

### THE LOVELAND

# CITY UPDATE

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# Summer menu: music, art, sweet treats

City's Cultural Services Department offerings span venues, styles

The amphitheater that wraps Foote Lagoon's island stage in Loveland's Civic Center Park is hardly the biggest performance venue in the region.

But audiences, and performers who play there, say it just might be the best.

"Foote Lagoon is one of those places where, when we're working, it's effortless," said Hazel Miller, who with her band will play her second Foote concert July 2.

"It's the people there. They dance. Even if they're in their seats, they dance. They get it. It's like playing on your front lawn, and having all of your best friends there."

Since the summer of 1988, the series of free Foote Lagoon concerts has anchored Loveland's calendar of summer activities sponsored and organized through the City's Cultural Services Department.



Cool Shooz, June 25



**Brad Fitch** and the TropiCowboy Band perform to a standing-room-only crowd at their 2012 Foote Lagoon concert, one of six performers to hit the island stage during the summer series that has become a perennial favorite for Loveland music-lovers. *Photo courtesy Loveland Reporter-Herald.* 

This year's mid-summer offerings, in addition to six Foote Lagoon headliners, include the annual Cherry Pie Celebration, a sweet remembrance of Loveland's heritage as Colorado's cherry capital, an appearance by award-winning comic Rocky Laporte at the Rialto Theater, and art and history exhibits at the Loveland



Hazel Miller, July 2

Museum/Gallery in connection with Rocky Mountain National Park's Centennial celebration.

In other words, July's plate is full.

#### **Foote Lagoon Sounds**

The Hazel Miller Band's hardcharging blues, R&B and Gospel repertoire delighted a Foote audience last year, and the audience



Creole Stomp, July 9 (see Summer Menu page 2)

**Summer Menu** (from page 1) returned the favor. That's why Miller circled "July 2, Loveland" as a summer schedule highlight.

"Everything about playing in that city is so amazing," she said in mid-May. "It's so friendly. I'm from the South, and when I say down-home, I don't mean it to be cornball or hokey. But that's what Loveland is. Down-home. It's huge on our calendar, and it's even bigger in our hearts."

The lagoon series kicks off June 25 when Denver-based **Cool Shooz** brings a cappella rock-and-roll, delivered with polish and wit, to the island stage. Queen's "Bohemian Rhapsody" and The Who's "Pinball Wizard" never sounded so good, as audiences at Taste of Colorado and the Cherry Creek Arts Festival know.

Fans call **Creole Stomp** the "Grateful Dead of Creole Music." A Loveland audience finds out why on July 9, when front man Dennis Stroughmatt brings his band to the lagoon. The nationally touring five-member ensemble delivers fast and furious Cajun-Zydeco sounds with Mississippi Delta authenticity.

She is Denver's First Lady, wife of Mayor Michael Hancock. But **Mary Louise Lee's** artistic biography does not make note of that fact. Surrounded by some of the most talented musicians in metro-Denver, she brings to her July 16 Foote Lagoon concert a rich palette of R&B, jazz and soul selections that have brought The Mary Louise Lee Band standing ovations throughout the region.

**Quemando.** Spanish for "burning." Since 2011, when the 12-piece Boulder-based band was named metro-Denver's No. 1 salsa



Mary Louise Lee Band, July 16



**A delighted sampler** of the cherry pie bakers' wares at the 2014 Cherry Pie Celebration shows us what the festival is all about. The Art of the Tart contest entrants in two categories, adult and student (under 18) make their entries available for judging at 4:30 p.m., but the pie piles high all evening from 5 to 8 p.m. Saturday, July 18 at the Loveland Museum/Gallery.

dance band, they have attracted some of the genre's best musicians to join them. On July 23 Quemando will turn the stage level at Foote Lagoon into a dance floor with some of the highest-energy music the venue has ever presented.

The Foote Lagoon series concludes July 30 when the **101st Army Dixieland Band** travels to Loveland. Made up of citizensoldiers of the Colorado National Guard who also just happen to be great musicians, the ensemble will entertain with jazz standards and patriotic favorites.

All Foote Lagoon concerts are free and begin at 7 p.m.



Ouemando, July 23

#### LOL at the Rialto

The Las Vegas Strip is about as competitive an arena for stand-up comics as you'll find. That makes comedian Rocky LaPorte's "Best Male Club Comedian of the Year"

award at the Las Vegas Comedy Festival stand out. He brings his everyman-style humor to the Rialto Theater stage at 7:30 p.m. July 18. Tickets, at \$25, were selling fast as *City Update* was headed to press.

Rialto box office: 962-2120.



101st Army Dixieland Band, July 30

LaPorte

### Residents asked to share 2013 Flood stories for library's new oral archive

The Flood of 2013 left an indelible mark on many Loveland residents and the community as a whole. While some time has passed, memories of those first several days

after the flood, and the weeks and months of restoration and recovery, are still fresh in the minds of many citizens, and the Loveland Public Library would like to hear from them.

A new oral history program launched by the Adult Services library staff is open to anyone in the community who would like to share their story of the 2013 Flood. According to Jay Boyle, Adult Services librarian, this new program serves as an opportunity to capture and preserve first-hand accounts from Loveland residents who were impacted by the disaster.

"We would like to hear from people who were affected in terms of their

housing, their safety, and learn how this event altered their perceptions, their futures and their sense of security, or anything else they'd like to talk about. It's up to them. But whatever they share, we would like to record it so that we'll have these accounts saved for future generations," said Boyle.



**Two of hundreds** of lives turned upside down by the 2013 Flood. Tina Anderson, left, embraced her mother Barb Anderson as they gathered needed supplies at the Disaster Assistance Center just days after the flood.

Librarians are also interested in recording accounts from those who helped in the aftermath—first responders, medical personnel, disaster relief responders and caring neighbors. "We are hoping to provide a diversity of stories to give future listeners as broad of a picture of this event as possible,"

added Boyle. "The Flood of 2013 generated countless stories from the tragic to the inspiring, the unexpected to the incredible. We just want to make sure these first-hand accounts are preserved."

While specific access points for listening to these recordings have not yet been established, library staff hope to initially create some listening stations at the library. In the future these recordings could be available through the library catalogue and possibly in future exhibits at the museum.

To get more information or to schedule a recording session, call Jay Boyle at 962-2588, email jay.boyle@cityofloveland.org, or call

the reference desk, 962-2402 anytime during open library hours.

## Loveland's business community invited to be recognized for many successes

All Loveland business owners and managers are invited to the City of Loveland's Annual Business Appreciation Event, 7:30-9:30 a.m., Wednesday, Sept. 9.

The free breakfast event will be held at the Embassy Suites, 4705 Clydesdale Parkway in Loveland.

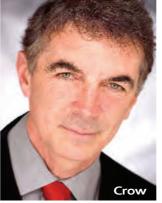
This year's guest speaker is Robin Crow, CEO of Dark Horse Recording and author of three books, as well as a national recording artist.

Crow's latest book *Evolve* or *Die*, speaks to the need for businesses to anticipate and adapt

to change.

Crow built his company, Dark Horse Recording (now in its 20th

year) from the ground up and has set the gold standard for innovation and customer service in the recording industry.



The lessons he imparts are both hard-won and proven, drawn from his own path to success.

This event is hosted by Loveland City Council in celebration of Loveland's talented business community.

Because seating is limited, attendees are asked to RSVP as soon as possible to Annette Gilbert at annette.gilbert@cityofloveland.org or 962-2561. The deadline to RSVP is Sept. 1.

Crow's website can be viewed at *robincrow.com*.

#### New 'Games on the Range' makes golf more accessible, fun for neophytes

Mariana Butte Golf Course has launched a new form of entertainment and you don't have to be a 'golfer' to participate and have fun. Every Friday, Saturday and Sunday night from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., one section of the driving range at Mariana Butte is transformed to host *Games on the Range*—a fun new way to combine games for golf, friends, food and fun.

The games come in the form of range ball targets added to the driving range. Participants can challenge friends and family to point-scoring games such as Golf-Tic Tac Toe, First Player to 11, Climb the ladder, and H.O.R.S.E., or participants can create their own point-scoring games using the targets.

The Wapiti Colorado Pub, the on-site restaurant at Mariana Butte, provides the food and beverage menu to make the evening even more enjoyable, and will take players' orders and serve

participants right on the range.

Single and double driving range bays are available for rent by the hour for \$25 single bay/\$40 double bay for up to six participants per bay. Each bay rental is complete with table and chairs and unlimited range balls for use while playing. Participants can bring their own clubs or rent a set from the pro shop

free of charge.

The new driving range games give participants a practice facility that encourages active play, and for the more dedicated golfer, help create an incentive to learn the important skills of distance control and accuracy. This combining of skill levels fits perfectly into the City's Golf

as those on Mariana Butte's driving range is a perfect way for new players to be introduced to the game of golf without feeling intimidated or getting discouraged. Participants are encouraged to get tips and pointers from their friends as they zero in on the game targets, and anyone can play and compete.



Division's purpose behind this new concept.

"A traditional driving range can be a challenging place for someone to learn the sport of golf" explained Steve Southard, golf manager. "How much fun would it be to shoot

1000 shots at a basketball hoop and never put the ball into the basket, or throw 1000 darts and never hit the dart board? Learning to play golf by repeatedly hitting range balls at nearly impossible-to-hit target flags can be similarly less than motivating."

Southard feels that learning to hit a ball while playing games such

The rental of the driving range bays for Games on the Range is on a first-come, first-serve basis. Contact the Mariana Butte Pro Shop at 667-8308 for more information and availability.



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### Pack your bags and take a trip to the 2015 Passport to Water and Power event

The 2015 Passport to Water and Power Event, from 3:30 p.m. to 7 p.m., Thursday, July 23, will give Loveland residents the opportunity to take a trip to visit their local municipal utility - Loveland Water and Power (LWP).

Normally, utilities rarely hear from their customers unless there is a power outage or rate increase, and more often than not, the only time customers hear from their utility is when they get their monthly utility bill.

To open up the lines of communication, last year LWP launched the Passport series. During two open houses LWP hosted nearly 400 customers and shared information directly with them on who LWP is, how the utility operates, and how it provides water and power to the Loveland community every day of every year.

"We are very happy with how last year's open houses were received," said Lindsey Bashline, customer relations specialist and event creator and organizer. "It has helped us to build relationships and get to know our customers. They get to see every aspect of their municipal utility at work versus just talking to us for a couple minutes on the phone about a service

interruption."

This year LWP will be combining the Water and Power events into one comprehensive Passport to Water and Power event, featuring more than 25 stations that give attendees a bird's eye view into the daily workings of LWP.

All activities are kid-friendly and include equipment demonstrations, safety demonstrations and educational displays.

The event is free and open to the public. For more information visit *cityofloveland.org/Passport* or call 962-3000.

# Working on your sprinkler system this spring?



Don't forget to get your Lawn Sprinkler Permit.

If you are planning to install a new sprinkler system, repair, expand or modify your present sprinkler system, you must meet the requirements of the Loveland Municipal Code and the Colorado Cross-Connection laws. Permits are free and required for all homeowners and contractors.

To obtain a permit or for more information visit: www.cityofloveland.org/Backflow or call: (970)-962-3721

Property owners can perform normal maintenance activities on their sprinkler systems including replacing sprinkler heads, repairing a leak or adding additional zones without obtaining a permit.





COOL FACT:

Old refrigerators and freezers can use 200-300% more energy than new high-efficiency models.

Recycle your inefficient unit with Loveland Water and Power during before June 30, 2015 to receive a double rebate!

Visit cityofloveland.org/rebates to sign up or call 970-962-3000

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#### Making the switch to clean renewable energy is easy with GreenSwitch

Renewable energy is energy that comes from natural sources like solar, wind, geothermal, biomass generation or small hydroelectric systems.

Currently, Loveland receives its renewable energy from wind turbines. Loveland Water and Power purchases this clean energy from Platte River Power Authority, Loveland's wholesale energy provider, for the City's GreenSwitch program.

GreenSwitch enables Loveland power customers to purchase electricity that's been generated from clean, renewable sources. GreenSwitch is sold in 100 kilowatt-hours blocks for an additional \$2.70 each. Many or just a few blocks can be purchased to meet specific energy requirements. Residents, small businesses or large corporations can make the switch to clean, renewable energy.

The 2014 and 2015 product content labels list the content mixes for Loveland's renewable electricity last year, and the prospective content mix for the current year. The Renewable Mix contains the product mix that GreenSwitch customers receive. The Default Mix shows the product mix that non-participating customers receive.

To join GreenSwitch go to cityofloveland.org/GreenSwitch, call 962-2111, or pick up an application at the City's Utility Billing office, 500 E. Third St.



Loveland Water and Power's 2014 annual water quality Consumer Confidence Report, will be available on Loveland Water and Power's website at: cityofloveland.org/WaterQuality by June 30, 2015. If you have any questions or would like a hard copy of the Loveland Water Quality Report sent to you, please call 970–962–3000.

#### **2014 Historical Product Content Label**

Generation Type	Green Switch Program	Default Mix
Eligible Renewables <sup>1</sup> :		
Wind - Medicine Bow Energy (WY)	9%	
Wind - Silver Sage Energy (WY)	39%	
Wind RECs4 (CO,OK)	53%	
Total Eligible Renewables	100%	0.6%
Coal		77.6%
Hydro		19.3%
Gas		0.2%
Other <sup>3</sup>		1.7%
Tariff 1 renewables - Spring Canyon		1.2%
TOTALS	100%	100%

#### **2015 Prospective Product Content Label**

GreenSwitch Program	Default Mix
15%	
33%	
52%	
100%	0%
	66%
	19.3%
	0.2%
	6.3%
	8.2%
100%	100%
	Program  15% 33% 52% 100%

<sup>1</sup> Eligible 2014 renewables are generation facilities in operation on or after January 1, 2000. Green-e Energy also has agreed to certify the renewable energy supply from the Medicine Bow Wind Project, which includes some turbines that began operation in 1998 and 1999.

<sup>2</sup> Eligible 2015 renewables are generation facilities in operation on or after January 1, 2001. Green-e Energy also has agreed to certify the renewable energy supply from the Medicine Bow Wind Project, which includes some turbines that began operation in 1998 and 1999.

3 Other sources include purchases and power sharing agreements from various resources.

<sup>4</sup> Your purchase of renewable energy certificates (RECs) is supporting electricity production in Colorado and Oklahoma. For every unit of renewable electricity generated, an equivalent amount of RECs is produced. The purchase of RECs helps offset conventional electricity generation in the region where the renewable electricity generator is located. The purchase also helps build a market for renewable electricity and may have other local and global environmental benefits such as reducing global climate change and regional air pollution. For more information about RECs, please visit www.greer-e.org.

For specific information about this electricity product, contact Loveland Water and Power at (970) 962-2111 or (970) 962-3000 or www.cityofloveland.org/GreenSwitch.

The average home in Loveland uses 730 kWh per month. [Source: LWP annual fact sheet]

The Green-e Energy Program certifies that Loveland's GreenSwitch Program meets the minimum environmental and consumer protection standards established by the non-profit Center for Resource Solutions. For more information on Green-e Energy certification requirements, call (888) 63-GREEN or log

