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Participants in National Women's Build Week, which is intended to inspire women to build and advocate for simple, decent and affordable houses in their communities.

Women participate in Build Week

Lowe's of Glenwood Springs partnered with Habitat for Humanity of the Roaring Fork Valley in celebration of the fifth annual National Women's Build Week.

This week challenges women to devote at least one day between May 5-13 to the effort of creating local affordable housing. Habitat for Humanity's Women Build program, underwritten by Lowe's, recruits, educates and inspires women to build — and advocate for — simple, decent and affordable houses in their communities.

Thank you to Lowe's for putting on a clinic to help further educate our volunteers with skills that could immediately be transferred over to the job site.

In addition, Habitat for Humanity of the Roaring Fork Valley received a \$5,000 grant to help with the cost of materials for the duplexes under construction in Silt.

Factory and Army Surplus Visioning Sessions

Sign up to participate in one of two June 2012 Visioning Sessions as our store celebrates its 35th birthday, and makes plans for its next 35 years. We are seeking input from our customers and community members during these events, which are limited to the first 20 people to sign up for each.

During the Visioning Sessions, Factory and Army Surplus will ask participants to evaluate its products, customer service, advertising, marketing and shopping experience from a customer and community perspective. The information from these sessions will be analyzed, and participants' input may influence the future name, brand and product offerings. The process will be led by Write Brain West Inc., a local marketing and communications consulting firm.

As a thanks for the time and commitment to help, lunch or dinner during the meeting from the Glenwood Canyon Brewpub will be served, and all participants will be awarded a \$25

gift certificate to Factory and Army Surplus.

Sign up for one of two Visioning Sessions, each at The Loft meeting space on the fourth floor of historic Hotel Denver, at 402 Seventh St. in Glenwood Springs:

The Evening Session is from 6-8 p.m. Friday, June 22. A buffet dinner will be served, and Brewpub beer will be available for purchase for \$2 per glass.

The Midday Session is from noon to 1:30 p.m. Thursday, June 28. A buffet lunch will be served.

Please RSVP by calling 877-506-5550, or by e-mail to kate@writebrainwest.com. Leave your name, e-mail address and phone number. Indicate the date and time of the Visioning Session you plan to attend.

Placenta encapsulation now available to Glenwood moms

New mothers in Glenwood Springs have the opportunity to consume their very own placenta as medicine to support their postpartum recovery. This service, called "placenta encapsulation," is provided in the mother's own home by Laurel Ripple-Carpenter of Two Rivers Birth Services.

Women who have chosen to ingest placenta pills report improved mood and a faster recovery time after delivering their baby. The process has traditionally been used to enhance lactation, speed recovery, balance hormones, beat the baby blues and increase energy. The placenta is the organ that nourishes the baby for nine months in the womb, and it is rich in nutrients and hormones that are essential to a healthy and balanced pregnancy and postpartum.

As a Placenta Encapsulation Specialist, Ripple-Carpenter has completed her training from Placenta Benefits.info (PBI), the leading resource in placenta encapsulation. The PBI method of preparation is based on principles of Traditional Chinese Medicine, whose practitioners have been preparing placenta medi-

nally for centuries.

Placenta encapsulation is easy, safe, and completely natural. Ripple-Carpenter goes to the client's home after the birth to prepare the placenta in capsule form for the mother, for her own personal use during her postpartum recovery. The placenta pills look very much like an ordinary multivitamin in their final form.

"It was wonderful having Laurel come in and be a 'kitchen ghost.' She brought everything she needed and left everything we needed," explains Grand Junction mother of two Nicole Sizemore. "I got a total energy boost from the pills, which was well needed!"

More information about placenta encapsulation is available online at <http://www.TwoRiversBirthServices.com> and <http://PlacentaBenefits.info>. Two Rivers Birth Services is located at 3096 I-70 Business Loop in Suite E in Grand Junction. In addition to placenta encapsulation, their services include birth doula support, childbirth education, and lactation support. These services are available for all of Western Colorado and Eastern Utah, from as far as Montrose to Moab to Glenwood Springs.

Glen Jammaron joins ACCESS Roaring Fork board

ACCESS is pleased to announce that Glen Jammaron has joined the organization's board of directors. Jammaron is the current vice chairman/president of Alpine Banks of Colorado, having joined the bank in 1985. Jammaron brings vast knowledge and experience to the board of ACCESS, and is recognized as a leader in our community.



GLEN JAMMARON

ACCESS is a nonprofit organization that works to meet the needs of kids and families by offering extended day, diverse, fun and educational programs to students of Garfield County. For more information about ACCESS call (970) 963-4402 or visit www.accessrf.org.

Canyon Cleaners offers The Green Garmento

As of May 1, plastic grocery bags are banned in the cities of Aspen and Carbondale and a 20 cent fee per single-use paper bag is assessed at the register. Both communities voted in the regulations to minimize litter and protect wildlife. Canyon Cleaners wants to do its part too, which is why it is offering an alternative to plastic dry cleaning bags: The Green Garmento.

The Green Garmento is a reusable, cloth bag that transforms from a duffel for dirties to a hanging bag for fresh clothes. Canyon Cleaners believes in this product and encourages customers to purchase their own Green Garmento to reduce the estimated 300 million pounds of single-use dry cleaning bags that end up in landfills and waterways.

"The Green Garmento just makes sense. As responsible citizens, reducing our plastic bag use is so simple. We want to make it easy for customers to make a positive environmental impact. After all, we call the Roaring Fork Valley home, too," said Ramona Jaeger, owner of Canyon Cleaners.

To purchase your Green Garmento bags contact Canyon Cleaners today at 945-6467.

Technicians earn certifications in Mac support, fiber optics

Decypher Technologies celebrates the success of two of its technicians who recently received certificates in advanced Information Technology training.

Decypher's bench technician, James White, completed Apple's training program to become an Apple Certified Mac Technician. He joins Adam Galusha as the second Apple Certified Mac Technician at Decypher Technologies. Apple Certified Technicians are approved to perform work on Apple products and are trained to troubleshoot common Mac issues.

Director Farr Shepherd sees attaining Apple certifications as invaluable. "In today's tech market, Apple products continue to gain popularity, so it's important to be able to service them properly and to meet Apple's high standards," said Shepherd.

Decypher's Infrastructure Technician, Ande Grillo, also achieved an important certification. Grillo graduated from The Fiber School in Pennsylvania in April, earning him Master Fiber Optic Technician status. Master Fiber Optic Technicians are certified to perform any level of fiber optic design, splicing, testing and troubleshooting. Grillo is the first of Decypher's technicians to earn the certification.

"As technology advances fiber optics will continue to support communications demands with increasing bandwidth," said Shepherd. "This certification will strengthen Decypher's position as the industry leader in fiber optics in the Aspen and Vail valleys."

Decypher has eight other technicians with certifications in networking, servers, and surveillance.

Using social media to market your business

Social Media is changing the way small businesses can position themselves in the marketplace. The Roaring Fork Business Center is now able to help business owners understand how to effectively use social media.

For a limited time only, RFBRC has obtained the services of a social media professional who can assist in setting up Facebook pages, blogs, and Twitter and LinkedIn accounts. This is one-on-one counseling to help people get started utilizing social media as an integral part of ongoing marketing efforts.

RFBRC can also provide feedback to anyone currently using social media.

To find out more about this program or to arrange a consultation, call Stephanie Keister at 970-945-5158 or email stephanie@rfrbc.org.

James leads Vicki Lee Green Realtors



MICHELLE JAMES

Vicki Lee Green Realtors would like to congratulate Michelle James for being the top salesperson and top listing agent for May. Michelle has been selling real estate since 1993.

Submit a business brief

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