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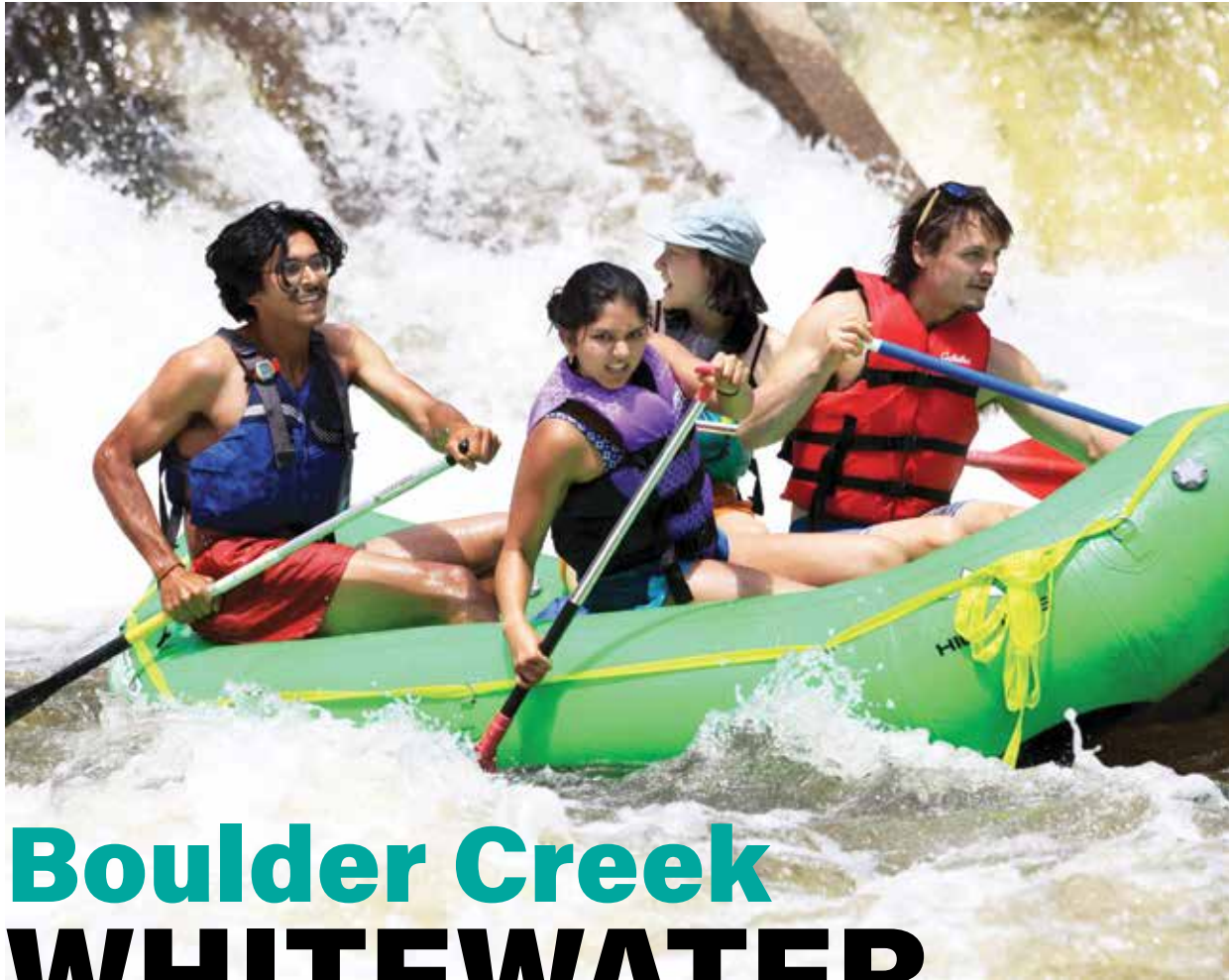


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Boulder Creek WHITEWATER

Spring runoff Melting mountain snow has creeks and rivers at or near peak levels. See pictures on page 20.

Gilpin BoCC approve Sheriff Department resolutions

MINDY LEARY
GILPIN COUNTY

The Gilpin County Commissioners held their regular meeting on Tuesday, June 11, with all commissioners—Susan Berumen (Chair), Marie Mornis, and Sandy Hollingsworth—in attendance. County Attorney Brad Benning, County Clerk Melanie Bleyler, and County Manager Ray Rears (online) were also present.

The highlights of the meeting were resolutions concerning law enforcement, and more staffing discussions.

Law Enforcement

New Hire: Johnathan Jones, Detention Officer

Resolution 24-87:

Law Enforcement Shooting Range Lease Agreement

The board packet explains, “Gilpin County had a lease agreement with the Albert and Mary Frei Irrevocable Trust for a property with an outdoor shooting range for the Gilpin County Sheriff’s Office to use for practice and training....Clear Creek County also had a lease agreement with Albert and Mary Frei Irrevocable Trust for a shooting range that was located in Clear Creek County.... In January of this year both shooting range properties were sold to Martin Marietta Materials Real Estate Investments, Inc.

“...[N]egotiations began on a new lease agreement. During negotiations, it came to light that the new owners, Martin Marietta Materials, would like to consolidate the two shooting range leases into one, and have both Clear Creek County and Gilpin County share the shooting range located off Lake Gulch Road. Both Counties agreed. The amount for rent is half the amount it was in the previous lease agreement (\$3,000.00 annually).”

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Archaeology Open House at Central’s former brothel district

MINDY LEARY
CENTRAL CITY

Ever wonder if Central City has more than gold hiding under its soil? Curious locals had the chance to find out at an open house archaeological dig site led by Metropolitan University Assistant Professor Jade Luiz and her students on Saturday, June 8.

They were excavating the former brothel district on Pine Street, which included the renowned Madam Lou Bunch House and four other brothels from over a century ago.

Luiz said 10 to 15 people attended the event, which was located on a hill to the west of Pine Street, just under the inactive Coeur D’Alene mine.

The team’s deepest excavation was about a meter deep. At the

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PHOTO BY MINDY LEARY

Unearthing clues Dr. Jade Luiz points out a fragment of textile, most likely silk, that was found over burnt wood planks. Initially planning to remove it, she decides to wait until next summer to retrieve the entire artifact.

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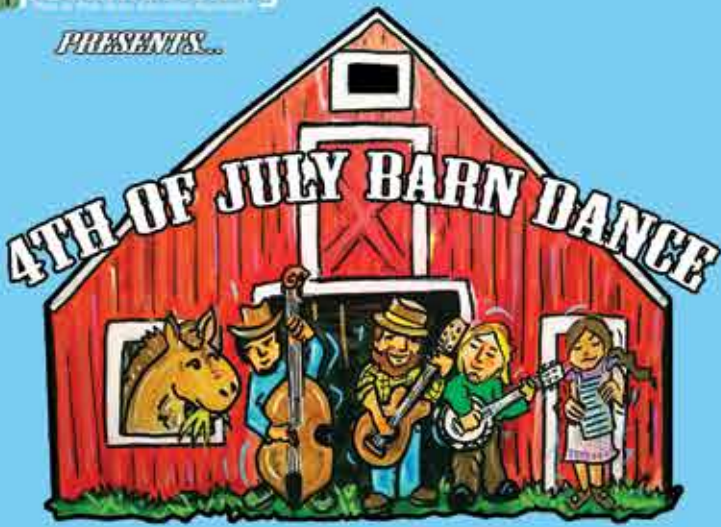
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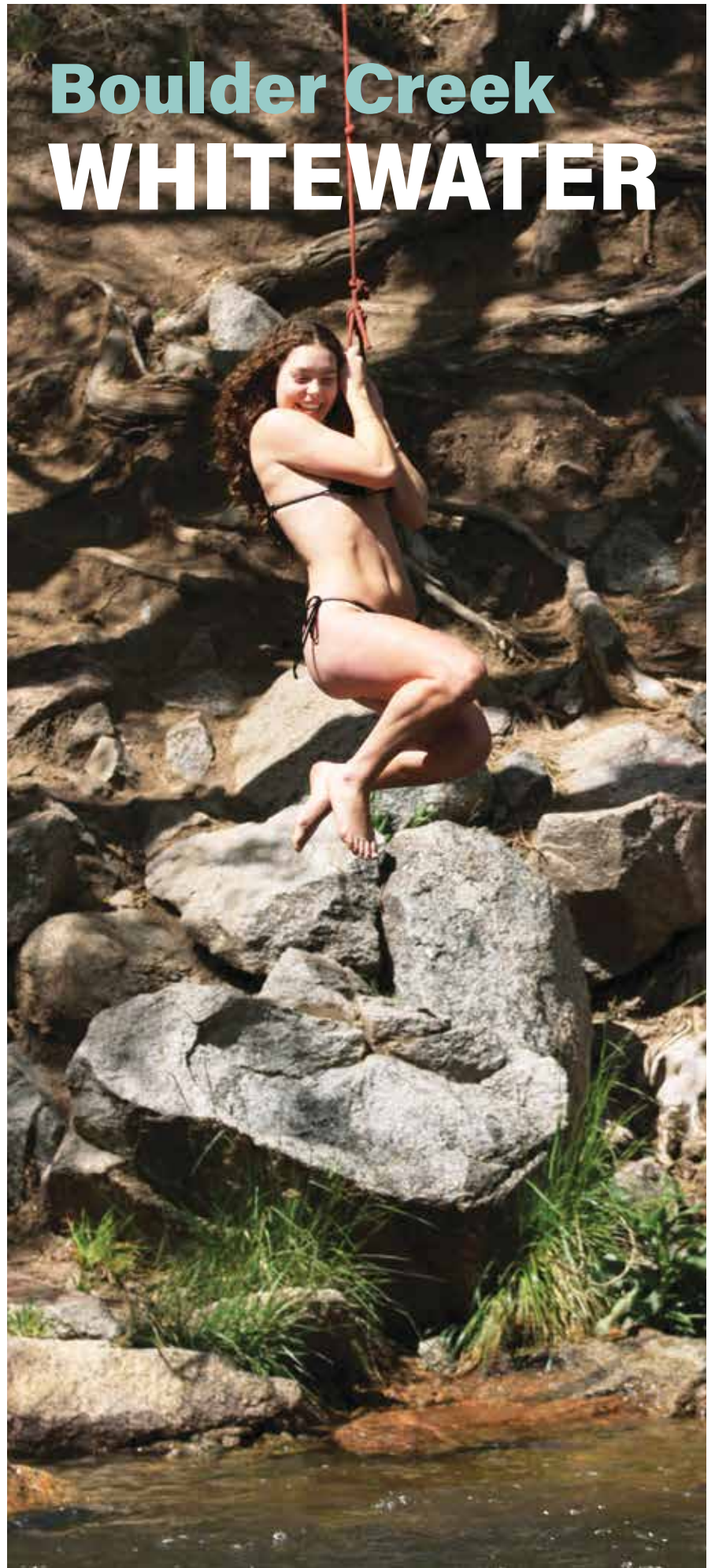
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Boulder Creek WHITEWATER



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Chills

Top: The rope swing is an exciting feature. Bottom: A rafter is unceremoniously dumped into the icy creek on the west side of Boulder.

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Boulder Creek

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Thrills

Top: A kayaker negotiating one of the many drops. Bottom, right: Football anyone? Bottom, left: A boater executes a stern squirt exiting a rapid.



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