GRAND JUNCTION NEWCOMERS CLUB NEWSLETTER

WHERE NEWCOMERS BECOME OLD FRIENDS

PRESIDENTS LETTER

The November 11th meeting will be a business-only meeting. There is not a scheduled speaker.

We will be discussing:

1. Name change
2. Holiday Party
3. Move to the new Rec Center
4. Keeping the raffle or not
5. Anything else any member would like to discuss

Here is the language for the name change. Bylaw changes are required to be published in the newsletter prior to the meeting.

You can send it in the Pres message or maybe separately.

At our November 11 meeting, members will vote on a proposed amendment to Article One – Name of the club's bylaws.

The current wording identifies the organization as the **Newcomers Club of Grand Junction** for formal tax and banking documents and states that it is commonly referred to as the **Grand Junction Newcomers Club**.

The proposed amendment would retain the official name used for tax and banking documents but change the commonly used name to **Grand Junction Newcomers & Friends Club**.

-- Gary Fitzpatrick, President

MINUTES – Oct 14, 2026

CLUB BUSINESS

President Gary Fitzpatrick called the meeting to order at 10 am and asked for a motion to approve the September meeting minutes, as printed in the club's newsletter and posted on its website. Ruth Anna so moved and Chuck Hawkins seconded. The minutes were approved by acclamation.

In **Treasurer Bill Gates'** absence, **Secretary Lois Leach** reported that the club has $8,206.62 in its checking account, including $0.67 in interest. The reserve account totals $5,557.46, with quarterly interest of $40.32.

President Gary thanked **Tanya Davis** and the Hospitality Committee for the Halloween-themed goodies -- which, as usual, were mouth-watering. He also congratulated the handful of members celebrating birthdays in October.

On behalf of the We Care program's **Karen Dreher**, **Lois Leach** said that get well cards went to three members -- Beth Avery and Dottie Miller, who were both hospitalized, and Nancy Hollmeier, who had surgery. Karen also sent a sympathy card to **Franz Huber**, whose sister passed, and to **Wayne Ash** on the death of his wife Linda. For years, **Linda Ash** spearheaded the Newcomers We Care program, during that time sending cards to hundreds of members who had health issues or had lost a loved one.

The Membership Commitee's **Larryne Zygmunt** announced that two new members attended the meeting -- **Jill Seal** from Breckenridge and **Scott Cook** from Orchard Mesa. **Pablo Aguirie** from Reno, Nevada, also attended as a visitor. **President Gary** welcomed them all with "It's always nice to see new faces."

President Gary also announced a series of decisions made by the Newcomers Club officers during a September 24 board meeting:

- Considering earlier concerns about organizing this year's annual holiday party, the board agreed to hold it on Tuesday, December 15 at the Doubletree by Hilton Hotel, 743 Horizon Drive. The Doubletree catering staff will take care of the meal and room set-up, so no outside caterers will be needed. More details on menu options and costs to come.

- Since there have been administrative problems when members pay for Newcomers activities using Zelle, the board decided to temporarily suspend Zelle as a payment option until the problems are resolved. This will include payments for the December 15 holiday party. Members can still pay using checks. Once the club is ready to resume Zelle usage, members will receive specific instructions on Zelle transactions.

- For years, the club has raffled off member-donated items -- including bottles of alcohol -- and used the proceeds to fund coffee and treats served by the Hospitality Committee at monthly coffee meetings. Recently, the board learned of several legal problems with that practice: 1) Under Colorado's charity gaming statutes, no form of alcohol can be used as a raffle prize. 2) Under the same statutes, eligible non-profit organizations must get a bingo/raffle license. 3) Because Newcomers Club is a 501(c)7 social organization instead of a 501(c)3 charitable organization, it doesn't fall into the category of non-profits that are eligible to get a raffle license. The board considered continuing the unlicensed raffle but excluding alcoholic prizes, but ultimately voted against it. Since the raffle has been generating more money than necessary to support the Hospitality Committee's efforts, the raffle is discontinued. In its place is a box, located on the treats table, where members donate directly to the Hospitality Committee. Anyone who donated items for the raffle can retrieve them. Any unclaimed raffle donations will be donated to Heirlooms for Hospice retail store at 435 E. Main Street.

- The board voted to approve "Grand Junction Newcomers and Friends" as the club's Doing Business As/Trade Name, while leaving its legal name as is. The addition of "and Friends" makes it clear that people don't have to be a recent arrival in the Grand Valley in order to join. It also underscores the fact that many members were newcomers when they joined, but have remained club members for years -- sometimes decades. All that's required to register the club's DBA/Trade name is filing a form with the Colorado Secretary of State's office, so no attorney is needed and no changes to the club's original formation documents are required.

- The board is looking at the future possibility of moving the monthly coffee meetings from the Masonic Center to the new Community Recreation Center. There are pros and cons for both facilities, and the board plans to invite Tanya to join them on a tour with the Rec Center events staff, to ensure the space offers the features needed for meeting, socializing and serving food. If it's workable, the board will then make a proposal to club members for their approval.

CLUB EVENTS

In **Steve Likovich's** absence, **Nile Leach** of the five-member Tour and Lunch Club team said that a sign-up sheet is available for the October 28 tour of the HopeWest PACE program facility, 2754 Compass Drive. HopeWest PACE (Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly) is a one-of-a-kind Mesa County program that fills the services gap for local seniors who may need medical or other help but want to stay in their own homes or are on waiting lists for assisted living. **Nile** also said that the planned November 19 tour of the Ouray Fish Hatchery fell through because the hatchery had a catastrophic equipment failure. As a replacement, he has arranged a tour of Spirit Engineering, Inc., a manufacturer of fully ready-to-fly vintage-style small

aircraft on November 19 at 10 am. Spirit developed its flagship aircraft, the SE-1 all-metal Art Deco-inspired single-seat plane in secret for over a decade. Lunch at Munchie's in Fruita will follow the tour. A sign-up sheet will be available at the November 11 meeting.

Douglas Grodt, who leads gentle hikes for Newcomers members, said the next hike will be a fairly level, easy one through the Grand Junction Wildlife Area to the confluence of the Gunnison and Colorado Rivers -- the confluence that gave Grand Junction its name. "We can expect to see lots of wildlife there, including deer and wild turkeys," Douglas stated. For more information or to sign up for the extensive email distribution list of members that Douglas maintains, contact him at newcomershikers@gmail.com.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Tanya Davis announced that the P.E.O. Sisterhood -- short for Philanthropic Educational Organization -- is hosting its annual Holiday Craft and Bake Fair on November 7 from 9 am-2 pm at the Crossroads United Methodist Church, 599 30 Road. Several other Newcomers members belong to the local P.E.O. organization, which raises funds for women's higher education scholarships, grants and loans. The fair will include a large selection of home-baked goods, including cookies, plus soup and dessert, plus handmade arts and crafts.

Suzan Fournier and **Esther Schneller** represent Newcomers Club in its partnership with the Mesa County Public Libraries to present the Armchair Travel program. Each month from September through May, people who have taken interesting trips, either domestic or foreign, present their experiences through photos and narrative. The presentations are free and open to the public. "If you have ideas for future Armchair Travel presentations, just let us know," **Suzan** said. "We're always happy to work with you." On October 22 at 6:30 pm at the Clifton Branch Library, **Colleen Jorgensen** will share her 8-day small-boat cruise through the Galapagos Archipelago. "Colleen did this presentation one year ago at the Central Library and it was popular, so we're bringing it back, **Suzan** said. On November 3 at 5:30 pm at the Fruita Branch Library (Fruita Community Center Meeting Room) **Steve Reed** will showcase Argentina by exploring its tango, soccer, wine, steaks and regional connections to Colorado. On November 5 at 6:30 pm, at the Central Library, Sherry Kaufman will present her travels in Scotland.

Ruth Anna announced that Friends of Mesa County Libraries will hold its annual book sale on October 26-28 from 9 am-2 pm at the First Congregational Church, 1425 N. 5th Street (across from Grand Junction High School). All proceeds from the sales go to support Mesa County Libraries programs, including summer reading, Comic Con and Culture Fest. In addition, local non-profit organizations with proof of their status can qualify to get free books.

GUEST SPEAKER

Dr. Brian Hill, Mesa County Valley School District 51 superintendent, described the district's current situation, with both ups and downs. On the plus side, it's celebrating notable student accomplishments: 100% of the districts' schools have earned the top two academic ratings awarded by the state; elementary students are reading at the highest levels in history; the graduation rate has been at an all-time high for three consecutive years and hundreds of students are earning college credits and industry certificates tuition-free while they're still in high school.

On the flip side, D51 schools have been under-funded for years, since Colorado ranks 44th among 50 states in per-pupil funding and D51 ranks 171st among Colorado's 178 districts. "The cost of operating a school district that provides the resources -- including great teachers -- that kids need to succeed far exceeds the funding we're currently getting," Hill said. "We've closed and consolidated several district schools, cut administrative costs by 21% -- more than any Colorado district -- and increased and promoted learning options to attract more students. That still doesn't close the gap." Now, he said, D51 is asking voters to approve a property tax increase, initiative 4A, that would increase teacher pay, add more security officers in elementary schools (currently one security officer serves four schools) and continue the career and technical education programs that provide students with real-life skills for the working world. As D51 superintendent, Hill can provide facts about 4A but can't advocate for its passage. **Curtis Englehart**, executive director of Grand Junction Economic Partnership, chimed in to Hill's presentation, adding that "Investing in our schools is crucial to our local economy, attracting new businesses and growing existing ones."

--Lois Leach, Secretary

MEMBER NOTES

Welcome to our new members!

Cathy and Bob Cormack, from Erie, CO. 286 Marie St, GJ 81503. 720-470-1837 (Cathy), 720-470-1836 (Bob). cathyc1234@gmail.com, Robert.h.cormack@gmail.com

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COMMUNITY DOINGS

The **Día De Los Muertos Festival** will take place on **Sunday, November 1** at Cross Orchards Historic Site from Noon - 4 pm. Local artists will display ofrendas (altars), and there will be opportunities to learn about the tradition and contribute to a community project. You can also explore the altars before the festival on October 30 and 31 from 9 am - 6pm. Free event.

The **Run 4 Rivers 5k** run/walk on **Saturday, November 7** supports the Confluence Center and their mission to connect people to Western Colorado's lands and waters. Race starts at 10:30 am, registration is $25 for adults, free for kids. Signup link: https://www.confluencecenterco.org/events-2-1/run-for-rivers

The 2026 **Veterans Day Parade and Block Party** will take place on **Saturday, November 7** downtown. Parade begins at 2 pm. The Block Party will take place on the 300 Block of Main St from 11:30 am-5:30 pm with family-friendly activities and experiences focused on bringing the community together to honor veterans. https://www.steadfastvalorfoundation.org/

Prehistoric fun meets craft cocktails at **Dinos on the Rocks**, a Cocktail/Mocktail Competition where local bars and restaurants compete head-to-head in the exhibit galleries of the Dinosaur Journey Museum. This unique experience takes place **Saturday, November 7** from 6:00-9:00 pm. $40 Admission includes tastings, 1 full drink, and heavy appetizers. Tickets available: https://museumsofwesternco.org/dinos-on-the-rocks2026/

The **Palisade Historical Society**'s monthly history talk will be on **Thursday, November 12**, on The Palisade Tribunes by Leigh Jeremias. 6-7 pm at the Palisade Community Gym at 711 Iowa Ave in Palisade. Free admission (donations welcome).

Roice-Hurst Human Society is hosting **Shelter Pet Yoga** on **Sunday, November 15** - join a certified yoga instructor and special guests from RHHS for an all-levels class full of furry fun. Please bring your own mat and leave personal pets at home. Donations requested. RSVP at https://rhhumanesociety.org/yoga.

Mountainfilm on Tour visits Grand Junction on **Thursday, November 19.** Enjoy select inspiring and captivating films from the Mountainfilm festival in Telluride. Doors open 5:30 pm, film starts at 7:30 pm at the Avalon Theater, tickets $16: https://www.universe.com/events/mountainfilm-on-tour-grand-junction-tickets-3YT8Q1

It's that time of the year again! The **Downtown Tree Lighting** takes place on **Saturday, November 21** from 5-7 pm at the plaza at 4th and Main St.

The Grand Junction Fire Fighters Foundation **GJ Turkey Trot 5k** takes place on Thanksgiving morning every year, **Thursday, November 26**. This is a family event that winds through 3 miles of Downtown Grand Junction, all ages and abilities welcome. Race starts at 9am at Stocker Stadium (998 N 12th St). Details and registration here: https://www.gjfffoundation.com/info-cpdfc.

Some doings at Mesa County Libraries (Mesacountylibraries.org) include:

- Nov. 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30, 10 am-12 pm. Artist in Residence Meet and Greet: Bryan Wade. 970West Studio.

- Nov. 2, 5:30-6:30 pm. Consumer Debt Rights - learn about your rights when dealing with debt from a Colorado Legal Services Attorney. Clifton Library Community Room.
- Nov. 3, 5:30-6:30 pm. Armchair Travel: Argentina. Fruita Community Center Meeting Room.
- Nov. 4, 5:30-6:30 pm. Renter's Rights - learn about recent changes to landlord-tenant law and more from a Colorado Legal Services Attorney. Central Library Mesa Room.
- Nov. 5, 5:30-6:30 pm. Internet Safety and Privacy - learn new skills to protect yourself from fraud while using the Internet. Clifton Library Community Room.
- Nov. 6, 4-6 pm. 970West Studio Portrait Pop-Up - Drop in to pose for a free professional-style portrait that will be emailed to you. 970West Studio.
- Nov. 9, 5:30-6:30 pm. Renter's Rights - learn about recent changes to landlord-tenant law and more from a Colorado Legal Services Attorney. Clifton Library Community Room.
- Nov. 10, 2:30-3:30 pm. Consumer Debt Rights - learn about your rights when dealing with debt from a Colorado Legal Services Attorney. Orchard Mesa Branch.
- Nov. 12, 5:30-7 pm. Books on Tap. Meet to discuss books you're currently reading. Colorado Craft Coffee and Beer House (1144 N 12th St.).
- Nov. 13, 6:30-7:30 pm. 19th Annual Culture Fest Art Show Reception - light refreshments and a live performance by Ian Janco. Central Library Community Room.
- Nov. 14, 11 am-3 pm. 19th Annual Culture Fest - come experience the many cultures represented in Mesa County. Central Library.
- Nov. 17, 2-3 pm. Crafternoons at Fruita Branch, bring your crafting projects and enjoy socializing. Fruita Branch.
- Nov. 17, 4:30-6:30 pm. Film Exposure Program Screening: "What Happened Last Night" - a short film created by local high school students. Central Library Community Room.
- Nov. 19, 5:30-6:30 pm. Social Security Income and Social Security Disability Insurance - a presentation on SSI and SSDI with an attorney from Colorado Legal Services. Central Library Mesa Room.
- Nov. 24, 2:30-3:30 pm. Crafternoons at Orchard Mesa Branch, bring your crafting projects and enjoy socializing. Orchard Mesa Branch.

Weekend Book Sale Friends of the Mesa County Libraries will hold their weekend book sales on **Fridays and Saturdays, November 6, 7, 13, 14, 20, 21, and 28** from **9 am to 2 pm** at the First Congregational Church (Across from Grand Junction High School). Great prices on used books, DVDs, CDs, and more - cash, check, credit card, and Venmo are accepted. Free admission, proceeds benefit Mesa County Libraries programs and projects.

COMMUNITY PERFORMANCES

- **Saturday, Nov. 14,** Grand Mesa A Capella presents their holiday show "Theodore Buttons and the Christmas Star," a family-friendly Christmas story revolving around a teddy bear. Performances at 2 pm and 5 pm at CMU's Love Performance Hall. Free, but a $15 donation is suggested.
- **Nov. 14 and 15,** Saturday at 7:30 pm, Sunday at 3:00 pm - Grand Junction Symphony Orchestra presents Romeo & Juliet and Tchaikovsky Violin Concerto with violinist Steven Moeckel. Asteria Theater, tickets from $21, available at https://gjso.org/.

CRAFT FAIRS & ARTIST MARKETS

It's time to start your holiday shopping! Check out these events for unique gifts that support the local community.

- **Saturday, Nov. 7** P.E.O. (Philanthropic Educational Organization for Women) Art & Craft Fair - Features their famous cookie walk, supply of Butter Braids, and lunch, along with homemade art and craft vendors. Funds raised will go towards educational grants and scholarships. 9 am-2 pm at Crossroads United Methodist Church (599 30 Rd).
- **Saturday, Nov. 14** The first **HopeWest Holiday Bazaar** will be held from 10 am to 3 pm at Bacon Center for Living Your Best, 2754 Compass Dr.
- **Saturday, Nov. 14** Church on the Rock 18th Annual Craft Fair - Over 60 vendors will be on site with handcrafted items, food vendors will be present as well. 9 am-3:30 pm at 2170 Broadway.
- **Saturday and Sunday Nov. 21-22** The Art Center's Annual Holiday Fine Art & Craft Fair - A juried holiday market where you can shop regional artists and makers, including ceramics, jewelry, textiles, painting, wood, prints and more. Purchases support the artists and the Art Center's programs, as it's the 2nd largest fundraiser of the year. Public hours are 9am-4pm Saturday, and 10 am-3 pm Sunday at the Art Center (1803 N. 7th St).
- **Saturday, Nov. 21** Fall Craft Fair at 970 Church (2711 Unaweep Ave) from 9 am-3 pm.
- **Saturday Nov. 28** Christmas Craft Fair - Kick off the holiday season with local vendors sharing handmade treasures. 9 am-3 pm at the Masonic Center (2400 Consistory Ct).
- **Saturday, Nov. 28** Salvation Army Christmas Craft Fair - money raised benefits the World Services Goal. 10 am-3 pm at 1235 N. 4th St.
- **Sunday Nov. 29** Carboy Holiday Craft Fair - two dozen local vendors with homemade treasures, enjoy live music and a food truck. Noon - 6 pm at Carboy Winery, Palisade (3572 G Rd).

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Submissions for general club news and ads are due the 20th of the preceding month.

You don't have to be new to the area to join Newcomers. Annual dues are $15, $30 for a couple. Download the membership form at gjnewcomers.org, and mail the completed form with a check. Or come to a monthly coffee (2nd Wednesday of the month, 9:30 am, at the Masonic Lodge/Grand Valley Event Center (2400 Consistory Ct) to get to know us a bit and sign up then. You'll meet great people, receive our member directory, get our newsletter and timely email alerts, can join any of our regular activity groups, and participate in special events.

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NOVEMBER ACTIVITIES



COFFEE (Monthly Meeting)

Everyone is welcome at our monthly coffee, held the **2nd Wednesday** of each month at the Masonic Lodge/Grand Valley Event Center (2400 Consistory Ct). We meet at **9:30 am** to enjoy a bit of coffee and socializing before our business meeting. Meetings conclude around 11 am.
The next meeting is **Wednesday, Nov. 11.** This will be an important business-only meeting where members will be asked to vote on several important matters. Please see the President's Letter on page 1.



ARMCHAIR TRAVEL

On **Tuesday, Nov. 3, Steve Reed** will present on Argentina at the Fruita library in the Recreation Center. Doors open at 5 pm and the presentation begins at **5:30 pm**.

On **Thursday, Nov. 5, Sheri Kauffman** will present on her trip to Scotland at Central Library. Doors open at 6 pm and the one-hour talk will start at **6:30 pm.**

Come join us! These are great speakers with wonderful photos of their trips.



BOOK CLUB

The Diamond Eye, by Kate Quinn, will be the topic of discussion at Janet Jones' house on **Tuesday, Nov. 10**. We'll gather at **10 am**. Please reach out to **D J Clancy** at djclancy68@gmail.com with any questions.



BOWLING

Strikes! Spares! Gutter Balls! Whatever your skill level, you are welcome to join up with other Newcomers every **Friday** at **9:15 am** at the Orchard Mesa Lanes, 295 27 Rd. It's only $9 for three games. Shoes are available for rental. For information, phone or text **Michael Shea** at 970-663-3238, 970-213-4859, or dakotah1001@msn.com.



DINNER CLUB

The Dinner Club meets once a month at members' homes.



HAPPY HOUR

Mark your calendars for the 1st, 3rd and 5th Wednesdays of the month, usually from 5 to 7 pm. Look for an email with location.

A suggestion: With so many new members and guests at happy hours, wear your name tag to facilitate introductions and lighten the load on our memories.



KNITTING

Knitting will be on **Monday, Nov. 16,** at **1:30 pm**. Location will be announced in an email at a later date.



MAH JONGG

The **Thursday** morning Newcomers Mahjongg group plays from **9 to 11 am** each week. Interested players can contact **Nancy H.** for details



MOVIE CLUB

In a nod to Dolly Parton, Movie Club members will discuss *Steel Magnolias* at the **Tuesday, Nov. 3** meeting at **4 pm**. In her fourth venture into films, Dolly Parton plays Truvy Jones, owner of the beauty salon in a small Southern town. The 1989 comedy-drama focuses on the bond a diverse group of local women forge in that salon and how they cope with the death of one of their own. It includes a stellar cast, including Sally Field, Julia Roberts, Shirley MacLaine, Olympia Dukakis and Daryl Hannah. **Ellen Moore and Ellsworth LeBeau** will host.



NEEDLECRAFTERS

Newcomer Club Needle Crafters meet the **second Monday** of the month to work on their projects. November location and RSVP details will be sent to participating group members to allow the hostess to prepare for the month. Interested club members can contact **Nancy Hollmaier** for more information.



SINGULAR DINERS

Singular Diners is a group of single folks who want to go ro the various restaurants in Grand Junction but hesitate to dine alone. Our next lunch will be **November 18** at **noon** at Stella's Restaurant, 811 S. 7th St., Grand Junction. Please confirm your attendance to **Lina Palomo** bluetopaz1129@yahoo.com@yahoo.com or (626) 993-7046.



TENNIS

Drop in any **Monday, Wednesday** or **Friday** at Canyon View Park for mixed doubles play. Court time is **1 pm to 3 pm.** Everyone welcome. Questions? Call **Lorene Ramirez,** 702-985-1891.



TOUR AND LUNCH

Tour and Lunch will be on **Thursday, Nov. 19** at **10 am.** We will visit Spirit Engineering, Inc., a manufacturer of small, single-seat aircraft, located at 841 21-1/2 Rd., Fruita. Lunch will follow at Munchies Diner in Fruita. You can sign up at the meeting on November 11 or by emailing Lois or Nile Leach.



WINE CLUB

Wine Club will return in January 2027. Stayed tuned for future information. Any questions, please contact **Lisa** at lisa.seitz623@gmail.com or at 303-263-4391.

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New Dimensions Lifelong Learning, a volunteer nonprofit organization, provides continuing education classes each fall and winter/spring for adults aged 50+. Information is available at www.newdimensionsgj.org.

The New Dimensions fall term is in full swing and ends November 13. Remember that if you registered for classes this term you can add classes with openings after registration during the term. Just go to the New Dimensions website, click on *Class Info* at the top menu, then click on *Classes With Openings* for a list of available classes. Scroll to the bottom of that page for a link that will help you add classes.

Midday with New Dimensions lectures continue through the year.

Midday with New Dimensions is a partnership between Mesa County Libraries and New Dimensions Lifelong Learning, offering free public lectures based on past New Dimensions classes. Seating is first come, first served. Lecture information can be found on the Mesa County Libraries' event calendar at https://mesacountylibraries.org/events/ .

Midday with New Dimensions offers a one-hour lecture titled ***Atomic Legacy Cabin, History of Uranium on the Colorado Plateau*** presented by Ashton Andrade, at the Mesa County Central Library, 443 N. 6th Street, at noon, Thursday, December 10. Ashton is an Interpretive Specialist for Department of Energy Office of Legacy Management. The Atomic Legacy Cabin was once the epicenter of the nationwide search for uranium that was started by the Manhattan Project and escalated during the Cold War. This presentation will delve into the 80-plus years of history beginning with the historic log cabin as Grand Junction's little-known Manhattan Project site, as well as show how uranium left a lasting impact on the surrounding region.

NAME BADGES

We suggest you keep your name badge in your car so it will always be handy. If you don't already have a magnetic name badge, you can order one from **Alberta Husch** for $12.50 (new price). Email her at aahusch@gmail.com.

FREE AND FUN NEXT MONTH

Date	What	Where	Time	More Information
5	Armchair Travel; Scotland	Central Library	6:30 – 7:30 pm	https://mesacountylibraries.org
6	First Friday (Demo Night!)	The Art Center	6:30 – 9 pm	https://www.gjartcenter.org/
6	Free Admission at Museum of the West	Museum of the West	10 am – 4 pm	https://museumsofwesternco.org/
11	A Little Noon Music: Brian Hanly, Violin	1st Methodist Church, White & Fifth	12:15 pm	https://www.fumcgj.org/upcoming-events
19	Mesa County Oral History Meeting: Beatrice Farnham	Central Library	Noon – 1 pm	https://mesacountylibraries.org Registration Required

MEMBER CLASSIFIED ADS

Free text-only space is available for member non-commercial and personal ads. They will run until forbid or a maximum of three months both in the newsletter and on our website. Send your request to gjnewcomers@gmail.com by the 20th of the preceding month.

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