

# Daggett County Newsletter

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## The Boat Parade of Lights & Fireworks Display



The Boat Parade of Lights & Fireworks Display are held at Lucerne Valley Marina on Saturday August 30th (under permit with the Ashley National Forest). Boats can be seen at the docks prior to dusk, the parade of boats starts around 7:45 pm. The boats leave the marina

and go past the Lucerne Campground and then North to the Stateline Cove area in a circular pattern. Once it gets dark the fireworks start and can be seen from Lucerne Marina, Lucerne Campground, Stateline Cove and Antelope Flats Campground areas. Vortex Fireworks is handling the fireworks display which are being shot from land.





50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the  
Flaming Gorge Dam

# Daggett Daze Events

Listen to the parade on FM 88.1

**Saturday August 30th:** At 10:00 am: Daggett Daze Parade through the Town of Manila on Highway 43. Immediately after the parade there will be craft vendors, food, fun and games at the Manila Park including face painting and balloon twisting. Daggett County Search and Rescue will be showing off some of their rescue equipment. Kids will have a chance to have hands on experience with what is used in Search and Rescue. Games will include

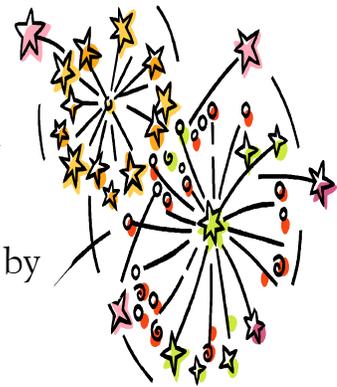
Water melon scramble at 11:00 kids 5-8, 11:30 kids 8-12, 12:00 any age

Frozen "T-Shirt" contest at 12:00

Throw bag toss along with other games and activities during the event

Hamburgers, Hotdogs, Soda and popcorn sales will benefit Search and Rescue

Dusk: Lucerne Marina – Boat Parade of Lights @ docks followed by Fireworks at dark.



**Sunday August 31st:** Flaming Gorge Yacht Club –

Commodore's Dinner & Dance @ G Loop in Campground 6:00 pm. Non-members adults \$15, kids \$8.



**Monday September 1st:** Senior Center, Manila, UT –

Pancake Breakfast 7:00 am-11:00 am. Adults \$6, kids \$4.

Cow Country Junior Rodeo Finals: 10 am at the Daggett County Fairgrounds



Proud sponsors of Daggett Daze Events

## Commissioner's Corner



August proved to be a month filled with visits and meetings. Casey Snyder, from Congressman Bishop's office, attended the August 12<sup>th</sup> Commission meeting so that we could hand over our documents for the Public Land Initiative. This has been a long and well thought out process that so far has included many checks and balances, however, it may be that the real work has just started. Now that the documents have been turned over to the delegation, it will be up to the county to insure that the language of the final legislation protects the rights of our residents. We are currently accepting applications for volunteers to sit on a Public Lands Committee. Applications and a position description can be picked up at the Auditor/Recorder's office at the Courthouse.

August 16<sup>th</sup> was a magnificent day for the Dam Ceremony, celebrating its 50 years of operation. The history and reasons for the Flaming Gorge Dam were spoken about along with the benefits that have come with it. The



original fire truck that served Dutch John was also received by loan from the BOR to the Museum Board. It was a wonderful opportunity to hear stories from people who worked on the Dam, or lived in the area at the time. A nice free lunch and cake rounded out the day.

Spencer Cox, the Lieutenant Governor, spent August 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> on a

Familiarization Tour with other people from various offices within the state. The weather wasn't the greatest, but the objective was met and he saw the diverse landscape of our county.

Governor Herbert flew in on August 23<sup>rd</sup> for a visit. He met with Commissioners about the Public Lands Initiative and also received a guided tour of the Museum courtesy of the Museum Board. He enjoyed a Ranch Burger with fries at Browning's before flying back to Salt Lake.



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Links: Commission Agendas & Minutes: <http://www.daggettcountry.org/minutes>

# **OLDTIMERS SENIOR CENTER**

# **Pancake Breakfast**

**MONDAY SEPT. 1<sup>ST</sup>**

**7:00am ~ 11:00am**

**Adults \$ 6.00**

**Kids \$4.00**

**Pancakes~Eggs~Sausage**



## 2014 Commodore's Ball

Celebrating our First Thanksgiving!  
with DJ Jim (Red) Lauder

Sunday, August 31, 2014  
6:00 pm

at the Group Pavillion in the Campground

Menu: (Provided by Browning's Cafe)  
Roast Turkey Breast  
(Real) Mashed Potatoes & a fantastic Turkey gravy  
Hand made Dressing / Stuffing  
Cranberry Sauce  
Imperial Blackberry & Yellow Peach Cobbler

Appetizers, rolls, sodas and water provided by the club.

Dinner is free to Yacht Club Members up to four people.  
Additional dinners for member's guests \$10 each.  
Kids 12 yrs and under \$5 each.

**NON-MEMBERS are WELCOME!**  
Non-member adult dinner \$15 each.  
Non-member kid dinner \$8 each (12 & under)  
New members that join at the ball will be paid through  
3/1/2016  
Yearly membership dues \$100.00





## Felix John (Phil) Chabre

April 4, 1945 ~ July 24, 2014

Felix (Phil) John Chabre, Jr, the Fish Whisperer, left a big empty space in our hearts and in our family when he passed away on July 24, 2014.

Felix was born on April 4, 1945 to Veronica and Felix Chabre, Sr. in Rock Springs, WY. He graduated from Rock Springs High School in 1964 and married Jeanne Pedersen, his high school sweetheart that same year. They were happily married for 50 years.

He spent his career working for Questar Pipeline (Mountain Fuel), retiring in 1999 as the head of the drafting department. He made lifelong friendships with many of his co-workers. He was nicknamed "The Boss" by his employees and they loved working for him. He moved from Rock Springs to Salt Lake in 1979. After Felix and Jeanne both retired, they moved to Manila, Utah. Felix loved the outdoors. He spent many hours on

Flaming Gorge with his fishing buddy, Tom Andrews, and the fish in the lake can now rest a little easier.

He and Jeanne had three daughters: Tammy, Tracy, Toni; many of the girl's friends called him Dad. He was grandpa to any and all kids. Family meant everything to Felix and he was always with his children and grandchildren. There wasn't a kid he knew that he didn't take fishing and make sure they all caught fish. He spent countless hours driving the boat while Jeanne taught them how to water ski. He loved to laugh and play practical jokes; you never really knew when to take Phil serious.

He is survived by his loving wife, Jeanne Chabre, his three amazing daughters, Tammy Chabre-Lewis (Randy), Tracy Chabre Comas (Brett) and Toni Chabre Brown; eight grandchildren; Jonathon Horrocks (Jessica), Brad Horrocks (Melissa), Jessica Harward (Aaron), Jennifer McDonald, Makali'i Brown, Isabelle Brown, Nate Lewis (Susie) and Jordan Wiser (Jake), nine great grand children, brothers Ben Chabre (Donna), Virgil Chabre (Juanita) and sister Mary Ann Kendall (Dennis). He was preceded in death by his parents and sister, Lucy Deru.

A celebration of his life was held on Friday, Aug 1st in Sandy, Utah.



## Dorothy Louise Widic

September 21, 1921 ~ August 3, 2014

Dorothy Louise Widic, 92, returned to her Heavenly Father on August 3, 2014. She was born September 21, 1921 in Ogden, Utah to Ruth May Robison and Ivan R. Perkins. Shortly after her birth she and the family moved to Green River, Wyoming where Dorothy attended and graduated from high school. While in Green River she met and married her sweetheart, Elmer J. Widic, in June of 1939.

During her lifetime Dorothy worked for many businesses. She and Elmer had many business ventures. They were employed by Mt. Fuel Supply (Questar Corp) in the gas fields of Northern Utah and Wyoming. She volunteered at the Visitors Center in Flaming Gorge for about six years. In 1982 they retired and moved back to Ogden.

Dorothy was preceded in by death by her husband, Elmer, of 72 years and a daughter, Donna Widic. She is survived by her daughter, Mary Jo Spencer of Mt. Home, ID; four grandchildren; her brother, Melvin Perkins of Sun Lakes, AZ and her sister, Blanche Brown of Ogden. She was also blessed with several nieces and nephews and a large number of dear friends.

A celebration of her life was held on Thursday, August 7, 2014 at Myers Ogden Mortuary.



## James “Jim” Lynn Elmer

March 16, 1946 ~ July 28, 2014

“Jim” Lynn Elmer, 68, of Rock Springs died Monday, July 28, 2014, at his home. A longtime resident of Rock Springs, Mr. Elmer died following an 11-month battle with cancer.

He was born March 16, 1946, in Rock Springs, the son of Alvin J. and Merle Aileen Johnson Elmer. He attended schools in Manila, Utah, and graduated from the Manila High School. He married the former Roberta Tomich in Casper on Feb. 4, 1971.

Mr. Elmer was a United States Army Veteran of the Vietnam War.

For most of his life, he was a salesman and an entrepreneur. He also owned and operated Jim Elmer’s Home Center.

His interests were golfing and spending time with his family. He enjoyed history, singing and playing guitar with his siblings. He was an avid reader and lifelong learner.

Survivors include his wife, Roberta Elmer, of Rock Springs; four daughters, Lori Hall and companion Bruce Mandros of Rock Springs, Lynnet McDonald and Leslie Morton and husband, Daryl, all of Austin, Texas, and Jamie Sudol and husband, Joseph, of Mechanicsville, Virginia; one brother John Elmer of Rock Springs; two sisters Judy Brighton of Vernal, Utah, and Nola Bluemel and husband, Rodney, of Lyman; eight grandchildren Dale Myska and wife, Emily, Macall Morton, Walker Morton, Emma Sudol, Kate Sudol, Camille Sudol, Jarret McDonald and Merrit Vosburg and husband Luke; and several aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents.

A celebration and military honors of Mr. Elmer’s life was at the Vase Funeral Chapel, Rock Springs.

### Fall is in the air and we are getting ready for the cooler days

Come in and get your case lot order form. Sept. 2-9th is the date. It is first come first serve, so get them in early!

We also have several pallets of wood pellets coming. Get your name on the list for a pallet for great savings.

We still have in stock baler twine to finish up your haying.

22 shells and other ammo here for you. Clay targets as well as paper targets to get your gun sighted in for the hunts! Camo and Orange wear is available and meat bags.

Flashlights and batteries so you can see to get that late catch taken care of.

**Flaming Gorge Market**

**One stop shopping!!!**

**FLAMING GORGE MARKET  
YOUR OWN MERCANTILE AND HARDWARE STORE**

75 E Hwy 43, Manila, UT  
435-784-3582

### **Get Involved!!**

#### **Daggett County has openings for the following Boards, Committees and Volunteer Positions:**

Dutch John Cemetery Board (1 positions)

Museum Board & Volunteers (Multiple positions)

Recycling Volunteers (Multiple positions)

Tourism Tax Advisory Board (1 position)

Public Lands Advisory Board (7 positions)

**For more information or for an application go to [www.daggettcountry.org/boards](http://www.daggettcountry.org/boards)**

**or contact the County Courthouse at (435) 784-3154,**

**PO Box 219 Manila, UT 84046**

**Applications will be accepted until filled!**

Brady Briggs works towards his Eagle Scout by helping others in this community.



It is hard to spearhead a job and hope that it works the way you intended. However, with the support of friends and some

adults too, Brady Briggs son of Paul and Vicky Briggs exceeded his expectations. He was able to collect over 460 pounds of food and delivered it to the Manila Food Panty. However, it did not stop there! He also presented the Manila Food Pantry with \$124.00. For every dollar donated the food pantry receives \$7.00 worth of product. What a tremendous achievement! Thank you Brady for a "JOB WELL DONE" and thanks to all that helped either in giving or assisting Brady achieving his goal.

Eyvonne Long,  
Manila Food Pantry Coordinator



**Manila Clinic "The Clinic"**

**Across from the Daggett County Courthouse  
96 North 100 West  
Manila Clinic 435-784-3575**

**Typical Hours 9 to Noon and 1 to 4  
Closed Wednesdays and Weekends  
After Hours Call ~ 911**

**Or you can try the PA Cell 435-778-0008**

**Thank you for your support of the Clinic.**

**The Manila Medical Clinic Staff**



## State Wide Museum Day



Saturday

September 13, 2014

11:00 AM, at Daggett County  
Centennial Park Pavilion

The Daggett County Museum Board  
is pleased to have  
Joe V. Hickey  
return with amazing  
stories of  
"Indians of Our Area"



A Luncheon will follow the presentation.



Photos are courtesy of [indianspictures.blogspot.com](http://indianspictures.blogspot.com), Fremont Indian History and Culture, [stlcc.edu](http://stlcc.edu)

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### Free E-Learning Courses

*Alzheimer's disease doesn't come with an instruction manual, but E-Learning courses can help.*

#### **Know the 10 Signs: Early Detection Matters (Also available in Spanish)**

The warning signs of Alzheimer's disease are often dismissed as side effects of normal aging. If you or someone you know is experiencing memory loss or behavioral changes, it's time to learn the facts. Early detection gives you a chance to begin drug therapy, enroll in clinical studies and plan for the future. View this program to learn the 10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's disease. We'll separate myth from reality and address commonly-held fears about Alzheimer's in America. Hear from people who have the disease and find out how to recognize the signs in yourself and others.

#### **The Basics: Memory Loss, Dementia and Alzheimer's Disease (Also available in Spanish)**

If you or someone you know is affected by Alzheimer's disease or dementia, this is a great place to start. This program provides information on detection, causes and risk factors, stages of the disease, treatment, and much more.

#### **Legal and Financial Planning for Alzheimer's Disease**

The diagnosis of Alzheimer's disease makes planning for the future more important than ever. Legal and Financial Planning for Alzheimer's Disease is a two-part program where you will have a chance to learn about important legal and financial issues to consider, how to put plans in place, and how to access legal and financial resources.

#### **Living with Alzheimer's for People with Alzheimer's**

The diagnosis of Alzheimer's disease is life-changing and leads to many questions. What will this mean for me and my family? How do I plan for the future? Where can I get the help I need? In this three-part program, you will hear from others who have been where you are. You'll learn what you need to know, what you need to plan, and what you can do as you navigate this chapter of your life.

#### **Living with Alzheimer's: For Caregivers: Early Stage**

In the early stage of Alzheimer's disease, families face new questions as they adjust. What does the diagnosis mean? What kinds of plans need to be made? What resources are available to help? This 3-part program provides practical answers to the questions that arise in the early stage. Hear from those directly affected and learn what you can do to cope with the changes that come with an early-stage diagnosis.

#### **Living with Alzheimer's: For Caregivers: Middle Stage**

In the middle stage of Alzheimer's disease, those who were care partners now become hands-on caregivers. Join us for this 3-part series and hear caregivers and professionals discuss helpful strategies to provide safe, effective and comfortable care in the middle stage of Alzheimer's.

#### **Living with Alzheimer's: For Caregivers: Late Stage**

In the late stage of Alzheimer's disease, caregiving typically involves new ways of connecting and interacting with the person with the disease. In this 2-part series, you'll hear from caregivers and professionals about resources, monitoring care and providing meaningful connection for the person with late-stage Alzheimer's and their families.

#### **Living with Alzheimer's For Younger-Onset Alzheimer's**

When someone under 65 is diagnosed with Younger-Onset Alzheimer's disease or related dementia, the first reaction is often shock or denial. This doesn't happen to someone so young...does it? What does the diagnosis mean? What kinds of plans need to be made for everyone? What about work? What resources are available to help? Join us for this program to get answers to the questions that arise for people concerned about Younger-Onset Alzheimer's disease or a related dementia. Hear from those directly affected and learn what you need to know, what you need to plan, and what you can do to ease the impact throughout the course of the disease.

To enroll in any of these free E-Learning courses go to [www.elearning.alz.org](http://www.elearning.alz.org)

## Ute Mountain Fire Lookout Tower Rededication Ceremony Set

The Ute Mountain Fire Lookout Tower was the first and is the last standing fire tower with living quarters above ground in Utah. Ute Mountain Fire Lookout Tower was closed in 2008 due to decay in the tower legs and stairway. Funds provided by the Ashley National Forest Resource Advisory Committee through the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act were used to restore the lookout.

On September 20<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m. the Flaming Gorge Ranger District on Ashley National Forest will host a rededication ceremony celebrating the restoration of the lookout at the lookout on Ute Mountain.

Ute Mountain Fire Lookout Tower was constructed between 1935 and 1937 by the Civilian Conservation Corps. The tower offers a panoramic view of the Ashley National Forest and surrounding area. From the tower over 360 square miles of the northeastern slope of the Uinta Mountains can be seen.

### Directions:

**From Manila** - Approximately 12.5 miles south on U.S. Hwy 191; turn right (west) on Forest Service Road 218 for 3 miles; then turn left on FS Road 221 (gravel road) for 1.3 miles; then turn left (south) on FS Road 005 for approximately 1.3 miles to Ute Tower  
**From Vernal** - Approximately 55 miles north on U.S. Hwy 191; turn left (west) on Forest Service Road 218 for 3 miles; then turn left on FS Road 221 (gravel road) for 1.3 miles; then turn left (south) on FS Road 005 for approximately 1.3 miles to Ute Tower

To enhance the lives of individuals  
with Alzheimer's disease and other  
dementias

## Telephone caregiver support group

The Alzheimer's Association, National Chapters is providing a **Telephone Caregiver Support Group** for caregivers of individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related dementias. The purpose is to reach those caregivers who could benefit from a support group, yet find it difficult to travel to a meeting site. The meeting is the **first Monday of every month, from 2pm to 3:30pm Mountain time.**

Call **1-800-272-3900** for more information about joining the telephone support group! Contact: **Kelli Moorehead**

The group is designed to:

- Provide emotional, educational and social support for caregivers through regularly scheduled meetings
- Help participants develop methods and skills to solve problems
- Encourage caregivers to maintain their own personal, physical and emotional health, as well as optimally care for the person with dementia

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the compassion to care. the leadership to conquer

**Sherry Meidell is coming to the Flaming Gorge Resort.** Listed below are the She has published many childrens' books and just received National Signature in Watercolor. This consists of receiving awards in four national exhibitions.

She tells a 'story' as she paints. Come and join with us. Call Deena, Lori, or Jenice for registration details. Please tell anyone that is interested in illustration. This will be a little different workshop and so much fun!

Discussions will be on drawing and painting people in watercolor paintings. Sherry will show how to get motion in your paintings and how to capture and add something to faces and finding the stories in your paintings.

**Flaming Gorge Resort: September 26th and 27th, 2014 Friday and Saturday 9 am until 4 pm for \$175.00 per person.**

Material List: sketch book about 9 x 12 or so, pencils and kneaded eraser, a black pilot pen that you get from Target or Office Max, and one or two-1/2 sheet 140 lb. or 300 lb. arches watercolor paper. Photos that the workshop students have taken of people that are in motion and a nice face they would like to paint (and/or they can be old photos of grandparents or great grandparents)

**Ian Ramsay will be here on October 24 & 25 from 9:00 am-4:00 pm.** The cost of his workshop is \$100.00. He will walk through a painting step-by-step. He is an awesome teacher for Beginner to Advanced painters. This is a return engagement for Ian and because of his awesome teaching style he is very popular.



10 K Runners

### Tower Rock Run a Huge Success

The morning was damp and the air was crisp but the spirits were high for the 10th anniversary running of Tower Rock Run. With a record registration of 163, the day was sure to be an exciting event and there were no disappointments.

**In the 10K event**, the overall winner was 17 year old Karli Piaia of Rock Springs, Wyoming with a sizzling time of 37:05:08. Second place went to 52 year old Brenda Gray, also of Rock Springs, Wyoming with a spectacular time of 39:19:42. The top male runner in the 10K was 35 year old Tom Parker of Vernal, Utah with a great time of 40:07:18.

**In the 5K event**, the overall winner was 19 year old Jesse Gray of Rock Springs, Wyoming with a very, very fast 15:34:62. Yes, Jesse is the son of the 2nd place winner in the 10K, Brenda Gray. Second place went to 17 year old Jackson Porter with a very nice 18:43:56 followed very closely by Brennan McCleary with a time of 18:45:63. Top female accolades go to 14 year old Hannah Behunin of Fort Bridger, Wyoming with a time of 19:47:97.



Karli Piaia



Tom Parker



Jesse Gray



Hannah Behunin

While the **one mile** is rarely acknowledged, it is worthy of mention, there were 18 participants and the young ages of the 1st and 2nd place winners. Seven year old Ayden McCleary of South Jordan, Utah won the top honor with a time of 10:24:03. Second place was taken by Ayden's seven year old cousin Jared McCleary of West Valley City, Utah with a time of 11:48:08. We have some future

5K and 10K champions in the making with these two young men.



Ayden McCleary



Jared McCleary

The Tower Rock Run gives many thanks to the sponsors and volunteers of this year's race. It wouldn't be possible for this event to be successful without the support of many. Be sure to support our sponsors by frequenting their businesses and be sure to thank them too so they will want to continue to support us in the future. We appreciate the Seniors of Manila for sponsoring the Pasta Bash on Friday night. It was a great warm up for our Saturday morning run. We appreciate the Forest Service, Sheriff's Department, Search and Rescue and Daggett County Ambulance for their presence and assistance during the race.

Tower Rock Run 2015 will be held on August 8, 2015. We hope to see you all there and that you will spread the word and maybe bring a friend or two along with you!

Feel free to email if you need more information at [towerrockrun@gmail.com](mailto:towerrockrun@gmail.com).

Sue Morgan  
Race Director

Please give a special thanks to Sue for all her hard work over the past few years. She did a great job and it is greatly appreciated!!

Race results links (Paste them into the address bar not into a search engine):

Results by Race: <http://www.daggettcounty.org/DocumentCenter/View/5927>

Final Results by Race/Age Group: <http://www.daggettcounty.org/DocumentCenter/View/5933>

The link to the Tower Rock Run Facebook page pictures is below:

<https://www.facebook.com/media/set/?set=a.631965140250068.1073741833.543091125804137&type=1>



We have to disagree with Sue a little here. The youngest person to cross the finish line was this baby of Nicole Palmers that went the whole 1 mile distance!

## Inmate Jake McQuiston shows off skills

Jake McQuiston was part of the inmates instrumental in building new desks for the Commissioners and several other desks in the courthouse. They are functional as well as beautiful. Thanks Jake for the wonderful job. Jake was released from the Daggett County Jail on August 12, 2014.



Commission Perry's Desk



Commission Steglich's Desk

## National Breast Cancer Awareness Month



The National Breast Cancer Foundation was founded in 1991 by breast cancer survivor, Janelle Hail. She was diagnosed with breast cancer in 1980 at the age of 34. At the time of her diagnosis, there was little information about the disease, and she was forced to make a decision about her health with few options. After her treatment, Janelle made a commitment to help women around the world by educating them about breast cancer and the importance of early detection.

NBCF's mission is to help women now by providing help and inspiring hope to those affected by breast cancer through early detection, education and support services. Breast cancer is one of the leading health crises for women in the United States. 1 in 8 women will be diagnosed with breast cancer in their lifetime. There is currently no known cure for breast cancer, and its early diagnosis is critical to survival.

According to The National Cancer Institute (NCI), getting a high-quality mammogram and having a clinical breast exam on a regular basis are the most effective ways to detect breast cancer early. The National Cancer Institute recommends women age 40 and older receive annual mammogram screenings to provide early detection of breast cancer.

However, with increased healthcare costs and a rapidly increasing percentage of uninsured women, many simply cannot afford the cost of screening tests. These women are at a significantly higher risk of dying from breast cancer if later diagnosed. That's why NBCF provides free mammograms to women in all 50 states through our network of hospitals. We are now joining hands with people around the world to provide breast cancer education.

<http://www.nationalbreastcancer.org/breast-cancer-awareness-month>



## Flaming Gorge Dam 50th Anniversary Celebration Event



Acting Reclamation Commissioner  
Lowell Pimley

On Saturday, August 16, 2014, against the backdrop of beautiful Flaming Gorge Reservoir, the Bureau of Reclamation hosted a community celebration to commemorate the 50th anniversary of Flaming Gorge Dam and Power plant. Former First Lady Claudia Johnson, known as "Lady Bird" originally dedicated the dam on August 17, 1964 at a similar community event marking the beginning of the dam's service life and vital role in the Colorado River Storage Project. An estimated 150 – 200 people attended the celebration event which included a number of retired long-time Reclamation employees, current

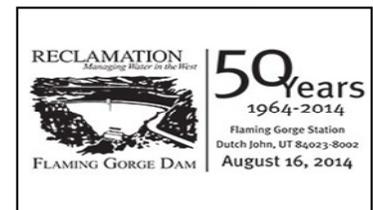
employees, community members, recreation/tourist visitors, and Utah state government officials. Acting Reclamation Commissioner Lowell Pimley flew in from Washington D.C., to speak at the event along



with Upper Colorado Region Deputy Director Ann Gold. A unique commemorative plaque representing the Upper Colorado River Basin and Flaming Gorge Dam's important role in the Colorado River Storage Project was unveiled and which will be permanently mounted near the entrance of the visitor center.

The original fire engine Reclamation purchased in 1958, when the town of Dutch John was built to house the dam's construction workers and their families, was parked near the stage as a guest of honor at the ceremony. The engine was recently retired after 53 consecutive years of service because it no longer meets the new fire codes put into place. Because the engine represents an important reminder of the town's heritage, the engine will be the star attraction in a yet-to-be-built museum building in Dutch John. At the ceremony, Ann Gold presented the loan agreement and keys for the fire engine to Renee Wilde, chairwoman of the Daggett County Museum Board for this purpose. After the ceremony, a barbeque was provided for all the guests through the generous contributions of a number of organizations and private individuals including:

In honor of the Flaming Gorge Dam's 50th anniversary, long-time Reclamation employee Ginger Reeve designed the artwork for a special cancellation stamp issued by the U.S. Postal Service Dutch John Post Office from August 16 through September 13, 2014.



### Sponsored barbeque after ceremony

- Bridger Valley Electric Association
- Colorado River Energy Distributors Association
- Daggett County
- Flaming Gorge Area Chamber of Commerce
- Flaming Gorge Dam Employee's Association
- Flaming Gorge Recreation Services
- Flaming Gorge Resort
- Intermountain Natural History Association
- Various private individuals

## West Nile Virus Season is Here Utah Horse Owners Advised to Take Precautions

(Salt Lake City, Utah) Veterinarians in Colorado report the first confirmed case of West Nile Virus in a horse. In Utah, mosquitoes carrying the West Nile Virus have been discovered in stagnant bodies of water in Box Elder, Uintah and Washington Counties as of today.

The Utah Department of Agriculture and Food (UDAF) is strongly advising horse owners throughout the state to protect their animals by vaccinating them for the West Nile Virus if they haven't already done so. No human, or animal cases of West Nile Virus have been reported by the Utah Department of Health or Department of Agriculture And Food.

Horse owners can protect their animals by applying approved repellants to the animals and by controlling mosquitoes and mosquito breeding areas. Horse owners may also protect the animals by putting them in the barn or other enclosed structures. Horse owners are advised to check with their veterinarian to assure their horse's vaccination status is current. The WNV vaccine is available from local veterinarians. WNV is not transmissible from horses to humans.

The most common sign of West Nile virus in horses is weakness, usually in the hindquarters. Weakness may be indicated by a widened stance, stumbling, leaning to one side and toe dragging. In extreme cases, paralysis may follow. Fever is sometimes evident, as are depression and fearfulness. WNV causes encephalitis and affects the central nervous system.

Horse owners who suspect West Nile viral infection of their animal should contact their veterinarian immediately. Approximately 1/3 of horses that show signs of the illness will die. Eighty percent of WNV in horses occurs in the months of August and September.

Horse owners who have not already done so should contact their veterinarian and have their horses vaccinated, though vaccination after exposure may not protect the horse against the disease. The equine vaccine requires two doses and takes approximately five weeks to offer protection from the disease. Once vaccinated, yearly booster shots are necessary.

If you have questions concerning your health or believe you may have contracted West Nile Virus, please contact your physician.

For more information about the West Nile Virus, please visit the Utah Department of Agriculture and Food's web page at: [www.ag.utah.gov/](http://www.ag.utah.gov/) or the Utah Department of Health's web page: [www.health.utah.gov/](http://www.health.utah.gov/).



# SEPTEMBER 2014



Sun                      Mon                      Tue                      Wed                      Thu                      Fri                      Sat

	<p>1</p>  <p>Labor Day Oldtimers Pancake Breakfast Cow Country Junior Rodeo Finals</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Manila Planning and Zoning</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Commission Meeting Senior Lunch</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Forest Service Informal Get Together</p>	<p>6</p>
<p>7</p> <p>Grandparents Day</p> 	<p>8</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Commission Meeting</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Justice Court Senior Lunch</p>	<p>11</p>  <p>Patriot Day Local Emergency Planning Committee Meeting</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Senior Dinner</p>	<p>13</p> <p>State Museum Day Presentation</p>
<p>14</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Senior Social Dinner and Bingo</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Commission Meeting Public Hearing</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Daggett County Planning and Zoning Senior Lunch</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Utah Single Fly</p>	<p>19</p> <p>District Court Utah Single Fly</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Ute Lookout Tower Rededication at 10:00 am</p>
<p>21</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Autumn Begins</p> 	<p>23</p> <p>Commission Meeting</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Senior Lunch</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Senior Dinner</p>	<p>27</p>
<p>28</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Commission Meeting Search and Rescue Meeting</p>			<p><b>Senior Lunches at 12:00 noon</b> <b>Senior Dinners and Social at 6:00 pm.</b></p>	

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**County Commission:** Meetings will be held at 9:00 am on Tuesdays. September 2nd meeting will be moved to the 3rd due to the Labor Day Holiday.

**County Planning & Zoning:** Meetings will be held every 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month at 1:00 pm.

**Museum Board:** Meetings 2nd Monday of the month at noon.

**Local Emergency Planning Committee:** Meetings are the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month at 12:00 pm in the Commission Room. Lunch Provided.

**Search & Rescue:** Meetings are held at 6:30 pm on the last Tuesday of each month at Red Canyon Lodge.

**Chamber of Commerce:** Next meeting is October 16th at 1:00 pm. Place to be determined.

**Manila Planning and Zoning:** 1st Monday of each month 6 pm.

**Forest Service Informal Breakfast Get Together:** September 5th at 6:30 am at the Villa Café. Come talk to the Forest Ranger about variety of topics.



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