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Updates from
MCD Leaders
Communications Team



Dear Dedicated Democrats,

You may have noticed that the newsletter issues this month were produced a little off schedule. That error will be corrected in September when the **next issue is due for publication on 9/10/26 (second Thursday)**. Meanwhile, you can visit the [MCD Facebook](#) page for near-daily postings of information and happenings around the Grand Valley or on national issues, too.

Newsletter Changes

Other newsletter changes in this issue reflect a reduced amount of text content. . . which has been replaced with links to that former content. . . that is now on the MCD (Mesa County Democrats) [website](#), making it easily available for folks at any time. Eventually, most of the content sections will be removed from the newsletter altogether. The majority of this change affects primarily static, election-related information that has been repeated issue after issue.

The EVENTS section below is still intact, although the pre-November election activity at this time is a bit

slow. However, TONIGHT (8/20/26) CD-3 candidate Dwayne Romero is hosting a Town Hall meeting (see flyer below) in Clifton. This is a great opportunity to express your concerns, ask questions, and meet the candidate. The flyer can also be found on the MCD website [here](#).

Website Changes

In addition to the newsletter, a small group of volunteers from the Communications Team has taken on the challenge of improving the navigation channels on the website. Between now and the next newsletter issue in September, you may notice redundant links removed, headings slightly modified, postings consolidated to proper designated pages, and/or direct links created to specific sections on pages to reduce scrolling. Our goal is to have event, election, and other political information readily available at any time and easier to find.

It is a work in progress! Thank you for your patience as we go through yet another expansion period.

The Goals

Our intent is to complete this review/update by mid-October (before the election). Several small changes have already been completed, including the increase of links from the newsletter to the site, rather than having so much content spelled out in an email document (newsletter) that is produced on a schedule.

We also want to increase the information posted to the site in real-time by more than one person. Thus, we have the beginnings of a technically skilled team, with years of experience in database and website design and maintenance. These enthusiastic volunteers are meeting weekly to share ideas, create a plan, then working remotely to improve the website's functionality.

All of these media efforts – newsletter, website, social media, in-person contact – are intended to work together to expand the MCD outreach in Mesa County.

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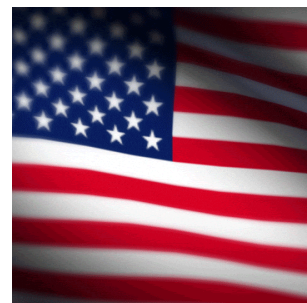
Carla Ryan
Communications Team

Local Meetings

Mesa County Dems, City Councils, Candidate Forums & Websites

Mesa County Democratic Party (MCDP)
Executive / Central Committee and Team leaders
meets monthly
second Monday of the month
5:30pm at the Mesa Dems office

The next E/CC meeting will be on **August 10**.



All Precinct Organizers are encouraged to attend either in person or via Zoom. **Contact the MCD office, Lori Martin** (Secretary) at riverones@me.com, or **Jamie Porta** if you are **unable** to attend. Your participation is key to motions being passed and the organization's ability to move forward.

MCD Office: 310 N. 7th Street, #2, Grand Junction, CO 81502

City/Town meetings around the Grand Valley

You can now find links about local municipal meetings for Grand Junction, Fruita, Palisade and the Mesa County Library Board on the MCD website:

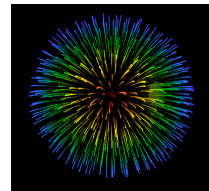
<https://mesacountydems.org/take-action#municipal-meetings>

Events & Activities

THIS is what Democracy looks like!

**Time to get active.
Volunteer. Attend. Donate.**

To view the CALENDAR at any time,
visit the [Home](#) or [Events](#) pages of the [MesaCountyDems.org](https://mesacountydems.org) website



Get involved! Have fun! Meet new people!

CD-3 Candidate to be in GJ

August 20, 2026

CD-3 Democratic candidate Dwayne Romero is planning to be in Grand Junction on **Thursday, August 20** for a town hall gathering at the Clifton Community Center (3270 D 1/2 Rd, Clifton, CO 81520) from **5:00-7:00pm**.



Better Ballots

Wednesday, August 26, 2026

5:00p-7:00p

Grand Valley Event Center

2400 Consistory Ct, GJ

Courageous Colorado (<https://www.CourageousColorado.org>) is hosting this event. They will provide an overview of Ranked Choice Voting, discuss potential benefits and implementation options, and create space for community discussion and questions.

Grand Junction City Councilwoman Anna Stout will help welcome participants and contribute to the conversation. They are hoping to bring together a thoughtful cross-section of the community—including students, educators, civic leaders, and elected officials—for an open and informative discussion. Light refreshments will be provided for those who RSVP. Please see the [attached PDF flyer](#) with hyperlink to register.

NEW DATE: October 16

the **DemWest** event
Friday evening at the
Wine Country Inn in Palisade
5:30p to 8:30p
More details to be announced soon.

Market on Main Street

(two **SEPTEMBER** dates to be confirmed)

PrideFest

(awaiting dates - usually in September)

Veterans' Day Parade

November 11

Be a Parade Volunteer. Help with the float.
Contact Deb Squires with your interest (dasquires316@gmail.com)
(details forthcoming)



You can also visit the MCD website [HOME](#) or [NEWS/EVENTS & CALENDAR](#) pages
for calendar posts about these or other happenings
in Grand Junction and Mesa County.

Mesa County Women's Group

Postcards to Swing States

Please join us for opportunities to write Postcards to Swing States!!

To learn about this and other Women's Group events on the MCD website,
go to the [WG CALENDAR](#) page for more details.

TUESDAYS beginning **August 18, 2026**

Click on the following link for a description of the program and the important research conducted related to the efficacy of these mailings. <https://turnoutpac.org/postcards/>

EXTRA: Come to the Lowell Building First Fridays!
Aug. 4, Sept. 4, and Oct. 2, Fridays - 5:00 to 7:00pm
We will have postcards to write or take home to write.



Visit the MCD website ([Women's Group page](#)) for a updated information and details about events, projects, and other news. Be sure to follow the special links to other pages and features not displayed on the main menu.

Women's Group Reproductive Health Care Panel
Wednesday, August 26, 2026
5:30-7:00pm
Mesa County Central Library (Main Branch)
443 N 6th St, Grand Junction

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2026 Election Updates

Democratic Colorado Candidates

[COL REPS & MISC INFO](#)
and
[CANDIDATES](#)



Follow links (above and below) to the Mesa Dems' website for candidate and voting information of all kinds. For example, to learn about Colorado's **Petitions and Initiatives** on this November's ballot, follow [THIS LINK](#) to the MCD website page, then choose other links there leading to specific areas of interest.

**Mark your calendar for the
2026 mid-term general election:**

Tuesday - November 3, 2026



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