



## ***Battlement Mesa Online***

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Battlement Mesa has had an “online” presence for several years thus most residents are familiar with [www.BattlementMesaColorado.com](http://www.BattlementMesaColorado.com) and many of you are regular visitors. If you haven’t visited the site recently, you should. The website address hasn’t changed but the website has a brand new look, a plethora of new information and many new features.

When you view the new site you will notice that the old “Battlement Mesa, The Colorado Dream” logo has been replaced by our new logo. You’ve probably already seen the new logo on some of our community signage, on Battlement Mesa correspondence or at the new Battlement Mesa “city government” office at 401 Arroyo Drive.

You will also notice that this is Battlement Mesa, Colorado’s website rather than a BMSA site. We think that you will like the comprehensiveness of the new site and its ease of navigation. The site has five major information groups:

- Explore Battlement Mesa
- Government Services
- Community Services
- Businesses
- News, Activities and Events

As the title suggests, under “Explore Battlement Mesa” you will find general information about our community including:

- History
- Location
- Climate/Weather
- Lifestyle
- Planned Community
- Real Estate
- Visitor Information
- Education
- Photo Gallery
- Videos
- Slide Shows

Under Government Services you can access information about the BMSA, the Grand Valley Fire Department, the BMMD, the GarCo Sheriff’s Office, as well as information on each of our Village Associations.

The Community Services section includes information about the BMAC, Clubs & Organizations, Churches, area Hospitals, Radio, TV and Media, Mesa Vista, Senior Citizen Services, and Transportation.

The Businesses group includes a complete business listing, pages on key Battlement Mesa businesses and a classified advertisement section.

The last section, News, Activities and Events, expands on the News and Upcoming Events section that appears on the home page and highlights our Golf Course, Parks and Recreation, Outdoor Adventures and Performing Arts activities which are available in the area.

Yes, that’s correct, we have a Video page. As you would expect, the content is “thin” but stay tuned and you’ll soon find more. And, in case you missed it, there is a six minute video on the home page. To view it, click on the arrow that is in the middle of the small Battlement Mesa Waterfall photo on the right side of the home page.

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Other new features include a new digital newsletter which you can sign up for (from the home page), a link to the Battlement Mesa facebook page, (yes we are on facebook), a new RSS feed that enables you to be notified when selected new information is added to the website, four new event calendars, several online web forms, the ability to live stream (i.e. listen to) KSUN radio on your computer and the ability to read the online version of the Grand Valley Echo from our site.

And, just in case you need information that isn't obvious in the menu hierarchy, a "Search By Keyword" feature is provided at the top right on the home page. In addition, you can view the "Sitemap" of the entire website by clicking on "Sitemap" in the lower section of any page.

The best part is, we are working on and hope to add additional features including a MLS listing capability (called a RETS feed), the ability to conduct community surveys, and the ability to generate podcasts.

We've attempted to unveil our community's secret clubs and organizations but we must admit that some of them have eluded even our best efforts. We know that you're out there somewhere and we're eager to help spread the word about your club or organization (no political groups, please). Please contact us if your organization isn't listed or if the information about your club or organization is incorrect on the website.

We encourage you to sign up for the newsletter, tell us what you like and don't like about the site, to visit often and to spread the word about our new website.

Welcome aboard Battlement Mesa!

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