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Weekly Info Update

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To: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
From: MIKE BENNETT, CITY MANAGER
Date: DECEMBER 23, 2016
Re: WEEKLY INFO UPDATE

CANCELLED: The Dec. 27 Council Workshop and Jan. 3 Council meeting have been cancelled.

The regularly scheduled City Council Workshop, normally held next week on Dec. 27 and the January 3rd regular City Council meeting have been cancelled and posted with due notice.

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!

City Offices will be closed Monday, Dec. 26 and Monday, Jan. 2.

TID BITS:

- The Mayor and I had a great meeting with a prospective business that we connected with last year and is still planning to relocate here in the first quarter of 2018.
- Continued productive discussions with another prospective company as well.
- Had a great meeting with Ken Mabery, Colorado National Monument, discussing how the City and CNM can partner in more ways and stay connected.
- Had a great meeting with Curtis Englehart, the new Director for the Workforce Center, to discuss ongoing partnerships and how to better communicate stats on our skilled workforce to prospective companies.
- In a year over year comparison from the state demographer, Fruita has had the highest percentage increase (37%) in housing starts in the Grand Valley.
- The Planning Commission will continue with training at their Jan. meeting.
- We plan to bring final concepts plans for the Gateway and the Lagoons for adoption at the Jan. 17 meeting.
- Engineering is meeting with effected property regarding easements for the Alley and drainage project between Mulberry and Peach.
- They are also beginning to meet with property owners regarding the downtown phase II design.

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

- The Pabor & Laura sewer replacement and piping the irrigation ditch project is now advertised with a bid opening for Jan. 19.
- Letters are out to homes needing visible addresses to help get all residences in compliance to assist public safety personnel in finding a home during an emergency.
- Little Salt Wash trail is back open and the banks stabilization work is complete.
- Let it snow!

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

- Thirty-eight million reasons to be grateful this season:
<http://www.gjsentinel.com/opinion/articles/thirtyeight-million-reasons-to-be-grateful-this-se>
- Outdoor recreation poised for bigger impact:
<http://www.gjsentinel.com/opinion/articles/outdoor-rec-poised-for-bigger-impact>

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.):*

- **Monday, Dec. 26 City Offices are closed.**
- **Dec. 27** the City Council Workshop has been cancelled.
- **Monday, Jan. 2 City Offices are closed.**
- Business Incubator Classes are posted below.
- **Saturday, Feb. 11** the 2017 Fruita Area Chamber of Commerce will have their annual Awards Banquet.
- 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>
- Here is a glimpse of Dec - April events in Fruita:

Holiday Arts and Crafts Fair	December 10th	10am-3pm	Fruita Community Center	Enjoy shopping over 50 vendors at this FREE show!
Hometown Christmas and Parade of Lights	December 10th	Parade at Dusk	Downtown Fruita	Holiday cheer and beautiful lights and shopping.
Cookies-n-Clause	December 21st	6pm	Fruita Community Center	Wear your PJ's and enjoy a short film, story and photos with Santa! Ages 10 and under
Nuggets Skills Challenge	January 7th	9am-1pm	Fruita Community Center	Ages 6-13 years old compete in dribble, pass and shooting drills for a chance to advance to sectionals!
Night at the FCC	January 13th	7pm-10pm	Fruita Community Center	For 5th, 6th and 7th graders come swim, dance or shoot hoops at the FCC \$10.00 entry includes pizza and drink
Sweet Heart 5k/10k Run & Health Expo	February 18th	9am-1pm	Fruita Community Center	5k/10k race and Health Expo
Evening of Art	March 11th	7pm-10pm	Fruita Community Center	Arts and Culture Board Hosts local artists, wineries, breweries and live music
Night at the FCC	March 17th	7pm-10pm	Fruita Community Center	For 5th, 6th and 7th graders come swim, dance or shoot hoops at the FCC \$10.00 entry includes pizza and drink
2nd Annual Youth Golf Scholarship Tournament	April 7th	9am	Adobe Creek Golf Course	Play a round of golf to support the youth of Fruita! All proceeds go directly to scholarships
Easter Egg Scramble	April 12th	4pm-4:15 pm	Fruita Community Center	The Fruita Community Center backyard will be full of plastic eggs for kids 6 and under.

CC: Department Directors



Pumping up the Dream Starting a Business in Western Colorado

This class covers the most commonly asked questions including how to do a trade name search, choosing the right legal structure, registering with the state, local licensing requirements, the business planning process, and options for financing your business.

\$50
Class Fee

Upcoming Class Dates

Mon 1/16/17, 9-12 PM
Tues 1*31/17, 1-4 PM
Tues 2/7/17, 1-4 PM (Fruita Location)
Thursday February 23rd, 6-9 PM

Fast Trac Business Basics

MUST PRE-REGISTER CALL 970-243-5242

Classes are offered from 12-1
Must take Starting a Business Class First

Market Research Learn to use market research tools to generate more business	12/15/16 1/5/17
Busiess Planning Write a plan to help ensure the success of your business	12/12/16 1/12/17
Internet Strategies Learn how to be accessible through the internet	1/19/17 2/16/17
Licensing Lcense your business online	2/2/17
Cash Flows Learn how to do a cash flow budget using Excel	1/26/16



"Your work is going to fill a large part of your life, and the only way to be truly satisfied is to do what you believe is great work. And the only way to do great work is to love what you do." —Steve Jobs, Apple Inc. co-founder, chairman and CEO



Call 243-5242 to Register or visit us at
gjincubator.org

All Date& Events Are Subject to Change

Events in Fruita will be held at our Fruita Location
325 East Aspen Street
Fruita, Colorado



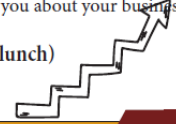
The SBDC is partially funded by the U.S. Small Business Administration. SBA's funding is not an endorsement of any products, opinions or services. SBA's funded programs are extended to the public on a non-discriminatory basis.

Jan 10.
9-2 PM

Bookkeeping Bootcamp

Learn how to set up and track business accounting records and what types of expenses are deductible. Gain better control of your business by learning how to balance sheets, income statements, and cash flow projections are prepared and what they can tell you about your business.

Cost: \$75 (includes lunch)



Open Coffee Club

3rd Fri
of every month
10-12



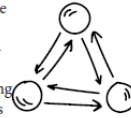
December
Four Winds Coffee & Tea.
1235 Bookcliff Avenue
Grand Junction

January
Main Street Bagels
559 Main St. Grand Junction

Dec. 13
1:30-3 PM

Business Valuation: What's it worth to you?

What would be a fair listing price for a business and how is it determined? Will a lender finance the acquisition? Does selling a business within the industry provide opportunity to command a premium price? Join us in learning about the roles of market analysis and business evaluation in developing a realistic business worth assessment.



SAVE THE DATE

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2017 Fuita Area Chamber of Commerce

Annual Awards Banquet



SATURDAY ♥ FEBRUARY 11TH, 2017