



September 27, 2024

Hello BV Chamber Members & Friends,

It's Renewal Festival weekend and 14er Festival weekend in Buena Vista, Colorado. It's been fun seeing festival goers and racers arrive early and check out town.

There's an ongoing conversation about whether big events benefit local businesses or whether routing festival goers around town to event venues actually makes town quieter and reduces spending at local businesses during festival weekends - and either way, which is better? Is reducing traffic in town the benefit we collectively want, or is bringing traffic into town so visitors can explore and fall in love with all that our town offers while supporting local businesses, the bigger benefit? What do you think? I'm curious to hear your thoughts. Feel free to hit that reply button and let me know.

Welcome Center & Chamber Hours

As the busy season winds down, we have reduced the open hours at the Welcome Center and will be closing it for the season starting October 1st. I'm still working full time and here for you, though I am often in meetings and unavailable to open the door when people knock.

If you want to pop in and see me, feel free to check in first - call or text: 719-395-6612. (Maybe all 5,000 people on this list don't text us all at once but it's an option!). Chamber members also all have my online scheduler link so feel free to book an appointment at your convenience. For more urgent member matters, I'm always happy to make time for you.

We are working to raise funds to expand our capacity at the Welcome Center and Chamber and hope the coming year will bring added capacity and hours. Interested in becoming a title sponsor of the Welcome Center for 2025 or any of our other great projects? Check them out here.

Business After Hours - Let's party!

The next Business After Hours will be on **Thursday**, **October 24**, **2024** at 109 East Main Street - the little building at the corner by the light that's attached to the back of the Chamber office. (Please note this is the FIFTH Thursday of October, not the 4th like usual.)

October Business After Hours is co-hosted by our wonderful members, <u>First Colorado Land Office</u> and <u>JVAM</u> law office. We love collaborating on these events with our active members to bring our community together! Hope you can join us. Biz After Hours are open to the public.

Please register in advance so we know how much food and booze to bring. Also, it takes a good bit of time and funds to put on these monthly events. We offer free food and drinks to attendees but we need your support to keep them going. Please consider donating to help cover our time and costs. **REGISTER HERE**.

Community Coffee

The next Community Coffee is next week, Wednesday, October 2, 2024. I'll be at a statewide Chamber of Commerce conference learning all the ins-and-outs of chamber management but our amazing Board member, Dylan Jewel will be hosting and moderating. Go easy on him:) haha. Show up by 8:00am and all are welcome to speak. Just sign up on the clip board when you arrive.

Have a great weekend!



BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

WINE, DINE & NETWORK WITH CHAMBER MEMBERS





THURS, OCTOBER 24, 2024
109 EAST MAIN STREET

5:00-7:30PM

REGISTER IN ADVANCE

REGISTER BUSINESS AFTER HOURS



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







Ruby Mountain road & river closure update

- Project Announcement -

Update - Notice of Arkansas River Closure

Construction of Browns Canyon National Monument road widening has begun on County Road 300 at Mile Marker 2.2 which traverses Sugarloaf Mountain adjacent to the Arkansas River near Ruby Mountain Campground.

FHWA and contracting partner, Cooley & Sons Excavating, Inc. have begun construction to widen a section of roadway on County Road 300 near mile marker 2.2 that traverses the foot of Sugarloaf Mountain (locally known as "Narrows") adjacent to the Arkansas River. Additional work includes: import and placement of aggregate surfacing, and installation of signs and delineator posts. Project completion is scheduled for December 2024.

Travel Impacts

Full Road Closure

Motorist can expect weekday full road closure of County Road 300 near Mile Marker 2.2 from 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. beginning September 23, 2024 and continuing through December 11, 2024. County Road 300 will be open to traffic at all other times. Dates of scheduled closures are subject to change.

River Closures

Public water users can expect weekday full river closure of the Arkansas River from 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. for a distance of 1500' upriver and 1500' downriver from Browns Canyon construction site during blasting activities beginning October 9, 2024 and continuing through November 5, 2024. Dates and times of scheduled closures are subject to change.



September 25, 2024

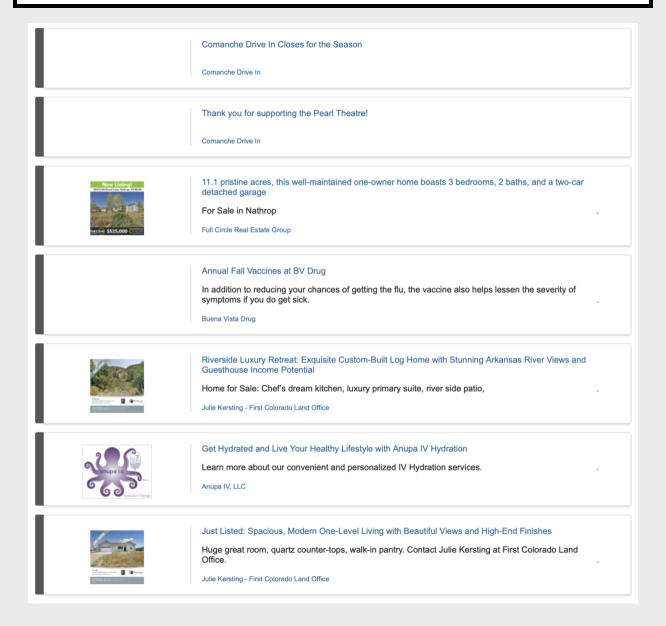
Remember:

- CR 300 Full-Road Closure near MM 2.2
- Arkansas River Closure 1500' Upriver/Downriver adjacent to construction zone during blasting activities
- No vehicle, ATV/motorcycle, bike or foot traffic allowed in construction zones during closures
- Reduced speed in work zones
- Stay Alert
- Watch for workers
- Be alert at night while driving in work zones
- Be patient

Hear Ye Hear Ye Announcements

Keep up with local businesses here! Enjoy ongoing conversation through our community Announcements.

All Member Announcements



BV Events

Share your events. Plan your fun!

Buena Vista, Colorado is a mecca for events throughout the year. From running races to paddling competitions, live music and food, kid friendly and more... explore our Events Feed to plan your time in BV.

All Events

Sep-Nov **19-5**

LWV of Chaffee County Provides Voter Education Tool VOTE411.org

8:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Ahead of the General Election in November, the League of Women Voters of Chaffee County offers the nonpartisan election resource VOTE411.org. This "one-stop shop" for election information provides simple, helpful tools to help

F R September **27 - 29**

CKS Outdoor Gear Swap and Sale @ 14erFest

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Come shop and sell at the CKS Sale and Gear Swap! 30% off select whitewater gear Huge discounts on 2024 demo gear Come sell your used outdoor gear at the Fall Gear Swap. Any outdoor gear is welcome! Hunting Fishing Hiking ...

September 27 -29

Chaffee Arts Open Awards Show

5:00 PM - 4:00 PM

2024 OAS is September 27-29th. Opening Reception Friday the 27th 5-7pm. Show open 11-4 through the weekend. Free admittance to the museum during the show. Two sweepstakes drawings for one-of-a-kind art pieces to be given

S A September **28**

2024 Fall Art Walk

Our annual Fall art walk downtown Buena Vista. Featuring art demos, galleries, vendors and more.

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September 28



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

S A T September 28

Spanish & English Conversation Circles

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Connect with your community at the library and build language skills! New topics each week

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

6:00 PM - 12:00 AN

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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BV Community Coffee - All are welcome

8:00 AM - 9:00 AM

Community Coffee / First Wednesday of every month / 8 AM - 9 AM / BV Community Center

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October 3



Great Patio and Rotating Events at the Slammer

2:00 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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Visit our online business directory of amazing local businesses. Whether you need help with a home rennovation project or are planning a trip to Buena Vista, we've got you covered.

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