



September 5, 2024

Hello BV Chamber Members & Friends,

We had a great Community Coffee yesterday morning with lots of first timers and lots of 8:00am enthusiasm. I just love hearing about all the businesses, events, programming, and creativity people are bringing to our community.

Our monthly Community Coffee is free and open to the public. Everyone is welcome to attend and if you'd like to speak, just sign up when you arrive. We go around the circle with each person getting about 2-3 minutes to tell us what they're up to.

We watched a hilarious video about the Great Colorado vs. Texas Tomato Wars. This well loved event is an amazing fundraiser for cystic fibrosis and the Dolly Parton reading library here in BV. Good fun for the whole family. More info below.

Thanks to The View Cafe for being our coffee sponsor!

The next thing I want to share is something I have been hesitating to write because it's quite emotional but here goes. This past weekend, I finally hiked up to Agnes Vaille Falls.

When I first moved to BV full time in the spring of 2013, one of the first things I did was swing by the old house of old friends who I hadn't seen in 15 years. I had no idea if they lived there anymore or even if they were still in town but I left a note on the door with hopes of reconnecting.

I remember fondly my time babysitting for Dwayne and Dawna Johnson's little children. Spending time in an actual house was a great reprieve from life at Cogans and life on the river. I very much felt like they were doing me the favor. The Johnson kids taught me what dually tires were. This little toddler, watching a cartoon about trucks, fully explained it to me and I have thought about them every time I see a dually truck over the years.

I was devastated to find out about the accident that took the lives of several members of the Johnson family on what should have been a fun family hike to Agnes Vaille Falls shortly after I had arrived to town. They have been on my mind this year as we approach the Community Dinner, which was originally conceived to honor the family and bring the community together in the wake of this terrible tragedy.

As we all prepare to gather for Community Dinner this year, the importance of cherishing family, friends, and community is filling my heart and my thoughts this week. Taking time to be present in our lives, with our people is never wasted time.

I'll see you at Community Dinner for what has truly become one of the most fun and well-loved events in our town, despite or perhaps because of, the deep meaning and sentiment imbued in its beginning. I'll be raising a glass to the Johnsons, and to all friends and family who were taken too soon, and to this short and precious time we all share together on this beautiful earth in these beautiful mountains.

With love,

Liz

Liz Morgan

Executive Director

Buena Vista Chamber of Commerce

ps. There's a LOT on the events calendar for September. I highly recommend clicking through below to plan your month!

Lean Business Blueprint: Start or Scale with Confidence in BUENA VISTA

Buena Vista Library
Sept. 25 @ 9am to 12:30pm

Unlock Your Business Potential with Practical, Interactive Learning! Join our hands-on session designed to equip you with the skills to create a comprehensive business plan.

Perfect for entrepreneurs at any stage, whether you're launching a new venture or scaling an existing business.

Objective: Gain the expertise to craft a focused, actionable business plan in just 3 hours.

Space is Limited.

Register before it sells out!



Book Your Tables Here!

#BVSTRONG Community Dinner

Community Dinner

Book your table for the Buena Vista Community Dinner at www.bvstrong.com

Deadline to reserve a table: Monday, September 9.

THE GREAT COLORADO vs. TEXAS TOMATO WAR

2024

SEPTEMBER 21 PONCHA SPRINGS, CO

The Great Colorado vs. Texas Tomato War

Saturday, Sept. 21, 2024. Gates open at 2:00pm with events, food trucks, music and the tomato wars throughout the day. Check the [schedule and register](#) to participate.



A Day Filled With Fun, Learning & Connection

Embracing Aging Expo

Embracing Aging Chaffee is a coalition between the Chaffee County Department of Public Health, Ark Valley Helping Hands, the Area Agency on Aging, and Chaffee County Homeshare.

Friday September 13, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Free Shuttle.

Free Registration

Check out the [schedule and register for the event.](#)



BUENA VISTA
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Community Coffee

8:00 - 9:00 am

1st Wednesday of every month

Buena Vista Community Center
715 E. Main St, Buena Vista, CO

Oct.2, Nov.6, Dec.4



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BV Events

Share your events. Plan your fun!

All Events

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EAug - Sep
6-22**Autumn Run**

8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Saturday, September 21 The Autumn Run is held each year on the third weekend in September, in and around the historic, friendly, and picturesque town of Buena Vista, Colorado. Nestled in the upper Arkansas River Valley at ...

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5**Great Patio and Rotating Events at the Slammer**

12:00 AM

Located in the historic Buena Vista, CO Jailhouse, The Slammer is a local craft favorite. We serve a curated menu of over 100 American whiskeys, a dozen rotating taps of craft beer, unique wine offerings and more. Our mission is to ...

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6-15**Beetlejuice Beetlejuice shows at the Comanche Drive In Theatre**

8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

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6**Friday at the Farm: Debbie Needell**

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

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7**Buena Vista Farmers Market**

9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

The Buena Vista's Farmers Market will be held at Columbine Park located directly behind K's Burger Shack off highway 24 in Buena Vista Colorado. This park is a busy vibrant place in the summer with ample seating, shade, and ...

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7**Saturdays at Turner Farm: Historical Farmstead & Apple Orchard**

11:00 AM - 3:00 PM

11:00 - 3:00 every Saturday (except not July 6) historical Turner Farm is open to the public. Admission is by donation. 1912 farmhouse. Original homestead cabin on its original site from late 1890s. Tool room. Mother-in-aw cabin. Barn. 100 ...

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7**The Legacy of the Midland with Lyn Berry**

4:30 PM - 6:30 PM

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9**Sorelle Deli - Locals Favorite Lunch Spot with Big Patio**

10:30 AM - 4:00 PM

Italian inspired delicatessen featuring all-natural meats and cheeses along with many house made specialties!

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9**Lariat Weekly Line-up - Live Music & Open Mic Night**

6:00 PM - 12:00 AM

The Lariat has a huge line up of live music every week! Whether you want to pop in for a game of pool, good eats, or Court's famous Margarita, the Lariat is at the heart of BV's nightlife scene. Check the schedule for an impressive line-up..

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10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Weekly Announcements

[All Weekly Announcements](#)

The new 'Beetlejuice Beetlejuice' shows at the Comanche

Comanche Drive In



Just Listed: Spacious, Modern One-Level Living with Beautiful Views and High-End Finishes

Julie Kersting - First Colorado Land Office



Beautifully maintained and recently refreshed home for sale in The Farm!

For sale in Buena Vista

Full Circle Real Estate Group



Stunning Mountain Home with with Massive 8,160 Sq Ft Shop and Unmatched Mountain Views in Salida

Julie Kersting - First Colorado Land Office

BV Business Directory

Visit our online business directory of amazing local businesses. Whether you need help with a home renovation project or are planning a trip to Buena Vista, we've got you covered.

[BV Business Directory](#)



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Business Directory!



Races & Competitions

Races, Rodeo



Outdoor Recreation - WATER

Canoe, Whitewater Raft & SUP, Water Sports, Paddling, Kayak, Raft, SUP



Restaurants, Food, Libations

Brewery, Distillery, Winery, Catering, Coffee House, Food Trucks, Liquor, Wine & Beer, Restaurants



Nightlife, Music, Entertainment

DJ Services, Silent Disco, Karaoke, Live Music, Movie Theaters



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