

PUBLIC ISSUES – Summer 2021

- Covid 19 Information
- Education
- Civic Engagement
- Arts & Music
- Health Care
- Native American Issues
- Emergency Information

Tami Graham

Executive Director, KUTE, Inc.

Date

KSUT PUBLIC RADIO

Summer Quarter 2021

KSUT provides comprehensive news, regional information and cultural enrichment to four states in the Four Corners area of the United States, including Colorado, New Mexico, Utah and Arizona.

The Capitol Coverage Project reports from the Colorado State Capital on issues concerning Colorado and the region. This is a project of Rocky Mountain Community Radio, an association of rural Colorado public radio stations.

KSUT works with local and regional musicians, promoters and venues to educate and inform listeners about the vibrant music scene in the Four Corners. KSUT also broadcasts live in-studio sessions each month with local and touring musicians to give everyone in the Four Corners a chance to experience the local music scene.

KSUT has created a "Community Calendar," broadcast twice a day, that creates a space for local non-profits and educational organizations to share information about events and projects. KSUT has also created space for the Community Calendar on KSUT's website, where anyone can conveniently access information about upcoming events and activities.

Throughout the year, KSUT brings civic and non-profit leaders to the station to discuss their organizations and initiatives to improve the life and health of the citizens of the Four Corners.

Event Details

- April 5, 2021
- 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm
- Free

Venue

- Virtual Event Hosted Via Zoom
- Farmington, NM 87401
-

Event Description

The Court Appointed Special Advocates for Children of San Juan County, New Mexico will hold Volunteer Training via Zoom from 5:30 to 7:30 on Monday. Applicants must be 21 years of age, pass a background check, and attend pre-service training. Details are at childhavennm.org.

Event Details

- April 8, 2021
- 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm
- Free
- [Get Tickets](#)

Venue

- San Juan Basin Health Department
- Durango, CO 81301
- 970-2087
-

Event Description

San Juan Basin Public Health will host a Zoom Webinar about the Uninsured Enrollment Period on Connect for Health Colorado. The event takes place at 6pm on Thursday. Registration and details are at sjbpublichealth.org/healthinsurance.



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

For more information, please
Contact Carly DeLong at (970)382-6219

April 5, 2021

Commissioners seek volunteers for county boards, commissions

The La Plata Board of County Commissioners is seeking La Plata County residents who wish to serve in an advisory role on many of the following volunteer boards and commissions - including:

Durango Hills Road Improvement District Advisory Committee

This committee provides the Board of County Commissioners with advice and recommendations of residents of the district with regard to the annual district budget, work plan and mill levy. The committee is also responsible for coordinating and overseeing road maintenance and improvement activities as well as snow removal for those roads within the district. All members must be residents of the district and shall have reached the age of 18 years on the effective date of their appointment.

Ignacio Community Library District Board

The Board of Trustees oversees the operation of the Butch McClanahan Memorial Library. Board members shall reside within the boundaries of the Ignacio Community Library District.

Multi-Event Center Commission

This commission's purpose is to develop detailed recommendations and a plan to create and fund a new county multi-event center.

Southwest Region 9 Workforce Board

This board acts in an advisory capacity to the governing bodies of the five counties served by the Southwest (Region 9) Workforce Board and prepare and submit a Regional Workforce Plan.

Undesirable Plant & Rodent Advisory Commission

This commission advises the Board of County Commissioners on undesirable plant and rodent control programs in La Plata County.

Complete descriptions for each board and commissions as well as ~~an online applications~~ are available at:

<https://www.co.laplata.co.us/how-do-i-apply-for/boards-commissions.php>

Applications are due by 5:00 p.m. on ~~Wednesday~~^{TO} April 14. For additional information, please contact Carly at (970) 382-6219 or carly.delong@co.laplata.co.us.

Event Details

- April 14, 2021
- 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
- Free

Venue

- Zoom
- Farmington, NM 87401
-

Event Description

The San Juan Basin Archaeological Society invites the public to their next Zoom presentation, on ~~Wednesday~~ ^{Tuesday} at 6:30 pm. Details are at sjbas.org.

4/16

NEWS FROM: Colorado Parks and Wildlife

Contact: Joe Lewandowski, 970-759-9590

Wildlife closures remain in effect until April 16

Hikers and mountain bikers using trails in Durango are reminded that wildlife areas remain closed until April 16. The closures, which went into effect on Dec. 1, are designated to provide safe winter-range areas for big game animals.

FRIDAY

"Even though we're experiencing warm weather, please remember that big game animals are outdoors 24/7 and at this time of year they are, essentially, running on empty," said Joe Lewandowski, spokesperson for Colorado Parks and Wildlife in Durango. "The animals move to lower elevation to spend the winter but have little to eat during the cold months. Please, wait just a few more days and give wildlife a break."

ALSO

Bodo State Wildlife Area and Perins Peak State Wildlife Area open on April 16. Dogs must be on a leash on state wildlife area property. One exception is at the Perins Peak SWA where the area east of County Road 208 remains closed until Aug. 1.

will FRIDAY

Trails on BLM and city-owned properties also open on April 16: Big Canyon, Sale Barn, South Rim Trails, Carbon Junction, Grandview, Animas Mountain and Twin Buttes.

Those using State Wildlife Areas are reminded that they must have a hunting or fishing license, or the new SWA pass. The annual pass will go on sale May 1 and will cost \$36.08 for adults; \$10.07 for those 65 or older; and \$10.07 for youth, ages 16-17. A license or the pass is needed because state wildlife areas are specifically purchased and maintained for the benefit of wildlife.

For more information, please call the Durango Colorado Parks and Wildlife office at 970-247-0855.

Event Details

- April 22, 2021
- 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
- Free

Venue

- ZOOM Webinar —
- Durango, CO 81301
-

Event Description

The Life Long Learning series at Fort Lewis College concludes at 7pm on ~~Thursday~~, on Zoom, with "A Conversation about Van Gogh's 'Starry Night.'" Details are at fortlewis.edu.

Event Details

- May 18, 2021
- 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm
- Free
 - Website: zoom.us/join Phone: 346-248-7799 Meeting ID: 817 7120 0015
Password: 8352021

Venue

- Online Event
- Durango, CO
-

Event Description

Colorado Legal Services will host a free Divorce and Custody clinic on Tuesday from 5:30 to 7pm via Zoom. More information is at colegalserv.org and at 970-247-0266.

Event Details

- June 7, 2021 to August 13, 2021
- 7:30 am - 5:30 pm
- Mon - Thurs \$20 per day, Fri \$10 per day.

Venue

- Boys & Girls Club of La Plata County
- 2750 Main Avenue
- Durango, CO 81301
- (970) 375-0010
- info@bgclaplata.org
- <http://www.bgclaplata.org>

Event Description

The Boys & Girls Club of La Plata County will host a variety of Summer Programs for kids 3rd grade and older, starting on ^{TODAY} Monday, June 7th. Programs include: Hands-on STEM and arts & crafts activities, field trips, social recreation and more. Need-based financial assistance and enrollment information is available at bgclaplata.org and 970-375-0010 extension 1.

Event Details

- June 19, 2021
- 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm
- Free

Venue

- Farmington Museum
- 3041 E Main Street
- Farmington, NM 87402
- (505) 599-1174
- <http://www.fmtn.org/FarmingtonMuseum>

Event Description

The Farmington Museum will host an artists reception on Saturday from 2 until 4, featuring paintings of the inner Grand Canyon, along with Gallery Talks at 2:30 and 3:30.

Event Details

- June 19, 2021
- 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm
- Free
 - Donations are welcome
 - [Get Tickets](#)

Venue

- Rotary Park
- Durango, CO 81301
-

Event Description

The Southwest Movement for Black Lives and Durango Peace & Justice will host the second annual Juneteenth celebration on Saturday, from 2 until 4pm at Rotary Park in Durango. The event will include educational speakers, food vendors, music, crafts, and more. All are welcome at this free and family-friendly gathering.

Event Details

- June 1, 2021 to December 30, 2021
- 8:00 am - 5:30 pm
- Free

Venue

- Durango Food Bank
- 194-C Bodo Drive
- Durango, CO 81303
- (970) 375-2672
- director.durangofoodbank@durango.net
- <http://www.durangoareafoodbank.org>

Event Description

The Durango Food Bank has launched a "Self-Select" Food Pantry. The food bank has become an essential resource in La Plata County for families struggling with food insecurity and more information is at [durangoareafoodbank.org](http://www.durangoareafoodbank.org).