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Weekly Info Update

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To: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
From: MARGARET SELL, FINANCE DIRECTOR
Date: MARCH 24, 2017
Re: WEEKLY INFO UPDATE

SPRING HAS OFFICIALLY ARRIVED!

- The Fruita Community Center hosted approximately 250 kids at the Night at FCC.
- A fire at Snooks Bottom scorched about 3 acres. Thanks to the Lower Valley Fire District for putting out the blaze!
- The City was awarded a GOCO grant for purchase of land adjacent to the Little Salt Wash Park.
- There are a number of staffing changes occurring, especially in the Police Department. We will greatly miss Chief Judy Macy and Officer Gary Younger and wish them both the best in their retirement! We will also miss PST/Animal Control Officer Carrie Benham and wish her the best in her new endeavors with the Town of Palisade.
- Always looking out for the best interests of the City . . . even while on vacation, Public Work Director Ken Haley has recruited a new police officer for the City. Thanks Ken!



Honor the Past – Envision the Future **FRUITA**

FRUITA IN THE NEWS (or related news to the area):

[Brush fires keep crews on the run all weekend](#)

Grand Junction Daily Sentinel

[Fruita Police Department Looking for Snooks Bottom Fire Starter](#)

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[Man cited for fire; two other blazes investigated as arson](#)

Grand Junction Daily Sentinel

UPCOMING EVENTS *(When an RSVP is required I will include the information. I also ask that you let Deb know if you plan to attend so we can make sure to post if multiple council members plan to attend. Deb would also be happy to RSVP for you.):*

- **March 29** will be an Open House for the Downtown Phase II Design project from 5-7 pm in the Council Room at the Civic Center.
- **April 1-2** is a VOC Crew Leader Training, a two-day workshop to learn crew leading skills and trail construction techniques. More info at <http://www.voc.org/project/osi-grand-junction-crew-leadership-trails-training>.
- **April 5-8** People for Bikes will be conducting surveys regarding electric mountain bikes at local trailheads.
- **April 6** is the annual Business Expo in the Community Center from 4 – 7 pm.
- **April 7** is the Parks & Recreation Youth Scholarship Golf Tournament at 9am Adobe Creek Golf Course—registration at the Community Center & all proceeds support the FCC scholarship program.
- **April 12** is the Easter Egg Scramble at 4pm (lasts about 5 minutes ☺) at the Community Center.
- **April 14** City offices will be closed in observance of Good Friday.
- **April 19** is the Arbor Day Celebration—time and location TBD.
- **April 27 – 29** is the 22nd annual Fat Tire Festival in downtown Fruita.
- **April 29** is the Family Health West Red Baron Ball at the Avalon Theatre.
- **May 5-6** is 18 Hours of Fruita Mountain Bike Race at Highline State Park (sold out).
- **May 6** is the Girls on the Run 5k race in Fruita.
- **May 13** is the annual Fruita History Fair and Then & Now Photo Exhibit from 8 am – 2 pm at the Cavalcade.
- **May 20** is the first annual Beer, Gear and Grub festival in the Southside Marketplace.
- **May 20** you are invited to the inauguration of the Cameo Shooting and Education Complex where Governor Hickenlooper will fire the “First Shot” using a custom rifle provided by a GJ manufacturer. Time TBD.
- **June 2-3** is Mike the headless chicken Festival in downtown Fruita.
- **June 8** begins the Thursday night concert series in Civic Center Park each week.
- **June 21** is the first annual Summer Solstice Harvest dinner (community dinner in downtown).
- **June 24** begins the Farmers Market series each Saturday in Civic Center Park.
- The Business Incubator class schedule is below.
- The Fruita Community Calendar is available on the website at: <http://www.fruita.org/calendar>.
- The **2016** Events Information is also available online at: <http://www.fruita.org/parksrec/page/special-events>

CC: Department Directors