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(Aspen Public Radio)
Quarterly Listing of Community Issues and Programs/News Stories
January 1 through March 31, 2023**

Issue # 1 GOVERNMENT

Former Aspen city councilor Adam Frisch to take second run at Lauren Boebert, CD3 seat
Caroline Llanes

February 18, 2023

Aspen Public Radio reporter Caroline Llanes speaks with Adam Frisch about what he's taking away from his 2022 run, and what the 2024 path to victory looks like.

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Aspen city council candidate Sam Rose gives it another go
Caroline Llanes

February 20, 2023

Aspen city council candidates Sam Rose, Bill Guth, and incumbent Skippy Mesirow are vying for two seats on the council in the March 7 municipal election. Sam Rose, who ran for council once before, is a volunteer firefighter, a member of the city's planning and zoning commission, and would be the youngest-ever city council member at age 29.

Duration: 13:17

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Bill Guth hopes business experience will help Aspen's City Council
Caroline Llanes

February 21, 2023

Aspen City Council candidates Bill Guth, Sam Rose, and incumbent Skippy Mesirow are vying for two seats on the council the March 7 election. Guth is a local entrepreneur, real estate broker, and previously chaired the city's Commercial Core and Lodging Commission. This is the second of three candidate interviews for the city council candidates.

Duration: 13:27

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Skippy Mesirow, in bid for a second term on Aspen's City Council, brings new ideas, including a
vacancy tax

Caroline Llane

February 22, 2023

Aspen Public Radio Reporter Caroline Llanes interviews Skippy Mesirow, a member of the Aspen City Council seeking a second four-year term. The interview occurred Feb. 2, 2023 at Aspen Public Radio. It is one of three interviews with the candidates for Aspen's city council.

Duration: 12:33

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Garfield County Clerk and Recorder Jean Alberico retires after nearly two decades in office
Caroline Llanes

January 12, 2023

Jean Alberico joined the county in 1982 and was elected Clerk and Recorder in 2006. In this conversation, she shares some reflections on the huge changes her office has seen, as well as some of the most meaningful parts of her job.

Duration: 9:02

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Issue # 2 HOUSING

Locals dream of winning a chance to buy a home in the first Snowmass Village housing lottery of 2023

Halle Zander

January 5, 2023

The Town of Snowmass Village operates a lottery system to determine who can purchase the homes in its highly competitive, deed-restricted, workforce housing program. And in the first drawing of 2023, a handful of local business owners were vying for a four-bedroom located behind the town’s recreation center.

Duration: 7:57

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Future of Glenwood’s Three Mile Mobile Home Park up in the air

Halle Zander

January 30, 2023

Residents of a mobile home park in Glenwood Springs are trying to purchase their property with the help of social-justice nonprofit Manaus. But lending conditions are putting pressure on everyone to raise money and speed up the transfer of ownership.

Duration: 7:02

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New efforts are being made to help residents buy the land under their mobile homes

Halle Zander

March 9, 2023

Mobile home parks provide a lot of affordable housing, but affordability can disappear when parks are sold. New efforts are trying to help park residents buy the land under their homes.

Duration: 4:14

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Issue # 3 PUBLIC SAFETY

New app offers Pitkin Alerts in 100 languages

Halle Zander

February 1, 2023

Pitkin County is now asking residents and visitors who speak a language other than English to download the app, ReachWell, which delivers emergency and community messages in 100 languages using AI translation software.

Duration: 7:18

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Phone threat leads to lockdown of Aspen School District campus, others

Caroline Llanes

February 22, 2023

Aspen, Roaring Fork, Garfield Re-2 and other school districts around the state enacted a range of safety measures including lockdowns and evacuations on Wednesday after threatening phone calls were made to law enforcement.

Duration: 6:05

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Aspen Community School finds creative ways to cope with recent false shooting threats

Eleanor Bennett

March 14, 2023

Social emotional learning and an all-school ski day has helped Aspen Community School students, teachers and families grapple with the recent string of threats made to local schools.

Duration: 6:40

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Issue # 4 EDUCATION

“Youth in Nature” offers outdoor stewardship education and camaraderie for local high schoolers

Eleanor Bennett

March 20, 2023

Local nonprofit Roaring Fork Outdoor Volunteers has a new paid opportunity open to tenth through twelfth-grade students in the Aspen-Parachute region. Aspen Public Radio joined students in the program on a recent Saturday for a day of snowshoeing and backcountry skills training at Ashcroft.

Duration: 7:58

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Issue # 5 DIVERSITY, EQUITY & INCLUSION

Aspen chef Mawa McQueen shares the flavors of her childhood with ‘Taste of Africa’ dinners

Eleanor Bennett

January 10, 2023

Local restaurant owner Mawa McQueen was one of 20 James Beard semi-finalists for “best chef” in the mountain region, and she is experimenting with West African cuisines.

Duration: 5:51

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Drag queen bingo brunch comes to the Roaring Fork Valley for Aspen Gay Ski Week

Kaya Williams

January 12, 2023

The drag queens calling the numbers at local bingo brunches see an opportunity to have fun while promoting LGBTQ+ advocacy.

Duration: 4:54

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SkiCo divulges racial justice hiring and education strategy

Halle Zander

January 20, 2023

Aspen Skiing Company’s Auden Schendler co-authored a letter outlining racial justice action steps for the ski industry. His colleague gives details on how the company is trying to diversify.

Duration: 8:18

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Equity Speaker Series: Jason Vitello

James Barrs

February 12, 2023

Jason Vitello's presents, "Racism: A Public Health Crisis." Vitello explores why health equity and anti-racism should be a primary focus for public health organizations.

Duration: 1:25:35

Broadcast by Aspen Public Radio on Sunday, Feb. 12, from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Issue # 6 ENVIRONMENT & OUTDOORS

Master plan proposes new lifts, restaurants and larger ‘comfortable carrying capacity’ at

Snowmass Ski Area

Kaya Williams

February 15, 2023

The Snowmass Ski Area 2022 Master Development Plan lays out everything Aspen Skiing Company might want to develop at Snowmass in the next decade or so.

Duration: 7:57

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Naturalist Nights: The Science of Coexisting with Black Bears in Colorado

James Barrs

February 26, 2023

Dr. Stewart Breck discusses his research on bear populations and behavior, patterns of human-bear conflict, and results of management efforts to reduce conflict in towns throughout Colorado.

Duration: 1:05:36

Broadcast by Aspen Public Radio on Sunday, Feb. 26, from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Alpinist and writer Lou Dawson searches for meaning and satisfaction in the mountains

Kaya Williams

February 27, 2023

Dawson, a local mountaineer, plans to release a memoir later this year, shares stories and photos at a talk at the Aspen Center for Environmental Studies on March 1.

Duration: 4:32

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Maroon Bowl skiers studied snowpack and forecast before fatal avalanche killed one in group of three

Kaya Williams

March 20, 2023

The Colorado Avalanche Information Center on the fatal avalanche that occurred in Maroon Bowl just outside the boundary of the Aspen Highlands ski area on March 19.

Duration: 4:44

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West Elk Trails provide an enclave of ‘solitude’ in the White River National Forest

Kaya Williams

March 21, 2023

The trail network located near New Castle is groomed for cross-country skiing and snowshoeing through groves of trees and open meadows with scenic vistas.

Duration: 4:41

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ACES event helps attendees prepare for wolf reintroduction

Halle Zander

March 21, 2023

Panelists at the Wheeler Opera House discussed next steps in Colorado’s wolf reintroduction process at an event called “Living with Wolves.”

Duration: 5:07

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Naturalist Nights: The First Ascent: Over Ten Thousand Years of Native American Occupation in the Colorado Mountains

James Barrs

March 26, 2023

Professor Jason LaBelle speaks on our current understanding of Native American occupation of Colorado’s highest mountains over the past ten thousand years, as revealed through archaeology, ethnohistory, and oral history.

Duration: 1:08:45

Broadcast by Aspen Public Radio on Sunday, March 26 from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Issue #7 ARTS & CULTURE

The 30th anniversary of ‘Aspen Extreme’ inspires nostalgia, enthusiasm and community

Kaya Williams

January 19, 2023

“Aspen Extreme” is a ski movie made in the ‘90s about what Aspen felt like in the ‘70s that, even in the 2020s, people still watch with a sense of starry-eyed nostalgia and unbridled enthusiasm.

Duration: 7:03

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New Pitkin County Library director plans to build on strong legacy

Halle Zander

February 17, 2023

Genevieve Smith was named the new Library Director and starts next week, marking the end of Kathy Chandler’s long tenure, as she is stepping down from the role after 44 years.

Duration: 5:52

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Here House: The Psychedelic State of America

James Barrs

February 24, 2023

Melissa Stangl, Kevin Matthews, Courtney Barnes and Skippy Mesirow speak at Here House Club on the current Psychedelic state of America. This talk was facilitated by Martha Hammel.

Duration: 2:00:32

Broadcast by Aspen Public Radio on Sunday, March 19, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

At DanceAspen’s winter shows, emerging and established choreographers share the stage

Kaya Williams

March 16, 2023

DanceAspen's winter program will present works by some of its own dancers alongside those of established choreographers like Penny Saunders, Yin Yue and Sebastian Kloborg at the Wheeler Opera House this weekend.

Duration: 3:55

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