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Photos turn walls worldly

Artist has gone to more than 80 countries

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Cheryl Arnold Moseley is a photographer who has traveled to more than 80 countries in the past 40 years. Her work is currently displayed inside the Sheldon Richins Building at Kimball Junction.

By PATRICK PARKINSON
Of the Record staff

Photographer Cheryl Arnold Moseley said she has spent the past four decades traveling to more than 80 countries on all seven continents. An exhibit featuring Moseley's work, which chronicles her travels, debuted this week at the Summit County Library at Kimball Junction.

As a nurse, the 63-year-old frequently traveled in Asia where she lived for up to two years at a time and worked in villages in Afghanistan, Nepal and India.

In the early 1970s, she met Mother Theresa, Moseley explained.

"The last time I saw Mother Theresa was in '92, before she passed away," Moseley said. "She actually let me do a short video of her. She normally didn't like to have her picture taken."

Photographs of people Moseley has met in foreign lands are the focus of her exhibit, "Eye of the World."

"It has a lot of different meanings," Moseley said about the title of the show.

She said she shot the bulk of the photographs between 1972 and 2005.

Her father, who was born blind and later lost his hearing, inspired her to travel the world, Moseley said.

"My father always talked about wanting to learn about people and lives and other religions and cultures," she said. "He always felt very inspired by everything around him."

In the 1960s, she caught the travel bug for good.

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A red alert on the ice



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Aidan Shaw, who lives in Park City, splits the defense with his stick skills during a pickup game of hockey Tuesday afternoon at Willow Creek in the Snyderville Basin. The game pit a group of kids against a team made of adults. Other hockey players in the Park City area prefer the indoor rink at the Park City Ice Arena.

Building shoring begins

Claim Jumper work starts the day after the property was sold

By JAY HAMBURGER
Of the Record staff

City Hall on Wednesday issued a permit for some work inside the Claim Jumper building, an indication that the historic property's ownership will undertake at least some upgrades as the building's future is contemplated.

The Park City Building Department granted the permit to a contractor known as Topmark Industries Inc. The permit allows demolition work on the interior of

the building. It prohibits structural work. The permit was granted on the same day the application was submitted.

According to the permit, the fire-sprinkler system must be put into working condition. Topmark Industries values the work at \$15,000.

"It's a good thing to have the building moving forward, back to safety," Mark Pappas, the Topmark Industries owner, said in an interview.

Pappas said the work started Wednesday afternoon. Pappas directed further questions to MidFirst Bank, which has been a key player in the building as the Claim Jumper was sold at auction in a trustee's sale on Tuesday.

The Building Department said the permit allows the crews to

troubleshoot problems with the fire-sprinkler system and correct them if they are discovered. The department said it expects to receive an application soon to install a new fire-sprinkler system in the building.

Kurt Simister, a Building Department official involved in the discussions about the Claim Jumper work, said a meeting was scheduled with someone representing the building on Thursday. He called the work outlined in the permit "routine" for an owner attempting to upgrade a building.

"That's encouraging. We've got somebody who wants to do something with it," Simister said.

The abandoned Claim Jumper, 573 Main St., is one of Main Street's most prominent buildings.

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Engines off, City Hall says

Idling spews lots of pollution and is not fuel efficient

By JAY HAMBURGER
Of the Record staff

Park City has endorsed a statement against idling vehicles, encouraging drivers inside the city limits to not keep engines running when their cars and trucks are not moving.

The Park City Council unanimously adopted an anti-idling resolution recently, siding with local activists that had been pressing for such a statement for some time. The supporters say discouraging the practice of keeping engines running will be good for the environment and further protects public health.

The resolution maintains that vehicle emissions "contribute significantly" to air pollution, a changing climate and health problems like cancer and heart and lung disease. It also says idling most vehicles for more than 10 seconds uses more fuel than turning the vehicle off and then restarting the engine.

"The City Council desires to take a proactive position on air pollution to protect the livability and viability of Park City and its residents, visitors and guests," the resolution says.

The resolution acknowledges that idling is warranted in some cases, including when emergency personnel are on a call and when a vehicle must idle to provide power, such as in the cases of police sport utility vehicles and trucks with refrigeration systems. It also makes an exception when the temperature is below 32 degrees or above 90 degrees.

City Hall rules prohibit delivery drivers from idling their vehicles on Main Street and Swede Alley.

Diane Foster, who manages

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Big Stick, torched



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Torchbearers illuminate the night during the annual torchlight parade on Deer Valley Resort's Big Stick run on Wednesday night. Nearly three dozen skiers wowed the crowd with their descent.

Avalanche danger increases

One of the largest slides was triggered in the Park City area

By PATRICK PARKINSON
Of the Record staff

Outside the boundaries of its three ski areas there was considerable avalanche danger in Summit County on New Year's Day after heavy snow fell this week on weak, unstable layers.

Winds may increase the danger this weekend and slide forecasters say steep slopes should be avoided by backcountry enthusiasts who are not experienced at identifying fresh drifts.

"Unless people have solid avalanche skills, it's a time when you can still get your freshies by riding in the resorts or sticking to lower-angled terrain, because

the snow is nice and light and fluffy right now," avalanche forecaster Craig Gordon said.

When avalanche danger is considerable human-triggered slides are probable, he said.

"We expect denser snow throughout the weekend so that might keep things at an elevated danger level for the next couple days," Gordon said in a telephone interview. "Avalanche conditions could get trickier, especially if the forecasted storms verify and we put some heavier snow on top of this lighter snow."

The Utah Avalanche Center issued a warning this week for the Uinta and Wasatch Mountains after a 200-foot-wide avalanche near South Monitor peak in the Park City area slid about 400 feet. The slide occurred Wednesday near White Pine Canyon at about 12:30 p.m.

A skier triggered the avalanche at about 9,800 feet in a soft snow slab from

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Have a Fab night at the Egyptian

Relive the music of the legendary Beatles on stage at The Egyptian Theatre on Main Street. Imagine, a Beatles tribute band, performs tonight, Jan. 2, at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$18 in advance, \$20 at the door, and \$25 for cabaret seating. For tickets or more information about the concert, call 649-937 or visit www.parkcityshows.com.

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Engines off, City Hall says in resolution

City Hall's environmental programs, said in an interview approximately 15 signs discouraging idling will be posted. They will be in "very public spots," she said, mentioning Main Street and Swede Alley as two of the streets where the signs will be put up.

The resolution is a "very public statement that we want to be idler-free," she said.

Mayor Dana Williams and the City Council approved the resolution as part of City Hall's environmental efforts and as a citizens group was lobbying for the move. But a resolution like the one against idling vehicles does not change Park City law, meaning that there are no penalties for people who continue to leave engines running.

Foster said the elected officials are expected to later discuss whether they want to pass a law against idling, a decision that would likely be more closely watched than the recent resolution was. If a law is passed, the Police Department would be able to ticket people for violations. She said Williams and the City Council will probably debate whether a law is needed during their so-called visioning sessions

early in 2010. The elected officials normally set a wide-ranging work plan for City Hall during the sessions.

Mary Jacquin, a leader with the group Clean Air Park City, said the organization plans to launch an anti-idling campaign that will point out the effects of leaving an engine running as well as the benefits of shutting engines down.

"It's a simple thing to do, turn off your key," she said.

Her group had wanted the City Council to adopt a resolution and had collected nearly 350 signatures on a petition asking for a resolution against idling like the one that was passed.

"It gives us more leverage with educating the community (of) the harmful effects of idling," she said.

City Hall staffers in October issued a report about idling prohibitions elsewhere showing that there are numerous variations in the laws. Some examples, according to the research, include:

- Aspen Colo., which limits idling to five minutes, with fines for violators ranging from \$50 to \$1,000
Ketchum, Idaho, which limits idling to three minutes and levels fines for violators ranging from \$100 to \$300
Burlington, Vt., which limits idling to three minutes and levels \$10 fines on violators
Minneapolis, which limits idling to three minutes and levels \$200 fines on violators.
Massachusetts, which limits idling to five minutes and levels fines ranging from \$100 to \$25,000.

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Crews start to shore up building

It fell into disrepair in recent years as the owner scrapped plans to renovate the building into an upscale lodge. The inside of the building has been gutted.

There are longstanding concerns about the possibilities of fires in vacant buildings like the Claim Jumper. The timing of the permit for the work one day after the auction signals there is some interest in shoring up the building.

A business entity known as CSA 10-573 Main LLC won the Claim Jumper with a bid of \$5 million in

the trustee's sale on Tuesday.

The firm entered the only bid for the building. The bid followed shortly after MidFirst Bank, the lender, assigned the business entity its beneficial interest in the trust deed on the Claim Jumper. MidFirst Bank and the business entity share the same Oklahoma City address, according to Utah Department of Commerce records. MidFirst Bank is named as the manager of the business entity in the Department of Commerce listing.

As of November 2008, the Arizona firm that had the Claim Jumper owed MidFirst Bank nearly \$6.9 million, according to a default notice filed at the County Courthouse.

The Arizona firm, under the umbrella of Germaine Partners, held ambitious plans for Main Street anchored by what was seen as an ambitious renovation of the Claim Jumper. Most of those plans have been scrapped.

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Moseley said.

"I wanted to see as much of the world as I could," she said.

Her favorite place to travel is the Indian subcontinent.

"That includes Bhutan, Nepal and Kashmir," she said. "I love the fact that there is so much history and diversity, all the religions and the cultural differences. There are other more beautiful places, but I think

that what draws my heart is that real diversity."

Still, some Asian and African nations have become more dangerous for travelers, she acknowledged.

"But I would never, even today, not go someplace because of what I hear on the news," Moseley said.

Moseley's photographs currently hang in the Sheldon Richins Building, 6505 N. Landmark Drive.

"We were so thrilled to be able to bring this talented artist to our library and we're going to leave them mounted for as long as we're able to," said Rebecca Felton, a Summit County Library board member. "She has a wonderful story to tell about her life and how she came about traveling the world and getting to know all of these wonderful people."

Winter blankets forest

By PATRICK PARKINSON Of the Record staff

Snow has blanketed the woods east of Kamas and throngs of skiers, snowmobilers and other winter sports enthusiasts have taken to trails in the National Forest for an escape.

"You've got the Mirror Lake Highway for snowmobiling and then you've got the Beaver Creek ski trail that is extremely popular for cross-country skiers," said Kathy Jo Pollock, a spokeswoman for the U.S. Forest Service. "Then we do have snowshoers who recreate in the same vicinity."

For many cross-country skiers, the Beaver Creek trail is their final destination in Uinta-Wasatch-Cache National Forest outside Kamas.

"It's one of the more popular areas around that vicinity," Pollock said. "You've got local users and then you've got individuals who come in from the Salt Lake area who use it also."

Officials groomed large portions of the Beaver Creek ski trail, off the Mirror Lake Highway, on Dec. 17. The best skiing conditions were between the Beaver Creek admin site and the Shingle Creek campground where a classic track is set with a base layer of snow between 16 and 20 inches deep.

There were also good conditions for cross-country skiing between Shingle Creek campground and Shingle Creek crossing, according to U.S. Forest Service officials. A classic track is set with a base layer between 20 and 28 inches.

Because getting maintenance equipment into the areas has been difficult, officials have been unable to groom the Pine Valley Oval, North Fork West and North Fork East trails.

"The North Fork of the Provo is one of my favorites," said Cody Clark, an employee at White Pine Touring in

Park City. "The good thing about the North Fork of the Provo is it's closed to motorized winter use. So if you are looking for a good non-motorized experience, that's a good place to go."

For beginning skiers and snowshoers, however, Shingle Creek is tough to beat, he said.

"At Shingle Creek there is a lot of good cross-country skiing," Clark explained. "You just park off the side of the road."

A three-day pass for recreating along the Mirror Lake Highway costs \$6, which can be paid at a shack near the entryway into the forest.

"At the shack they give you a map of the area so you can see where Shingle Creek is and you can see where North Fork is," Clark said. "When you are traveling in snow, either the trail has already been stomped down so you know where to go, or you follow your trail and follow your tracks back. It's all pretty easy to find."

But a snowmobile is needed for accessing much of the backcountry skiing along the Mirror Lake Highway, he said.

"I like it because it's a lot of terrain and less people," he said. "A lot of people know about it. Some people just don't want to make the drive out there."

Avalanche danger on developed trails near the Mirror Lake Highway is often low, Clark said.

"It's generally more rolling terrain," he said. "Typically, the terrain off the Mirror Lake Highway is rolling hills less than 30 degrees, which is good for cross-country skiing and snowshoeing."

Meanwhile, crews are scheduled most days to groom snowmobile trails in the forest.

Information about the Mirror Lake Highway, as well as trails in Weber Canyon and near State Road 35, is available by calling the Heber-Kamas Ranger District at (435) 654-0470.

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Slide danger increases with new snowfall

about 20 feet away.

"We were trying to approach the cornice to cut it down slope, and when we reached the edge we saw that the slope had already avalanched," a report at utahavalanchecenter.org states.

Nobody was injured in the slide.

"We've got to think about not only the snow we are riding in, but the snow we are riding on," Gordon said. "In the past couple weeks, we've had clear, cold conditions and that's weakened the surface snow substantially. We're going to start to overload some of those weak surface areas."

He stressed that "considerable" avalanche danger is just one notch below "high."

"You have unmanageable conditions in areas where the snow pack remains shallow and weak," Gordon said. "If you trigger an avalanche which breaks into weak layers of snow near the ground, it's going to involve the entire season's snow pack rather than just the recent storms."

Meanwhile, before entering the backcountry have snow-safety equipment and know how it is used, said John Brooks, manager of White Pine Touring in Park City.

"We're pretty stern about letting the customer know that if you are going into the backcountry, first you need to have knowledge," Brooks said. "It's not something to go in half-hearted."

Those unwilling to pay a few hundred dollars for an avalanche beacon, probe and shovel, should not ski, snowmobile or snowboard in the backcountry, he explained.

"Don't go. Don't put your buddy in danger," Brooks said. "You have to be as prepared as your buddy and if you're the one without a transceiver your buddy should not go with you."

Avalanches can kill even the most experienced backcountry enthusiasts, he said.

"You can know the terrain here. You can know snow science. But there is still that x factor that something could happen," Brooks said. "Sometimes when the terrain is pretty unsafe and people come in and want to rent ski and skins, we quiz them pretty hard about where they are going because we don't want anybody to die out there."

The Utah Avalanche Center and ski patrollers at The Canyons will host a free awareness talk at Treasure Mountain International School Jan. 8 at 6:30 p.m.

"Take a class. Come in and talk to us. Pay attention to the avalanche forecast because knowledge is the key," Brooks said.

The Utah Avalanche Center forecasts slide advisories daily for the Wasatch and Uinta Mountains at (888) 999-4019 or www.uta-havalanchecenter.org.

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