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Town adopts county's hazard mitigation plan

By **NIKI TURNER**
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MEEKER | Rio Blanco County Emergency Manager Ty Gates spoke to Meeker's Board of Trustees about the adoption of the county's multi-jurisdictional hazard mitigation plan, something he has been working on since 2017.

Having a current hazard mitigation plan in place is necessary in the event the town needed to apply for Federal Emergency Management Agency funds. The last time the plan was updated was in 2003, Gates said. The plans are only valid for a five-year period once updated.

"We were out of compliance, meaning if a natural disaster happened in the county we would not have been eligible for FEMA funding," Gate said. He applied for a FEMA grant to hire a consultant in 2017.

The new plan has been adopted by the Town of Rangely, the Rangely Fire Department, Meeker Sanitation District, the Town of Meeker, and is on the agenda for the Rio Blanco Fire Protection District. The goal, Gates said, is to have "one big countywide master plan" with individualized profiles for specific entities.

"It's an insurance program, pretty much. If we have a flooding incident it allows the town to be eligible for FEMA funding or grant mitigation projects."

According to Town Manager Lisa Cook, the effects of the updated plan are already being felt. "BLM is trying to secure funding for a fireline from Ute Park, across China Wall, over to Sulphur Creek and around the water tanks in Sage Hills," she told the board Tuesday. "It's one of the things identified that came from this plan."

Gates said while each town committed \$1,000 toward the plan, with in-kind contributions he hopes it won't cost either town any money.

The board also approved a memorandum of understanding with the county for an emergency operations plan (EOP). The Town of Meeker did not previously have an EOP in place.

Gates said the goal was to have both county hospitals, towns and the county operating under the same plan.

"We will tailor each plan accordingly" to fit each entity's needs, Gates said, starting with the overall EOP. At this point, the Town of Rangely and Pioneers Medical Center are on board, and Rangely District Hospital is expected to adopt the plan as well.

The town is looking for individuals to serve on the Meeker Housing Authority Board. If no one steps up, the board of trustees will be the default housing authority board, overseeing the town's Housing and Urban Development (HUD) properties.

Three people are required, five would be preferable. Interested individuals should call Town Hall at 878-5344.

CANDIDATE FORUM ...



These four Rio Blanco County residents — Kai Turner, Ty Gates, Scott Nielson and Mona Avey — are campaigning to become the next commissioner for Precinct 3 in November, replacing current commissioner Si Woodruff. They participated in a forum Monday in Rangely along with current board chair Jeff Rector, who is the unopposed incumbent for Precinct 2. If you missed this one, the HT is hosting another forum for the candidates tonight at the Meeker Public Library at 6:30 p.m. The public is welcome.

\$20K in funds coming to Meeker

Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER | The Meeker Human Resource Council, in collaboration with Moffat County United Way, is teaming up to provide up to \$20,000 in funding to Meeker 501(c)3 nonprofit and governmental organizations. The \$20,000 will be split among awarded applicants, and the final dollar amount awarded to each organization will be identified following interviews with the Allocation Committee in April. If your organization is considering applying for funding to support a project, please attend an informational workshop regarding the

2020 funding cycle. Topics covered will include the application process, timeline, eligible projects and entities, and additional information on the Meeker Human Resource Council. The workshop will take place on March 3 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Mountain Valley Bank Community Room (400 Main St.). Lunch will be provided for those who RSVP by email to thalandras@bankmvp.com.

Meeker Human Resource Council's mission is to promote cooperative community efforts aimed at resolving human service needs and improving the quality of life for everyone in the Meeker community. The

Council is focused on three pillars:

Build a healthier community by providing medical, dental and mental health services along with outreach programs that support healthy lifestyles and minimize risky behaviors.

Drive for financial stability by helping everyone in the community through resource provision and training for struggling families.

Construct a strong educational foundation so everyone can realize their full potential when learning is prioritized.

Let the Meeker Human Resource Council help you achieve your goals.

■ For the story on last week's Town of Rangely Board meeting, see PAGE 8A.

Commissioners to interview Fair Board applicants

By **NIKI TURNER**
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RBC | During work sessions in Rangely, the Rio Blanco County Board of Commissioners heard from IT Director Dylon Merrell about the purchase of new antivirus software.

"The current solution is a mixture of old-style and new-style antivirus," Merrell said. The new program is recommended by the state and "being pushed heavily by the state election office." By joining the state contract, the county got a better price because of the volume discount. In the regular meeting, commissioners approved the \$10,737 order.

Multiple local contractors and industry representatives from various companies attended the work session Tuesday to discuss how the county's Road and Bridge department handles snowpack on county roads, sharing concerns about safety issues when snowpack is too thick.

For the county's part, clearing snow too close to the road

results in loss of gravel, which the county then has to replace.

"It's a guideline," explained Road and Bridge Director Dave Morlan. "In my opinion, down here the snowpack doesn't last that long. Gravel doesn't grow on trees."

Gravel is \$8.81 per cubic yard, which adds up to \$12,703 per mile for materials to replace. That doesn't include man-hours, equipment costs, fuel, etc. "It ends up being about \$90,000 a mile," said Van Pilaud from the Road and Bridge department.

"It can be a significant expense to taxpayers," Morlan said. Gravel that is bladed off to the shoulder can't be put back on the road because it adds "contaminants" like clay that then make the road slick.

Both sides agreed to keep the lines of communication open and work together on specific spots that may need additional attention.

Speaking for James Paul, executive director of The TANK, Sue Samaniego presented a

request for \$45,000 to improve landscaping around the TANK.

"It needs another governmental partner," Samaniego said. "GoCo (Great Outdoors Colorado) and the Gates Foundation are already on board. We need someone local to come in. We're bringing in several new programs and are hoping to get it to look more like what it is: a cultural and regional attraction."

Commissioner Gary Moyer asked if there has been any analysis of the economic impact of the TANK, and Commissioner Jeff Rector said he "wouldn't mind partnering, but not at this price."

During the Department of Human Services Update, Barb Bofinger said court-involved DHS cases are decreasing, but the department is still struggling with staffing and fulfilling unfunded mandates from the state. "They don't understand what we're dealing with over here," Bofinger said. The department was fully staffed and accredited for one day out of the

last three years.

During the regular meeting, the commissioners:

■ Approved a \$2,500 request to come from the economic development fund to support a Boondock Nation snowmobiling video

■ Appointed Council on Aging delegates Anna Lee Nickson, Linda Berry and Zubie Devish, and alternates Dorothy Chappell, Connie Aitken and John Aitken.

■ Tabled, for the second time, appointments to the Fair Board.

"It used to be the commissioners interviewed all the board applicants, I would like to start that again," Rector said. "Instead of appointing today, I would like to visit with people one on one."

Current Fair Board member Quentin Smith said a meeting of six fair board members Monday was split 50-50 as to how many members the board should have. According to the board's bylaws, nine members are required.

"We think going to the inter-

view process would be a viable asset to the board," Smith said.

The commissioners agreed to hold a special work session Friday to interview candidates, and tabled appointment to the Feb. 25 meeting.

■ Opened bids for the 2020 dust control project, to be decided at the next meeting.

■ Approved an agreement with Drew Consulting LLC, for updating NEPA (National Environmental Policy Act) regulations and help with comments on NEPA processes. The board is also partnering with former commissioner and local rancher Jon Hill and the county's conservation districts to prepare its comments and provide a framework that will "strengthen our position for local governments to have as much say as possible."

■ Approved a memorandum of understanding with the Town of Rangely for the emergency operations plan.

■ Entered into an inter-governmental agreement with the Colorado Department of

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~ Commissioner Jeff Rector on the decision to delay Fair Board appointments for the second time

Transportation for the County Road 73 White River Bridge replacement.

■ Approved a resolution vesting jurisdiction over plumbing permits and inspections to the state plumbing board.

Following commissioner updates, the board went into executive session to discuss legal matters, personnel matters, and positions subject to negotiations.



Saturday: 30s/20s Rain/Snow



Sunday: 30s/10s Partly Cloudy



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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

■ **Commissioner Candidate Forum TONIGHT.** Join the HT at Meeker Public Library tonight, Feb. 20 at 6:30 p.m. for a commissioner candidate forum. Candidates will answer prepared questions and be available to the public afterward for one-on-one discussion. Barring technical difficulties, event will be live-streamed on the HT Facebook page, @heraldtimes1885.

■ **Visit Spin City with the Rangely Rec Center.** Kids 6 and up (younger must be accompanied by an adult) will enjoy roller skating, laser tag, arcade time and pizza on Friday, Feb. 28 from 11:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. \$35 per person includes lunch. Must register by Tuesday, Feb. 25. Call 970-675-8211 or stop by the Rangely Rec Center to register.

■ **Alzheimer's Education Series: 10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's.** Wednesday, Feb. 26 from 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. at the Meeker Public Library (490 Main St.). RSVP to 800-272-3900 or online at or online at <https://bit.ly/39CTKX2>

■ **Works in Progress** 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.

■ **Meeker Public Library Book Club** will meet Monday, Mar. 9 at 1 p.m. to discuss "The Supremes at Earl's All-You-Can-Eat" by Edward Kelsey Moore. All are welcome to join in the fun.

■ **Alzheimer's Education Series: Effective Communication Strategies.** Wednesday, March 25 from 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. at the Meeker Public Library (490 Main St.) RSVP to 800-272-3900 or online at <https://bit.ly/2uRZDL1>

■ **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. February's craft will be jewelry making. 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.

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■ **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 Wendl's.

■ **Game Day** for adults 55+ on Wednesdays at 9 a.m. in the Meeker Recreation Center lounge. 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.

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CPW welcomes input at Feb. 21 caucus meeting

Special to the Herald Times

RBC I Anglers, hunters, and any other interested members of the public will have the opportunity to provide feedback and have their questions answered at a Feb. 21 Northwest Region Sportsperson's Caucus meeting in Glenwood Springs. Starting at 7 p.m., caucus delegates will be convening at the Glenwood Springs Recreation Center to discuss important issues related to hunting, fishing and trapping opportunities in the region.

"We encourage residents to come to this meeting and have their voice heard," said JT Romatzke, NW regional manager. "This is a great opportunity to provide feedback on the numerous and important matters that have come up this year."

Northwest Region delegates will share public input from this meeting with Colorado Parks and Wildlife Director Dan Prenzlow and the Leadership Team at the Feb. 29 statewide meeting in Buena Vista.

Each year, CPW seeks to provide more opportunities for anglers and hunters to weigh in on wildlife management and recreational issues. The Sportsperson's Caucus, formed by CPW in 2012 and consisting of elected and appointed delegates from each of the state's four wildlife management regions, meets regionally twice a year so that local residents can easily engage in the management of their natural resources. Statewide Roundtable meetings also occur twice a year.

FAST FACTS

WHO: CPW Northwest Region Sportsperson's Caucus
WHAT: Regional Meeting
WHEN: 7-9 p.m.
WHERE: Glenwood Springs Rec Center, 100 Wulfsohn Road, Glenwood Springs

While the NW Region meeting will be led by Caucus dele gates, CPW officials will be there to address any questions and provide additional information.

"Not only is this meeting an opportunity to provide feedback to our agency and let us know what issues matter most to you, it's also your opportunity to get the facts from us as subject-matter experts," said Romatzke.

Some topics that may be addressed at the meeting are:

- The West Slope mountain lion management plan
- Crowding and recreation impacts on natural resources
- Hunting and fishing opportunities in the region
- Partnership efforts
- Updates on the Basalt Shooting Range

Discussion will be opened to the floor at the end of the meeting.

For more information about the Sportsperson's Caucus, visit the CPW website.

'It's Showtime' livestock club meeting report

By CHARLIE ROGERS
Special to the Herald Times

RBC I 'It's Showtime' livestock club had a meeting Feb. 4 that was called to order by president Marryn Shults. As an icebreaker club members had to stand up introduce themselves and tell the club what they do in 4-H. After the ice breaker, Aimee Shults took attendance followed by Montey Franklin's treasurer's report. Moving on Marryn Shults informed the club of the following key points: 4-H code of conduct; beef weigh on Feb. 16; rookie livestock family meeting on Feb. 13 at 7 p.m.; the Meat Quality Assurance on

March 12 and April 21 which all first-year seniors and juniors have to go to. The swine, sheep, and goat weigh-in will be on May 10 with the time still to be determined. When finished with that members of the club broke into their committees and discussed what things need to be organized for the future. After that the club wrapped up the meeting with demonstrations by Marryn Shults, Andrew Spieth, Brighton Bair, Jayci Chintala, Jill Ward and Zachariah Godwin. The club will meet on Tuesday, March 3 for the next meeting.

Smith named to honor roll at U of Wyo

Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER I Meghan M. Smith of Meeker has been named to the President's Honor Roll at the University of Wyoming for the 2019 fall semester. The President's Honor Roll consists of regularly enrolled undergraduates who earned a 4.0 ("A") grade-point average for the semester. To be eligible, students must have been enrolled for a minimum of 12 credit hours taken for letter grades.

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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21

What	When	Where
Registration	4 to 7 p.m.	Meeker Coworking
Snow Ball	8 p.m. to close	627 Main Street Buffalo Dance Hall 285 6th Street

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22

What	When	Where
Race Day	9 a.m. Volunteer Meeting 9:15 a.m. Competitor Meeting 9:30 a.m. Course Meeting 9:45 a.m. Opening Ceremony 10:00 a.m. Race Starts	RBC Fairgrounds 835 Sulphur Creek Rd.
Calcutta Auction	4:30 p.m. Doors Open 5:00 p.m. Calcutta Auction	Meeker Coworking 627 Main Street
Dine-Around Meeker	6:30 p.m. to closing	Meeker restaurants

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23

What	When	Where
Race Finals and Awards	8 a.m. Cowboy Church 9:45 a.m. Opening Ceremony 10:00 a.m. Start, awards to follow	RBC Fairgrounds 835 Sulphur Creek Rd.

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NEWS BRIEFS

CNCC offers Pet First Aid Feb. 22

RANGELY | For the same price as a clinic visit, Veterinarian Dr. Shannon will teach basic animal first aid including acute wound management and care, how to determine when a pet is dehydrated and in shock, how to administer oral and subcutaneous fluids and medications and how to identify serious medical conditions that require veterinary care. This class meets from 9 a.m. to noon, Saturday, Feb. 22 in Room 1 in the Hill building at CNCC Rangely (500 Kennedy Dr.). Cost is \$35. Sign up by noon Friday, Feb. 21 to avoid a late registration fee. Grab your seat by calling 970-824-1109.

'Dance without wolves' 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.

White River presentation Feb. 24

RANGELY | There will be a presentation of the information collected at public meetings in January at a meeting of the White River Planning Committee meeting on Feb. 24 at Kilowatt Korner at 6 p.m.

Community networking Feb. 24

RANGELY | Please join us on Monday, Feb. 24 from 12-1:30 p.m. on the Rangely Campus in the Weiss Conference Room to hear an update from Vice President of Instruction Keith Peterson. He will present an update from the feedback received during the community outreach events in November 2018. Lunch will be provided so please RSVP to Keely Ellis at 970-675-3219 or email Keely.Ellis@cncc.edu by 12 p.m. on Feb. 21.

Inside the Meeker Sled Dog Race

MEEKER | We've arranged for a behind the scenes experience. Meet the mushers and their dogs, volunteer at the chutes and try your hand at this classic winter sport. The adventure begins bright and early Saturday, Feb. 29 and will end about mid-afternoon. Cost is \$75 including transportation to/from Craig or Rangely, behind the scenes access and time with an experienced musher. Or drive yourself and meet us in Meeker for \$50 (Meeker and Moffat County seniors may receive discounts on the class fee. Call 970-824-1118 to qualify.). Space is limited, reserve yours by signing up at <https://www.cncc.edu/community-education-registration-form>.

United Way workshop Mar. 3

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Woolgrowers' meeting Mar. 6

RBC | The annual meeting for Rio Blanco Woolgrowers will be Friday, March 6 at the RBC Fairgrounds with a call to order at 9 a.m. and presentations beginning at approximately 10 a.m. Speakers will include representatives from the Colorado Woolgrowers Association, Colorado Parks and Wildlife, Colorado Department of Agriculture, Wildlife Services, and more. Call 970-878-5369 for questions and to confirm attendance for lunch.

Racquetball tourney Mar. 13-15

RANGELY | The 27th annual Rangely Racquetball Tournament will be March 13-15, beginning at 4 p.m. Friday, at the Rangely Recreation Center (611 Standind Ave.). All ages and abilities welcome. \$35 for the first event, \$15 for each additional. Participation is limited. Entry fees must be received by March 9. For more information about rules, prizes, accommodations, etc., call tournament director Shirley Parsons at 970-675-5360.

RBCHS seeking photos for project

MEEKER | The Rio Blanco County Historical Society is seeking a photo of the original Meeker hydroelectric power plant (circa 1899 to 1917) for documentation purposes. Anyone with such resources is asked to contact the White River Museum at 970-878-9982 or email Kay Bivens at thebivens3@gmail.com.

Workforce workshop April 2

RBC | How do businesses attract and retain the workforce they need in an era of record-low unemployment rates? Join us for Find/Keep: A community conversation on workforce attraction and retention in Northwest Colorado. Held in Silverthorne on April 2 from 7:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Lunch and refreshments will be provided. To register, visit <https://www.vailvalleypartnership.com/event/find-keep-summit/>

Rodeo Bible Camp this summer

MEEKER | The Meeker Rodeo Bible Camp will be held June 16-18 at the RBC Fairgrounds. The camp is for boys and girls, ages 10-18. Participant fee is \$150. Clinics offered include rough stock, barrels/poles, goat tying, team roping, breakaway roping, team sorting, horsemanship and colt starting. The camp will end at the Thursday night Meeker Summer Rodeo Series where campers can demonstrate what they've learned and win buckles. For more information call 970-260-6820.

RIBBON CUTTING ...



Blanco Cellars and the Little Cheese Shop has relocated to 317 E. Market St. in Meeker. The Meeker Chamber of Commerce held an impromptu ribbon-cutting during the monthly tasting event last Thursday with owner Vanessa Trout. Blanco's business hours are Tuesday through Friday from 12:30-6 p.m.

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- Ripes **MANGOS** 4 for \$5
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- Yellow **DRAGON FRUIT** \$2.99/lb.
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EDITOR'S COLUMN

Yes, dear reader, opinions are biased

By NIKI TURNER
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I warned y'all last week that our opinion section was about to heat up, and I attempted to explain our journalistic philosophy about what we include in the opinion section and why. For folks who actually read the print edition (or its digital counterpart), I think things were made clear. For folks who source their news from social media, chaos predictably ensued. There's nothing like Facebook to turn otherwise pleasant, kind, loving humans into evil beasts. Thanks, Mr. Zuckerberg, for releasing the Kraken.

Anyway, the rhetoric is not going to cool off anytime in the next few weeks, so you're forewarned.

The controversial posts about fluoride and climate change have raised a question about what we publish. (And my own personal question about why no one is waxing poetic about the horrors of war, sickness, childhood poverty, or pernicious government corruption. Have we just come to accept those things as normal, and if so, what does that say about us as a society?)

Anyway, should the newspaper publish only what's popular with the masses? Only what the editor agrees with? (It's going to be a very small paper if that's the case.) Should we print only what the local readership agrees with (I think that's called pan-



dering)? It's my editorial opinion that the answer to those questions is a resounding "no."

The opinion section of the newspaper is designed, on purpose, to be biased. It's designed to allow people to air their opinions and let readers make their own judgment if that opinion is valid, questionable, or absurd.

The current series of opinion pieces about climate came as a response to a series of pieces we ran last year. The author asked why we never published anything from "the other side." My response was that we hadn't received anything from the other side. Now we have something.

Visit the links (on the original articles, the current articles, and the rebuttals) and check the sources. Use the brain you were blessed with and make your own determination, not based on someone else's analysis, but based on data. It's hard to argue with data, but people seem to find a way.

For an excellent explanation of the opinion section, please read the following editorial from the editor of the *Moab Times-Independent*, who summed it up succinctly: <https://moabtimes.com/2020/01/09/how-dare-a-letter-writer-be-biased/>

GUEST POST

Climate change is not a matter of 'belief'

By BOB DORSETT, MD
Special to the Herald Times

RBC I Ms. Hemmerich's guest post last week is an unfortunate lesson in misinformation, partial information, and logical fallacy. I will be brief in response. I hope your readers will take the time to review the summaries of valid climate science published in your pages last year.

Ms. Hemmerich cites Wei-Hock (Willie) Soon as her primary reference. His realm of expertise is aeronautical engineering. He is a part-time research associate of the Smithsonian Institution working at the Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics. He received more than \$1.2 million compensation from Southern Company, a holding company for coal-burning power plants, Koch Brothers, ExxonMobil and other fossil fuel moguls for his climate disinformation campaign (Gillis, 2015). Soon's claims have been disproved by rigorous, independent, and unbiased climate research. He was reprimanded by the Smithsonian Institution and by his publishers for failing to disclose his financial connections, and his misrepresentation of climate science has been repudiated by the Smithsonian (Smithsonian, 2015).

With reference to the climate effects of carbon dioxide, Ms. Hemmerich invokes the argument of incredulity. Carbon dioxide is a very small percentage of atmospheric gases, so how could it cause global warming?

"Golly gee, Mr. Wizard, it's just not possible." Well, Billy, it certainly is possible. The science is absolutely established. Increasing carbon dioxide concentration in the atmosphere drives global warming. Other gases, such as methane, which is an even more potent greenhouse gas and in even smaller concentrations than CO₂, also contribute. Yes, water vapor also traps infrared radiation. That's why it's generally warmer at night when there's a cloud cover. But that's weather, not climate. A warmer atmosphere, resulting from increased greenhouse gas concentrations, holds more moisture. Water vapor increases because of warming due to increasing greenhouse gases, not the other way around.



Dr. Bob Dorsett

Polar bears. Ms. Hemmerich claims the polar bear population is increasing. Which population? There are 19 distinct populations circling the Arctic and the fact is we really don't know how many bears there are (Amstrup, 2018; WWF, 2019). More importantly, we don't know how many bears there were 50 years ago for comparison. What we do know is that the Arctic Ocean ice pack is diminishing because of warming. Polar bears hunt seals from the ice pack. Without the ice, bears are forced to seek food

elsewhere, including inland garbage dumps where they're more likely to be counted.

Re: her 'historical record' of climate. The events to which Ms. Hemmerich refers — the Little Ice Age, the Dust Bowl, glaciation cycles, etc. — are well understood in their own specific context. What we are witnessing now is also very well understood: global climate change caused by human activity.

For those who really want to understand global climate, two recent reports provide essential summaries: IPCC Summary on Global Warming of 1.5 and the Fourth National Climate Assessment. Other summaries were published in a series of articles in these pages last year, and I repeat some of their key references below. Those reports represent the consensus findings of the scientific community. I hope Ms. Hemmerich and you, dear reader, will take time to study them. There is no doubt in the scientific community that global temperatures are rising, that rising temperatures are changing earth's biosphere, and that human activities, especially burning fossil fuels, are the cause.

I've been asked why I "believe" in climate change. It's not a matter of belief. It's a matter of data. The truth is in the measurements: Air and ocean temperature records over centuries, proxy temperatures over millions of years. Sea level measurements. Ice volume measurements. Atmospheric gas concentrations. Climate models tested

against historical records. It's data. It's science. If we ignore that, we are lost. My only hope is that there are open-minded, conscientious people out there who are willing to study the facts and try to solve the obvious problems.

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GUEST POST

Climate change—is it a crisis? (Part 2)

By LEONA HEMMERICH
Special to the Herald Times

RBC I Recap: In part one, we discussed the makeup of the atmosphere and challenged some of the current talking points of those wanting exclusive government control to take action on climate change.

Dr. Soon and others insist that water vapor (H₂O), which makes up most of the earth's greenhouse gasses, has far more effect on the climate than CO₂.⁽¹⁾ Plus, there are other aerosols and pollutants in the air that are not considered into the equation. In years past aerosols and other particulates definitely played a bigger role in the realm of air pollution, but thanks to modern technology we have made great strides in keeping those particulates to a minimum.

A number of scientists, including Freeman Dyson, a retired professor of theoretical physics from Princeton University⁽²⁾, Dr. Indur Goklany, a science and technology policy analyst for the United States Department of the Interior and US representative on the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC)⁽³⁾ and others are saying that thanks to the increased CO₂ in the atmosphere, the world is becoming a greener place. In other words, plants are thriving because they need CO₂, which will be a big benefit to us as those plants produce more oxygen. Professor Dyson and others agree with Dr. Soon that sun activ-

ity also plays a bigger role in this whole picture of Climate Change than those who are sounding the alarm. While there doesn't appear to be any actual consensus on the sun's role, we do know that solar flares and the lack thereof have had extreme effects on this planet.⁽⁵⁾ According to the charts shown by Dr. Soon, solar flares peaked in the mid 1930s, which would explain the hot temperatures then.⁽⁶⁾

What about the ice caps? Aren't they melting more than ever? Apparently that depends on where you are measuring the ice. In the past century there is evidence that Greenland ice sheet has grown, even if the edges have thawed some. An anecdotal story will easily prove there has been more growth than shrinking at least in Greenland. During WWII, a group of fighter pilots got hit by a snow-storm with very thick clouds and since they were running low on fuel, had to land their planes on the Greenland ice sheet. The pilots all got out safely, but the planes were left behind. After the war was over, a crew went back to get the planes, but couldn't find them. Starting in 1983, 12 different expeditions tried to find the planes, but none were successful until the 13th try on July 15, 1992, 50 years to the day of when they landed on that ice cap. Thanks to modern technology, they were able to finally locate the planes, which had been buried by 269 feet of ice.⁽⁷⁾⁽⁸⁾ Think about that. In just 50 years the Greenland ice sheet increased a whopping 269

feet, almost as high as the Statue of Liberty.

What about the scientific "consensus"? First of all, there really doesn't appear to be total consensus on this topic. In addition to the scientists already mentioned, there are others, but not everyone is willing to risk their job to come forward. However, apparently a Professor Frederick Seitz, former president of America's National Academy of Sciences wrote a letter to the *Wall Street Journal* claiming that the IPCC had deleted at least 15 key sections of the science chapter so it wasn't what was actually approved by the scientists. Then they included even the names of the dissenting scientists in its list of 2,500 consenting scientists. This is documented in the film: "The Great Global Warming Swindle."⁽⁹⁾ Dr. David Legates and other scientists with the Cornwall Alliance created a 10 part lecture series that not only disagrees with the "consensus" science, but also discusses the dangers of yielding to that viewpoint.⁽¹⁰⁾⁽¹¹⁾

There's also the co-founder of Green Peace, Dr. Patrick Moore, who, in an interview on a program called Conversations that Matter, stated "We need more CO₂ in the atmosphere if we are going to survive."⁽¹²⁾ In fact, some of those who grow plants commercially in greenhouses actually pump in extra CO₂ to help the plants grow faster, stronger and with added benefit of needing less water. How much?

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GUEST POST

Northwest Colorado at energy crossroads

By **ROOT ROUTLEDGE**
Special to the Herald Times

RBC I Northwest Colorado counties Moffat, Rio Blanco and Routt are at the crossroads of a new 21st Century future, transformed by the threats and opportunities our climate crisis presents. With the fossil fuel industry, especially coal, providing so many working family jobs and revenue to the communities of these counties, they are representative of frontline communities across America who will be seriously impacted by our country's transition to a carbon-free economy.

These workers, who have raised generations of families on decent incomes, are not the enemies of the future. They are simply caught at the crossroads of a rapidly changing global reality, as their old jobs and income are lost to energy transformation away from fossil fuels. It is the existential threat of global warming and resultant climate chaos that we must fight in order to secure climate stability, with a viable future for our children and grandchildren.

We need compassionate federal, state and local policy with empathy for the people of frontline communities that will help them through this transition in a just and fair way. Politicians of denial, like Republican Scott Tipton, cannot prevent these mega-changes by trying to sustain an economically dying industry. Climate change is the greatest market failure in history, since there has never been a cost on the carbon pollution at the core of the carbon-based products it produces and uses to generate electricity, and to run our economy. So-called "free-market" dogma cannot self-correct this problem, driven by the single-focused goal

of growing corporate profits from the extraction and burning of fossil fuels; without concern for the damage it's doing to the planet. We need a carbon-fee policy that returns fees, collected at the source, equitably as a monthly dividend to all legal residents of the country.

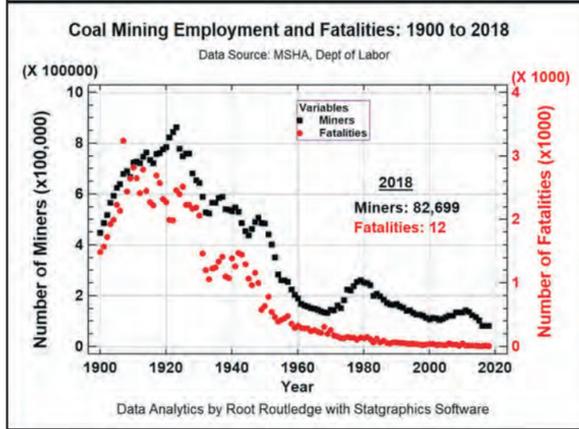
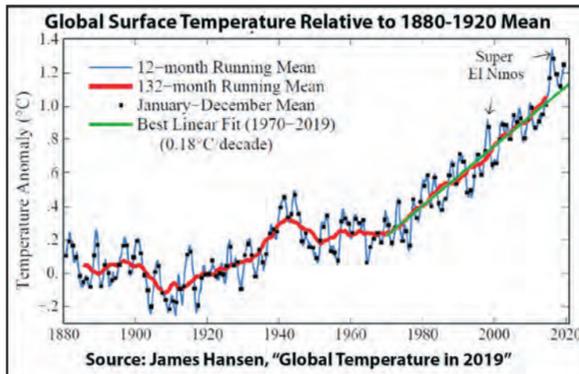
To ignore its cause with an "all of the above" energy plan, as Tipton suggests we pursue "to save fossil fuel jobs," is myopic and delusional. Promoting these failed "Business As Usual" policies benefits only fossil fuel corporations, since these policies—not the workers—are the cause of our problems.

With courage and good systemic federal policy we must face it directly and address it. That is what I'm focused on, as the only 2020 Democratic candidate for Tipton's 3rd Congressional seat with a strategic focus on climate. Along with Medicare For All, an economy that works for everyone, a healthy democracy and other progressive policies that focus on the wellbeing of ordinary American people, we can realize a just transition. www.RootForCitizenCongressman.org.

This threat is rapidly bearing down on us. We are out of time. The rate of global warming is actually accelerating toward a collapse of climate stability and massive destruction of global ecosystems, water resources and food production. The past five years are the warmest five years on record; with strong polar feedbacks causing



Root Routledge



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extreme polar temperatures and rapid loss of ice and ice-shelf disintegration. Western Colorado is one of the fastest heating areas in the country. Large areas of the planet are either on fire, experiencing drought and increasingly violent weather events and flooding, or are losing land to rising sea-levels.

Reality calls for a massive effort at the scale and urgency of the problem. Not only do we need to quick-

ly bring GHG emissions to zero; we need a systemic approach that gives compassionate consideration to all the interacting and intersectional societal factors of this impact. That is the essence of the comprehensive Green New Deal. As an industrial consultant grounded in reality, who knows industry and understands climate and ecosystems, I offer our best shot at turning the corner toward a viable future.

OPINION: is climate change a crisis? (continued)

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Up to 1500ppm.⁽¹³⁾ Also, some Finnish scientists released a paper titled "No Experimental Evidence for the Significant Anthropogenic Climate Change."⁽¹⁴⁾ This is not a peer-reviewed paper, so there have been some criticisms about it. Lack of peer review, though, should not make anyone reject these comments out of hand. I am simply pointing out you can find scientists around the globe who disagree with the consensus.

In actuality, though, how much should we trust consensus? Good science changes, or at least it should, as new information becomes available. After Darwin's books "Origin of the Species" followed by the "Descent of Man", many decided that black people were inferior. In this country, we even put an African Pygmy, Ota Benga,⁽¹⁵⁾ in with the monkeys at the Bronx zoo, so everyone could see the living "missing link."⁽¹⁶⁾ Keep in mind, this was done by consensus science of the day.⁽¹⁷⁾ With the approval of consensus science, Margaret Sanger and others started a Eugenics movement in this country. According to a letter she wrote to a Clarence Gable in 1939, her project was targeting "the Negro population." She is credited with the founding of Planned Parenthood, and her writings were responsible for many of the eugenics laws that were put in place in the early 20th century in this country.⁽¹⁸⁾ (Most of the Planned Parenthood Clinics are still located in minority neighborhoods.⁽¹⁹⁾) Another consensus science view resulted in many people in this country being forcibly sterilized.⁽²⁰⁾ One case went all the way to the Supreme Court, *Buck v Bell*,⁽²¹⁾ and the "consensus" of the scientists won the day, and the poor woman lost.

These are extreme cases, but, of course, if we went further back in history, we can find even more. Did you know that less than two centuries ago doctors not only weren't required to wash their hands, some of them considered their blood covered hands and aprons as a badge of honor, which is why many women died in childbirth? They went straight from doing an autopsy in the morgue to the delivery room. It was the approved scientific "consensus" of the day. Dr. Ignaz Semmelweis, a Hungarian doctor working in the Vienna General Hospital in 1847, was the first to

see that this practice of not washing hands was killing women and their babies. He made it a requirement for those working under him to wash their hands and the mortality rate radically dropped. However, he was not only ignored by the medical community at large, he was driven insane and subsequently killed in an institution for the insane when he was beaten by those taking care of him. This story, as Raquel Kahler, the author notes, is also an "example of poor objective peer review."⁽²²⁾ In fact, it wasn't until the early 20th Century that people started thinking more about hygiene when hand soap became readily available in the 1920s. The U. S. Center for Disease Control and Prevention was founded in 1946, and it wasn't until 1981 that hand washing was implemented into public health as a standard practice.⁽²⁴⁾

All of this was written to show you can't always trust the "consensus" or majority view. Next time we will look into what may be attributed to the human element.

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GUEST POST

Fluoride in our water: it's not just about our teeth (Part 2)

By **ELAINE URIE AND LISA HATCH**
Special to the Herald Times

RANGELY I In April, Rangely voters will vote on fluoridation of our drinking water to continue or to stop it.

Our message is simple from proved sources, fluoride prevents tooth decay when applied topically; fluoride is toxic to our physical health when ingested. It's about awareness to facts/truth/proved studies, "drinking" fluoride does not reduce tooth decay, and it is toxic and causes physical disease. Our information is from Fluoride Alert, Wikipedia and other sources as provided. <https://fluoridealert.org/issues/sources/>. Educate yourselves on truth and vote NO for fluoride in our drinking water!

Questions:
Is the fluoride pure? Fluoride chemicals are not pharmaceutical grade quality, they are unpurified industrial by-products, and are known to contain elevated levels of contaminants, i.e. arsenic, lead, etc., these contaminants can be added into your drinking water. *The term "fluoride" is a cover-up name for many of the toxic chemicals that make up fluoride, including lead, arsenic, aluminum, cadmium, flu-

rosilic acid and even radioactive materials. The pure form of sodium fluoride is so toxic that by just consuming a small volume of it could kill you. www.domesticgeekgirl.com/.../natural-fluoride-versus-synthetic-fluoride-is-there-a-difference

What contains fluoride? Fluoride is now in toothpaste, mouthwash, beverages, processed foods, baby formulas, etc.; due to the many forms of ingestion besides drinking water our intake levels can be at toxic levels and continue to climb, which can be causing many health problems that the docs can't figure out.

Bottom Line: It's not safe to fluoridate drinking water — vote no.

We encourage you to do your own research — ask questions in your favorite browser: Is fluoride toxic? How do I avoid fluoride in beverages and food? How do I reduce fluoride exposure? Several sources speak to fluoride being toxic as a poison to our bodies; PoisonPace.com/Fluoride, [Fluoride Action Network](http://FluorideActionNetwork.com), Mercola.com — Take Charge of Your Health, [Fluoride Toxicity](http://FluorideToxicity.com) from Wikipedia, [Global Healing Center](http://GlobalHealingCenter.com). The book, "The Fluoride Deception" by Christopher Bryson is interesting reading. Educate yourselves for health!

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Dear Editor:
The Meeker VFW Post 5843, American Legion Post 0074 and the VFW Auxiliary would like to thank the ERBM Recreation and Park District and all the individuals who participated in the 2020 Cribbage Tournament recently held at the Meeker Veterans Community Center. Your generosity is much appreciated, as it allows us to continue to provide much needed services to our nation's veterans as well as the residents of Meeker and surrounding area. Once again a heartfelt thank you to all who participated, you allow us to continue our mission.

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Dear Editor:
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The Parable of the Good Samaritan (2)

By Dr. J. D. Watson
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... But a certain Samaritan ... had compassion ... (Lk. 10:25-37)



Dr. J.D. Watson

THERE is no new thing under the sun," Solomon wrote (Ecc. 1:9), and the parable before us is irrefutable proof. The same greed, violence, racial bigotry, and indifference exist today as they did then. Last time we first noted that the lawyer saw a problem to argue.

Second, the thieves saw prey to attack. Unlike *kleptēs*, which means to steal in secret (e.g., Judas, Jn. 12:6), *thieves* is *lēstēs*, which goes beyond just theft to include violence (e.g., the thieves at the crucifixion, Matt. 27:38). Jericho was located about 15 miles east northeast of Jerusalem but also about 3,400 feet lower in elevation and 846 feet below sea level. The steep, rocky, mountainous road between them was uninhabited in places and infested with robbers, who could easily hide in such terrain. Since the road was well traveled—many of the travelers were temple workers—it provided a "target-rich environment" for such evil.

Such predators obviously did not see a person on the road that day; they saw only prey. There is another lesson for us here. While a true Christian would not physically attack an innocent person, we can certainly do so just as devastatingly in another way: verbally with gossip ("talebearer" in Prov. 11:13; 18:7-8; 20:19), slander ("backbiters" in Rom. 1:30 and "backbitings" in 2 Cor. 12:20), and other uncontrolled and damaging speech, as James addresses at length (Jas. 3:1-12).

James, in fact, paints several graphic pictures of all this. In verses 3-4, he describes the tongue's power to direct, illustrating with the bit in a horse's mouth and the rudder of a ship. In verses 5-8, he describes the tongue's proclivity to devastate, illustrating with a raging fire and a subtle poison. Finally, in verses 9-12, he

describes the tongue's propensity to discrepancy, illustrating with a fountain that flows with both sweet and bitter water and a fig tree that produces different fruit.

The 18th-century expositor, theologian, and pastor John Gill was one of the historic giants of the faith, a true champion. His biographer, however, recounts how several ladies in the congregation "became very critical of Gill. Sometimes it was Gill's attention to his wife, at other times it was their pastor's old-fashioned appearance in the pulpit and the fact that he kept to the tradition of wearing a wig and adorning his neck with very long bibs as a sign of his office. These bibs really angered one lady member who decided to turn her anger into action. Armed with a pair of scissors, she asked her pastor if she could do him a good turn. Receiving an affirmative answer, the determined lady took hold of Gill's bibs and with a snip of her scissors shortened them by a good length. Now it was Gill's turn. He asked the lady if he could do her a reciprocal favour. The lady agreed and Gill asked for her scissors. On taking them in his hand, he told his sister that the length of something in her possession had been a cause of concern for some time. Would the lady kindly stretch out her tongue!"

Scriptures for Study: Read the verses cited today. What observations can you make? How does all this encourage and challenge you?

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OBITUARIES

Mary Dawn 'Dawn' Carstens

Feb. 2, 1936 ~ Feb. 2, 2020

Mary Dawn "Dawn" Carstens passed away in St. Mary's Hospital in Grand Junction, Colorado, on Feb. 2, 2020, after suffering a head injury caused by a fall. She was surrounded by family at the time of her death.



Dawn Carstens

fondly known as "Grams" and "Poppy" by the student-athletes of both Hotchkiss and Paonia, often made appearances in support of the athletic programs of the North Fork Valley.

After Dawn's educational career ended, she embraced her new love: gardening. Studying through Colorado State University, Dawn completed a Master Gardener certification and later became a member of the Desert Vista Garden Club. Her passion was heirloom roses, but she also thoroughly loved bird watching, and with her sweetie's help, she always kept her bird feeders full. She spent many hours sitting in her tree-swing or peering out her kitchen watching birds. In her spare time, she enjoyed playing bridge and bunko with her friends, pulling weeds and pruning roses in her garden, and participating in the CD chapter of PEO and other service organizations.

Throughout Dawn's life, she faced so many physical challenges; everyone who knew her would agree that she was the toughest person they had ever known. And in spite of the obstacles Dawn faced, she still liked to keep her mind sharp and thought up all sorts of good mental challenges. One such challenge was to memorize the names of the presidents of the United States. And in true Dawn-fashion, to add a competitive aspect to the task, she memorized the names in order of their presidency.

Dawn dearly loved ALL the children in her family, but her grandchildren and great grandchildren were particularly special to her. She was famous for yarn-spinning, and kids loved listening to her stories. She could recite the "Night Before Christmas" from memory, and many a Christmas Eve would find Grams surrounded by

her grandchildren and great-grandchildren, their innocent eyes shining in anticipation of her story, and the domestic scene only further intensified by the magic of her beautiful collection of Christmas trees, lovingly and painstakingly decorated and placed around her house.

Dawn is predeceased by her parents, an older brother, two younger sisters, and a great-grandson. She is survived by her beloved husband and protector, James C. "Jim" Carstens of Palisade, Colorado; daughter Staci (David) O'Connell of Pocatello, Idaho; daughter Krista (Bill) Carsten of Hotchkiss, Colorado; grandson Zachary O'Connell (Britta Usedom) of Bend, Oregon; grandson Chase O'Connell of Idaho Falls, Idaho; grandson Brandon (Amy) Bell of Hotchkiss, Colorado; grandson Keaton (Nicole) Bell of Palisade, Colorado; granddaughter Cerra Carsten (Matt Westerman) of Hotchkiss, Colorado; granddaughter, Taylor Carsten (Marcus Norton) of Wiggins, Colorado; great-grandson Paxton Bell of Hotchkiss, Colorado; great-grandson Blaine Bell of Palisade, Colorado; great-granddaughter Loni Bell of Hotchkiss, Colorado; great-grandson Cortez Bell of Hotchkiss, Colorado; and great-granddaughter Sienna Bell of Palisade, Colorado; sister Lois Rae Beall, of San Antonio, Texas; brother Owen Slack of Pinedale, Wyoming; and sister Cindy Susoreny of Chandler, Arizona.

A memorial service will be held in the springtime, her favorite time of the year, at the Palisade High School and will be followed by a potluck party at the Orchard River View event center in Palisade. The memorial ceremony will begin at 2 p.m. on April 11, and will be officiated by Mark Vickstrom, a former student and family friend.

Michael Dwayne Zobel

May 26, 1968 ~ Feb. 8, 2020

Michael Dwayne Zobel, 51, of Milliken, passed away on Feb. 8, 2020, in Milliken, Colorado. He was born on May 26, 1968, in Big Timber, Montana.

He grew up in Meeker, Colorado where he attended high school and met his high school sweetheart, Mischelle. They reconnected and married in 2013.

Michael loved the rodeo and being around horses. He enjoyed being on Facebook and connecting with friends. He also enjoyed camping, fishing and cooking. Above all, he loved and adored his family, especially his grandkids.

Michael is survived by his wife Mischelle; children Heather

(Roman) Platunov, Carlina (Dustin) Smith, Kaleb (Lydia) Zobel, Culynn (Bradley) Parks, Kelcie Zobel



Michael Zobel

and Calder (Rebecca) Solloway; grandchildren Emily Parks, Kyren Sharon, Breanna Smith and Winston Parks; mother Yvonna Zobel; siblings Theresa (Tom) More and Maurnee (Shawn) Scanlon; nephews

Matthew More, Andrew More, Aiden Scanlon, Jake Scanlon and Seth Scanlon.

Michael was preceded in death by his father, William Zobel.

Memorial contributions can be made to PBR Rider Relief Fund, in care of Adamson Life Celebration Home, 2000 47th Ave., Greeley, Colorado 80634. To leave condolences for Michael's family, www.adamsoncares.com

Visitation was held between 12-2 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 13, 2020. Life Celebration service was held at 1:30 p.m., Friday, Feb. 14, 2020, with a reception following, both at Adamson Life Celebration Home in Greeley, Colorado.

Merle Dene Moyer

Dec. 10, 1929 ~ Feb. 14, 2020

Merle Dene Moyer passed away in Meeker, Colorado at the Walbridge Wing on Feb. 14, 2020, at 90 years of age.



Merle Dene Moyer

She was born in Meeker, Colorado on Dec. 10, 1929. She lived up the White River in her childhood. In 1939 her mother Blanche Hilkey married John T. Crook in Meeker, and from that marriage she was blessed with five brothers and one sister.

She started first grade at the Marvine Creek School, and many times she told of being chased by a pet elk on her walk or ski to school. Later she attended the Buford School. She graduated from Meeker High School in 1948.

After graduating from high school, she worked in the Rio Blanco County Superintendent of School office in Meeker.

She met Richard L. (Dick) Moyer at a dance, and after a courtship, they were married in Meeker, Colorado on St. Patrick's Day in 1951. They

left Meeker within a few months and lived in seventeen different places in five different states as she followed Dick's career as a sawyer, pulp wooder and logger.

In the spring of 1960 she and Dick moved back to their roots in Meeker, Colorado to raise their family, with the oldest of four children ready to enter first grade. They started up their own business with a sawmill in the woods on the Grand Hogback near Rio Blanco, Colorado, and they sold rough lumber in retail customers in Northwestern Colorado. Merle Dene was a important part of the business selling lumber and running the check book. They operated the logging, sawmilling and retail sales of mostly rough lumber, timbers and house logs west of Meeker for nearly 30 years.

Merle Dene cherished being needed and was at the heart of every family gathering. Whether she was at home or helping with the family business, she always worked hard. A true milestone in her life was moving into the new log house on the sawmill property west of Meeker where she lived for nearly 50 years.

She is remembered as a wonderful homemaker and great scratch cook. Whether it was

cooking lunch for the sawmill crew or pulling something together for family or friends at the last minute she turned out delicious meals. Any time she was involved with a family event, there was no worry about finding something fine to eat. Her canning recipes will live on for generations. Merle Dene enjoyed spending time with her family and friends, especially with a game of Pinochle, Sorry or Yahtzee. In the summer, she could be found spending time at their cabin on Dry Creek, often gathering wildflowers to press and share.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 64 years Dick Moyer and her mother and step-father Blanche and John Crook along with one brother Chuck Crook.

She is survived by her four children. Larry (Diane) Moyer, Don (Sue) Moyer, Beverly (Jim) Brennan, and Gary (Betty Lou) Moyer. She is also survived by her brothers Walt Crook, Bob Crook, Bill Crook, Les Crook and by her sister Betty Garver, along with numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m., Thursday, Feb. 20, 2020, at the United Methodist Church in Meeker. Interment will follow at Highland Cemetery.

OBITUARY POLICY:

The Rio Blanco Herald Times chooses not to charge a publication fee for obituaries or death notices with a local connection to the county. It is our opinion that publishing obituaries is a matter of public record and is part of our responsibility as a community newspaper to maintain a record of our local history. If you need to submit an obituary or death notice, please stop by our office at 304 4th Street, Meeker, or email editor@ht1885.com



I am Debra Irvine, a Conservative Republican running for Senate District 8 (SD8) to be of service.

I announced my candidacy in December 2018. Afterward, Sen. Baumgardner resigned and then there was a vacancy appointment. My opponent, Sen. Rankin, does not share my conservative values.

My family has been dedicated to serving our great nation. My husband and father rest in Arlington National Cemetery. My son is a decorated veteran and a graduate of the USAF Academy. My mother was honored nationally for her work with Wounded Warrior amputees at Walter Reed Medical Center until she was 92.

We can show our respect and gratitude to our service members and veterans by standing up to this wave that is trying to push us from our Republic to a socialist form of government!

Standing up for our principles and values is a calling for me. It was an honor to have been the Republican candidate for State Representative in the blue districts HD 56 and HD 61.

For our Colorado GOP, I served as Chairman for Congressional District 2, Judicial District 5, Summit County and was appointed to the Judicial Performance Review Commission for JD5.

Please learn about my background, work experience and my special family of service at www.IrvineForColorado.com.

My Facebook campaign page, Irvine for Colorado, highlights my 2019 testimony (AGAINST the Red Flag bill and Comprehensive Sex Ed, and FOR fossil fuel energy, etc.).

I am asking for your vote. It will be an honor to serve you.

Thank you, very much.

~Debra



A Choice for Conservatives

CPW offers mentored youth turkey hunts

Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER | If you are a novice hunter under 18 and want to learn how to hunt wild turkey, Colorado Parks and Wildlife encourages you to apply for a chance at participating in a pair of mentored turkey hunts on private lands this spring.

Prospective hunters must submit their application for either hunt by April 1, 2020.

The first hunt is in Meeker, April 10-12, the second in Craig, May 1-3. All youth are encouraged to apply, however, CPW will give special consideration to those that have never hunted, are not from a hunting family or do not have the opportunity to learn from an experienced mentor.

Both hunts are offered through CPW's Hunter Outreach Program, dedicated to introducing novice women and youth to the benefits of hunting by providing expert, hands-on guidance.

"Hundreds of kids have participated in these mentored hunts over the years and we couldn't be prouder of how it's worked out," said Assistant Area Wildlife Manager Mike Swaro of Craig. "This is the perfect program for kids that want to hunt and learn specific techniques to be a successful turkey hunter."

Swaro says turkey hunting provides excellent outdoor recreation but it can be very challenging for the novice to learn on their own.

"It's nearly impossible to do unless you get instruction, and that's why we are here," said District Wildlife Manager Bailey Franklin of Meeker. "I get so much satisfaction knowing these kids have learned a valuable life skill, learned about wildlife management and learned how to handle a firearm responsibly. But the best part is that after a few days with a skilled mentor, these kids can go out and hunt turkey on their own. That's what it's all about."

HOW TO APPLY

All applications must include:

- The youth's name, address and hunter education number
- A parent or guardian's contact information, including an email address and phone number
- A short narrative, handwritten by the youth and in their own words, explaining specifically why they should be selected over other youth for this special hunting experience

MEEKER TURKEY HUNT

Applications can be hand-delivered to the Meeker CPW office at 73485 Hwy. 64; emailed to the hunt coordinator, bailey.franklin@state.co.us; or mailed to the following address prior to April 1 deadline: DWM Bailey Franklin, PO Box 1181, Meeker, CO 81641.

FAST FACTS

WHO: Colorado Parks and Wildlife

WHAT: Mentored turkey hunts for novice hunters under 18

WHEN & WHERE: April 10-12 in Meeker
May 1-3 in Craig

APPLICATION DEADLINE: April 1, 2020

HOW TO APPLY: Hand-deliver application to a CPW office, email to hunt coordinator, or mail.

INCLUDE:

- youth name, address, and hunter education number
- parent or guardian's email address and phone number
- a short handwritten narrative from the applicant about why they should be selected for the hunt

CRAIG TURKEY HUNT

Applications can be hand-delivered to the Meeker CPW office at 73485 Hwy. 64; emailed to the hunt coordinator, mike.swaro@state.co.us, or mailed to the following address prior to April 1 deadline: Asst. AWM Mike Swaro, 408 Pronghorn Rd., Craig, CO 81625.

"The narrative is the most important part of the application and should explain what is unique and special about the youth that allows them to be a superior candidate for these limited opportunities," said Swaro. "We'll look at various factors, primarily the applicant's lack of hunting experience, unique circumstances or family situation that have kept them from participating in a hunt in the past."

CPW will select a total of 13 hunters; six for the Meeker hunt and seven for the Craig hunt. Successful applicants will receive notification on or before April 5.

Successful applicants for both hunts are required to attend a pre-hunt orientation accompanied by a parent, guardian, or mentor that must remain with the youth for the entire hunt.

Colorado Parks and Wildlife will provide shotguns, ammunition, blinds and turkey calls. The selected hunters must provide their own camouflage clothing, lodging and food.

"Once again, we thank the very generous landowners that provide their properties for this," Franklin said. "We are very appreciative of what they do for these kids and for the future of hunting in Colorado."

For more information or questions, call CPW's Meeker Office at 970-878-6090 or hunt coordinators Bailey Franklin at 970-942-5111, bailey.franklin@state.co.us, or Mike Swaro at 970-942-8275, mike.swaro@state.co.us.

A FAMILY AFFAIR ...



COURTESY PHOTO

Nick Gianinetti placed in the top 10 in the semi-pro division at the last RMSHA race near Bear Lake, Idaho. His wife Andrea placed 12th in the amateur division, gaining some valuable experience. Their family is headed to Afton, Wyoming this weekend for the next chance to earn points in the RMSHA circuit. They would like to thank their sponsors: Triple Crown Sports, FXR Racing, Weekender Sports and Renninger Log Homes.

Trooper Tips: CSP Youth Academy

By **TROOPER GARY CUTLER**
Colorado State Patrol

RBC | Once again, it's time to look toward the youth of Colorado where we give them an experience of a lifetime. The mission of a Colorado State Patrol Trooper is not just enforcing the laws on the state's highways and interstates. We are also very involved in educating the public in various areas.

One way we do this is working with Colorado's youth. Once a year for one week in July, the Colorado State Patrol allows teens who are at least 16 years old from across the state a chance to see how State Troopers are trained at our academy in Golden.

The goal of the CSP Youth Academy is to assist in the development of future leaders for Colorado through team exercises and individual achievement. It is a weeklong adventure for the 45 teens that are accepted.

Some of the academy requirements include that they must be a junior or senior in the fall of 2020, write an essay, have two letters of recommendation, and complete an interview with troopers.

During the week of activities, they are constantly supervised by State Troopers and mentored in various areas that will help them in life or whatever career they decide to follow. The youth stay at our academy, eat at our facilities, and gain friendships with other youth from across the state.

While in the youth academy, teens will have an enjoyable, fun filled week and get to experience a long list of activities. Some of the activities include defensive driving on our state patrol track, firearms safety, self-defense tactics, traffic stops, building searches, team building, and ethics in law enforcement, just to name a few. At the end of the week there is also a special field trip

for the participants. Past years have been visits to the Bronco's football facilities, and Rockies games.

The Youth Academy is not just for teens interested in law enforcement. The week long class will help them in their future endeavors. It will also be an experience they will remember the rest of their lives. If they want to continue with a career as a trooper, well, we won't complain. We have had several of our Youth Academy participants become State Troopers, and we couldn't be prouder.

The academy is free of charge. It is paid for by private donors. For more information contact Captain Lawrence Hilton at 303-273-1882, your local Colorado State Patrol Office, or visit our website: <https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/csp/youth-academy>

This year's youth academy is July 19-25. Applications are due by March 22, 2020. As always, safe travels!

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Sheriff dispels takeover rumors, commends police chief

By **ROXIE FROMANG**
Special to the Herald Times

RANGELY I New Town of Rangely trustee Keely Ellis was sworn in during the regular board meeting on Feb. 11. Ellis was welcomed by Rangely Mayor Andy Shaffer and Trustees Alisa Granger, Luke Geer and Andy Key (attending via Skype). Ellis brings a great deal of experience in economic development and a passion to help the community.

PUBLIC INPUT: Republican candidate for Rio Blanco County Commissioner Scott Nielsen introduced himself. Nielsen was born in Meeker and graduated from Meeker High School. After time in the Army and living out of the area he returned to Meeker and has worked in the oil and mining industry, the county road and bridge department, and currently is employed for the Colorado Department of Transportation.

Sheriff Anthony Mazzola addressed the board and said that he wanted to dispel rumors that had been going around about him wanting to take over Rangely dispatch services. He also reaffirmed his commitment in serving the community regarding law enforcement. He commended Rangely Police Chief Ti Hamblin, saying that prior to Hamblin taking over he would

get calls from constituents having concerns and since Hamblin has taken the reins at the police department he has not received any calls and thinks the Rangely Police Department is headed in the right direction. Town Manager Lisa Piering ensured Sheriff Mazzola that the rumors had not come from her office.

SUPERVISOR REPORTS:

Don Reed, Rangely Water Department Supervisor, wanted to inform the public that there are possibly some adverse effects from fluoridating the town's water supply. "We are not here to debate the issue," he said, and strongly advised the public to become educated before voting on this matter. The town is working with Dr. Ken Myers D.D.S. on drafting a list of pros' and cons about the issue.

Reed reported there is a general feeling across multiple water boards that Rangely is not active enough in the future development of its water rights and resources. He suggested drafting a report about the Town of Rangely's stance. Piering said the town has sent letters to legislators in support of the Wolf Creek Reservoir project. She also said that the town is working toward more recreational use of the river and to develop more water storage for the town in case of a drought. Currently the town's raw water

storage area would not last beyond 14 days. Mayor Shaffer said that he thought the Town of Rangely has been very supportive of the Wolf Creek Reservoir project. Piering said that perhaps they needed to revisit that and provide something in a stronger language.

Reed said his department is working on the utilities master plan and will present it once completed. Work will be done to the water plant this year. A DOLA survey is being finished for the project for Highway 139 in order to be considered for funding. They will be applying for a DOLA grant for the headworks building and working on cosmetics on some of the plants. He said that the wastewater plant is switching over from UV to chlorine.

TOWN MANAGER UPDATE:

Rio Blanco Water Conservancy District Manager Alden Vanden Brink sent Piering an email about recruiting and sending three employees to the state to help them understand the town's position on the Wolf Creek Reservoir project. She said they also have a list of several legislators with whom to share their opinion. She offered the information to any individuals who would like to fight at the state level for the project.

RBC Emergency Manager Ty Gates provided projections on snowpack and Piering reported all the basins are above average for snowpack. She said that she was proud of the departments and community that came together after the snowfall on Monday, Feb. 3. Safety training for town employees will take place in the first quarter this year.

New Marketing Coordinator Jeannie Caldwell has been talking to special districts around town, she will be working very closely with the RDA/RDC boards, and will have a meeting with Rio Blanco County Economic Development.

After problems with vaping at the school district, Piering reported that the town may be working with the school district regarding a vaping ordinance pending the outcome of current state legislation.

Last week the state Attorney General announced that CNCC received a grant for a cyber security program. She said that was a huge step for CNCC and that it is great for the community.

Key asked if the town could do a collaborative promotional video for the Wolf Creek Project. Piering agreed that they should look into it.

NEW BUSINESS:

While moving forward with the new business agenda item to

approve a liquor license for Kum 'N' Go, Geer expressed concern about the impact that Kum 'N' Go's liquor sales has had on the small businesses in town and stated he would be voting no. He suggested that they have restrictions on how much liquor they can keep in stock. Key said it is not the role of government to decide. Piering told Geer that if they deny their liquor license, they can't sell any alcohol and suggested that he bring his concerns forward in a different form. He said in the future he'd like to visit how they go about renewing those licenses and how much area they can have for stock, stating, "It doesn't sit right with me at all." Granger moved to approve the liquor license renewal for Kum 'N' Go, Key seconded, and it passed with Geer opposing the motion.

Geer moved to approve the liquor license renewal for Willis Rangely Enterprises LLC dba Rangely Liquor Store. Granger seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Prior to a decision to approve an MOU between the town and Rio Blanco County for the Rio Blanco County Emergency Operating Plan, Gates said they started this project about four years ago. The Emergency Operations Plan covers both

Sheriff Anthony Mazzola addressed the board to dispel any rumors about his office trying to 'take over' Rangely's independent dispatch operation and commended Police Chief Ti Hamblin.

towns including both hospitals. Currently the towns in the county do not have or have outdated emergency operations plans. He stated that it will bring both ends of the county together. Granger moved to approve the MOU between the Town of Rangely and Rio Blanco County to utilize the RBC Emergency Operating Plan for disaster preparation and coordination and Geer seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The board approve ColoCPA Services, PC to perform the 2019 Town of Rangely audit in the amount of \$12,450.

DADDY/DAUGHTER DANCE ...



The Rangely Rec Center hosted its annual Daddy-Daughter Dance last Thursday. Twenty fathers and daughters attended. Download the free Zappar app and scan the code to view more photos.



First graders from Rangely Elementary School and students from CNCC's Dental Hygiene program celebrated Children's Dental Hygiene month. The CNCC students educated the children on how to take care of their teeth.

Celebrating National Children's Dental Health Month with CNCC

By **KARI BRENNAN,**
REGISTERED DENTAL HYGIENIST
Special to the Herald Times

RBC I February is National Children's Dental Health month. In celebration, the CNCC Dental Hygiene program coordinates with Rangely and Meeker School District students every spring to have regular cleanings, x-rays, oral hygiene instruction, sealants and fluoride for free. Health histories were sent home in January, so please fill them out and get them back to your child's teacher, so your child does not miss this opportunity. This is a great educational benefit for our students and your children's health. Transportation is provided through the schools (field trip).

Did you know your child's academic performance and attendance is correlated to oral hygiene? Here are the facts of how our school aged children and their attendance to school and performance is being impacted negatively due to poor oral hygiene. "Poor oral health, dental disease, and tooth pain can put kids at a serious disadvantage in school," according to a Herman Ostrow School of Dentistry study.

Several studies noted it is a problem for all ages. On average, elementary children missed a total of six days per year, and high school children missed 2.6

days. The missed school was due to dental problems. Additionally, this problem also causes parents to miss an average of 2.5 days of work per year to care for the children with dental problems.

Simply improving children's oral health status may enhance their educational experiences. Unfortunately, I see many parents not attending to their children's needs due to an array of excuses; no insurance, cost, time, uneducated or falsely thinking, "Oh, they are just baby teeth, they are going to lose them anyway." As much as that is true, they are still very important to take care of. Parents need to assist in brushing their child's teeth up to the age of about 10 because many children do not have the ability to clean their teeth effectively without help.

Here are tips to maintain good oral health:

- Brush teeth twice daily with a fluoride toothpaste.
- Brush gently for two minutes with special attention to all surfaces and the gum line.
- Floss, Waterpik and/or interproximal (between the teeth) brushing at least once daily.
- Limit sugary snacks, high-starch or refined carbohydrates. Chips, pretzels, cookies, breads and dried fruits. The bacteria that causes tooth decay thrive on simple sugars.
- Limit fruit juice, milk and other sweet/sugary drinks

to mealtimes. Between meals and especially at bedtime, drink water, it keeps your mouth hydrated and helps prevent tooth-decay if your community water is fluoridated properly. Fortunately, Meeker and Rangely have properly fluoridated water to help reduce the risk of cavities for everyone.

■ Fluoride helps strengthen teeth from the third month of pregnancy throughout a lifetime, reducing cavities to everyone.

■ Visit the dentist and dental hygienist at least annually and ideally twice per year for check-ups, cleanings and treatment of any issues when they are little issues and easier to treat.

Prevention is much easier and cheaper than treatment once the problem presents.

For more information, visit credible places like the American Dental Association website, www.ada.org, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention website, www.cdc.gov or the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry, www.aapd.org. Also, contact CNCC Dental Hygiene for an appointment to get right direction to optimal oral health. CNCC provides oral hygiene care to all ages. Call 970-675-3250 for an appointment today. Starting March 23 Tuesday and Thursday morning appointments only, any age, are at no charge until April 28, 2020.

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LEAVING A LEGACY ...



TIFFANY JEHOUREK PHOTO

Multiple generations gathered in the Meeker High School wrestling room to witness the last practice that will ever take place in this facility. The oldest in the room was Gary Stewart, who placed in 1966 and won a title in 1968. The youngest was, Luke Muxlow, son of Jeremy Muxlow, who wrestled pee wee last year, and his big brother Bow is on the 2020 Cowboys middle school team. Sam Love, who coached in 1976, 1977 and 1978; his stepson Cody Crooks, and his Crooks' son Trevor represented three generations of family wrestling in the room. With the new high school comes a new room for a new era to continue Meeker's wrestling legacy.

Meeker sending eight to state

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

MEEKER I Eight Meeker Cowboy wrestlers are state bound for the 2020 Colorado High School Wrestling Tournament. Fourteen boys entered the regional tournament and 10 placed; as a team the Cowboys ended in fourth place, Paonia and Hotchkiss squeaked ahead in the last couple matches.

"The kids did a good job, improving every week, and they are very prepared for this weekend," commented head coach JC Watt. "It would have been nice to take a couple more, but we are healthy and ready."

"It was really great to have the biggest and the loudest cheering section last weekend," continued Watt. "It was a great following all

the way to Montrose."

The Cowboys are taking three freshmen to the state tournament: Trae Kennedy (106), Connor Blunt (132), and Tanner Musser (220); sophomore Ty Goedert (113); juniors Dax Sheridan (160) and Colby Clatterbaugh (182); and seniors Charles Curry (126) and Ridge Williams (195).

The state tournament begins at the Pepsi Center at 2 p.m. Thursday and finals are Saturday evening.



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RESULTS

Trae Kennedy (106 pounds, 30-11 record) placed second and scored 17.5 team points.
Quarterfinal - Kennedy won by tech fall over Anthony Scanlon (Hotchkiss) 22-24 (TF-1.5 4:51 (20:5))
Semifinal - Kennedy won by decision over Kodi Ingols (Hayden) 34-12 (Dec 6:2)
First Place Match - Jarret Sinks (Norwood) 31-9 won by fall over Kennedy 30-11 (Fall 2:46)
Ty Goedert (113, 25-12 record) placed second and scored 19.0 team points.
Quarterfinal - Goedert won by major decision over Kyle Short (Nucla) 10-17 (MD 12:2)
Semifinal - Goedert won by forfeit over Carter Galloway (Mancos) 22-11 (For)
First Place Match - Lane Hunsberger (Cedaredge) 36-2 won by decision over Goedert (Dec 5:0)
Kaden Franklin (120, 7-12 record) placed sixth and scored 5.0 team points.
Championship Round 1 - Franklin received a bye (Bye)
Quarterfinal - Tyler Campbell (Hayden) 25-9 won by decision over Franklin (Dec 8:1)
Consolation Round 2 - Franklin received a bye (Bye)
Consolation Round 3 - Franklin won by decision over Joshua Alexander (Norwood) 7-18 (Dec 5:1)
Consolation Semi - Ryan Imhoff (Cedaredge) 24-15 won by major decision over Franklin (MD 13:1)
Fifth Place Match - Trey Bejarano (Paonia) 9-12 won by decision over Franklin (Dec 2:1)
Charles Curry (126, 25-18 record) placed third and scored 17.5 team points.
Quarterfinal - Curry won by fall over Trevor Paquin (Mancos) 17-20 (Fall 1:31)
Semifinal - Geyer (Cedaredge) 38-3 won by fall over Curry (Fall 0:37)
Consolation Semi - Curry won by fall over Angel Dominguez (West Grand

(Hayden) 40-6 won by fall over Clatterbaugh (Fall 2:52)
Ridge Williams (195, record of 29-10) placed second and scored 18.0 team points.
Quarterfinal - Williams received a bye (Bye)
Semifinal - Williams won by fall over Sam Ware (Hotchkiss) 14-22 (Fall 1:03)
First Place Match - Anthony Miller (Paonia) 37-7 won by decision over Williams (Dec 1:0)
Tanner Musser (220, 29-5) placed fourth and scored 20.0 team points.
Championship Round 1 - Musser won by fall over Benny Lewis (Mancos) 5-23 (Fall 0:43)
Quarterfinal - Cordell Garriott (North Park) 31-13 won by decision over Musser (Dec 4:3)
Consolation Round 2 - Musser won by fall over Ashton Williams (West Grand) 5-18 (Fall 1:39)
Consolation Round 3 - Musser won by fall over Jeremy Roderick (Ignacio) 9-18 (Fall 0:13)
Consolation Semi - Musser won by fall over Tristan Singer (Soroco) 15-16 (Fall 1:30)
Third Place Match - Cordell Garriott (North Park) 31-13 won by fall over Musser (Fall 2:18)
Fourth Place Match - Musser won by fall over Christopher Alejandre (Cedaredge) 8-15 (Fall 2:00)
Reese Harvey (HWT, 20-20) placed fifth and scored 10.0 team points.
Quarterfinal - Byron Mackay (Rangely) 23-18 won by fall over Harvey (Fall 5:35)
Consolation Round 1 - Harvey won by fall over Manny Torres (West Grand) 2-15 (Fall 2:03)
Consolation Semi - Randy Herrera (Ignacio) 15-9 won by fall over Harvey (Fall 1:55)
Fifth Place Match - Harvey won by fall over Joe Summers (Dolores) 8-11 (Fall 1:19)



TIFFANY JEHOUREK PHOTO

Panther sophomore Zane Varner qualified for the state tournament with a fourth place regional finish.

Several Panthers punch tickets to Denver

Special to the Herald Times

RANGELY I Last weekend the Panthers wrestled in the regional tournament where it is either the last matches for the season, or where wrestlers continue on to the state tournament in Denver.

Sophomore Braxton Moore (120) had a tough draw right out of the gate wrestling the No. 1 seed of the tournament and No. 7 ranked wrestler in the state. Moore lost his second match which took him out of the tournament. Sophomore Alex Black (138) also went 0-2 to end his season. "Braxton and Alex both wrestled really good seasons. Both are pretty new to the sport and have grown a lot," said head coach JC Chumacero. "I am excited to see what they do in the next two years."

Sophomore Zane Varner (145) won his first match Friday putting him into the semi-finals. He lost his first match Saturday, but "wrestled really well the rest of the tournament, pinning his next opponent to put him into the third and fourth place and state-qualifying match." Varner went to battle against a Norwood opponent defeated previously this year by one point. "We saw a repeat of the same battle only this time Workman sneaked by with a 4-3 victory over Varner," Chumacero said. Varner's fourth-place finish qualified him for the "Big Show" in Denver. "Varner has been wrestling tough all season and I am excited to see what he will do at state. He will enter the Pepsi center with a 31-8 record," Chumacero said.

Senior Justin Rusher (152) went 0-2 ending a season in which he wasn't expected to wrestle due to a football injury. "He pushed hard in order to get cleared the last three weeks. Rusher's last loss was a heart breaker for myself and the whole team. He has so much heart and it was hard to see his high school career come to an end. I am really proud of him and can't wait to see what his future brings," Chumacero said.

Senior Tytus Coombs (160) started his tournament

off strong beating his first opponent 8-1 and his second with a 15-0 tech fall. This advanced Coombs into the finals and automatically punched his ticket to state. Coombs had a rematch against a previously beaten Paonia opponent for first and second.

"We lost this match, for which I feel partially to blame," Chumacero said. "Grey Neil [Paonia] has mastered a lot of the same moves that he loves to use. I focused a lot on his top game but overlooked his bottom moves. That's what got us caught. We will know how to prepare Tytus for state now."

Junior Anthony Garner (170) went 2-3 on the weekend placing sixth. "Anthony is giving up a lot of weight. He wanted to wrestle up a weight so he could be at varsity. He is giving up about 12 to 13 pounds, so for him to win matches and place I was very happy with," Chumacero commented.

Senior Del Garner (195) went 0-2 and was also unable to continue his season. This is the first season Garner has finished because of injuries, but Chumacero said he always walks off the mat with a smile.

Senior Dalton Dembowski (220) went 2-2 and came up short of qualifying. "Dembowski really stepped up this year, he worked hard and I know how bad he wanted to be in the Pepsi Center. I couldn't be more proud of him. He is really smart and I can't wait to see what his future brings," Chumacero said.

Sophomore Byron Mackay (HWT) went 2-2 placing fourth and punching the Panthers' final ticket to state. Mackay won his first match but lost his semi-finals match. "This put us in a situation where we had to avenge a loss in order to get into the third and fourth place match. Byron did just that, pinning his Dolores opponent. He lost a close match in the placing round earning fourth but punching his ticket," Chumacero said.

The Panthers spent the week brushing up on their skills and preparing mentally for the state tournament in Denver which starts today.

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Lady Panthers defeat North Park, fall to Paonia

Special to the Herald Times

RANGELY I The month of February has proved to be a month of ups and downs so far for the Rangely lady Panthers basketball team. The girls started the month by upsetting Hotchkiss but then fell to Meeker. On Friday, Feb. 14 the Lady Panthers played host to the North Park Wildcats. The lady Panthers came out firing on all cylinders against the Wildcats. Adelynn Halcomb led the first-quarter charge against the Wildcats with nine points followed by Mary Scoggins with four and Hannah Wilkie and Kacie Lapp each added two points.

Opening up the second quarter, the lady Panthers held a solid 10-point lead over the Wildcats 17-7. Always looking to improve on the court, the Panthers scored

19 points in the second quarter while only giving up three points to the Wildcats. Wilkie led the scoring charge for the Panthers with six points, Kacie Lapp scored three followed by Scoggins, Shauna Lapp, Halcomb, Susan Gillard, Kyrar Phelps all scoring two points in the quarter. At halftime the Panthers took a 36-10 point lead into the locker room.

The third quarter proved to be the Panthers Achilles' heel as they only scored nine points while giving up eight. Wilkie continued to crash the offensive boards and score for the Panthers as she led all third quarter scorers with five points with Kacie Lapp and Scoggins scoring the remaining four points of the quarter.

Heading into the fourth quarter the Panthers looked to be in cruise control to secure

another Western Slope League victory. The Panthers scored 15 more points and only allowed 11 points to the Wildcats, ending the game victorious with a score of 60-29. The 60 points were the highest scoring output by the lady Panthers in the 2019-2020 season. Wilkie led the Panthers to their highest-scoring game of the season with 19 points. Next was Halcomb with 11 points, Scoggins with 10, Kacie Lapp with nine, Kyrar Phelps with six, Shauna Lapp with three and Susan Gillard with two points. The win pushed the Panthers to 12-5 overall and 5-4 in the Western Slope League. Rangely stayed put in sixth place overall in the league.

Saturday, Feb. 15, the Panthers traveled to Paonia to take on the Screaming Eagles. The Panthers were not able to

overcome the fast physical play of the Eagles and the Eagles came out victorious with a score of 41-22. Wilkie and Zoey Peck both scored six points. Halcomb added five points with Kacie Lapp adding two and Mary Scoggins with one completing the box score for the game.

With the loss the Panthers fell into a tie with Paonia for sixth place in the Western Slope League. The Panthers will host the DeBeque Dragons on Friday, Feb. 21 to close out the regular season. This game is crucial to the Panthers and where they will fall into place with the Western Slope District tournament the following week.

(Right) Senior Zoey Peck heads down the court in a home game against the Wildcats.

MATT SCOGGINS PHOTO



Lady Cowboys cinch league title, host quarter finals Tuesday



(Above) Senior Julia Dinwiddie goes up for a shot, with Kirsten Brown and Karlee Nielsen ready to assist. Dinwiddie led the Cowboys with 18 points and 30 rebounds - 14 offensive and 16 defensive in a winning game against Soroco.

TIFFANY JEHOUREK PHOTO

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

MEEKER I Friday the lady Cowboys sealed the league title with a 70-61 win over the Hotchkiss Bulldogs. This was the second league game in a very busy week.

"There was no easy game this weekend," commented head coach Jamie Rogers. "The girls had to work hard each and every game, the entire game."

Thursday at home, the Cowboys faced the Soroco Rams in a close game to the very end. Soroco pulled ahead in the fourth quarter with just over a minute remaining in the game. The Cowboys lost a few girls who were in foul trouble and were down by five points. A few key players closed the gap with just over one minute remaining. Hallie Knowles came out after a time out to sink a three-pointer that put the Cowboys within two points. Sarah Kracht attempted a three-point shot and was fouled. At the free-throw line, she sank all three shots giving the Cowboys a small cushion. After one possession by Soroco, Kirsten

Brown was fouled, she went 1-1 on her shots, but increased the margin slightly. Kracht and Brown added the score and the Cowboys won 58-54 in the last few seconds.

"Sarah stepped up in the fourth quarter, she had a defender face guarding her almost the entire game," commented Rogers, and "Carleigh did a great job shutting down Cadence Bruner, Soroco's top scorer, and Kirsten did what Kirsten does, she gets out and finished those layups."

Julie Dinwiddie led the Cowboys with 18 points and Brown had 12, but it was Dinwiddie's 30 rebounds — 14 offensive and 16 defensive — that may be a team record.

Friday in Hotchkiss Rogers said, "it took a minute to take control, but by the second quarter we didn't look back, we scored 27 points in the second quarter along and never let Hotchkiss get within eight points the entire game."

Kracht came on strong in the second quarter, and at the end of the night she had 21 points, 18 coming from her six three-point-

ers. Knowles had 13 points and Dinwiddie added an additional 12 to the final score of 70-61.

"Hallie put up some really big points this weekend and is stepping up," said Rogers.

Saturday the trio of weekend games found the team in Baggs, Wyoming. It was another close game ending 49-44 for the Cowboys.

"We got off to a slow start," said Rogers, "Tilly really got the defense going in the second, she was motivating and got everyone moving."

Friday is the last regular-season game, the Cowboys will host Hayden, the number three ranked team in the league. JV begins at 4 p.m. and girls' varsity will be at 5:30. Next Tuesday begins district play, Meeker will be hosting but will not know who they are playing until the pitgail games finish on Monday evening. With the outright league championship, the girls are guaranteed a berth at regionals. Who will host regionals will be known a week from Sunday. Whoever wins districts will secure a home location for regionals.

Rangely boys split league games

Special to the Herald Times

RANGELY I The Rangely Panthers split their league games this weekend starting with a 57-25 win at home over the North Park Wildcats on Friday. Dylan LeBleu scored 16 of his 16 points in the first quarter, helping the Panthers outscore the Wildcats 26-4. The scoring pace slowed after the first quarter, but Rangely maintained a comfortable lead throughout. Timothy Scoggins put in 14 points and Sydney Cole pitched in 10 to support LeBleu's scoring efforts. The Panthers also earned a win in their JV game.

Rangely came out strong again on Saturday at Paonia, with Ryan Richens helping the Panthers to a 9-2 first-quarter lead. The scoring efforts slowed, but the Panthers held on to a 14-13 lead at halftime. Paonia was able to find a scoring rhythm in the second half, and, according to Panther coach Kyle Boydston, "We struggled to get our inside game going and it hurt us down the stretch." The Eagles' efforts earned them a 43-36 league victory. Ryan Richens and Timothy Scoggins led the Panthers' scoring with 13 and seven points respectively. Earlier in the day, the Panther's JV squad notched another win over the Eagles.

Rangely is now 6-12 overall with a 5-6 league record. The Panthers wrap up league and regular season play by hosting DeBeque on Friday, Feb. 21. There will not be JV games with DeBeque. The varsity girls' game starts at 4:30 p.m. followed by the boys at 6 p.m. Senior appreciation ceremonies will also take place between games.



Dylan LeBleu scored 16 points in the first quarter in a home game against the North Park Wildcats Friday. The varsity Panthers won 57-25, and JV took home a win, as well. Saturday the Panthers did not fare as well, falling to the Eagles by seven points.

MATT SCOGGINS PHOTO



Spud White takes a shot in a nail-biter against Soroco. The Cowboys went 2-1 over the weekend.

TIFFANY JEHOUREK PHOTO

Cowboys nab second place in league

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

MEEKER I After a slow start to the season, the Cowboys sealed second place in the league last weekend after their win at Hotchkiss.

"We played some big games this weekend," commented head coach Klark Kindler. "We played well every game, just ran out of gas at Little Snake after getting home from Hotchkiss at 1 a.m. the night before."

Thursday at home the Soroco Rams played the Cowboys in a nail biter.

"We got off to a bad start," Kindler said. "We made one out of our first 16 shots, but we stayed patient, waited for shots to start falling, and got the stops we needed in the end."

The final score was 60-53 led by seniors Elijah Deming and Cole Rogers who each had 16 points.

Behind at the half, the Cowboys had a big 22-point third quarter and never looked back to beat the Rams and begin their 2-1 weekend.

Friday on the road was another big win. "We got off to a great start, opposite of the night

before," Kindler said. "We shot well, got the lead and maintained it throughout the entire game. Hotchkiss had to play catchup but we did really well stopping the runs."

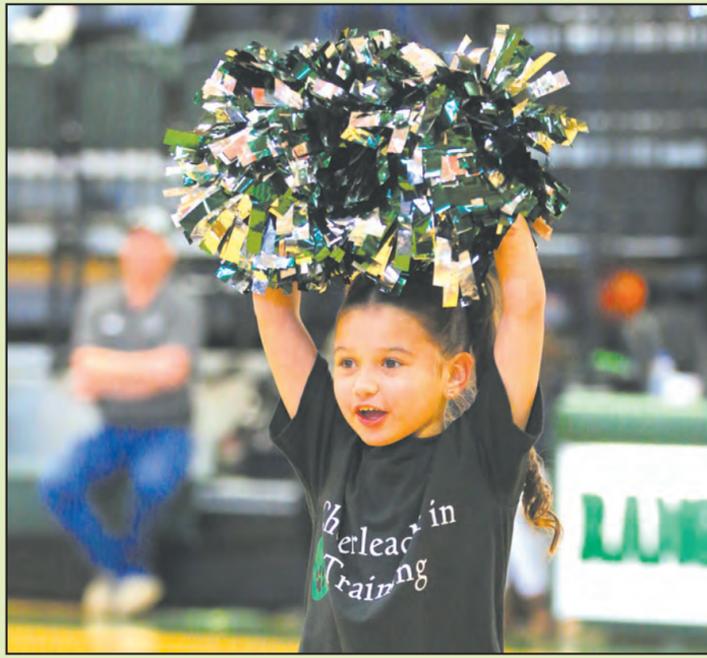
The 12 point victory, 67-55, found Rogers with 20 points, Deming with 15, and Spud White with 14.

Saturday, once again on the road, the Cowboys fell to Little Snake in a close 52-45 game. Their record now stands at 8-3 on the league and they are 50% overall, 9-9.

Friday will be their last regular season game, at home, but the outcome will not impact their league standing or regional play. The Cowboys host the Hayden Tigers with varsity to begin at 7 p.m.

The Cowboys will begin district play at home Tuesday with their opponent to be decided. A win Tuesday and the Cowboys will play Friday and Saturday in DeBeque. A loss Tuesday means they move to the consolation bracket and play will begin Thursday in DeBeque. A win Tuesday guarantees the Cowboys will make it into the regional tournament, location to be determined, and if they win districts, they will host the regional tournament in Meeker.

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PANTHER PEP ...

An adorable addition to Rangely's athletics events, Panther 'Cheerleaders in Training' did an excellent job shaking their pom poms and pumping up Panther fans.

MATT SCOGGINS PHOTOS

Whirling Disease resistant rainbow trout now a reality

Special to the Herald Times

RBC I Whirling Disease first impacted Colorado's rainbow trout in the mid-1990s and eliminated many wild populations of this popular sport fish. The aquatic tragedy sparked a decades-long effort by Colorado Parks and Wildlife research scientists to find a remedy and re-establish populations.

Since 2003, the researchers have been crossing a strain of rainbow trout resistant to the disease with other strains of rainbows in the hope of developing a trout that would fend off whirling disease. Now, after more than 20 years of study, frustration, experimentation and dogged persistence by CPW's aquatic researchers, the tide has turned in the fight against the dreaded disease. Whirling-disease resistant rainbows are now thriving in the wild and the agency is collecting their spawn, enabling hatcheries to propagate millions of fish that will be distributed to rivers and streams throughout the state.

"Thanks to advance genetic testing, we know these fish are maintaining their resistance to whirling disease," said George Schisler, CPW's aquatic research chief. "Now they are surviving, reproducing and contributing to future generations of Gunnison River rainbows."

This long success story started on an August day in 1994 when former CPW researcher Barry Nehring, while walking

the river bank in the Gunnison Gorge, noticed small fish swimming helplessly in circles. He knew immediately that the fish were infected with a microscopic spore that damages the cartilage of young fish and prevents them from swimming and developing normally. Whirling disease had arrived in the wild.

The disease was accidentally introduced to Colorado in the late 1980s when infected fish were imported to state and private hatcheries. After those fish were stocked in 40 locations, the spore spread and within a decade infected many rivers throughout state. The disease kills young fish, so eventually natural reproduction by wild rainbows ended across much of Colorado.

In search of a remedy, CPW scientists and biologists from wildlife agencies throughout the West started researching the disease in the late 1990s. At a national conference in Denver in 2002, a researcher from Europe who studied whirling disease gave a presentation about a strain of disease-resistant rainbow trout he'd found at a hatchery in Germany. Schisler, working with the University of California-Davis, imported eggs and then tested the hatched fingerlings, known as Hofers — named after the German hatchery. He found they were 100 times more resistant to the disease than the various CPW rainbow strains.

He also learned that because these fish had been raised in a hatchery for decades, they showed

no inkling of the flight response needed to elude predators in the wild. So researchers started crossing them with wild strains, such as the Harrison Lake and Colorado River rainbow to produce fish that exhibit wild behavior and maintain resistance to whirling disease. Those fish were stocked in rivers around the state and some natural reproduction started.

Biologists working in the East Portal Section of the Gunnison River gorge began documenting wild reproduction of rainbow trout in that location in the mid-2000s. These fish demonstrated strong resistance to whirling disease, but also had instincts to survive in the wild. Through advanced genetic analysis, Schisler and his research partner, Eric Fetherman, determined that a DNA marker unique to the stocked Hofer-crosses appeared to have been incorporated into this population, resulting in observed resistance to the disease.

The researchers and agency aquatic biologists determined that developing a brood stock using the Gunnison River trout would be the best way to repopulate Colorado's rivers with wild rainbows. Since 2014, more than 500,000 eggs have been collected from these fish to stock into whirling disease positive rivers and to create hatchery brood stocks.

The trout now has its own moniker: The Gunnison River Rainbow.

CPW's Glenwood Springs hatchery is propagating both the pure Gunnison River Rainbows



COURTESY PHOTO

CPW Aquatic Biologist Eric Gardunio, holds a whirling-disease resistant rainbow trout. CPW is stocking fish resistant to the disease throughout the state.

and crosses of those fish and other strains of whirling disease-resistant rainbows. This summer more than 1.3 million of fingerling disease-resistant rainbows will be stocked in rivers and streams throughout the state.

The ultimate goal of the stocking effort is to restore natural reproduction in the wild, eliminating the need to stock rainbows in the future.

However, re-establishing the rainbows continues to be a long-

term project. After rainbows vanished, brown trout took over Colorado's big rivers. They prey on the small rainbows that are stocked or hatch and compete for food and habitat with adult rainbows. Biologists say it will take many years for rainbows to become firmly established.

Research scientists don't declare victory easily, but Fetherman noted that the research project in the East Portal is officially closed. Populations across the state will continue t

o be monitored because the tiny worms that produce the spores causing whirling disease will likely always exist in Colorado's rivers.

"I feel like we've done some good work and these fish are ready to be stocked statewide," Fetherman said.

For more information on CPW's aquatic programs, go to: <https://cpw.state.co.us/thingstodo/Pages/Fishing.aspx>

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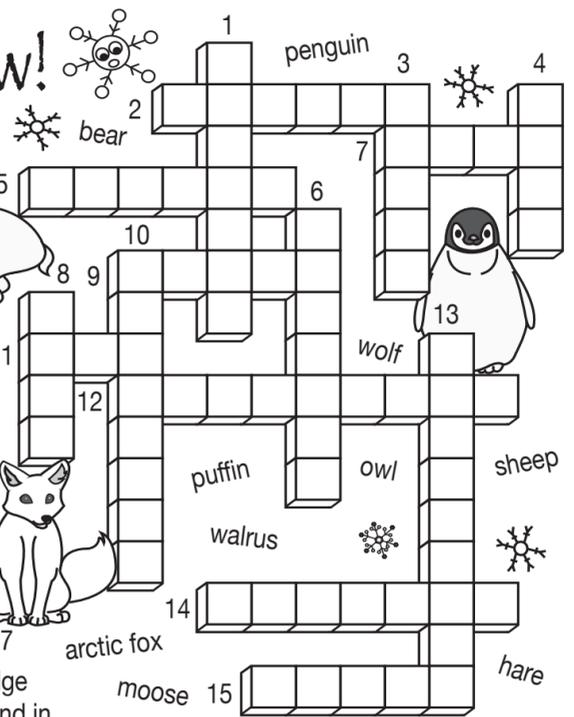
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In Lands of Cold and Snow!

Seals, hares, oxen, foxes and squirrels are some animals that can live in cold, snowy climates. Do you know other animals that live in lands of cold and snow? Many live where land and water meet.

Will you read the clues below and fill in the crossword? I can "bearly" wait to see the answers.

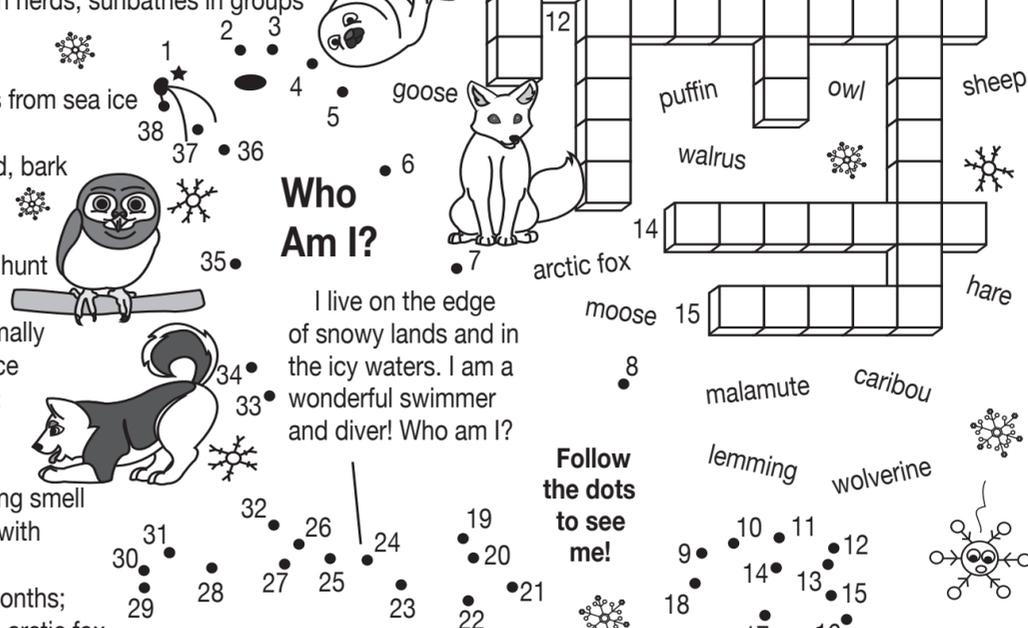
- walk in single file; lead animal breaks trail in snow; known to travel great distances
- large sea animal hunted for its hide, ivory tusks, oil; moves in herds; sunbathes in groups
- Dall _____ - horned animal; hooves have rough pads to help traverse mountains
- polar _____ has black skin, but "white" fur; hunts seals from sea ice
- large, beaked bird; dives up to 60 meters to catch fish
- collared _____ - burrows under snow; eats stored seed, bark
- snowshoe _____ - lives above ground unlike many long-eared cousins; grows white coat of fur for camouflage
- timber _____; moves up to 12 miles a day in a pack to hunt
- largest of northern deer; wide hooves help it walk in snow
- Alaskan _____; oldest known sled dog; does not normally live in wild, cared for by people; has strength and endurance
- snowy _____; stays awake during day, unlike others; white feathers; travels to slightly warmer places in winter
- fluffy white animal; can hear prey as it moves under snow
- short legs, long nose and hair; finds things under snow using smell
- flightless bird glides on stomach along snow, ice; huddles with others for warmth; oil on feathers protects from cold water
- bird; migrates to slightly warmer climates for cold winter months; moves in large groups to protect young from predators like arctic fox



Who Am I?

I live on the edge of snowy lands and in the icy waters. I am a wonderful swimmer and diver! Who am I?

Follow the dots to see me!



How Do Penguins Keep Warm?

There are many animals and birds living in the lands of cold, snow and ice. My cousin, Pearly the Polar Bear, lives up north in the Arctic. Penguins do not live with the polar bears in the area near the North Pole. They live in areas farther south. Some live in deep cold, such as on the continent of Antarctica, near the South Pole.

Some live in warmer areas around the world. Layers of fat and feathers keep penguins warm. Penguins are one of my favorite animals. They are such fun to watch. They seem to know they're putting on a show! Speaking of penguins and shows...can you fill in the blanks to answer my new joke below?

What did the penguins sing after putting on their best hats and "tails"?

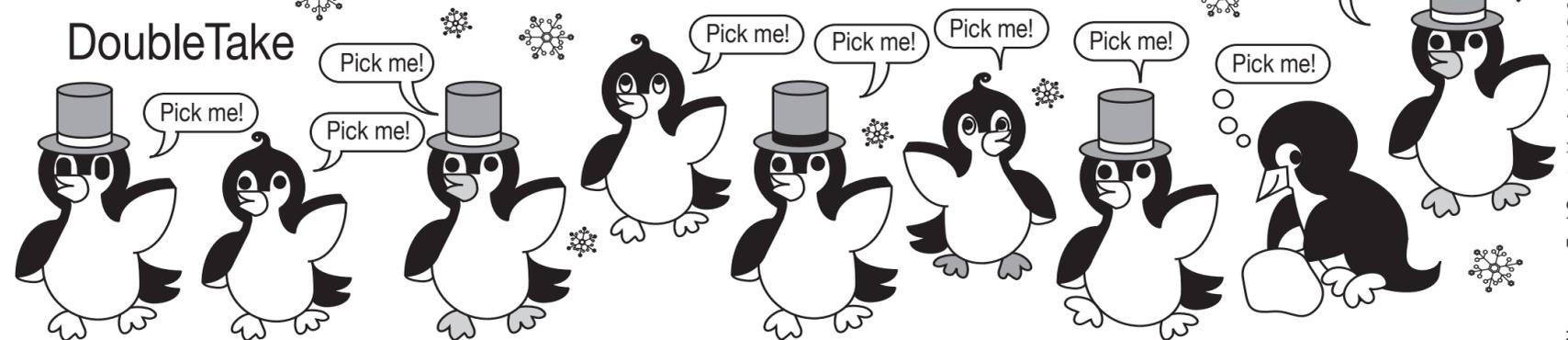
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Hey! That sounds a lot like that hit song by the famous composer, Irving Berlin.

DoubleTake

Study these penguins. Can you find and circle the 2 that are exactly alike?



DAYS GONE BY

The Meeker Herald 125 years ago

W.H. Jones of this place, has leased the Steele ranch and road house at Buford, and will run the place for the next two years. The Steele family has gone to Mississippi to reside.

Our hustling friend, A.J. Gregory, is advertising in the Vernal Express for 100 four and six horse teams to haul asphalt from mines on White River to Rifle. The distance is said to be about 90 miles.

George Hendricks of White River City was in town on Monday and reports cattle looking badly in the lower country. He says that fully 12 inches of snow fell on the winter range during the late storm, which was the heaviest of the winter and much heavier than the last storm in this vicinity.

Mr. Herrick, who lives on Nine-Mile hill, was in town the other day, and was interviewed by The Herald scribe regarding the alleged wanton slaughter of elk in that section during the present winter, and fully confirms previous reports given in these columns. He says he knows of a great many that have been killed and left on the ground to rot, and that another year will about wind up the elk. Mr. E.R. Leonard of Elkhorn,

who was in town during the week, confirms Mr. Herrick's statement and says he knows of one individual who killed 15 elk at one time and eight on another occasion and left nearly all of them of food for the coyotes. It's a burning shame that such a thing should be allowed in a civilized community.

The Meeker Herald 100 years ago

The Grim Reaper entered the home of Mr. and Mrs. H.S. Harp Sunday, Feb. 15, 1920, and took away their second son, William Con, who succumbed to the prevailing malady, which had turned to bronchial pneumonia. Con Harp was 19 years and 8 months of age when taken away.

It is easier to be carefree when someone else is paying the bill. Too much devilment is excused on the ground of human nature.

There is no closed season for those who insist on hunting for trouble.

The Meeker Herald 50 years ago

Mr. and Mrs. R.G. Sprod of Meeker announce the engagement of their daughter Susan to Wiley Berthelson,

son of Mr. and Mrs. H.G. "Si" Berthelson of Piceance Creek.

Betty Jean Allen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Allen and Meeker high school senior student, has been selected to play in the honor band at Western State in Gunnison.

Progress report on the Founding of our new Meeker Chamber of Commerce as seen by Jim Ruckman, president.

The Meeker Herald 25 years ago

After a season that saw its ups and downs, the Meeker High School wrestling team definitely brought things to an end on a high note. Consider this: of the 13 young men on the team, 10 of them qualified for the state tournament. For the second year in a row, Meeker brought home the state 3A wrestling championship.

Adrienne Leigh Wix celebrated her first birthday Dec. 28. A party was held for her by her parents Steve and Debby Wix, sister Rachel, and her brother Quinn. Adrienne also celebrated her birthday in Denver over the Christmas holiday.

Several single Meeker men received anonymous Valentines last week. It's rumored that a local single

female insurance agent may have been the sender.

Rangely Times 50 years ago

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Woodard announce the birth of a daughter, born at 7:02 p.m. on Valentine's Day at the Rangely Hospital. She was delivered by Dr. Roger Albi.

Kenneth M. Bailey, Dean of Rangely College, is now Dr. Bailey. He was among 89 men and women from all across the country who received their doctor of philosophy degrees at the University of Iowa in Iowa City on Jan. 24.

Rangely Times 25 years ago

Amidst a tightening budget and a reorganization of Town Hall, Town Finance Director Dan Cooley was fired last week.

Mildred "Milly" Rowley recently received notice that she has qualified as a State Finalist in the Mrs. Colorado-America Pageant and will represent Rangely in the state pageant.

A large number of Rangely residents have fallen ill with flu-like symptoms, which include high fever and severe cough.

RBC WEEKLY CALL REVIEW

The following information is a weekly review of the calls for service that were reported to 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.

Feb. 10-16, 2020
Meeker Dispatch Center administered 335 phone calls last week including 15 911 calls, 66 calls for Meeker Police Department (MPD) and placed 74 outgoing calls. A total of 141 calls for service were created, 67 for the Sheriff's Office, 59 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 43 traffic stops
- Sheriff's Deputies issued 6 citations on 26 stops
- MPD issued 3 warnings on 17 stops
- There was no traffic arrests or DUI's
- 8 traffic crashes occurred in RBC, one injury crash and 4 involving wildlife. RBSO and MPD assisted Colorado State Patrol on 4 calls.
- Sheriff's Deputies responded to 69 requests for service:
 - 3 911 hangups/tests
 - 13 agency assists
 - 2 animal calls
 - 17 security checks
 - 7 attempts to serve civil papers
- 2 property
- 2 traffic complaints
- 2 VIN inspections
- One each: attended death, citizen assist, civil fraud, harassment, motorist assist, search and rescue, traffic accident, unattended death.
- MPD responded to 59 requests for service:
 - 5 911 misdials/tests
 - 5 Agency Assists
 - 3 animal calls
 - 25 business checks
 - 5 citizen assist
 - 6 code enforcement
 - 3 suspicious incident
 - 2 traffic crashes
 - One each: attended death, civil, motorist assist, unattended death
- Meeker Fire and Rescue responded to 7 calls:
 - 3 ambulance requests, one injury accident, one alarm, chimney fire and a citizen assist.
- Rio Blanco Detentions:
 - 18 current inmates, 14 males and 4 females
 - 4 warrant arrests
 - Booked in 5, 4-RBCSO, 1-RPD
 - 7 inmates released
 - 5 transports to or from other facilities.

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THEME: WOMEN INNOVATORS ACROSS

1. Cause for September celebration
6. Net holder
9. Island near Java
13. "PokEmon," e.g.
14. *Alice Paul and Crystal Eastman wrote its first version in 1923, acr.
15. Archeologist's find
16. Synagogue scroll
17. Bag in Paris
18. "Behind ___ Lines"
19. *Aviation pioneer
21. *She rebelled against sentimental novel
23. Nurses' org.
24. Deceptive maneuver
25. Director's cry
28. Snow and cycling helmet manufacturer
30. Low hemoglobin
35. Bryce Canyon state
37. Something to do
39. Lady's Bella Notte date
40. Puerto ___
41. Bone hollow
43. Slang for heroin
44. Cake cover
46. ___ and drab
47. Roman robe
48. "Purple People ___," pl.
50. Defender of skies, acr.
52. Easter lead-in
53. Attention-getting interjection
55. Pres. Truman's 1947 creation, acr.
57. *She originated the little black dress
60. **"Hidden ___"
64. Knights' feat of strength

65. *Mary Phelps Jacob patented the 1st modern one
67. Dickens' Heep
68. Ladies' fingers
69. Three strikes
70. Actress Rene
71. Crowd-sourced review platform
72. Lilliputian
73. Master of ceremonies

DOWN

1. Better than never?
2. a.k.a. midget buffalo
3. 100 cents in Ethiopia
4. D-Day beach
5. Move a picture
6. Breather
7. Investment option, acr.
8. Last European colony in China
9. Crooked
10. Sheltered, nautically
11. Trace or outline
12. Slippery surface
15. Feel indignant about something
20. Indian cuisine dip
22. *Sally Ride was 1st woman in space for this country
24. Speaker's platform
25. *1st person to win two Nobel Prizes
26. Carthage's ancient rival
27. Implied
29. *She developed philosophy of Objectivism
31. Formerly, formerly
32. *Home of Wesleyan College, first college chartered to grant degrees for women
33. Insect, post-metamorphosis
34. *Inventor of a newborn screening test

SUDOKU

GRAND ALASKAN CRUISE & TOUR
12 days, departs May - Sep, 2020

VMT vacations

FROM \$1,749
\$1,499

1-844-870-9263
Promo code N7017

*Prices are per person based on double occupancy plus \$299 taxes & fees. Single supplement and seasonal surcharges may apply. Add-on airfare available. Offers apply to new bookings only, made by 3/31/20. Other terms and conditions may apply. Ask your Travel Consultant for details.

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36. Use a whetstone
38. Caitlyn Jenner's ex
42. Primitive calculators
45. Ulysses and Cary
49. Female

51. *Singular of #60 Across
54. Tennis-affected joint
56. Gold, to a chemist
57. Pepsi rival
58. Fling

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59. Rush job notation
60. Inevitable occurrence
61. Reduced instruction set computer
62. Alleviate

63. Old Woman's home
64. *Jennifer Lawrence played her in eponymous 2015 movie
66. Rivoli in Paris, e.g.



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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
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LEGAL NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT
USDA Forest Service
White River National Forest
Opportunity to Comment on the Yellowjacket Project
The White River National Forest, Blanco Ranger District, is preparing an environmental assessment for the Yellowjacket Project. The project proposes vegetation management activities in the Wilson Park, Sawmill Mountain and Ellison Mountain areas located approximately 16 miles east-northeast of Meeker, Colorado.
A notice of proposed action is available on-line at: <http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/fs-usda-pop.html?project=57654>. The notice and supporting documentation is also

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available for review at the Blanco Ranger District, Meeker, Colorado. Additional information regarding this action can be obtained from: Christopher McDonald, 220 E. Market Street, Meeker, Colorado 81641, (970) 625-6856 or email at christopher.mcdonald@usda.gov. The proposed project is an actively implementing a land management plan and subject to the objection process described in 36 CFR 218 Subparts A and B. The Forest Service is combining scoping with the legal notice and opportunity to comment, as described in 36 CFR 218.24.
How to Comment and Timeframe
The proposed action includes openings greater than 40 acres. In accordance with Forest Plan standards specific written comments on the proposed project will be accepted for 60 calendar days following publication of this notice in the Rio Blanco Herald Times. The publication date in the newspaper of record is the exclusive means for calculating the comment period. The regulations prohibit extending the length of the comment period.
Written comments must be submitted by mail, fax, electronically, or in person (Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., excluding holidays) to: Curtis Keetch, District Ranger, c/o Christopher McDonald, 220 E. Market Street, Meeker, Colorado 81641, FAX: (970) 878-5173. Electronic comments including attachments can be submitted to: <https://cara.ecosystem-management.org/Public/CommentInput?Project=57654>
Persons commenting should include: 1) name, address, telephone number, organization represented, if any; 2) title of project for which the comment is being submitted; and 3) specific facts and supporting reasons

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for the Responsible Official to consider.
It is the responsibility of persons providing comments to submit them by the close of the comment period. Only those who submit timely and specific written comments will have eligibility to file an objection under §218.8. Individuals and organizations wishing to be eligible to object must meet the information requirements in §218.25(a)(3). Names and contact information submitted with comments will become part of the public record and may be released under the Freedom of Information Act.
This legal notice also serves to notify and invite public comment on the proposal as stipulated in 36 CFR 800.3 of the National Historic Preservation Act. The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) is an equal opportunity provider, employer, and lender.
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A CALL FOR NOMINATIONS
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, and, particularly, to the electors of the Rangely Hospital 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. Eligible electors of the Rangely Hospital District interested in serving on the board of directors may obtain a Self-Nomination and Acceptance form from the District Designated Election Official (DEO):
Jodi L. Dillon
Rangely District Hospital

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225 Eagle Crest Drive
Rangely, CO 81648
970-675-5011
The Office of the DEO is open on the following days: Monday - Friday from 08:30 p.m. to 5:00 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 submittal 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, April 28, 2020.
Rangely Hospital District
Jodi L. Dillon / Designated Election Official
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MEEKER SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1
Board of Education Regular Meeting 555 Garfield Street Meeker, CO 81641
February 24, 2020 - 7:00 p.m.
1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. Pledge of Allegiance: Mr. Ridings will lead the

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Pledge of Allegiance
3. Welcome of Guests
4. Approval of Agenda
Student Celebrations: Middle School All-State Honor Choir
Staff Recognition:
General Public Comment Session: (comments limited to three minutes)
Public/Committee Reports: DAC, Meeker Education Foundation, BOCES
Principal Reports:
1. Meeker Elementary School - Kathy Collins
2. Barone Middle School - Jim Hanks
3. Meeker High School - Amy Chinn
Superintendent Report:
Consent Agenda:
1. Approval: Minutes from Regular Board Meeting on January 27, 2020
2. Approval: Minutes from Special Board Meeting on February 10, 2020
3. Acceptance: Financial Reports and Check Vouchers for January 2020
Action Items:
1. Approval: Personnel Hires - 2019-2020 Spring Coaches (As Presented)
2. Approval: Superintendent Contract
3. Approval: Final FY20 budget revision to Fund 31 (Bond Redemption Fund)
4. Approval: Expenditure from Capital Reserve to purchase desks and chairs for Barone Middle School
5. Approval: CASB Recommended Policy Updates - BC-R, BEC, BEDA, GBE, GCE/GCF-R, GDE/ GDF-R, IHBK-R, IHEDA, IHCDAR, ILBC, ILBC-R, JICDA, JKD/JKE, JKD/JKE-R, JKD/JKE-E, JLCD,

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JLCDB, JLCD, KBC, KFA (2nd Reading)
6. Approval: BG - School Board Policy Process (2nd Reading)
7. Approval: GDA - Support Staff Positions (2nd Reading)
8. Approval: GDE/GDF - Support Staff Recruiting/Hiring (2nd Reading)
Other BOE Information:
1. Construction Update
2. Policy First Reading: GDO - Evaluation of Support Staff
Executive Session (if needed):
Adjournment
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NOTICE OF MEDICAID APPLICATION
Please take notice that Eastern Rio Blanco County Health Service District has filed an application with the Colorado Department of Health Care Policy and Financing for Medicaid Certification of its proposed nursing facility located at 100 Pioneers Medical Center Drive in the Town of Meeker. This application has been filed pursuant to the applicable Colorado Department of Health Care Policy and Financing regulations for new facility certification and will be available for viewing by the public at the department's offices at 1570 Grant Street, Denver, Colorado 80203 or on the department's website: www.colorado.gov/hcpf
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Lower White River Pest Control District Bid Request Commercial Equipped Applicator
The Lower White River Pest Control District is accepting bid proposals for commercial equipped applicators to spray herbicides on private land located within the District. Bids will be opened by the Board of County Commissioners on Tuesday, March 17, 2020, County Annex, 17497 State Hwy 64, Rangely, Colorado at 11:00am. For bid specifications and time line details contact Wade Cox at 970-462-5835 for bid packets. If mailed, bid packets are due to the Board of Commissioners, Box i, Meeker, CO 81648 no later than Friday, March 13, 2020 at 4:00 p.m. If hand delivered the day of the bid opening (March 17th), the bids must be received no later than 11:00am by the Board of County Commissioners, County Annex, 17497 State Hwy 64, Rangely, CO. Bid packets must be clearly marked **Herbicide Spray AND Lower White River Pest Control District** on the outside of the bid packet.
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Lower White River Pest Control District Bid Request Aerial Spray
The Lower White River Pest Control District is accepting bid proposals for commercial equipped applicators to spray insecticides/larvicide on private land located within the District. Bids will be opened by the Board of County Commissioners on Tuesday, March 17, 2020, County Annex, 17497 State Hwy 64, Rangely, Colorado at 11:00am. For bid specifications and time line details contact Wade Cox at 970-462-5835 for bid packets. If mailed, bid packets are due to the Board of Commissioners, Box i, Meeker, CO 81648 no later than Friday, March 13, 2020, at 4:00 p.m. If hand delivered the day of the bid opening (March 17th), the bids must be received no later than 11:00 am by the Board of County Commissioners, County Annex, 17497 State Hwy 64, Rangely, CO. Bid packets must be clearly marked **Aerial Spray AND Lower White River Pest Control District** on the outside of the bid packet.
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PUBLIC NOTICE
Mary Jo Carroll and Katy Alger are requesting a Home Occupation Special Review Permit to provide Pet Grooming Service at 353 Park Ave., the south 104 feet of Lot 9 and the south 104 feet of the west one-half of Lot B, Block 5, in the Town of Meeker, Colorado. The Meeker Planning Commission will be holding a Public Hearing on Monday, February 24, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. at Town Hall, 345 Market Street, Meeker, Colorado, to consider the application and receive public comment. If you have any comments concerning the application, you are invited to attend the hearing or submit written comments to Town Hall, 345 Market Street, Meeker, CO 81641, prior or during the public hearing. Further information is available at the Meeker Town Hall or by telephone (970)878-4970 during the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.
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PUBLIC NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Parent/Petitioner: Kimberly A Asselin for Minor Child: Karly Ann Oris Case No. 05DR43
Public Notice is given on February 7, 2020 that a Petition for a Change of Name of a Minor Child has been filed with the Rio Blanco County Court. The petition requests that the name of Karly Ann Oris be changed to Karly Ann Asselin
Joan Gibson
Clerk of Court
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PUBLIC NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME
In the Matter of the Petition of: Harvey Franklin Lowell Case No. 2020C2
Public Notice is given on February 10, 2020 that a Petition for a Change of Name of an Adult has been filed with the Rio Blanco County Court. The petition requests that the name of Harvey Franklin Lowell be changed to Lowlen Franklin Lowell
§JERI M. GILCHRIST
Clerk of Court
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TOWN OF RANGELY CITY BEER AND WINE LICENSE BY THE LICENSING AUTHORITY
Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held to consider the application filed on January 30, 2020 by California Wok, LLC, located at 321 E Main, Unit 5 & 6, Rangely, CO 81648 for a liquor license in Va A Sy name. The hearing will be held in the Court room of the Municipal building at 209 East Main, Rangely, CO 81648, on March 10, 2020 at 7:10 p.m. Remonstrances may be filed with the Rangely Liquor Licensing Authority, Attn: Janet, at 209 East Main, Rangely, CO 81648.
All interested citizens and groups are invited to attend and participate in the public hearing.
By: /s/Marybel Cox
Marybel Cox Clerk/Treasurer
Published: February 6, 13 and 20, 2020
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Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado
Rio Blanco County Historic Courthouse
555 Main Street, 3rd Floor Hearing Room
Meeker, Colorado 81641
Tentative Agenda February 25, 2020
Public Comment: Any member of the public may address the Board on matters which are within the jurisdiction of the Board. If you are addressing the Board regarding a matter listed on the Agenda, you are requested to make your comments when the Board takes that matter. Please limit your comments to three minutes per member or five minutes per group. The public comment time is not for questions and answers. It is your time to express your views.
1. 11:00 a.m. Call to order:
A. Pledge of Allegiance
B. Changes to February 25, 2020 Agenda
1)
2)
C. Move to approve the February 25, 2020 Agenda including any changes.
2. CONSENT AGENDA FOR FEBRUARY 25, 2020
Items of routine and non-controversial nature are placed on the consent agenda. Any Commissioner or member of the audience may request an item be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately on the regular agenda prior to action being taken by the Board on the Consent Agenda.
A. Move to approve the below listed items of the Consent Agenda.
B. Consideration of the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado, Meeting Minutes of February 18, 2020.
3. BUSINESS
A. Move to Appoint 1) _____, 2) _____, 3) _____ to the Fair Board for a term ending January, 2023.
B. Move to Appoint 4) _____ to the Fair Board to complete a vacant term ending January, 2022.

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4. BID OPENINGS
A. Piceance Creek Weed & Pest Herbicide Hand Spraying Bid.
B. Piceance Creek Weed & Pest Herbicide Aerial Spraying Bid.
C. 2020 Rio Blanco County Weed & Pest aerial treatment utilizing a helicopter.
5. BID AWARDS
6. MOU'S, CONTRACTS, AND AGREEMENTS
A. Move to approve/deny authorization for Allstate Communications to program the Rio Blanco County Sheriff's Office 800hz radios.
7. RESOLUTIONS
8. OTHER BUSINESS
A. Public Comment
B. County Commissioners Updates
9. PUBLIC HEARINGS
Adjourn
The agenda is provided for informational purposes only; all times are approximate. Agenda items will normally be considered in the order they appear on the agenda. However, the Board may alter the Agenda, take breaks during the meeting, work through the noon hour and even continue an item for a future meeting date. The Board, while in session, may consider other items that are brought before it. Scheduled items may be continued if the Board is unable to complete the Agenda as scheduled.
The next regular Board meeting is tentatively scheduled for March 10, 2020 in the Rio Blanco County Historic Courthouse, 555 Main St., 3rd Floor Hearing Room, Meeker, Colorado, 81641. Please check the County's website for information at <http://rbco.us/186/Board-of-County-Commissioners>. If you need special accommodations please call 970-878-9431 in advance of the meeting so that reasonable accommodations may be made.
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Town of Rangely
February 25, 2020 - 7:00pm
Agenda

Rangely Board of Trustees (Town Council)
ANDY SHAFFER, Mayor
Andy Key, Mayor Pro Tem
Trey Robie, Trustee
Lyle Geer, Trustee
Tyson Hacking, Trustee
Alisa Granger, Trustee
Keely Ellis, Trustee
1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Invocation
4. Pledge of Allegiance
5. Minutes of Meeting
a. Discussion and Action to approve the minutes of January 28, 2020
6. Petitions and Public Input
7. Changes to the Agenda
8. Public Hearings - 7:10pm
9. Committee/Board Meetings
10. Reports From Council
11. vSupervisor Reports – See Attached
a. Janet Miller
12. Reports from Officers – Town Manager Update
13. Old Business
14. New Business
a. Discussion and action to approve the January 2020 Financials
b. Discussion and action to approve the Special Event Permit for the CNCC Foundation Dinner
15. Informational Items
a. U.S. Department of the Interior BLM Wild Horse Decision Record Available
b. White River Restoration Partnership CNCC Weiss March 10 5:30-8:30
c. 16th Annual CNCC Foundation Dinner Saturday March 28 5:30-9:00 pm
d. Rangely Municipal Election Ballot Question April

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7. 2020 Pro/Con information for Public Distribution
e. CNCC – Community Planning for Disaster Recovery April 24 8:00am – 5:00pm
f. 8th Annual Energy & Environment Symposium
16. Board Vacancies
a. Planning and Zoning Board Vacancy
17. Scheduled Announcements
a. Rural Fire Protection District Board meeting is scheduled for Feb 17, 2020 at 7:00pm
b. Rio Blanco County Commissioners Board meeting is scheduled for Feb 17, 2020 at 11:00am
c. Rangely School District Board meeting has been scheduled for Feb 18, 2020 at 6:15pm
d. RDA/RDC Board meeting scheduled for Feb 20, 2020 at 7:00am
e. Rangely Chamber of Commerce Board meeting is scheduled for Feb 20, 2020 at 12:00noon
f. Community Networking Meeting is scheduled for Feb 24, 2020 at 12:00noon
g. Rio Blanco Water Conservancy District Board meeting is scheduled for Feb 26, 2020 at 6:00pm
h. Rangely District Hospital board meeting is scheduled for Feb 27, 2020 at 6:00pm
i. Rangely Junior College District Board meeting is scheduled for Mar 9, 2020 at 12:00noon
j. Rangely District Library Board meeting is scheduled for Mar 9, 2020 is cancelled
k. Western Rio Blanco Park & Recreation District Board meeting is scheduled for Mar 9, 2020 at 7:00pm
18. Adjournment
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RIO BLANCO COUNTY ACCOUNTS PAYABLE PUBLICATION LIST JANUARY 2020

FUND: GENERAL
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
MAX BECKER, TRVL, 373.00
TRI COUNTRY FIRE, PURCH SVCS, (268.00)
CO ASSESSOR'S ASSN, PURCH SVCS, 345.00
COLORADO COUNTIES, INTR-GOV, 3,227.00
COLORADO COUNTIES, INTR-GOV, 6,000.00
CDPH, PURCH SVCS, 298.00
CNTY WORKRS COMP, WRKR COMP, 81,599.00
MOBLEY, TRAVIS, TRVL, 373.00
DAVID STEWART, CNTRCT SVCS, 8,272.00
TRI COUNTY FIRE, PURCH SVCS, 134.00
ALIGN MULTIMEDIA, PURCH SVCS, 5,643.13
ALSCO, PURCH SVCS, 1,471.94
AMAZON, SPPLY, 2,294.05
ASSOC GOVERNMENTS, INTR-GOV, 17,000.00
ATMOS ENERGY, UTL, 839.53
ATMOS ENERGY, UTL, 448.81
ATMOS ENERGY, UTL, 544.16
ATMOS ENERGY, UTL, 213.45
ATMOS ENERGY, UTL, 882.67
ATMOS ENERGY, UTL, 199.64
ATMOS ENERGY, UTL, 1,347.58
BATTERY JUNCTION, SPPLY, 98.95
CAE4HA, PURCH SVCS, 740.00
CENTURYLINK, LND LN, 578.67
CENTURYLINK, PURCH SVCS, 251.59
CENTURYLINK-LNG DIST, LND LN, 8.92
CENTURYLINK-LND LN, LND LN, 924.09
CIMMARRON TELECOM, INTRNT SVCS, 99.98
CIVICPLUS, PURCH SVCS, 625.00
CLUB 20, INTR-GOV, 300.00
CNCC, CNTRCT SVCS, 2,500.00
CNCC FOUNDATION, ECO DEV, 500.00
CO ASSN OF EXTENSION 4H, DUES, 95.00
CO ASSESSOR'S ASSOC, PURCH SVCS, 1,563.00
CO COUNTY TREASURER'S, PURCH SVCS, 50.00
CO DIV OF FORREST, CO ST FORREST, 15,082.41
CONRADO QUEZADA ESCAND, PURCH SVCS, 150.00
COUNTER AVIATION, PURCH SVCS, 349.34
COUNTRY SHERIFF'S OF CO, TRNG/DEV, 3,475.57

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CREATIVE CULTURE INSIG, UNFRMCLTH, 356.30
CUNNINGHAM SWAIM, PROF SVCS, 11,500.00
DATAWORKS PLUS, PURCH SVCS, 2,493.00
DEARMAN, JIM, PURCH SVCS, 208.80
DISTRICT ATTORNEY, PURCH SVCS, 21,495.00
THE DODGE CO, SPPLY, 119.26
DUCEY'S ELEC, PURCH SVCS, 135.00
EAGLE RIVER WASTE, UTL, 1,167.00
EMC PLUMBING & HEATING, PURCH SVCS, 789.34
FIRST ADVANTAGE, PURCH SVCS, 122.55
GALL'S, UNFRMCLTH, 275.98
GATES, TY, PURCH SVCS, 75.00
GOVCONNECTION, SPPLY, 5,725.60
INSIGHT PUBLIC SECTOR, PURCH SVCS, 782.14
INTAB, SPPLY, 288.54
INTERN'L ASSN PROPERTY, PURCH SVCS, 50.00
JEO CONSULTING GROUP, PURCH SVCS, 675.00
LEDS, PURCH SVCS, 3,950.00
BRIAN MADDEN, PURCH SVCS, 75.00
MARSHALL & SWIFT, PURCH SVCS, 656.20
MEEKER AIRPORT, CNTRCT SVCS, 3,500.00
MEEKER AUTO, SPPLY, 257.71
MEEKER DRUGS, SPPLY, 240.92
MGM, SPPLY, 41.99
MEEKER SANITATION, UTL, 697.83
MEEKER, TOWN OF, UTL, 353.65
MIND SPRINGS HEALTH, PURCH SVCS, 4,048.81
MOBLEY, TRAVIS, PURCH SVCS, 75.00
MOON LAKE ELEC, UTL, 3,290.47
MORNING STAR ELEVATOR, PURCH SVCS, 529.00
MVB-VISA, PURCH SVCS, 16,753.77
JONNY A. MURRY, PURCH SVCS, 328.33
MUXLOW, JEREMY, PURCH SVCS, 75.00
NATIONAL ASSOC, INTER-GOV, 450.00
NATIONAL INSTITUTE, TRVL, 1,005.00
NATIONAL EMERGENCY NUMR, TRNG/DEV, 1,000.00
NICHOLS STORE, FOOD SPPLY, 1,315.57
PATHOLOGY GROUP, PURCH SVCS, 4,370.00
PMC, PURCH SVCS, 192.00
PITNEY BOWES RES, PURCH SVCS, 641.80
PRATER'S PLUMBING, PURCH SVCS, 127.50
PROMOVE, LND LN, 1,250.00
QUALITY HEALTH NETWORK, PURCH SVCS, 150.00
QUILL, SPPLY, 577.16
RANGELY AUTO, SPPLY, 231.96
RANGELY PHARMACY, SPPLY, 167.49
RANGELY, TOWN OF, UTL, 19,381.26
RANGELY TRASH, UTL, 394.00
RANGELY TRUE VALUE, SPPLY, 2,028.64
RBC CLERK & REC, ADVC, 600.00
REIST, MICHAEL, PURCH SVCS, 75.00
RESPOND FIRST AID, SPPLY, 86.80
RB HERALD, PURCH SVCS, 184.47
SAMUELSON, RPR/MNTC BLDG, 2.12
SHADLOW, DANIEL, PURCH SVCS, 105.00
SIDWELL COMPANY, PURCH SVCS, 440.00
SOW, SEW, SWEET, PRGRM, 216.00
STAPLES, SPPLY, 409.59
TODD STARR, PURCH SVCS, 147.38
TATE, KELSEY LYNN, PURCH SVCS, 150.00
THOMAS Y PICKETT & COM, CNTRCT SVCS, 14,050.00
EDWARD THOMPSON, PURCH SVCS, 75.00
THYSSENKRUPP ELEVATOR, PURCH SVCS, 3,558.55
TURNKEY CORRECTIONS, SPPLY, 7.20
TYLER TECH, PURCH SVCS, 62,641.74
ULINE, SPPLY, 2,360.64
UNION TELEPHONE, PURCH SVCS, 322.59
US GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, WTR STDY, 46,458.00
USDA, APHIS, GENERAL, CNTRCT SVCS, 2,761.27
VALLEY HARDWARE, SPPLY, 129.93
VALUE WEST, PURCH SVCS, 4,520.00

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VOIANCE LANGUAGE, PURCH SVCS, 50.00
WATT'S, SPPLY, 2,368.93
WESTERN STATES SHERIFF, TRNG/DEV, 200.00
WR DISTRIBUTING, SPPLY, 155.25
WREA, UTL, 18,340.04
DISTRICT ATTORNEY, PURCH SVCS, 21,495.00
US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FED W/H, 29,866.44
CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 11,467.76
US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FICA W/H, 54,226.42
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 41,026.65
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 112,935.90
A-1 COLLECTION AGENCY, WAGE ASNMT, 734.39
FAMILY SUPPORT REGISTR, WAGE ASNMT, 1,012.69
GENERAL FUND TOTAL: 685,487.30
FUND: ROAD & BRIDGE
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
CO BOARD OF LAND, PURCH SVCS, 120.00
COLORADO COUNTIES, INTR-GOV, 6,000.00
CNTY WORKRS COMP, WRKR COMP, 94,030.00
MEEKER, TOWN OF, AP MUNIC, 48.72
RANGELY, TOWN OF, AP MUNIC, 38.25
CARSE, TRNG/DEV, 90.00
ROY GILBERT, PURCH SVCS, 75.00
GMCO, MTRL, 9,294.88
GRAINGER, SPPLY, 819.50
HAGGART, JAMES, PURCH SVCS, 75.00
HDR, CR 73 BRDG, 2,272.90
J.J. KELLER & ASSOC, TRNG/DEV, 1,299.00
KENDALL, DARRELL, PURCH SVCS, 75.00
KUMAR & ASSOC, PURCH SVCS, 5,560.00
JIM MAES, PURCH SVCS, 75.00
MEEKER AUTO, SPPLY, 112.60
MSG, RD MTRL, 808.00
MVB-VISA, PURCH SVCS, 561.81
OFFICE DEPOT, SPPLY, 103.94
PITNEY BOWES RES, PURCH SVCS, 33.40
REINHARD, CRYSTAL, PURCH SVCS, 75.00
ROCKY MTN ASPHALT, TRNG/DEV, 1,175.00
ROUTT COUNTY R&B, INTR-GOV, 13,321.35
SAMUELSON, SPPLY, 1,577.10
SANFORD, DAVE, PURCH SVCS, 75.00
SNYDER & COUNTS FEED, MTRL, 265.00
TYLER TECH, PURCH SVCS, 5,917.90
UNION TELEPHONE, PURCH SVCS, 129.56
VALLEY HARDWARE, SPPLY, 187.69
WREA, UTL, 103.96
US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FED W/H, 12,534.12
CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 4,883.13
US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FICA W/H, 23,014.61
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 18,021.82
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 57,678.38
CO DEPARTMENT OF REVEN, WAGE ASNMT, 1,024.27
ROAD & BRIDGE FUND TOTAL: 261,466.89
FUND: PUBLIC HEALTH
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
CNTY WORKRS COMP, WRKR COMP, 1,334.00
ALPHA ENERGY LAB, SPPLY, 490.80
CONTROL SOLUTIONS, PURCH SVCS, 103.00
FEDEX, PURCH SVCS, 25.41
LABORATORY CORP, PURCH SVCS, 18.00
MCKESSON MEDICAL, SPPLY, 37.56
MVB-VISA, SPPLY, 43.47
PRIORITY HEALTH CARE, SPPLY, 798.00
R & S NORTHEAST, SPPLY, 37.19
RANGELY HOSPITAL DIST, PURCH SVCS, 100.00
RB HERALD, PURCH SVCS, 75.00
US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FED W/H, 758.85
CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 339.27
US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FICA W/H, 2,162.44
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 768.72
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 4,092.33
PUBLIC HEALTH FUND TOTAL: 11,184.04

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RIO BLANCO COUNTY, Rhonna Waldref, TREASURER										
Account	Beginning Balance	Current Tax	Delinquent Tax	Miscellaneous Receipts	Transfers	Warrants Paid	Treasurer's Fees	Transfers	Ending Balance	
Boots M. Campbell, Clerk	0.00	0.00	0.00	113,717.49	0.00	0.00	1,137.18	112,580.31	0.00	
Rhonna Waldref, Treasurer	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,240.00	0.00	0.00	22.40	2,217.60	0.00	
Treas Admin Fee	0.00	1,120.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,120.00	0.00	
Treas Advertising Fee	0.00	2,309.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,309.00	0.00	
Assessor Penalty Fees	0.00	118.52	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	118.52	0.00	
Public Trustee	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,548.41	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,548.41	0.00	
Anthony Mazzola, Sheriff	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,721.00	0.00	0.00	17.21	1,703.79	0.00	
County General Fund	23,285,147.54	51,395.87	21.17	3,143,617.56	209,147.25	4,336,780.40	21,296.77	411,278.50	21,919,973.72	
County Capital Expenditure Fund	66,406.23	338.10	3.35	555.23	50,535.64	7,519.68	17.93	31,721.36	78,579.58	
Road & Bridge Fund	9,695,611.99	42,266.32	16.66	3,705,118.93	0.00	2,800,274.07	26,168.76	808,812.77	9,807,758.30	
Dept of Human Services	1,414,266.68	5,748.25	1.17	440,510.07	0.00	489,738.86	0.00	43,203.02	1,327,584.29	
Use Tax Fund	2,299,421.10	0.00	0.00	581,320.59	0.00	393,126.87	5,813.40	193,503.69	2,288,297.73	
Contingency Fund	100,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100,000.00	
Capital Improvement Program	640,739.56	0.00	0.00	420,146.01	235,000.00	1,095,352.29	4,201.47	0.00	196,331.81	
Conservation Trust Fund	10,336.12	0.00	0.00	4,680.97	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	15,017.09	
Fleet Management Fund	3,369,946.55	0.00	0.00	137,819.64	1,164,953.65	1,266,646.02	1,378.19	0.00	3,404,695.63	
Central Services	29,389.53	0.00	0.00	10,424.82	92,648.66	36,120.07	0.00	0.00	96,342.94	
Solid Waste Landfill Fund	5,304,576.01	0.00	0.00	321,663.80	0.00	179,013.25	3,216.64	91,214.76	5,352,795.16	
Fairfield Complex Fund	393,233.84	0.00	0.00	16,654.00	34,709.29	80,964.73	166.54	2,959.48	360,506.38	
Weed & Pest Control Fund	295,190.80	0.00	0.00	41,051.32	352,624.85	484,871.21	310.53	8,620.90	195,064.33	
Impact Fee Trust Fund	787,330.92	0.00	0.00	94,632.43	0.00	725,977.07	946.33	0.00	155,039.95	
Co Public Hlth Fund	372,574.05	2,254.21	0.73	95,698.68	15,959.98	158,670.27	0.00	26,502.95	301,314.43	
Communications	790,266.42	0.00	0.00	302,620.00	16,870.15	230,561.16	3,026.20	0.00	876,169.21	
Piceance Creek Pest Control	663,538.95	41.18	0.00	4,013.31	0.00	0.00	2.15	252,016.80	415,574.49	
Lower White River Pest	158,440.58	3,613.32	0.00	2,175.32	0.00	0.00	190.22	93,467.99	70,571.01	
Balances: County Funds:	49,676,416.87	109,204.77	43.08	9,444,929.58	2,172,449.47	12,285,615.95	67,911.92	2,087,899.85	46,961,616.05	
Town of Meeker General	46,810.91	19,028.97	40.69	14,856.73	0.00	78,327.98	512.51	0.00	1,896.81	
Meeker Special Assessment	61.75	204.00	204.00	0.00	0.00	61.75	0.00	0.00	408.00	
Eastern RBC Health Svcs Dist	743,461.86	64,830.22	30.50	97,361.95	0.00	887,657.52	3,401.04	0.00	14,625.97	
Meeker Library District	207,498.60	18,012.70	8.51	27,163.07	0.00	247,656.95	945.09	0.00	4,080.84	
Meeker Sanitation District	30,157.02	12,806.44	26.91	3,845.17	0.00	45,594.78	670.69	0.00	570.07	
Meeker Sanitation Fee	350.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	350.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
R.B. Fire Protection District	23									

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FUND: DEPT OF HUMAN SVCS
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
CNTY WORKRS COMP, WRKR COMP, 4,484.00
CENTURYLINK, PURCH SVCS, 74.44
CO STATE TREAS/COLO DEPT, UNEMPLMNT,
3,647.00
PITNEY BOWES RES, CNTY EXP, 5.50
STEERMAN LAW OFFICES, CNTRCT SVCS,
10,000.00
US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FED W/H,
3,697.21
CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H,
1,523.94
US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FICA W/H,
6,474.69
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 3,546.22
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 15,647.61
AP PAYMENTS, 11,529.27
DEPT OF HUMAN SVCS FUND TOTAL: 60,629.88
FUND: CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
NORTHWEST COLORADO CON, COL-PK,
8,160.00
T-O ENGINEERS, M AP ENTMT, 42,290.54
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND TOTAL:
50,450.54
FUND: USE TAX
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
CNTY WORKRS COMP, WRKR COMP, 5,930.00
AMAZON, SPPLY, 28.08
ASSOCIATED GVMNTS, INTR-GOV, 1,201.00
CENTURYLINK-LND LN, M SF HS, 58.88
GIANT STEP PRESCHOOL, GIANT STEP,
2,657.16
MIND SPRINGS HEALTH, MNTL HLTH, 6,000.00
MOON LAKE ELEC, UTL, 803.09
MVB-VISA, SPPLY, 331.21
NICKSON, ANNALIEE, PURCH SVCS, 94.57
PITNEY BOWES RES, PURCH SVCS, 137.50
RANGELY, TOWN OF, UTL, 81.63
RANGELY TRASH, UTL, 184.00
RB HERALD, PURCH SVCS, 93.75
U.S. FOODS, FOOD SPPLY, 4,146.87
WATT'S, FOOD SPPLY, 320.50
WR MARKET, FOOD SPPLY, 64.05
WILLIAMS, TAMRA, PURCH SVCS, 133.40
US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FED W/H,
1,657.64
CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 677.90
US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FICA W/H,
3,193.81
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 2,359.12
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 9,035.50
FAMILY SUPPORT REGISTR, WAGE ASNMT,
420.00
USE TAX FUND TOTAL: 39,609.66
FUND: SOLID WASTE
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
CNTY WORKRS COMP, WRKR COMP, 13,918.00
CAROLINA SOFTWARE, PURCH SVCS, 300.00
MVB-VISA, PURCH SVCS, 205.27
OVERTON RECYCLING, SPPLY, 929.60
PITNEY BOWES RES, PURCH SVCS, 4.95
REDI SVCS, PURCH SVCS, 80.00
SOUDER, MILLER & ASSOC, CLSR&POS,

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6,383.67
UNION TELEPHONE, PURCH SVCS, 55.90
WR DISTRIBUTING, PURCH SVCS, 15.00
UTL, 885.75
WR ENERGY, SPPLY, 313.11
US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FED W/H,
1,316.71
CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 433.00
US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FICA W/H,
2,181.98
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 566.99
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 3,016.70
SOLID WASTE FUND TOTAL: 30,606.63
FUND: WEED & PEST
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
CNTY WORKRS COMP, WRKR COMP, 4,392.00
MVB-VISA, SPPLY, 147.50
OSBORN INDUSTRIES, WEED CNTRL, 5,460.00
PITNEY BOWES RES, PURCH SVCS, 0.50
US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FED W/H, 441.46
CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 167.00
US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FICA W/H, 637.72
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 250.08
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 912.10
WEED & PEST FUND TOTAL: 12,408.36
FUND: COMMUNICATIONS
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
CNTY WORKRS COMP, WRKR COMP, 2,942.00
AMAZON, SPPLY, 1,914.97
CALIX, SPPLY, 20,837.56
FIBERSTORE, SPPLY, 2,631.21
GOEDERT CONST, PURCH SVCS, 411.00
KPE LOCATING, PURCH SVCS, 650.00
MAMMOTH NETWORKS, PURCH SVCS, 800.00
MVB-VISA, PURCH SVCS, 849.20
NORTHWEST OPEN ACCESS, PURCH SVCS,
544.50
NORTHWEST COLORADO COU, PURCH SVCS,
36,486.49
PMC, PURCH SVCS, 7,254.00
PITNEY BOWES RES, PURCH SVCS, 3.50
RANGELY TRUE VALUE, SPPLY, 12.86
TDA CONSTRUCTION, PURCH SVCS, 1,000.00
UTILITY NOTIFICATION, PURCH SVCS, 25.56
VALLEY HARDWARE, SPPLY, 735.27
VISIONARY BROADBAND, PURCH SVCS,
1,500.00
WESTERN SLOPE INFO, PURCH SVCS, 874.25
US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FED W/H,
1,260.86
CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 439.00
US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FICA W/H,
2,029.04
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 1,591.40
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 7,112.95
COMMUNICATIONS FUND TOTAL: 91,905.62
FUND: FAIRFIELD
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
CNTY WORKRS COMP, WRKR COMP, 3,403.00
ATMOS ENERGY, UTL, 1,132.43
BOYKO, SPPLY, 399.97
MEEKER SANITATION, UTL, 35.00
MEEKER, TOWN OF, UTL, 588.00
MID-AMERICAN RESEARCH, SPPLY, 389.09
OVERTON RECYCLING, PURCH SVCS, 224.00

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SAMUELSON, SPPLY, 384.74
WATT'S, SPPLY, 13.98
WREA, UTL, 2,283.77
US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FED W/H, 325.01
CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 146.00
US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FICA W/H, 900.92
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 423.16
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 3,016.70
FAIRFIELD FUND TOTAL: 13,665.77
FUND: CENTRAL SVCS
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
CO COUNTIES CASUALTY, PRPTY & CAS,
182,615.00
ACP, CNTRCT SVCS, 343.16
PITNEY BOWES, RNT/LESE, 150.00
PITNEY BOWES RES, PSTG, 93.80
ROCKY MOUNTAIN COMP, CNTRCT SVCS,
83.09
UNITED REPROGRAPHIC, SPPLY, 1,540.00
XEROX, CNTRCT SVCS, 1,286.68
CENTRAL SVCS FUND TOTAL: 186,111.73
FUND: FLEET
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
CNTY WORKRS COMP, WRKR COMP, 13,573.00
A&E TIRE, TIRES, 1,162.56
AIRGAS USA, SPPLY, 139.92
BEST DEAL SPRINGS, PRTS/ACCS, 102.24
COLUMBINE FORD, PRTS/ACCS, 157.71
GCR TIRES, TIRES, 238.62
HONNEN EQUIP, RPT/MNTC, 1,386.02
IDENTITY GRAPHICS, SPPLY, 301.66
LAWSON PROD, SPPLY, 24.06
MASTER PETROLEUM, DIESEL, 42,315.13
MCGUIRE AUTO, MISC INVT, 2,013.41
MEEKER AUTO, PRTS/ACCS, 3,614.74
MEEKER COLLISION, RPT/MNTC, 2,794.22
MGM, SPPLY, 79.90
MOON LAKE ELEC, UTL, 80.18
MVB-VISA, GAS, 268.56
NIELSEN, KENT, SPPLY, 100.15
NORTHWEST AUTO, PRTS/ACCS, 390.84
POWER EQUIPMENT CO, RPT/MNTC, 189.12
RANGELY AUTO, PRTS/ACCS, 2,563.89
SAMUELSON, SPPLY, 235.49
TRANSWEST TRUCKS, RPT/MNTC, 792.88
U.S. TRACTOR & HARVEST, PRTS/ACCS, 751.86
VALLEY HARDWARE, SPPLY, 42.91
WAGNER EQUIP, PRTS/ACCS, 2,489.44
WANCO, SPPLY, 84.00
WEAR PARTS & EQUIP, PRTS/ACCS, 1,912.80
WREA, UTL, 1,071.04
WR ENERGY, UTL, 250.50
XCEL ENERGY, UTL, 266.61
US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FED W/H,
2,322.44
CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 922.00
US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FICA W/H,
4,763.89
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 4,2qw71.61
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 10,457.26
FLEET FUND TOTAL: 102,130.66
GRAND TOTAL: \$1,545,657.08
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DISTRICT COURT, WATER DIVISION 6, COLORADO TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN WATER APPLICATIONS IN WATER DIVISION 6

Pursuant to C.R.S. 37-92-302, you are hereby notified that the following pages comprise a resume of Applications and Amended Applications filed in the office of Water Division 6, during the month of January 2020.

20CW1 RIO BLANCO COUNTY. Application for Absolute Water Storage Rights Applicant: Steve Dabb/ Dabb Enterprise LLC, 9459 S Tanya Ave, South Jordan, UT 84095, sdabb@bec1.com, 801-243-2291. Name of Structure: Bunkhouse Spring #1. Legal Description: E189177.36491 N4431182.43407, Zone 13. Rio Blanco County, SW4, SE4, Sec 8, T1S, R100W, 6th PM. Distance from Section lines: 985.48 feet from S line, 2284.57 feet from E line. Amount Claimed: Absolute 1 gpm. Name of Structure: Bunkhouse Spring #2. Legal Description: E188883.05542 N4431036.75455, Zone 13. Rio Blanco County, SE4, SW4, Sec 8, T1S, R100W, 6th PM. Distance from Section lines: 479.29 feet from S line, 2362.15 feet from W line. Amount Claimed: Absolute 1 gpm. Proposed Uses for structures 1 & 2 listed above: Livestock and Wildlife. Name of Structure: Forrest Spring. Legal Description: E188450.47600 N4428666.01253, Zone 13. Rio Blanco County, SE4, NW4, Sec 20, T1S, R100W, 6th PM. Distance from Section lines: 2714.71 feet from S line, 1348.37 feet from W line. Amount Claimed: Absolute 3 gpm. Name of Structure: Dabb Canyon Pond. Legal Description: E188691.61025 N4428370.13553, Zone 13. Rio Blanco County, NE4, SW4, Sec 20, T1S, R100W, 6th PM. Distance from Section lines: 2274.25 feet from S line, 1774.65 feet from W line. Amount Claimed: Absolute 2 AF. Number of acres historically irrigated: 5; Proposed to be irrigated: 5. Applicant does not intend to use this water right to supplement irrigation on an area already irrigated under another water right. Description of irrigated acreage: Right next to this pond. Surface area of high-water line: 5640 square feet. Vertical height of dam: 9.5 feet. Length of Dam: 120 feet. Total Capacity of reservoir in acre feet: 2 AF. Active capacity: 2 AF. Dead Storage: 1 AF. Structure: Dabb Canyon Pond #2. Legal Description: E188529.58154 N4428863.58268, Zone 13. Rio Blanco County, SW4, NW4, Sec 20, T1S, R100W, 6th PM. Distance from Section lines: 1436.02 feet from N line, 758.83 feet from W line. Amount Claimed: Absolute 1 AF.. Surface area of high-water line: 31,00 square feet. Vertical height of dam: 9.5 feet. Length of Dam: 90 feet. Total Capacity of reservoir in acre feet: 1 AF. Active capacity: 1 AF. Dead Storage: 0 AF. Proposed Uses for structures 3-5 listed above: Water for livestock, wildlife, and recreation purposes. Source of all UTM and PLSS information: CDSS MapViewer. Source of all structures: Unnamed tributary to West Spring Creek, tributary to Spring Creek, tributary to White River. Date of appropriation for all structures: 12/01/2019. How appropriation for all structures was initiated: visit with Shanna Lewis Water Commissioner 43. Date water applied to beneficial use for all structures: 12/30/2019. Landowner: Applicant.

2020CW2 Rio Blanco County. Application for Simple Change in Surface Point of Diversion. Applicant: Kenneth and Shirley Parsons: 9420 County Road 102, Rangely, CO 81648. kcp@wreawildblue.org; 970-675-5360. Name of Structure: Robinson-Wardell Pump No. 15. UTM Coordinates: 673863.47478E 4436594.20212N; Zone 12; Street Address: 9420 County Road 102, Rangely, CO 81648. Source of UTM: Garmin Oregon GPS. Accuracy of location displayed on GPS device: None displayed. 400+ point average, subsequent 400+ average within 2 meters. Legal Description: County: Rio Blanco; NW4 NE4; Section: 16; TIN; R103W; 6thPM.
Distance from section lines: 555 Feet from N and 8 Feet from W; Source of PLSS information: Measured in QGIS using Banty Pt. Quad and BLM PLSS layers. Street Address: 9420 County Road 102, Rangely, CO 81648. Date of original and all relevant subsequent decrees: July 17, 1974; Case No: W-3118-76; Court: Division 5. Legal description of structure as described in most recent decree that adjudicated the location: Pump no. 15 is located at a point N.16 ° 58'16" W. 3, 672.72 feet from the East Quarter Corner of Section 16, T. 1N, R.103W. of the 6th PM. Decreed source of water: White River; Appropriation Date: July 17, 1974. Total amount decreed to structure in gallons per minute (gpm) or cubic feet per second (cfs): Absolute: 9.0 cfs. Decreed use or uses: Irrigation. Amount of water that applicant intends to change: Absolute: 2/3 cfs. Detailed description of proposed change in a surface point of diversion: The irrigation method was changed from ditch to sprinklers in 1986 and the centrifugal pump was installed at the location below. There are no surface diversions, inflows, or in-stream reaches between the former and current points of diversion. Structure to be named Parsons pump 1. Landowner: Applicant.

2020CW3000 Rio Blanco County. Application for Findings of Reasonable Diligence and to Make Absolute. MTW Ranch LLC, c/o Ray Morgan, Jr., 2212 Common Street, Lake Charles, LA 70601, c/o Edward B. Olszewski, Esq., Olszewski, Massih & Maurer, P.C., P.O. Box 916, Glenwood Springs, CO 81602, (970) 928-9100. Structure: The Willow Creek Pond. Original Decree: 00CW82, 05/27/2004, Water Div. No. 5, Subsequent Decree: 10CW31, 01/03/2014, Water Div. No. 6. Location: Township 3 South, Range 97 West, 6th P.M., Section 14, NW¼ SW¼, 1,853 feet from the South section line, 1,296 feet from the West section line. Source: a spring in the hillside, underneath the road and next to the reservoir. The spring and pond are tributary to Willow Creek, a tributary to Piceance Creek, a tributary to the White River. The spring is Spring 172-07 of the Bureau of Land Management, from case 85CW347, its surplus flows are used, but not in any manner claimed. Appropriation Date: 06/01/1951. Amount: 5.0 acre-feet. Uses: Irrigation and domestic, conditional. (In 00CW82, 5.0 acre-feet was decreed absolute for livestock, wildlife, scenic, aesthetics, and fish culture & in 10CW31, 5.0 acre-feet was decreed absolute for industrial. Claim to make absolute: 5.0 acre-feet for irrigation uses of up to 40 acres of crops. Landowner Notification: All structures are located on lands owned by Applicant. A detailed outline of what has been done during the diligence period. Applicant prays for a decree of this Court, finding the Applicant has exercised reasonable diligence toward the development of the aforementioned water rights, made a portion thereof absolute and any such other and further relief as the Court may deem appropriate. (4 pages, plus 2 maps)

The water right claimed by this application may affect in priority any water right claimed or heretofore adjudicated within this division and owners of affected rights must appear to object and protest within the time provided by statute, or be forever barred.

You are hereby notified that you will have until the last day of March 2020 to file with the Water Court a Verified Statement of Opposition, setting forth facts as to why a certain Application should not be granted or why it should be granted only in part or on certain conditions. A copy of such Statement of Opposition must be served on the Applicant or the Applicant's Attorney, with an affidavit or certificate of such service being filed with the Water Court, as prescribed by Rule 5, C.R.C.P. The filing fee for the Statement of Opposition is \$192.00, and should be sent to the Clerk of the Water Court, Division 6, 1955 Shield Dr. Unit 200, Steamboat Springs, CO 80487.

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