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### Cutest Couple Contest

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## Seven candidates vying for Meeker board, mayor seat

By **NIKI TURNER**  
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**MEEKER** I Seven of nine candidate petition packets were returned to Town Clerk Amy Tupy for the town's municipal election in April.

Mayoral candidates are Kent Borchard and Rodney Gerloff. Trustees candidates are incumbents Wendy Gutierrez, Melissa Kindall and Travis Day and challengers Matt Scott and Jared Harvey.

At the Jan. 21 board of trustees meeting, the board reviewed a request to split the cost of a consulting firm with the ERBM Recreation and Park District to conduct a study for future river enhancement projects between Sulphur Creek and 10th Street. The proposal would cost the town approximately \$15,000 for a "conceptual plan for improvements."

Mayor pro temp Travis Day expressed concerns about the proposal.

"I don't like the way this is written. I feel like it leaves it open for them to do a bunch of streambed enhancements. The algae committee is trying to get rid of any structures in the river," Day said. "I know there's been a lot of people who would like improvements into the riverbed for recreation and stuff. I don't think we need to be spending money that's potentially for streambed improvements. This

[proposal] leaves it open for everything."

Town Manager Lisa Cook said she could revisit the proposal with ERBM Executive Director Sean VonRoenn to remove references to streambed changes and bring it back to the board.

The board approved a special event liquor permit for a fundraising dinner event Feb. 8 for the Meeker International Ecology Program. Funds raised will help send students to the Galapagos Islands in June for an educational trip.

Trustees also approved an ordinance that will allow for administrative approval to reissue existing liquor licenses without requiring licensees to get on the agenda. In cases where there is a noncompliance issue, license renewal applicants would still be required to get board approval. Special event liquor licenses also require board approval. The ordinance will go into effect 30 days after publication.

The board approved a tavern license renewal for Chipper's Downtown Bar and Grill.

Trustees moved to direct staff to get prices and information for carpeting the third floor of the Town Hall building. The Town is working out a lease with Colorado Northwestern Community College for the use of the upstairs area previously occupied by county departments.

## FROSTY ...



CAITLIN WALKER PHOTO

Hoarfrost coated trees and shrubs around the White River Tuesday, making for quite the winter wonderland.

## Coronavirus: should you be concerned? County health department says threat is low at this time

By **ALICE HARVEY**  
Special to the Herald Times

**RBC** I The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) is closely monitoring an outbreak of respiratory illness caused by a novel (new) coronavirus (2019-nCoV) first identified in Wuhan, Hubei Province, China. Infections with 2019-nCoV are being reported in a growing number of countries internationally, including the United States. The Rio Blanco County Department of Public Health and Environment (RBCDPHE) medical director and staff are monitoring the situation locally. Currently, there are no confirmed cases of 2019-nCoV in Colorado, although three Colorado individuals with travel history to China have been test-

ed for the virus. Two have tested negative, one test is pending.

Non-essential travel to China is discouraged and those who have traveled to Wuhan China within the past two weeks and have developed symptoms of fever, cough or shortness of breath should seek medical treatment. Please call ahead and inform your health-care provider or local emergency department of your symptoms so they can better prepare for your

### STAY HEALTHY THIS WINTER:

- Wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- Cover your nose and mouth when coughing and sneezing.
- Avoid close contact with anyone with cold or flu-like symptoms.
- Stay home if you are sick.

arrival.

Symptoms of the novel coronavirus include: runny nose, cough, fever, sore throat, headache and a general feeling of being unwell. Transmission of this virus occurs with coughing or sneezing, touching and shaking hands, touching an object or surface with the virus on it and then touching your mouth, nose, or eyes before washing your hands.

To prevent the spread of

2019-nCoV, wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. Cough or sneeze into your elbow and not your hands. Avoid contact with people who are ill with cold or flu-like symptoms. Stay home if you are sick, and clean high touch surfaces frequently.

At this time, your risk for infection with the novel coronavirus is low. For updated information, please go to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Coronavirus Home Page at: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/index.html> or call the RBCDPHE Rangely office at 878-9524 or Meeker office at 878-9528 with questions or concerns. Updates will be posted to keep the public current on the developing situation.



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## Robinson Crusoe in Rangely

Special to the Herald Times

**RANGELY** I Fifty-three K-12th graders auditioned for the musical play "Robinson Crusoe" presented by the Missoula Children's Theatre company Jan. 20-25 in Rangely. Parents, students and community members enjoyed a matinee on Friday and an evening performance on Saturday.

The K-12th grade cast of characters included: Robinson: Norrah Patch; Wilson: Macy Morgan; Leonard the Leopard: Lauren Ward and Mother: Abigail Patch.

Friday's Family—Saturday: Angalina Peck; Sunday: Chloe Noel; Monday: Valynn Broderick;

Tuesday: Josephine Hamblin; Wednesday: Emelia Noyes; Thursday: Johnathan Lance.

Octet—Oscar the Octopus: Caleb Wiley; Harley the Monkey: Kenzie Hill; Wild Boar Willy:

Gabriel Vaughn; Marty the Turtle: Matthew Morgan; Myrtle the Turtle: Taya Wren; Glinda the Gull: Samantha Granger; Polly the Parrot: Rachel Elder; Stella the Stork: Rachel Larsen.

Goats—Billy: Zoie Britt; Bill: Spencer Polley; Willy: Jasmine Preciado; Will: Aspen Steele; Wilma: Halle Harris.

The Frowny-Face Crew: Danielle Urbanik, Ethan Hacking, Addison Thayne, Lilliana Luthge, Jesse Barger, Kolton Wilczek, Kira Jo Benson, Dixie Hall, Danielle Packer, Ashlynn Britt, Taylor Fouch, Zane Wiley, Breyan Barger, Briggen Harris, Roarie Emmons and Everett Boren.

Chameleons: Danielle Thayne, Dawnlynn Smuts, Kandra Culpepper, Isabella Morgan, Jaxon Hagin, Kesleigh Kennedy, Joseph Kaschke-Vargo, Jaylee Bishop, Skyleigh

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## Six Republicans on Super Tuesday primary ballot

By **NIKI TURNER**  
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**RBC** I In last week's article about upcoming elections, the HT stated that only the ballot for the Democratic presidential primary would have options. RBC Clerk and Recorder Boots Campbell alerted the HT there are six candidates vying to be the Republican party nominee for the 2020 presidential election. Certified names on the Republican presidential primary ballot are Matthew John Matern, Robert Ardini, Joe Walsh, incumbent Donald J. Trump, Bill Weld and Zoltan G. Istvan.

Matern is a California attorney with Colorado roots; his grandmother was born in a sod

house on the eastern plains. His website is [matern2020.com](http://matern2020.com).

Ardini is a self-described Libertarian-leaning Republican from Queens, New York who ran for Congress in 2016. For more information, visit [robertardini.com](http://robertardini.com).

Joe Walsh is a former Illinois congressman perhaps best known as a conservative talk radio host. His campaign website is [joewalsh.org](http://joewalsh.org).

Bill Weld served two terms as the governor of Massachusetts and has been called the most fiscally conservative governor in the nation. His website is [weld2020.org](http://weld2020.org).

Zoltan Istvan, also of California, is the founder of

the Transhumanist Party and is known as the "science candidate." His campaign slogan is "Upgrade America." Istvan's campaign website is [zoltan2020.com](http://zoltan2020.com).

Incumbent Donald J. Trump is also on the Republican presidential primary ballot.

The Colorado Secretary of State has certified 16 Democratic candidates on the presidential primary ballot, several of whom have since ended their campaigns. According to Campbell, voters will be notified in their ballot packets which candidates have withdrawn and votes cast for those candidates will not count.

Colorado's presidential primary will be held on Super Tuesday, March 3.

### 2020 REPUBLICAN PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY CANDIDATES:

- Matthew John Matern
- Robert Ardini
- Joe Walsh
- Donald J. Trump (incumbent)
- Bill Weld
- Zoltan G. Istvan

Colorado's presidential primary will be held on Super Tuesday, March 3.



Saturday: 30s/20s Partly Cloudy



Sunday: 40s/20s Sunny



# Cutest Couple Contest

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## County Sheriffs of Colorado scholarship

Special to the Herald Times

**RBC I** Sheriff Anthony Mazzola announced last week that County Sheriffs of Colorado, Inc. (CSOC), the state Sheriffs Association, will award a \$500 scholarship to a deserving Rio Blanco County student attending school in Rangely this spring. This scholarship is rotated between Meeker and Rangely school districts. CSOC established the scholarship program in 1978. Since then, this effort has continued as a meaningful expression of the sheriffs' confidence in and respect for education and training. CSOC considers this an investment in the future and believes that our membership is helping to pro-

vide deserving students with an opportunity to make a positive contribution to society.

Scholarship announcements have been delivered to the high school offices in the eligible counties and to all Colorado higher education institutions. Applications are available online at [www.csoc.org](http://www.csoc.org), or at the Rio Blanco County Sheriff's office.

Sheriff Anthony Mazzola explained that this is the 39th year that County Sheriffs of Colorado has made such scholarships available. A scholarship will be awarded in more than 30 Colorado counties this year. Applications will be reviewed by a local citizens committee appointed by Sheriff Mazzola, and a selection will be made on

the basis of criteria established by CSOC. This criterion includes leadership, merit, character, involvement and career purpose.

Any legal permanent resident of Rio Blanco County enrolled in, or applying to, a vocational training program or institution of higher learning in the State of Colorado as a full- or part-time student is eligible to apply. There are no restrictions as to the course of study or training which may be pursued, and no restrictions are placed upon applications by reason of race, creed, age, sex or national origin.

For more information, contact Rangely High School, the Rio Blanco County Sheriff's office or County Sheriffs of Colorado.

## CRUSOE: a Missoula Theatre production

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Baskall, James Hagin, Jett Harris, Avery Steele, Callie Barger and Samantha Guzman.

Many people were involved behind the scenes to make this play a success including: Drama Teachers: Kamilee Jorgenson and Michelle Wilkie; Lighting Technicians: Michelle Wilkie and Ashton Bennett; Assistant Director: Dusty Hall; Accompanist: Carol Morton; Rangely Coordinator: Cheryl Blackburn; Friday-Tour Actor/Director: Matthew Porter; Director-Tour Actor/Director: Anna Schindler.

This project is partially supported by the National Endowment for the Arts. Also supported in part by a grant from the Montana Arts Council, an



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agency of the state government, and the National Endowment for the Arts. The Missoula Theatre residency in Rangely was made possible by the Rangely School District with help from private donations.

Purposely varying from the

plot of Daniel Defoe's novel, MCT's "Robinson Crusoe" teaches the lesson that reading invites more than observation. Unlike TV and movies, which provide every detail, a book allows the reader the luxury and the joy of imagination.

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

■ **Fair Board Meeting**, 6 p.m., Rangely Annex, Jan. 30, 2020

■ **Valentine's Bingo at 6:30 p.m. on Feb. 6** at the Rangely Rec Center. \$5 for one card or \$10 for three cards. Six-person minimum, registration deadline Feb. 4. Refreshments will be available. Call WRBM at 675-8211 for more information.

■ **Works in Progress** Jan. 31, Feb. 14 and Feb. 28 from 1-4 p.m. at the Meeker Recreation Center MP Room. Bring your works in progress—needlework, crafts, miscellaneous projects—to get something done and enjoy the company of other crafters. FREE! ERBM Recreation & Park District 970-878-3403.

■ **Spring Line-Up Registration Live** Feb. 10 at Meeker Recreation Center. Register for all your favorite Spring ERBM Recreation & Park District programs! Check out the Spring Line-Up online at [www.ERBMrec.com](http://www.ERBMrec.com) on February 7 for all program details. ERBM Recreation & Park District 970-878-3403.

■ **Meeker Public Library Book Club** will meet Monday, Feb. 10 at 1 p.m. to discuss "At the Water's Edge" by Sara Gruen. All are welcome to join in the fun.

■ **The Rangely Moms Group** meets the first Thursday of each month from 9-11 a.m. at First Baptist Church (207 S. Sunset Ave.) to help connect moms in our community. Any moms who have newborn through elementary aged children are welcome to join us for food, fellowship and fun. Childcare is provided. The first meeting is free. Subsequent meetings are \$5. Scholarships are available if needed.

■ **Childcare available at WRBM** Monday-Thursday from 8-10:30 a.m. \$3/hour/child without a pass. \$2.50/hour/child with purchase of a 20 punch pass for \$50. Call WRBM at 970-675-8211 for more information.

■ **Open Gym Basketball for adults** at Parkview Elementary on Wednesdays from 7-9 p.m. Youth open gym on Tuesdays from 7-8:30 p.m. Carry in clean shoes to

participate. Free. Call WRBM at 675-8211 for more information.

■ **Free Community Dinner** every Thursday at 5:30 p.m. at St. James—Richards' Hall, Fourth and Park.

■ **Tiny Open Gym** Tuesdays, 10-11 a.m. at the Admin Gym. Bring your one to four-year-olds to burn off some energy! Runs through Feb. 25. Maximum of three children per parent/caregiver. ERBM Recreation and Park District 970-878-3403.

■ **"Geezer Gather"** every Thursday at 9 a.m. at the Meeker Veteran's Community Center. 290 4th Street. Adults 55+, stop by for refreshments and conversation. 970-878-3758.

■ **Friday Craft Class** for middle school through adults. Every Friday at 1 p.m. at the Meeker Public Library. January's craft will be macrame. Space is limited to 10 participants. Call 878-5911 or drop by to sign up.

■ **Quilting Group**. Tuesdays from 2-9 p.m. at WREA's Kilowatt Korner. All are welcome. Come during hours that fit your schedule. Bring your

sewing machine and project. Making personal and comfort quilts for the Walbridge Wing and hospice care.

■ **Drop-in adult volleyball** Tuesdays 7:30 to 9 p.m., MES Gym. Adult (18+) drop-in volleyball will run through Feb. 25. A minimum of four participants must arrive by 7:45 p.m. or the program will be cancelled for the night. ERBM Recreation and Park District 970-878-3403.

■ **Drop-in adult basketball** Wednesdays from 7:30 to 9 p.m. at the MES Gym. Adult (18+) drop-in basketball will run through Feb. 26. A minimum of four participants must arrive by 7:45 p.m. or the program will be cancelled for the night. ERBM Recreation and Park District 970-878-3403.

■ **Youth Open Gym Basketball** Fridays from 1 to 2:30 p.m. at the MES Gym for K-8th grade boys and girls Jan. 17-Mar. 6. Youth under 8 must have a parent/caregiver 13 or older present. At least four participants need to arrive by 1:15pm or open gym will be cancelled for the day. ERBM Recreation and Park District 970-878-3403

■ **Alcoholics Anonymous** meetings held Tuesday and Thursday from

7-8 p.m. at New Creation Church, Rangely.

■ **Art On A Kart Master the Masters**. Mark your calendar for the third Thursday of each month for an evening of art and friendship. Canvas, paint, drawing and painting techniques are included. \$30 per person. Call or text Liz Waters 970-274-3794 to confirm or ask questions.

■ **Storytime** at the Rangely Regional Library Tuesdays, 10 a.m.

■ **Meeker Lions Club** meets every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at 290 Fourth St. New members are always welcome. It's a great way to give back to the community and spend time with a fun group of people.

■ **Rangely Community Resource Pantry Hours**: Mondays from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m., Thursdays from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and the first and third Saturday of the month from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

■ **Gentleman's Group** meeting every Tuesday at 9 a.m. at the Meeker Recreation Center lounge. Adults 55+, stop by for refreshments and conversation. ERBM Recreation and Park District 970-878-3403.

■ **Children's Story Hour**

Wednesdays at 10 a.m. at the Meeker Public Library.

■ **Foot Clinic**. Pioneers Hospital Home Health Foot Clinic will be at MVCC on the second Wednesday of each month, to trim toenails of anyone who has trouble with the task. 290 4th St. Please call PMC Home Health 970-878-9265 to schedule an appointment. Thank you.

■ **Real-Tea Roundtable**. Join real estate expert Suzan Pelloni for helpful hints on buying and selling property. The first Wednesday of the month at 7:30 a.m. at Wendell's.

■ **Game Day** for adults 55+ on Wednesdays at 9 a.m. in the Meeker Recreation Center lounge. No game day Dec. 25 or Jan. 1. Stop by for refreshment, conversation and a game of cards.

■ **The VFW, American Legion and their Auxiliaries** will meet the second Thursday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at 290 4th St. For further information call 970-878-5326.

Email calendar events by 5 p.m. Mondays. Listing dependent on available space.

[calendar@ht1885.com](mailto:calendar@ht1885.com)



• 2020 GALAPAGOS STUDENT ECOLOGY TRIP •

## FUNDRAISER DINNER & SILENT AUCTION

Saturday, February 8, 2020  
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Cocktails at 5:30 • Prime Rib Dinner at 6:00  
Silent Auction & Live Music

Dinner and music provided by  
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Help support the Meeker International Ecology program in sending high school students to the Galapagos Islands this summer! There they will experience time in the field as ecologists, explorers and ambassadors.

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## Outlander Fact & Fiction: Scottish History 1300 to 1750



Register by Jan. 31

**When:** 5 to 6:45 pm  
Thursdays,  
April 23 to May 28

**Class Cost:** \$100  
(includes textbook & class only. Travel fees are *not* included & must be booked separately)

### Take the Class

History comes alive through the literature of the Outlander book & TV series by Diana Gabaldon. Learn the fact & fiction behind the series & prepare to travel to Scotland to experience being an Outlander.

You must register for the class to take the trip. The class is available in person in Craig or anywhere via WebX live streaming services. You do NOT need to live in Craig to take the class or the trip allowing family & friends near & far to travel to Scotland together.

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Join us for the trip of a lifetime exploring Scotland. CNCC's travel partner EF (Education First) has provided a fully customized travel experience. Fly over night to the Scottish capital of Glasgow, adventure through the scenic Scottish Highlands where the heather will be blooming, stay in Fort William and Inverness before ending in Edinburgh.

**When:** May 11th to May 18th

**Trip Cost:** Starting at \$2,880 for land only; \$3,930 for land and air, with additional options for single room rates, and travel to/from Craig.

View the itinerary & secure your seat by Jan. 31 by calling 877-485-4184 or visit [www.efcollegestudytours.com/professors-trip/2337114PX](http://www.efcollegestudytours.com/professors-trip/2337114PX)

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# NEWS BRIEFS

## Chocolate Lovers class Feb. 11

**MEEKER** | Chocolate for Chocolate Lovers: History and Truffle Making Class – 6-8 p.m. Feb. 11, at the Heritage Culture Center (517 Park Ave.) Learn many fabulous facts about chocolate during this deliciously educational evening. Watch demos, learn how to make amazing flavors and start rolling your own handmade truffles. Each student takes home 12 truffles in a choice of flavors. Cost: \$40 includes recipe, truffles and decorative chocolate box. Seniors may be eligible for 50% off due to the support of the Fairfield Foundation. Register online at [cncc.edu/communityed](http://cncc.edu/communityed) or by calling toll-free 970-824-1109.

## Free legal clinic at library Feb. 12

**MEEKER** | Free legal clinic for parties who have no attorney from 2-5 p.m. on the second Wednesday of the month at Meeker Public Library. The next clinic is Feb. 12. By computer link, volunteer attorneys will answer questions, help fill out forms, and explain the process and procedure for all areas of civil litigation, including family law, property law, probate law, collections, appeals, landlord-tenant law, small claims, veterans issues, and civil protection orders. Please contact the Meeker Public Library at (970) 878-5911 to be added to the sign-up sheet.

## SGM scholarship available

**RBC** | SGM, a civil engineering, consulting, and surveying firm headquartered in Glenwood Springs, with additional offices in Aspen, Gunnison, Grand Junction, Salida, Durango and Meeker, awards up to five scholarships in the amount of up to \$1,500 each to assist aspiring civil engineers and surveyors in pursuit of their studies. The Steve Westhoff Scholarship is in honor of Steve Westhoff, an SGM field engineer whose integrity, humor and vast technical knowledge were an inspiration to SGM and many clients. Application deadline is 4 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 12. Please visit the SGM website at <http://www.sgm-inc.com> for scholarship details and application.

## Rector Memorial Tourney Feb. 15

**RANGELY** | The Carl and Peggy Rector Memorial Cribbage Tournament will be held Saturday, Feb. 15 at the Elks 1907 BPOE at 633 E. Main St. in Rangely beginning at 9 a.m. Pool play will be followed by a bracket tournament. Entry fee is \$20 and includes lunch. Additional drinks can be purchased at the Elks Club. All proceeds go to the Elks Club kids' programs. For more information call Tim at 970-629-1715 (cell) or 970-675-8211 (Rangely Rec Center).

## Stockgrowers dinner/dance Feb. 22

**MEEKER** | The Rio Blanco Stockgrowers Association, in partnership with Rio Blanco Farm Bureau and Rio Blanco Woolgrowers, will host a "Dance Without Wolves" steak dinner and dance on Saturday, Feb. 22 beginning at 6 p.m. at the Fairfield Center. Tickets are \$25 each and proceeds go toward Coloradans Protecting Wildlife. Call 970-220-2154 or 970-620-6088 for tickets.

## Register for class, trip by Jan. 31

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## Phelan named to Dean's List

*Special to the Herald Times*

**MEEKER** | Maggie Phelan of Meeker has been named to the fall 2019 Dean's List at Carroll College in Helena, Montana. To be included on the dean's list, a student must receive a 3.5 grade point average or higher on a 4.0 scale and take at least 12 graded credits in a semester.

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# CRIBBAGE RESULTS ...



Twenty people participated in ERBM Recreation and Park District's fifth annual cribbage tournament on Sunday, Jan. 26 at the Meeker VFW. Rich Ford was overall champion, with Jeri Gilchrist in second, Ron Spencer in third, and Sean VonRoenn placing fourth. A percentage of the proceeds went to the top three winners with the remainder donated to the Meeker VFW. Pictured are champion Rich Ford and Jeri Gilchrist in the final match, with Jonan VonRoenn watching.

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- 5.5 oz. Pringles **CHIPS** ..... 4 for \$5
- 12-20 oz. Famous Daves BBQ Sauce or **MARINADE** ..... 2 for \$5
- 12 oz. Franks **REDHOT SAUCE** ..... 2 for \$5
- 12 oz. French's Spicy Brown **MUSTARD** ..... 2 for \$3
- 14 oz. French's Classic Yellow **MUSTARD** ..... 2 for \$3
- 22-28 oz. Bush's Baked or **GRILLIN' BEANS** ..... \$1.99
- 10-12 ct. Old El Paso **TACO SHELLS** ..... \$1.49
- 15 oz. La Victoria Red or Green **TACO SAUCE** ..... \$2.49
- 10 oz. Old El Paso **ENCHILADA SAUCE** ..... \$1.49
- 16 oz. La Victoria **SALSA** ..... \$2.49
- 16.2-19.4 oz. Dawn **DISH SOAP** ..... \$2.79
- 8 ct. Bounty Giant Roll Select-A-Size **PAPER TOWELS** ..... \$10.99

## BAKERY

- 13 oz. Sweet P's **SELECT BROWNIES** ..... \$3.99

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- 9.8-10.9 oz. Totinos **PIZZA** ..... \$1.38
- 56 oz. Red Butten **ICE CREAM** ..... \$3.99
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- 16 oz. La Mexicana **SALSA** ..... \$2.39

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EDITOR'S COLUMN

Please. Stop. Capitalizing. Everything.

By NIKI TURNER  
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I've been accused of being the "grammar police" more than once. I'm really not. Language, particularly English, is notoriously subjective. Even the experts don't always agree on the rules. Case in point: an argument about the use of the Oxford comma (the comma that goes at the end of a list or series before the conjunction) resulted in a \$10 million court settlement in Maine in 2018.

Litigious commas aside, confusion over homonyms, homophones and homographs is the cause of frequent angst.

Homonyms are words that sound and are spelled the same but can mean different things. The word "pen," for example, can refer to a writing instrument or a holding area for animals. Homophones are words that sound the same, can be spelled the same way, but have different meanings. "Deer" and "dear," or "brake" and "break" are oft confused. Homographs are even more confusing. They're spelled the same way, but have different meanings and different sounds. "Wind," for example, can be a weather phenomenon or what you do to an old watch to keep it running.

Contractions—intended to simplify things—add to the confusion. "Your" vs. "you're," "it's" vs. "its" and "there," "their" and "they're" hang folks up frequently. Then there's the "lead" vs. "led" problem. "Led" is the correct spelling for the past tense of the verb "lead."

And then there's one of my biggest pet peeves: messy capitalization. Why do sloppy capitals bother me? Because they aren't easy to fix using "find and replace" commands, making my day job more difficult.

In elementary school we're taught certain words are worthy of capitalization according to relatively standard rules. The first word in a sentence, proper names, etc. In adulthood we tend to fall back on one rule everyone seems to remember, but which is only applicable in specific situations: Capitalizing whichever Words we Deem most Important. Government officials and agencies are the worst offenders, by far.

To be fair, all this grammar trouble probably isn't a new development, it's just that people whose writing skills would never have been subject to scrutiny after they got out of school are now tweeting, posting, and generating memes for all the world to see. Mistakes are inevitable, especially since we do so much of our writing on tiny screens with our thumbs nowadays. That doesn't mean we should stop making an effort.

On that note, this week we're probably guaranteed to make some glaring grammatical error. Just because.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Wilhelm seeking state House seat

Dear Editor:

Recently we on the Western Slope experienced a major problem in governing during our time. A problem of blaming instead of finding solutions. When I am elected, I will work to find solutions to our common issues.

In his article on Jan. 13, Mr. Tipton would rather play the blame game than to talk about solutions. Aren't you sick of politicians that don't bring solutions to the issues of the day, but instead seek to blame? When they play the blame game, they seek to divide us along party lines. I am running for HD 57 to build a bridge of unity. I am placing myself out there as the first brick in this bridge.

To build this bridge I need your help. I need the help of every member of our great society to open up their minds, to tell their solutions, to listen to the solutions of others. We as a society need to have discussions about politics so that we can create the individual bricks to build the bridge to solve our common problems with common solutions.

Mr. Tipton claims that it was the State Legislature that is causing our local coal plants to close. This is a naive viewpoint that doesn't solve any issues. Additionally, it is just incorrect. The Mine isn't closing for a single reason; but for multiple reasons. I believe that instead of blaming people for our economic conditions and the closing coal plant, we need to work together to bring about solutions to diversify our economy.

We must embrace this economic transition. That means our local and state governments working with stakeholders to retain our carbon fuel jobs for as long as we can, all while creating new jobs in multiple fields, thereby preserving our communities for our children and their children, in the future.

We need to lean on our natural resources to bring about new jobs. This means focusing on many new fields, not just on energy production. I would propose new projects, the likes of which we haven't seen in Moffat County, projects like the creation of head water reservoirs that will serve multiple purposes. First, the actual job of building these will

bring about new jobs, and open up new recreational opportunities for locals and tourists alike. A major benefit of this project is, we get to retain this water for the benefit of the Western Slope because headwaters cannot be sent to Denver or the Front Range.

I have many other ideas about how to further the economic diversification of the 57th District, and would be happy to share them with each and every one of you, but I also want to hear your ideas and your solutions. This means that your voice will make a difference. Please, please feel free to share your ideas with me so that I can understand and make an effort to make a difference in your life. Email me at colinwilhelmforcolorado@yahoo.com and I promise you will be heard.

Colin Wilhelm  
Glenwood Springs

Editor's Note: Colin Wilhelm announced his candidacy for the Colorado House 57th District seat currently held by Rep. Perry Will in November. For more information visit colincaresforcolorado.com



COMMISSIONER CANDIDATE FORUMS

The HT is hosting commissioner candidate forums in Meeker and Rangely in February (details TBA.)

Do you have questions for the candidates? Submit them through our web survey on the ht1885.com homepage (top right corner) or email to editor@ht1885.com.

GUEST COLUMN

Can Main Street save us all?

By QUINT STUDER  
Special to the Herald Times

RBC I The last few decades have been a whirlwind. Globalization has redrawn boundaries we've long lived by and counted on. Technology has transformed everything about how we work, shop, and even socialize. There's turmoil on the political front. At times it's easy to feel a little lost. But here's the good news: When things get scary, we tend to get focused on what matters most.

In times of rapid change, it's only human to seek a foothold. We look homeward. We forge deeper connections with our families, friends, and neighbors. No wonder so many of us are looking to revitalize and reinvent our communities.

Thomas Friedman addresses this subject in Thank You for Being Late. He quotes from a ballad by Brandi Carlile, "You can dance in a hurricane, but only if you're standing in the eye." The "eye" in this context is the local community. They provide a firm place to stand and find stability while all this change is swirling around us.

I agree with Friedman. In the

midst of uncertainty and chaos, strong, functioning communities make us feel grounded, safe, and empowered. And it all begins with a vibrant downtown filled with thriving businesses; lots of places to eat, drink, and socialize; and plenty of fun things to do. Downtown is the living, breathing heart and soul of any healthy community.

In my work with cities, towns, and communities on revitalization efforts across the U.S., I've seen it firsthand: Downtowns are making a huge comeback. I've walked up and down many Main Streets with many leaders and citizens. I've seen "ghost town" areas slowly come back to life with the help of a vibrant downtown. And what I've come to believe is that Main Street is more than a collection of restaurants, shops, apartments, and office buildings. Main Street is our salvation. When we can get this piece right, it can change lives for the better.

To build a stronger America, we need to invest in our communities. We need to empower entrepreneurs, build a strong local business presence, and make sure leaders are well trained so they can succeed long-term. We need

to improve our education systems. We need to improve civic IQs and get citizens engaged and excited. We need to change the conversation about what our communities can become. And—this is essential—we need to start by creating vibrant, walkable downtowns and thriving Main Streets. Here's why:

■ Investing in Main Street encourages entrepreneurship and creates more small businesses. According to the U.S. Small Business Administration, small businesses create two out of every three net new jobs in the private sector. Plus, over half of all Americans own or work for a small business. Small business is the engine that powers communities.

■ When a business community is strong, its leaders can be galvanized to solve problems. These are the smart, influential people Jim Clifton, author of The Coming Jobs War, calls "tribal leaders." They have social capital and know how to get things done. Plus, they have a personal interest in the community's well-being.

■ It keeps young people at home and attracts talent. More and

► See MAIN STREET Page 5A

Piceance Deer Study Results

Learn about the findings of a 10-year study of Piceance Basin deer with Colorado Parks and Wildlife Mammal Research Leader Chuck Anderson.

The study, which examines how deer populations have reacted to natural gas development in the area, has potential implications on herd management and energy development in Northwestern Colorado.

The event is free and everyone is welcome to attend.

Mon., Feb. 3rd

6:30 p.m.

CNCC Campus, Weiss Building

For questions about this event, call the Colorado Parks and Wildlife Meeker Office at (970)878-6090.

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# MAIN STREET: we have a responsibility to make our home the best it can be

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more young people are choosing small towns (for various reasons). This creates a great talent pool, which makes smaller towns attractive for entrepreneurs and all types of business investors.

■ It reconnects us on a human level. In a dehumanized age when so many people feel isolated, this factor is really important. Walkable main streets and good downtown programming bring people together. Trading face-to-face keeps the human interaction. This is a critical factor in creating a strong sense of community.

■ People see they really do have the power to change things. Once you get a few quick wins, the conversation changes. Citizens see it's up to them (not government) to reinvent themselves. They suddenly get more optimistic and confident. They get more civic-minded and connected to one another. There's a growing sense that we're all in this together.

■ It makes us better people. Coming together as a community makes us more inclusive, more compassionate. Our neighbors' problems become our problems. We're more willing to give our time and resources to make the community better.

We need to invest in our Main Streets, down-

towns, and communities because it's where life happens. It's where we work, play, laugh, cry, love, meet new friends, learn, and create. It's home. And we have a human responsibility to make our home the best it can be—not just for ourselves and our families but also the friends and neighbors who live there too.

Quint Studer is author of *Building a Vibrant Community: How Citizen-Powered Change Is Reshaping America* and *Wall Street Journal* bestseller *The Busy Leader's Handbook: How to Lead People and Places That Thrive*. He is founder of Pensacola's Studer Community Institute, a nonprofit organization focused on improving the community's quality of life,

and *Vibrant Community Partners*, which coaches communities in building out a blueprint for achieving growth and excellence. Quint speaks and works with communities across the country, helping them execute on their strategic plans, create a better quality of life, and attract and retain talent and investment. He is a businessman, a visionary, an entrepreneur, and a mentor to many. He currently serves as Entrepreneur-in-Residence at the University of West Florida and as Executive-in-Residence at George Washington University. For more information, please visit [www.thebusyleadershandbook.com](http://www.thebusyleadershandbook.com), [www.vibrantcommunityblueprint.com](http://www.vibrantcommunityblueprint.com), and [www.studer.org](http://www.studer.org).

## Meeker artist's work featured in exhibit

Special to the Herald Times

**MEEKER** I Jay Sullivan is the featured artist at a unique art show, "Birds of a Feather" showcasing art honoring birds and recognizing Lafayette as Colorado's first "Bird City." Tiny Lafayette, Colorado, has become a hub of art events and likewise a fine example of cross-cultural integration in town development.

"Birds of a Feather" is a fine art exhibition of bird art that includes watercolors, drawings, photography, sculptures, and many mediums. The art is diverse, of very high quality, and very engaging.

As well, the setting of this exhibition demonstrates an amazing use and renovation of an older building to house a combination of gallery, office, and meeting space that is highly flexible in use. The light is magnificent, the ceilings high, the multi-use evident, and it conveys a down home friendly venue to everyone. Other towns, take note. Thoughtful renovation can create opportunities for many.

And, there's more. The "Bird City" designation involves a diverse combination of



Jay Sullivan's portrayal of a dark-eyed Junco is featured at a 'Birds of a Feather' art exhibit in Lafayette, Colorado.

JAY SULLIVAN PHOTO

Lafayette's community including open space, city government, citizens who support bird habitat, and artists who honor birds along with the sponsoring organization, Environment for the Americas who encourages cities to become more bird-friendly.

Hats off to the hard-working supporters of the arts, the fund raisers, and community leaders

who have made this excellent art show available in a lovely space available to the public and free.

If you want a cheerful uplift to 2020, visit the gallery at 201 North Public Rd. in Lafayette and connect with artists at artists reception on Feb. 7, 5-7 p.m. Meeker artist Jay Sullivan and wife, Kaye will attend to welcome lovers of the arts and birds.

## OBITUARIES

### James C. Byrd

Dec. 16, 1946 ~ Jan. 17, 2020

James C. Byrd, affectionately known as JByrd, passed away on Jan. 17, 2020, in Meeker, Colorado, after a long battle with cancer. JByrd was born on Dec. 16, 1946, in Leesburg, Missouri, to James Cordell Byrd and Agnes Byrd King. He grew up in Leesburg, finding all kinds of adventures along the way and graduated from Bourbon High School in 1964. Following school, he worked at a mechanics shop and then he went to the police academy and worked in that field until moving to Meeker, Colorado, in 1980. He was united in marriage to Judy Kitchen on Sept. 9, 1983. He ran JByrds' Service and Repair until his retirement in 2014.

JByrd never met a stranger, whether at the station, boating, hunting or on his worldly travels, he could always strike up an

entertaining conversation. Even though he "hated kids," or so he said, the light of his life were his grandsons, who will miss him, his stories and their trips to the junkyard dearly. He loved nothing more than his conversations with kids around town and spoiling them a bit. JByrd loved classic cars, boating at Flaming Gorge, snowmobiling, 4-wheeling, traveling with Judy and a good cup of coffee, a few scratch tickets and great conversation with young and old at the corner store each day.



James Byrd

JByrd is survived by his wife Judy at home, his best dog Kia, Tom (Melissa) Kitchen of Windsor, Colorado, and Shirlene Kitchen of Cardiff by the Sea, California; grandsons Tristan, Truett and Ty Kitchen and Scott Clanton; brothers Brent (Janice) Byrd and Barrie (Tammy) Byrd; sister Elaine Byrd, and special cousin Ted Teeter all of Missouri. He was preceded in death by his parents and stepfather Melbourne King.

Near the end of his life, JByrd said he woke up every day with the goal of making someone smile, and if he accomplished that, it was a good day. His hope was that when you think of him, he can still give you that smile.

Per his request, there will be no services. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to HopeWest in Meeker.

### Ruby Mae Crawford

March 25, 1937 ~ Jan. 19, 2020

Ruby Mae Crawford, 82, of Clifton, Colorado, passed away on Jan. 19, 2020, after a lengthy and courageous battle with cancer.

Ruby was born on March 25, 1937, to John and Ida Gitchell in Campo, Colorado. She attended school in Mesa, Colorado. She married the love of her life, Robert (Bob) Crawford, July 1, 1953. They went on to have five children, all raised in the Roaring Fork Valley.

Ruby's career led her to start her own drapery business in El Jebel, Colorado, in addition to her time working in the banking industry. She was known for her spunk, her spark, her love for her

family, as well as her passion for the Colorado sports teams and racing stock cars.

Always having a passion for the outdoor life, Ruby and Bob retired in the Grand Junction area of Colorado. The couple spent much time camping and exploring new areas on their ATVs, always surrounded by family and friends.



Ruby Crawford

Ruby was preceded in death by her parents, her brother Harmen Gitchell, and her sister Betty Grace Gitchell White. She is survived by her loving husband of 66 years, Robert Allen; her sisters, Mary Ellen Held of Parachute, Colorado, and Helen Carnahan of Grand Junction, Colorado; her five children, Robert (Donna) Crawford of Grand Junction, Colorado; Roxy Taylor of Meeker, Colorado; Rex (Jill) Crawford of Hurricane, Utah; Rita (Jerry) Nye of El Jebel, Colorado; and Alex (Michele) Crawford of Silt, Colorado, as well as 12 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren who were her pride and joy.

## Dinner, silent auction Feb. 8 will raise funds for HS Galapagos trip

By BECCA STEERMAN  
Special to the Herald Times

**MEEKER** I The Meeker Ecology Club is planning a trip to the Galapagos Islands to participate in biological studies in these islands. These islands are made up of volcanic rock and provide 17,000 square miles of land to research.

MHS student Savannah Mendenhall said, "I'm excited to share with the community what we will be doing and learning about. We are going to be learning about the culture and researching and learning about turtles." Mendenhall is very excited and can't wait to share her experiences with the rest of her community.

The Ecology Club is putting on a fundraiser on Feb. 8 to support their endeavor. The fundraiser is taking place at the Fairfield Center and starts

at 5:30 p.m. with cocktails. A prime rib dinner is at 6 p.m. followed by a silent auction and live music.

Auction items you can bid to win include a 20-minute scenic helicopter ride provided by Classic Air Medical and a scenic airplane ride for three over Devil's Causeway provided by David Cole. Live music will be provided by Matt and Shana Holliday. Artwork to be auctioned comes from Ben Quinn, Jay Sullivan, Pat Daggett and Maym Cunningham.

The fundraiser is \$35 per person, \$60 per couple and \$200 for a table of eight. Come and support these local kids in their dream of getting time in the field as ecologists, ambassadors and explorers. MHS student Aspen Merrifield said she is "very appreciative of the support" and "excited to share a new culture and help our planet."

### FAST FACTS

**WHO:** Meeker International Ecology Group  
**WHAT:** Silent Auction and prime rib dinner fundraiser for a trip to the Galapagos Islands  
**WHEN:** Saturday, Feb. 8 starting at 5:30 p.m.  
**WHERE:** Fairfield Center, Meeker

### OBITUARY POLICY:

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## The Parable of the Sower (2)

By Dr. J. D. Watson  
Pastor-Teacher, Grace Bible Church

... Behold, a sower went forth to sow ... (Matt. 13:3-9; 18-23)



Dr. J.D. Watson

UNLIKE an allegory, which is a complex metaphor with multiple characters and actions that all have a hidden meaning, a parable is a simple short story that has one main point and a single primary application. While this parable is unique in its three emphases, there is still a primary point.

Third, there are the soils. As noted yesterday, the seed is the Word of God and is always exactly the same. The soils on which the seed lands, however, are very different, indeed, and are the central emphasis of the parable. These diverse soils—people in Jesus' day immediately understood the images—perfectly describe the four types of hearers and the way each responds to the proclamation of the Gospel.

(1) The *Surface* Hearer is pictured by the "seeds [that] fell by the way side, and the fowls came and devoured them up" (v. 4). The paths that ran between the fields in Galilee were packed down and hardened by those who traveled them. When a seed hit such a path during planting, it simply could not penetrate and take any root at all. Birds quickly gobbled down the exposed seed, and any seed they missed was "trodden down" under the feet of the next passerby (Lk. 8:5).

When this person hears the Word, it hits the surface and stays there. It simply cannot penetrate because of how hardened to spiritual things the person has become. He doesn't "understand" the truth (v. 19) simply because he has been hardened by the countless "feet" that have walked on his "path," the feet of the humanist, the relativist, the evolutionist, the so-called atheist, and many others. To this person, in fact, the Gospel is utter foolishness (1 Cor. 1:18). The birds picture Satan and his

tools—such as pride, skepticism, false teachers, and more—to snatch away the seed lest it fall in a small crack in the path and take root. We will encounter many of this kind of hearer in our witness for Christ.

(2) The *Shallow* Hearer is pictured by the seed that "fell upon stony places" (vv. 5-6). This was a shallow layer of soil that rested on top of the unseen limestone layer beneath. This was very deceptive. The seed would take root more quickly than other seed and the plants would actually look healthier. But because the roots could not penetrate the rocky layer, they remained shallow (which meant little water), so when the sun got hot, the plants withered away.

Oh, how many hearers there are like this! They hear the truth and immediately receive it with joy, but the roots are shallow (vv. 20-21). Shallow evangelism, shallow preaching, shallow profession, and more contribute to a situation that is all too common. Emotion, experience, and zealotry have replaced true conviction of sin, repentance, and transformation. Ironically, the rock beneath this soil is even harder than the road. When difficulties arise because of the Word, the Word is quickly rejected. We must make the true Gospel clear to such hearers.

**Scriptures for Study:** What do 2 Corinthians 4:4 and Hebrews 10:29 tell us about the unbeliever?

We hope you will visit our website ([www.TheScriptureAlone.com](http://www.TheScriptureAlone.com)), where you will find not only our podcast of these devotional studies but also other resources for Christian growth, including messages in MP3 media files. You are also invited to worship with us at Grace Bible Church (on the corner of 3rd and Garfield) at 10:30 A.M. each Lord's Day, where the ministry is: "continu[ing] steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers" (Acts 2:42).

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DAYS GONE BY

*The Meeker Herald*  
125 years ago

■ During the past month the first \$1,000 of Meeker's \$10,000 school bonds was paid off.

■ Sam Wear has bought the Jack Burns ranch in Powell Park. It is one of the finest in the valley, and we understand that Sam got it at bedrock figures.

■ Range cattlemen worried a good deal over the heavy snowfall of the past two weeks. They are more than ever convinced that it is a risky business to depend entirely on the range as a steady thing.

*The Meeker Herald*  
100 years ago

■ Slipping away from their friends and relatives on Wednesday of this week, Miss Josephine Love and Walter A. Oldland, both residents of Piceance Creek, came to Rifle where they stole a march on their friends by being quietly married that afternoon.

■ The flu has struck Meeker. So far, most of the cases are in mild form, and it is hoped they

will not go beyond that stage. Report comes in from Rifle saying there are 60 or more cases there. The Craig papers of last week report six deaths in that section, from different causes. Steamboat Springs reports three deaths.

■ Mr. Henry Hay is in receipt of a report that an immense gas flow has been struck in the Rangely field. Meeker and some other people may yet get back some of the perfectly good money sunk in the Rangely field.

■ He who is doubtful about the future of the American people has only to remember that the great majority of the people—the great, sane, silent majority who are paying the bills—will keep the future safe.

*The Meeker Herald*  
50 years ago

■ Local sheepman Nick Theos was honored at the state Colorado Woolgrowers Convention last week when he was elected president of the state organization.

■ Seventy-threetownspeople,

including about 40 businessmen, agreed last Thursday night to attempt a reorganization of the Meeker Chamber of Commerce, into an aggressive organization.

*The Meeker Herald*  
25 years ago

■ Bill Lake and Marion Lake Culbertson are the White River Soil Conservation District's outstanding conservationists of 1994. The district has also nominated them for the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company outstanding conservation practices award.

■ Gayle Crawford didn't even know her bull calf, "Bingo," had won the silver trophy in last Friday's National Bison Association Gold Trophy Show of the National Western Stock Show (NWSS) until she saw him enter the sales ring Saturday and heard the auctioneer's announcement.

*Rangely Times*  
50 years ago

■ The average Rangely property taxpayer will pay a few

more dollars in 1970 because of a decrease in valuation and a slight increase in mill levy.

■ One trouble with life is that by the time you know your way around, you don't feel like going.

*Rangely Times*  
25 years ago

■ Renowned musical group to descend on Rangely. Up With People, an international educational organization based out of Broomfield, CO, is bringing its new show, "Festival," to the high school gymnasium.

■ The Rio Blanco County Sheriff's Dept. responded to a report of a gunshot victim at the Rangely District Hospital. The investigation revealed that the victim had been sitting in his pickup and showing a small-caliber hand gun to a witness. While attempting to unload the weapon, it discharged one time, striking the victim on the leg below the knee.

# RJSHS Honor Roll

Special to the Herald Times

**RANGELY I** Rangely Junior/Senior High School Honor roll for the first semester 2019/2020 is as follows:

**6TH GRADE - 1ST SEMESTER**

**STRAIGHT A's**  
Zoie Britt, Carmella Fortunato, Kaelyn Geer, Hailee Harris, Tara Hubbard, Matthew Morgan

**A-B HONOR ROLL**

Jaren Blankenship, Chase Cochrane, Tylee Fielder, Alivia Green, Josie Hamblin, Falon Heck, Aubrey Kenney, Kayden Lewis, Sidney Lujan, Trey Miller, Gage Nielsen, Raiden Oldaker, Kolby Olsen, Brayden Raley, Aren Robertson, Braxton Shaffer, Aspen Steele, Hunter Stewart, Aubrianna Tapia, Hudson Torsell, Gracie Varner, Gabbie Vaughn

**PERFECT ATTENDANCE**

Aubrey Kenner, Kayden Lewis

**7TH GRADE - 1ST SEMESTER**

**STRAIGHT A's**  
Miley Chism, Alyssa Coker, Kaitlyn Cox, Ashlynn Ducey, Angelina Fortunato, Karlee Halcomb, Lexi LeBleu, Jade Miller, Afton Robertson, Emmeree Wagner, Emma Winder, Miah Wren

**A-B HONOR ROLL**

Isabel Acosta, Jasmine Brannan, Valynn Broderick, Landon Carlson, Gage Fielder, Davin Hinkle, Jarvis Jensen, Nickolas Larsen, Brooke Lasiloo, Brode Low, Paola Munoz, Lily Noel, Audy Ryder, James Talbot

**PERFECT ATTENDANCE**

Isabel Acosta

**8TH GRADE - 1ST SEMESTER**

**STRAIGHT A's**  
Justin Allred, Annika Cantrell, Macy Morgan, Jaxon Torsell, Landon Williams

**A-B HONOR ROLL**

Annabelle Brannan, Kobey Chism, Kastyn Dembowski, Morgan Ellis, Ky Kirby, Adywen Meeks, Ryann Mergelman, Cesar Quijada, Abigail Sheppard, Emma Smith, Dylan Smuts, Gavin Torrez, Lauren Ward

**PERFECT ATTENDANCE**  
Kobey Chism, Adywen Meeks, Isaiah Trujillo

**9TH GRADE - 1ST SEMESTER**

**STRAIGHT A's**

Mackenzie Manchester, Whitney Rusher, Marsten Wagner

**A-B HONOR ROLL**

Rylee Allred, Shelby Carson, Kasen LeBleu, Drake Miller, Kyrah Phelps, Wyatt Wiley, Fisher Winder, Kevin Wren

**PERFECT ATTENDANCE**

Kaleb Emmons

**10TH GRADE - 1ST SEMESTER**

**STRAIGHT A's**

Autumn Curdy, Adelynn Halcomb, Aspen Low, Keihlin, Myers, Rayna Robertson, Mary Scoggins, Timothy Scoggins

**A-B HONOR ROLL**

Ashton Bennett, Rachel Busby, Brent Cantrell, Justin Cudo, Kashealee Ekker, Madison Lance, Shauna Lapp, Bryon Mackay, Kalysta Menzel, Norrah Patch, Angalina Peck, Linda Queszada, Bailey Tucker, Zane Varner, Ammie Vaughn, Brandon Willis

**11TH GRADE - 1ST SEMESTER**

**STRAIGHT A's**

Crimsen Blankenship, Travis Coates, Dixie Rhea, Megan Ward

**A-B HONOR ROLL**

Sydney Cole, Brianna Ekker, Kaiden Ellis, AJ Garner, Hunter Holmes, Kacie Lapp, Maximillian Larsen, Anthony Lujan, Philip Noyes, Sofia Pena, Gabe Polley, Hailee Polley, Trinity Snyder, Faith Yardley

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**12TH GRADE - 1ST SEMESTER**

**STRAIGHT A's**

Tiffany Holmes, Dillya Wagner, Hannah Wilkie

**A-B HONOR ROLL**

Ethan Byers, Tytus Coombs, Dalton Dembowski, Jordan Fiscus, Del Garner, Susan Gillard, Hunter Hanvey, Jayleen Kenney, Andrea Knight, Dylan LeBleu, Zoey Peck, Justin Rusher, Zoe Sheppard, Katelyn Willis

RBC WEEKLY CALL REVIEW

Jan. 20-26 2020

Meeker Dispatch Center administered 373 phone calls last week including 18 911 calls, 37 calls for Meeker Police Department (MPD) and placed 108 outgoing calls. A total of 125 calls for service were created, 60 for the Sheriff's Office, 45 for MPD.

Note the department breakdown of calls may differ from the total number reported due to individual incidents with multiple agencies responding.

■ Law enforcement conducted 33 traffic stops

■ Sheriff's Deputies issued two citations, one arrest on 19 stops

■ MPD issued 1 citation on 15 stops

■ There was one traffic arrest and no DUIs

Seven traffic crashes occurred in RBC, one involving wildlife, one injury accident and five non-injury crashes. RBSO and MPD assisted Colorado State Patrol on five calls.

Sheriff's Deputies responded to 60 requests for service:

- 4 911hangups
- 8 agency assists,
- 4 animal calls
- 2 alarms
- 19 security checks

- 2 civil papers served
- 3 motorist assists
- 2 traffic complaints
- 2 traffic hazards
- One each: citizen assistance,

civil, disturbance, property, suspicious incident, traffic accident, VIN inspection.

Meeker Police Department responded to 45 requests for service:

- 4 agency assists
- 4 animal calls
- 18 business checks
- 2 code enforcement
- 3 juvenile contacts
- 4 VIN inspections

■ One each: 911 abandoned, alarm, disturbance, harassment, motorist assist, property, snow complaint, theft, traffic crash, trespass.

Meeker Fire and Rescue responded to nine calls:

■ Two alarms, 2 medical transports to other facilities, one traffic crash with injuries and 4 ambulance requests.

Rio Blanco Detention:

■ 23 current inmates, 14 males and 9 females

■ Three warrant arrests

■ Booked in six, all by RBCSO Deputies

■ Five inmates released

■ Three transports to or from other facilities.

This information is a weekly review of the calls for service that were requested at the Rio Blanco County Sheriff's Communications Office. If you have any questions or would like an explanation of the call types listed please call 878-9600. We will not regularly post any information as to the names or addresses on any incident.



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## Coombs earns first-place finish in Paonia

Special to the Herald Times

**RANGELY I** This weekend the Panthers wrestled in the always tough Screaming Eagle tournament in Paonia.

“As a team, this is the best we have looked all year in my opinion,” said head coach JC Chumacero. “Friday night we wrestled Grand Valley where we didn’t seem to be ourselves and came up short of a single win. We talked to the young team and explained to them Saturday was the big day. We wanted them to get to their rooms, get a little food in their stomachs, and tell their girlfriends goodnight so we could get some good rest. They did just that and cleared their minds well as the team looked completely different Saturday.”

Freshman Sage Rhea (145) and Kasen LeBleu (152) came up short of wins this weekend. “The weight classes these two young men are in are two of the hardest weight classes in our region, in my opinion,” Chumacero said. Rhea fell to the number two seed and number three ranked wrestler in the state the first match. His second match he lost by points.

“This was one of the best matches I have seen Sage wrestle all year. He had zero quit in him and just kept coming after his opponent. LeBleu also had a tough first draw falling to the number five ranked kid in the state and also ended up being the tournament champion. He also lost his second match by points. Kasen just refused to give up. He has so much fight, and is starting to peak at the right time.”

Junior Anthony Garner (160) and older brother Del Garner (195) both picked up wins by points. “Winning by points is important because it shows that we are able to go a full distance and stay in control,” Chumacero said. Anthony Garner beat his John Mall opponent 7-3. Del Garner was able to secure a win against his Palisade opponent 7-1. Del’s win put him in the placing rounds where he walked away with a

sixth-place finish.

Sophomore Brent Cantrell (170) and senior Dalton Dembowski both came out of the tournament with pins. Cantrell pinned his Mancos opponent in the third period and Dembowski pinned his Cedaredge opponent at the end of the third period.

Sophomore Byron Mackay (HWT) had an impressive 3-2 finish on the day. His first loss came from a 3A opponent. His next three wins all were by pin and against regional competitors from Meeker, Coal Ridge and West Grand. His final loss was a close one. “We lost in overtime to Ignacio,” Chumacero said, adding, “I hope we can meet up with him again next weekend.”

Sophomore Zane Varner came away with a third-place finish and dominating performances against regional opponents. He got a win by pin against a West Grand competitor and a 9-2 win against Nucla. He lost in the semi-finals against number one ranked wrestler Wesley VanMatre from John Mall, who is also a three-time state champion. Varner finished his day beating two more regional opponents including number three ranked JD Miller from Hotchkiss 7-1.

Senior Tytus Coombs (160) “looked scary” this weekend, according to his coach. Coombs got the fourth seed in the tournament on the same side of the bracket as the number two ranked wrestler in the state. Coombs rolled through his first two matches pinning both of his opponents with a combined time of 1:01 minutes. He met No. 2 ranked Grey Neil from Paonia in the semi-finals and won 6-3. He ended the day pinning another regional foe from Cedaredge to earn a first-place finish.

“We looked very good this weekend but we have to continue to keep our foot on the pedal. This helped us with regional seeding but we have to win these matches again in order to make it to state. I am confident in these young men. We will continue to work hard,” Chumacero said.



Rangely senior Tytus Coombs (160) rolled through his matches and straight to a first-place finish at Paonia’s annual tourney.

## Paonia tournament a chance to size up competition

By TIFFANY JEHOREK

Special to the Herald Times

**RANGELY I** The Meeker wrestlers got a lot of mat time this past weekend. Beginning with the Hotchkiss Triangular and ending with the Screaming Eagle in Paonia, most maxed out on the total matches they are allowed to wrestle in one day.

The Hotchkiss Triangular featured Hotchkiss, Meeker and Norwood in a round-robin format. Meeker came out on top in both of their duals, beating Norwood 57-24 and Hotchkiss 47-27.

Winners in the dual against Norwood were Trae Kennedy (106), Ty Goedert (113), Charles Curry (126), Connor Blunt (132) and Dax Sheridan (160). The 170-285 weights were open for Norwood.

“The boys really wrestled hard both Friday and Saturday,” commented head coach JC Watt. “The kids who are putting in the time and effort in the wrestling room is showing on the mat.” Contributing to the 20 point win over Hotchkiss were Kennedy, Sheridan, Colby Clatterbaugh (182), Ridge Williams (195) and Tanner Musser (220).

In Paonia Saturday, it was the



MHS senior Ridge Williams brought home second place from the Screaming Eagle tournament in Paonia.

first chance the Cowboys had to size up the competition, all in one place, for regionals.

“All of the kids wrestled really well, some of them didn’t get to finish the tournament because of the five-match rule, but they all did really good,” Watt said.

With so many kids the brackets were large and some of the kids maxed out their daily allowance of

matches before they had reached the end, and their inability to compete meant they lost the opportunity to place.

Kennedy, a freshman, who was ranked fifth in the week eight rankings, placed fourth. The previous night he battled Anthony Scanlon of Hotchkiss and Jared Sinks of Norwood, both ranked, and both tough matches. Facing

these two opponents again, he fell to Sinks moving him to the consolation bracket to once again take on Scanlon in those semi-finals, winning by decision he moved on to wrestle for third. In his final match, he fell to Kody Ingols of Hayden who is ranked just below him.

Goedert, in his second week of wrestling at 113 pounds, placed fifth by beating Hager of Hayden

9-3. He had moved to the consolation round after his loss to Miguel Sanchez of John Mall in the semi-finals.

“Trae and Ty are both wrestling really strong,” commented Watt.

Blunt, losing in round one to Dylan Zimmerman of Hayden, wrestled his way through the entire consolation bracket, but had maxed out his matches and lost by coin toss in the final round and brought home a well earned fourth place.

Clatterbaugh, with one of the smaller brackets, had a bye round one and pinned easily in round two, to then have his round three opponent, in the semifinals, from Hotchkiss medical forfeit. He then moved on to the finals to face Palansky of Hayden. The two, well-matched wrestlers, had a low scoring three rounds. Palansky, scoring first, controlled the match the majority of time and the final was 5-0, and Clatterbaugh took second place.

Williams, another Meeker wrestler that stayed alive all day in the championship bracket, took on kids from Hotchkiss, Cedaredge, and finally Miller of Paonia who is ranked third in the state. Pinned late in the third period, Williams brought home a second-place finish, and got a good look at those for regionals.

Freshman Musser, in his second week of wrestling varsity, brought home fifth place. Moving to the third round after a bye and then a win with an 11-5 decision over Seiden of Hotchkiss, he took on the number one 220-pounder in the state, Paonia senior Levi Peterson. Suffering his first loss, Musser moved to the consolation bracket to wrestle two more bouts and secure fifth place.

Reese Harvey, who wrestles at 285 pounds, was matched up in the first round to Matus of Hotchkiss, falling early he then wrestled his way across to the consolation bracket pinning both Summers of Dolores and Deck of Paonia along the way. Harvey took fifth place at the tournament.

This week the team will be traveling to Glenwood Springs on Thursday for a dual at 6 p.m., with the weekend off they then return home next Friday and Saturday for duals.

## Lady Cowboys undefeated in league play

By TIFFANY JEHOREK

Special to the Herald Times



Senior Kirsten Brown was a top scorer with 12 points.

**MEEKER I** It was another successful weekend of basketball for the lady Cowboys. Winning both games once again, they remain undefeated in their league.

The Cowboys had prepared for a fast-paced game against De Beque and it paid off. The game was tight, within five points the entire game, Meeker pulled ahead in the fourth quarter to win 60-34.

“It was a battle the entire game,” commented head coach Jamie Rogers. “We never really felt like we were ahead.”

Sarah Kracht sunk 15 points and Julia Dinwiddie 11 to lead the team Friday. Defensively Tilly Brown and Dinwiddie were the top rebounders.

“Tilly had a great game,” said Rogers, “she held their top scorer

to 10 points and played hard the entire time.”

“Going into our game Saturday against Paonia our feet were heavy,” commented Rogers, “the girls found another speed in the second half to seal the win.”

The Eagles were up by three at the end of the first half, but the Cowboys came out strong outscoring Paonia 13-4 in the third and 9-5 in the fourth.

“Kirsten had some big layups, she and Julia played tough games, they had to help guard when we had some foul trouble,” said Rogers.

Kirsten Brown and Dinwiddie were the top scorers, each with 12 points, and Dinwiddie combined that with 15 total rebounds.

The lady Cowboys will only have one varsity game this coming weekend in Collbran against Plateau Valley, varsity begins at 5:30 p.m.



Senior Tilly Brown was a top rebounder against De Beque.

### COWBOYS

- **WRESTLING**
- 1/30 @ GWS Dual, 6
- 2/4 @ Rifle Dual, 6
- 2/7 @ HOME v. Cedaredge, TBA
- 2/8 @ MEEKER DUALS, 9:30

- **BASKETBALL**
- 1/31 @ Plateau Valley, 4, 5:30, 7
- 2/1 @ HOME v. Vail Mtn. TBA
- 2/7 @ Rangely, 4, 5:30, 7

- **GIRLS SWIMMING**
- 2/7 @ WSL Relays

### PANTHERS

- **WRESTLING**
- 2/1 @ Ignacio
- 2/7 @ HOME v. Rangely
- 2/8 @ Meeker Duals

- **BASKETBALL**
- 1/31 @ Oak Creek, 4, 5:30, 7
- 2/1 @ HOME v. Hotchkiss, 1, 2:30, 4
- 2/7 @ HOME v. Meeker, 4, 5:30, 7
- 2/8 @ Vail, 1, 2:30

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# Panthers lock up two league wins, will play Bulldogs at home this Sat.

Special to the Herald Times

**RANGELY I** The Rangely boys locked up two league wins starting with a 40-35 victory at Caprock Academy on Thursday. The Panthers jumped to an 18-8 lead after the first quarter and took a 23-14 lead into halftime. Bryson Anderson led Caprock's comeback efforts, scoring 12 of his 16 points in the second half. However, neither team seemed willing to take control in the fourth quarter.

"We didn't control the tempo or situations at the end of the game like we needed. But the boys earned their victory on the defensive boards by limiting Caprock's second-chance points," said coach Kyle Boydston. Sydney Cole and Gabe Polley

both had nine rebounds each. Polley scored 10 points and Sydney Cole scored 11 of his 17 points in the second half to help the Panthers seal the victory. The JV team also earned 42-30 win over Caprock's JV.

Rangely hosted the West Grand Mustangs Friday, a team that wanted to press the Panthers throughout the game. The strategy worked in the first quarter and the Mustangs led 5-12. The Panthers settled down in the second quarter and pulled within two, 17-19, at halftime. Five Panthers scored in

**"It was a good team effort."**

~ Coach Kyle Boydston on Rangely's home court win against West Grand

the third quarter to help fuel a 22-13 run and a 39-30 lead. The Mustangs found themselves in foul trouble in the fourth quarter and this time the Panthers capitalized. The Panthers

had found net on only two of 16 chances in the first half, but Keihlin Myers led the Panthers out of their funk in the final stanza sinking four of his five free-throws, sealing the 54-43 league win.

"We survived a slow start, but Timothy Scoggins and Ryan Richens helped spark our defense. And after the first quar-

ter, we showed much more poise on offense. It was a good team effort," Boydston said. Sydney Cole again led the scoring effort with 15 points while Timothy Scoggins and Dylan LeBleu scored 11 and 10 points respectively. The Panther's JV team also tallied their second win of the weekend, defeating the Mustang JV 48-39.

Rangely travels to Soroco on Friday, Jan. 31 to take on the Rams—games start at 4 p.m. On Saturday, Feb. 1, the Panthers host the Hotchkiss Bulldogs with games starting at 1 p.m.

**(Right) Sophomore Timothy Scoggins helped the Panthers tally two wins last weekend.**

MATT SCOGGINS PHOTO



## Cowboys 3-3 in league, 4-8 overall



By **TIFFANY JEHOREK**  
Special to the Herald Times

**MEEKER I** Two close games and another win on the books for Cowboy basketball.

Meeker took on the De Beque Dragons last Friday, it was a heartbreaking seven-point loss after the Cowboys were on top through much of the third quarter. Cole Rogers had an amazing 24 points, half of which came from behind the three-point line. Spud White, another team state leader, had 13 points. The final score was 52-59.

Saturday found the Cowboys

**(Left) Braydon Garcia and Liam Deming look to put points on the board at a home game against Paonia. The boys play in Collbran Friday and Saturday at home.**

back in front of a home crowd to face regional rivals the Paonia Eagles. Once again Rogers bested 20 points with a combination of four three-pointers, three free throws and four regular goals for 23 total points. White, just behind once again, with 20 points also had 12 total rebounds.

Meeker is now even in the league for this season 3-3, and 4-8 overall.

It is another split weekend between home and away games. Friday they will be in Collbran and Saturday boys' varsity is scheduled to begin at 4 p.m. at home against Vail Mountain.

CATHIE DOLAN PHOTOS

## 3-ON-3 BASKETBALL ...



**The A-Team was crowned the champions of the ERBM Recreation and Park District adult coed 3-on-3 basketball league this January. Team members included Dr. Travis Anderson, Brandon Sanders, Joe Rose and Dan Bair. This is the A-Team's second championship in a row, winning in 2019 as well.**

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## McPherson, Gomez receive FFA SAE grants

Special to the Herald Times

**MEEKER I** Colorado FFA Foundation generously offers grants to FFA members and FFA chapters from all across Colorado each year. These grants are targeted to assist members and chapters in improving agricultural experiences in their local communities through three programs. Those programs are Heifer Wrangle, Supervised Agricultural Experiences, and School based Agricultural Experience Program/ Chapter Improvement.

This year, the Meeker FFA Chapter had two recipients, Cleone McPherson and Sierra Gomez in the Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE) program, receive grants. The entirety of grants paid to their individual SAE accounts add to \$2,450. This program allows participants to use grant funds to develop any type of agriculture entrepreneurship experience that allows the members to connect



**Cleone McPherson and Sierra Gomez received Supervised Agricultural Experience grants.**

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to a segment of agriculture that interests them and relates to a career objective.

Cleone's SAE grant will be used to add to her current SAE at White River Bakery by expanding her own laying hen enterprise. She hopes to be able to provide her family's growing

business with farm fresh eggs within the next year by certifying her chickens through USDA regulations.

Sierra's SAE grant will also be adding to her current SAE by growing her Suffolk/Hampshire cross show lamb operation. She has hopes of selling her lamb

progeny to fellow 4-H, FFA members that will exhibit at county fair.

As the Meeker FFA Chapter, we are so lucky to have such motivated members that are willing to better the chapter as well as the community around them.



MATT SCOGGINS PHOTO

**The Lady Panthers moved up to fifth place in league standings last week. (Above) RHS sophomore Shauna Lapp.**

## Lady Panthers add wins, move up to fifth in league

Special to the Herald Times

**RANGELY I** The lady Panthers got back to the winning side of things last week. On Thursday, Jan. 23 the girls traveled to Grand Junction to take on the Caprock Academy Eagles for a 2A Western Slope League match. The Panthers came into the game with an overall record of 8-3 and a Western Slope League mark of 1-2.

The Panthers looked to start fast against the Eagles and did just that as they came out of the first period with a 22-0 lead. They stretched this lead to 31-2 by the end of the second quarter. In the first half the Panthers were led in scoring by Kacie Lapp and Hannah Wilkie who both scored eight points respectively.

In the second half the Panthers opened up the scoring again with a strong 17 point quarter. Head coach Jimmie Mergelman emphasized, "We have struggled coming out in the third quarter and scoring points consistently so this was a focus for improvement in this game."

Kacie Lapp scored four points. Wilkie, Shauna Lapp and Adelynn Halcomb each scored three points. Mary Scoggins and Zoey Peck both added two points in the quarter.

The CHSAA sportsmanship rule kicked in at the start of the fourth quarter. This rule is where any team that is up by 35 points or more in the competition will start a running clock that only stops on timeouts and injuries. With the Panthers ahead by a score of 48-6 the clock would run for the entire fourth quarter without stopping. The girls won the game with a score of 54-10, led in scoring by Kacie Lapp with 12 points, Wilkie with 11 points, Halcomb with seven, Scoggins with six, Peck with five, Kyrah Phelps and Susan Gillard each with four and Shauna Lapp with three. With the win the lady Panthers moved to 9-3 overall and 2-2 in

conference play.

The next day the lady Panthers played host to the West Grand Mustangs, who came into the game with a 6-6 overall record and 0-5 in league play. The height difference proved to be tough initially but aggressive offensive play allowed the Panthers to be shooting bonus free throws by the end of the first quarter. The Panthers held a slight 6-5 lead by the end of the first quarter.

The second quarter proved to be a slugfest for the two squads. By scoring four points, Kacie Lapp led all Panthers in the second quarter followed by Halcomb with three and Wilkie and Peck pitched in two points apiece. The Panthers held a 17-16 lead going into halftime.

The Panthers came one point shy of the 17 point third quarter performance from the night before, scoring 16 compared to the Mustangs' six to take an 11 point lead into the fourth quarter. Wilkie led the third quarter charge with eight points. Kacie and Shauna Lapp and Halcomb each contributed two points with Scoggins and Peck adding one point each in the quarter.

Quick ball movement and offensive rebounding by the Mustangs kept the game close in the fourth quarter. The Panthers mustered up three points in the quarter as the Mustangs scored 11 to make the final score 36-33 in favor of the Panthers. The win pushed the Panthers to 10-3 overall and 3-2 in league play. With two league wins for the weekend, the lady Panthers moved up to fifth place overall in the 2A Western Slope League. The Panthers will travel to play the Soroco Rams on Friday, Jan. 31 for a top-five league match-up. The Rams hold a 9-4 overall record and a 4-1 mark in league play. Saturday the Panthers will play host to the Hotchkiss Bulldogs who currently hold the top spot in the league. Both games are crucial for the lady Panthers standing in league play.

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While you are visiting the library check out the African-American folktale section for great stories!

## Books and Their Authors!

Study the picture clues to fill in the names of the 4 books. Next, match each book to its author.

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ Day  
n S w  
y o

2. One Crazy \_\_\_\_\_  
m S r  
e m u

- by \_\_\_\_\_
- A. Virginia Hamilton
  - B. Rita Williams-Garcia
  - C. William H. Armstrong
  - D. Ezra Jack Keats

3. S + \_\_\_\_\_ - FL = \_\_\_\_\_  
by \_\_\_\_\_

4. The \_\_\_\_\_ Could Fly: American Black Folktales  
by \_\_\_\_\_

(hint: author has a middle initial of "H.")

(hint: author initials are "V.H.")

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- THEME: BE MY VALENTINE**
- ACROSS**
- \*Abèlard to Hèloïse
  - C.E.O.'s degree
  - a.k.a. Snowmobile
  - Make amends
  - Over, poetically
  - Garlic unit
  - \_\_\_ lazuli
  - New, prefix
  - Bumpkin
  - \*St. Valentine's Day Massacre city
  - James Bond's drink of choice
  - Building annex
  - Galsworthy's "The Forsyte \_\_\_"
  - MD, familiarly
  - Land of Nod, in relation to Eden
  - Hire for work
  - Part of an eye
  - Feudal laborer
  - Request from Amazon
  - Waterproofed canvas
  - Bunch of bees
  - Black cat, e.g.
  - Apollo of "Rocky"
  - Roofed colonnade
  - X in a letter
  - Medicinal herb
  - Tangerine-grapefruit hybrid
  - Tennis barrier
  - Hold as a conviction
  - End of a fuse?
  - \*\_\_\_ Valentine, a.k.a. humorous Valentine
  - \*One of star-crossed lovers
  - Beyond's occasional partner
  - E.T. transporter
  - Wombs
  - Hansen's disease patient
  - Young canine
  - \*Flirt
  - \*They used to be each other's Valentines
  - Attempt
- DOWN**
- Barber's supply
  - Ariзонa's neighbor
  - Serengeti antelope
  - \*Like a bottle of champagne
  - \*"Goodwill Industries" business
  - \*Unfortunate consequence of kissing?
  - Busy as a what?
  - \*Pleasant bouquet smell
  - Vegas bandit
  - Mischievous Norse deity
  - \_\_\_-tempered
  - Sub station
  - \*"Roxane's pen pal
  - \*"Heart of \_\_\_," Blondie's hit
  - Well-kept secret, for some
  - Strata, sing.
  - \*Go \_\_\_ or split the cost of a date
  - Estrogen maker
  - The smallest dwarf planet
  - Uses a Singer
  - Get the picture
  - Short for administrator
  - Goslings, when they grow up
  - \*German artist or Young's partner
  - "Singes" in "La PlanÈte des Singes"
  - \*Mr. Right, pre-kiss
  - Tiny European republic
  - Jackie Robinson, e.g.
  - Princess tester
  - \*"My two cents," pl.
  - Do like Vesuvius
  - Wide river valley
  - Wild goat
  - Uh-uh
  - \*"The Three Faces of \_\_\_," pl.
  - Printer button
  - Old paint hazard
  - Gaelic tongue
  - \*Wedding cake layer
  - \* \_\_\_ Elise"

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
Bureau of Land Management  
[LLCON05000.L71220000.EJ0000.LVT-FC1802900.18X; COC-78815]

**Notice of Realty Action: Segregation of Public Land for Proposed Sale in Rio Blanco and Garfield Counties, Colorado**

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.  
ACTION: Notice of realty action.  
SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is proposing to segregate six parcels of public land, totaling 400 acres, from all forms of appropriation under the public land laws, including the mining laws. During the segregation period, the BLM will evaluate the parcels to determine if they are suitable to offer for sale.  
DATES: The segregation will terminate upon issuance of a patent, publication of the segregation's termination in the **Federal Register**, or on January 21, 2022, unless extended by the BLM Colorado State Director  
Submit comments concerning the segregation and any part of this notice, by March 6, 2020. The BLM will only accept written comments.  
ADDRESSES: Submit written comments to BLM White River Field Office, Field Manager, 220 East Market Street, Meeker, CO 81641. Written comments may also be submitted via email to [blm\\_co\\_wrfc\\_sale@blm.gov](mailto:blm_co_wrfc_sale@blm.gov).  
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Heather Sauls, Planning and Environmental Coordinator, BLM White River Field Office, phone: 970-878-3855, email: [hsauls@blm.gov](mailto:hsauls@blm.gov). Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Relay Service (FRS) at 1-800-877-8339 to contact the above individual during normal business hours. The FRS is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to leave a message or question with the above individual. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.  
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The White River Lodge nominated the parcels for the sale. Two of the parcels, which are completely surrounded by private land owned by White River Lodge, would be offered through a direct sale to the lodge. The remaining four parcels would be offered through a modified competitive sale in which bidders are limited to adjacent landowners with legal access, which includes the White River Lodge. The following described public lands in Rio Blanco and Garfield Counties are segregated immediately upon publication of this notice:

**Parcel 1**  
Sixth Principal Meridian, Colorado  
T. 2 N., R. 94 W.,  
sec. 29, NE1/4NE1/4.  
The area described contains 40 acres.

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Sixth Principal Meridian, Colorado  
T. 3 S., R. 94 W.,  
sec. 22, SE1/4NE1/4;  
sec. 23, S1/2NW1/4 and NE1/4SW1/4.  
The areas described aggregate 160 acres.  
**Parcel A**  
Sixth Principal Meridian, Colorado  
T. 2 N., R. 94 W.,  
sec. 20, NW1/4NE1/4 and NE1/4NW1/4.  
The area described contains 80 acres.  
**Parcel B**  
Sixth Principal Meridian, Colorado  
T. 2 N., R. 94 W.,  
sec. 16, SW1/4SE1/4.  
The area described contains 40 acres.  
**Parcel C**  
Sixth Principal Meridian, Colorado  
T. 2 N., R. 94 W.,  
sec. 15, NE1/4SW1/4.  
The area described contains 40 acres.  
**Parcel D**  
Sixth Principal Meridian, Colorado  
T. 3 S., R. 94 W.,  
sec. 15, SW1/4SE1/4.  
The area described contains 40 acres.  
The BLM is no longer accepting land-use applications affecting the subject public lands, except applications to amend previously filed right-of-way applications or existing authorizations to increase grant terms in accordance with 43 CFR 2807.15 and 43 CFR 2886.15.  
During the segregation period, the BLM will evaluate the parcels for suitability to offer for sale. If BLM finds that the lands are suitable for sale, they will publish another Notice of Realty Action in the **Federal Register** announcing its decision to offer the land for sale  
This Notice also initiates an official two-year notification to grazing use authorization holders that the BLM is considering disposing of the subject lands and that such authorizations may be cancelled in accordance with 43 CFR 4110.4-2(b).  
Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment including your personal identifying information - may be made publicly available at any time. While you may ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.  
Any adverse comments will be reviewed by the BLM Colorado State Director or other authorized official of the Department of the Interior, who may sustain, vacate, or modify this realty action and issue a final determination. In the absence of timely filed objections, this realty action will become the

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final determination of the Department of the Interior. (AUTHORITY: 43 CFR 2091.2-1(b))  
**Jamie E. Connell**  
Colorado State Director  
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**MEEKER SANITATION DISTRICT ACCOUNTS PAYABLE DECEMBER 31, 2019**

Total Payroll, \$17,683.58  
Quickbooks Payroll Svc. Direct Deposit Fee, \$31.75  
Federal Tax Withholding, \$2,024.00  
Social Security Withholding, \$3,061.44  
Medicare Withholding, \$716.02  
PERA Retirement, \$5,514.47  
U.S. Postal Service: Postage, \$385.00  
CEBT: Health, Dental, Vision, Life Ins., \$11,079.90  
AFLAC: Employee Accident Ins., \$41.22  
Colorado State Treasurer: 4th Qtr. Unempl. Ins., \$221.82  
Bank of the San Juans: NSF Check Fee, \$2.00  
Atmos Energy: Natural Gas Svc., \$1,436.91  
Boyko Supply: Nitrile Gloves, \$42.78  
Century Link: Telephone Service, \$340.29  
Certified Balance Service: Cert of Calibration, \$134.00  
Cimarron Telecom: Broadband, \$155.00  
ConvergeOne: Cloud Backup, \$307.25  
Eagle River Waste Service: Trash Service, \$255.00  
ERBM Recreation & Park District: Annual Membership, \$2,175.00  
First Bancard Visa: Adobe, Office Supplies, Parts, Shipping, \$441.09  
Charlie Frantz: Snow Removal, \$170.00  
JVA Inc: Engineering Services, \$915.00  
McGuire Auto Parts: Vehicle Maintenance, \$32.98  
Meeker Chamber of Commerce: Membership, \$575.00  
Meeker Sanitation District Petty Cash: Replenish, \$16.73  
Networking of the Rockies: Monitors, \$485.00  
Office Depot: Office Supplies, \$196.56  
Orkin: Pest Control, \$233.27  
Respond First Aid Systems: First Aid Supplies, \$62.70  
Rio Blanco County Fleet Dept.: Fuel, \$376.81  
Rio Blanco Herald Time: Publish Accounts Payable, \$27.44  
Samuelson's Hardware: Misc. Supplies, \$38.38  
Special District Association: Membership, \$848.89  
Town of Meeker: Water Svc., \$24.00  
Union Telephone: Cell Phone Svc., \$267.84  
Utility Notification Center: Line Locates, \$14.20  
USGS: Water Monitoring Program, \$1,740.00  
Watt's Ranch Market: Misc. Supplies, \$44.69

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W. Co. Electrical Control Specialist: Blower Controls, \$1,179.10  
White River Distributing: Bottled Water, \$6.75  
WREA: Electric Svc., \$6,752.20  
Total Accounts Payable: \$60,056.06  
Published: January 30, 2020  
Rio Blanco Herald Times

**A CALL FOR NOMINATIONS**

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, and, particularly, to the electors of the Meeker Sanitation District of Rio Blanco County, Colorado.  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an election will be held on the 5th day of May, 2020, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. At that time, 3 directors will be elected to serve 3-year terms and 2 director will be elected to serve 2-year terms. Eligible electors of the Meeker Sanitation District interested in serving on the board of directors may obtain a Self-Nomination and Acceptance form from the District Designated Election Official (DEO): Gail Frantz, 265 8th Street, Meeker, Colorado 81641, 970-878-5192.  
The Office of the DEO is open on the following days: Monday - Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The deadline to submit a Self-Nomination and Acceptance is close of business on Tuesday, February 28, 2020 (not less than 67 days before the election).  
Affidavit of Intent To Be A Write-In-Candidate forms must be submitted to the office of the designated election official by the close of business on Monday, March 2, 2020 (the sixty-fourth day before the election).  
NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, an application for an absentee ballot shall be filed with the designated election official no later than the close of business on Tuesday preceding the election, April 28, 2020.  
\$Gail Frantz, Designated Election Official  
Published: January 30, February 6 and 13, 2020  
Rio Blanco Herald Times

**MEEKER SANITATION DISTRICT February 5, 2020 REGULAR BOARD MEETING AT 7:00 PM**

The Regular Board Meeting of the Meeker Sanitation District will be held at the Meeker Sanitation District Office, 265 8th Street, Meeker, Colorado.  
1. Call to order  
2. Additions or Changes to the Agenda  
3. Approval of Minutes  
4. Public Comments  
5. Public Hearing on Rate Increase  
6. New Business  
7. Old Business

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A. Plant Manager Report  
B. Office Manager Report  
8. Attorney  
9. Board  
A. Reports  
B. Delinquent Accounts  
C. Approve Current Bills  
10. Adjourn  
This agenda is subject to change without further notice.  
Agenda is posted at the office of the Meeker Sanitation District, 285 8th Street.  
Published: January 30, 2020  
Rio Blanco Herald Times

**A CALL FOR NOMINATIONS**

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, and, particularly, to the electors of the Rangely Rural Fire Protection District of Rio Blanco County, Colorado.  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an election will be held on the 5th day of May, 2020, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. At that time, 3 directors will be elected to serve 3 year terms and 1 director will be elected to serve 2 year term. Eligible electors of the Rangely Rural Fire Protection District interested in serving on the board of directors may obtain a Self-Nomination and Acceptance form from the District Designated Election Official (DEO): Linda C. Gordon, 215 Hillcrest Avenue, Rangely, CO 81648, 970-629-1116.  
The Office of the DEO is open on the following days: Monday - Friday from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. The deadline to submit a Self-Nomination and Acceptance is close of business on Friday, February 28, 2020.  
If the DEO determines that a Self-Nomination and Acceptance form is not sufficient, the eligible elector who submitted the form may amend the form once, at any time, prior to close of business, on Friday February 28, 2020. Earlier submission is encouraged as the deadline will not permit curing an insufficient form. Affidavit of Intent To Be A Write-In-Candidate forms must be submitted to the office of the designated election official by the close of business on Monday, March 2, 2020 (the sixty-fourth day before the election).  
NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, an application for an absentee ballot shall be filed with the designated election official no later than the close of business on Tuesday, January 30, February 6 and 13, 2020  
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**RIO BLANCO COUNTY NOTICE OF FINAL CONTRACTOR SETTLEMENT 2019 RIO BLANCO COUNTY ROAD 7 GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING SERVICES PROJECT**

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 11th day of February, 2020 at Meeker, Colorado, final settlement will be authorized by the Rio Blanco County Board of County Commissioners with Kumar & Associates, Inc. of 5020 County Road 154, Glenwood Springs, CO 81601 for all work done by said CONTRACTOR on the project known as 2019 Rio Blanco County Road 7 Geotechnical Engineering Services Project.  
1) Any person, co-partnership, association, or corporation who has an unpaid claim against the said project may at any time, up to and including the date specified in item 2 below, file a VERIFIED STATEMENT of the amount due and unpaid on account of such claims.  
2) All such claims shall be filed with Van Pilaud, County Engineer, Rio Blanco County Road & Bridge Department, 570 2nd Street, Meeker, Colorado 81641 on or before February 5, 2020 at 4:00 P.M.  
3) Failure on the part of a creditor to file such a statement will relieve Rio Blanco County from any and all liability for such claim.  
Dated at Meeker, Colorado this 20th day of January, 2020.  
**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF RIO BLANCO COUNTY**  
BY JEFF RECTOR, CHAIRMAN  
Published: January 23 and 30, 2020  
Rio Blanco Herald Times

**Meeker Cemetery District February 6, 2020 8:30 a.m. 265 County Road 4, Meeker, CO Board of Directors Regular Board Meeting**

Agenda  
1. Call to order  
2. Approve Agenda  
3. Approve Minutes January 9, 2020  
4. Present and approve bills/deeds  
5. Public input  
6. Old Business  
a. Irrigation Plan  
b. Seasonal Summer Help  
7. New Business  
8. Manager Report  
9. Open Board Discussion  
10. Adjourn  
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**PUBLIC NOTICE  
TOWN OF MEEKER  
MUNICIPAL ELECTION  
APRIL 7, 2020**

TO: REGISTERED ELECTORS OF THE TOWN OF MEEKER, COLORADO  
NOTICE is hereby given that a registered elector of the town who has attained the age of eighteen (18) years or older on the date of the election and has resided in the town for a period of at least twelve (12) consecutive months immediately preceding the date of election, who desires to be a write-in candidate in this election, must complete and file an Affidavit of Intent with the Town Clerk at Town Hall, 345 Market Street, Meeker, Colorado, by 5:00 P.M. on Friday, January 31, 2020, in order to be eligible for such office.  
IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have here unto set my hand and official seal at Meeker, Colorado this 16th day of January 2020.  
TOWN OF MEEKER  
Amy Tupy, Town Clerk  
Published: January 23 and 30, 2020  
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**Public Notice  
Meeker Housing Authority Vacancies**

The Town Board of Trustees is seeking letters of interest from qualified individuals to fill five positions on an Interim Board for the Meeker Housing Authority. Qualifications for the positions are to be: a registered voter within Rio Blanco County, eighteen years of age or older and must have resided within Rio Blanco County for at least twelve consecutive months immediately preceding the date of the appointment. For further information please call Lisa Cook at 878-5344.  
Mayor Regas K. Halandras  
Board of Trustees  
Town of Meeker  
Published: January 30, 2020  
Rio Blanco Herald Times

**A CALL FOR NOMINATIONS  
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, and, particularly, to the electors of the Rio Blanco Fire Protection District of Rio Blanco County, Colorado.**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that an election will be held on the 5th day of May 2020 between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. At that time, three (3) directors will be elected to serve 3-year terms. Eligible electors of the Rio Blanco Fire Protection District interested in serving on the board of directors may obtain a Self-Nomination and Acceptance form from the District Designated Election Official (DEO):  
Patti Merriam  
Rio Blanco Fire Protection District  
240 7th St., PO Box 737  
Meeker, CO 81641  
970-878-3443  
The Office of the DEO is open on the following days: Mon - Thurs from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
The deadline to submit a Self-Nomination and Acceptance is close of business on **Friday February 28, 2020** (not less than 67 days before the election).  
Affidavit of Intent To Be A Write-In-Candidate forms must be submitted to the office of the designated election official by the close of business on **Monday March 2, 2020** (the sixty-fourth day before the election).  
**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN**, an application for an absentee ballot shall be filed with the designated election official no later than the close of business on **Tuesday** preceding the election **May 5, 2020**.  
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**A CALL FOR NOMINATIONS  
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, and, particularly, to the electors of the Western Rio Blanco Metro Recreation and Park District of Rio Blanco County, Colorado.**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that an election will be held on the 5th day of May, 2020, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. At that time, three (3) directors will be elected to serve 3-year terms and 1 director will be elected to serve 2-year terms. Eligible electors of the Western Rio Blanco Metro Recreation and Park District interested in serving on the board of directors may obtain a Self-Nomination and Acceptance form from the District Designated Election Official (DEO): Linda Gordon  
Western Rio Blanco Recreation and Park District  
611 S. Standlind Avenue  
Rangely, CO 81648  
The Office of the DEO is open on the following days: Monday through Thursday from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM  
The deadline to submit a Self-Nomination and Acceptance is close of business on **Friday February 28, 2020** at 3:00pm (not less than 67 days before the election).  
Affidavit of Intent To Be A Write-In-Candidate forms must be submitted to the office of the designated election official by the close of business on **Monday, March 2, 2020** at 3:00pm (the sixty-fourth day before the election).  
**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN**, an application for an absentee ballot shall be filed with the designated election official no later than the close of business on **Tuesday** preceding the election, **April 28, 2020**.  
Western Rio Blanco Metro Recreation and Park District  
Linda Gordon  
Designated Election Official  
Published: January 30 and February 6, 2020  
Rio Blanco Herald Times

**PUBLIC NOTICE  
Personal Property**

All persons owning, possessing, or controlling taxable personal property with a total actual value greater than \$7,700 (per owner, per county) on January 1, 2020, are required to report the personal property to the assessor by April 15, 2020. Personal Property Declaration Schedules have been mailed to every person, business, or company known to own, possess, or control taxable personal property in the county. Non-receipt of a declaration schedule DOES NOT excuse taxpayers from declaring taxable personal property to the assessor. If you have not received a declaration schedule and own personal property with a value greater than \$7,700, contact the assessor at 970-878-9410.  
All personal property with a total actual value in excess of \$7,700 (per owner, per county) is taxable unless specifically exempt by law.  
Taxable personal property includes:  
- All residential household furnishings used to produce income  
- Equipment, furniture and machinery used by commercial, industrial and natural resource operations  
- Property used in an agribusiness that does not qualify as agricultural pursuant to §39-1-102(1.6) (a), C.R.S.  
- Expensed assets with a life greater than one year  
- Fully depreciated assets still in use  
- Personal property in storage that is subject to IRS depreciation  
- Leasehold Improvements  
Equipment that is licensed as a motor vehicle (SMM plate or Z-tab) is not reported on the Personal Property Declaration Schedule.  
Completed declaration schedules are due April 15, 2020. You may extend the deadline if, prior to April 15, the assessor receives your written request for an extension along with \$20 for a 10-day extension, or \$40 for a 20-day extension. If you do not meet the April 15 deadline and do not request an extension, a penalty in the amount of \$50 or 15% of the taxes due (whichever is less) will be applied to your account.  
If you fail to file a declaration schedule, the assessor will establish a taxable value based on the "best information available" and add a penalty of up to 25% of assessed value for any omitted property that is subsequently discovered.  
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**NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS  
ERBM Natorium Boiler Project  
A Public Works Project  
Eastern Rio Blanco Metropolitan Recreation and Park District, 101 Ute Road  
Meeker, Colorado 81641**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Eastern Rio Blanco Metropolitan Recreation and Park District ("ERBM"), a political subdivision of the State of Colorado, is inviting proposals from qualified General Contractors for the Natorium Boiler Project, located at 101 Ute Rd. in Meeker, Colorado. Contractors must submit their bid proposals before 5pm on Friday, February 14th, 2020 at ERBM's administrative office located at 101 Ute Road, Meeker, Colorado 81641; or via email at [rodney@ERBMrec.com](mailto:rodney@ERBMrec.com). Bids must be clearly marked "ERBM Natorium Boiler Project". A pre-bid walkthrough of the site is highly recommended and can be scheduled by contacting Rodney Gerloff at 970-878-7420. This is a guaranteed maximum price construction project. Project specifications can be obtained by contacting Rodney Gerloff, 970-878-7420 or via email at [rodney@ERBMrec.com](mailto:rodney@ERBMrec.com). Bids shall designate cost of full de-coupled heat exchange boiler system to accommodate all natorium pools, as well as costs of modified de-coupled heat exchange boiler system for one boiler replacement. Construction timing to be negotiated with contractor. ERBM reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids. Each proposal shall be reviewed and considered consistent to adopted ERBM Fiscal Policies and Procedures.  
A copy of the Request for Proposal and Owner-Contractor Agreement template can be found at [www.ERBMrec.com](http://www.ERBMrec.com).  
Board Approval: \$Kean Walter  
Date: 1/21/2020  
Executive Director: \$Sean VonRoenn  
Date: 1/22/2020  
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**PUBLIC NOTICE  
INVITATION TO BID  
2019 or 2020 Polaris Ranger or Can Am Defender UTV Bid**

Notice is hereby given that bid proposals, for a new 2019 or 2020 Full Size UTV Polaris Ranger or Can Am Defender with a 50 hp engine minimum and a 2-inch receiver hitch, will be accepted at Town Hall, 345 Market Street, Meeker, CO until Tuesday, February 18, 2020 at 3:30 P.M. The bid proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud at the Town Board meeting at 7:00 P.M. on February 18, 2020 and awarded at the March 3, 2020 Board Meeting to be held at 7:00 P.M. at Town Hall, 345 Market Street in Meeker.  
The Town reserves the right to reject any and all bids; to change, add, or amend the specifications; to waive any informalities; and the right to disregard all nonconforming or conditional bids or counter proposals. Each proposal shall be reviewed and considered consistent with the provisions of the Town of Meeker Purchasing Policy.  
The bid proposal must be placed in an envelope, securely sealed and labeled "Meeker 2020 UTV bid" and be received no later than Tuesday, February 18, 2020 at 3:30 P.M. Contact Russell Overton, Public Works Superintendent at 970-942-7555 or Lisa Cook, Town Administrator, 970-878-4962 for additional information.  
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**A CALL FOR NOMINATIONS  
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, and, particularly, to the electors of the Eastern Rio Blanco County Health Service District of Rio Blanco County, D/B/A Pioneers Medical Center.**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that an election will be held on the 5th day of May, 2020, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. At that time, three (3) directors will be elected to serve 3-year terms. Eligible electors of the Eastern Rio Blanco County Health Service District interested in serving on the board of directors may obtain a Self-Nomination and Acceptance form from the District Designated Election Official (DEO):  
Daniel Olson, HIM Department  
100 Pioneers Medical Center Dr.  
Meeker, CO 81641  
970-878-9268  
The Office of the DEO is open on the following days: Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
The deadline to submit a Self-Nomination and Acceptance is close of business, 4:30 p.m. on February 28, 2020. Affidavit of Intent To Be A Write-In-Candidate forms must be submitted to the office of the designated election official by the close of business, 4:30 p.m. on Monday, March 2, 2020.  
**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN**, an application for an absentee ballot shall be filed with the designated election official no later than the close of business 4:30 p.m., on Tuesday preceding the election, April 28, 2020.  
Eastern Rio Blanco County Health Services District  
Daniel Olson  
Designated Election Official  
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**TOWN OF MEEKER  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
Tuesday, February 4, 2020  
7:00 P.M. Board Meeting  
Town Hall  
345 Market Street, Meeker, CO**

I. Call to Order  
II. Pledge of Allegiance  
III. Roll Call  
IV. Approval of the Agenda

**PUBLIC NOTICES**

V. Approval of the Previous Minutes  
VI. Approval of Monthly Disbursements  
VII. Public Participation  
This is an opportunity for Citizens to bring comments and questions to the Board of Trustees not being addressed in the Regular Meeting Agenda. In consideration of other regularly scheduled agenda items, comments will be limited to 3 minutes or less. Citizens are asked to approach the podium state their name and address for the record.  
VIII. New Business:  
a. Request by Meeker Lions Club for a donation for playground equipment at the School Administration Building.  
b. Request by Meeker Sportsman's Club for sponsorship of the R-100 Archery Shoot.  
c. Request by White River Snowmobile Club for contribution toward Boondock Nation Snowmobile Promotion Video.  
d. Renewal of Ute Park Lease Agreement with Meeker Classic Sheepdogs, Inc.  
e. Renewal of Ute Park Lease Agreement with David Smith Ranches.  
IX. Old Business  
a. Discussion with ERBM and SWCA Environmental Consultants regarding study for future river enhancement projects.  
X. Mayor's remarks  
XI. Town Manager's Report  
XII. Other Board Business  
XIII. Adjournment  
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**Rio Blanco County  
2020 Dust Control Project  
REQUEST FOR BID**

PROJECT NAME, LOCATION AND GENERAL SCOPE OF WORK  
2020 Dust Control Project. Work includes the placement of approximately 404,778 gallons Blended Magnesium Chloride on approx. 101 miles of various County roads. An additional 34,003 gallons will be applied to Garfield County Trappers Lake Road and Trappers Lake Campground Loop at the same unit price, but billed to and paid for by Garfield County. An additional 6,738 gallons will be applied to other county properties but billed separately to other county departments and private parties.  
CONTRACT DOCUMENTS  
Contract Documents shall be available on-line at [www.govbids.com/scripts/co1/public/home1.asp](http://www.govbids.com/scripts/co1/public/home1.asp), or on the county's website at [www.rbc.us](http://www.rbc.us) on the Bid Postings page, or at the Rio Blanco County Road and Bridge Dept. 570 2nd Street, Meeker, Colorado 81641 on January 30, 2020.  
PROJECT SUPERINTENDENT AND QUESTIONS  
Clint Chappell, Road and Bridge Coordinator, (970) 878-9590, Fax (970) 878-3396. Mailing address: Rio Blanco County Road and Bridge Dept., 570 Second Street, Meeker, CO 81641.  
All Vendors must examine the sites and become familiar with all site conditions. Any questions regarding this project are to be directed in writing to Clint Chappell before February 14, 2020 at 4:00 P.M. at the above address or fax number.  
WORK SCHEDULE  
This project shall start March 31, 2020 and be completed by June 11, 2020, pending delays due to adverse conditions. A second application on County Road 65 will be scheduled for approx. Aug. 18, 2020 as shown on the Project Application Schedule.  
NON-MANDATORY PRE-BID MEETING  
Vendors may attend a non-mandatory pre-bid meeting:  
Tuesday, Feb. 11, 2020 at 2:00 P.M. at the Rio Blanco County Road & Bridge Dept., 570 Second Street, Meeker.  
BID SUBMITTALS  
Bids shall have Vendor's name and address and "2020 RIO BLANCO COUNTY DUST CONTROL PROJECT" written on the sealed envelope. All required documents shall be included with the bid or it shall be rejected.  
Each bid must include a certified check or cashier's check in the amount of not less than five percent (5%) of the total bid, made payable to Rio Blanco County, or by a bid bond in like amount executed by a surety company.  
Mailed bids are due no later than 4:00 P.M. on Monday, February 17, 2020. Hand delivered bids will be accepted IN RANGELY from 8:00 A.M. to 10:45 A.M. on February 18, 2020. Do not depend on overnight delivery.  
Mailing: RBC Board of County Commissioners, Attn: Vicky Edwards, P O Box 599, Meeker, CO 81641  
Hand-delivery address: Rio Blanco County Annex, Commissioners' Meeting Room, 17497 Hwy. 64, Rangely, CO 81641  
BID OPENING  
Bids shall be opened and read in public at 11:15 A.M. on February 18, 2020 at the Commissioners' Meeting Room at the Rangely Annex Building, 17497 Highway 64, Rangely, CO. Bids submitted after 10:45 A.M. shall be returned unopened. Bids submitted and opened shall not be withdrawn for 30 days thereafter.  
BID PREFERENCE  
C.R.S. 8-19-101, et seq, shall be observed on all construction contracts on public projects. The law states that when a construction contract for a public project is to be awarded to a bidder, a resident bidder shall be allowed preference against a nonresident bidder from another state equal to the preference given or required by the state in which the nonresident bidder is a resident.  
BID AWARD  
The Rio Blanco County Board of County Commissioners reserve the right to reject any or all bids; to waive any informalities in bids; and to accept the bid that, in the opinion of the Board, is in the best interest of the County of Rio Blanco, State of Colorado.  
RIO BLANCO COUNTY, COLORADO  
Dated: January 28, 2020  
By: Jeff Rector, Chairman  
Published: January 30 and February 6, 2020  
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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

AA & Al-Anon Meetings - Rangely Alcoholics Anonymous - Open meetings Tues & Thurs, 7 p.m., 115 Kennedy Dr., St. Timothy's Episcopal Church, Rangely.  
Al-Anon meets Monday, 8:15 p.m., 207 S. Sunset, 1st Baptist Church, Rangely. Al-Anon info call 970-629-5064 or 970-629-2970.  
Women's NA/AA meetings, Monday 1:30 p.m., St. Timothy's.

**Alcoholics Anonymous**  
Mon. 7 p.m., Weds. 7 p.m., Fri. 7 p.m.  
St. James Church - enter from back parking lot, meetings are downstairs in Richards Hall, 4th & Park, Meeker 878-4158 • 878-5919 • 878-5636  
Alanon Thurs. 7 p.m. 878-5655

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

RIO BLANCO Masonic Lodge #80 meets 2nd and 4th Thursday, 7:00 p.m., at 7th and Park, Meeker.

The Rangely Food Bank is open on Saturdays from 12:00-2:00 p.m. at 204 E. Rio Blanco. To donate, please call 970-620-2407.

**SAFEHOUSE**

If you are being abused physically or mentally, you can call SAFEHOUSE for confidential shelter and help.  
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The Rangely Moms Group gives pregnant women and mothers of newborns through elementary school-aged children time to take a break, join in discussions and crafts, and build relationships with other moms. We meet the first Thursday of each month from September through May, from 9-11 a.m. at First Baptist Church (207 S Sunset). Join us! For more information, call Britt Campos at 801-589-4803.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Veterans Service Offices Rio Blanco County: Veterans Service Officer - Joe Dungan, Wednesday, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., County Administration Building, 200 Main Street Suite 300, Meeker. 878-9690 office, 878-3219 home. Fax 878-9581. Rangely: Veterans Service Officer - Hoot Gibson, Tuesday and Thursday, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., County Annex, 17497 State Hwy 64, Rangely. 878-9695 office, 675-2669 home.

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Monthly Food Distribution  
Rio Blanco County Fairgrounds  
@ 10:00 AM**

Thursday, February 27, 2020  
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Thursday, April 23, 2020  
Thursday, May 28, 2020  
Thursday, June 25, 2020  
Thursday, July 23, 2020  
Thursday, August 27, 2020  
Thursday, September 24, 2020  
Wednesday, October 22, 2020  
Wednesday, November 25, 2020  
Wednesday, December 23, 2020

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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New Eden Pregnancy Care Services - pregnancy tests, emergency supplies, guidance by trained volunteers, classes on pregnancy and child care, post-abortion support, referrals. Meeker: Thursdays, Noon to 5 p.m., 345 Main Street, Meeker. Email: newedenpcs@gmail.com or (970)878-5117  
Rangely: Mondays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Thursdays, 1 p.m. to 7 p.m., 219 Sunset Avenue Rangely. Email: newedenrangely@gmail.com or (970) 675-2300. All services are confidential.

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- Building Board of Appeals (Min. requirements)
- Board of Health
- Citizens Review Panel
- Columbine Park Board
- Community Services Block Grant Board (Min. requirements)
- Council on Aging (Min. requirements)
- Fair Board
- Fairgrounds Board
- Historic Preservation Board
- Lodging Tax Board (Min. requirements)
- Lower White River Pest Control District
- Meeker CO Civic Improvement Corp
- Planning Commission
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1104 Mark Cir. 112 Main St. 1134 Michael Cir.

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789 8th St - 5BD/3BA Bed&Breakfast. \$625,000	1350 Sage Ridge Rd. .... SALE PENDING
410 Cleveland St - 2BD/1.75BA 1.732 SF. \$330,000	353 Park Ave ..... SOLD
1346 Sage Ridge Rd - 3BD/2BA, +Views. \$287,000	64646 Hwy 64 ..... SOLD
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