April 26

ELTON DAN & THE ROCKET BAND 7pm

Mesa Theater 538 Main St, Grand Junction, CO \$30 - \$70 All ages!

April 28

KENNY FEIDLER and The Cowboy Killers with special guest Danno Simpson

7pm

Warehouse25sixty-five Kitchen + Bar 2565 American Way, Grand Junction \$10 -\$25

April 28

STEVE HOFSTETTER

7pm Mesa Theater 538 Main St, Grand Junction, CO \$25 - \$100 All ages!

April 29, 30

Classics Concert: Brahms & Rutter Saturday 7:30pm Sunday 3pm Avalon Theatre 645 Main Street Grand Junction \$25 - \$45

Event CONNECTION

Palisade

April 2

Edesia - Bonjour Spring Works 12 - 4pm Wine Country Inn 777 Grande River Drive, Palisade, CO A Palisade Culinary, Wine and Spirits Adventure - Bonjour Spring! \$65

April 2

Mesa County End Of Season Party 2 - 4pm Peach Street Distillers

144 Kluge Ave Building #2, Palisade Join us for an End Of Season Party celebrating an epic year of snow and Nordic skiing!

April 10

Palisade Community Bike Night + Cruiser

6 - 7pm

Join us for the "Community Mondays" Palisade community bike night and cruiser ride! Community Monday rides start from and end at Spoke & Vine Motel.

April 22

Palisade International Honey Bee Festival

11 - 4pm

The Plaza and along Third and Main Streets in the Town of Palisade, Colorado. Welcome all bee keepers and agricultural experts, artists, artisans, Lavender enthusiasts!

April 29, 30

Palisade Bluegrass Bash 11 - 4pm Palisade Brewing Company 200 Peach Ave, Palisade, CO

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April 2 Fruita | Ninja Kids Clinic 9:45am - 1:15pm

Highline Lake State Park Are your kids between the ages of 8-11 and excited about mountain biking? Ninja Kids covers the key skills they need to become a safer and more proficient rider

April 8

2023 Spring Music Fest: Just as Well, Wowzer

4pm

Copper Club Brewing Company 153 N Mulberry St, Fruita, CO Let's welcome in the Spring with the 2023 COpper Club Mini-Music Festival. TWO STAGES of funk, ska, punk and hip hop!

April 14

Desert RATS Trail Running Festival 2 - 4pm Hawkeye Trailhead Fruita, CO Desert Rats Trail Running Festival by UTMB brings new trail runners and utra veterans alike an incomparable weekend experience.

April 16

Herbs & Spice & Everything Nice 1pm

Copper Club Brewing Company 153 N Mulberry St, Fruita, CO DHerbs & Spice & Everything Nice is on Facebook. To connect with Herbs & Spice & Everything Nice, join Facebook today.

April 29, 30

Ice Breaker Downriver Race 7am - 7pm Loma Boat Ramp 13 Rd, Fruita, CO The first annual downriver canoe and kayak race





It's Magical, exhilarating, breath taking and at the tip of our fingers! Western Colorado has beautiful corners in every direction. One of the most beautiful places in Garfield County is Rifle Falls.

Only a short drive north of Rifle Colorado, this scenic State Park is permeated with the smell of fresh water misting the air. The water is clear to the bottom, and tempting enough to take a big drink.

The serene feeling of being one with nature is overwhelming at Rifle Falls. Hiking to the top, you can look out over the falls, or walk the trail that hugs the cliffs to the right.

Getting closer to the wall you'll start noticing small caves, and might find yourself wondering what might live in them. Moving along, the caves get bigger and bigger until you can actually walk in. At that point, with snow still on the ground, the ever present thought of hibernating bears or other animals might be looming in the sub-conscience. The caves do seem deep.

Lacking the proper gear, the best choice is not go spelunking even farther into the beautiful corners of Garfield County. A return trip, when the snow is melted and camping is prime, will be necessary to fully comprehend the majesty of Rifle Falls.



Glenwood Springs

April 3

Garfield County Humanitarian Service Awards

5 - 8pm

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526 Pine St, Glenwood Springs

For over 30 years, the Garfield County Humanitarian Awards Dinner has honored individuals who give their time, attention and efforts to benefit residents of Garfield County.

April 4

Functional Training

5 - 6pm

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April 7, 14, 21

Duplicate Bridge Game, non-sanctioned

1 - 4pm

Glenwood Springs Community Center You are invited to find a partner and join us for a non-sanctioned Duplicate Bridge Game each Friday afternoon starting at 1 and going for about 3 hours. \$3 - \$5 Marlene

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April 8

Queers and Coffee 9am Bluebird Cafe 730 Grand Avenue Glenwood Springs Relax and talk over a warm cup of coffee or tea. Sponsored by AspenOUT, hosted by Cook Inclusive.

April 8

Wine Tasting

5 - 7pm Cooper Wine and Spirits 732 Cooper Ave, Glenwood Springs Every weekend, Cooper Wine & Spirits hosts tastings on Friday and Saturday evening between 5-7pm. A MUST-DO in Historic Downtown Glenwood Springs **FREE EVENT**

April 13

Get the Wiggles Out!

10:30 - 11:30pmGlenwood Springs Branch Library

815 Cooper Ave, Glenwood Springs, CO Toddlers and Preschoolers: Bring your grown-up to the library! We'll burn some energy with active play and work on large motor skills! Balancing • Jumping • Running •

April 15

Dungeons and Dragons: Adventures in Candlekeep

2 - 3pm

Branch Library

815 Cooper Ave, Glenwood Springs, CO Dungeons and Dragons: Adventures in Candlekeep Come ye brave adventurers! Great mysteries and secrets lie within the great library-fortress of Candlekeep!

April 17

Pound with Tara

4:30 - 5:30pm EPIC Fitness 10 Market St Unit 10, Glenwood Springs Pound is a full body cardio jam session, incorporating light resistance along with continuous simulated drumming. \$25.00 to \$119.00

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Carbondale

April 8, 7, 13, 14

Love & Hiking Date For Couples (Self-Guided) 10am - 4pm Spring Gulch Trail System Co Rd 108, Carbondale, CO Enjoy a hike with fun digital activities along the way!

April 14

Music at the Library: Folk Music for All featuring the Cody Sisters Band 5:30pm - 6:30pm Basalt Regional Library 14 Midland Ave, Basalt, CO

The Cody Sisters Band is the very heart of contemporary acoustic music in Colorado, the United States and UK

April 15

Crafting with Kids — Carbondale Arts **Carbondale Branch Library** 320 Sopris Ave, Carbondale, CO 10:30am - 11:30am Kids kindergarten to 3rd grade, and their accompanying adults, are invited to the library on the first and third Saturday for crafts and play with a local artist.

April 22

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The Know Bodies

8 - 11pm Steve's Guitars 19 N 4th St, Carbondale, CO The Know Bodies Band is about music and dancing and fearless love of dirty old humanity.

April 5, 6, 12, 26

Preschool Play Group 10:30 - 11:30am **Rifle Branch Library** 207 East Ave, Rifle, CO Preschool Playgroup at the Library Playing is learning! With a variety of age-appropriate toys and activities provided

April 7

Zikr Dance Ensemble: Mysteries, Rites & Rituals 7:30 - 9:30pm Ute Theater and Events Center 132 E 4th St, Rifle Denver's critically acclaimed Zikr Dance Ensemble \$25 - \$15 17 and under

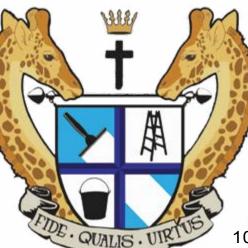
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Colorado Trailfest 2023 feat. the Trail **Running Film Festival** 4 - 9pm Ute Theater and Events Center 132 E 4th St. Rifle

Start the day with a free 4-mile fun run suitable for the entire family at the Grand Hogback Trail. Later in the day, enjoy some music, listen to speakers, and watch the Trail Running Film Festival at the renowned Ute Theater

April 28

MGP Presents: Shovels and Rope 7:30 - 9:30pm Ute Theater and Events Center 132 E 4th St, Rifle "It's not heavy metal, but in our guts, it feels a bit like Heavy Metal, \$45 - \$59



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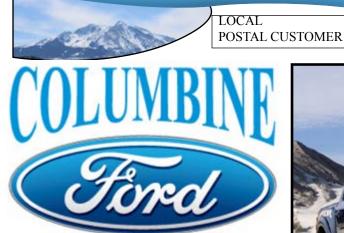
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