



Monthly Newsletter

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UPDATE FROM THE IB POA BOARD

May is for Membership. Membership means either individually or collectively belonging to a group. We're all members of the Ironbridge POA. Membership provides amenities, reduces your responsibilities, and helps keep up appearances. These benefits require us to make monthly dues payments and one of the main responsibilities of the Board is to spend your dues responsibly and effectively. We work on this task continuously and strive to be as transparent as possible. That is our membership duty to you. What can you do to be a better member?

As we prepare for our all-too-short summer, the Executive Board continues to address important matters:

- In March, the Board met with Club management to renew regular dialogue, improve communications, and foster a more productive business relationship. We'll hold these meetings every other month (with the next meeting scheduled for May). Please do not submit comments to the Board as content for these meetings. Present your concerns/comments/questions in writing directly to Club management so there are records of contact as required by Club management rules.
- The Bylaws have been amended and will be available on our website. Thanks to the Governing Documents Committee for their enduring patience.
- You have a few more chances to learn about and comment on a possible Transfer Fee Amendment to our Declarations as we decide whether to pursue this option to increase revenue. Attend a Town Hall on Monday, May 6th at 6:00 pm in The Kitchen.
- The Board has engaged a new Covenant Enforcement Officer to drive the neighborhood in the early morning hours and ensure all residents are complying with our Rules & Regulations. Visit the website for the list and avoid possible fines.
- Final decisions are being made around native road and pathway maintenance and what to do about dead trees and tree stumps along CR 109.

*Monthly Executive Board meetings are held on the **third Monday at 5:00 pm** and may vary between Zoom and in-person meetings at The Kitchen. All members are welcome to attend.*

TOWN HALL MAY 6TH AT THE KITCHEN – TRANSFER FEES

URGENT!

IMPORTANT LAST TRANSFER FEE TOWN HALL MEETING!

**ALL SHOULD ATTEND!
MONDAY, MAY 6TH**

**PRESENTED BY
THE IPOA BOARD**

- At The Kitchen
- 6:00 pm Mountain Time
- Learn What it Can Do For Us
- Critical 67% Vote Needed
- What are the Options

DON'T MISS IT!



**WE NEED ALL
RESIDENTS TO BE
INVOLVED AND ATTEND**

**BRING YOUR
NEIGHBORS AND LEARN
WHAT THIS CAN DO FOR
OUR COMMUNITY**

RULES AND REGULATIONS



As the winter retreats and spring emerges the bears of the Roaring Fork Valley wake from their winter slumber, signaling the end of hibernation. During this time it is essential to be BEAR AWARE and take steps the necessary steps to ensure the safety of both humans and bears. Here are a few helpful tips:

1. **Secure Your Trash:** Keep garbage cans securely closed and avoid leaving trash outside where bears can access it.
2. **Store Food Properly:** Store food, birdseed, and pet food indoors or in bear-proof containers to prevent attracting bears.
3. **Keep Outdoor Areas Clean:** Clean outdoor grills, remove food scraps and avoid leaving food unattended during picnics or camping trips.
4. **Be Alert on Trails:** When hiking or camping, make noise to alert bears of your presence.
5. **Respect Wildlife:** Keep a safe distance from bears and never approach or feed them. Admire them from afar and give them space.



May is National Bike Month and there are many ways to celebrate... commute during Bike to Work Week (and Day!), bike to coffee or around the block, or ride on May 5 for National Ride A Bike Day.

BASIC CYCLING RULES OF THE ROAD

- Ride in the right lane unless you need to turn.
- Avoid sudden moves: Ride in a straight line: Avoid weaving.
- Signal your intentions: Use hand signals to indicate your intention to stop or turn. For example, extend your left arm straight out to the left for a left turn, or extend your left arm out with your elbow bent at 90 degrees and your hand pointing up for a right turn.
- Ride where people can see you: Wear bright clothing and reflective gear.
- Check your equipment: Make sure your tires are sufficiently inflated, brakes are working, chain runs smoothly, and quick release levers are closed.

E-BIKES

Generally speaking, the same rules apply to you whether you're on an e-bike or a conventional bike. E-bike riders must obey speed limits and other road signs in the same way that conventional bike riders do. Colorado's Safety Stop applies to e-bikes—e-bike riders can treat stop signs like yield signs and red lights like stop signs if it is safe to do so and as long as they do not take the right of way from another road user.

What's considered an e-bike?

An e-bike is a vehicle with:

- two or three wheels
- fully operable pedals
- an electric motor not exceeding 750 watts of power

There are three classes of E-Bikes:

Class 1 E-bike

Equipped with a motor that provides assistance only when the rider is pedaling and that ceases to provide assistance when the bicycle reaches a speed of 20 miles per hour.

Class 2 E-bike

Equipped with a motor that provides assistance regardless of whether the rider is pedaling but ceases to provide assistance when the bicycle reaches a speed of 20 miles per hour.

Class 3 E-bike

Equipped with a motor that provides assistance only when the rider is pedaling and that ceases to provide assistance when the bicycle reaches a speed of 28 miles per hour.

Where can I ride my E-Bike

Class 1 and 2 e-bikes are allowed the same access as road bikes and mountain bikes, while class 3 e-bikes may not be on a bicycle or pedestrian path unless the path is within a street or highway or permitted by the local jurisdiction. Local jurisdictions have the authority to prohibit the operation of electric bicycles on any bicycle or pedestrian path under its jurisdiction.

Age restrictions and helmet laws



No one under the age of 16 may ride a Class 3 electric bicycle, except as a passenger. Anyone on a Class 3 electric bicycle who is under the age of 18 must wear a helmet.

UPDATES FROM THE IB POA BOARD SUBCOMMITTEES

RESIDENT ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE

A SPECIAL “THANK YOU” TO OUR IRONBRIDGE HABITAT FOR HUMANITY VOLUNTEERS! The Habitat for Humanity Volunteer Day was on April 13th and was organized by Danielle Howard.

A wonderful group of Ironbridge neighbors helping out at Wapiti Commons, the Habitat build site in Rifle. We all need to give back when we can! Thank you to Shannon Francis, Danielle Howard (our amazing organizer), Jim Meine, Erinn Tozer, Harold Harper, and Craig Rojek.



If you have a local business that you would like to let others know about, we would love to feature you in our Monthly Newsletter Just let us know.

If you just recently moved in and did not get our “POA Welcome Tote”, please reach out and let us know to communications@ironbridgepoa.com

We also love to feature **OUR NEW NEIGHBORS**. Let us know if we can share a bit about you and introduce you to our community.

If you have something you would like to include in our **Welcome Totes**, just let us know. It could be something from your local business with a business card.

Also, please let us know if you would like to add an email to receive the Monthly Newsletter. More than one per household is allowed.

Remember...Join your neighbors on the 4th Thursday of each month for game night at The Kitchen. Come play Euchre, Rummikub, or bring a game you would like to teach to others. Beginners are welcome. From 6-8 pm.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

“Our Second Annual Ironbridge Community Garage” Sale is **June 8th this year from 8:00 to 1:00**. It is combined with Westbank. See the flyer for more information. If someone from our neighborhood would like to help organize and run this with others, please reach out and let us know. Help put on social media and spread the word.

Our Summer “Meet and Greet” will be by **Friday, June 14th for Happy Hour** at the pool from 4:00 to 7:00. Look for more information to follow.

*The next meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, May 7th, at 5:00 at the Kitchen**. All residents are welcome.*



Ironbridge Community Announcement:

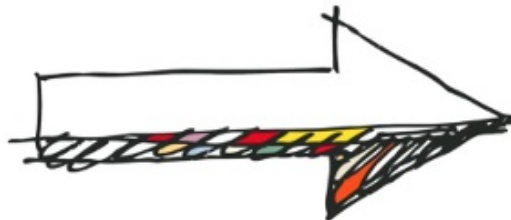
The Second Annual Community
GARAGE SALE

Saturday, June 8th!

From 8:00am to 1:00pm

Coordinating Same Day with Westbank

**GARAGE
SALE**



Please Help Spread the Word!

If you want to participate, put out a sign or balloons! We are looking for someone in the community who can help oversee this annual event! We will try and keep it the same weekend as Westbank each year!

SAFETY



This was brought to the Management's attention by a neighbor and we wanted to share this:

"There is a person in this car going door to door inquiring about people's security system, specifically how it works and what security items you have. He said he wanted to give me a quote for a security system but when I asked for his info and business card, he could not produce one. He was much more inquisitive about what items we had installed or did not. I'm an electrician and this drew huge red flags to me. I also install security systems and would not approach a person like that showing up at your door and asking what security products you have in place to protect your house.

I'd advise you not to talk to this person or tell him what security system you have or not. It's none of his business. If you want or need a security system reach out to a provider you trust. A local licensed trusted company."

Please remember to watch out for each other in our neighborhood. You can use your phone to record unusual activity and let neighbors know if you are going out of town to watch out for your property. With an increase in suspicious activity, we all need to work together to keep Ironbridge a safe place to be!

RIVER CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

The headwaters of the Roaring Fork are found in the Hunter Frying Pan Wilderness just a little southeast of Aspen. For the most part, the river follows Independence Pass Road through Aspen proper, and from there descends into the Roaring Fork Valley. The good news for sportsmen is that nearly all the headwaters of the Roaring Fork can be accessed from public property as the river makes its way through the White River National Forest.

The designated Wild Trout Waters of the Roaring Fork run from Hallum Lake (located in Aspen) all the way downriver to Upper Woody Creek Bridge (found between the towns of Aspen and Basalt). Cutthroat., Rainbow, and Brown trout are particularly plentiful along this section of the Roaring Fork.

From Basalt to Carbondale, the river widens and gains depth as the Frying Pan River connects to the Roaring Fork proper. During high water, this is a great area for floating, and you can access the river in and around Basalt and Carbondale. All in all, this is a beautiful stretch of water with excellent trout fishing flowing down through one of the most majestic valleys in all of Colorado.



Where to Fish?

Other than along our community's riverfrontage, there are two Gold Medal stretches of water to fish from along the Roaring Fork River, both of which provide easy public access to the river for boating or floating.

The first section to visit is on the waters between Hallum Lake in Aspen and Upper Woody Creek Bridge just before you reach Basalt. The easiest way to access this area is from the Rio Grande Trail running along the north bank of the Roaring Fork. Some avid sportsmen even load their gear onto their mountain bikes and follow the trail down to fish for those elusive Gold Medal Rainbows and Brook trout that are found along this particular section of the river.

The second Gold Medal trout waters are found at the confluence of the Roaring Fork and the Crystal River just outside Carbondale. The area continues downstream all the way to where the Roaring Fork meets the Colorado itself near Glenwood Springs.

Rainbows, browns, and mountain whitefish are plentiful here. The character of the river changes dramatically along this stretch and has often been compared to fishing in Arkansas or upstream Colorado waters further to the north.

This Gold Medal stretch is a popular floating area due to the increased depth and wider river. It is also the most scenic section of the Roaring Fork with the Maroon Formation to the east and the 13,000-foot peak of Mount Sopris to the south.

DESIGN REVIEW COMMITTEE



We've been receiving recent requests for new home painting. Before you begin any project, please submit a **DRB Submittal Form** to Keystone Management. You can find our DRB guidelines and Submittal form at

https://www.ironbridgepoa.com/_files/ugd/d1afc4_154b4159738e47918765ff75ea5d5ce4.pdf

DRB Guidelines for Home Painting

All building colors should be compatible with natural earth tones and harmonious with the surroundings. Accent colors can be used to add interest to a home.

If the trim color results in the following, the accent color is likely to be viewed favorably:

- Neatly and cleanly breaking up the mass,
- Assist in drawing out architectural features, and

- Serve to enhance the overall visual warmth of the home.

Colors that result in the following are unlikely to be approved:

- Undue attention to a specific area of the home or
- Highlighting a single, specific feature of the home is not recommended.
- Blue tones will not be permitted for the main body color but may be considered on a case-by-case basis for other areas of the home.

Sample boards with color stories (i.e., colors used as primary, trim, garage, or other portions of the home) are required for DRB inspection. As an alternative, sample colors can be painted on the home for the DRB to inspect before issuing its approval.

Adjacent homes shall not share trim colors, primary or secondary body colors, or shades of similar colors. All colors are subject to DRB approval before painting commences.

FEATURED LOCAL BUSINESS

MIDLAND SHOE

Tracy Bennett

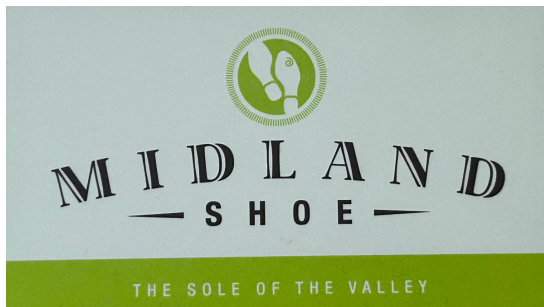
Contact Midland Shoe | Basalt Colorado Shoe Store

150 Midland Ave.

Basalt, CO 81621

970-927-0902

midlandshoe@sopris.net



Have you walked a mile in your shoes, maybe more? Time for a new pair? Look no further than our own Tracy Bennett's Midland Shoe in downtown Basalt. Midland Shoe is a retail shoe store specializing in comfort, and fashion footwear for both men and women. The store caters more to the mountain lifestyle, rather than outdoor or designer footwear. Tracy and her staff pride themselves on customer service, where they will spend time with you to find that perfect shoe and fit.

Nothing beats being able to try on the product with in-person, knowledgeable, and friendly staff to assist you.

Tracy has lived in the Roaring Fork Valley since 1980 and began her career working at various restaurants and retail stores in Snowmass Village. Then in 1987 she moved to Basalt, became pregnant with her first child, and began to form what is now Midland Shoe. In 1992, Tracy first partnered with Veronica Miller (of now Midland Clothing in Willits) to form Midland Mercantile in the then up-and-coming Basalt downtown. Later, Tracy bought out her business partner and re-opened as Midland Shoe in 1993. For over thirty years the business has weathered many storms including wildfires, economic downturns, COVID-19, internet shopping, and the current Basalt Streetscape project!

Besides just residing in the Valley, Tracy and Midland Shoe are very involved with the community. Over the decades, she has donated to about every non-profit in the Valley. Additionally, Tracy sat on the Basalt Education Foundation Board in the early 1990s, was a member of the Town of Basalt Trustees from 1998-2006, and pre-COVID was volunteering at Windwalkers.

Tracy truly appreciates her community and sends thanks all of her customers. She would also love to meet new folks who understand and value supporting local businesses. Many small businesses wouldn't be here if it wasn't for our local community, so a big Thank You to all!

The IPOA Resident Engagement Committee would like to feature your business! Please email communications@ironbridgepoa.com if you would like to be considered. Limited to businesses located in the Roaring Fork Valley and owned by current Ironbridge residents. Thank you!

Why Pickleball is the Fastest Growing Sport

What tickles me about Pickleball – by Danielle Howard 2023

I started playing Pickleball a couple of summers ago, and my time on the court finds me with an ear-to-ear grin.

I had patient friends who got me settled into the basics of the game. I didn't think I would have the eye-hand coordination needed and was pleasantly surprised. I didn't play those types of sports – tennis, softball, volleyball and was a bit afraid of making a fool of myself. All good, I am at a point in life where I say "Bring on the fool"!

The gear looks like it was designed by a kindergarten class - pretty darn simple. While the game was not designed by kindergarteners, the history is pure genius by some parents to get their bored kids engaged. I would have had them clean out the garage, or pull weeds!

Get a paddle and some balls and you are ready to go. I do encourage you to shop for a good paddle. I upgraded and it really improved my game. Between the participants, paddles, the neon-colored balls, and scorekeeping – it all fits together for a really good time.

Being in the kitchen is one of my favorite pastimes. I love to cook! What a surprise that Pickleball has a kitchen, but the goal is to stay OUT of it. I am still refining the dink, the third shot drop, the lob, and the non-volley zone amidst ALL the other nuances of the game. No doubt, I have years of practice ahead of me.

I don't have to go out and buy the latest fashions and as long as whatever I wear has space to stuff an extra ball (on my hip, in a pocket, a third boob), I am good to go! I have found that layering is beneficial as the temperature changes – externally and internally as you get a workout.

It is addictive and highly social. This sport attracts fun people. Always willing to help a Newby out and share skill sets. Traveling somewhere? Pack your paddle and you have a great way to meet the locals. I am able to pick up a couple of games a week when I visit my grandkids on Oahu.

There is etiquette to be adhered to, just ask around and do some research online.

So there you have it – why I am tickled about Pickleball. What other sport is both ridiculous and ridiculously fun at the same time, appealing to a growing, wide array of ages and abilities.

Ironbridge has two courts lined out and nets available on Court 2 down by the pool. As a member of Ironbridge, you can sign up for court times at the Pro Shop. See Club News for more information on reserving. Keep an eye on the Ironbridge Property Owners Association as we look at organizing a group of interested participants on the IPOA Website GROUPS PAGE!



May Club News

Ironbridge Men and Women's Leagues begin in May!

Ladies Golf League Season starts May 1st for the 9-hole and 18-hole leagues. The 9-hole league information is below. Please pay your seasonal membership for just the 9-hole league to Connie Meinie by personal check, Venmo, or Zelle. See the email that went out for clarification!

Mark your Calendars for May 8th as the Ladies kick off their Season with the Ironbridge "Spring Fling" Tournament!

From the Club about Booking Courts and More:

We are excited for another wonderful season of Tennis & Pickleball at Ironbridge! The Tennis & Pickleball Courts are now OPEN. Booking a Tennis or Pickleball Court is simple & easy. Please feel free to go to or call the Pro Shop at 970-384-0630 to reserve either Courts 1 or 2. **Please be aware that Pickleball is ONLY on Court 2 and is unable to be reserved online at this time.*

If you would like to book golf tee times online, please access the Club website at ironbridgeclub.com. Once on the Club Website, please access the "Member Portal" under the Membership Tab. You will need to log in with your Member Credentials (if you haven't set up your online access, please contact Brian Banegas at 970-384-3987).

Remember the Member Portal is a helpful tool for managing your golf tee time reservations, monitoring your Member House Account, updating your billing information, and much more.

When you have successfully reserved either Courts 1 or 2, please head to Pro Shop before your scheduled court reservation and pick up a Key. After you are finished playing, please return the Key to the Pro Shop. If you would prefer to play either Tennis or Pickleball late in the evening,

and the Pro Shop is closed when you are finished, please feel free to leave the Key in the Club Mailbox (located just outside the Pro Shop). *If you do not return the Key, you will not be able to book tennis reservations and you may face suspension. The Keys for Courts 1 & 2 will be in the Club's sole possession unless otherwise provided for those giving Lessons, running Clinics, etc.



Tennis & Pickleball is a private amenity for Club Members ONLY. However, guests accompanied by a Member are more than welcome to use the facilities at no charge. In addition to the Tennis & Pickleball private court reservations, we will be hosting lessons, clinics, events, and more throughout the Spring & Summer season. The Club will provide further information about their exciting programs via the Ironbridge Club Member Newsletter. If you do not receive Club communications, please also contact Brian Banegas at 970-384-3987.

Hopefully, we can Here's to a great 2024 Tennis & Pickleball Season at Ironbridge!

Ladies Ironbridge Spring Fling

9-Hole 4-Person Team Scramble

**Call the Pro Shop 970-384-0630
to Sign Up and Start Forming Your Team
We can help form teams too! Must sign up
by noon on 5-6-24 to play! Capp is 40**

**ENTRY FEE FOR MEMBERS IS \$15.00
NON-MEMBER IS \$25.00 PLUS GREENS FEES
PAY @CONNIE-MEINE FOR VENMO OR ZELLE OR CK BY 5-6-24
PRIZE FOR (1) PLAYER'S BEST SPRING OUTFIT!**

**TWO BRACKETS OF TEAM PLAY :
IF TWO OR MORE PLAYERS ON A TEAM HAVE A GHIN OF 30 OR
LESS (TULIPS) JUST ONE THEN (DAFFODILS)**

Wednesday, May 8th at 5:00

**STRAIGHT SCRAMBLE - MUST USE (1) DRIVE FROM EACH PLAYER
AND EACH PLAYER GETS (1) FLING - TO BE EXPLAINED
COST INCLUDES: AFTER PLAY COCKTAIL, STARTING GOODY BAG,
SPRING BALL MARKER AND PAYOUTS !**

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A

MOTHER'S DAY BRUNCH

11:00 am - 2:00 pm

Open to Members and Public!

Celebrate Mother's Day with a delightful brunch buffet



12 May 2024



The Kitchen at Ironbridge



\$25 per head

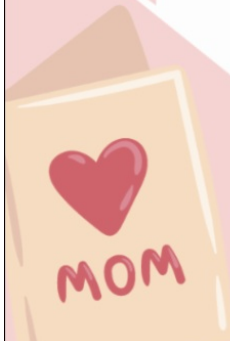
Add \$20 Bottomless Mimosas

RSVP Required by May 7th, 2024

Please RSVP to Serena Richardson

Contact: (970) 384-5034

srichardson@ironbridgeclub.com



REAL ESTATE MARKET UPDATE

Ironbridge Market Insights

In the past month, activity in our local real estate market has noticeably increased. Currently, seven homes are **under contract**, averaging a sale price of \$1,366,429 at \$595 per square foot. Notably, these homes (with the exception of the pre-construction home) have been on the market for an average of just 9 days without any price reductions prior to sale, highlighting the high desirability of our neighborhood. Moreover, five homes are **available for purchase**, with prices ranging from \$1,295,000 to \$2,595,000. Particularly in Heron Crossing, prices for new construction homes nearing completion have increased as the inventory of new builds dwindles.

Explore the **one home** that has changed ownership over the past 30 days in Ironbridge - it sold in just 27 days at the full asking price of \$721 per square foot.

Pinyon Mesa and Aspen Glen Updates

Pinyon Mesa has seen a quiet start to the year with no homes sold since January. Currently, there are five homes on the market, with a median price of \$1.7 million and \$494 per square foot, and an average market time of 44 days.

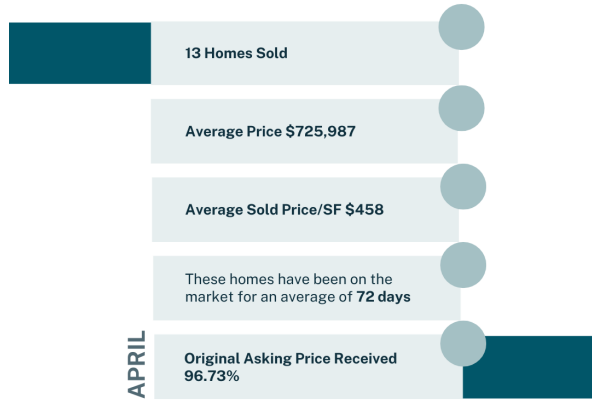
	April	March	% Change
Inventory	5	6	↓ 16%
New Construction	3	4	↓ 25%
Days On The Market	210	215	↓ 2%
Average List Price	\$1,66M	\$1,92M	↓ 13%
List Price/SqFt	\$611	\$625	↓ 2%

In contrast, **Aspen Glen** has a broader selection with 14 properties available, ranging from single-family homes to townhomes, priced at a median of \$2.875 million (\$820 per square foot). However, these properties have been on the market for an extended average of 6.5 months.

Glenwood Springs Market Trends

The **Glenwood Springs** market is bustling with 32 homes under contract. The median of these homes offers 3 bedrooms and 2 bathrooms, listed at a median price of \$770,000 (\$497 per square foot), and has been on the market for an average of only 9 days. This is a significant improvement over last year, which saw 26 sales (April 25 through May 25) at an average of \$409 per square foot and 92 days on the market, suggesting pent-up demand and a robust pool of eager buyers this spring. [Here](#) are the most recent sales in Glenwood Springs:

SOLD IN GLENWOOD SPRINGS



As of April 23, 2024



Local Market Perspective

The latest **Altos Research market report** suggests a slight seller's advantage in Glenwood Springs. However, it could be argued that the advantage might be more pronounced. The area only offers a very limited number of quality mid-sized homes priced around \$1 million. Currently, the inventory consists of about 30 homes, with 18 averaging 3,500 square feet and **starting at \$1.5 million**, and the additional homes offered in various conditions.

National Context

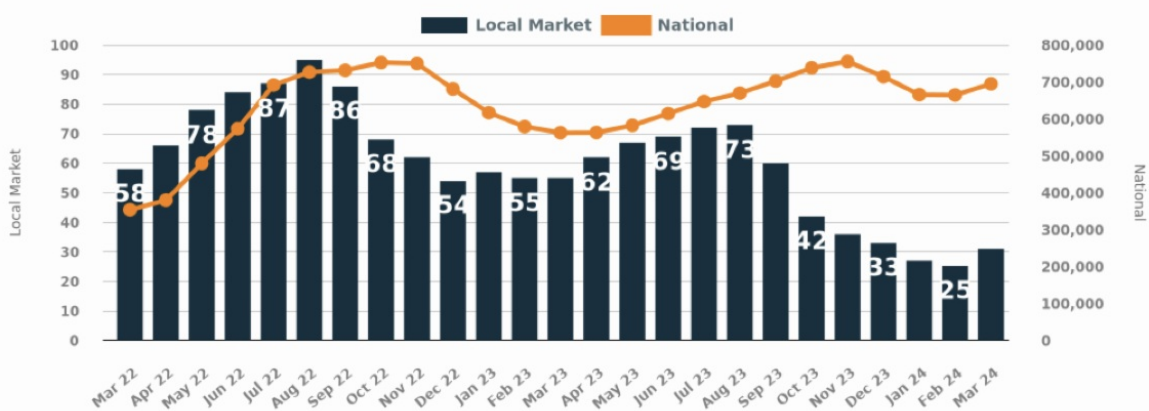
A graph from Keeping Current Matters (Source: Realtor.com) shows varied trends across the country with regions like Florida, Texas, Maine, and Arizona experiencing inventory increases. However, these national trends do not mirror our local market conditions, which remain uniquely positioned.

	April	March	% Change
Inventory	34	35	↓ 3%
New Construction	4	4	0%
Days On The Market	120	103	↑ 16%
Average List Price	\$1,47M	\$1,27M	↑ 15%
List Price/SqFt	\$522	\$491	↑ 6%

As of April 23, 2024

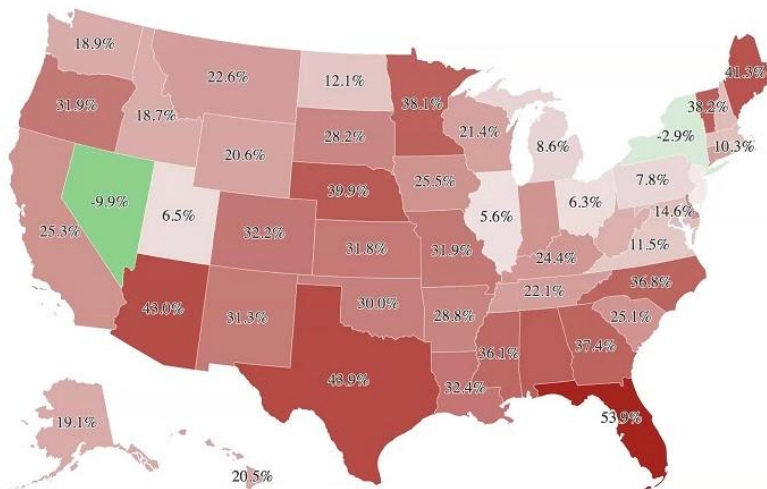
Active Listing Count

Number of Homes Actively for Sale per Month, Excluding Pending Listings



Glenwood Springs

Source: Realtor.com



Source: Altos Research

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ROARING FORK VALLEY EVENTS



May 3rd: Fireball Drop; benefiting the Roarty Club of Carbondale. 5:00 PM Sopris Park. Watch live as up to 1,000 ping pong balls drop from the Carbondale & Rural fire ladder truck down onto a field of targets in Sopris Park at Carbondale's First Friday. The ball closest to the center target wins the grand prize of \$5,000 cash! Need not be present to win. Adopt your ball for \$20 each for a chance to win the grand prize of \$5,000! Purchase your ping pong balls from the Carbondale Rotary Club at paybee.io/quickpay.html?handle=fireballdrop&ppid=5#optionList or City Market Carbondale.

May 3rd: First Friday; "Family Block Party" and Pride Parade. Downtown Carbondale 4:00 PM through 9:00 PM. Stroll Main Street in the heart of Carbondale Creative District and enjoy a wide range of local arts, galleries, shopping, award-winning restaurants & spirits live, music, and entertainment. Family Block Party starts at 4:00 PM at the 4th St. Plaza with live music, family-friendly activities, local eats, and a beer/spirits tent.

May 4th: WindWalkers Annual Kentucky Derby Party; 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM, Spring Creek Ranch, 644 Cowan Dr. Carbondale, 81624. Enjoy a fun afternoon with some delicious bites, refreshing drinks, and a wonderful social atmosphere as we experience the Kentucky Derby live at Spring Creek Ranch! We encourage everyone to dress up and participate in our fun contests; Ladies Best in Hat, Gentleman's Best in Bow-Tie, Hat or Jacket, and Couples Best Dressed for a chance to win some amazing prizes! All proceeds benefit WindWalkers and the RFV Horse Console. For more information and tickets go to windwalkers.org. Individual tickets are \$100; and include signature cocktails, a southern-style buffet, and decadent desserts.

May 8th, 15th, 22nd & 29th: Valley View Presents Free Stop the Bleed Series; 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM, Valley View Hospital, Conference Room 2A. Valley View will host a series of free hands-on classes throughout the month of May to teach attendees the knowledge and tools necessary to stabilize an injured person and control severe bleeding until first responders arrive on the scene. Classes are open to those over the age of 12 years old. Advanced registration is required. Two register email Carly.debeque@vvh.org. For more information go to vvh.org.

May 9th: Mother's Day Sip and Arrange Class [Flower Arranging] Chocolate Treats; 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM, at the Cocoa Club, 786 HWY 133, Carbondale. Events by Pollinator Chocolate. Indulge in a floral fantasy with our enchanting flower arranging class. With a bounty of fresh flowers, a chic vase, and all the essential tools at your fingertips, unleash your inner artist and let your imagination bloom! Cost \$60. To reserve your tickets go to pollinatorchocolate.com/pages/calendar-of-events

May 11th: 25th Annual Carbondale Dandelion Day; 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM Sopris Park. Presented by Carbondale Arts. Dandelion Day is a celebration of spring, sustainability, and community. From its modest roots as a neighborhood event, this annual festival is proudly green, and waste-free, bringing Sopris Park and the community buzzing to life. Vendors, food, live music and performances, learning sessions, slow bike races, and so much more! Fun for all ages. Please bring a T-shirt from home this year to the silkscreen print dandelion days logo. For more information on this event go to www.carbondale.com/events

May 13th: Kid's Bike Rodeo; 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM, Carbondale Recreation Center. Bring your bike and helmet and give our bike obstacle course a try. The bike rodeo is a fun way for kids to learn basic bike safety and the rules of the road while navigating a fun obstacle course. Free for kids 6 and under. All participants must wear a helmet and have a waiver signed by a parent. For more information and registration go to carbondalerec.com

May 13th - 17th: Bonedale Bike Week; various locations. Contact Tracy Wilson for more information 970-510-1083, bonedalebikeweek@gmail.com

May 15th: Kid's Pump Track Time; 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM, Carbondale North Face Bike Park, sponsored by CPRC. From striders to pedal bikers we will have pump track time trials for different age groups Free. All participants must wear a helmet and bring their bike. For more information and registration go to carbondalerec.com

May 18th: Party Like it's 1999; Glenwood Springs Adventure Park is celebrating 25 years of smiles! 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM, Glenwood Caverns Adventure Park, 51000 Two Rivers Plaza Rd. Discounted tickets after 4 PM or \$10. A prince tribute band, Paisley Park, will rock the stage from 7 to 9. After 4:00 PM be sure to take advantage of the \$10 gondola ride to the mountaintop as we kick off the summer season with specialty-themed and discounted food and beverage offerings, giveaways, raffles, and swag items. For more information go to glenwoodcaverns.com

May 18th - 19th: Annual Plant Sale; Colorado Rocky Mountain School, 500 Holden Way, 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM. Tomatoes, herbs, veggies, annual flowers, perennials, seed potatoes, onion plants, and more! All garden starts are organically grown and are well-suited to the roaring Fork Valley climate. Payment via Venmo, cash, check, or credit card. www.crms.org/plantsale

May 18th & 19th: Utilitarian Pottery Connection & Communication With Allegheny Meadows; Carbondale Clay Center, 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM. For intermediate/advanced understanding of clay participants. For more information and registration go to www.carbondaleclay.org

May 19th: AVLT Springfest Celebration; 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM, Strang Ranch, 393 County Rd 102, Carbondale. This favorite community picnic will feature live music by Carbondale's Sweet Jessup and the Dirty Buckets, local eats from Taqueria el Yaqui, live sheepdog herding and horseback riding demos, sensory work with Smiling Goat Ranch, kids craft activities, and more. Coolers, chairs, and blankets are welcome but please leave glass and your furry friends at home. Vehicles with dogs will not be permitted. For more information and tickets contact Carly Bolliger at carly@avlt.org or 970-963-8440. Tickets, \$25 For adults, \$10 for kids 3 - 12, free for kids 2 & under.

May 19th: Mt. Sopris Runoff; The race has an option for a 25K and a 10k mile race. Both races will start at the Flying Dog Ranch and end at Rock Bottom Ranch following the iconic Prince Creek "Up and Over" trail. 8:00 AM at Flying Dog Ranch. Fishing Party at Rock Bottom Ranch. \$80 Race Fee. For more information go to www.mtsoprisrunoff.com. Register at ultrasignup.com.

May: Music at Steve's Guitars; 8:00 PM. For more information, the full "May" artist lineup, and reservations go to stevesguitars.net.

May: Take the kids to visit the Alpacas; at Ceader Ridge Ranch, 3059 County Road 103, Carbondale. Call to schedule a visit at 970-963-3507 or info@ceaderridgeranch.com. Also, down the valley, you can visit the Sopris Alpaca Farm for their "Springtime on the Alpaca Farm"; located in Slit, 35795 U.S. 6. Open Dailey from 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM. Admission is free and you can buy bags of grain to hand feed the alpacas. For more information contact Kim Wesson @ 970-274-0853 or kimmywesson1@gmail.com.



May 3rd: Fairy Garden Workshop; tinkering and craft time for all ages! Come create enchanted fairy gardens for your home and garden. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM, Community Center, Glenwood Springs Rec, 100 Wulfshon Rd. Fee \$35 per garden / \$28 Community Center members. All ages. For more information go to glenwoodrec.com.

May 3rd & 4th: LDC's 7th Annual Spring Showcase; Glenwood Springs High School, 7:00 PM Legacy Dance Company Spring Showcase 2024 presents "Songs of the Silver Screen". This performance will feature over 100 young dancers in our community from ages 2 and up sharing their passion for dance. Tickets range from \$18 - \$10, available at the door.

May 4th: Annual Comics Festival at the Garfield County Libraries; 11:00 AM - 6:00 PM, Glenwood Springs Branch Library, 815 Cooper Av. Come take part in the different activities celebrating fandoms of all kinds. Games, crafts, artist presentations, a cosplay contest, and more! For more information and a schedule of events go to www.gcpld.org

May 5th: Cinco de Mayo; The city comes alive with Marachi melodies and the aroma of authentic cuisine. Colorful parades and lively street parties celebrate the rich heritage and pay to Mexican independence, Glenwood Springs Station, 413 7th Street.

May 18th: Annual Kids Safety Fair; 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM, Valley View Hospital, Upper Parking Lot, 1906 Blake Av. As a part of Valley Views' efforts and commitment to keep the community safe, families are invited to attend this free event featuring fire safety demonstrations, fire truck tours, helmet fittings, Kiwanis Bike Rodeo, water safety, and more. For more information visit VVH.org/SafetyFair

May 10th: Symphony Swing, Roaring 20's Champagne Gala Fundraiser; 6:30 PM, Hotel Colorado, 526 Pine St. Enjoy a fun evening with Big Band Music, dinner and dancing. Period dress is encouraged. Sponsored by and fundraising for Symphony in The Valley. Tickets start at \$100, with premium seating also available. Purchase tickets at www.sitv.org

May 20th: Women's Bike Clinic, focus on Shifting and Suspension; Sunlight Ski & Bike Shop, 309 9th St. Doors open at 5:30 for socializing, drinks and snacks. Clinic from 6:00 PM -

7:30 PM. For more information call [970-945-9425](tel:970-945-9425).

May 23rd: Movie Night @ The Vaudeville Review; 6:00 PM - 9:30 PM, 915 Grand Av. Movie to be announced soon. For more information call [970-945-9699](tel:970-945-9699) or go to gvrshow.com

May 25th: Marble Mineral Gala; Benefiting the marble gym and mineral show nonprofit to fund our annual summer show and our future marble geology museum. 4:00 PM - 10:00 PM, Hotel Colorado, 526 Pine Street. Dinner – Silent Auction – Live Music, by Wooden Rock, – Dancing. Tickets \$100. For more information go to Marblegemshow.com.

May 25th, 26th, & 27th: Glenwood Art Festival; On 7th Street and Bethel Plaza in downtown Glenwood Springs. Saturday and Sunday 11:00 AM - 7:00 PM, Monday 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM. A Memorial Day weekend celebration of fine visual arts and handcrafted goods! This free three-day event will be showcasing local and national artists, representing a wide array of mediums and price points. In addition to great shopping, there will also be free live music and family fun. For more information go to coloradoevents.org

May 31st: Roaring Forks, Corks & Kegs; 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM, Hotel Colorado, 526 Pine St. Come enjoy a social night out sampling the best restaurants in Glenwood Springs. Our local restaurants, breweries, and wineries have rolled up their sleeve to support our community by donating sample bites, beer, and wine. All proceeds raised will go back to Glenwood Springs schools' classrooms to provide funds used for projects that enrich learning while supporting the classroom curriculum. Enjoy over 12 of the best restaurants Glenwood has to offer for one amazing, fun-filled night. Dance the night away with a live DJ and check out some amazing trips and goodies at the silent auction. Tickets: General Admission - \$85, Teacher Admission - \$55. For tickets and more information go to glenwoodedu.org.



May 16th: Stars And Stripes: Preserving the Dark of Night with Dr. Jeffrey Hall; 7:00 PM, TACAW Willits, 400 Robinson St. Basalt. The topic of light pollution is little known to many yet is incredibly important and connected to other issues of how we care for our planet. Please join us for an informative evening starting with a few words by local-born National Geographic photographer and adventurer, Pete McBride, who will introduce our guest speaker, Dr. Jeffrey Hall. Dr. Hall is the executive Director of the Lowell Observatory of Flagstaff, Arizona. Seated Show / All Ages. Tickets are Free with RSVP. For more information go to tacaw.org.

May: TACAW Willits, 400 Robinson St. The Arts Campus at Willits presents exceptional performing arts, cultural events, and thought-provoking programming that sustain a connected engaged, and inspired community. For more information on all of their "May" shows and ticket prices go to tacaw.org.

May: Heather's Savory Pies and Tapas. 166 Midland Ave. Basalt. 6:30 PM - 9:30 PM. Enjoy dinner and live music. Heather's has live music from Wednesday through Saturday evenings. For more information and Heather's Savory Pies's full Live Music Schedule go to heatherssavorypies.com.



May 18th: The 30th Annual Ride for the Pass; 10:30 AM - 2:30 PM. The Annual Ride for the Pass starts at the Winter Gate, 5 miles east of Aspen Highway 82. There will be two finish lines: the first at Weller Lake turnout and the second at the traditional Independence Ghost Town site 10 miles from the start. Join this "car-free" ride to support the Independence Pass Foundation and ride this iconic Colorado Road before it opens to vehicle traffic for the season. Fees: various \$15 - \$45. For more information contact Dina Belmont at [970-379-1222](tel:970-379-1222) or the website www.independencepass.org

May 24th: Peach Street Revival; 7:30 PM, Wheeler Opera House, 320 Hyman Ave. Tickets \$15. Celebrating the anniversary of Wheeler's 1984 grand reopening with two amazing concerts. Peach Street Revival takes the stage Friday night and there will be plenty of room on the dance floor. The ticket price includes one complimentary beer, wine, or soda from the bar. Patrons can claim their drink tickets at the door. Peach Street Revival is a fierce, female-dominated rock band from Grand Junction, Colorado, committed to crafting hit songs, touring globally, and intertwining their music with the fashion industry. For more information and tickets go to wheeleroperahouse.com or call [970-920-5770](tel:970-920-5770).

May 25th: Judy Collins Duo Wildflowers Tour; 7:30 PM, Wheeler Opera House, 320 Hyman Ave. Tickets \$19.84 Celebrating the anniversary of Wheeler's 1984 grand reopening with two amazing concerts. Judy Collins returns to the stage Saturday night with her Wildflowers Tour. She has long inspired audiences with sublime vocals, boldly vulnerable songwriting, personal life triumphs, and a firm commitment to social activism. The award-winning singer-songwriter is esteemed for her imaginative interpretations of traditional and contemporary folk standards and her own poetically poignant original compositions. Don't miss this show. For more information and tickets go to wheeleroperahouse.com or call [970-920-5770](tel:970-920-5770).
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