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Home of Jody and Ramona Atchley

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District-bound ...

Meeker's Kaysyn Chintala is defended by Rangely's Brittany Babineaux in one of the final games of the regular season last week, which Meeker won. The two teams will play again Friday in Kremmling in the first round of the district tournament. The Rangely boys were eliminated Tuesday but the Meeker boys are the No. 1 seed this weekend.

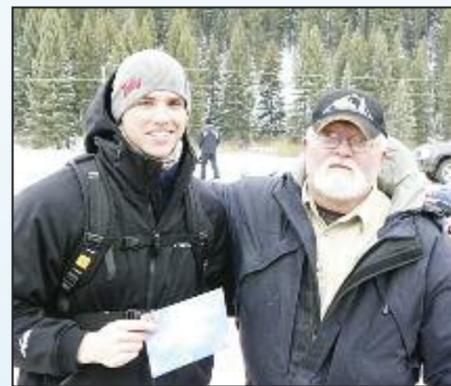
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First Annual "I Ride with James" Poker Run

JAN NYE | MARTY JENSEN

(Above) Snowmobilers gathered at the Lost Creek trailhead last Sunday for the first annual "I Ride With James" benefit poker run. Funds raised by the 113 riders and 133 poker hands played go toward the James Sizemore Memorial Scholarship fund. Monies are used for a local scholarship and to assist RBC Search and Rescue with the purchase of additional equipment. (Bottom left) James Sizemore's mother, Kathy, pictured here with Brady Nye. Nye had a memorial image printed on the side of his sled in James' memory. (Bottom right) A few of James' friends gathered around the remember James sign announcing the avalanche area. (Bottom far right) Mike Sizemore, James' father, stands next to poker run winner, Trenton Schindler.



The bus driver and the teacher

— Parrs influence on future generations immeasurable —

By HALLIE BLUNT
Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER Searching for the perfect quote to describe a teacher of 40 years and a bus driver of 35 years it becomes obvious that great words are said by minds who had exceptional influences along the way. Those words are the result of educators who "affect eternity: they can never tell where their influence stops." (Henry Adams)

Dean and Artie Parr have had a positive influence on many of Meeker's children.

Dean was born Oct. 12, 1930. His father, Deloss Parr, was a farmer on the Little Beaver Farm still operated by the Parrs. His mother was born into the Hays family which homesteaded in the area in 1884.

Dean's grandfather delivered mail on horseback starting in 1912. His father and uncle, Dick Parr, drove the Rangely mail route starting in 1942. Dean eventually took over and today his son Rich drives the route the family has maintained for 70 years.

Deloss worked in the oil fields on Thornburg where Dean and his sister attended school in the rural schoolhouse. His mother taught school in several different schools as well as at Thornburg. There were 18 kids in the Thornburg school before the Parrs moved to town. Dean's sister Aileen was graduated from the eighth grade when the family decided to come to town. At the time, kids from all the surrounding schools were recognized for their completion of eighth grade and came to town to attend high school.

Dean's mother taught one year in Meeker before falling ill with cancer.

Dean was graduated from high school in 1948. He recalls his summer job that year, working with Bailey Cotton as a wrangler for a Colorado trail ride across the Flat Tops. There were several wranglers hired on to take care of more than 100 head of horses that car-



COURTESY PHOTOS

(Above) Dean and Artie Parr were married in 1951 in a lovely ceremony that included many family members and friends in the wedding party, including ring bearer George Nye and flower girl Connie Theos. (Top right) Artie Parr celebrates a birthday with her husband, Dean, and their four children: Kathy, Rich, Steve and Michael. (Below right) With a combined total of 75 years working with young people in Meeker, the Parrs have made an impact on Meeker's future.



ried more than 50 "dudes" on a three-month ride. As wranglers, Dean and Bailey had to pack the tents, food and gear for nearly 80 men on the tour.

Some of the horses they used were from Cleve Gentry, a local stock contractor for the rodeos. The horses that were not found to be quality bucking horses were turned into trail and pack horses for the trip. The adventure ended on the highway near Rifle where they had to trail the horses to their final destination.

After returning from his trip, Dean went to work on the family farm and met his wife Artie in 1950. The two were married in the spring of 1951.

Dean drove a school bus for 35 years, has been a member of the Lions Club for 32 years,

served on the WREA board nearly 30 years, the national board for five years, the local Jaycee's group, the sanitation board, and the Young Farmers group which was headed up by Coach Starbuck for young men to spend time camping, fishing and enjoying the outdoors. He has been a member of the Old Timers Association, and with his well-recognized voice, announced the Fourth of July parade for more than 10 years.

The children who rode Dean's bus remember his songs, jokes and friendly spirit. Letters written to him by students mention candy on holidays and ice cream on the last day of school. He loved being around the kids and the feeling was mutual.

Artie came to Meeker to teach in 1950. She

had taught in Fruitville for two years before moving. In her first year in the school near Clifton she had 45 kids in her class, 30 fifth graders and 15 sixth graders. She began teaching the fourth grade in Meeker and continued for 37 years. After retiring she worked as a substitute teacher for four years on long-term assignments when teachers were on maternity leave. She taught for a total of 43 years and still remembers students by name and knows their families as they have grown up in front of her.

"I loved seeing kids when they grasp something for the first time. It is something very, very special. It is something you can't explain," she said.

She was a teacher that went to work every

day—as all great teachers do, wanting to make a difference—and she shared her passion with many teachers over the years. Artie received a letter from former school board president Port Franklin complimenting her for her success and saying he knew "she was something good" when she first walked in the door. Another letter from her principal detailed her professionalism and ability to work with students and staff to make a greater education a reality. She has letters from students and a quilt from her final class she taught expressing their gratitude and appreciation for all she did. A scrapbook was given to her filled with letters from co-workers, former students and friends depicting the tremendous impact she had on so many lives. On the front page was a list of the teachers during her first year and their respective salaries. Artie's was \$2,400 in 1950. She taught in Meeker until 1987 and was named the Parade Marshal in 1990 for her service.

Dean and Artie have four children: Kathy and her husband Brad (Dodds) currently of Denver, Rich and Carol Parr of Meeker, Steve and Sharon Parr of Meeker, and Michael and Sabrina Parr of Denver. They have five grandkids and four great-grandkids. Her daughter Kathy also went into the teaching profession and retired last year after 28 years. Steve works at the plant center and Dean remembers him accompanying himself and his father on the farm learning the trade. Rich currently works on the farm and drives the mail route, and Michael sells insurance in Denver. Their kids share the friendly spirit of their parents and are very family-oriented.

Dean and Artie love Meeker because of the people.

"They care about you and you care about them like family," Artie said.

They still attend sporting events and the

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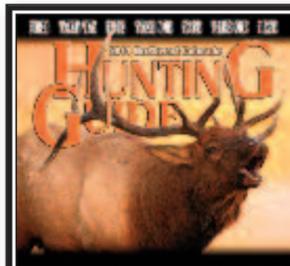
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BRIEFS

Al White to speak in Rangely Feb. 28

RANGELY | The next Community Networking Group meeting will be Tuesday, Feb. 28 at noon in the Weiss Conference Room at CNCC. The guest speaker will be Al White, director of the Colorado Tourism Office.

RBC Woolgrowers meeting March 2

MEEKER | The annual meeting of the Rio Blanco County Woolgrowers will be Friday, March 2, at Kilowatt Korner. The Trail Association will meet at 8 a.m. and the general meeting begins at 10 a.m.

ERBM hosts coupon workshop Feb. 23

MEEKER | The ERBM Recreation District is hosting a coupon workshop today, Feb. 23. They will be sharing tips on how to clip, organize and store coupons.

Vehicle use limited to existing roads

RBC | With a mild winter continuing and spring fast approaching, the Bureau of Land Management's Little Snake Field Office is reminding the public that motorized vehicle use within the majority of its boundaries in Moffat, Routt and northern Rio Blanco counties is now limited to existing roads and trails.

RBC health fair, preschool registration

RBC | Don't miss the children's health fair and preschool registration for children ages birth-5 (not already enrolled in preschool or kindergarten). There will be screenings for vision, hearing, speech/language, height, weight, immunization check, oral hygiene, motor skills, cognitive abilities, self-help skills, social/emotional skills and more! Preschool registration for 2012-13 for students born on or before Aug. 15, 2008. To schedule an appointment, call 970-675-2064. Por favor que llame 970-878-3341 para ms informacin y para una cita.

PUBLIC SERVICE ...



Officer Hood visited Rangely Cub Scout Packs 189 and 191 to talk to them about law enforcement and safety. (Left to right) Ben Nielsen, Ty Fielder, Officer Hood, Den Chief Braxton Bishop, Zane and Lincoln Cordrey.

**HOME OF:
Jody and Ramona Atchley**

MEEKER | Jody and Ramona Atchley of Meeker are this week's "home of" honorees. The Atchleys have lived here 16 years. They celebrated their 19th wedding anniversary Dec. 26. Jody owns "5 Star Water," a water business. He hauls potable drinking water. Ramona purchased Aspen Leaf Drug Testing from Suzanne Gerloff. Ramona is a certified drug sample collector. The Atchleys have three daughters. Their eldest daughter, Krysten Atchley is 18. Krysten is a 2011 Meeker High School graduate. She works and lives in Cedaredge. She is a CNA at Willow Tree Care Center and lives with her aunt Tammy Worley, Jody's sister. Jody and Ramona's middle daughter is Katelyn Atchley, 14. Katelyn is a freshman at Meeker High School. She plays flute and saxophone in the MHS band and participates in 4-H leathercraft. The Atchley's youngest daughter, Kelsay Atchley, 8, is a third grader in Meeker Elementary School. This year her classroom is at the high school. Kelsay also does 4-H leathercraft. Both Katelyn and Kelsay take piano lessons. "We like to camp, fish and 4-wheel. We enjoy the mountains and BLM land. We like being outdoors," Ramona explained. When asked what she likes most about living in Meeker, Ramona replied, "The small community where everybody knows everybody. We come from small towns. I was raised in Norwood and Jody is from Delta."

BLM hosts student art contest

Special to the Herald Times

RBC | The Bureau of Land Management's Colorado office, in partnership with the Public Lands Foundation and the Center of the American West, will host a juried art contest for Colorado high school students to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the General Land Office. The art contest is framed around an educational presentation covering the history of the GLO and the BLM and the role the GLO played on the development of the American West. The presentation is designed as a self-guided lesson that will provide background information and inspiration for the contest submissions. "The General Land Office played a major role in the westward expansion of our country and oversaw the surveying, platting and sale of public lands," said BLM Colorado state director Helen Hankins. Artwork may include photography, drawing, graphic design, video, animation, etc. Artists should include a written statement (250-350 words) connecting the artwork to: the value of public lands, your personal experience or connection to public lands, how public lands are part of your family heritage and the role they play in your future. All entries should be submitted electronically to gloartcontest@blm.gov by May 31, 2012. Submissions must be no larger than 5 MB in size. The Center of the American West will judge the competition and announce the winners by July 20. Winning entries will be displayed at the GLO Symposium/Student Congress Sept. 11-14, and will be featured on the BLM Colorado website. Prizes will be divided into three categories with one winner in each category: first place, \$500; second place, \$300; third place, \$100.

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Nieslanik makes President's List at Gonzaga University

MEEKER | Meg Nieslanik, a resident of Meeker, has earned placement on the Gonzaga University President's List for fall semester 2011. Students must earn a 3.7 to 4.0 grade-point average to be listed. Gonzaga University is a humanistic, private, Catholic university providing a Jesuit education to more than 7,500 students. Situated along the Spokane River near downtown Spokane, Wash., Gonzaga is routinely recognized among the west's best comprehensive regional universities. Gonzaga offers 75 fields of study, 25 master's degrees, a doctorate in leadership studies, and a Juris Doctor degree through its School of Law.

Ute Park receives helping hands

By NIKI TURNER
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MEEKER | "The team that's helping the Rec District design the new park and trail in Sanderson Hills has a member of the team who is also a member of Volunteers of America," said Town Administrator Sharon Day. The team member was intrigued by Ute Park and is coordinating with Volunteers of America to bring a team to Meeker in August for a three-day work session at Ute Park. The Town of Meeker Board of Trustees approved a request from James Lawson, dba Chippers, for a new tavern liquor license at 285 Sixth Street.

"Our goal is to change the way the community viewed this location in the past, and to open the door to the community," Lawson's partner said. The board also approved a special event permit for the Meeker Lions Club to serve liquor at the annual Elk Foundation banquet on April 7, 2012. At the request of Mayor Mandi Etheridge, the meeting went into an executive session to discuss personnel matters regarding the hiring process for the new town administrator.

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MATH WHIZZES ...



The Rangely High School Math Club participated in two recent contests and did quite well. The 2012 UNC Math Contest in January had 2,655 students in the first round. Rangely's Chelsea Ficken and Andrew Morton were among 210 who went on to the final round of the contest. Morton finished with an honorable mention as one of the top 46 students overall. Colorado Mesa University hosted the 2012 Math Extravaganza Feb. 9. Chelsea Ficken, Andrew Morton, James Scoggins and William Scoggins traveled to Grand Junction for the contest and workshop, competing with 100 other students. Morton tied for third place and William Scoggins turned in one of three perfect papers to tie for top honors.

WEEKLY REC NEWS SPOT Feb 23 – Mar 1, 2012

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Library fun at elementary school

By KAY BIVENS

Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER January was library month at Meeker Elementary School. We set a goal of reading an accumulated 40,000 minutes. When all was tallied we read 140,973 minutes. Preschool through fifth-grade kept track of their minutes. We were very excited to have 10 adults turn in their time as well.

Mrs. Henderson's fifth grade class was the winning class with 24,226 minutes. The fifth grade classes were the winners of the popcorn party.

One parent commented that she found her children reading under the covers way after bedtime. They wanted to read more minutes. All they wanted to do was read. They read to their siblings, cat and dog, anything that would listen. That is what it is all about. Everyone is a winner.

Our events for the month included Spirit week. Dessa Watson gave an introduction to 4-H. We enjoyed an evening of bingo and fun prizes Jan. 17. BLM archaeologist Kristin Bowen presented a program on Native American rock art in our county Jan. 30 and volunteer Joseph Ramirez gave a presentation about rocks and fossils found in our county. This program was enjoyed by the second through fifth grades. On Jan. 31 Tom Knowles from the DOW gave an informative presentation about area wildlife preschoolers, kindergarteners and first-graders.

Perhaps the best event of all was the Minute to Win It reading contest with principal Jason Hightower on Feb. 1. The name of the students who had read the most minutes was put in the hat and then the names were drawn out. They challenged Mr. Hightower in a Minute to Win It event.



LIBRARY MONTH ...

To celebrate library month at Meeker Elementary School, students recorded the minutes they spent reading in January. The top readers competed in Minute To Win It events with principal Jason Hightower. Elementary school student Cyros Halandras tested his balancing skills against Hightower's.

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White River Swine Club reports

RBC Our first meeting was held Jan. 8 at 6:30 p.m. We began the meeting by electing our 2012 officers. After voting in our new president, Taylor Morris, she took over and we voted on the rest of the offices. Nate Walsh is our new vice president; Anna Walsh, secretary; Kenzie Turner, treasurer; Halle Ahrens, reporter; and council representatives Riley Pertile and Jenna Walsh. Our first-year members will be our pledge leaders: Kelton Turner and Spud. We talked about future meetings, tag/weigh-ins, parking cars for sheepdog trials, and when we can make posters for our fair pens.

Even though there was a lot to cover for our second meeting on Feb. 6 at 7 p.m., the main topics were parliamentary procedure, discussing our demonstrations that we will soon be doing, a tie-breaker for a record books and lastly, we talked about the jackpot that will be held June 23. All in all, we are looking forward to doing our demonstrations, learning about parliamentary procedure and last, but not least, participating in the jackpot that is coming up.

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County regulations: fact and myth

By **JEFF MADISON**
RBC planning director

RBC I There has been a lot of discussion on the street these days about the effect that government regulations have had on the local economy. The primary focus has been on the assortment of federal agencies which, because of the abundance of federal lands in our county, oversee a high percentage of the activities locally. But since the county also has a regulatory role, the county often gets thrust into the conversation.

Even though the county has only a minor role in the regulatory landscape, the county commissioners have been working on streamlining the various county review processes. You may be interested in what Rio Blanco County government has been doing to streamline and simplify the county regulations that affect you and the energy companies at a local level.

We are told by the natural gas producers that it takes a market price of about \$4 per thousand cubic foot (mcf) for Piceance gas wells to be profitable. Back in 2007, when gas wells and associated equipment were being developed at a record pace, natural gas prices peaked at nearly \$12 per mcf with the average being

around \$8 per mcf. That was the driver for the energy boom we experienced five years ago.

Natural gas bottomed out (we hope) at \$2.40 per mcf last week. With that market condition, it is not a valid assumption that a county process that takes 2-3 days, a state process that takes 90 days, or even a federal process that takes 90 to 120 days is the determining factor in the business decision to drill or not to drill a \$3-4 million well. When the bottom dropped out of the market in 2008, all energy producing counties in the state saw a sharp decline in drilling. Many counties declined more than Rio Blanco County without regard to their regulation structure.

However small our influence, the County has been committed to keeping our regulations to a necessary minimum and been careful not to duplicate or interfere with state or federal oversight. One good example is the recently completed effort in which the county process for permitting new natural gas wells was streamlined and simplified. Through several months of discussion with representatives of the energy companies, we were able to cut the number of separate permitting requirements from 5-6 to one. Gone are the sepa-

rate well permits, building permits, separate temporary living quarters permit, separate septic permit and the special use permit for the connecting pipeline. There is now one special use/building permit that covers everything on the well pad and takes county staff 2-3 working days to issue. This streamlining also allowed us to cut the costs to the applicant in half.

There are also some major efforts ongoing regarding other county regulations and the process is open to anyone that cares to attend. Last November, Commissioner Kai Turner approached county staff with the concern that we need to do a comprehensive review of the impact fees we charge for all types of new development. Some background: back in 2005 there was growing concern over the ability of the county to maintain the roads necessary for the ramp up in the natural gas business. A growing percentage of local property tax dollars were being spent on a few key county roads in the primary gas well areas with deteriorating road conditions in other areas showing the results of the diverted funds.

After a yearlong study and nearly a year and a half of discussion with gas producers, the impact fees were

initiated by the Board of County Commissioners in 2008. Most of the money collected is designated for improvement to those key roads in the gas fields. Because of the nationwide slowdown, this funding source has also slowed. We are currently holding meetings with county staff and the gas producers to discuss possible modifications to the fees. The next meeting is scheduled for 1 p.m., Feb. 29, at the county administrative office.

Lastly, we are going through a complete re-write of the county's land use regulations. This includes everything from special use permits to subdivisions to oil and gas regulation. We started this effort in January 2011 by creating a workgroup with diverse interests and are about half way through the process of producing a final draft the regulation package. Workgroup meetings are scheduled the first and third Wednesdays of every month from noon to 3 p.m. The drafts produced to date along with the section currently being discussed are available on the county web page. Members of the public are welcome to be a part of the continuing process of revising the county land use regulations to make them as simple and efficient as possible.

Colorado's innovative solution

Special to the Herald Times

RBC I Since April 2007, Colorado's water planners have ignored Central Colorado Project's (CCP) innovative high altitude water and energy storage solution for state and regional needs. This oversight is a serious violation of National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) rules.

Unfortunately, because of endless interbasin infighting, Colorado has never had a professional state water plan to guide its critical water development decisions. Colorado is the only western state relying primarily on water supplies that were planned and developed by the U. S. Bureau of Reclamation (USBR) prior to the 1970s. Colorado's water costs and

farm dry-up rates are now among the highest. Our state's natural headwater advantages are being wasted.

Since the 1970s, Colorado's various attempts with decentralized water planning have been counterproductive failures. Federal reports indicate Colorado is still losing more than 40 percent of its valuable and vulnerable 1922 Colorado River Compact entitlements to thirsty down river states. Colorado has no definitive near or long-term plans to resolve this travesty.

Colorado should immediately unite behind an objective modeling evaluation of CCP's breakthrough state and regional water and energy solution. CCP's U. S. Patented high altitude pumped-storage concept can integrate and selectively multiply the reliability and productivity of limited

water and energy resources throughout five major Southwestern river systems and the western power grid. All urban and rural stakeholders would benefit.

USBR's engineers could complete CCP's vital modeling task within 12 months, if given high level green lights from Colorado and the Department of Interior. CCP's expected benefit-cost ratio may be higher than 10 to 1. Conventional alternatives, such as Two Forks, Southern Delivery System, and Flaming Gorge Pipeline have less than 2 to 1 benefit-cost expectations.

In addition to lower utility costs for state and regional consumers, Central Colorado Project's extraordinary economic and environmental advantages could be used to substan-

tially enhance cities, farms, schools, roads, environments, etc. throughout the 21st Century and beyond.

Why is Colorado relying on a costly and futile water planning process within each competing river basin, using non-professional volunteers that may have personal conflicts of interest with Colorado's vital statewide water and energy development solutions?

All Coloradans should enthusiastically support expedited development of Central Colorado Project's unprecedented capabilities to substantially benefit our state and region's current and future generations. Colorado has wasted more than 40 years with a failed water planning process. It's time for an innovative change of direction.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Hospital improvement

Dear Editor:

Mr. Harman's letter last week concerning hospital improvements or replacement was very much appreciated.

My question now is, and I am sure there are others who would appreciate knowing exactly where the existing revenues are, and/or where they will come from.

As a citizen in this community, I would appreciate public updates on a regular basis. Others have indicated they would be interested also.

Thank you so much,
Marilynn Whiteman
Meeker

Let's not make a bad investment

Dear Editor:

To Jack, from Mr. Selfish: do you buy a used car without looking it over? Or for the ag. people out there, a tractor or baler and just pay whatever the seller is asking and trust it has been honestly represented? I don't think so but, for the sake of argument let's say you do.

Well, in order to protect you from possible misfortune or a bad investment I think the county should adopt and enforce codes on used cars and tractors. You have to pay for the service, of course but, after all, they are looking out for you, just doing their job. Now, every bolt on the tractor must be torqued to the proper spec but you can't check it. You have to

get an engineer to do it because you're too stupid to read a torque wrench. Of course, that costs money but we are just looking out for you.

After that let's drain the oil and check for metal, which could be a indicator of wear. You can't visually inspect it, though. It must be sent to a lab to do it properly. That takes 4-6 weeks, but let's make sure you're getting a good deal. After all, we're here to protect you. Oh yeah, that costs a little money also.

Now the oil is drained, let's call Safety Clean to dispose of it. I know your neighbor has a waste oil burner but it's illegal for him to burn yours, he can only burn his own. I know it doesn't make sense but it's a mandate from the EPA so our hands are tied. Now, speaking of the EPA, we need to replace the injectors and filters to meet the new codes. These parts are three times the money and your old ones look good, but we still have to do it because that's what the rule says. Yes the rule was lobbied for by the injector and filter companies but they really are just trying to protect the environment by lowering emissions. I know they only last half as long and will result in more trash at the landfill but the air quality might get better because the trash trucks and dozers at the dump run on magic!

I know this was a ridiculous example, you see the tractors would be ag exempt.

Now, to my point, Jack. I just wanted to build a new body shop that used water-based paint and was geot-

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annual WREA golf tournament. Dean and Artie have been married nearly 61 years now. Their beautiful wedding picture features their ring bearer and flower girl, George Nay and Connie Theos, posing on either side of Dean and Artie.

The two have been very involved in Meeker through the years and certainly given a great deal to the young

people of our community. There are many memories of bus trips with one or both involved. It is an incredible feat to have persevered more than 40 years in education and 35 years driving a bus. Their work has clearly made a difference in our small community. Franklin Roosevelt once said, "We cannot always build the future for our youth but we can build our youth for the future." This is something the Parrs have helped accomplish.



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The U.S. Department of Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM), is hosting public meetings to answer questions about, and invite comments on the Draft Oil Shale and Tar Sands Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (OSTS PEIS). The meetings will be held at the locations and dates listed above and will begin at 7:00 p.m. BLM officials will be on hand to take written comments and assist with the commenting process.

The Notice of Availability (NOA) of the Draft OSTs PEIS was issued in the Federal Register on February 3, 2012. A 90-day public comment period began on that day, and will close on May 4, 2012.

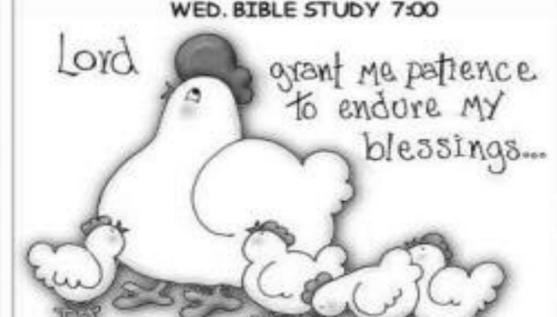
The OSTs PEIS is being prepared by the BLM in order to assess reasonably foreseeable environmental impacts for a range of alternatives for land allocation and resource management related to oil shale and tar sands.

Written comments on the Draft OSTs PEIS should be submitted by May 4, 2012. Comments may be submitted using an online comment form on the OSTs PEIS website at <http://ostscis.anl.gov>. This is the preferred method of commenting. Comments may also be submitted by mail to: Oil Shale and Tar Sands Draft Programmatic EIS, Argonne National Laboratory, 9700 South Cass Avenue, EVS 240, Argonne, IL 60439.

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Lord grant me patience to endure my blessings...

LETTERS: Legislation is not the answer

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hermally heated. It would be one of the greenest shops anywhere, not because it was mandated, but because I care about RBC. I've built four previous buildings at both ends of the county without much of a problem until this one. I won't go into all the details because it makes my blood pressure rise.

Let's just say it cost thousands of dollars in fees, permits, penalties and engineers and took nearly three years to complete. I will be the first to admit most of the delays were my choice. I could only take so many roadblocks and regulations at a time. Then I would take a break for a while and mellow out. I didn't want to turn into an armor-plated bulldozer driver. I blame myself for being a lazy taxpayer, not really caring about the fees and rules our buddies at the county were adopting. I will also agree there need to be some guidelines but to watch two grown men on ladders measuring every nail in my siding and circling the ones that were in too deep

because they didn't have enough material under the head or making me waterproof four feet up the wall behind my toilets like my bathroom is in a mall is silly. When questioned about this and many other things I was met with smugness and talked down to like an idiot. My tax dollars, which by the way are many times what residential taxes are, pay these people's salaries, benefit packages and the trucks they drive yet I sure didn't feel they were there to protect or serve me. More like we need more money and we have the power. They even admitted that some of the regulations didn't make sense but they had to enforce them or they could be held personally liable. Well, my answer is that the commissioners who adopted this mess need to repeal about 90 percent of it or just let me pay an engineer, who I had to hire anyway, to inspect my project. He then could sign off on it and take the risk away from the inspectors before the county would issue the mystical certificate of occupancy. Right now there are between five and eight people, depending on

how you look at it, working on all building projects. They all want to do a good job, I'm sure, but they also want to earn their wages so they study all of the thousands of codes and rules then whack us over the head with them. That's backwards, they should help us work through them, even eliminate some to help speed up and simplify the process so we can build our community, hire more people, buy materials and improve the health of our economy.

My dear friend Jack, you can not legislate against every possible problem or accident. We humans sometimes do stupid stuff or build crappy houses. That's why people should inspect or hire an inspector prior to buying. If you're being a drunk idiot do you think it matters if the rail is exactly 36 inches or the steps are a perfect 6 inch rise, you're still going to take a spill. How many sets of eyes and at what cost was our new school built with and it still has lots of problems.

More government is not the answer, it just feeds on taxpayers with

no way to fight it except for our vote. Speaking of voting do you think the commissioners would have voted for these new codes or impact fees if they would have applied to ag.? I guess the laws of physics don't apply to barns or arenas.

Why not pass a code that bans smoking in RBC? If you really cared about people and wanted to save lives there are a thousand times more deaths from cigarettes than buildings falling down. By the way, all my buildings are still standing, just dumb luck I guess? What do I know, I'm just a greedy, short-sighted jerk who is trying to provide jobs for several people, bring in insurance money from all over the U.S. into RBC while trying to protect my employees and the environment. I'm sure next week I'll be told how stupid and misguided I am with volumes of material to back up your positions. Just please, do me a favor, do it on your own time using your own computer. I feel I've been bent over enough already.

Wade Bradford
Meeker

Loose Ends: Reading is fun

Reading is fun. A seemingly self-explanatory statement often evokes an odd response from parents, teachers, and experts in the field of education.

"You think so?"
"It is not supposed to be really enjoyable, it is a learning experience after all."

"I hated it when I was a kid, so has it changed that much from when I was little?"

Look closer at the teaching staff of an elementary school and listen to the grown-ups who had those teachers when they were little and you'll find the ones that are most often remembered fondly are the ones who conveyed their own love of reading and made it fun for others. That doesn't discount that the business of teaching reading along with other subjects is a serious vocation and it requires knowledge and expertise to change non-readers into readers.

It is strange that the statement about reading being an enjoyable experience rather than a tedious, mundane, mandatory task is so often questioned in educational circles. If someone were to compile a list of skills required to be successful in life, reading would be at the top. Without mastery of this skill, it is tough to function well in our society.

DOLLY VISCARDI



Teaching children day-in, day-out requires dedication, fortitude, and above all a sense of humor.

Working with elementary classroom librarians for many years, I found the years I spent working with the local elementary librarian, Kay Bivens, a pleasure. She made sure that all of the students' experiences in the library were fun, first and foremost, because developing the habit of interacting with and enjoying the available learning materials builds the foundation for reading as a lifetime skill. Her unique way of presenting the materials, usually with her storytelling skills, guaranteed that even the most uninterested listener found himself drawn into the experience.

MEEKER LOCALS

Congrats to Justin Hardy for earning third place in the state wrestling championship in 2A at 170 pounds. Great work, Justin!

And kudos to the Meeker High School boys' basketball team for their conference championship this year!

Hooray! February — the month when business is slow and spring seems a long, long time away — is almost over.

What to look forward to in March? St. Patty's Day, of course,

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on Saturday, March 17. By the way, if you don't think leprechauns are

real, we have one here in Meeker and we're all hoping he makes another appearance this year.

This year the first day of spring, the Spring Equinox, will occur on Tuesday, March 20. Plan a spring fling! Sure, there will probably still be snow on the ground, but we can celebrate anyway, right?

Happy birthday this week to Taylor Merriam, Lindsey Miller and Alicia Watt, Feb. 23; Trina Cox, Feb. 24; Hadley Franklin, Feb. 25; Marian Merritt, Becky Meyer, Lola

Hicken, Robby Jensen and Bill Kracht, Feb. 26; Katie Stewart and Clay Caldwell, Feb. 27; Matt Jensen, Denver Hayes, Melayni Wangnild and Hannah Borchard, Feb. 28. And a happy birthday to Leap Year baby Meg Bettis, wife of Herald Times publisher Mitch Bettis.

Celebrating anniversaries on Feb. 29 are Brad and Jessica Wikoff and Gus and Christine Halandras. Send your local Meekerite news to Harold@theheraldtimes.com.

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The Importance of Doctrine

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Dr. J.D. Watson

To introduce the next few installments, I want to first share the word **doctrine** with you. This word simply means, "A particular principle, position, or policy that is taught." There is *political* doctrine, *military* doctrine, *social* doctrine, and so forth. People who say, "Oh, we don't want doctrine" — as many do in the Church today — are simply not aware that they live by various "doctrines" every day of their lives.

Most important of all, however, is *biblical* doctrine. Basically, the Greek word *didaskō*, which is often translated **doctrine**, speaks of systematic teaching and appears (along with other forms) no less than 26 times in the Pastoral Epistles (1 & 2 Timothy, Titus, Philemon).

Again, while doctrine is sadly on the decline in many churches—being replaced by entertainment, personality, crowd-gathering events, gimmicks, programs, and many other things that simply appeal to the flesh—there is no ambiguity whatsoever of the absolute importance of doctrine. Without it, we have nothing.

Doctrine is, in fact, the most important aspect of Christianity. While such things as Christian service, evangelism, counseling, and other such "practical" things are important, how can we know how to do any of those apart from doctrine? It is imperative that we see that doctrine is *foundational*, and in this respect, it is *everything*. There are at least six reasons why doctrine is vitally important.

First, it is commanded. In 1 Timothy 4:13 we read: "Till I come, give attendance to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine." On what is the preacher to concentrate? *First*, he is to concentrate on "reading," that is the public reading of the Scriptures. *Second*, he is to concentrate on "exhortation," which is the exposition and application of what is read. *Third*, he is to concentrate on "doctrine," that is teaching, deeper knowledge.

Second, doctrine grounds us in the faith. Ephesians 4:14-15 declares: "That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive; But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ."

Third, doctrine discerns false teaching. Continuing our last point, we again consider not only those verse,

but also 2 Jn. 9-10: "Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God. He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son. If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed."

Fourth, doctrine nourishes, feeds, and builds us. Again Paul speaks to Timothy with these words: "If thou put the brethren in remembrance of these things, thou shalt be a good minister of Jesus Christ, nourished up in the words of faith and of good doctrine, whereunto thou hast attained" (1 Tim. 4:6).

Fifth, doctrine exhorts us. One of the most pointed and important verses about preaching and doctrine appears in a Pastoral Epistle: "Preach the word; be instant [diligent] in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine" (2 Tim. 4:2). "Exhort" (*parakaleō*) includes the ideas of "please, I beg you, I urge you" and thus the mingling of severity and gentleness in the preacher's preaching. The preacher is to urge, encourage, and challenge the people of God.

Sixth, doctrine produces godliness. Perhaps the most blessed reason of all for the importance of doctrine is that it produces godliness. Once again Paul speaks to Timothy with these words: If any man teach otherwise, and consent not to wholesome words, even the words of our Lord Jesus Christ, and to the doctrine which is according to godliness; He is proud, knowing nothing, but doting about questions and strifes of words, whereof cometh envy, strife, railings, evil surmisings, Perverse disputings of men of corrupt minds, and destitute of the truth, supposing that gain is godliness: from such withdraw thyself" (1 Tim. 6:3-6).

So then, how important is doctrine? Without doctrine, we are disobeying God, we will not be grounded and mature, will not be equipped to discern truth from error, will not be nourished and fed, will not be encouraged and challenged, and will not live godly.

We will consider one other aspect of this next time and then begin our related series.

You are invited to worship with us at Grace Bible Church (on the corner of 3rd and Garfield) at 10:30 A.M. each Lord's Day, where the ministry is the expository preaching of God's Word. Please visit our website (www.TheScriptureAlone.com), where you will find many resources for Christian growth, including messages in MP3 media files.

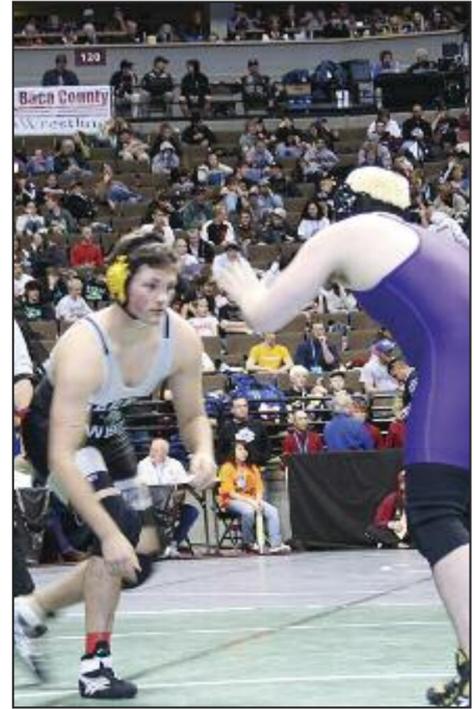


Meeker seniors Justin Hardy and Ethan Overton, along with junior J.R. Crawford and sophomore J.C. Henderson all qualified for the 2012 Colorado State Wrestling Championships held last weekend in the Pepsi Center.

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Justin Hardy had his hand raised in victory five times this year at state.



Ethan Overton capped off his senior year with a trip to the "Big Show."



J.R. Crawford defeated Connor Pigg of Rye 8-0.



J.C. Henderson lost to defending state champion Robert Darnell of Holly in the first round. Darnell defeated 3-time state champ Alex Pena of Ignacio in the finals.



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J.R. Crawford, working a bar arm, wrestled for a second time in the state tournament.



Justin Hardy dominated the consolation bracket with three pins and 13-0 major decision in the 170-pound consolation championship match.



Ethan Overton looks to his coaches for instructions.



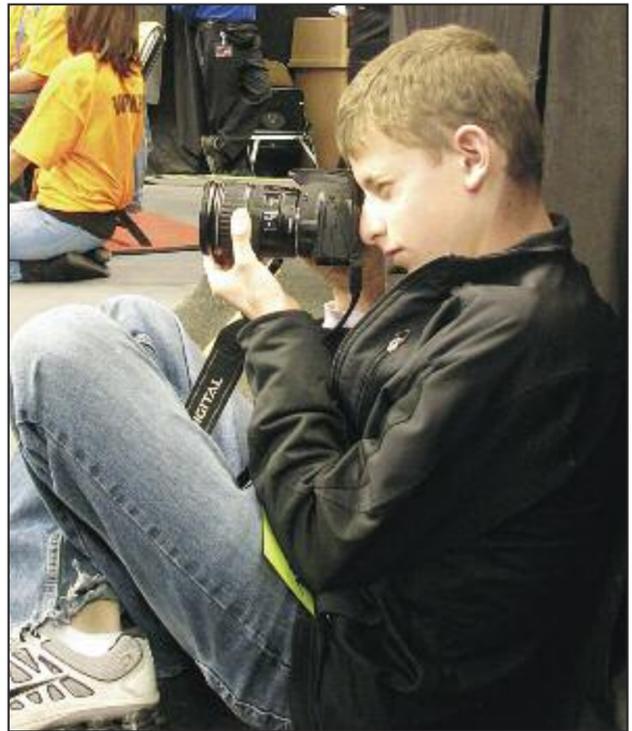
J.C. Henderson uses a cross face to fight off a takedown.



Justin Hardy flexed his muscles several times in the "Big Show."



Meeker managers Taylor Baird and Lani Mataia enjoyed the state tournament.



First year wrestler Calvin Shepherd did not qualify for the state tournament but attended as a member of the media.

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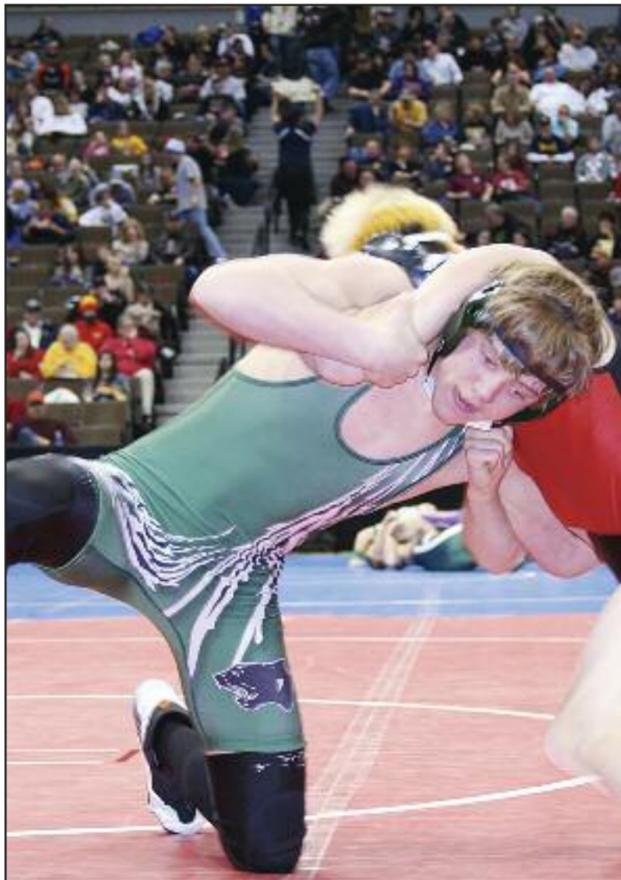
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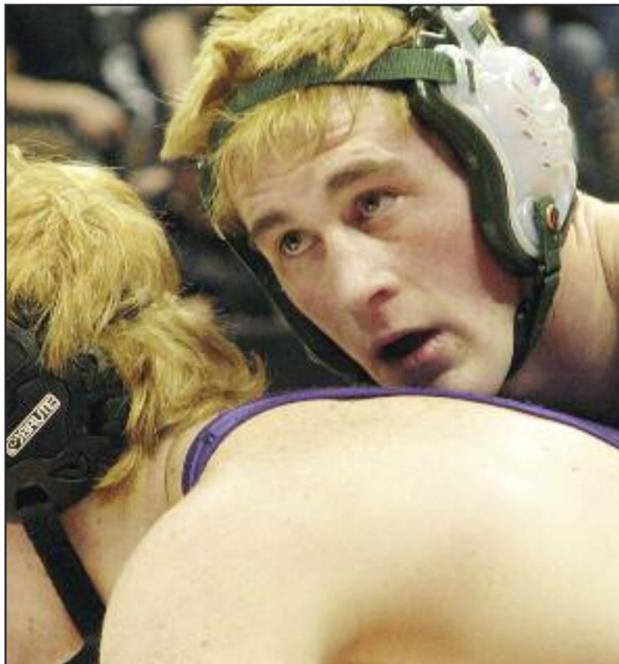
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Rangely sophomore Lucas Heinle placed sixth as a freshman at the state tournament but did not place this year at 138.



Junior Colton Coombs won a match in his second state wrestling tournament.

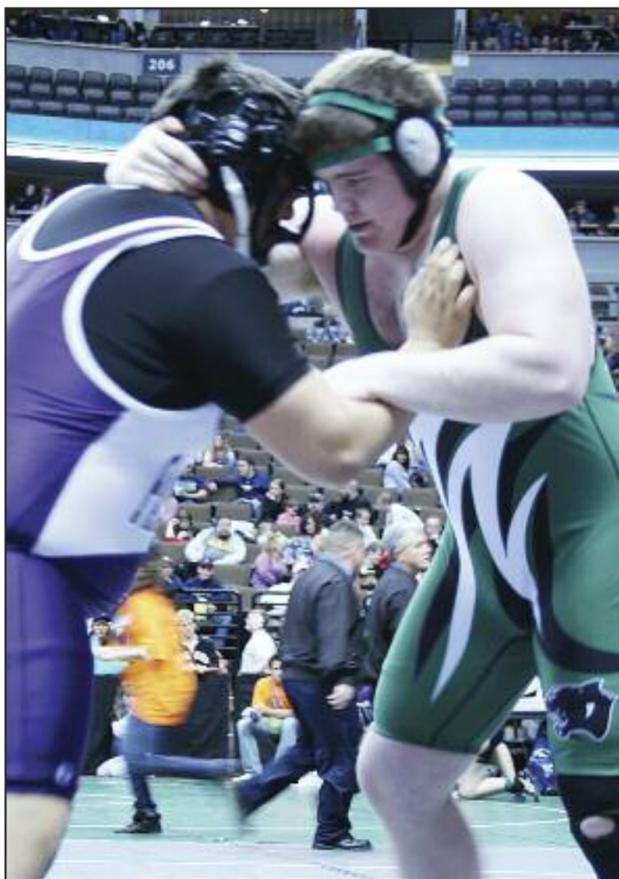


Rangely senior Jake Smith was one win away from placing at state in the 170-pound bracket.

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- Jake -
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Panther senior Patrick Brown placed sixth in the heavyweight bracket.

~ Lucas ~
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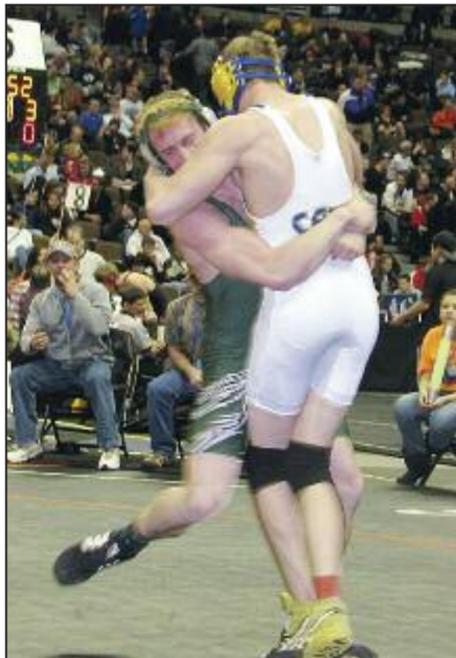
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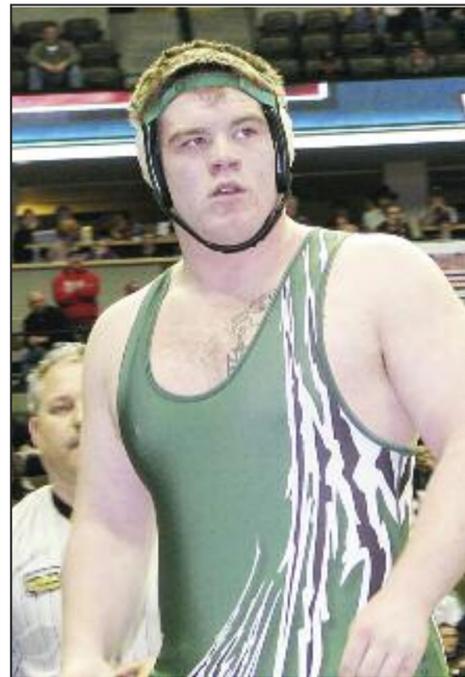


Rangely High School was represented by junior Colton Coombs (152), sophomore Lucas Heinle (138), senior Patrick Brown (285) and senior Jake Smith (170) at the 2012 Colorado State Wrestling Championships held in the Pepsi Center last weekend in Denver.

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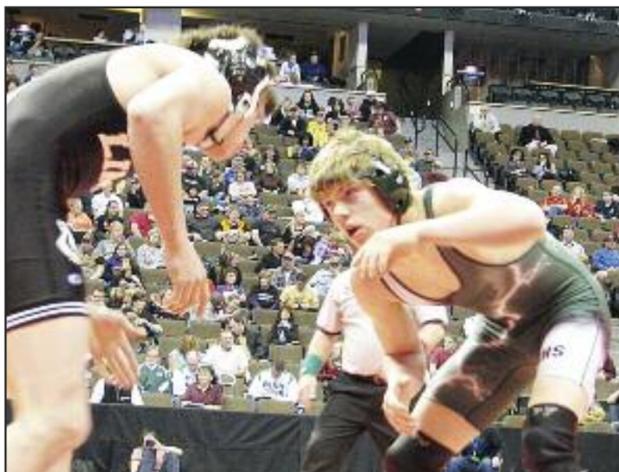
Colton Coombs uses a bear hug to try and take down Derrick Richard of North Park.



Patrick Brown prepares for a heavyweight match.



Rangely coaches Derek Stolworthy and Claude Rose yelled and twisted to help Colton Coombs win an overtime match.



Lucas Heinle wrestled Daniel Kappel of Limon in the first round of the state tournament.



Jake Smith sagged his hips and took Collin Sires of Baca County down from his feet, straight to his back before pinning him in 4:57.



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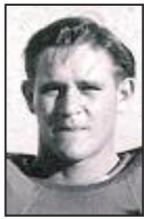
John "Bud" Alexander Rabska, 87, of Lake Mary Ronan, Mont. passed peacefully at his son's home in Encino, Calif., on Jan. 19, 2012.

Bud was born in Thorp, Wisc., on Jan. 12, 1925, to John and Erna (Mumm) Rabska. Bud had one brother (Reinhart "Reiny") and two sisters Kathleen "Kay" and Vivian. Shortly after Bud's birth, the family returned to Meeker where he attended school from first grade through high school. Bud excelled in sports and was on the track team and captain of both the basketball and football teams.

Bud served in the United States

Army during World War II, and was awarded three battle-related medals for his distinguished service to our country.

In 1948, while serving in Santa Maria, Calif., as a deputy sheriff for Santa Barbara County, he met and married Zene Tognazzini. Together they had two sons, William "Bill" and Don. Shortly after Don's birth, having missed the mountains of Colorado and his favorite pastime of hunting and fishing, Bud moved the family to Lake Tahoe, Calif., where he worked for many years in security for one of the major casinos. He also



Bud Rabska

spent most days fishing and enjoying nature.

He is survived by his son and daughter-in-law Bill and Kandy Rabska of Suisun City, Calif.; son and daughter-in-law Don and Judy Rabska of Encino, Calif.; grandchildren Kasey, Tommy and Rachel; and only living sibling Kathleen Walker of Arroyo Grande, Calif.

A memorial service will be held on Feb. 25 at 11 a.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Arroyo Grande, Calif. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to the Prostate Cancer Foundation (email info@pcf.org), Life Savers Animal Rescue at www.lsar.org or Mission Valley Animal Shelter at missionvalleyanimalshelter.org

Lawrence William Marshall Jr.

May 24, 1922 ~ Feb. 12, 2012

"Larry's Radio and TV Sales and Service" in Lakewood, Colo. He owned this business from 1950-1972.

Lawrence married Fern Smith in Denver, Colo., and to this union two daughters were born: Judith and Janet Marshall. Larry and Fern were divorced and the girls were raised by their mother and stepdad.

Lawrence married Gladys I. Rumbo on Oct. 24, 1952, in Raton, N.M. Gladys was a teacher in Golden and Lakewood. Lawrence continued to run his business and Gladys continued teaching for more than 35 years. They both retired in 1972.

As the generation in which airplanes were designed as we know them today, Lawrence wanted to learn to fly. He and Gladys became active in the Civil Air Patrol. He became a Lt. Colonel and was given the Meritorious Service Award in 1972. He served with the Civil Air Patrol from 1950-1986 in both Colorado and New Mexico.

Upon retirement in 1972 they moved to Rio Rancho/Albuquerque, N.M. He continued with the Civil Air Patrol in N.M. He was the handyman in the retirement communities they lived in until 2005. He served for several years on the Rio Rancho City Council. During all of this time, he was also serving as the state assistant director of the New Mexico AARP organization. Retiring from the Civil Air Patrol and AARP in 1986,



Lawrence Marshall Jr.

Lawrence and Gladys spent their second retirement traveling and enjoying various time-shares throughout Colorado, New Mexico and Arizona, along with owning their own homes in Albuquerque and

Quartzite, Ariz.

Due to their health they returned to Colorado to be near their niece Linda and (Dusty) Long and family, and his sister Marguerite. They lived for a short time in Craig, Colo., moving into the Haven Assisted Living in Hayden, Colo. Since September 2009, Lawrence has lived at the Walbridge Memorial Wing in Meeker, Colo.

Lawrence's passion throughout his life was his love for music, teaching himself how to play the guitar, organ and harmonica. He had a collection of records, tapes and CDs, tapping many jamborees while traveling, along with photography, having a collection of cameras, and he loved taking landscape pictures from their travels.

Lawrence was preceded in death by his parents, his wife of 58 years Gladys Marshall, his stepmother Lucy Marshall, sister Marian Sage, daughter Judith Marshall, nephews Leonard and Douglas Glaze, and niece Patricia Sage.

He is survived by daughter Janet (Ronald) Darling, grandchildren Christy and Brian Darling all of Silverthorne, Colo.; sister Marguerite Anderson of Oak Creek, Colo.; brother Virgil "Bummy" (Clarice) Marshall of Clifton, Colo.; nieces

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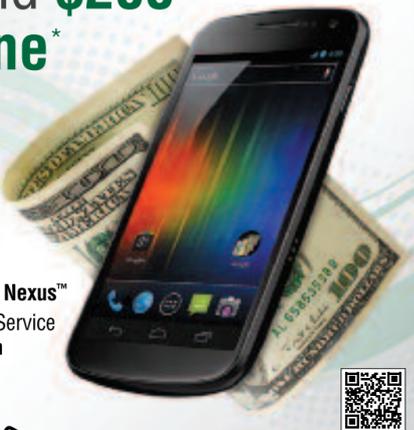
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Brown places 6th at state

By **BOBBY GUTIERREZ**
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RANGELY I The Panther wrestling team qualified four wrestlers for the Colorado State Wrestling Championships held in the Pepsi Center last weekend and returned with one placer, senior heavyweight Patrick Brown.

"I was very proud of Patrick and all our kids," head coach Derek Stolworthy said of one his senior co-captains. "Patrick wrestled well, his matches were close and he was in every match."

Brown, who qualified for a second year in a row, won his first two matches to advance to the semifinals where he lost 1-8 to John Gray of Crowley County, the eventual state champion.

By advancing to the semifinals, Brown was guaranteed a state medal. Brown would face Tony Darling of Paonia in his first round in the consolation bracket, the heavyweight who defeated him in the regional championship the week before. Brown lost 3-6 to the

eventual consolation heavyweight champion and then lost to Reed Chris of Akron to finish sixth.

Rangely's other senior, Jake Smith, won two matches and was one win away from getting into the medal round in the 170-pound bracket and coach Stolworthy was appreciative of the co-captain's contributions to the team.

"Jake is just a great kid," coach Stolworthy said. "He did a great job of being a team captain and team leader and he was a very hard worker, both of our captains were."

Smith pinned Brennan Pacheco of Del Norte in 5:04 then lost to Bo Soden of Rocky Ford 8-15 in the championship quarterfinals. Smith pinned Collin Sires of Baca County in 4:57 before being eliminated from the tournament by league foe Justin Hardy.

Rangely junior Colton Coombs won a match in his second trip to the state tournament in the 152-pound bracket when he defeated Luke Holmquist of Fowler 6-4 in overtime.

"Colton did very well this year and is really close to turning the corner from being a good wrestler to a great wrestler," Stolworthy said. "We'll be working with him this summer to find his hips and help him make the corner."

Stolworthy will also be working with sophomore Lucas Heinle this summer. Heinle qualified for a second year in a row for the state tournament but did not win a match in the 138-pound 2A state bracket.

"I was proud of Lucas making it to state again this year," Stolworthy said. "We still have two more years left to try and get him a state championship."

Stolworthy was thankful to his team managers Monica Briggs and Maddie Lawson for their help during the season and for the support from the wrestling parents and community given to him and his assistant coach Claude Rose.

"We really appreciate the support," Stolworthy said.

Stolworthy said he would be opening the room up to high school wrestlers after the middle school season is over, for practice during the summer.

"Summer wrestling makes winter champions," Stolworthy said.

Rangely senior Patrick Brown lost to the eventual state champion in the championship semifinals of the heavyweight division and finished sixth in his final high school tournament.

CALVIN SHEPHERD



Hardy finishes second



By **BOBBY GUTIERREZ**
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MEEKER I "I was proud of Justin. It takes a lot of character to come back and win the consolation bracket when your goal is to win it all," Meeker wrestling coach J.C. Watt said of the feat accomplished by Cowboy senior Justin Hardy.

Hardy ended his high school wrestling career as the 2A consolation champion at 170 last weekend in the Colorado State Wrestling Championships. The championships are held in the Denver Pepsi Center. Hardy entered the tournament with an impressive 22-4 record and a regional runner-up for his second trip to the state tournament. Hardy was the first state placer for the Cowboys since Josh Prescott finished as a runner-up in 2008.

Hardy pinned his first opponent, Brandt Shields of Custer County in the second period but lost (2-5) to Broc Pelle of Holyoke in the quarterfinals. Pelle lost in the finals to Brent Harris of Norwood, a defending state champion and the regional champ at 170.

"My mindset going in was to do my best in my last high school tourna-

ment," Hardy said. "It was hard after the loss because my goal was to go all the way. I had to gather myself and decide to go out the back door and take third. The experience was awesome."

Hardy dominated the consolation bracket, pinning Rich Lancaster of Peyton in 52 seconds, before he faced familiar opponent Jake Smith of Rangely, who he also pinned with no time left in the second period to get into the medal round. Hardy then pinned K.C. Christian of Paonia in 4:50 to advance to the consolation championship where he would face Bo Soden of Rocky Ford. Hardy totally dominated Soden, winning the bronze medal with a 13-0 major decision.

"Justin was the hardest worker in the room and it was nice to see the kid that worked the hardest do the best at the state tournament," Watt said.

"He was always the last one in the room," assistant coach Lee Overton said.

"He helped other kids in practice, I hope I have a senior like him every year," Watt, completing his first year at the helm of the Cowboy program,

Meeker senior Justin Hardy pinned four opponents and won 13-0 in the consolation championship match of the 2A 170-pound bracket last weekend in the Pepsi Center in downtown Denver, ending his high school wrestling career with a bronze medal.

CALVIN SHEPHERD

said. Sophomore J.C. Henderson (126) and junior J.R. Crawford (182) both qualified for their second trip to the "Big Show" and both won one match but did not place.

"They both won a match so it was good experience for them," Watt said of the state mat experience for the two underclassmen.

Meeker senior Ethan Overton capped off his high school wrestling career with a free trip to the state tournament but did not win a match in the tough 195-pound bracket.

The Meeker coaches said they had several goals during the year but the first two were to get everyone to win a match and to keep everyone out for the team, which they did.

"It was a positive step forward for the program," Watt said.

Another positive step for the program is that the Barone Middle School wrestlers started practice last week and head coach Lee Overton was excited about the 27 kids out for the team.

"That's pretty cool," Overton said of the middle school participation, which is the highest they have seen in several years.

Cowboys close season with wins

By **DALE DUNBAR**
Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER I Cowboy basketball has again laid claim to the Northwest League Conference Championship with a perfect 10-0 conference record (18-1 overall) as they head into this weekend's district tournament the number one seed. The Cowboys will play Friday in Kremmling, site of the district tournament, in the first round. Meeker has once again moved up in the state rankings according to Colorado Preps. The 'Pokes now hold the number three position in 2A in the state.

Friday in Meeker was parent recognition night and the Cowboys completed their season sweep of their cross county rivals, the Rangely Panthers, by 63-31. Rangely gamely hung in the first quarter as Peacock and Scott Smith each paced their teams with four points. At the end of one quarter the Cowboys held a slight lead 11-8. In the second period, the Cowboys put some distance between themselves and their opponents and never looked back. Gable and Cooper Smith led Meeker with six and five points each as Meeker opened up a 29-13 halftime lead. Cooper's solid third quarter scoring with seven points, along with Meeker's defense opened the margin a bit more at the end of the third 45-24. An 18-7 run in the final quarter sealed the victory for the Cowboys 63-31. Cooper, Gable and Scott Smith led the Cowboy attack with 18, 10 and 10 points respectively. Rangely was paced by Denny and Fortunato with eight apiece.

Saturday, the Cowboys made the

long trek to Kremmling for their only conference match with the always tough West Grand Mustangs. Meeker has occasionally had difficulties playing in the Mustangs' home gym and Saturday's game was close throughout. Meeker started out the first quarter with a slim 13-10 lead and was only able to expand it by one point in the second to end the half up by four points, 27-23. Cooper Smith and Trey Morris provided the offensive punch for the 'Pokes scoring eight and six points in the half. West Grand was able to outscore the Cowboys in the third period by one point to close the gap to 44-41 to start the final stanza. Although the Mustangs were able to score 15 points in the quarter, Meeker scored 22 of their own as C. Smith, Morris and Dylan Mobley lit the scoreboard for six, five, and five points apiece to lead Meeker. Meeker ended up on the top side 66-56. Travis Gore of West Grand led all scorers in the game with 22 while Cooper Smith paced the Cowboys with 20.

Meeker	11	18	16	18	63
Rangely	8	5	10	7	31
Meeker	C. Smith 6,2,1,0-18, S. Smith 4,0,4,2-10, Musgrave 1,1,0,0-5, Eli 2,0,0,0-4, Morris 1,1,2,2-7, Casias 1,0,0,0-2, G. Smith 4,0,4,2-10, Aotafa 0,0,1,0-0, Mobley 0,2,2,1-7				
Rangely	Denny 1,0,1,0-6-8, Fortunato 3,0,2,2-8, Evans 0,1,0,0-3, Phelan 0,0,2,2-2, Peacock 1,1,2,1-6, Enterline 0,0,1,0-0, Byerly 1,0,0,0-2, Massey 1,0,0,0-2, Allred 0,0,2,0-0.				

Meeker	13	14	17	22	66
West Grand	10	13	18	15	56
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West Grand	Davidson 0,0,2,2-2, Gore 7,1,7,5-22, Ritschard 5,1,0,0-13, Gae 0,1,0,0-3, Gasvoda 4,0,3,0-8, Willson 0,1,0,0-3,				



DWIGHT SEVERSON

Meeker junior Jeremy Musgrave goes up for two of his five points against the Rangely Panthers. Musgrave and the Cowboys won the league and were given a first round bye in the district tournament. Meeker will play Paonia in the first round Friday at 7:30 p.m. in Kremmling.

Pesch 0,0,2,1-1, Ahrens 2,0,1,0-4.

Colorado Preps rankings as of 2/19/12

- CLASS 2A**
1. Denver Christian (19-0)
 2. Peyton (17-2)
 3. Meeker (18-1)
 4. Ignacio (15-4)
 5. Sanford (16-3)
 6. Resurrection Christian (17-2)
 7. Byers (15-4)
 8. Akron (15-3)
 9. Limon (16-3)
 10. Lutheran (11-8)

Ladies advance to playoffs

By **BOBBY GUTIERREZ**
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RANGELY I The Rangely Panther girls' basketball team lost their final two games of the regular season to the top two teams in the league but won their pigtail game Tuesday to advance to the district tournament this weekend in Kremmling. Ironically, the lady Panthers defeated the district host, the West Grand Mustangs 52-32 at home and will get another shot at Meeker in the first round Friday.

Rangely traveled to Meeker last Friday and lost 39-38 to the league's No. 2 seed and lost 39-63 to the league champion lady Eagles in Paonia.

"Friday against Meeker we did not come out ready to play," head coach Jimmie Mergelman said. "We seemed a bit slow again, however the second half was much better, we just needed a few more seconds and Saturday against Paonia, we were just up against a really good team."

Against Meeker, the lady Panthers trailed 8-12 at the end of the first quarter and were down by 10 at halftime before mounting a comeback.

Quincey Thacker and Brittany Babineaux each scored four points in the third quarter, Haeley Enterline and Hailee Russell each added a basket and the defense held Meeker to nine to pull within seven going into the final quarter.

In the fourth quarter Babineaux made a three-pointer, a basket and a free throw and the Panthers outscored the Cowboys 12-7 but then ran out of time.

The lady Panthers finished the regular season as the No. 3 seed, allowing them to host West Grand in the pigtail game.

"I think it was good for us to play this week," Mergelman said of the pigtail game against West Grand. "We did some good things on defense and we had a lot of people contribute in the fourth quarter."



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Rangely junior Brittany Babineaux, who led the lady Panthers with 16 points, goes up for a basket in the pigtail game the West Grand Mustangs, which Rangely won 52-32. Babineaux and the lady Panthers will play Meeker in the first round of the district tournament Friday at 3 p.m. in Kremmling.

Rangely took control early against the lady Mustangs, led by Babineaux who scored 10 points in the first quarter, helping her team earn an 18-10 lead. Babineaux led all scorers with 16. Rangely extended their lead to 11 at halftime and put the game away in the third quarter with 12 more points, while the defense held the Mustangs to only five points, the same amount West Grand scored in the final quarter.

Thacker earned another double/double scoring 15 points and pulling down 10 rebounds. Enterline finished with seven, Russell scored four, Kelsey Prosser and Tessa Slagle each added three, while Chelsea Fricken and Holly Lepro both made a basket.

Four teams will now play for regional seeding in the district tournament with Rangely and Meeker matched up in the first round with Hayden and Paonia as the other two district teams.



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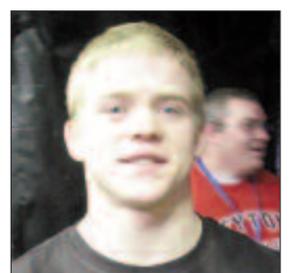


Quincey Thacker, Junior Rangely High School

Thacker recorded another double/double (10 or more points and rebounds) in the district pigtail victory against West Grand Tuesday in Rangely. Thacker scored 15 points and pulled down 10 rebounds.

Justin Hardy, Senior Meeker High School

Hardy ended his high school wrestling career as the consolation champion of the 170-pound bracket at the 2A Colorado State Wrestling Championships held last weekend in the Pepsi Center.



Panthers defeat Eagles on road

By **BOBBY GUTIERREZ**
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RANGELY I The Panther basketball team needed to win in Paonia last Saturday in the final game of the regular season in order to host a district pigtail game Tuesday. Fortunately they won the game in Paonia but unfortunately they lost the pigtail game to the same team, ending their season in Rangely.

"We just picked a bad night to go ice cold shooting the ball," head coach Eric Hejl said of the pigtail game against the Paonia Eagles. "I think we may have been a little unfocused to start and as the head coach I take full responsibility. Just because you've beaten a team a couple of times, doesn't mean you can relax and just assume that you'll do it again and I need to do a better job getting our team prepared to play with the right mind set every game."

Rangely played Meeker Friday last and lost to the league champion

Cowboys 31-61, then traveled to Paonia the following day and defeated the Eagles 70-58, making them the No. 4 seed and host to one of the pigtail games.

"We started out OK against Meeker in the first quarter but after that we couldn't maintain any offensive consistency and they started hitting more of their shots," head coach Eric Hejl said.

The Panthers trailed by three (8-11) after senior Ethan Peacock hit a 3-pointer plus a free throw and classmate Mason Fortunato added two baskets in the first period but the Panthers would only hit six field goals the rest of the game.

The Cowboys led 29-13 at half-time, then limited the Panthers to 18 points in the second half, while Meeker scored 32 to put the game away.

"As a team our energy level on defense seems to go down when we get frustrated with our offense," Hejl said. "Sometimes we can withstand some offensive droughts but for whatever reason it's always tougher for our guys to push through mentally when we play in Meeker. Sometimes I think we want to win so bad and prove a point when we play up there, we end up with guys maybe psyching themselves out a little bit and becoming tentative."

The Panthers were able to put Friday's game behind them the following day in Paonia, jumping out to a 10-1 lead and led the entire game.

"Cameron (Enterline), who did-

n't have his best game the night before, was a whole new player Saturday," Hejl said. "He opened the game with a three and before we knew it we had jumped out to a 10-1 lead, mostly on his shoulders with both scoring and rebounding (he finished with 22 points, 13 rebounds and four steals). I knew it was a good sign because once they started to pay more attention to Cameron, it just opened things up for Kody (Denny), who made a living at the free throw line, Connor (Phelan) and Ethan (Peacock) later in the game."

Denny finished the game with 17 points, including making 13 of 16 from the free throw line, Phelan scored 12 and Peacock finished with eight.

The win was the second for the Panthers over the Eagles this year but it is difficult to beat a team three times in one season and the Panthers



Panther senior Kody Denny goes up for two points in the pigtail game against Paonia, which Rangely lost, ending their season. Denny scored 16 points in his final high school game.

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Ladies secure 2nd in conference

By **BECCA NIELSEN**
Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER I After a barn-burning win against county rivals the Rangely Panthers Friday, Feb. 17, the Lady Cowboys traveled to Kremmling to dominate the West Grand Mustangs. These two conference standing wins secured a second place finish for Meeker which earns them a bye for Tuesday night's pigtail games into the district tournament on Feb. 24-25 in Kremmling. The lady Cowboys will meet up Friday with third seed Rangely and then play again on Saturday. The district tournament games determine which seed the lady Cowboys will advance as going into the regional tournament. Holding steady as one of the teams on the top 10 or on the watch list all season, Meeker is ranked 10th in the state for 2A girls' basketball. Head coach Greg Chintala noted that the lady Cowboys are "ready to play and in a position we want to be; now it's time to put it all in."

Friday's game in Meeker against Rangely began with the lady Cowboys taking a four point lead in the first quarter, 12-8. Halfway into the second period Meeker cashed in nine points while the Panthers struggled at the rim making only one bucket. The lady Cowboys sealed the first half with a 10 point lead, 23-13. Keeping a lead, Meeker bucketed 10 more points in the third quarter and the Panthers answered with 12 (32-25). Rangely rallied in the fourth to tie up the score 38-38 with a minute left in the game, but the fouls were quickly mounting for the Panthers and Meeker made some free throws to close the game 40-38. Top scorer for the lady Cowboys was sophomore Taylor Neilson with nine, junior Kaysyn Chintala and sophomore Aly Ridings both sank eight, senior Aubrey Walsh bucketed six, sophomore Piper Haney drained three, while senior Kathryn Doll, junior Katie Dinwiddie and sophomore Deena Norell all hit a bucket.

Saturday was another story for the lady Cowboys as they earned a lead and gained steadily through



TRACY ENTERLINE

Meeker senior Aubrey Walsh shoot a free throw against Rangely, in a game which Meeker won and she finished with six points. The two Rio Blanco County teams will meet again this Friday in the first round of the district tournament.

the game. Meeker led 9-4 at the first quarter buzzer, but cashed in 18 points in the second period heading to the locker room 27-8. The entire Cowboy team found the floor and contributed to a dominating 41 point victory to stamp their second place spot at the district tournament. Meeker won their last regular season game against the Mustangs, 60-19. Chintala lead the charge sinking 17 points, Neilson bucketed 11, Walsh and Ridings each drained six, freshman Sydney Hughes had five, Norell and junior Bailey Atwood added four apiece, Dinwiddie, Haney and junior Kacey Collins all contributed a basket while Doll sank a foul shot. Coach Chintala was, "pleased with the team's ability to win a close game then come out and play from the start the second night."

Meeker's junior varsity team played both nights and finished their season out with two more 20 point wins over Rangely and West Grand. All of the lady Cowboy teams thanked their parents and fans Friday night in a ceremony before the girls' varsity games by handing out flowers and gifts.

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Wed.	Feb. 29 - Chicken Nuggets, Mashers, Season Fruit, Raw Veggie Medley
Thurs.	March 1 - Build-Your-Own-Burger, Applesauce, Brownie, Pears
Fri.	March 2 - Dr. Suess Day - New Mac & Cheese, Carrot Coins, Fruit, Green Eggs & Ham Treat

RANGELY School Lunch Menu
WEEK OF FEB. 27-MARCH 1, 2012

Mon.	Feb. 27 - Herb Roasted Chicken, or Grilled Cheese, Fruit & Salad Bar
Tues.	Feb. 28 - Nachos, Corn or Ham & Cheese Wrap, Fruit & Salad Bar
Wed.	Feb. 29 - Pizza or Turkey & Cheese Wrap, Fruit & Salad Bar
Thurs.	March 1 - Pulled Pork Sandwich, Tator Tots, Fruit & Salad Bar

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RHS Girls' Basketball
2/24-25 @ Districts vs. Meeker - W. Grand
3/2-3 @ Regionals - TBD
3/8-10 @ State - Pueblo

RHS Baseball
Schedule not available

RHS Track & Field
3/17 @ Delta - TBA
3/24 @ Hotchkiss - 9:00 am
3/31 @ Cedaredge/Central - 9:00 am
4/7 @ PHS - 9:00 am
4/9 @ GJHS-Frosh/So - 12 noon
4/13 @ Coal Ridge - TBA

RJH Wrestling
2/25 @ Craig Tournament - 9:00
3/3 @ Hayden Tournament - 9:00



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MHS GIRLS' BASKETBALL
2/24-25 @ Districts vs. Rangely - West Grand
3/2-3 @ Regional Tournament - TBD
3/8-10 @ State Tournament - Pueblo

MHS BOYS' BASKETBALL
2/24-25 @ District vs. Paonia - Kremmling
3/2-3 @ Regional Tournament - TBD
3/8-10 @ State Tournament - Pueblo

MHS TRACK & FIELD
2/28 Practice Begins
3/17 @ Delta Invitational

MHS BASEBALL
3/17 @ Skyline High School - 2pm, 4pm
3/19 @ Adams City High School - 10am, 2pm

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2/25 @ Craig Tournament



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RBC 4H judging team goes to Nashville

Special to the Herald Times

RBC I Thanks to generous support from EnCana, a delegation of 4-H judging kids represented Rio Blanco County recently in Nashville, Tenn., at the NCBA convention.

Maclaine and Madison Shults and Sam Baylie from Meeker, and Layne, Landon and Kaylee Mecham from Rangely, along with Bill Ekstrom, Bonnie Long and Shane and Kathy Mecham made the long trip starting Jan. 30 with a stop at Ft. Hays, Kans., to view the University of Kansas animal units. Then on to Memphis where they all took in Graceland and got to see Lisa Marie Presley celebrating her Feb. 1 birthday.

We finished our trip into Nashville Feb. 2. The kids promptly checked into the motel and then went to view Music Row and eat supper at Hard Rock Café. Later that night, they practiced their speeches and quiz bowl questions.

On the morning of Feb. 3, they were up early and off to Opryland Motel for competitions. Landon Mecham, Maclaine Shults and Kaylee Mecham all gave excellent speeches. Each of those speeches were very controversial and even with all the passion and research, they fell short of top six.

At noon, they battled it out in quiz bowl against two other teams. They did great answering questions but needed more speed on pressing the buzzer. Hopefully before next year's competition in Tampa, Fla., we can make a board and practice, as the other teams were just quicker.

That night the kids got to see the sights around Nashville again. Some of the kids played Laser Quest, while another bunch took line dancing lessons at the Wildhorse.



COURTESY PHOTO

Members of the Rio Blanco 4-H Livestock Judging Team represented Rio Blanco County recently in Nashville at the NCBA convention. (Left to right) Sam Baylie, Landon Mecham, Madison Shults, Kaylee Mecham, Layne Mecham and Maclaine Shults.

Feb. 4 dawned early. Lucky for us, southern time is a little different. We got signed in and kids got paperwork in order before the contest.

After 10 classes of cattle and questions. We jumped in the van and made a tourist stop at the Ryman (Grand Olde Opry). Two tickets were handed out to cut records in the studio. While the other kids did backstage tours. Layne Mecham wouldn't let us listen to his creation, but we could hear Maclaine Shults though the glass and she sounded wonderful.

After the team got their photos on stage they bee-lined for Opryland to hear the results of the contest, but we had missed the 4-H division. Not too worry, Madison Shults got to get her photo for winning High Individual Overall Junior, showing off her plaque and new buckle. While Landon Mecham also got his

Denver. The senior 4-H division had 139 contestants.

Afterward, we all piled in the van and headed out of town, stopping briefly to eat supper at Layne Mecham's favorite spot. We had a great trip, beat the weather, visited with friends in Elk City, Okla., and looked through historical buildings in Ft. Smith, Ark.

The kids would like to thank EnCana for assistance; Shane and Kathy Mecham and Bill Ekstrom for chaperoning and Jon and Fran Hill for watching each of the contests and being there to support us.

We learned a lot on this trip and hope the information gained on speeches and quiz bowl will make us more competitive in Tampa, Fla. next February 2013. Now, we are gearing up for spring judging with a large new crop of juniors on both ends of the county. And in the summer of 2012, we will once again take a mixed delegation of Meeker/Rangely kids to Calgary Stampede to judge at Youth International Agribition.

picture with officials beaming over his 10th place plaque in the Senior Division. This contest was extremely well attended and much larger than

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OBITS:

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Linda (Dusty) Long, Sharon Glaze, Sherry (Kenneth) Slape, Becky Marshall (Tom); Shelia (Charles) Ford; nephews- Ronald (Cathy) Marshall and Wesley (Nancy) Sage; and many great-nieces and -nephews, and great-great-nieces and -nephews.

Funeral services were held Thursday, Feb. 16, 2012 at the Yampa Bible Church in Yampa, Colo., with Matthew Froah officiating. Interment followed in the Yampa Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to the Yampa Bible Church or the Walbridge Memorial Wing in care of Grant Mortuary.

Edward "Ed" Everett Case Jr.

Feb. 25, 1932 ~ Jan. 4, 2012

Ed Case passed away Jan. 4, 2012, in Denver, Colo., where he had lived for several years.

Edward "Ed" Everett Case, Jr. was born on a ranch near Craig, Colo., Feb. 25, 1932, to parents Edward "Everett" Sr. and Lena Miller Case. He attended school in Craig, Meeker, Kremmling and Rifle, graduating from high school at Rifle. Ed had several occupations before being employed by Mercedes Benz. He also spent two years with the Peace Corps in Tunisia.

Ed raised four children: Mike, Susan (Jim), Janice (Robert) and Jill (Marc). Ed was predeceased by his parents Everett and Lena Case, two infant sisters, sister Beverly Peyton and sons Edward and Michael. He is survived by his wife Karen of Denver, sisters Barbara (Curt) Helwick of Casper, Wyo., Phyllis (Frank) of Grand Junction, brothers Bill (Hope) of Salt Lake City, Utah, Jim (Mary) of Collbran, Colo., daughters Susan and Janice of California, Jill of Maryland and several grandchildren.

Ed was cremated with his ashes being buried next to his infant son in Rifle where memorial services were held Jan. 22, 2012.

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UnderGround moves to Sat.

By NIKI TURNER
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MEEKER I A year ago this month, the Meeker Assembly of God opened the doors of the UnderGround to local youth in middle and high school. On Saturday, Feb. 25, they will celebrate their one-year anniversary with free pizza and random prize drawings.

The remodeled church basement is furnished with video games, pool tables, foosball and food, and has been open each Friday from 7 to 10 p.m. with attendance averaging 25 students per week.

"Our purpose in this was to give kids a fun, safe environment to hang out when there weren't other things for them to do," said Pastor Aaron Zielinske. "After a whole year of being open on Friday nights we have realized that there are a lot of other things going on Friday night. Football games, basketball games, school dances, rec center movies in

After a year, it has been a success and are looking forward to many more years of making a positive difference in the youth of Meeker.

the summer, summer entertainment on the court house lawn, they are all on Friday nights."

Since the goal of the UnderGround is to fill a gap for young people when there aren't other activities going on, they're changing to Saturday night as of this week.

"We aren't looking to compete with other things going on, but to work together to provide more for the youth. So with much less going on Saturday night we feel that it would be a better option than Friday."

The UnderGround will still be open from 7 to 10 p.m. and offer the same activities and entertainment.

Zielinske is pleased by the success of the endeavor, and by the community support they've received.

"The first year has been amazing," Zielinske said. "Support from the community has been great. Ma Famiglia's has donated pizza for us to sell in the cafe on the first weekend of every month, and Clarks' donated a cheese dispenser for the nachos and soft pretzels, as well as the cheese for it. Several parents have approached us to say that if we ever need anything to just let them know and they'll be glad to help out however they can."

"It has been wonderful to see the community get behind it," Zielinske added. "After a year I would say that it has been a success and we are looking forward to many more years of making a positive difference in the youth of Meeker."

Training provides skills

By NIKI TURNER
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MEEKER I One in four Americans have some sort of mental health disorder, from anxiety to schizophrenia to substance abuse disorders.

In day-to-day life we are far more likely to meet someone having a mental or emotional crisis than we are to happen upon a heart attack victim or someone choking in a restaurant. Yet very few people know how to respond to someone in a mental or emotional crisis. Recognizing the signs of a mental health crisis and being able to respond appropriately can save a life, just like knowing CPR or the Heimlich Maneuver.

That thought was the seed for Mental Health First Aid classes, which are now offered nationwide.

A collaboration of community groups hosted the second set of Mental Health First Aid classes in Meeker last week. The training session was dedicated to Patricia Thompson, "for her outstanding work in the social service field and her dedication to helping others."

According to the National Council for Community Behavioral Healthcare, "Mental Health First Aid is an evidence-based program, which uses role-playing and simulations to demonstrate how to assess a mental health crisis, select interventions and provide initial help. The training also addresses the risk factors and warning signs of specific illnesses like anxiety, depression, schizophrenia, bipolar disorder and substance use disorders."

"The training program was used in Tucson, Ariz., last year after the

shooting of Rep. Gabrielle Gifford to help that community recognize mental health issues and know what to do when faced with situations with people," said Colorado West Regional Mental Health, Inc. program director Margot Robb.

Robb said the collaborative effort between the recreation center, Colorado West, RBC Department of Human Services, and CET was a "great example of community collaboration" and praised the response from the community to want to learn to help people with mental health and substance abuse issues.

"I think everyone left feeling like they understood mental health and substance abuse issues much better and we will now have a much more responsive, empathetic group of people using these skills," Robb added.

RIO BLANCO COUNTY DAYS GONE BY

The Meeker Herald — 100 years ago

■ The Shepherd hardware store will open Monday.

■ Snow was eight feet deep at the Wilson Park saw mill last Saturday.

■ F.E. Sheridan returned from Denver early in the week, after attending to the hopeless task of trying to get the warring Republicans into the Taft corral.

■ The next event of importance will be the St. Patrick's Ball, given under the auspices of the Catholic Ladies' society.

The Meeker Herald — 50 years ago

■ David E. Henderson of Craig was killed Sunday morning of this week in an accident at the Wilson Creek oil field while using a bulldozer

to maintain the roads.

■ Young ladies who modeled for the fashion show at the A. Oldland & Company store last week were Katherine Jacobs, Linda Clark, Karen Carstens, Barbara Kennedy, Heather Jensen, Judy Moody, Mary Ann Wilber, Sandra Amick, Sherri Klinglesmith, Little Lora Morland, Mary Margaret Oldland and Myrna

Merriam. The door prizes were won by Dorcas Jensen and Jean Winslett.

■ Ray McKee won the state wrestling championship at 180 pounds. Also wrestling for the Meeker matmen: George Nay, Lance Rogers, John Whalin, Bob Crook, Ray Devereaux, Mark Sheridan, Dick George, Bob Ruckman, Harry Tucker, Tom Pilkington and Bill Lake.

The Meeker Herald — 25 years ago

■ For the 25th time, a Meeker High School wrestler has his hand raised after winning a state championship. Lenny Klinglesmith was the best 145-pound AA wrestler in the state. The Cowboys finished second as a team.

■ If even half the rumors are true about the new owner of the Bar Bell Ranch, Malcomb Bricklin, the val-

ley's newest resident is sure to make some things happen around here.

■ Congratulations are in order to Coach Paul Starbuck who is scheduled to be inducted into the Colorado Coaches Hall of Fame.

■ The MHS boys' basketball team: Rodney Dunham, Chad Johnson, Mike Ottosen, Todd Shults, Vaughn Jones, Vince Vandiver, Jeff Beason, Leif Joy, Mike Parr, Kirk Henderson, Rex Copeland, Steve Rodriguez.

■ The MHS girls' varsity basketball team: Tina Brown, Trish Bishop, Jen Coryell, Kellie Borchard, Christie Parker, Bobbie Jo Tucker, Mindy Clapper, Lynn Sprod, Amy Shults and Amy Orris.

Rangely Times — 45 years ago
■ KREX TV of Grand Junction may be available to Rangely viewers in the near future if FCC approval can be secured.

■ The men who robbed the Bestway Store last November have been sentenced to eight years in the penitentiary.

■ The Panthers moved back into undisputed possession of the top spot in the Northwestern League race Friday night.

Rangely Times — 35 years ago

■ A special committee of the Rangely Area Chamber of Commerce has been studying the prospects of the construction of a dam and reservoir east of Rangely.

■ Scott Blevins, Matt Ott and Michael Teutsch built model bridges that qualified for the State Model Bridge Contest.

■ CNCC archers, coached by Don Collier, made the championship flight at the collegiate division championships in Las Vegas, Nev.

■ RHS cheerleader Valerie Bock was named All-Northwestern AA League wrestling cheerleader at Battle Mountain for the 1976-77 season.

■ Drew Hogan and Shari Crooks were the February students-of-the-month at Rangely Middle School.

Rangely Times — 25 years ago

■ RHS seniors Todd Carlson placed sixth and Mark Wilczek placed second at the state wrestling tournament. Junior Brett Powell also placed second.

What to expect when you're expecting



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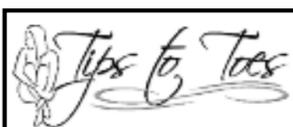
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Notification of meeting for the Rangely Town Council, Board of Trustees

The Town of Rangely Town Council meetings are held on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month starting at 7:00 p.m. in the Court Room at 209 E Main, Rangely, CO 81648. Agendas are posted in the lobby at Town Hall and at the Rangely District Library. The meetings are televised live on channel 3 through Bresnan Cable TV. All meetings are open to the public.

PUBLIC NOTICE TOWN OF MEEKER MUNICIPAL ELECTION APRIL 3, 2012 NOTICE TO VOTERS

Monday, March 5, 2012 is the last day to register to vote for the April 3, 2012 Municipal Election. In order to be eligible to vote in the Municipal Election, you must be a U.S. citizen, at least eighteen years of age and a resident of the Town of Meeker thirty (30) days prior to the date of the election.

You may register at Town Hall, 345 Market Street, Meeker, CO or at the County Clerk's office, Rio Blanco County Courthouse, 550 Main Street, Meeker, CO during regular business hours. Dated this 1st Day of February 2012. TOWN OF MEEKER
By: \$Lisa Cook
Town Clerk
Publish: February 16 and 23, 2012
Rio Blanco Herald Times

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Board of County Commissioners will hold a regularly scheduled board meeting on Monday, February 27, 2012, at the County Administration Building, 200 Main, Meeker, CO

Tentative Agenda

11:00 a.m. Board of Commissioners
a. Pledge of Allegiance
b. Changes to the Agenda
c. Consideration of approval of the Board minutes of February 13, 21, 2012 meetings
d. Board Appointments:
Three year term to expire January 2015

1. RBC Fair Board
2. Lodging Tax Board
3. Council on Aging

11:05 a.m. Contracts and Agreement
a. Master Service Agreement Telecom Services (FastTrack)

11:10 a.m. Department of Social Services

a. Changes to the Colorado Works Policies
11:15 a.m. Bid Opening: Road & Bridge
a. 2012 RBC Road 5 Construction Project No. 2012-CRS-1

11:30 a.m. Public Comment

11:40 a.m. County Commissioners Updates

Break:

1:15 p.m. Hearing:

a. Petition of Matt and Joann Robinson to vacate the east-west portion of old County Road 57.

OTHER COUNTY BUSINESS

If you need special accommodations please call 970-878-9573 in advance of the meeting so that reasonable accommodations may be made. Please check the County's website for an updated agenda. www.co.rio-blanco.co.us/commissioners.

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Public Notice

MEETING POSTPONED UNTIL MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2012 - 7:00 P.M.

The Meeker Planning Commission Public hearing scheduled on Monday, February 13, 2012 at 7:00 P.M., has been postponed until Monday February 27, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting will be held to review proposed revisions to the Meeker Municipal Code Title 17, revised subdivision regulations, and make recommendations to the Board of Trustees. Title 17 will be available for public review, upon request, by February 22, 2012. The public is invited to attend the hearing and comment concerning the revisions or submit written comments to Town Hall, 345 Market Street, Meeker, CO 81641, no later than 1:00 P.M. on February 13, 2012. Further information is available at Town Hall or by telephone, 970-878-4960, during the hours of 8:00 A.M.- 5:00 P.M. Monday through Friday. Sharon Day
Town Administrator/Acting Planner
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Rio Blanco Herald Times

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION A CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

CRS 1-1-104(34); 32-1-804.1; 32-1-804.3

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, and, particularly, to the electors of the Eastern Rio Blanco County Health Service District of Rio Blanco County, State of Colorado.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an election will be held on the 8TH day of May, 2012, between

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the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. At that time, three directors will be elected to serve 4-year terms. Eligible electors of Eastern Rio Blanco County Health Service District interested in serving on the board of directors may obtain a Self-Nomination and Acceptance form from the District Designated Election Official (DEO):
Pioneers Medical Center
Cindy Rholl - DEO
345 Cleveland St
Meeker, CO 81641
970-878-9261 Ext.

The Office of the DEO is open on the following days: Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. 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 3:00 p.m. on Friday, March 2, 2012. The deadline to submit a Self-Nomination and Acceptance is close of business on Friday, March 2, 2012 (not less than 67 days before the election). Earlier submission is encouraged as the deadline will not permit curing an insufficient form. Affidavit of Intent To Be A Write-In-Candidate forms must be submitted to the office of the designated election official by the close of business on Monday, March 5, 2012 (the Sixty-fourth day before the election). NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, an application for a mail-in ballot shall be filed with the designated election official no later than the close of business on Friday, May 4, 2012, except that, if the applicant wishes to receive the mail-in ballot by mail, the application shall be filed no later than the close of business on Tuesday, May 1, 2012.

ERBC Health Service District
/s/Cindy Rholl
Designated Election Official Signature
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RIO BLANCO COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

March 15, 2012 • 7:00 P.M.

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The tentative agenda is as follows:

1. Roll Call
2. Additions/Changes to Agenda
3. Approval of Minutes
4. New Business: None
5. Discussion of Work in Development (Plan, Processes, Standards, etc.) and/or Administrative Matters:

a. Western Gravel LLC is requesting a Special Use Permit (#11-04) and Certificate of Designation for the construction and use of a 57.4 acre site as a solid waste disposal facility. The project is in Section 6 in T1S, R96W, south of Rio Blanco Lake, with an address of 41138 County Road 5. The facility proposes to accept only solid wastes from gas and oil exploration and production (E&P Waste) and petroleum-contaminated soil from hydrocarbon spills and remediation projects.

6. Old Business:

Copies of the application(s), regulation(s) and/or resolution(s) may be examined in the office of the Development Department at the Rio Blanco County Administration Building, 200 Main Street, Meeker, Colorado, or you may call (970)878-9580 for more information between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Persons needing special accommodations for the meeting, please call the Development Department office at (970) 878-9580 giving at least five (5) working days notice so that adequate accommodations may be made.

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PUBLIC NOTICE TOWN OF MEEKER MUNICIPAL ELECTION

April 3, 2012

TO:

Any person, who is eligible by law, to be a candidate for the Offices of Mayor or Trustee for the Town of Meeker to be elected at the Municipal Election to be held on Tuesday, April 3, 2012 please take notice: A candidate's qualifications for eligibility to hold public office are:

- 1) Be a registered elector;
- 2) Attain the age of eighteen years or older on the date of the election and;
- 3) Reside in the town of Meeker for a period of at least twelve (12) consecutive months immediately preceding the date of the election.

Nomination petitions may be circulated and signed beginning on Monday, February 13, 2012. Nomination petitions and an information sheet for prospective candidates will be available at Town Hall, 345 Market Street, Meeker, on or after 8:00 a.m., Friday, February 10, 2012. Regular office hours at Town Hall are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The last day for the circulation and signing of nomination petitions shall be Friday, March 2, 2012, on or before 5:00 p.m. All nomination petitions shall be filed with the Town Clerk at Town Hall by this date and time.

The following Town Officers will be elected at the election:

- 1) Mayor - two year term;
- 2) Three members of the Town Board of Trustees - three four year terms.

Dated this 30 day of January, 2012.

TOWN OF MEEKER

By: \$Lisa Cook
Town Clerk

Published: Feb. 9, 16 and 23, 2012

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LEGAL NOTICES

A CALL FOR NOMINATIONS (NOTICE BY PUBLICATION OF)
CRS 1-1-104(34); 32-1-804.1; 32-1-804.3
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, and, particularly, to the electors of the Rangely Hospital District of Rio Blanco County, State of Colorado.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an election will be held on the 8TH day of May, 2012, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. At that time, 3 directors will be elected to serve 4-year terms and 0 director will be elected to serve a 2-year term. Eligible electors of the 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):
Briana Powell
511 S.White Ave.
Rangely, CO 81648
970-675-5011

The Office of the DEO is open on the following days: Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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 3:00 p.m. on Friday, March 2, 2012. The deadline to submit a Self-Nomination and Acceptance is close of business on **Friday, March 2, 2012** (not less than 67 days before the election). 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 5, 2012** (the sixty-fourth day before the election).

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, an application for a mail-in ballot shall be filed with the designated election official no later than the close of business on **Friday, May 4, 2012**, except that, if the applicant wishes to receive the mail-in ballot by mail, the application shall be filed no later than the close of business on **Tuesday, May 1, 2012**.

Rangely Hospital District
/s/Briana F. Powell
Designated Election Official Signature
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NOTICE BY PUBLICATION A CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

CRS 1-1-104(34); 32-1-804.1; 32-1-804.3
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, and, particularly, to the electors of the Eastern Rio Blanco Metropolitan Recreation and Park District of Rio Blanco County, State of Colorado.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an election will be held on the 8TH day of May, 2012, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. At that time, two directors will be elected to serve 4-year terms. Eligible electors of Eastern Rio Blanco Metropolitan Recreation and Park District interested in serving on the board of directors may obtain a Self-Nomination and Acceptance form from the District Designated Election Official (DEO):
Meeker Recreation Center
Shay Bain – DEO
101 Ute Road
Meeker, CO 81641
970-878-3403 Ext. 204

The Office of the DEO is open on the following days: Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
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ERBM Recreation and Park District
/s/Shay Bain
Designated Election Official Signature
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32-1-804.1; 32-1-804.3; 1-1-104(34), 32-1-905(2), C.R.S.
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, and, particularly, to the electors of the Rio Blanco Fire Protection District of Rio Blanco County, Colorado.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an election will be held on the 8TH day of May, 2012, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. At that time, three directors will be elected to serve 4-year terms. Eligible electors of the Rio Blanco Fire Protection District interested in serving on the board of directors may obtain a Self-Nomination and Acceptance form from the District Designated Election Official (DEO):
Rio Blanco Fire Protection District
Adrianna Purcell - DEO
236 7th Street
Meeker, CO 81641
970-878-3443

The Office of the DEO is open on the following days: Monday through Thursday from 8:00a.m. to 4:00p.m.
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 3:00 p.m. on Friday, March 2, 2012. The deadline to submit a Self-Nomination and Acceptance is close

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Rio Blanco Fire Protection District
/s/Adrianna Purcell
Designated Election Official Signature
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NOTICE BY PUBLICATION A CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

CRS 1-1-104(34); 32-1-804.1; 32-1-804.3
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, and, particularly, to the electors of the Meeker Sanitation District of Rio Blanco County, State of Colorado.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an election will be held on the 8TH day of May, 2012, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. At that time, three directors will be elected to serve 4-year terms and one director will be elected to serve a 2-year term. Eligible electors of the Meeker Sanitation District interested in serving on the board of directors may obtain a Self-Nomination and Acceptance form from the District Designated Election Official (DEO):
Meeker Sanitation District
Gail Frantz – DEO
PO Box 417
265 8th Street
Meeker, CO 81641
970-878-5192

The Office of the DEO is open on the following days: Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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Meeker Sanitation District
/s/Gail Frantz
Designated Election Official Signature
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32-1-804.1; 32-1-804.3; 1-1-104(34), 32-1-905(2), C.R.S.
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, and, particularly, to the electors of the Rangely Rural Fire Protection District of Rio Blanco County, Colorado.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an election will be held on the 8TH day of May, 2012, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. At that time, 3 directors will be elected to serve 4-year terms and 2 directors will be elected to serve 2-year* terms. Eligible electors of the Rangely Rural Fire Protection District interested in serving on the board of directors may obtain a Self-Nomination and Acceptance form from the District Designated Election Official (DEO):
Linda C. Gordon
215 Hillcrest Avenue
Rangely, CO 81648
970-629-1116

The Office of the DEO is open on the following days: Monday - Thursday from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

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 3:00 p.m. on Friday, March 2, 2012. The deadline to submit a Self-Nomination and Acceptance is close of business on **Friday, March 2, 2012** (not less than 67 days before the election). 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 5, 2012** (the sixty-fourth day before the election).

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Rangely Rural Fire Protection District
/s/Linda C. Gordon
Linda C. Gordon,
Designated Election Official
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VENDOR, DESCRIPTION, AMOUNT
ACCUTEST MOUNTAIN STATES, Chemicals, \$176.00
AFLAC, Payroll deduction, \$590.36
AIR LIQUIDE, Cylinder Rental, \$21.70
AIRGAS INTERMOUNTAIN, Expenses, \$3,180.14
AMERICAN PUNLIC GAS ASSN, Professional Services, \$761.64
ANIMAL CARE EQUIPMENT & SERVICES, Animal Shelter Expenses, \$58.47
ARRF, Animal Shelter Expenses, \$150.00
ASAP CARPET & UPHOLSTERY, Professional Services, \$250.00
ASHLEY VALLEY ANIMAL HOSPITAL, Animal Shelter Expenses, \$692.09
BASIN AUTO SUPPLY, Expenses, \$4,378.53
BLUE MOOSE DESIGN, Professional Services, \$35.00
BLUE STAR POLICE SUPPLY, Uniforms, \$514.70
BOBCAT OF THE ROCKIES, Expenses, \$37.63
BRESNAN, WRV Television, \$99.58
CALIFORNIA CONTRACTORS SUPPLY, Uniforms, \$239.20
CARPETIME, Services, \$513.09
CASTO, BRAD, Council Stipend, \$100.00
CENTURYLINK, Telephone/Services, \$2,695.00
CIRSA, Expenses, \$28,757.84
CNCC, Expenses, \$40.00
CO DEPT OF PUBLIC HEALTH & ENV, Professional Services, \$40.00
CO MUNICIPAL CLERKS ASSN., Expenses, \$140.00
COLO DEPT OF HUMAN SVC BITF, Brain Injury Trust, \$120.00
COLORADO CODE PUBLISHING COMPANY, Expenses, \$51.00
COLORADO CPA SERVICES, PC, Professional Services, \$156.25
COLORADO MUNICIPAL LEAGUE, Dues, \$1,121.00
COLORADO RURAL WATER ASSN., Professional Services, \$300.00
COLORADO STATE TREASURER, Unemployment Tax, \$1,182.43
COMMERCIAL SPECIALISTS, INC., Services, \$360.00
CONSERVANCY OIL COMPANY, Expenses, \$540.65
CREATURE COMFORTS ANIMAL HOSPITAL, Animal Shelter Expenses, \$188.06
CSED CASH PROCESSING, Garnishment, \$424.95
DAVIS, PAULA, Council Stipend, \$150.00
DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR-USGS, Professional Services, \$4,330.00
DHM DESIGN, Professional Services, \$2,275.00
DISPLAY SALES COMPANY, Expenses, \$1,037.00
DUCEY'S ELECTRIC, Services, \$2,441.38
EAGLE POINT GUN/TJ MORRIS & SON, Uniforms, \$870.00
ECONOMY FLOOR COVERINGS, Expenses, \$2,897.00
ELSTER AMERICAN METER COMPANY, Expenses, \$3,443.50
EMTECH, INC, Maintenance, \$2,955.04
FAMILY SUPPORT REGISTRY, Payroll deduction, \$875.75
FEDERAL EXPRESS, Services, \$21.19
FEDERAL LICENSING, INC., Communications, \$110.00
FIDELITY ADVISOR FUNDS, Retirement funds, \$26,428.86
FPPA, PD Insurance, \$664.95
FRESH EXPRESS CLEANING, Uniforms, \$14.00
FRONTIER ADJUSTERS, INC., Professional Services, \$742.50
GALLS, AN ARAMARK COMPANY, Uniforms, \$120.97
GEBAUER, HEATH, Ins. Reimbursement, \$500.00
GET YOUR STITCH ON, Uniforms, \$40.00
GOHR, CLAYTON, Council Stipend, \$100.00
GRANGER, Expenses, \$282.73
GRAND VALLEY IMAGING, Copier maint agree, \$356.62
GREAT AMERICAN LEASING COMPANY, Lease, \$305.15
GROSSMAN & GROSSMAS PC, Professional Services, \$720.67
HATCH, LISA, Council Stipend, \$100.00
HD POWER, INC., Expenses, \$4,700.00
HEJL, SCOTT, Insurance Claim, \$12,800.00
HERCULES INDUSTRIES, INC., Expenses, \$24.33
HERITAGE BUILDING & LUMBER, Supplies, \$3,019.12
HOOD, KEITH, Professional Services, \$50.00
HUITT, FRANK, Council Stipend, \$100.00
INTERNATIONAL CODE COUNCIL, INC., Expenses, \$600.00
INTERNATIONAL INST. OF MUNICIPAL CLERKS, Professional Services, \$135.00
J.J'S TIRE & AUTOMOTIVE, Maintenance, \$255.91
JONES PAINT & GLASS OF VERNAL, Expenses, \$136.44
KANSAS CITY LIFE, Life & STD Insurance, \$1,665.68
LEWIS, KRISIT, WRV Deposit Refund, \$55.00
LOHMILLER & COMPANY, Professional Services, \$524.00
MAIL SERVICES, Services, \$780.93
MESA COUNTY HEALTH DEPT, Services, \$40.00
MOON LAKE ELECTRIC, Electricity, \$13,235.65
MWI VETERINARY SUPPLY, Animal Shelter Expenses, \$886.96
NATIONAL METER & AUTOMATION, Expenses, \$169.70
NATIONAL FIRE ASSOCIATION, Professional Services, \$525.00
NETWORKS UNLIMITED, Support, \$1,510.59
NT CARQUEST AUTO PARTS, Expenses, \$55.16
ONYX, Computer Processing, \$237.00
ORKIN PEST CONTROL, Services, \$703.99
PERRY MOTOR COMPANY, INC., Maintenance, \$1,731.42
PIERING, LISA, Computer Processing, \$43.55
PIERING, MEAGAN, Seasonal, \$555.75
PINE VALLEY ECO PRODUCTS, Expenses, \$1,247.14
PIPELINE TESTING CONSORTIUM, Uniforms, \$2,240.00

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PITNEY BOWES, INC., Services, \$775.15
PITNEY BOWES POSTAGE BY PHONE, Services, \$1,000.00
PRESTIGE FINANCIAL SERVICES INC, Payroll deduction, \$450.00
PROFESSIONAL TOUCH, Services, \$1,788.22
QUILL, Supplies, \$1,278.48
RANGELY AREA CHAMBER, Dues, \$405.00
RANGELY AUTO PARTS, Supplies, \$751.07
RANGELY HARDWARE, Supplies, \$4,651.99
RANGELY SCHOOL FOUNDATION, Sales Tax Funding, \$15,701.88
RANGELY TRASH SERVICE, Services, \$850.00
RANGELY, TOWN OF, Utilities, \$9,276.00
REED, DONALD, Uniforms, \$324.82
RELIABLE OFFICE SUPPLIES, Expenses, \$58.45
RESPOND FIRST AID SYSTEMS, Expenses, \$87.70
RIO BLANCO COUNTY, Expenses, \$225.00
RIO BLANCO COUNTY COURT, Fee's, \$90.00
RIO BLANCO COUNTY SHERIFFS DEPT, Fee's, \$70.00
RIO BLANCO HERALD TIMES, Expenses, \$783.61
ROCKY MOUNTAIN SUPPLY CO, Expenses, \$42,800.88
ROMNEY, SHERMAN, Services, \$1,445.00
ROOKS, FLORENCE, Utility Clearing, \$66.68
ROWDY WORM, Donation, \$750.00
SCHMEUSER GORDON MEYER, INC., Services, \$6,717.09
SEWER EQUIPMENT CO OF AMERICA, Maintenance, \$429.54
SHROYER, BRENT, Council Stipend, \$100.00
SIMONS PETROLEUM, Expenses, \$2,938.15
STEWART WELDING & MACHINE, INC., Expenses, \$206.36
STRATA NETWORKS, Services, \$247.50
SUMMIT ENERGY, Gas Transmission/Transport, \$124,342.31
SWEETBRIAR, Expenses, \$119.65
TOWN OF RANGELY, Professional Services, \$250.00
TRANS UNION LLC, Services, \$25.00
UNCC, Services, \$33.81
URIE, ELAINE, Council Stipend, \$100.00
VANDENBRINK, ALDEN, Travel, \$189.38
VERIZON WIRELESS, Cell Service, \$992.48
VERNAL WINNELSON CO, Maintenance, \$1,352.48
VISA, Expenses, \$4,700.57
W.A.R.M., Gas Rebate Program, \$466.67
WALTER GROUP LLC, Professional Services, \$4,791.90
WESTERN IMPLEMENT CO, Uniforms, \$119.99
WHITE RIVER MARKET, Supplies, \$86.29
WILCZEK, KAREN, Judges Fees, \$300.00
WILD WILLIES MACHINE SHOP RACING & STORAGE, Expenses, \$92.28
WRB REC & PARK DISTRICT, Fee's, \$36.75
WRIGHT EXPRESS FLEET SERVICES, Fuel, \$4,437.74
TOTAL, \$384,431.81
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Juanita Rohn
611 S. Stanolind Avenue
Rangely, CO 81648
970-675-8211

The Office of the DEO is open on the following days: Monday - Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

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Western Rio Blanco Metropolitan Recreation and Park
/s/Juanita Rohn
Designated Election Official Signature
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AGENDA
TOWN OF MEEKER
PLANNING COMMISSION
POSTPONED UNTIL FEBRUARY 27, 2012
Town Hall 345 Market Street
Monday, February 27, 2012
7:00 P.M.

- I. Call to Order
 - II. Roll Call
 - III. Approval of Agenda
 - IV. Approval of Previous Minutes
 - V. Public Participation
 - VI. Public Hearing:
 - A. Review proposed revisions to the Meeker Municipal Code Title 17, and make recommendations to the Board of Trustees.
 - VII. Other Planning Commission Matters
 - VIII. Adjournment
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

ATV, BOAT and Snowmobile Owners!
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MEEKER CAT Coalition accepting cat food or monetary donations for spay/neuter and health care. Donations may be left at The Vet Clinic in Meeker or call 878-3560 or 878-4429 for more information.

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Driver License Offices - Note: Drive tests by appointment only. Reinstatement info.: (303)205-5613. *Need proof of physical address to renew license.* Check website for renewal requirements: www.colorado.gov/revenue Meeker open 1st, 3rd & 5th Fridays, 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Rangely open 2nd & 4th Fridays, 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Craig open Mon. through Thurs., 8 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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

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Notice of Caucus Locations

Democratic Party caucuses will be held in the following locations in Rio Blanco County on Tuesday, March 6th at 7:00pm for the election of committee people and delegates to the county assembly:

DEMOCRATIC PARTY
PRECINCT #1 - CNCC Weiss Hall, 500 Kennedy Dr., Rangely
PRECINCT #2 - CNCC Weiss Hall, 500 Kennedy Dr., Rangely
PRECINCT #3 - Meeker Public Library, 490 Main St., Meeker
PRECINCT #4 - Meeker Public Library, 490 Main St., Meeker
PRECINCT #5 - Meeker Public Library, 490 Main St., Meeker

PARTY ASSEMBLIES
DEMOCRATIC - Kilowatt Korner, 6th & Market St., Meeker - Sunday, March 25th at 1:00pm
REPUBLICAN - CNCC Weiss Bldg. Colorado Room, 500 Kennedy Dr., Rangely - Sat., March 10th at 2:00pm

CAUCUS PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS

In order to participate in the caucus, you must be a resident of the precinct for 30 days; registered to vote in the county 29 days prior to the caucus; and affiliated with the party for 2 months. There are specific exemptions for persons who have moved or recently turned 18-years-old. Please call our office with any questions [878-9460]. Verify your voter registration information online: www.govoteflorado.com.

Please Note: The Republican Party caucuses were previously held on February 7th.

Nancy R. Amick
Rio Blanco County Clerk & Recorder
Published: February 23, 2012 in Rio Blanco Herald Times

COMBINED NOTICE
CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 11-39

To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust: On December 21, 2011, the undersigned Public Trustee caused the Notice of Election and Demand relating to the Deed of Trust described below to be recorded in the County of Rio Blanco records. Original Grantor(s): Calvin Leischer Original Beneficiary(ies): Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. acting solely as nominee for Fidelity Mortgage Company Current Holder of Evidence of Debt: Wells Fargo Bank, NA Date of Deed of Trust: 7/24/2008 County of Recording: Rio Blanco Recording Date of Deed of Trust: 7/24/2008 Recording Information(Reception Number and/or Book/Page Number): 293058 Original Principal Amount: \$123,068.00 Outstanding Principal Balance: \$119,022.76 Pursuant to CRS §38-38-101(4)(i), you are hereby notified that the covenants of the deed of trust have been violated as follows: failure to pay principal and interest when due together with all other payments provided for in the evidence of debt secured by the deed of trust and other violations thereof. **THE LIEN FORECLOSED MAY NOT BE A FIRST LIEN.** LOT 18, TAMARRON SUBDIVISION, TOWN OF RANGELY, COUNTY OF RIO BLANCO, STATE OF COLORADO. Also known by street and number as: 243 East Raven Avenue, Rangely, CO 81648. **THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ALL OF THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY ENCUMBERED BY THE LIEN OF THE DEED OF TRUST.**

NOTICE OF SALE

The current holder of the Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, described herein, has filed Notice of Election and Demand for sale as provided by law and in said Deed of Trust. THEREFORE, Notice Is Hereby Given that I will at public auction, at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, 04/18/2012, at Office of the Public Trustee, Rio Blanco County Courthouse, 555 Main Street, Meeker CO 81641, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property and all interest of the said Grantor(s), Grantor(s)' heirs and assigns therein, for the purpose of paying the indebtedness provided in said Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, plus attorneys' fees, the expenses of sale and other items allowed by law, and will issue to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law. First Publication: 2/23/2012 Last Publication: 3/22/2012 Name of Publication: Rio Blanco Herald Times

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

VFW POST 5843 and Ladies Auxiliary monthly meetings are now held at Kilowatt Korner in Meeker: VFW Post 5843 - 6:30 p.m. 2nd Monday. Ladies Auxiliary - 5:30 p.m., 2nd Thursday.

RANGELY ROCKCRAWLING & 4 Wheel Drive group in Rangely meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month at the Rio Blanco Water Users Building on Hwy. 64 at 7 p.m.

MOMS GROUP meeting, open to anyone with a child 0-5 years, Grace Baptist Church, Rangely, first Thursday of every month, 8:45 a.m. to 11 a.m. Info. call Heather Zadra (970)629-9937

RADINO & CHUCKWAGON
Please call before 9:00 a.m. day of meal
878-5627 or 675-8112
Senior Citizen Nutrition Program
Meals served at noon.
Suggested Donation Over 60 - \$2.50. Under 60 - Guest Fee \$7. Children under 12 - Guest Fee \$3.00.
****MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE****
FRIDAY, FEB. 24: Enchilada casserole, Chuckwagon vegetables, tossed salad, sherbet. CAL:798, PRO:33, FAT:35, CAR:91, CHO:94, SOD:623.
MONDAY, FEB. 27: Beef cubes, with beef gravy, mashed potatoes, coleslaw, apricots. CAL:664, PRO:40, FAT:22, CAR:77, CHO:95, SOD:922.
TUESDAY, FEB. 28: BBQ pork ribs, au gratin potatoes, jellied beet salad, citrus fruit mix. CAL:656, PRO:27, FAT:19, CAR:97, CHO:40, SOD:1357.
WEDNESDAY, FEB. 29: *Happy Birthday!* Baked chicken, mashed potatoes, chicken gravy, Island vegetables, Under-the-sea gelatin mold. CAL:919, PRO:49, FAT:34, CAR:105, CHO:122, SOD:1000.
FRIDAY, MAR. 2: Turkey with gravy, yam/apple bake, peas & onions, pineapple/cranberry hot rolls, pumpkin pie with topping. CAL:726, PRO:43, FAT:12, CAR:112, CHO:83, SOD:663.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW EDEN Pregnancy Care Services - pregnancy tests, emergency supplies, guidance by trained volunteers, classes on pregnancy and child care, post-abortion support, referrals. Mondays and Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., 345 Main Street, Meeker. Email: newedenpcs@gmail.com or (970)878-5117. All services are confidential.

PENNIES PLUS PROJECT

The Rio Blanco County Historical Society is asking everyone to share your pennies (PLUS...all other coins accepted!) to help us pay off our book loan debt. **We need...10 MILLION PENNIES!!!** Coin containers are everywhere in Meeker as well as the White River Museum

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The Rio Blanco Herald Times accepts all major credit cards. You can fax your classified ad or subscription to (970)878-4016 or email to: deb@theheraldtimes.com

FAMILY DOG training class, 6 weeks starting March 3. Limited space for more info., call Arlene 878-5655 or Laura 824-5148.

IF YOU want to perfect your vocal skills, experienced vocal instructor has openings available to help you with your performance, vocalizing and breathing techniques. Call (970)756-5285 or 878-5587 or stop by Radio Shack in Meeker and speak with Karla.

MEEKER HOUSING Authority Board of Directors meet the 2nd Thursday of the month at 4 p.m. at The Pines, 875 Water St., Meeker.

RIO BLANCO County Woolgrowers will meet Friday, March 2, 2012 at Kilowatt Korner in Meeker. Trail meeting starts at 8 a.m. Regular meeting follows at 10 a.m. If you are interested in sheep/goats, you are invited to attend. Lunch will be served along with doughnuts and coffee in the morning.

LEGAL NOTICES

COMBINED NOTICE
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

PLEASE SAVE the date May 21, 2012 for the Fifth and Final Coach Bob Tucker Golf Tournament.

NEXT TEA Party Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 23, 7 p.m. at Kilowatt Korner in Meeker. Guest speakers will be the 2012 Rio Blanco candidates for County Commissioner: Christine Brasfield-(Rangely) Jon Hill - (Rangely) Jeff Eskelson - (Meeker) Kia Turner- (Meeker) - Incumbent They will talk about their candidacy and answer questions. Everyone is invited!

PISTOL RIVER LEATHER

A fruit is a vegetable with looks and money. Plus, if you let fruit rot, it turns into wine, something Brussels Sprouts never do.
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www.pistolriverleather.com

SAFEHOUSE

If you are being abused physically or mentally, you can call SAFEHOUSE for confidential shelter and help.
878-3131

Alcoholics Anonymous

Mon. 8 pm, Weds. 7 pm, Fri. 7 pm
St. James Church - enter from back parking lot, meetings are downstairs in Richards Hall, 4th & Park, Meeker
878-4158 • 878-5919
• 878-5636
Alanon Thurs. 7 p.m. 878-5655

Rangely Victim Services

An open door for the protection and care of abused and battered persons. **Non-emergency call 629-5729 or 629-0709. Emergencies call 911.** Providing assistance for victims of violent crimes.

APPRECIATION

Thank You!

It was good of you to stop and finish cleaning my driveway. I didn't get to say thank you, pay you, nor do I know who you are. I just know you are compassionate and will to do a good deed when beckoned and I am grateful! L.C.

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AUCTIONS

AUCTION, SATURDAY, Feb. 25, 10 a.m., 3583 Grand Valley Canal Road, Palisade, Colo. 1995 Freightliner semi tractor, 5 semi trailers - drop deck, flatbed, 2 enclosed vans, stock trailer. D4 dozer, front end loader, belly dump, 2 tractors, swather, small baler, stack wagon, feed wagon, manure spreader, farm truck, flatbed & horse trailers, forklift, rock crawler, 3 pt. attachments, fuel and water tanks, guns, small gun safe, glassware, antiques & collectibles, antique tools, belt buckles, pocket watch, saddle, tack, anvil, cast iron items, 4 walking plows, 7 row creaser, vehicle engines and parts, semi parts, panels, hog panels, shop tools, power tools, table saws, tool boxes, oxy torch set, furniture, lots of big tires, old straw and more. Lloyd owner. For more info., call CP Auction Service (970)260-5577. See web: www.cpauction.com "Call me about a sale for you!"

Consignment Auction, Sat. Feb. 25, 10 a.m. Garfield County Fairgrounds, Rifle, Colo. Household, 5 piece bedroom set, dressers, tables, chairs, beds, 4 bunk bed sets - 1 complete, 3 washer and dryer (sets), Hobart meat slicer, file cabinets, wood and metal book cases, 3 saddles, large tent, fishing & camping gear, paint ball gun, chain saw, hand & air tools, 2000 Honda CR-V. Much, much more! Ralph Fritzlau, Auctioneer. Complete list at www.silvernickelauction.com (970)283-5416 or (970)571-1608.

FIREWOOD

FIREWOOD - TIS Ranch wood lot. Pine, spruce, aspen \$165/cord. We load, you haul. Inquire if you need a short order or us to haul/unload. HAY - Second cutting, limited supply \$6/bale. Jarrell Massey 878-5436, Sam Stranathan 878-4670.

GUNS

FOR YOUR GUN ADDICT! Remington pump action 12 gauge shotgun, model 870. \$650 OBO (970)220-2228.

HUNTING

HUSBAND AND wife looking for private land to hunt elk 1st rifle season. (920)251-2051.

ELK AND deer antlers wanted. We can pick up. Call (208)403-3140 for prices.

PHEASANT HUNTING

1200 private acres
20 miles from Grand Junction
brokenspokerranch.com
(970)241-3949

MISCELLANEOUS

ASK ABOUT OUR CNC MACHINING

Can't get a metal part? We can make all kinds of parts. We have CNC Machine equipment, lathe and tooling to do the job. Contact Phil at Family Automotive and Machine. (970)878-5606.

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

1940S VINTAGE Kimball console piano, cherry wood, ivory keys, very good condition, \$650 OBO. 878-5177.

PERSONALS

BRING ME your tattered and worn and I'll fix 'em. The Seamstress (970)878-3193.

LEGAL NOTICES

COMBINED NOTICE
CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 11-37

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HELP WANTED:

Coaching Vacancies

Meeker Re-1 School District is seeking qualified applicants for the 2011-2012 season to serve as head track coach, and assistant track coach at Barone Middle School, and assistant baseball coach at Meeker High School. Interested applicants should submit a letter of interest, a completed coaching application, and resume to the Meeker School District office. Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled. Applications can be picked up at the District Office located at 368 4th Street.

The Meeker Re-1 School District is an Equal Opportunity Employer

HELP WANTED: PART TIME

Rangely Public School District is looking for exceptional people. If you believe in making our schools better, and that every student deserves a high quality education then consider these positions. In Rangely School District you either provide direct instruction or you support those that do.

We are accepting applications for one Custodian at Parkview Elementary School. This is a casual position of eight-hours a week with no benefits. Work schedule will be Monday - Thursday 4pm-6pm. This position will include locking down and securing the building each night. Applicant needs to be a team player, self-motivated, energetic person who can manage their time efficiently.

Applications may be picked up at the District Office, 402 West Main Street, or can be found on the web www.rangelyk12.org; please return the applications to the district office. All positions are contingent upon passing fingerprinting/background check. We will be accepting applications until position is filled. If you have questions or need more information please contact the district office at 970-675-2207.

Rangely Public School District is an Equal Employment Opportunity

WORK WANTED

DIAZ STUCCO - Licensed and insured. Complete stucco, stone and drywall. Remodel and new homes. Concrete including sidewalks, pathways and driveways. (970)778-9032 or (970)986-2320.

WORK WANTED

LEAVING TOWN?

Need your house/animals/plants taken care of while you're gone? Responsible adult available to housesit. Call Jamie for rates and details at (970)878-3779.

PICKUPS 4X4

2001 F250 Super Duty XLT Crew short bed, 4x4, 7.3L diesel, 95K miles. Kelly Blue Book \$15,500. \$13,500 firm. (970)878-0624.

SPORT UTILITIES

2003 JEEP Wrangler Sport X model, 30K miles, automatic, AM/FM/CD stereo, hard top, soft top, AC, power steering, cruise, power brakes, trailer hitch, \$15,500. Call (970)878-4034.

ALL TERRAIN VEHICLES

2010 Yamaha Grizzly 90cc ATV, purchased new for \$2600, selling for \$2000. Too big for our kids, only ridden 3 times. (970)629-5325 or (970)629-9937.

MOTORCADE: MISC.

TRAILERS, HITCHES, flatbeds, toolboxes, trailer service and truck accessories. We are a "one stop shop" truck and trailer outfitter. B&W gooseneck hitches \$597 installed. Pine Country Trailer Sales, Grand Junction. 1-800-287-6532.

ROCKY MOUNTAIN Auto-Craig. Selling quality used cars, with limited warranty, financing WAC, give us a call 824-5749, Dealer.

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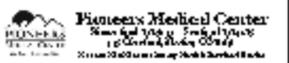
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DISTRICT COURT, WATER DIVISION 6, COLORADO TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN WATER APPLICATIONS IN WATER DIVISION 6

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, 2012.

11CW27 RIO BLANCO COUNTY, APPLICATION FOR CHANGE OF WATER RIGHT. Applicants: Steve Dempsey & Susan Dempsey, 8399 CR2, Rangely, CO 81648, steved53@wildblue.net, 970-640-7759. Decreed water right for which change is sought: Structure, Robin-sun Wordell #6; Dates of decrees: 11-20-1895 & 7-17-74 Case #W-3118 (Division 5 Water Court); Legal Description, SW1/4 Sec. 11, T1N, R103W, of 6th PM, 1317 ft. from S and 17 Ft. from W line; UTM, Northing 4437216, Easting 676266, Zone 12, points were averaged. Decreed source of water: White River. Appropriation Dates: 11-20-1896 & 7-17-1974. Total amount decreed to structure: 9.9 cfs. Decreed use: irrigation. Amount of water intending to change: 1.666 cfs. If change in point of diversion, provide legal description: Lat. Long. N 40 deg 04.084", W 108 deg 56.112". UTM: Northing 0675971, Easting 4437455, Zone 12, points were averaged. Name of landowners: same as applicants.

11CW41. CONCERNING THE APPLICATION FOR WATER RIGHTS OF MILK CREEK RANCH, LLC, IN A TRIBUTARY OF MILK CREEK, TRIBUTARY TO THE YAMPA RIVER, IN RIO BLANCO COUNTY, COLORADO. 1. Applicant: Milk Creek Ranch, LLC, c/o Mike Mitchell, 968 County Road 42, Meeker, Co. 81641; mikem@suncoastbev.com; (970) 826-9766. Please send all correspondence to Beth Ann J. Parsons, Law Office of Beth Ann J. Parsons, 125 Locust Street, Denver, CO 80220, (303) 394-3226. 2. Name of structures. A. Milk Creek Ranch House Spring. B. Milk Creek Ranch Spring No. 1. C. Milk Creek Ranch Spring No. 2. D. Milk Creek Ranch Spring No. 3. 3. Legal description of each point of diversion: A. Milk Creek Ranch House Spring: SW1/4 of the NE1/4 of Section 25, Township 3 North, Range 92 West, 6th P.M., 2486' from the East line, 2249' from the North line, in Rio Blanco County. B. Milk Creek Ranch Spring No. 1: SW1/4 of the SW1/4 of Section 35, Township 3 North, Range 92 West, 6th P.M., 1053' from the West line, 781' from the South line, in Rio Blanco County. C. Milk Creek Ranch Spring No. 2: SW1/4 of the SW1/4 of Section 35, Township 3 North, Range 92 West, 6th P.M., 6834' from the West line, 223' from the South line, in Rio Blanco County. D. Milk Creek Ranch Spring No. 3: SW1/4 of the SW1/4 of Section 35, Township 3 North, Range 92 West, 6th P.M., 1307' from the West line, 726' from the South line, in Rio Blanco County. 4. Source: All are tributary to Milk Creek, tributary to the Yampa River. 5. Date of initiation of appropriation: A. Milk Creek Ranch House Spring: August 1, 2008. B. Milk Creek Ranch Spring No. 1: August 24, 2011. C. Milk Creek Ranch Spring No. 2: August 24, 2011. D. Milk Creek Ranch Spring No. 3: August 24, 2011. 6. How appropriation was initiated: A. Milk Creek Ranch House Spring: By development of spring and installation of pipes to provide water to main house. B. Milk Creek Ranch Spring No. 1: By meeting with the Water Commissioner to identify location and planned use of water right. C. Milk Creek Ranch Spring No. 2: By meeting with the Water Commissioner to identify location and planned use of water right. D. Milk Creek Ranch Spring No. 3: By meeting with the Water Commissioner to identify location and planned use of water right. 7. Date water applied to beneficial use: A. Milk Creek Ranch House Spring: February 1, 2010. B. Milk Creek Ranch Spring No. 1: N/A. C. Milk Creek Ranch Spring No. 2: N/A. D. Milk Creek Ranch Spring No. 3: N/A. 8. Amount claimed: A. Milk Creek Ranch House Spring: 0.016 c.f.s. (7 g.p.m.), absolute. B. Milk Creek Ranch Spring No. 1: 0.027 c.f.s. (12 g.p.m.), conditional. C. Milk Creek Ranch Spring No. 2: 0.011 c.f.s. (5 g.p.m.), conditional. D. Milk Creek Ranch Spring No. 3: 0.007 c.f.s. (3 g.p.m.), conditional. 9. Use or proposed use: A. Milk Creek Ranch House Spring: Domestic use in house located in the SW1/4 of the NE1/4 of Section 25, Township 3 North, Range 92 West, 6th P.M., 2486' from the East line, 2249' from the North line. The location of the house and spring is designated on the attached map. B. Milk Creek Ranch Spring No. 1: Domestic use in a proposed house located in the NW1/4 of the SW1/4 of Section 35, Township 3 North, Range 92 West, 6th P.M., livestock watering, and irrigation of up to 5 acres located in the W1/2 of Section 35, Township 3 North, Range 92 West in the 6th P.M. The approximate location of the proposed house and proposed irrigated acreage are designated on the attached map. C. Milk Creek Ranch Spring No. 2: Domestic use in a proposed house located in the NW1/4 of the SW1/4 of Section 35, Township 3 North, Range 92 West, 6th P.M., livestock watering, and irrigation of up to 5 acres located in the W1/2 of Section 35, Township 3 North, Range 92 West in the 6th P.M. The approximate location of the proposed house and proposed irrigated acreage are designated on the attached map. D. Milk Creek Ranch Spring No. 3: Domestic use in a proposed house located in the NW1/4 of the SW1/4 of Section 35, Township 3 North, Range 92 West, 6th P.M., livestock watering, and irrigation of up to 5 acres located in the W1/2 of Section 35, Township 3 North, Range 92 West in the 6th P.M. The approximate location of the proposed house and proposed irrigated acreage are designated on the attached map. 10. Name and address of owner of the land upon which any new diversion is or will be constructed: Milk Creek Ranch, LLC., 968 County Road 42, Meeker, Colorado 81641.

12CW1. CONCERNING THE APPLICATION FOR WATER RIGHTS OF MILK CREEK RANCH, LLC, IN A TRIBUTARY OF MILK CREEK, TRIBUTARY TO THE YAMPA RIVER, IN RIO BLANCO COUNTY, COLORADO. 1. Applicant: Milk Creek Ranch, LLC, c/o Mike Mitchell, 968 County Road 42, Meeker, Co. 81641; mikem@suncoastbev.com; (970) 826-9766. Please send all correspondence to Beth Ann J. Parsons, Law Office of Beth Ann J. Parsons, 125 Locust Street, Denver, CO 80220, (303) 394-3226. 2. Decreed water right for which change is sought: A. Name of structure: John Rescorla Ditch, a.k.a John Rescorla Ditch or Upper Milk Creek Ditch. B. Date of original and all relevant subsequent decrees: 1. The original water right for the John Rescorla Ditch was adjudicated in the Moffat County District Court on August 22, 1916, for 1.08 c.f.s. absolute. 2. The First Enlargement of the John Rescorla Ditch was adjudicated in the Supplemental Adjudication of September 1, 1960, District Court, Water District No. 44, in Case No. CA1278, for 3.12 c.f.s. absolute. C. Legal description of structure as described in most recent decree: The point of diversion is located on the left (east) bank of Milk Creek at a point from whence the Township corner between Townships 2 and 3 North, Ranges 91 and 91 West of the Sixth Principal Meridian, bears N. 16° E, 3865 feet. The location is depicted in Figure 1 of the engineering report prepared by Deere & Aull Consultants and attached hereto as Exhibit 1. D. Decreed source of water: Milk Creek. E. Appropriation Dates: 1. John Rescorla Ditch: May 1, 1913. 2. First Enlargement of the John Rescorla Ditch: May 31, 1923. E. Total amount decreed to structure: 4.2 c.f.s. absolute. F. Decreed use or uses: Irrigation. F. Amount of water that applicant intends to change: 4.2 c.f.s. absolute. 3. Detailed description of proposed change: A. The Applicant seeks to adjudicate an alternate point of diversion, described below, for the 4.2 c.f.s. of water adjudicated to the John Rescorla Ditch. There are no intervening points of diversion between the decreed point of diversion for the John Rescorla Ditch and the proposed alternate point of diversion. The water will continue to be used for irrigation in its originally decreed location. B. The alternate point of diversion is located in the NWNE of Section 1, Township 2 N Range 92 W, in the 6th P.M., 2568' from the East line and 433' from the North line. The location is depicted in Figure 1 of Exhibit 1, attached hereto. 4. Name and address of owner of the land upon which any new diversion or storage structure, or modification to any existing diversion or storage structure is or will be constructed or upon which water is or will be stored, including any modification to the existing storage pool: Milk Creek Ranch, LLC., 968 County Road 42, Meeker, Colorado 81641. You are hereby notified that you will have until the last day of MARCH, 2012 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 \$158.00, and should be sent to the Clerk of the Water Court, Division 6, P.O. Box 773117, Steamboat Springs, CO 80477.

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CNCC Nursing Program Gains Accreditation



DENISE WADE

By Zoe Sowers
Reporter

"It's really incredible!" were the first words out of Kelly Martin's mouth with a huge, beautiful smile. Honestly who wouldn't be thrilled to have almost completed the long and extensive journey of getting the National Nursing Accreditation? This is a huge step in our new school and our top program at CNCC in Craig. Since the Nursing Program is a vast part of the school this accreditation will give the already wonderful program more validity.

The accreditation process is two years long and covers three stages. The first step is to do a site visit where they produce a final report.

This will tell the Commission whether this program is prepared and meet all the six criteria. The second step is when the ERP (evaluation review panel) discusses the final report from the site visit and decides rather to pass the school on. The third step is when the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission gets to decide if the school gets the actual accreditation.

The Nursing program has very high confidence that we will be a shoo-in. "We meet all the six standards, had amazing feedback from the people doing the site visit, while also having amazing faculty and students," said Kelly Martin.

"I'm happy to play a supporting role for the nursing program,

and my anatomy and physiology students will be fine professional clinicians," says Chris Sowers, the anatomy and physiology professor at CNCC-Craig.

One of the standards so exciting for the Nursing Program to meet was that the entire faculty had to have Master's degrees, and they all made it. Members of the Nursing faculty were able to teach full-time, while getting their Master's degrees as well to meet the second standard; it was a major accomplishment, and they are super proud to have reached it.

There are many ways this accreditation will benefit our students on the CNCC Craig campus. Since the Nursing Program is one of the most sought after

programs on the Craig campus. They have estimated that over half of the students that will be living in the soon-to-come residence halls will be nursing students. This will make the program have even higher academic standards, and make it much easier to get a job right after graduating.

Chet Peterson, a current nursing student said, "I'm very proud to be a part of the nursing program, and see it grow and develop" and I totally agree. It's an amazing feeling to be a part of a school that is in major positive transition, and making important decisions that will help propel all students forward in their academic goals and careers.

Keepin' it Clean

By Emoney Brown
Reporter

Some of the students on campus are complaining about what needs to be done to keep our campus clean. Everyday there's trash being thrown in the parking lot or outside of Ross and Nichols Buildings. Reasons are because there are no trash bins or recycle bins out where people get out their car and have the most trash sometimes.

Students do this because there are no places to put their trash, so there tempted to just throw it outside on the ground. Student Senate is trying to get more trash bins and even recycling bins on campus to at least help keep our campus clean. At every meeting we have For Student Senate we talk about getting the bins to make our campus easier to keep clean. Katie who's in Student Senate has been trying her best Even Dan.

This would help in many ways since we represent our school. Anything we do can affect the view of our campus to other's that might want to come up for visit. It would even help us look presentable as a college.

Just stop throwing trash on our school grounds, people don't want to be in a trashed area and this is our home for those of us who live on campus. Schools in California are required to use several garbage bins that are placed outside the doors which was stated on yahoo news.

That has helped keep their grounds in a high standard of cleanliness as well as in the community.

Even if you wouldn't want to touch sharp items such as broken class trash that's busted open, you can get help from one of the custodian's. We also should encourage all students on and off campus to help out by just picking up any little piece of trash. Anything will keep improving the cleaning effort of our campus.

There are also ways to keeps students who smoke to stop throwing their cigarette butts on the ground after their done smoking. We can get cigarette dispensers and put them all over the campus even by the benches where they sit down and smoke. In our class rooms we could even have recycle boxes for paper and plastic.

A young man named Mike from yahoo answers.com said "There are for ways he thinks how u can keep a campus clean". First you can have each student clean up behind themselves, secondly at the end of the day the teachers should participate by cleaning up whatever mess that's been left behind, thirdly hire more custodial staff, and finally when students get in trouble on campus they should have to clean up on the weekends as in community service for our campus. There are many ways that you can help keeps the campus clean but what are you going to do?

New hang out for CNCC students

By Jamie Bair
Copy Editor

Here at Colorado Northwestern Community College (CNCC) we are remaking the old Bronco room into a new and improved student center. The Bronco will now be known as "The Den".

Katie LaBeef, Assistant Director of Residence Life and Activities here at CNCC, stated "The name, 'The Den,' was voted on and chosen out of a few other options, by the student body. The Den is being transformed into a free, safe, and open space for CNCC students to utilize as a student center."

Students will be able to study, relax, and socialize and play games inside The Den. Dan Parrish, Director of Residence Life and Activities states, "The real purpose of this room is to give students a hang out space before, between, and after class also giving our students something to do throughout the day, and into the night."

The Den is open to everyone. "All faculty, staff, and students are welcome. We also welcome guests to come and check out The Den. So if you see someone on a tour feel free to show them around,"

commented Parrish.

The Den will be open during the day on Sunday through Wednesday from 9:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m. and Thursday through Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. Student Government wants students to get in this area and have fun and relax and use it.

Jessica Madsen, a sophomore representative for Student Government stated, "I am excited for The Den to be opened up to students." Madsen hopes that students will respect this new space and enjoy it.

Jose Vargas, a student athlete here at CNCC stated, "I think this place is really cool with all the new stuff. The pool table and the new projector and screen are my favorite. I think it's great that students will be able to watch Blu-ray movies and access DISH satellite."

Vargas continues by saying, "Also with the wireless internet we will be able to study there if we want." Vargas believes that he will be spending a lot of time in there.

When asking Belen Garcia, a student athlete at CNCC, about The Den, she replied "I didn't know anything about it until I walked in and saw a new pool table

and projector; my first thought was 'this place is nice.'"

When Garcia found out this new place was available for students she was excited and commented "I am going to spend as much time as possible in The Den. It is nice to have a new place to hang out with friends."

When asked what The Den had in it Parrish replied, "The Den is currently broken up into five sections: the game room, the TV room, the pool table, the study nook, and the kitchen."

The game room holds six new LAN gaming stations, XBOX 360s with comfortable headphones that allow you to lose yourself in the gaming experience as well as six LCD monitors.

Also found within The Den is a brand new pool table in the front room, "The pool table is probably the item I am most excited about," commented Parrish. "The Manhattan Pool Table delivers a refined black stain finish on a solid hardwood frame. Sitting on top of the frame is imported, one inch thick, slate, wrapped in a rich red Teflon cloth."

The Table is red and black to show school spirit. Also provided



Left: Katie LaBeef playing pool in the renovated Den. Above: New study area for students.

in The Den are all the materials needed to play the game of pool; all the cues, balls, brushes, and chalk are waiting for you to take a hold and enjoy.

Found within the TV room portion of The Den is brand new furniture, including: three couches, two chairs and two tables. Student Government chose to go with a large screen and projector over a traditional TV to better fill the room with stunning visual images, commented Parrish. The TV room also includes DISH satellite, a Blu-ray DVD player, and a 5.1 surround sound system.

The study nook is located on the raised platform when you come into The Den. This space is currently holding a couple comfy

couches and some tables. Feel free to come into this space in-between classes to study.

Parrish states, "This space is still fluid, and might evolve into something else based on student input and student intuitive."

If you have any comments or concerns about The Den you can talk with any of the Student Government members, as well as Dan Parrish and Katie LaBeef.

The kitchen is currently not in use, however, Student Government hopes to have that changed by next year. Student Government would like to have some sort of food and drink options available to students that would be available to students throughout the day.

Student Government is hoping to

begin a new campaign to decorate the now empty walls of The Den.

LaBeef, advisor of Student Government, commented that Student Government members want students to submit pieces of artwork, old belongings, quirky items, antiques, anything that they are willing to part with if chosen to grace the walls of our new student center.

A panel of student judges and advisors will be formed to vote every couple of weeks on a new addition for the walls. Student Government would like students to recognize this space as their own, somewhere where they can come to get away from things and have a good time.



THE SPARTAN TIMES
FEATURE



Student Government Minutes: February 15th

Meeting called to order by President Marco Sanchez at 8:35p.m. On February 15, 2012

Attendance

Marco Sanchez, Zach Higgins, Britton Coil, Aleksei Sharp, Jamie Bair, Jaynelle Johnson, and Emoney Brown

Absent:

Jessica Madsen (sick)
Sharayah Bachler (work)

Clubs in Attendance

Rock & Ice, Ranch Club, and Spartan Times

Jaynelle Johnson motioned to approve last week's minutes of 02/08/12, Aleksei seconded the motion, all in favor 6-0-0

Officer Reports:

President Marco Sanchez:

Pool table is in!!

Vice President Zack Higgins:

Tell people about the Den, we want people to use our new space.

Working on constitution, making changes friday and then will bring it to student government to vote.

alot of stuff that we want to change in there, one of the things is changing that clubs can vote.

Treasurer Financial Report:

-Valentines day spent/sales: \$ 39,69

-Clubs and Organizations: \$2,145

-Activities: 3,635

-Student printing: \$210

-Supplies: 1,000

-Leadership project: 3,400

Secretary

-Spartan Times Posting Minutes

Our school news paper will be posting our minutes to inform students more about our Student Government Meetings

REPS

Jaynelle: said sophomore class is wanting more dances

Aleksei: pple in town and out of town want the weight room to be available, from 8-1

suggestion from Zach is weight room at high school. community gave weights to this college so they want to have access. he will get their names and find out more.... Dan

replied 10,000 goes to Rec center that comes out of student Fees.

Emoney: also stated that the freshmen class is wanting dances

Advisors

Katie: none; Dan: the Den sign, Student Government Logo, Old Business.

The Den sign :

Making a competition between students winner gets a prize whether it be a single person or a club (falls under Activities committee). Prizes

ideas... allocating \$100 to a club if they win,

Zach moved to allocate \$100 to the club winners, Jaynelle seconded the motion. Motion passes all in favor 6-0-0

\$25 dollar gift certificate to the coffee shop,

Britton moved to allocate \$25 to the coffee shop to the individual winner of the Den sign, Jaynelle Johnson seconded the motion, motion passes 6-0-0

Student Government Logo

To let students know what we do what we offer. Basically to get our name out there.

Think of designs bring them in next meeting

A&P club approval

did the crab crack as a fundraiser

Rec Nights

Feb 23rd 9-11p.m. April 26th for rec nights

New Business

The Den:

Rules: frames will have rules on them

Hours: 9:00AM - 9:00PM (sunday - Wednesday)

possibly extending hours on weekend 9:00AM -11:00PM (Thurs.-Saturday)

Emoney moved to change the hours of the Den, Jaynelle seconded the motion, all in favor, 6-0-0

Rec night Febuary 23rd at 9:00PM

Set up and participation

Allocation

Britton moved that we allocate \$200 for rec night, Jaynelle seconded the motion, all in favor 6-0-0

Activities committee is in charge of designing posters and getting them up for Rec nights!

New events or activities

Country Swing Dance night: tabled

discusion ...we would like to add to the class that we have here on campus and give students a chance to learn a new style of dancing

Proposed matching fund of Ranch Team's \$70 from the bake sale, Zach moved to match the \$70 of the ranch team's fundraiser, Jaynelle seconded the motion, all in favor 6-0-0.

Stipends: \$5,600

Activites: 5,000...discusion tabled

Reduce the amount in the budget for stipends and put it towards activities; giving it back to students.

Are students participating for the money or for helping the campus and being involved?

The money shouldn't be a factor but in some cases it might be.

Budget breakdown for next year... katie will bring next time

Announcements

Pictures: send dan a picture, pictures are for advertisemnet to put together and advertise for Student Government and invite students to meetings. e-mail Dan @ Daniel.Parrish@cncc.edu

Facebook Page: posting events if you have been to facebook but not on to CNCC student life...DO IT!

"LIKE US BECAUSE WE LIKE YOU!" ... go on facebook, search CNCC student life... that's us!

Emoney questions about doing student government Shirts, doing logo on them.

CLUBS ATTENDING

Rock & Ice: in attendance

Spartan Times: fundraiser didn't go that well because people didn't really come to the game.

Ranch Team: would like to do concessions and make signs for advertising

Committees

Britton handed out signup sheet for club committee

Leadership committee alexsei putting of fliers and information.

Adjournment:

Meeting ajourned at 9:28 p.m. on February 15, 2012

Hasan Davis performs for Black history month



Monte Campbell

By Jamie Levin
Reporter

February is Black History Month. On Monday February 13th Hasan Davis, head of the Juvenile Justice System in Kentucky as well as a youth advocate and performer, came and performed at CNCC.

Davis's presentation was very straightforward. He stood on the stage by himself dressed in the uniform of a Union Civil War soldier; he had no props with him, and he didn't even use a microphone.

As visually simple as this performance was, the emotion and power in Davis's voice and presence was very clear. One student said "I thought the performance was great.

It was very moving and inspiring. I wish the school would have more motivational speakers come to speak."

Davis's performance was a 40 minute monologue from the point of view of an African American soldier fighting on the Union side of the Civil War. Following the monologue, there was a short question and answer period.

During this question and answer period, Davis took questions from the audience and also took the opportunity to tell stories that did not always agree with what is written in History books.

"Davis handled the question and answer section very well. He



Monte Campbell

Left: Hasan David prtratys Union Solider. Above: Hasan Davis and CNCC President Russell George

answered the questions while adding useful information that I hadn't known before," CNCC student Vanessa Flores said.

When Davis was asked why he decided to do this sort of presentation, he took the time to speak a bit more about himself. He said that he acted in college and he enjoyed the opportunity to "try on different masks and be different people". After college he went on to law school and became a lawyer, but he decided to go back into acting.

His reason for this was that he not only wanted to entertain people, but he also wanted to get people thinking and talking. He specifically chooses the pieces he performs because he wants to show people that their stories could be the next ones.

Davis's current job as the head

of the Juvenile Justice System in Kentucky is very important to him. As someone who has been through the juvenile system, he understands the kids he works with and he is able to connect with them on a personal level.

According to his website, about 15 years ago when Davis was roaming the streets with a machine gun, his mother told him, "It's time for you to prove everybody right or prove everybody wrong." These words along with participating in a robbery in Atlanta when he was 21 were ultimately what motived Davis to turn his life around and start making different decisions.

More information about Hasan Davis can be found at www.hasandavis.com

Nicki Minaj, taking it too far?



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Nicki Minaj performing at the Grammy's

By Sharayah Bachler
Copy Editor

For what was supposed to be a night of recognition and remembrance for talented individuals, Nicki Minaj swept in with a terrifying and some even saying a 'blasphemous'

(The Rolling Stone) performance. Nicki's efforts in putting together a theatrical performance were definitely recognized, but did she go too far?

The new artist that has been topping charts for the last year with hits like "Super Bass" and

"Moment 4 Life" performed at music's biggest night leaving some in shock. Her performance was reminiscent of Madonna's scandal with the cross as it is seen as sac religious and just a ploy for attention. Both Minaj and her choreographer, Lauriann Gibson, worked together to create a "very theatrical, very dramatic, very big, very bold without it being literal," performance (www.mtv.com) said Gibson in an interview. Nicki commented on her performance and critics saying "I gave the world a tiny little preview of what was to come. And so I have to perform it on the set in which it would be in the movie, right?" (www.nydailynews.com) Though both the women may just look at Minaj's show as being theatrical, many commented on it being offensive and too provocative for an audience that ranged from ages 5-80 something's.

Her performance included an awful rendition of "I Feel Pretty" and a creepy version of "Come All Ye Faithful." Her little show also included an exorcism, altar boys worshipping scantily clad women, and a levitation. All of which Nicki thought would not provoke any criticism or offense.

Minaj may have great potential for being a talented female rapper, but her need for attention and being seen as 'different' really is just having people compare her to Madonna and Lady Gaga. With so much controversy over her performance one would think that she may have a contrite apology, but she has stood beside her performance saying that they took care as to not offend anyone.

Best of luck to her, but let's just hope she relies on talent instead of controversy next time.

location from the elements with a visible location on campus. It was partnered with the CNCC Snow Park that gave it a great successful year, although the climate did not give a lot of help for the park never opened because of the unusual climate this year. This ice wall was the result of several people's hard work and extended hours. Its development was based on knowledge obtained from last year's wall, new innovations and insights. The wall rose to approximately 35 feet. This year the ice wall was used several times weekly by students, staff, facility and members of the community.

Acquisition of new equipment gave an edge to the wall's existence in the future. Boots purchased at the end of the ice climbing year from an outfit that was retiring some of their rental fleet, and crampons, was instrumental.

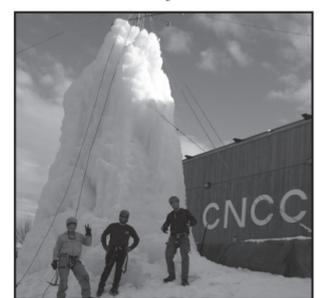
The ice wall was used for a credit bearing class and for practice of technics before two climbing trips to Ouray, Colorado. Having a lot of fun in a spectacular sport, have an opportunity to explore, and having an ability to make new friends are some few things students were able to achieve.

Next year's ice wall will expand on the new knowledge gained this year

and hopefully new construction materials which should increase its height and girth and make for some more varied vertical terrain.

"It appears that we are coming to the end of our ice climbing season with a finally of an ORP sponsored trip to Ouray, Colorado the weekend of February 24th" said Mark McLaughlin. The campus ice wall will be open as long as possible with the outdoor temperatures effect on the ice being the driving facture. We are continuing this strange winter with warmer night and day temps which will likely end our ice climbing season soon.

With the ice climbing season ending this will begin our glorious rock climbing season! The CNCC, Rangely rock gym is now heated and will begin regular hours the week of February 27th. Watch for posted times around campus. Climb on.



ALEKSEI SHARP

CNCC's ice wall

By Aleksei Sharp
Business Manager

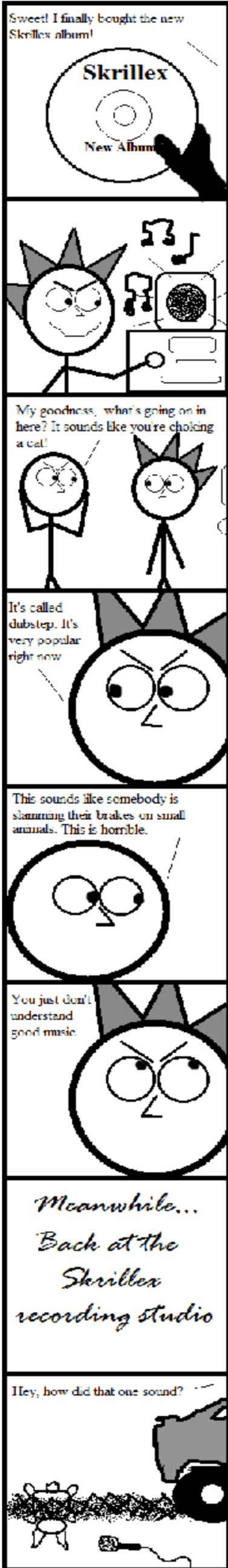
CNCC, Rangely is one of the very few campuses in the country with their own ice climbing wall. Last year was a great first attempt

of the "Beta" ice wall on campus which rose to ~26 feet. It was a great success but had limited use by the students or community mostly because of lack of equipment; boots in particular. This year the wall was moved to a more sheltered



campus chaos!

By Michael Dillon, Layout



Disclaimer: Skrillex might not record by harming animals.

Sky gazing



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By Alex Mackey
Layout/ Design Editor

The planets and many astronomical happenings are always occurring. To view these spectacles one must know when and where to look, in the sky. Here is a list of what to look forward to from now through the end of March:

- February 25: The moon and Venus will join to in the evening sky.
- February 29: The moon is at the state known as the First Quarter

Moon.

March 3: Mars shines brighter and appears larger than it has ever since February of 2010.

March 8: Full moon

March 14: Moon enters the Last Quarter Moon state

March 22: New moon

March 30: First Quarter Moon

If you enjoy viewing the sky in search of planets here is the times and locations to view all visible.

In the evening sky you can

find Mercury, Venus, Jupiter, and Uranus to the west. Also to the east Mars will also be visible.

If you are awake at midnight and find yourself in a sky gazing mood Mars will be visible to the south and Saturn to the southeast.

For viewing in the morning as you wake up Mars will be in the western sky, Saturn in the southwest, and Neptune to the east.

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Check in next week for the answer!

WHERE'S WILEY?



Joe Wiley has gone missing! Somewhere on one of these four pages, Joe Can you help us find him so we can get him back to teaching his students?

Have any questions for Ashley? Email them to her at: ashley-blake@hotmail.com



THE SPARTAN TIMES
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Spartan Basketball Games in Idaho



Coach Hayes Teaching his boys new skills

MONIQUE MIER

By *Belen Garcia*
Reporter

Colorado Northwestern Community College men and women's basketball teams traveled to Idaho on February 7th and were on the road for five days. On their way to Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, they stopped at Dillon, Montana, where they practiced in the gym of the University of Montana Western and spent the night in a hotel.

The following morning, both teams continued their trip to Coeur d'Alene, where they also practiced once they got there. Each team played North Idaho College on Thursday. That morning, before the games, both the men's and women's teams had study hall because they were missing a lot of classes. We asked Riley Parish, a freshman from the men's basketball team, about how hard is it to miss class while travelling. Without a doubt, he said: "It is very hard because you start

missing class and don't get taught everything. Then you start falling behind and have to work that much harder to catch up."

Even though neither one of our teams won, the Lady Spartans were in the game the first half but it was in the second half when North Idaho College (the Cardinals) scored 39 points and the Lady Spartans only scored 14 points. The final score was 44-78. Things did not go much better for the men's team who lost by a total of 30 points.

Friday was spent all day traveling on the bus again, this time to Twin Falls, Idaho. After almost 10 hours traveling, they arrived at the hotel and they went to sleep early to get the sufficient night's rest so they could do their best on the following's day game.

On Saturday morning, both the men's and women's teams had study hall again. After this, they took their basketball shoes and went to the gym of the College of Southern Idaho where one team after the other made the shoot around.

The Lady Spartans game was played at 3:00 pm but they could

not beat CSI; they lost by 18 points. The men's team played was at 5:00 pm, right after the girls, and they also failed to win the game. Their loss was by 22 points. The next day, they came back to Rangely. They spent more than 8 hours on the bus and they arrived at 6:00 pm.

We asked freshman Michelle Blanton about how does she feels traveling for so many hours and then to focus and be ready for the basketball game. She told us: "Honestly, it's kind of hard to adjust. Only because you are in a small space sleeping for so many hours, you only get off the bus to stretch around four times within the weekend, then you have to get up have practice for about an hour, adjust to the gym and your surroundings, play a game, go to sleep and wake up at 6:30 packing and getting ready to do it all over again. It's really not easy trying to stay on track with everything as to where you need to be at certain times as well."

Rodeo Team: Bound for finals?



Brian Larson riding a bull at Rock'N Bull this past September

TED HARPER

By *April Myers*
Editor-in-Chief

The CNCC Rodeo Team is getting ready to start their spring session with dreams of going to the finals in Casper. The team starts their schedule the first weekend in March and will end their season at the end of March. They have five rodeos and three weeks of traveling to do for the spring season. Their first rodeo will be in Ogden, Utah on the 2nd and 3rd of March.

This team actually started out with eight people in the fall with some members leaving the team. CNCC rodeo team now consists of five members plus their head coach, Jed Moore. All of the members on the team this are freshman. The team member's names are Brain Larson, Coty Cornia, Dax Hadlock, Krystal Hensley, and Samantha Larson. Some of the events that these individuals compete in are saddle bronc, bull riding, team roping, break away, barrels and goat tying.

Coach Moore is very proud of his team because they made points in the fall which helps when they are trying to make it to the finals. The rule book of Intercollegiate Rodeo Association has a breakdown of the

points that individuals are able to make if they place in an event. The website states that in a rodeo there are 630 points available to earn. The amount of points that each individual could earn will depend on the way they place in an event. An example would be if someone was to place first in their event on a one go-round event they could earn 145 points. From there the points are broken down until there are no more.

The College National Finals Rodeo website stated that the finals rodeo is compared to that of the "Rose Bowl" of college rodeo. They guess that there will be over 400 cowboys and cowgirls, which consist of over 100 universities and colleges that will attend.

Coach Moore hopes that his team will make enough points to attend this year's finals in Casper. He believes that if his team was to put in a lot of hard work and effort they have the chance of going to the finals this year.

The question was asked of Krystal, will you make it finals this year? Krystal Hensley who is a freshman in the Equine program, answered, "I don't think that I will make it to finals this year but I will give it my best shot. We are a brand new team that is still learning."

Coach Moore was asked about scholarships for the team members. He said, "All of the team members have some sort of scholarship during the spring season. In order to receive a scholarship they must maintain a GPA of 2.0 or higher." Coach Moore was really proud of his team because they all had a GPA of 3.2 or higher last semester.

The scholarship is based on academics as well as what they have to offer the rodeo team in and out of the arena. They are not guaranteed to receive this scholarship every semester they have to earn it. By receiving a scholarship they have showed Coach Moore that they deserve it due to their hard work as individuals and as a team.

When I spoke with the team member, Krystal Hensley, she gave me some insight on what it's like to be on the team. Krystal said, "We are a small family that works together and helps each other out whenever it is needed."

She stated that her practice schedule consist of practicing barrels every day of the week and on Monday and Wednesday she practices goat tying and break away. Coach Moore also stated that the team works out two to three times a week in the gym. Coach Moore does these workouts by

himself; currently he doesn't have an assistant.

Jed Moore competed in bull riding for 16 years until he decided to retire this last year. He decided to take this job because it presented him with a great opportunity with a new program that was starting from the ground up.

He said, "The one thing I want people to realize about the rodeo team is that they have to pay entry fees every time they participate in a rodeo."

When talking to Krystal about the entry fees she said that they do get a little bit of help from the school but not a lot. They all travel as one team in one truck with one horse trailer. Is that something you could handle?

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