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*girls gone golfing*

## Girls Gone Golfing Goes Glitzy Glam!

Friday, May 31st, 2019 • Hillcrest Golf Course

The 13th Annual Girls Gone Golfing event is set for Friday, May 31st at Hillcrest Golf Course and we can't wait for the fun to begin! If you have always wanted to learn to play golf or if you are already an avid golfer or you fall somewhere in between – this day is for YOU! No matter your skill level – we have something planned for everyone! The theme for the day is “**Glitzy Glam**” and is sure to inspire some sparkly and glittery costumes.

This event is now sold out, but if you would like to join our waiting list, please email [Rita@durangobusiness.org](mailto:Rita@durangobusiness.org).



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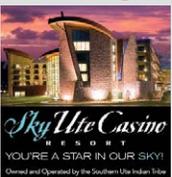


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# NEWS & EVENTS

*From the Executive Director's pen . . .*

## Have a voice in our economy

Jack Llewellyn, Chamber Director

The late Joel Jones, whom I had the privilege to serve under after he was President of Fort Lewis College, was big on "leadership." To say that, it's actually an understatement. He was probably one of the most consummate leadership scholars this town has ever seen.

For many years he presented before Leadership La Plata, and this is an anecdotal story, because it happened during an LLP Retreat prior to my being accepted to the program. He gave the class a list of five things, five aspects of a community: Education, Health Care, Housing, the Economy and the Environment, and asked the class members to rank these in order of importance for a community.

Now, Joel was certainly an open-minded, some would say very liberal academic. He really wasn't involved with business per se, though he kept his fingers on the proverbial pulse, so the LLP class members wondered where he was going with this, but they answered honestly. The graduate who shared this story with me was proud to say that their class members all answered correctly – somewhat to all their surprise knowing Joel's political leanings.

Of all those five topics – all of which are important to a community – Joel posited that the most important component is the Economy. He told them, if a community has a strong economy, everything else takes care of itself. People have jobs, taxes are healthy, time is available for humanitarian and environmental efforts.

That gets me to the point of my story. We need to pay attention to our economy, and while we've been holding our own and doing pretty well in our little berg, it's increasingly evident that Front Range interests have emerged as more important to representatives in Denver. And it's going to begin to impact us dramatically.

The most recent is the passage of SB 181. As stated on the state website, "The bill prioritizes the protection of public safety, health, welfare, and the environment in the regulation of the oil and gas industry by modifying the oil and gas statute and by clarifying, reinforcing, and establishing local governments' regulatory authority over the surface impacts of oil and gas development."



Did you know that when oil and gas production was in its prime, it funded close to 66% of our county property taxes? That's why your property taxes were low and our economy was even stronger during those years. We've seen a steady decline in this industry, a loss of jobs, a loss of tax revenues paid by the industry to the county and more. And now it will get worse. Companies have no business certainty and are sending their exploration and drilling dollars to other states.

Don't get me wrong. I'm as much for clean air and water and reducing our carbon footprint as the next person. The point I am making here is that this decision wasn't allowed to be ours (remember the San Juan Basin has some of the largest reserves of natural gas in the country). With a signature, our economy has been effected, without consideration to how it's going to impact all of us.

Secondly, the Joint Budget Committee recently decreed that funding would go to colleges on the Front Range, declining Fort Lewis College's request for financing to help with renovations to the Whalen Health Sciences and Athletic Complex.

The college is one of the region's largest economic drivers, with hundreds of jobs and a work force of students that support our businesses. In the case of Whalen and other facilities, It is an "if you build it they will come." We've witnessed, with the new Sitter Hall, a rise in science students (STEM disciplinary) wanting to be at a state of the art institution. These students are smart and talented young adults that are an asset to our community.

But Front Range interests trumped (no pun intended) the needs of the Western Slope and Durango.

My bottom line for our community is to be aware, be involved, let your voice be heard in Denver. Our representatives need to stand strong for our needs. Just because we don't get Denver TV (and SOMEDAY that will change), perhaps they don't think we're worth supporting because we don't really always know what's going on at the state legislature.

Remember the lesson from Joel Jones: When a community's economy is strong, everything else takes care of itself.

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## May Lunch & Learn

Wednesday, May 22, 2019 | 12 Noon

TBK Bank (259 W. 9th Street)

# Direct Primary Care: Get the Healthcare You Want at the Price You Can Afford

Presented by **Dr. Kicki Searfus, Mountain View Family HealthCare**



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- ▶ If you have a business, do you struggle to find an affordable way to provide your employees with access to health care?

Learn how the Direct Primary Care (DPC) model provides unmatched access to the kind of health care experience you want at a very affordable and predictable cost.

Understand how DPC gives physicians the ability to better collaborate and communicate with you and other providers on your health care team.

Hear the experiences of local business owners who contract with a Direct Primary Care practice to support employee health while maintaining a healthy bottom line.

Learn how Direct Primary Care gives you the right care, at the right time for the right price.

Lunch & Learn will be held Wednesday, May 22nd at 12 Noon at TBK Bank (259 W. 9th Street). The cost is only \$13 for Chamber Members and \$20 for non-members and includes a delicious lunch catered by Hot Tomatoes Catering. RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED, so please use our convenient online registration at [www.durangobusiness.org](http://www.durangobusiness.org) or call 970.247.0312. *No shows and cancellations after May 17th will be invoiced. Please remember to use street parking and reserve the parking lot for bank customers.*

[click here to register](#)

## NEWS &amp; EVENTS

Check out this week's

## BLOG:

### From Architects to Zoos: Lighting A to Z

When's the last time you thought about lighting at your shop, office, or retail outlet?

[click for more](#)

# MAY

*Business After Hours*

## THURSDAY

### MAY 16<sup>TH</sup> | 5-7PM ATLAS SPECIFIC

1800 E. 3rd Avenue, Suite 108  
\$10 Chamber Members & Guests

## Lunch & Learn Thank You

Thank you to **Suzy Phare** with **Real Ideal Coaching** for a very informative Lunch & Learn presentation on April 24th. Suzy explained that money is usually not the overriding reason for employees leaving their employment – it isn't always about the money! If you would like to learn more about the services offered by Real Ideal Coaching visit [www.realidealcoaching.com](http://www.realidealcoaching.com) or give Suzy a call at 720.234.9139.

Join us at 7:45am on  
*Tuesday, May 7th*  
for another Great Casual  
Networking Event!

Featuring  
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Breakfast available (dutch treat)  
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## MAY CALENDAR

May 2nd	Diplomat Meeting	5:15pm	Chamber Building
May 7th	Coffee @ Carvers	7:45am	Carver Brewing Company
May 14th	YPOD Lunches with Leaders	11:30am	ORE House
May 14th	LLP Steering Committee	5:00pm	Wells Group
May 16th	Business After Hours	5:00pm	Atlas Specific
May 20th	Health Care Forum	12 Noon	Strater Hotel
May 22nd	Lunch & Learn	12 Noon	TBK Bank
May 22nd	Shred Day	12 Noon	Chamber Building
May 24th	Downtown Clean Day	9:00am	Meet @ Keller Williams Parking Lot
May 31st	Girls Gone Golfing	8:30am	Hillcrest Golf Course

## NEWS &amp; EVENTS

DOWNTOWN

## Clean Day set for May 24th!

Let's kickoff the tourist season with a bang...or should we say a broom at our 16th Annual Clean Day on Friday, May 24th.

Grab your co-workers, friends and neighbors and join us for a fun "Friday" as we clean up downtown before the start of the busy tourist season.

Meet us at the Keller Williams Parking Lot (next to Keller Williams) at 8:45am and get your free iClean Durango T-Shirt (while they last). There will also be free coffee compliments of Carver Brewing Co. and donuts provided by Albertsons! Be part of the awesome iClean Durango team photo, then head out with your team to CLEAN UP DURANGO!

To sign up or for more information please call 247.0312 or email [rita@durangobusiness.org](mailto:rita@durangobusiness.org).

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## IT'S SHRED DAY!

**WEDNESDAY MAY 22TH • 12NOON – 2PM**

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The Durango Chamber Parking Lot  
(2301 Main Avenue)**

**YOU MUST ENTER THROUGH THE ALLEY ON 24TH STREET**

LIMIT 4 BOXES PER HOUSEHOLD & BUSINESS

Donations benefit **4Corners Gem and Mineral Club**

Shred any unwanted documents with personal information.

Staples or paper clips do not need to be removed.



## NEWS &amp; EVENTS



## THE SECOND ANNUAL NORTH **MAIN** Event!

**Saturday, May 4th**

**11am-3pm**

**26th to 30th Street  
Main Avenue in the  
North Main District**

Join the North Main District community party with four blocks of games and activities from 26th to 30th Street. There is fun for the entire family including live music, food, historical tours, games, chalk art and more! You're encouraged to walk and bike around the area to learn more about local businesses, community amenities and all the great things going on in the North Main District!

Pick up a passport at a designated North Main District location, participate in a station activity and you'll receive a stamp in your passport. Once you have at least 10 stamps, turn in the passport at the designated locations to be entered in a drawing for fabulous North Main District prizes! Also, the first 100 attendees will receive a free North Main District shopping bag!

For more details go to [www.themaineventdurango.com](http://www.themaineventdurango.com) or

[https://www.facebook.com/events/1717602168278461/?active\\_tab=about](https://www.facebook.com/events/1717602168278461/?active_tab=about)

*Bike and walking friendly, parking available at the Fairgrounds and Recreation Center lots.*



## HEALTH CARE FORUM

**Monday, May 20th**

**12pm – 5pm**

**Strater Hotel, Pullman Room**



*Hosted by:* Local First, Durango Chamber of Commerce,  
The Durango Network and Rocky Mountain Health Foundation

Topics to be discussed include:

- State of health care - how did we get here?
  - State legislative updates
  - Health care alliances
  - Innovative west slope models
- Collaborative discussion/working group on local health care solutions

The Local Health Care Forum will be held Monday, May 20th beginning at 12 Noon at The Strater Hotel/ Pullman Room. The cost is only \$25 and includes lunch. RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED, so please use our convenient online registration at [www.durangobusiness.org](http://www.durangobusiness.org) or call 970.247.0312. No shows and cancellations after May 15th will be invoiced. Deadline to register is MAY 15TH.

## RIBBON CUTTINGS

### The Yellow Carrot

The Durango Diplomats celebrated the Grand Opening of The Yellow Carrot's new location on Wednesday, April 3rd. Now conveniently located at 3206 Main Avenue, owner Sari Seedorf is excited to show off her new space, which now offers breakfast, lunch and dinner. Sari has created a culture of positivity, unique and creative food that tastes amazing and a vibe that is never boring. Sari loves serving our amazing community that continuously support her and she loves being able to add value to everyone she meets. Sari's vision for the Yellow Carrot is to be a place where you can see, taste and feel the great environment on the plate. If you would like to find out more about The Yellow Carrot visit [www.theyellowcarrot.com](http://www.theyellowcarrot.com) or better yet stop by the restaurant and check out the great food!



### 11th Street Station

The Durango Diplomats celebrated with 11th Street Station at a Ribbon Cutting ceremony on April 23rd. 11th Street Station, owned by Jaime and Marcos Wisner, has been in business since October, 2017 with more than 25 employees. Currently offering cuisine from six food truck vendors who offer everything from sushi to tacos, to sliders to authentic thai, pizza, waffles and coffee! It allows collaboration of talented chefs to gather in one location to serve the Durango community. 11th



Street Station not only has something for everyone's taste buds they offer a wide variety of seating options some with amazing views along with live music several times a week! They love being part of the community and offering a unique gathering place for everyone to enjoy. If you would like to find out more information about 11th Street Station visit [www.11thstreetstation.com](http://www.11thstreetstation.com) or find them on FaceBook.

## RIBBON CUTTING

### Steve Gates Architect, LLC

The Durango Diplomats joined Steve Gates Architect, LLC for a Ribbon Cutting ceremony on April 18th. The Ribbon Cutting was held just prior to Business After Hours also hosted by Steve Gates Architect, LLC, which showcased their beautiful, brand new location at 1120 Main Avenue, Suite 1. Steve and his staff of four plus E-Terra with seven employees offer residential and commercial design-build projects in Colorado, New Mexico and Utah. They have the ability to take a project from conception through completion which makes their business unique. Steve grew up in the Four Corners Region and appreciates being able to express his creativity in a community that he loves living in. If you would like to learn more about the services offered by Steve Gates Architect, LLC visit [www.stevegatesarchitect.com](http://www.stevegatesarchitect.com) or give them a call at 970.259.0726. If you are out and about in downtown Durango stop by their new offices and see what they have created at 1120 Main Avenue.



## Want More Business? Looking for More Referrals?



### LEADS GROUP – FEW OPENINGS REMAIN

The Chamber's first LEADS Group only has a couple of openings left, but is starting a waiting list for the formation of our second LEADS Group.

The focus of these groups is to pass along qualified business referrals, motivate professional growth, troubleshoot roadblocks and promote the products and services represented by those in the group.

Each LEADS Group is made up of a maximum of 24 members exclusively representing different industries. There are no similar business industries in any group.

Leads Group #1 meets the first Friday of every month beginning at 7:45am at the Chamber offices. The cost to join is \$200 per year and must be paid at the time of registration.

For more information or to register  
call 970.828.1032.

  
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## RIBBON CUTTING

### BIRD'S

The Durango Diplomats will host the Grand Opening of Bird's with a ribbon cutting ceremony on April 29th. The much anticipated Bird's rotisserie located at 2957 Main Avenue will officially open on May 4th and will serve patrons from 7am – 9pm with breakfast, lunch and dinner. According to Kris Oyler, CEO of Peak Food & Beverage, the parent company that also includes Steamworks Brewing and El Moro Spirits and Tavern, "Bird's is designed as an 'approachable' neighborhood restaurant and tavern as well as a drive through with a focus on healthy foods and centrally, chicken." The menu will of course feature chicken prepared primarily utilizing a unique rotisserie grill specially ordered from France. Offering chicken dinners, sandwiches, hearty salads and soups along with burritos and chilaquiles for breakfast, Bird's is sure to have options to please everyone. If you would like to find out more information visit [www.birdsdurango.com](http://www.birdsdurango.com) or stop by 2957 Main Avenue and give them a try!



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## PHOTO GALLERY

**Business After Hours Thank You**

Thank you to Steve Gates Architect LLC for hosting a great Business After Hours on Thursday, April 18th. Everyone enjoyed touring their beautiful, newly remodeled building, located at 1120 Main, while enjoying some great food and beverages. If you would like to learn more about the services offered at Steve Gates Architect visit [www.stevegatesarchitect.com](http://www.stevegatesarchitect.com) or call 970.259.0726 or check out their new space at 1120 Main Avenue!



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## BUSINESS CONNECTION

### Leland House and the Rochester Hotel

written by Sara Lynn (Kuntz) Valentine

Kirk Komick and his mom, Diane Wildfang, have been in business together for decades. In the 1980s they focused on resort and senior housing in Lake Havasu City, Arizona. After making the decision to retire, Diane moved to Durango, and Kirk soon followed. Diane had connected with a realtor who introduced her to an interesting property, an apartment house on 2nd Avenue. The Leland House (as Diane renamed it), was built in 1927 and was in bad shape - but Diane had experience with historic renovating and knew she could reinvent the former apartment building, and perhaps kick off a transformation of the whole block, which at that time was primarily occupied by new and used car lots.

"We put in all new plumbing, electricity, kitchen and bathrooms and turned it into a ten room B and B," Kirk says. "My mother's husband, Frederic Wildfang, searched out photos and interviewed former residents, interweaving the history of the building with the history of Durango in his book *The Leland Legacy*. Photos of those early residents now hang in the hallways of the Leland House."

When the Leland House opened for business, the Rochester Hotel, right across the street, was a seedy flophouse, renting 33 rooms (with only one shared bathroom per floor) for ten or twelve dollars a night. Maintenance had been neglected for many years and it had become a derelict community eyesore. Someone needed to clean it up. So Diane and Kirk bought it. "It was built in 1892 and the rooms were very small, with space for only a single bed," Kirk says. "We had all the interior walls torn down to create rooms spacious enough for king-sized beds and large private bathrooms."

As Rochester renovations progressed, Fred Wildfang began work on another book, this one exploring the history of filmmaking in Durango. Fred researched the fifteen most popular films shot on location in the area, among them *Around the World in Eighty Days*, *A Ticket to Tomahawk*, *Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid*, *Support Your Local Sheriff*, *City Slickers* and *National Lampoon's Vacation*. He consulted with Hollywood actor and longtime film industry insider Harry Carey Junior, collecting behind the scenes stories about locally filmed movies. His new book, *Hollywood of the Rockies: The Spirit of the New Rochester Hotel*, played its own significant role in the creation of the 'new' Rochester, as each of the guest rooms was named after, and decorated in the spirit of, one of the movies Fred covered in his book. A collection of the original movie posters, many donated by Harry Carey, is displayed on the Rochester's walls.

"Soon after the Rochester opened for business, Steamworks Brewery became our first great 2nd Avenue neighbor," Kirk says. "It was soon followed by Durango Arts Center - and now, twenty five years later, we have a number of wonderful neighbors. Our location is fantastic. We're walkable to everything, yet not right in the smack dab middle of Main Avenue. Our guests are wonderful and had to work to find us. The same is true of our employees. Our chef, Kelly, has been with us for twenty years. We serve spectacular breakfasts with different hotentrees daily, an abundance of fresh fruit,

scones and other homemade baked goods, coffee from a local roaster, Desert Sun, juices and homemade granola. That's the only recipe we don't give away! Breakfast is served in the Rochester's Secret Garden when the weather's nice. We serve cookies and tea every afternoon. Many of our guests have stayed 400 - 500 nights with us. Loyal business travelers come back over and over. Our guests enjoy riding our cruiser bikes around town."

Diane and Kirk were impressed from the beginning by Durango's giving spirit. They're deeply involved with community nonprofits and support a variety of local causes in many ways, including donating space for meetings and fundraisers. Diane is on the Womenade Council, an organization that helps individuals who are normally self-sufficient, but experiencing temporary and unexpected financial hardships, get back on their feet. Womenade meets at the Rochester every six weeks. The Rochester also hosts the Community Foundation every summer with "ten bands, ten bucks, ten weeks" - a series of well-attended concerts in the Secret Garden that raises money and awareness for an array of nonprofits. Representatives display information about their programs, hoping to attract donations and volunteers in addition to the funds raised that evening. "It's rewarding to participate in these and in other ways," Kirk says. "We have over 450 nonprofits here and they create sustainability."

Kirk and Diane's latest undertaking is 'R Space', next door to the Rochester, in a building from the same era. They bought it in order to be sure the Rochester had a compatible neighbor. Beyond that, they wanted to meet a need expressed by many professionals from diverse industries who work from home or while on the road. As Kirk says, they "need to get out of their pajamas to work!" R Space offers a convenient downtown setting that includes comfortable desk space with excellent connectivity and communication options, conference rooms, classrooms, and space for breakout sessions during business retreats.

"I love working with the Chamber," Kirk says. "It's always been fantastic. They've just started a leads group that I'm super excited about. The chambers of other towns pale in comparison with Durango's. We have loved working with Jack ever since we first moved to town. And Rita is always a joy to work with."

Visit [www.rochesterhotel.com](http://www.rochesterhotel.com) or call 970.385.1920 for more information. Email Kirk at [kirk@rochesterhotel.com](mailto:kirk@rochesterhotel.com) and the Rochester at [stay@rochesterhotel.com](mailto:stay@rochesterhotel.com). Copies of *Hollywood of the Rockies* are available at both the Leland House and the Rochester and at Maria's bookstore.





# North Main

DURANGO BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

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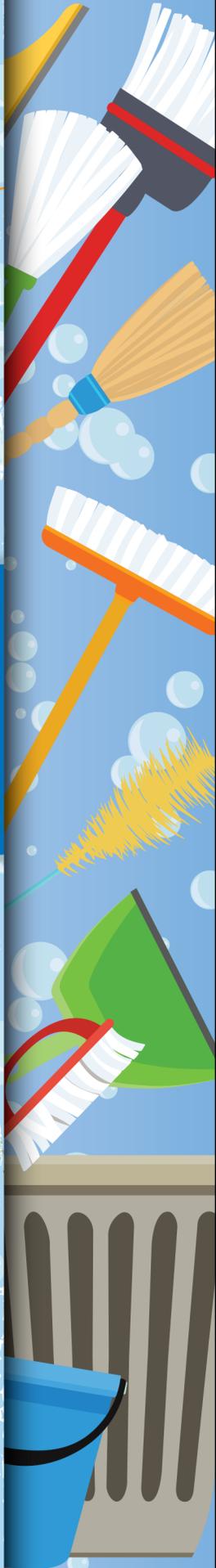
Meeting Location: Fairgrounds Parking Lot

**Join us to help CLEAN UP North Main!**  
Businesses and individuals are invited to participate.

**Coffee/Water/Doughnuts will be provided for all volunteers. Cleaning supplies will be provided.**

**For More information and to register:  
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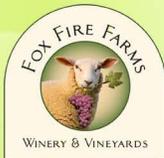
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Gift Basket from  
Durango Olive Oil Company

Great Food! Local Beer!

Wine provided by Fox Fire Farms

Food catered by The Yellow Carrot



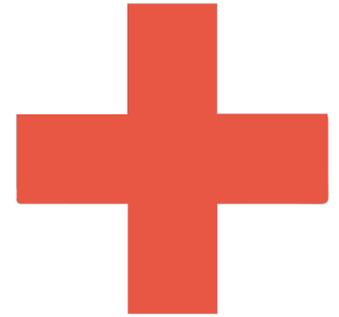
ICE CREAM BARS  
provided by Straight  
Outta Balboa Island

Join us for a great outdoor event in our courtyard!  
\$10 Chamber Members & Guest

# Local HEALTH CARE FORUM

## TOPICS DISCUSSED:

- State of health care - how did we get here?
- State legislative updates
- Health care alliances
- Innovative west slope models
- Collaborative discussion/working group on local health care solutions



**MONDAY,  
MAY 20**

**12PM - 5PM**

**STRATER HOTEL  
PULLMAN ROOM**

**\$25**

**TICKET  
INCLUDES  
LUNCH!**



**REGISTER  
BY MAY 15**



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# SHRED DAY

WEDNESDAY

# MAY 22, 2019

# 12 PM – 2 PM

On-site document shredding at

## DURANGO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE 2301 MAIN AVE

Must enter through the alley via 24th Street, exit out on Main Ave.

**LIMIT 4 BOXES PER HOUSEHOLD & BUSINESS**

Dropping off boxes to be shredded will NOT be allowed.  
You must remain with your box(es) until they are shredded.



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# DIRECT PRIMARY CARE

Get the health care you want at a price you can afford.



  
 Mountain View
   
 Family HealthCare
   
A DIRECT PRIMARY CARE PRACTICE

Presented by **Dr. Kicki Searfus**  
**Mountain View Family HealthCare**

- ▶ Do you value having a physician who knows you and your family well and is invested in partnering with you to achieve optimal health?
- ▶ Do you have to fight through bureaucracy to get in to see your doctor in a timely fashion when you are ill?
- ▶ Are you frustrated by never having adequate time with your doctor to really get at the root of your health issues?
- ▶ Are you tired of paying for expensive insurance premiums and high deductibles and getting nothing for your money?
- ▶ Are you sick of insurance companies interfering with your ability to get the health care you need?

Learn how the Direct Primary Care (DPC) model provides unmatched access to the kind of health care experience you want at a very affordable and predictable cost.

Understand how DPC gives physicians the ability to better collaborate and communicate with you and other providers on your health care team.

Hear the experiences of local business owners who contract with a Direct Primary Care practice to support employee health while maintaining a healthy bottom line.

Learn how Direct Primary Care gives you the right care, at the right time for the right price.

## MAY LUNCH & LEARN

May 22nd • 12 Noon  
 TBK Bank

259 W. 9th Street  
 \$13 Chamber Members  
 \$20 Non-Members  
 includes a delicious lunch  
 catered by  
**HOT TOMATOES CATERING**

### RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED

please register at  
[www.durangobusiness.org](http://www.durangobusiness.org)  
 or 970.247.0312

No shows & cancellations after  
 May 17<sup>th</sup> will be invoiced.

Please remember to use street parking and reserve the parking lot for bank customers.

# Downtown

FRIDAY MAY 24  
8:45-11:30AM

**FREE COFFEE**

(by Carver Brewing Co.)

**FREE DONUTS**

**AND T-SHIRT**

WHILE THEY LAST

The **16th Annual Clean Day** will take place on **FRIDAY, MAY 24th** and will begin at **8:45am**. Gather your co-workers, friends and neighbors and meet at the Chamber tent next to Keller Williams (7th and Main). We will work as a team and clean up downtown Durango before the start of the busy summer season and have some fun while doing it!



## Durango

Come early to check in and get your souvenir **iClean Durango** T-shirt (while they last), complimentary coffee provided by Carver's and some tasty donuts to energize you! Be a part of our awesome **iClean Durango** team photo then get your work assignment!

To sign up or to get more information, please call 970.247.0312 or email [rita@durangobusiness.org](mailto:rita@durangobusiness.org).



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**BLACK BEAR**  
Carpet Cleaning & Repair

**the chamber**  
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Special thanks to Albertsons, Carver Brewing Co., Keller Williams SW Realty and Durango Diplomats.

# More summertime destinations, more fun.

Beginning June 8th, enjoy Saturday non-stop flights to Chicago, Houston, and Los Angeles. Only this summer and only at DRO.



Durango-La Plata  
County Airport

[flydurango.com](http://flydurango.com)

The Durango-La Plata County Airport (DRO) will be seeing added seasonal Saturday service this summer from both American and United Airlines. American Airlines is offering new nonstop service to Chicago O'Hare International Airport (ORD), complimenting their ongoing seasonal service to Los Angeles International Airport (LAX). United Airlines is offering new nonstop service to both Chicago O'Hare and Houston's George Bush Intercontinental Airport (IAH).



## DRO Airline Destinations

