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New ambulance for Meeker Fire

By NIKI TURNER
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MEEKER | The Rio Blanco Fire Protection District has anew ambulance. The state-of-the-art 2017 vehicle includes a powered stretcher that can be loaded and unloaded at the push of a button, improving patient comfort and safety while protecting the well-being of first responders. The vehicle has four-point safety harnesses for first responders, enabling them to be securely restrained while treating patients, an infrared camera system that alerts drivers to animals or people in the roadway and a specialized suspension that smooths the ride for patients. The overall cost of the new ambulance is just under $260,000. With three ambulances in rotation, Fire Chief Terry Skidmore said he estimates they average 20,000 miles a year. The new ambulance could last up to 20 years.

"It's well worth the cost if we can get people where they need to be safely," Skidmore said.

The 2017 vehicle replaces a 2006 model that was donated to the Maybell Ambulance service. During a training exercise in Meeker, to which Maybell first responders were invited, Meeker officials learned that Maybell did not have a four-wheel drive ambulance.

"It was a blessing they decided to do this," said Maybell Ambulance director Sherry Johnson. "We're so grateful."

The Maybell Ambulance service covers a remote 2,700 square mile area in northwest Colorado. They have two ambulances in service, the newest of which, before this donation, was a 1995 model.

"In 41 years, we never had the means to have a four-wheel drive vehicle," Johnson said. They've chained up, used personal vehicles, and otherwise done whatever was necessary to respond to calls in their area. Johnson expressed her gratitude for the collaboration with the RBFPD. "Ever since Kris Borchard invited us, we've been working together. We certainly appreciate everything they have done for us."

The Meeker district has three vehicles in operation: a 2001, a 2011 and the new vehicle.

COURTESY PHOTO

When Meeker Fire and Rescue received its new ambulance earlier this year, the department donated the old ambulance to Maybell Ambulance. It's the first four-wheel drive vehicle the Maybell crew has had.

PAT TURNER PHOTO

Massive quilt squares installed on barns and houses indicate the location is part of the Barn Quilt Trail. The Rio Blanco Historical Society is working to bring the Barn Quilt Trail program to RBC.

County's historical society explores Barn Quilt Trail participation

By JEN HILL
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RBC | All across the country, just off many remote highways and roads, are barns and other historical buildings decorated with a large painted quilt squares. The quilt designates the building as having historical importance and are often part of trail system designed to take tourists on a historical tour of the area.

Gaila Bell and the Rio Blanco Historical Society Trails and Antiquities committee are spearheading an effort to bring a Barn Quilt Trail to Rio Blanco. According to Bell the purpose of the trail is, "to preserve history, tell the stories of historical barns, buildings, settlers, guide tourists and visitors to unique shops, museums, farm stands and other points of interest in their county."

There are currently two quilts up in the county; one at Bell's barn off Main St. in Rangely and the other at the historic home of Jim and Nancy Madison in Meeker. The committee has more than 200 potential historical sights which could be marked by quilts.

Bell estimates that more than 27,000 quilt trail tourists travel the trails each year, providing a significant economic benefit to the local communities.

"The Barn Quilt Traveler spends an average of three to seven days in an organized Barn Quilt Trail county. During that time these individuals will be seeking unique shops, historic motels, cafes, local activities and festivities, Barn Quilt Trail maps and Books," she said.

The trails can also benefit the property owners, providing them with a platform to tell the history of their property and the individuals involved with it. The participating properties will not be subject to any historical regulations.

The committee will soon begin encouraging county residences and

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Rangely PD responds to potential school threat

By JEN HILL
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RANGELY | Last Thursday Rangely parents took to Facebook to express concerns about an unusual level of police presence at the local schools. Later that day the Rangely Police Department (RPD) released the following statement on their Facebook page, "Early morning of March 8 the Rangely Police Department was contacted regarding a threat to a high school student which had been posted on social media. The Rangely Police Department mobilized off-duty officers to help with the response and investigation of the threat which resulted in the detention of a high school student for questioning and evaluation. There were no interruptions to the school's schedule while officers were on campus and classes and activities began the day as normally scheduled. Due to the active investigation, details are being withheld at this time."

School District Superintendent Matt Scoggins was pleased with the department's quick response to the situation and stated that there was no direct threat to school by the time school began. Scoggins said that the police presence at the school was due to an "overabundance of caution," and reiterated that student safety is a top priority for the district. "We were safe," he said. The district is currently exploring safety protocol options and Scoggins said that right now is a great time to look at the potential of School Resource Officers.

Following the incident an automated school messenger phone call went out to parents informing them that their students were safe. Scoggins said he is considering ways to more effectively communicate with parents in these types of situations.

Meeker school board votes 6-1 to hire bonding help

By REED KELLEY
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MEEKER | The Meeker Board of Education held a special meeting Monday night to discuss the presentation from the George K. Baum & Company's Denver office the board had at their work session last week. This presentation—focused on the investment banking firm's ability to help the Meeker School District achieve success in funding the construction of a new high school and related facilities—was covered in our report on the board last week.

Before their discussion on bonding, the board honored their regular agenda item allowing for general public comment. Resident Mike Selle, a retired BLM archaeologist, spoke to the board about school safety. He told the board that, in his view, legislating against certain weapons solves no problems. He suggested school safety is "a people issue, how do we protect kids without turning schools into prison camps or gulags?"

On bonding, there was an unusual level of discussion about the GK Baum proposal. Board members had heard concerns over the past week about bringing in "outside" help. Board member Dave Smith expressed concern that some folks are still pretty raw about the public money spent and idea of the outdoor adventure center pursued by the county and Meeker town council, and their development of the special Urban Renewal Authority to facilitate funding and attract investors—an effort which has seemingly failed.

Superintendent Chris Selle emphasized to the board that the district would be contracting with Baum to engage district voters in the potential and need for bonding to renovate and replace Meeker High School.

"We are not contracting George K. Baum & Company," Selle said, "to 'sell' a bond campaign for the school district. Out of respect to our voters, we owe them a complete and accurate understanding of our project with which to make their decisions, if a bond election were to become a reality. George K. Baum & Company has experience and expertise in engaging voters that the school district does not currently possess internally. George K. Baum & Company's primary responsibility is to guide the district in its efforts to ensure our community has accurate, factual information."

Board member Bob Dorsett questioned whether the approximately $30,000 to be spent on the Baum contract couldn't be better spent on district programs and in the classroom. Selle reminded the board that this would be a one-time expenditure, not an ongoing annual expense like a new program, new teacher or the like.

Several board members expressed agreement with Dorsett's doubts and especially his idea that certain students ought to be involved in reviewing the situation and helping the district achieve funding, possibly as some kind of ongoing class project.

Board member Tom Allen said he would be riddled with regrets if the board and the district didn't get the district's needs met, and they hadn't sought out the help they could have to achieve their goals.

In the end, the board voted six to one to contract with Baum. Dorsett was the sole dissenting vote. With its vote, the board actually approved both public policy services and bond underwriting engagement agreements with Baum. The next regular school board meeting is Monday, March 26, at 7 p.m.

Meeker FFA uses spirit week to teach others about the program

By ALLIE WILLEY
Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER | The FFA program held a FFA spirit week for the school during the week of Feb. 19-22. Every day students had to dress as something different, and there was an event every day as well.

Monday was pun day, and everyone dressed as a pun. The event that day was a kickoff barbecue to start the week. Tuesday was Wild West day, and the event was teacher appreciation. The FFA team came in to school early and they made breakfast for the entire staff. The program also got little gifts for the staff, as well as everyone in the program wrote a thank-you letter to their favorite teacher. On Wednesday everyone had to dress as farm animals. The event for that day was eighth grade orientation. The junior officers created a presentation and they went to the middle school to show the eighth graders what FFA is about. Afterwards they all went to the high school where they made them lunch. On Thursday, the students dressed in blue and gold. The event for the day was Carey the Cow. For this event FFA students visited the kindergarteners and taught them about cows and agriculture by reading to them and putting on activities.

"It's a great opportunity to teach people about FFA and get people involved to have some fun. Everybody loves participating, and it a great way to have fun during the week. It a good tradition that I think gets better every year," said FFA member Emily Beene.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

■ **Tootsie Care Day** at 290 Fourth St., April 14 from 12-3 p.m. Open to anyone 74 and under who has trouble with toenail trimming. Donations go the VFW and Auxiliary Scholarship fund.

■ **Spectacular Spring Break Pool Party** at the Meeker Rec Center from 1-5 p.m. All ages are invited to this free spring break pool party! All pool rules apply. ERBM Recreation & Park District 970-878-3403

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

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

■ **Adult drop-in sports: Dodgeball** Mondays at 7:30 p.m. in the MES gym. For 18 and older. Volleyball Tuesdays from 7:30-9 p.m. in the MES gym. **Basketball** Wednesdays from 7:30-9 p.m. in the MES gym. **Pool Volleyball** Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. at the MRC pool. Call 878-3403 for details.

■ **The Meeker Library Book Club** meets at 1 p.m. the second Monday of each month (excluding holidays). The next meeting is March 12. We will be discussing "Princesses Behaving Badly: Real Stories From History Without the Fairy-Tale Ending" by Linda Rodriguez McRobbie All interested readers are welcome. Stop by the Meeker Library for details.

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

■ **Quilting Group.** Tuesdays from 1-9 p.m. at the Meeker Public Library. All are welcome. Come during hours that fit your schedule. Bring your sewing machine and project. Making quilts for the Walbridge Wing and hospice care.

■ **Gentleman's Club** meeting every Tuesday at 9 a.m. at the Meeker Recreation Center and each Thursday at 9 a.m. at the VFW, 290 4th St. in Meeker.

■ **Game Day** for adults 50-plus on Wednesdays at 9 a.m. in the Meeker Recreation Center lounge. Call 878-3403 or visit www.erbmrec.com.

■ **Children's Story Hour** Wednesdays at 10 a.m. at the Meeker Public Library.

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

■ **Community Enrichment Series** at Mountain Valley Bank monthly, on the second and fourth Tuesday. Watch for posted fliers, Chamber of Commerce texts and Facebook postings for event specifics. RBC Small Business Development Center available for guidance at MVB on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. MVB mortgage lender available on the fourth Tuesday of each month to answer questions and assist with your mortgage needs.

■ **The annual St. Patrick's Dinner** hosted by Holy Family Catholic Church will be held on Sunday, March 25.

■ **Pool Easter Egg Hunt at Rangely Recreation Center** March 29 at 7 p.m. (sharp!) All ages welcome. Cost: Donation to Backpack Program (individual packaged items like granola bars, mac and cheese cups, fruit snacks.) The pool will be sectioned off into age groups and plastic eggs full of surprises are to be found at the bottom of the pool.

■ **Glow in the Dark Egg Hunt** at Elks Park in Rangely March 30 at 8:45 p.m. $7 per person, 6 years and up. Deadline: March 27. Please bring a flashlight and something to put your eggs in and meet us at Elks park as we go on a search for the glow in the dark eggs. There will be special prizes to be won for special eggs. Also the Wibit will be up for spring break so come in and play in the pool.

ROBOTICS ...

Rhiwan Williams and Drew Drake from Kirstie Strate's fifth-grade class demonstrated their robotic project Friday at Meeker Elementary School. Fellow team member Haley Rippy, from Keri Grieser's class, is not pictured. The robotics project, taught by Ann Bailey, takes 45 minutes a week for eight weeks to teach coding to the students. The robotic kits are made by Lego, and funding to pay for 10 of the kits came from a Meeker Education Foundation grant. The Eastern Rio Blanco Metropolitan Recreation and Park District, high school student Brandan Lozano and Dr. Bob Dorsett volunteered time to help the students. The robot created by the Williams, Drake and Rippy team had a color sensor that controlled the robot's speed. If the sensor "saw" yellow, it slowed the robot's forward motion, and if it saw "red," it stopped.

NIKI TURNER PHOTO

Road and bridge questions claim dump fees have increased

By NIKI TURNER
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RBC I There haven't been any increases to landfill dump fees in Rio Blanco County for nearly a decade. In fact, the county last changed its rates in 2009. A letter from Eagle River Water Services, providers of residential trash services in Meeker for the last four months, indicates that increased dump fees are partially to blame for higher monthly trash removal rates that will begin in April.

The letter, sent to customers, states, "Due to increases in operating costs, i.e., fuel, dump fees, employee wages, insurance, etc., we will be adjusting our monthly service rates which will be reflected on your April invoices."

"We didn't raise our fees, and I don't like to be used like this," said Road and Bridge Director Dave Morlan, who supervises the county landfill and its fees. County landfill rates haven't been increased since 2009.

In a full day of workshops and official meetings, the Rio Blanco County Board of Commissioners addressed code enforcement and discussed the findings from a trip to Washington, D.C., as part of the National Association of Counties (NACO). Commissioner Jeff Rector and commission chair Shawn Bolton attended the NACO meetings and met with state representatives while in Washington.

Rector expressed his disappointment at the amount of time given to the commissioners by state representatives. "I feel like if you go back there you ought to get an hour (with our congressmen). We had a small window." Support of legislation to restore Anvil Points funding to affected counties was one of the commissioners' discussion topics.

County building inspector Jeff Kummer presented updates to code violation cases during workshops Monday. Multiple properties have been flagged for code violations, including personal properties throughout the county and commercial properties like Kum & Go and Natural Soda. The board agreed to revisit the violations at the end of May to determine if progress has been made.

After significant research, the county agreed to resume accepting in-county asbestos waste at the rate of $58 per ton. They won't accept out of county asbestos materials to the landfill.

A reduction in landfill fees for asbestos abatement through the end of 2019 is anticipated to be an incentive for property owners to dispose of dilapidated mobile homes and other asbestos waste.

In commissioner updates, Commissioner Woodruff said he has been contacted by an individual who would like to term limit county officials. County Attorney Kent Borchard said according to state statute there is no "right of initiative" for the general public to petition for a ballot measure.

Commissioner Bolton said a resolution they presented at NACO regarding electronic logging device records for agricultural haulers passed unanimously.

Commissioners also discussed amendments to the county's impact fees and the reestablishment of a federal mineral lease district.

Bolton wants to change the way impact fees have been handled so that people "building a barn" aren't affected by fees intended to address impacts from natural resource development. Commissioners also want to see changes to the way the fees are appropriated. In the past, fees were designated for County Road 5 exclusively. Commissioners want to change that to address all energy impacted roads at the discretion of the road and bridge department.

The commissioners were unanimously agreed on the need to simplify the fee process.

Commissioner Rector said, "Right now we've got buy-in from all our oil and gas people to just do basic fees." It's hoped that simplifying the process will attract the oil and gas industry back to the county.

Fees would be changed to a flat fee per well pad, simplifying costs for industry.

Commissioners also discussed reestablishing a federal mineral lease district, in order to collect potential funds from the Anvil Points Project, which is currently in committee.

In other business the board:

■ Approved a building permit for the 4M Ranch on CR 7 for the abatement and demolition of an existing home on the property.

■ approved a final settlement for the construction of primary towers for the broadband project

■ approved a bid award for a new senior transport van to Davey Coach Sales at $55,350 after trade-in costs and not including the addition of graphics to the van.

■ Approved an agreement with Van

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Shue receives MBA degree

MEEKER I Kaiden Shue of Meeker has received her master of business administration degree from Western Governors University (WGU).

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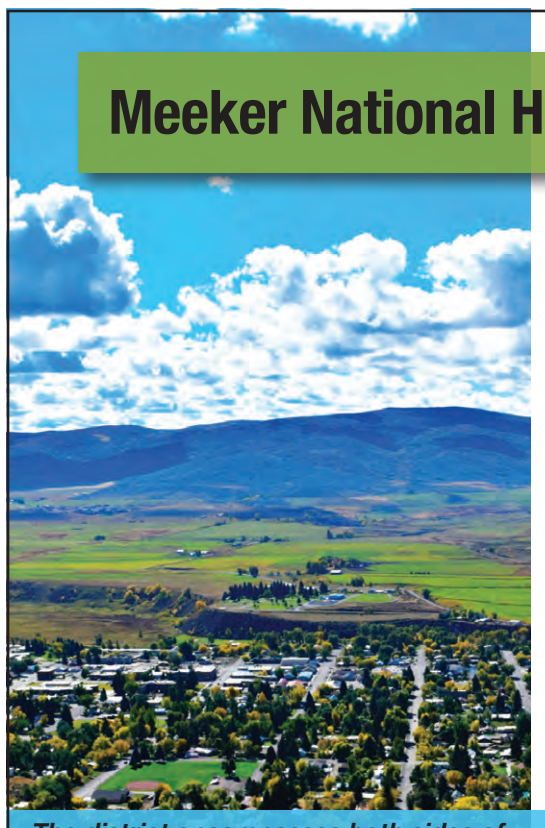

The district encompasses both sides of Main Street and Park Ave. between 4th and 8th Streets.

Meeker National Register Historic District consultant Carl McWilliams will provide a public presentation on Meeker's designation:

Tuesday, March 20 at 7:00 p.m.
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Wash the windows and mirrors. Once mud season passes, clean those carpets!

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Moving livestock? Call Community Counts first

Special to the Herald Times

RBC | Spring is just around the corner and we know a lot of the ranchers in the area will be moving their livestock to other pastures. Community Counts Colorado (CCC), an organization that works to help promote open communication between the community and energy/extraction industries, would be happy to provide information about your sheep or cattle move to help protect your livestock and riders as well as industry and residents traveling on highways 13 and 64 and County Road 5 (Piceance Creek). Please e-mail, call or text Nita Smith, executive director of CCC, at nita@communitycountscolorado.com or 303-916-4009 to provide route information and approximate time of your livestock move (even at a moment's notice) to share with the Rio Blanco community and industry database. The county commissioners have supported our work in RBC since 2013, contact Smith for more information about CCC. Industry motto: Think safety first—remember trucks cannot stop very fast and if they know in advance to be on the watch for your move it might make a difference in someone's life that day.

SAFETY ...

CPW Officer Terry Wygant taught students proper shooting positions at Rangely's Hunter Safety Course last weekend. The class will be available in Meeker later this month. More info can be found at the CPW website.

JEN HILL PHOTO

NEWS BRIEFS

St. Patrick's Day MS fundraiser March 16

MEEKER | It's time for the second annual St. Patrick's Day Celebration. This year's event, with proceeds once again going to the Meeker Multiple Sclerosis Fund (administered by the Meeker Ministerial Alliance), will be held on Friday, March 16 at 7 p.m. in the Buffalo Room at Chippers, 285 Sixth St. Live Irish music and a corned beef cook-off will be part of this year's celebration.

Holy Family St. Patrick's Day dinner March 25

MEEKER | The annual St. Patrick's Day dinner hosted by Holy Family Catholic Church will be held on Sunday, March 25. See the ad in next week's paper for details.

Mental health first aid training March 28

RANGELY | Mental health first aid training will be held Wednesday, March 28 from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the CNCC Weiss Conference Room at 500 Kennedy Dr. in Rangely. Registration is required for this free class and space is limited.

Mental health first aid is an evidence-based, public health training program that teaches participants the signs and symptoms of mental health challenges or crisis, what to do in an emergency, and where to turn for help. Topics include depression, anxiety, suicide, panic attacks, psychosis and substance use disorder. MHFA is implemented around the U.S. and the world. This class is open to the public, and is appropriate for individuals who work in health care, human services, education, and anyone wishing to learn more about mental health. Register online at http://www.mhfaco.org/findclass/attend/244. Contact svalentino@ncchealthpartnership.org with any questions.

Whiskey tasting fundraiser March 30

MEEKER | Help raise funds for a new EKG and ventilator equipment at Pioneers Medical Center on Friday, March 30 with a Whiskey Barrel Bash fundraiser March 30. For $25 enjoy four whiskeys, two ciders and appetizers at the Buffalo Room at Chippers, 275 Sixth St. in Meeker. Sponsored by Pioneers Healthcare Foundation, Chippers and Blanco Cellars. For tickets call 970-878-9317.

CNCC Foundation dinner March 31

RANGELY | The 14th annual Colorado Northwestern Community College Foundation fundraiser dinner will be held Saturday, March 31 at 5:30 p.m. in the Colorado Room at CNCC Rangely. Live and silent auctions, dinner, beer and wine available for purchase. Tickets are $50/person or $275/table of six. Contact Sue Samaniego at 970-675-3216 for tickets.

Register for community ed classes now

MEEKER | Spring CNCC Community Education Classes starting late February through March are open for registration. Don't miss these opportunities to learn or create something new. Microsoft PowerPoint, March 27 and April 3; create dynamic presentations. Mexican coking, March 28 and April 4; Chef Karla will spice up your Mexican dishes. Senior tuition discounts available. For further information, call 878-5227 to get on a class list, or stop by the CNCC Meeker Center at 345 Sixth St. on Tuesday or Wednesday to complete registrations. Registrations may be mailed to CNCC, PO Box 1542, faxed to 878-4145 or emailed to iris.franklin@cncc.edu.

Learn to cook well on a budget

MEEKER | Need help preparing healthy meals on a limited budget? Sign up for Cooking Matters, a free class held once a week for six weeks. Chefs and dieticians will answer your questions, you'll eat in class, go home with groceries and have childcare provided. Classes held April 3-May 8 from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. or April 6-May 11 from 10 a.m. to noon. For more information contact Janelle Borchard at 970-878-9528.

Children's Chorale in Rangely April 27

RANGELY | Since 1974 the Colorado Children's Chorale has delighted audiences across the globe with their voices, choreography and enthusiasm. They're coming to Rangely for a free performance Friday, April 27 at 6:30 p.m. at the high school auditorium.

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White River Basin forum April 4

RBC | The state of the White River Basin forum and Douglas Creek Conservation District annual meeting will be held Wednesday, April 4 at 5 p.m. at the CNCC Rangely campus. A complimentary supper will be served with an RSVP by Wednesday, March 28. Call 878-9838 or email whiterivercd@gmail.com.

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EDITOR'S COLUMN...

It's Sunshine Week—why that matters

By NIKI TURNER
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Government works best under the glare of public scrutiny. Absent such scrutiny, abuses occur."
~Stephen Hawking

A world-renowned physicist, Hawking passed away this week. His quote seems especially timely during Sunshine Week—when journalists remind everyone how vital it is that government activities be open and accessible to the public and the press.

We all find ourselves staring at instances of government corruption, overreach, negligence, waste and general bad behavior and asking, "How the heck did they get away with that?"

Lack of public scrutiny, for one. When those in positions of authority make it difficult for the average person to access public records (by limiting where those records are located to government-operated websites, for example) or by shutting down public questions and comments in open meetings, those officials stymie the democratic process.

I've always wondered how the Germans let Hitler steal their country and poison their society. Again... lack of public scrutiny. One of the first things Hitler did was stifle the press and implement an astonishingly effective propaganda campaign.

We can't trust the government to tell us everything we need to know, because there will always be someone in office somewhere with impure motives.

As citizens, it's up to us to learn about the public process. Find out how open meetings are supposed to be conducted. Read public notices. Ask for them if you can't find them. Request that they be published, and don't let those in office—appointed or elected, on any level—tell you that you don't have the right to know. Remember, they are our public servants, not the other way around.

On that note, I'd like to thank the commissioners for hearing our concerns about the consent agenda Monday, and for being willing to work with us to foster better communication with the public.

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Last year we were touched by the story of a local woman who was struggling to make ends meet because of the ramifications of Multiple Sclerosis, and my husband organized a St. Patrick's Day event to raise funds for locals impacted by the disease. March is also Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Month.

St. Patrick's Day brings me to my odd history connection. At a historical presentation for the newspaper's 130th anniversary, I learned that the paper's founder, James Lyttle, emigrated from Ireland and was living in Leadville, Colo., during the same period my great-grandparents were spending their social seasons there.

Modern technology recently revealed some of my husband's family history none of us knew. All we'd ever heard from his grandpa was "five Irish brothers came over during the potato famine." I discovered not only five brothers, but three sisters we'd never heard about and a feisty Scots-Irish mama who brought her eight kids across the Atlantic all by herself after her husband died.

Turns out that side of my husband's paternal family is from the same tiny Irish village as the Lyttle family, and my husband's direct ancestor was born within two years of James Lyttle. Given the fact the town's population has remained around 250 people for centuries (they know how to not grow), it's more than plausible the families knew each other.

One of my own paternal great-grandfathers was born less than 10 miles north of that Irish village. He emigrated quite a bit earlier, but still, it's fun to realize what a richly interconnected world we all share. Join us Friday at Chipper's to raise funds for the Meeker Multiple Sclerosis Fund.

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We had a phone call from the Rangely Police Department yesterday asking if we had someone in Rangely getting signatures on a petition.

Apparently this individual was telling folks he was "from the paper" and trying to get them to sign a petition.

For the record, he has nothing to do with the paper, and we have no such petitions out.

GUEST COLUMN

When boards disallow questions, democracy fails

By JEN HILL
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Jen Hill

RBC I This week news reporters from around the state celebrate Sunshine Week to remind us that Colorado protects taxpayers' right-to-know with Sunshine Laws. These laws regulate things like meeting minutes' availability, executive sessions and public access to information. They also allow a reporter to access information vital for public knowledge.

In addition to Sunshine Laws, another essential tool reporters need to inform the public is the ability to ask questions in public meetings. These questions are the best and timeliest way to glean further information and clarification about the things we pay for and the people we elect.

Happily, in my experience with the *Herald Times* both the Rangely Town Council and Rio Blanco County Commissioners have welcomed my questions. They understand that I have a role to fill in disseminating information and that they are responsible to their constituents. In fact, when the *Herald Times* recently raised concerns with the commissioners about their use of consent agendas and access to information they made an effort to work with us that was truly commendable.

Unfortunately, this is not how every meeting runs. I learned the hard way this week that the Rangely School Board no longer allows questions. They have a carved out time for 'Requests to Address the Board' (which is preceded with a lecture about that not being a time for discussion). If you have a question or require clarification about a statement made during the meeting as I did, too bad. Following the superintendent's report, I asked if I could ask a question and was told in no uncertain terms that I could not.

When a board behaves this way and doesn't allow for the flow of information to occur a variety of nasty side effects can happen. The most obvious is that people (taxpayers and voters) become frustrated and distrustful. After all, we've funded those schools, we've elected those board members, we should be allowed to clarify something said during a meeting, and if we can't we are left to wonder what they are hiding. The disallowance of questions is incredibly undemocratic. When the press is not allowed to ask questions the flow of information between the government entity and general public becomes incredibly constricted.

Sunshine Laws require that government board meetings are held in public settings so that the public can participate in the process. I urge the Rangely School Board to reconsider their extreme practices with public comment and access to information, as transparency and an engaged populace are the only way this thing called democracy has a chance.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Former RBC commissioner supporting Moyer's campaign

Dear Editor:

A few thoughts concerning the Rio Blanco County Commissioner race. In this day and age, it is an absolute necessity to have county commissioners who recognize that one the most important aspects of the job is in dealing with federal, state and local government entities. The commissioner we need will drive four hours for a 15-minute face to face with the governor or to testify on a bill at the statehouse. This commissioner will build relationships with county commissioners in all surrounding counties and in surrounding states in order to achieve common goals.

This commissioner must understand budgets, private property rights, why eminent domain is the absolute last resort tool and that a commissioner's duty is to help his citizens get their work done without the county throwing road blocks in the way through over-regulating.

Gary Moyer is just such a person. He understands that the county is the first line of defense. Gary has the contacts, the experience and the drive to make an excellent commissioner. I worked with Gary before, during and after my term as a commissioner and know him as highly capable and motivated.

Thank you,
Jon D. Hill
Rangely

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OBITUARY

Michael Don Kochenower

Aug. 20, 1953 ~ March 7, 2018

Michael Don Kochenower passed away on March 7, 2018, in Scottsdale, Ariz. He is survived by his four sons: Tyrrell Kochenower of Meeker, Colo., Trevor Kochenower of Grand Junction, Colo., Trenton Kochenower of Ft. Collins, Colo., and Troy Kochenower of Grand Junction, Colo., as well as seven grandchildren. He was born on Aug. 20, 1953, in Denver, Colo., and graduated from Evergreen High School in Evergreen, Colo. He served in the Army and then in the Navy Seabees where he mastered his skills of being a heavy equipment operator. His choice of all the heavy equipment was the scraper. He was married for 25 years. Mike, as he was well known, raised his sons in Meeker and then later in Hayden, Colo. He was in law enforcement in Steamboat Springs and in Hayden for several years. He enjoyed being a scout leader for his sons and working with the Lions club. Camping, hunting, golfing, fishing and playing pool were among his favorite past time pleasures. He started the Race -A -Cop program in Hayden and raced three different cars at the Hayden Speedway.

Mike Kochenower

He will be truly missed by all who knew and loved him.

Memorial services are pending.

Barbara Jane Bland

March 22, 1942 ~ March 9, 2018

Barbara Jane Bland, 75, passed away at home on March 9, 2018. She was born to Lois Beck on March 22, 1942, in Ohio. Barbara married Harold Bland on June 19, 1959, in Las Vegas, Nev. Barbara and Harold made their home in Rangely, Colo., from 1959 to 1989. They then moved to Fairplay to manage the Western Inn Motel for the next 10 years. In 1998 they moved to Cripple Creek, Colo. Harold passed away March 19, 2014. In 2015 Barbara moved to Parachute, Colo., to be closer to her son Gary.

Barbara was a cook for the Rangely Hospital for many years. She had a true passion for cooking. She loved to knit, crochet and paint. Barbara is survived by her sons: Lloyd (Melanie) Bland of Rangely, Gary (Mina) Bland of Parachute and Richard Bland of Meeker, seven grandchildren and several great-grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her husband Harold, daughter Nancy Bland, her parents, and her sisters, Martha Beck and Nancy Johnson. Arrangements have been entrusted to the Rifle Funeral Home.

Barbara Bland

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9. Bagpiper's garb
13. Hawaiian veranda
14. Big Island flower necklace
15. Helper
16. V.C. Andrews' "Flowers in the ____"
17. Uno ___ or one more
18. 4 x 4 race
19. *"Water of life"
21. *Shamrock
23. ____ Aviv
24. Rumpelstiltskin's weaver
25. Wildebeest
28. Mega Bloks competitor
30. *Outdoor St. Patrick's Day event
35. Starting point on way to riches
37. Clump
39. Dionysus' pipe-playing companion
40. *Ireland, once
41. Ox connector, pl.
43. Quartet minus one
44. Put out on a curb
46. *William Butler Yeats, e.g.
47. Cardinal vices
48. Bee's favorite drink
50. Russian mountain chain
52. Go gray
53. Period of illness
55. Workout unit
57. *These never lived in Ireland
60. *Hibernia
64. Musician's exercise
65. Flying saucer acronym
67. Cleveland's controversial chief
68. Villain
69. Decompose
70. Do penitence
71. Parting words
72. Pro vote
73. "Walk the Dog" toy, pl.

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3. Nay sayer
4. Middle measurement
5. Jefferson coin
6. Lined with elm trees
7. "Back To The Future" actress
8. ABBA's genre
9. Capital of Ukraine
10. Like some rumors
11. Shakespeare's tragic monarch
12. "Don't give up!"
15. Olfactory property, pl.
20. Funereal lament
22. Chop off
24. ____ tower
25. *"The wearing of the ____"
26. Evian, backwards
27. Finno-____ language
29. Lump of stuff
31. Refuse visitors
32. Skylit lobbies
33. Faulkner's "As I Lay ____"
34. Irregular or jagged
36. Religious offshoot
38. *Stout, e.g.
42. Liverpool star
45. Cursor-moving button
49. Wade's opponent
51. Wiggle room
54. Shylock's line of work
56. Socrates' famous pupil
57. Dog command
58. Classic art subject
59. Puts two and two together
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Trusting Horses and Chariots

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But he shall not multiply horses to himself, nor cause the people to return to Egypt, to the end that he should multiply horses: forasmuch as the Lord hath said unto you, Ye shall henceforth return no more that way (Deut. 17:16). Some trust in chariots, and some in horses: but we will remember the name of the Lord our God (Ps. 20:7).

■ **Dr. J.D. Watson**

WHY didn't God want His people to have horses and chariots? Because He wanted them to love and trust Him. But what do horses and chariots have to do with it? Our texts say much about this to God's people, both then and now.

First, God did not want them to *rely* upon their own *strength*. Who can forget that classic scene of the chariot race in the 1959 movie *Ben Hur*? It actually well illustrates the place those things had in the ancient world. Except for treading out grain for threshing (Is. 28:28), horses were not used in agriculture or traveling, rather for war (Job 39:19–25). Not only were they used as cavalry, but for pulling **chariots**, the ancient version of modern tanks. We can only imagine, for example, the terror that overwhelmed the Israelites when they saw Pharaoh's cavalry and 600 **chariots** pursuing them after leaving Egypt (Ex. 14:7, 9).

Anticipating that the people would one day want a king, God gave qualifications for such. He commanded that a king should **not multiply** *weapons* (**horses** and **chariots** for war), *wives* (for political alliances, v. 17a), or *wealth* (for power and influence, v. 17b). God wanted his leaders and His people to trust Him solely. Sadly, Solomon violated all three and David the last two (1 Kings 11:1–43).

Second, God did not want His people to *return* to their former *slavery*. Since Egypt was the primary source of horses, as demonstrated by Solomon's alliance with it (1 Kings 4:26; 10:26, 29; cf. Is. 31:1–3), such an act would **cause the people to return to Egypt**, the very place from which God had delivered them from bondage. Such a thing was unthinkable!

Third, God wanted His people to *remember* His *security*. Instead of depending upon the things the world offers, the **Lord** wanted His people to remember and trust what He **said unto [them]** for their security. As the context goes on to say, it's the reading, writing, learning, and obeying God's Word that brings real security (vv. 18–20).

So how does all this apply? While some think this relates specifically to relying on today's military, we submit the application is more fundamental—after all, Christians are not likely to be attacked by a tank division. We submit that the deeper idea is spiritual, that being the world's attitudes, values, and resources. Are we relying upon human effort, ingenuity, rationalism, and methodology in our living and ministry? Or do we love and trust God's Word in all things?

Scriptures for Study: As God required a king to write out his own copy of the Law (Deut. 17:18), handwrite your own copy of various passages. You will be surprised at the results of this exercise.

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RETIRING ...

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Rangely native Cody Jackson retired his position as U.S. Air Force Master Sergeant after serving for more than 20 years. Jackson, who graduated from Rangely High School in 1997, completed seven overseas deployments, one long tour and one short tour. He currently resides in Tucson, Ariz., with his wife and two sons. Jackson's mother, Brenda Ahrens, lives in Rangely.

Rangely School Board hears bullying concerns, does not allow questions

By JEN HILL
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RANGELY | The Rangely School Board met Tuesday night and immediately went into executive session to discuss a "student matter."

Before the public comment portion of the meeting began, Board President Kurt Douglas reminded the audience that, "this isn't a time for discussion." A high school student spoke to the board to share her concerns with bullying occurring at the school. She asked if there is a bullying policy and read a poem she had written about bullying.

The board was also approached by a parent with similar concerns about bullying and asked what steps the district was taking to prevent more problems. He was also upset that during an incident at the school last Thursday, which led to a police presence at the school, parents and students weren't notified until after 10 a.m. that the school and students were safe. He said students were interrogated by armed police and parents weren't notified.

Scoggins addressed the Thursday incident during his report. Because it was a student issue details are very limited. Scoggins attended a countywide violence prevention meeting Tuesday and said school safety is a growing and ongoing conversation. "I consider every kid to be my personal kid," he said. "When this event did occur our kids were safe." Scoggins has visited with the police chief about ways to improve response to student safety concerns such as increased access for district administration to emergency contact info and better communication systems with parents.

When *Herald Times* staff attempted to ask about the accuracy of claims that students were interrogated at the school without parental notification they were informed they could not ask questions.

Various athletics topics were covered with Douglas inquiring about how many students have signed up for spring sports and numerous congratulations for the girls' basketball team who placed sixth at state.

Meeker residents encouraged to attend historic district presentation March 20

By BOB AMICK
Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER | Meeker National Register Historic District (MNHD) consultant Carl McWilliams, owner of Cultural Resource Historians, will provide a public presentation on the designation on Tuesday, March 20 at 7 p.m. at Meeker Town Hall. All are welcome and encouraged to attend to learn about the economic development, tax credit and grant eligibility benefits through landmarking and heritage tourism offered by the state and national designation.

The nomination of the downtown Meeker area as a National Historic District (NHD) was endorsed by the History Colorado Office of Archaeological Archaeology and Historic Preservation, and was subsequently approved by the Colorado Historic Preservation Commission State Review Board on Jan. 19. The nomination was then forwarded to the U.S. Department of the Interior's National Park Service in Washington, D.C., for designation, which is anticipated later this spring. The project is a collaborative effort between the Rio Blanco County Historical Society (RBCHS) and the Town of Meeker.

McWilliams has completed extensive research and documentation on early day history of eligible contributing structures within the MNHD including historic residences, the Hugus/A. Oldland Building and government buildings such as the courthouse. A History Colorado State Historical Fund Grant and a Freeman Fairfield Charitable Trust matching grant awarded in 2015 provided $28,000 to the Town and RBCHS to fund the extensive research and nomination project.

There are 110 NHD's in Colorado. Such designation provides international recognition and promotion of historically significant buildings and landmarks to dramatically increase heritage tourism and economic development. International and domestic visitors are attracted to old west heritage culture landmarks such as those now designated in Rio Blanco County. Designated contributing structures may also be eligible for grant funding or tax credits for restoration rehabilitation purposes. McWilliams' history of landmark historic buildings contributing to the MNHD will be published on the RBCHS website and by History Colorado and the National Register of Historic Places for public access and research.

The district encompasses both sides of Main and Park streets between Fourth and Eighth streets. It includes 52 buildings, 31 of which are contributing to the district, and 12 of which are additionally evaluated as individually eligible for inclusion in the National Register. Twenty-one buildings are noncontributing to the district. Contributing buildings include the original (circa 1880s) military cantonment barracks (now housing the White River Museum, Garrison, and Jensen Residence) in the 500 block of Park St. Previously designated buildings include St. James Episcopal Church, the Meeker Hotel, the IOOF (Oddfellows building—now Mountain Valley Bank) and the Hugus Block /A. Oldland building. Outside of the MNHD, the1895 Coal Creek School was designated in 2014. There are other contributing historic buildings outside the boundaries of the MNHD identified in a 2009 study by Susannah Reed Associates that may be eligible for designation as State and National Registry of Historic landmarks in the National Register of Historic Places or the State Register of Historic Properties. There are about eight centennial farms/ranches designated in Rio Blanco County as well as the Milk Creek Battlefield National Historic Park.

A grant application is being submitted by RBCHS to fund tasteful landmark signage and digital links depicting the colorful history of contributing buildings to further enhance the educational appeal for visitors.

See History Colorado website links for more information: http://legacy.historycolorado.org/archaeologists/rio-blanco-county, http://legacy.historycolorado.org/content/chn-heritage-tourism-boosted-colorado-economy, http://legacy.historycolorado.org/sites/default/files/files/OAHP/crforms_edumat/pdfs/1620_EconomicBenefitsReport.pdf, http://legacy.historycolorado.org/sites/default/files/files/OAHP/crforms_edumat/pdfs/1620_TechnicalReport.pdf, http://legacy.historycolorado.org/oahp/centennial-farms-how-apply.

Contact Robert Amick, NHD task force chair, for details at amick@colorado.edu or 970-274-6557.

BOCC: Plenty on agenda

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■ Approved an intergovernmental agreement with CNCC for joint funding and cooperation providing service and functions at Columbine Park. The county has provided an employee to take care of park property since 2016.

■ Approved a contract to provide Taser cartridges for the sheriff's department in the amount of $12,600. The contract includes training cartridges, a simulation suit, and unlimited cartridges. The cartridges are subject to expiration.

■ Approved the annual operating plan between local agencies for firefighting cooperation.

■ Are budgeting for the replacement of 13 cattle guards throughout the county.

■ According to R&B Director Dave Morlan, CDOT is seeking grants to complete improvements on Highway 13 between Rifle and Craig and on Highway 139.

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Rangely council removes location restriction on liquor sales near schools

By JEN HILL
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RANGELY | At Tuesday's Rangely Town Council meeting the council listened to department updates and approved changes to the town ordinance that limits alcohol sale locations.

The council unanimously voted to reduce the liquor related distance restrictions relating to schools and campuses within the town. The change will allow businesses located on Main Street and within town limits to obtain a liquor license no matter their relative location to a school. Previously licenses could not be issued within 500 feet of a school which did prevent some Main Street businesses from being able to offer alcohol.

The council approved spending almost $9,000 on the Broadband Intranet and System Network project which will create an intranet at all of the town's operating locations and update the phone systems.

Police Chief Wilczek discussed reducing the speed limit on Kennedy Drive from 40 mph to 25 mph and installing a stop sign at the La Mesa exit. Wilczek was concerned about how fast people tend to travel down the steep hill near the CNCC campus. Wilczek requested feedback from the council who were in favor of making the change to improve safety.

Don Reed with the utilities department said recoating on the settling ponds occurred this week. The ponds had to be recoated following a failure of the product during renovations. The repairs were covered under warranty.

Town Manager Peter Brixius told the council that the Chamber of Commerce would like the town to increase their participation in the Main Street program, something he said they are still exploring. Next week the town will have a work session with the county commissioners to discuss sharing building inspectors.

FIREMAN'S BALL ...

KIRSTIE KILDUFF PHOTOS

Meeker Fire & Rescue celebrated 85 years of service to the community at the annual banquet Saturday, March 10 at the Fairfield Center. Among the awards presented by Fire Chief Terry Skidmore and Assistant Fire Chief Vaughn Moody were Officer of the year to Luke Pelloni (left), Firefighter of the Year to Joe Larson (center) and the Chief's Recognition Award to Justin Slaugh (right). Other awards presented included the Livesaving Award, presented to Patti Merriam, Chief Skidmore and Wade Bradfield; and Medical Provider of the Year to Tina Skidmore. Dale Frisby, the oldest retired member, and Dawn Jastrem, the newest active member, cut the cake together.

Walbridge Wing receives customer service award

Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER | The Walbridge Wing at Pioneers Medical Center is the recipient of the 2018 Pinnacle Customer Experience Award™ for nine areas of service and care. Pinnacle Quality Insight is a business to business organization offering phone-based customer satisfaction interviews for senior and long-term care facilities. As a well-established third party, Pinnacle Quality Insight conducts thousands of monthly surveys to create comprehensive reviews about the quality of care.

The surveys evaluate a variety of categories including overall safety, communication, care of patients, response to problems, treatment and dignity of patients, cleanliness, quality of food, activities, and chaplain services. The Walbridge Wing has been recognized for excellent service and care in the following areas: nursing care, dining service, cleanliness, individual needs, laundry service, response to problems, dignity and respect, recommend to others and activities.

"We are excited to receive this award," says Shar Rice, Walbridge Wing director. "I want to thank each member of our staff, throughout the Wing, and the supporting departments. They work hard every day to give our residents great care. The Walbridge Wing is receiving this award because of the amazing people who work here."

The Walbridge Wing is a long-term skilled nursing facility located in Meeker at the Pioneers Medical Center campus. The facility provides great care to our elderly community of Northwest Colorado. The Walbridge Memorial Wing, affectionately known as "The Wing" offers private rooms and a home-like environment. The goal at The Wing is to create "a place to live" for our residents. Residents have the freedom to make individual choices through private rooms, open dining, and being involved in their own care decisions. They enjoy a variety of activities and diversions throughout the day. Another aspect of living at The Wing is the close relationships between the residents, students, and church groups, etc. providing many opportunities for residents to stay involved with the community.

Walbridge Memorial Wing is licensed for 30 beds. The individual rooms are clean and bright, and residents are encouraged to personalize their space. We strive to maintain an optimal staff to resident ratio. Our care team of over 30 nurses, certified nursing assistants, and support staff provide compassionate care and personal attention to each and every resident. The Wing is conveniently attached to Pioneers Medical Center and the Meeker Family Health Clinic. This provides easy access to physician care and rapid response in case of an emergency.

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Meeker senior Doak Mantle is pictured making a free throw in the 2A Colorado State Basketball Championships semifinal game, held in the Budweiser Event Center in Loveland. Mantle was a freshman the last time Meeker qualified for the state tournament. The Cowboys lost to the Crowley County Chargers but came back to beat Byers, ending their season on a winning note and returning to Meeker with a third place trophy for the trophy case.

Cowboys finish third in 2A Colorado State Basketball Championships

By BOBBY GUTIERREZ
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MEEKER I The senior-dominated Meeker boys' basketball team, ended its season with a win and a third place, 2A Colorado State Basketball Championship trophy for the high school lobby. The Cowboys qualified for the state tournament this year as District and Region 5 champs and for a second time in this year's seniors' career, as the Cowboys last qualified for the state tournament in 2015.

The Cowboys shot well in the opening round of the Elite Eight, scoring 74 points and holding the Highland Huskies to 59, advancing them to the semifinals against the No. 1 seeded Crowley County Chargers.

The Cowboys got behind early against the Chargers and although they fought back and made it close in the final quarter, Meeker lost 47-63, sending them to play the Byers Bulldogs for third place, which they won 51-44.

Meeker seniors Doak Mantle and Logan Hughes both played on the varsity in 2015, when the Cowboys last qualified for the state tournament. Both were instrumental this year as seniors, along with classmates Trapper Merrifield, Zach Dinwiddie, Valentin Rosas and Eli Newman.

"We will miss our seniors," said Meeker head coach Klark Kindler, who has taken the Cowboys to the state tournament five times, earning a third place trophy twice and a sixth place finish in 2015. "They had a ton of success in all sports they have played. They were great leaders and we had a lot of success this year but it didn't come easy. We battled through some injuries and just kept getting better as the season wore on."

The Cowboys took the momentum from the regular season, as well as the playoffs, and used it to score 74 points in the Budweiser Event Center in Loveland during first round of the state tournament, the second most they scored all season.

"A lot of times when you play in the big arenas, you don't shoot well but we did against Highland," Coach Kindler said. "We took away a lot of what they liked to do offensively."

Meeker led 15-12 after the first quarter, then scored 25 in the second to lead 40-26 at halftime. The Huskies outscored the Cowboys 17-12 in the third quarter but the Cowboys scored 22 in the fourth to win by 15.

Mantle led all scorers with 17 points, while Hughes and Dinwiddie each scored 15 and Newman also finished in double figures with 14. Seniors Merrifield and Rosas each added a basket, while juniors Brennan Jensen added four and Stephen Walsh three. Dinwiddie led the team with 13 rebounds.

The Cowboys didn't shoot well in the semifinals game against the No. 1 seeded Chargers, falling behind by 12 after the first quarter before cutting their lead to eight at halftime. The Cowboys trailed by seven, going into the final quarter, where they pulled to within two but lost by 16.

"We cut the lead to two, then got down by 10 again," Kindler said of the semifinal game. "We had pulled to within five, with five minutes to go and had the ball but turned it over three straight possessions and couldn't close the gap after that."

The Cowboys got a little beat up against the Chargers but all the starters returned for the final game of their high school careers and they ended up finishing on a winning note.

"I was please with the way we played," coach Kindler said of the final game of the season. "You never know how kids will react after the Friday loss, plus we were beat up but our kids played through it and we beat a very good Byers team."

Stats were not made available by press time for the final two games but all of Meeker's underclassmen, including juniors Walsh, Jensen, Kale Burke and Andy Kracht, along with sophomore Cole Rogers and freshman Ryan Phelan, checked in and earned state experience.

"I thought our younger guys also kept getting better and we have a group that is ready to continue our success," Coach Kindler said. "I look forward to working with them to see what they can become. They know the bar is set high but they are ready to move into their new roles."

Lady Panthers get first state-level win

By COLT ALLRED
Special to the Herald Times

RANGELY I The lady Panthers finished their 2018 season at the state tournament in Loveland this last weekend. The Panthers went into the tournament the No. 6 seed, and they matched up with the No. 3 Wray Eagles in the first round at the Budweiser Events Center on Thursday. The game didn't quite start how the Panthers had hoped. Wray had considerable size on the Panthers, and the Eagles seemed to be able to score at will on the inside. At the half the Lady Panthers were down 21-42. In the second half the Panthers started to find a groove, and they even outscored Wray, but it was all too late and the Panthers ended up losing 49-69.

On Friday the Lady Panthers squad matched up with the Simla Cubs. In the first quarter against the Cubs, the Panthers scored from the free throw line, but the Cubs hit a couple shots from downrange and held a three-point lead at the end of the first quarter. All of that was about to change, however, because the Panthers settled into a rhythm and started scoring. The Panthers scored 15 points in the second quarter, their best quarter of the game, giving them a four-point lead going into the locker room at halftime. To start the second half, the Panthers again dominated the Cubs, scoring on both sides of the three-point line, while also holding the Cubs to a six-point quarter, further extending the Lady Panthers lead. The fourth quarter was won for the Panthers at the free throw line, only scoring one basket that was not from the charity stripe.

The lady Panthers earned their first state tournament win over the Cubs 47-38. Senior Katelyn Brown led the scoring drive for the Panthers with 21 points. She was followed by her sister Kassidee who earned nine. Sarah Connor added eight, Skylar Thacker had five and Halie Elam was able to score four points.

With the win over Simla, The Panthers moved on to play Holyoke in the consolation championship. In this game, the Holyoke Dragons got off to an early lead on the Panthers by scoring inside. Luckily the Panthers were able to hold on and weather the storm. The Panthers went into the second half down by 10 points, but they were the ones with the hot hand to start the second half. As soon as the half started, Katelyn Brown and Skylar Thacker were able to score from beyond the three-point arc and in less than a minute and a half, the Panthers had made it a one-point game. The scoring run for the Panthers was helped by a strong defensive showing that held Holyoke to only five points in the third quarter. The Panthers gained the lead and started the fourth quarter on top. The Panthers had three different girls score from beyond the arc in the fourth quarter, but the Panthers got into some foul trouble and the Holyoke team did not miss too many free throws. The Panthers ended up losing 41-46 in their final game of the season.

Again the Panthers were led by senior Katelyn Brown who had 21 points. She was followed by Skylar Thacker who had 10, Kassidee Brown added five, Halie Elam had three and Sarah Connor had two.

The lady Panthers not only reached the state tournament level, but got a win there. The last time the lady Panthers took a team to state was in 2002. The Rangely Panthers team finished with a 22-5 record on the season.

BOBBY GUTIERREZ

Rangely senior Katelyn Brown takes a jump shot in the game against Simla, with her sister Kassidee (14) backing her up and teammates Makenze Cochrane (13) and Halie Elam positioned for a rebound. The elder Brown led the lady Panthers with 527 points, including 66, three-pointers, 87 assists, 57 steals and she made 170 of 192 free throws this season.

BMS wrestlers finish second at Oak Creek

By BOBBY GUTIERREZ
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MEEKER I Twenty Barone Middle School wrestlers competed in Oak Creek last Saturday and three-quarters of them came back with medals, including four gold. The young Cowboys will end the regular season Saturday in Rangely in the Northwest League Championships, yet some wrestlers will continue on in the middle school regional tournament in Grand Junction, which will qualify them for the Middle School State tournament in Denver.

Kaden Franklin (100), Connor Blunt (115), Kelton Turner (145) and Parker Pontine (185) all won gold medals in their respective brackets. Trae Kennedy (85), Zach Eskelson (155) and Tanner Musser (165) were all runners-up, while Ty Goedert (90), Elijah LeBlanc (120) and Zagar Brown (125) were all consolation champs. Kaleb Nielsen (95), Hampton Hightower (110), Dagen Dade (120), Trinden Powell (125) and Dalton Portwood (140), all placed fourth. Chakwah Brink (80), Robert Foster (105), Damen Dade (110), Porter Hossack (120) and Tyson Portwood (125) all wrestled but did not place.

"Kaden and Connor were the stars of the day," coach Morris said of the two wrestlers who beat opponents who had beaten them before.

Morris said Franklin was losing to an opponent who had beaten him the week before and with 12 seconds left in the match, Franklin threw a headlock and won by pin. Franklin also came back from a 1-5 deficit to win 6-5 in the championship match.

Blunt pinned two wrestlers who had beaten him before, including Duzik from Craig, as well as Hermosillo from Gypsum, who was undefeated before Blunt ended his winning streak.

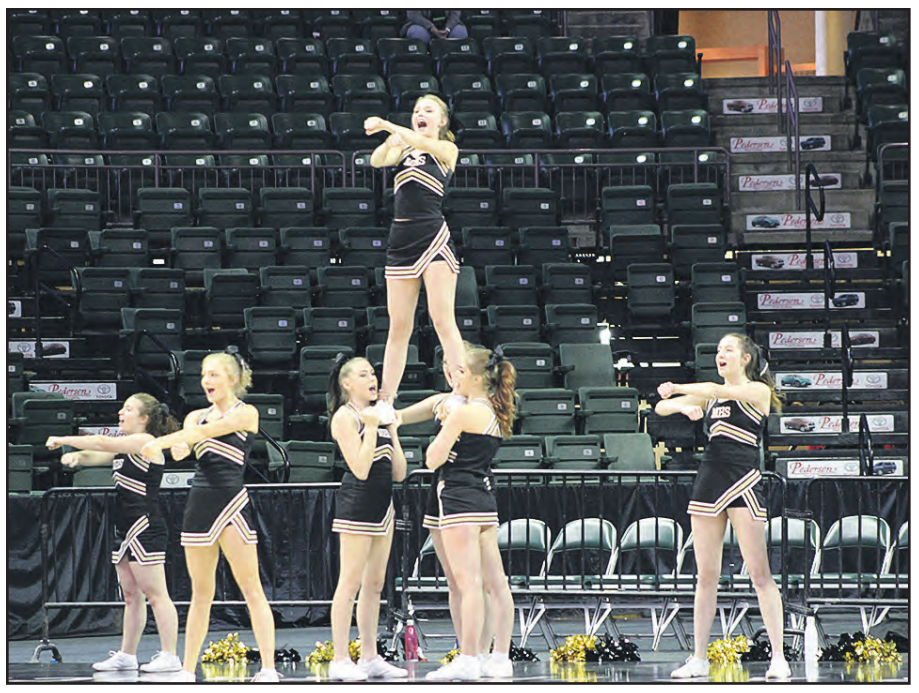
The Northwest League Championships will start at 9 a.m., Saturday in Rangely.

CORRECTION

MEEKER I Lady Cowboy Kirsten Brown was incorrectly identified as Denise Brown in last week's paper. We regret the error.

BOBBY GUTIERREZ

Baseball practice started before basketball season was over and on Monday several players from the third place state basketball team were wearing mitts and on the Sixth Street field ready to practice. The Cowboys are scheduled to play their first game of the season today in Carbondale against the Roaring Fork Rams before going on spring break.



Arguably the hardest working athletes at Meeker High School, definitely the most cheerful, the MHS cheerleading squad practices two hours a day, four days a week, starting in the fall and cheering at all home events, then traveling to state competitions. The squad grew to 12 girls this year and is led by head coach Becky Ridings. "Antina Dibenedetto and Beth Bennett come in a couple of hours a week to work on stunting and jumps with the girls and they both are amazing," Ridings said of her assistant coaches.

BOBBY GUTIERREZ

Members of Meeker's track program were recently running the streets getting ready for the season, which will feature their first home meet in several years. The Bob King Track, which was new last year, will host a home meet March 30 and coach John Strate is asking for volunteers to help out. Please email him at john.strate@meeker.k12.co.us or call him at 970-878-9070 ext. 322.

BOBBY GUTIERREZ

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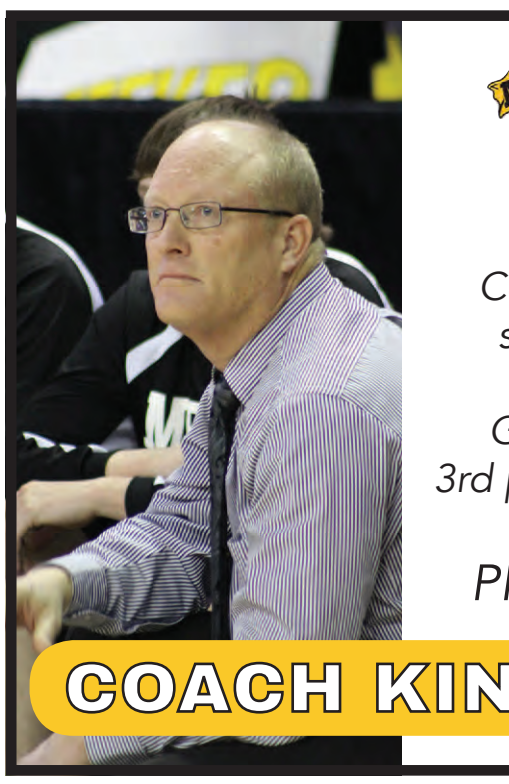

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Way to go Makenze!!
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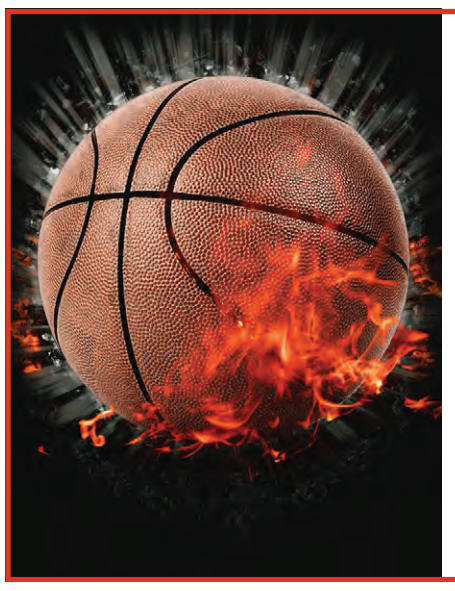
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Rangely girls take sixth at 2A state championships

BOBBY GUTIERREZ

The Rangely Panther girls' basketball team qualified for the 2A - 2018 Colorado State Basketball Championship, held in the Budweiser Event Center in Loveland, as Western Slope League champions, District 5 champions, Region 4 champions and with a 22-5 record, including a win in the state tournament. Playing for the lady Panthers were Makenze Cochrane, Kassidee Brown, Skylar Thacker, Alanna Wiley, Katelyn Brown, Marlena Miller, Sarah Connor, Phalon Osborn, Halie Elam, Raelynn Norman, Zoey Peck and Kacie Lapp.

BOBBY GUTIERREZ

Rangely head coach Jimmie Mergelman, pictured during a time out, took the lady Panthers to the state basketball tournament for the first time since 2002 in her first year back as head coach and finished with a 22-5 record.

BOBBY GUTIERREZ

Rangely senior Katelyn Brown, a four-year starter for the lady Panthers, led the team in scoring with 527 points, including 66 shots from behind the three-point arch and she was an 89 percent free throw shooter.

BOBBY GUTIERREZ

One of three varsity seniors, Sarah Connor led the lady Panthers with 138 rebounds and 11 blocked shots.

BOBBY GUTIERREZ

Rangely senior Halie Elam finished the season with 128 points, 97 rebounds, 50 assists and 48 steals.

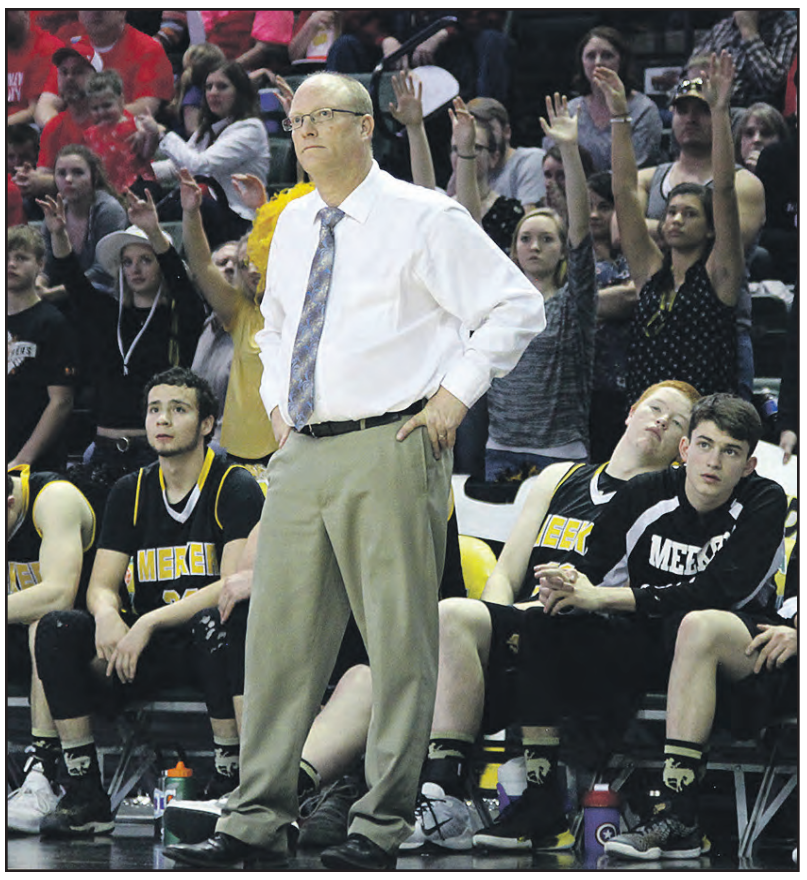
BOBBY GUTIERREZ

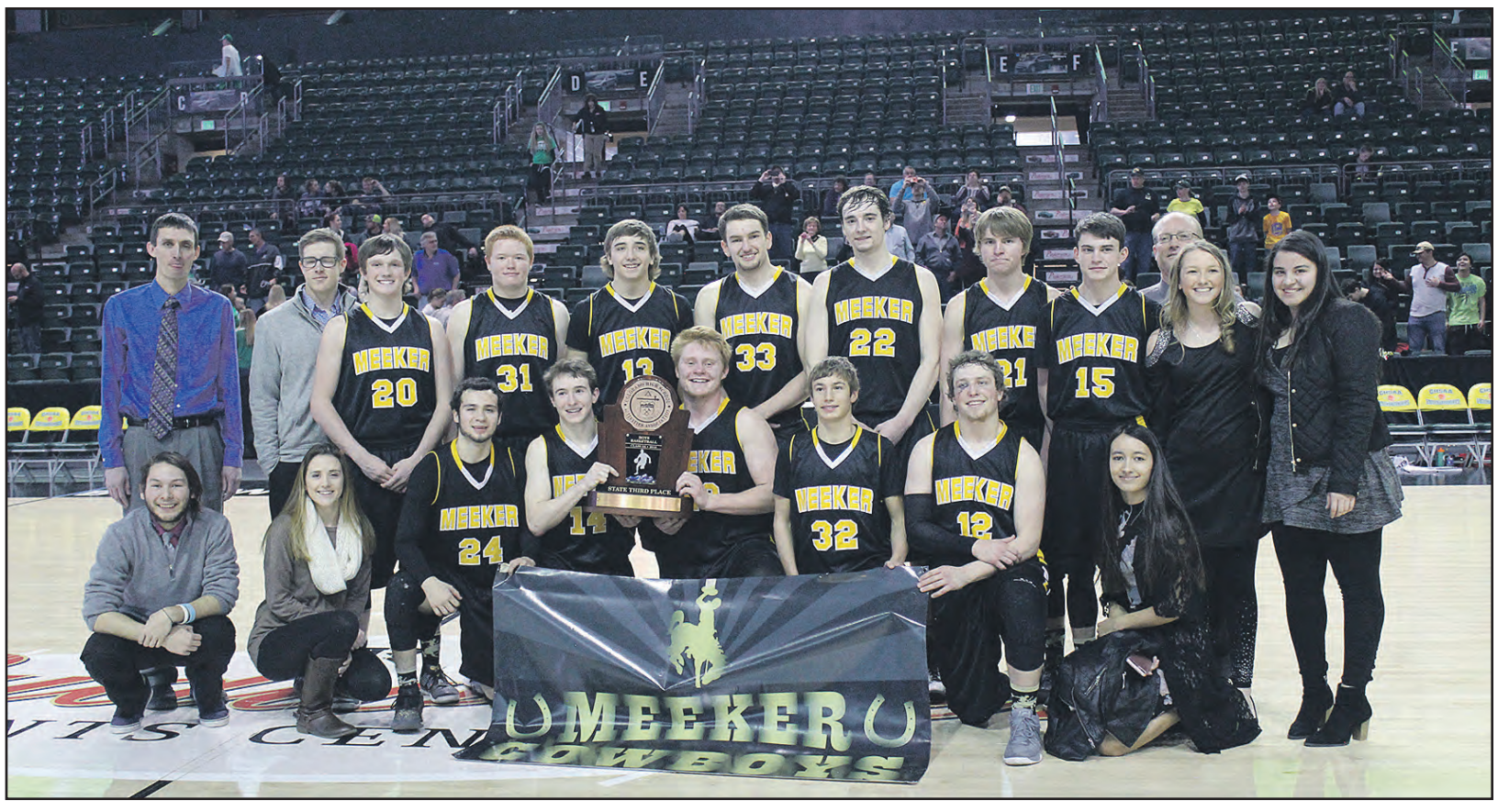
Rangely's defense pulled down 427 defensive rebounds, stole the ball 238 times, blocked 39 shots and helped their team win 22 games this year.

BOBBY GUTIERREZ

"The future of the RHS girls" basketball is in great shape as three awesome seniors will hand the torch off after ending the season with a 22-5 mark," coach Mergelman said. Returning next year will be starters Kassidee Brown, Skylar Thacker and Makenze Cochrane, along with juniors Alanna Wiley, Raelynn Norman, Marlena Miller and Phalon Osborn. Sophomore Zoey Peck also suited up for varsity this year, as did freshman Kacie Lapp.

Meeker boys bring home third place state trophy





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Meeker boys' head basketball coach (top left) Klark Kindler has coached 20 years, qualified for the Colorado State Basketball Championships five times and has two third place trophies for his efforts. Members of this year's team are (back) assistant coaches Matt Dupire and Trey Morris, Andy Kracht, Ryan Phelan, Stephen Walsh, Eli Newman, Zach Dinwiddie, Brennan Jensen, Kale Burke, head coach Klark Kindler, managers Madison Kindler and Marilea Rosas. In front are Jonathon Lopez, Taylor Dodds, Valentin Rosas, Trapper Merrifield, Logan Hughes, Cole Rogers, Doak Mantle and Alicia Mobley. Not pictured is Jerrick Garza.

BOBBY GUTIERREZ

The Meeker cheerleading squad has been busy cheering the Cowboys on this year in post season play and they were in the Budweiser Event Center for the 2A Colorado State Basketball Championships. Cheering on their team were Shelby Steele, Eowyn Larson, Annelise Amack, Tacy Crawford, Mariah Hood, Jilly Bumguardner and Meleena Pope.

BOBBY GUTIERREZ

Cowboy seniors Doak Mantle, Eli Newman, Trapper Merrifield, Zach Dinwiddie, Logan Hughes and Valentin Rosas led their team to a co-Western Slope League title, a District 5 and Regional 5 team championship and a second trip to the state tournament in their four-year high school career.

BOBBY GUTIERREZ

Logan Hughes led the Cowboys with 283 points, 220 rebounds and 65 steals in 26 games.

BOBBY GUTIERREZ

Doak Mantle, pictured shooting a free throw, scored 262 points, including 23 three-pointers and he finished with 53 steals. Valentin Rosas (24), pictured behind Mantle, scored 140 points and had the best free throw percentage (76 percent) on the team.

BOBBY GUTIERREZ

Meeker's big men, Zach Dinwiddie and Eli Newman, scored 283 and 285 points, while pulling down 165 and 191 rebounds respectively. Dinwiddie led the team by making 29 shots from behind the three-point arch.

BARN: Trail has potential to be a tourist attraction

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organizations to honor a loved one by choosing a historical barn, building or shop and erecting a barn quilt sign on that building. The individual or organization will also research the history of that building and turn it into the director of the Historical Trail Committee. The committee will then develop a map of the trail and a book with photos and information about each location. The maps and books will be available for tourists at strategic locations around the county such as Chamber of Commerce offices, museums and town halls.

Bell first became interested in the project after traveling a Barn Quilt Trail in Nebraska several years ago. "Over the course of two weeks, I and my friend traveled this unknown county of Nebraska following the roughly sketched out map of the Barn Quilt Trail buildings and researching their origins and history. At night we stayed in a couple of motels that were filled with the same Barn Quilt Travelers seeking the beauty and history of the back roads of this unknown off the freeway county. During that time, I discovered my favorite little material and hobby store, mountain biking and hiking, floating around in a kayak on the local small lake. I came home with a new goal of seeking out these Barn Quilt Trails on the back roads of the USA. One day my husband and I were traveling from Rangely to the Campbell Creek Ranch and I realized Rio Blanco County was the perfect Barn Quilt Trail. It's a county that's diversified with history, buildings and things to do. From the petroglyphs around Rangely to the beauty of Meeker and White River National Forest a traveler can easily spend days soaking in the outback of our county and the beauty it has to offer," she said.

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Prescribed burn planned for Miller Creek area

Special to the Herald Times

RBC I The Upper Colorado River Interagency Fire and Aviation Management Unit (UCR) is preparing to conduct several prescribed burns on White River National Forest and Bureau of Land Management lands in Eagle, Garfield, Pitkin and Rio Blanco counties, weather and conditions permitting.

Prescribed burns are implemented to provide benefits to improve habitat for big game and other native wildlife and help clear overcrowded undergrowth that poses a wildfire risk. During implementation of prescribed burn activities, firefighters will be closely monitoring these burns during and after ignitions to ensure the fire activity remains in the identified boundaries. As part of the burn plan, firefighters and fire engines will be on scene to keep the fire within the burn unit. Burn plans for prescribed burn activities are prepared and approved months in advance by fuel specialists. Each plan prescribes specific weather and smoke dispersion conditions that must be in place in order to proceed. Prescribed fires may be ignited with the help of helicopters or by hand crews.

This year's potential prescribed burn locations in Rio Blanco County include: Miller Creek Prescribed Burn, Blanco Ranger District: 12 miles east of Meeker, Colo., approximately 500 acres.

The White River National Forest and the BLM have partnered with Colorado Parks and Wildlife on these projects to improve forage regeneration for wildlife. Prescribed burns are targeted to improve large game winter and transition range forage. Nutrient-rich new growth can often be seen sprouting as soon as 10 days after a prescribed fire. A secondary benefit of these projects will be the reduction of fuel loads in the mountain shrub and oak brush vegetation in areas that are overgrown.

The public is reminded: do not call 911 or emergency services even though smoke may be visible. Most of the smoke will dissipate during the day, although some nighttime smoke may remain in valley bottoms as temperatures drop. Any carry-over smoke is expected to be of short-term occurrence. Those who are sensitive to smoke are encouraged to call the White River National Forest Supervisor's Office or nearby District Office for additional information. For more information on how prescribed fire smoke may affect your health, please visit: https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/cdphe/wood-smoke-and-health. For information about prescribed burn activities please call local White River National Forest Ranger District Offices or the Colorado River Valley Field Office at 970-876-9008, follow the White River National Forest on Twitter @WhiteRiverNews, or on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/WhiteRiverNF/.

COMPETITION...

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Mandie Cox, daughter of Joe and Christine Brasfield of Rangely, competed in the National Physique Committee (NPC) bikini competition last weekend in Salt Lake City, Utah. She placed fifth in her division and third overall. The competition was very tough but her hard work and dedication paid off. The National Physique Committee is the premier amateur physique organization in the world. "She seamlessly exceeded our expectations at the competition in Salt Lake City on March 10, 2018. Great job, Mandie, we love you!" said her parents.

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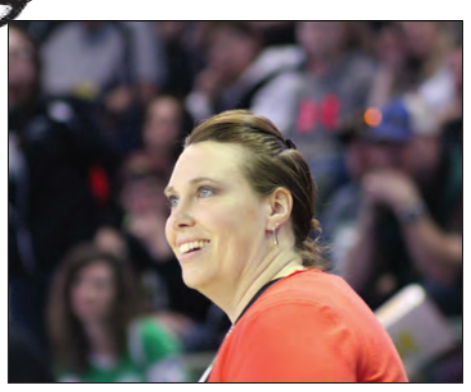

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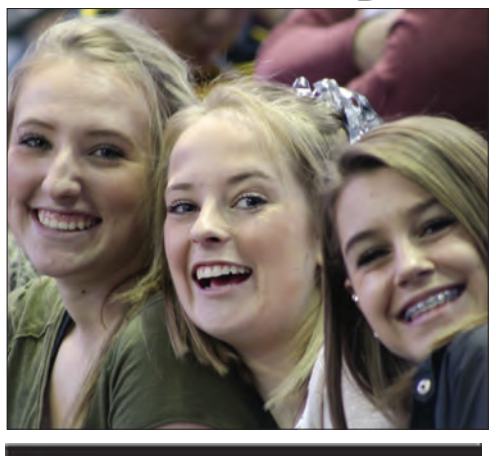

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White River Algae Task Force update

By CALLIE HENDRICKSON
Special to the Herald Times

RBC I Thank you to all the interested public and stakeholders for your commitment to finding the drivers of the algae in the White River. We also want to thank you all for your patience with our Technical Committee (TC) as they have put a great amount of time, effort, and energy into identifying the most critical elements to the Scope of Work (SOW) that will help identify the causes of the algae. This is a very complex problem that has evolved over time and it will require some time to identify the cause. It is anticipated that there is no one single cause or source of this problem. There are multiple rivers across the western United States that are experiencing the excess algae issue, much like the White River.

A quick review of what the Technical Committee has done reminds us that USGS had originally recommended we do a one-year study primarily up-river from Meeker. The TC asked USGS to provide a proposal that would also include studying the river all the way down to Rangely and to make it a multi-year study over concerns that one year's worth of data would not be statistically significant. USGS came back to the group with that proposal which gave many of the committee members "sticker shock."

Realizing that it would be a huge challenge to get down to the detail necessary, a five-member workgroup was appointed in January to work out those details and bring a recommendation back to the TC. The final recommendation from the workgroup is the culmination of many hours (days), conversations, meetings, emails, etc. I'm confident that the workgroup has done exactly what the TC asked.

In reviewing the USGS draft SOW, the workgroup literally dissected it into a chart where they evaluated it line by line based on prioritized questions. Then they developed and analyzed a more elaborate spreadsheet for more discussion so that they could sort based on priorities and the "core" tasks required to ensure scientific analysis and credibility to the study. There were a number of tasks that each individual would like to include but the group finalized the SOW based on the highest priorities ensuring scientific integrity in determining the cause of excess algae. The workgroup's final step in the two-month processes is to present the final SOW to the technical committee on March 21.

The workgroup recognizes that there is a sense of urgency in finding the cause of the algae and has balanced that sense of urgency with a solid scientific-based study that will give us the best of both worlds. To identify different sources of nutrients in the White River as quickly as possible, the proposed SOW will analyze isotopic-signatures of oxygen and nitrogen from nitrate in various source materials and in the river during 2018. Please remember, there is no guarantee that the "signatures" will be different enough to help determine the potential source. While analyzing samples for isotopic signatures, the proposed SOW will simultaneously include efforts to help develop a better understanding of the physical and chemical properties controlling the algal growth.

The draft proposal includes annual progress reports from USGS to evaluate the next year's proposed work based on findings of the current year. We will be using adaptive project management based on annual findings.

While the anticipated cost is more than any of us would like to see, the workgroup has done a great deal of individual research and determined that we do need all the components of this SOW. Discussion was had about the USGS preliminary costs being a little higher than potentially other researchers. The consensus of the workgroup was that with USGS providing 35 percent of the funding and their reputation of being nonbiased, they are the best entity to have do this research and analysis.

So, how are we going to pay for the study? We currently have commitments for a total of $60,000 for 2018. That leaves us approximately $30,000 to raise for 2018 work. The conservation district and others will be meeting with individuals and agencies during the remainder of March to solicit this $30,000 because it is too short of a time frame to get grant funding and it seems like it is a "doable" amount to raise for such an important issue to the community.

In ensuing years, we will be seeking support again from the stakeholders and applying for grants through the Basin Roundtable, the Colorado Water Conservation Board and others to be determined.

The White River Conservation District anticipates that we will have annual agreements with USGS for the study dependent upon funding availability and on adaptive research based on each year's outcome.

The technical committee meeting will be March 21 at the Fairfield Center beginning at 11 a.m. At that time the workgroup will give a brief overview of their recommendations followed by a more detailed presentation of the SOW by USGS. We will break for lunch and reconvene at 1:30 p.m. for further discussion and public comment specifically on the proposal in anticipation of finalizing the SOW by end of the day.

Landowners and interested parties are welcome to attend the technical committee meeting and will have an opportunity to provide comment and input on the proposal during the public comment period. We strongly encourage that anyone interested in providing comment in the afternoon attend the morning session, where they receive a copy of the proposal and hear the presentations.

Visit the White River and Douglas Creek Conservation Districts' website (www.whiterivercd.com) to find copies of the workgroup's recommendations, previous meetings' minutes, research and meeting information. Contact the conservation district office at 878-9838 with any questions.

ARROW OF LIGHT ...

COURTESY PHOTO

Scout Pack 189, sponsored by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, has awarded the Arrow of Light, Cub Scouting's highest achievement, to Clay Allred, son of Hank and Julie Allred, and Davin Hinkle, son of Josh and Trish Hinkle. Pictured are Hank, Julie and Clay Allred, Cub Master Susie White, Davin, Trish and Josh Hinkle, along with Den Leaders Misty Morgan and Brenda Pennell. Congratulations!

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RIO BLANCO COUNTY DAYS GONE BY

The Meeker Herald — 100 years ago

■ The man who has a fine head of hair is careless about parting it. But the man who has only eight hairs left never fails to get four on one side of the part and four on the other side.

■ Weather conditions were of the changeable variety during the past week. The change from the springlike grade we had set in last Friday evening with snow and a blizzard. More or less sunshine followed till Wednesday morning, when a couple of inches of snow fell. This was followed by a drop of the mercury and frosty nights. But—sunshine is now on tap.

■ Pursuant to notice a goodly gathering of citizens assembled at the City Hall Tuesday evening and placed in nomination the following citizens, to be voted for at the coming town election: For mayor—W.D. Simms. For councilmen—J.E. Rooney, F.N. JoHantgen and L.L. Offerle, for two-year terms, and C.T. Gwynne for one year term.

The Meeker Herald — 50 years ago

■ The Meeker Cowboys, showing a newfound determination, knocked Glenwood Springs from the ranks of the undefeated Saturday night, 52-50, to win the Northwestern League Basketball Tourney.

■ Meeker's Volunteer Fire Department held its annual dinner at Elbert Hall on Monday evening of this week. Frank Cooley paid tribute to the long years of service of Chief Stan Harp and then in a most fitting matter, presented him with a gift from the department.

■ Supt. Bob King commented this is the first time for a number of years that the students have had a spring vacation. In the past, a few days' vacation has been allowed at Easter time.

The Meeker Herald — 25 years ago

■ "I can't even imagine what kind of person would do something like that, especially to a VFW," lamented Georgia Skidmore, the morning after Bud's Bar received a bomb threat.

■ The Meeker Cowgirls' visit to the state tournament in Denver last week was brief, but long enough to prove they were a team to be taken seriously. The Cowgirls proved they were no pushovers last Thursday, but fell to the Crusaders 47-59.

Rangely Times — 50 years ago

■ Nine petitions were filed in the clerk's office by the deadline, March 8, for the offices of trustee and one petition for the office of mayor. Trustee petitions were turned in for incumbents Charles Cary, Don Chism and Don Rooks. Other petitions included those of Harold Eddy, Howard Elam, Glenn Harper, Troy A. Pollard, Jon R. Toles and J.S. Warner. Mayor Bernard Yaeger is unopposed for re-election as mayor.

■ There is some medical evidence that wrinkles are hereditary, and it may be that parents inherit them from their children.

Rangely Times — 25 years ago

■ The annual "Jump Rope for Heart" is a thing of the past. More than 40 students at Parkview Elementary jumped rope on March 4 after school to promote their cardiovascular fitness and to raise money for the American Heart Association. The children had fun and also raised $1,300.

■ Rangely girls take third place at state—again.

■ The fifth Rowdy Worm is again being planned as is just around the corner.

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Town of Meeker, Total Payroll & Witholding, $132,353.19
BoyKo Supply, Toilet Tissue, Hand Towels, $198.79
All Copy Products, Feb. Copier Lease, $244.36
Alsco, Feb. Coveralls, $21.53
Atmos, Feb. Natural Gas, $1,245.29
CBI, Blood Alcohol Test / PD, $30.00
Century Link, Feb. Phone Svc., $434.33
CMRS - PB, Reimburse February Postage, $51.64
CNA Surety, Public Officials Bond, $922.25
Colo. Dept. of Law, Safe to Tell program Material / PD, $53.15
Colo. Document Security, Document Destruction, $100.30
Eagle River Waste Svc., Feb. Trash Svc., $199.00
Eagle River Waste Svc., Feb. Trash Svc., $229.00
ERBM Park & Rec., CPR & 1st Aid Certifications / PD & PW, $238.00
Frisk, Maria, Restitution Paid / Muni Court, $67.51
Gall's, Name Tag / PD, $12.00
Gall's, Gun Sling / PD, $31.95
Gofer Foods, Meal / PW, $19.91
Grant Mortuary, Employee Memorial Contribution, $100.00
IAPE, Evidence Tech. Course - Hayes / PD, $375.00
Jean's Printing, Warning Tickets / PD, $320.80
KRAI FM & 55 Country, State Wrestling Supporter, $155.00
MBV Visa, Bulbs / Chr. Décor; Dues, Light Bar / PD; Asph. Conf. / PW; Phone Svc., $1,380.99
McGuire Auto, Truck Radio / Shop; Wire Conduit / PD, $129.42
McNay, Julie, Reimburse - Excel Class, $60.00
Meeker Auto, Grinding Wheel, Abrasive Roll / Shop, $73.73
Meeker Chamber of Commerce, Annual Funding, $60,000.00
Mountain Cross Engineering, Street Project Engineering, $695.60
Networking of The Rockies, Support Issues, $1,500.00
Newman Signs, Stop & No U Turn Signs / Streets, $804.52
Noble, Laurie Atty., Feb. Municipal Judge Svc. & Travel, $405.00
Northwest Auto, Loader Tire Tube / Shop, $128.50
Olszewski, Massih & Maurer, Feb. Legal Fees, $4,720.00
Overton Recycling Inc., Feb. Recycling Services, $2,916.67
Pitney Bowes, Feb. Postage Meter Rental, $40.74
RBC Clerk & Recorder, Mailing Labels for Town Election, $51.92
RG & Associates, Feb. Planning Svc., $2,070.00
Rocky Mountain Reserve, Dec. HRA Claims, $1,336.18
Rocky Mountain Reserve, Jan. HRA Claims, $3,202.53
Rocky Mtn. Reserve, Feb. HRA Claims, $532.88
Rocky Mtn. Reserve, Feb. Admin Fee, $59.95
Rocky Mtn. Supply Co., Signs / PD, $33.78
Samuelson's, Material for Skunk Traps / AC; Chimney Cap, Duct Tape / Shop, $198.98
Strata Networks, Feb. Internet Town Hall & Shop, $89.58
Thyssen Krupp Elevator Svc, 1st. Qtr. Elevator Svc., $765.32
Union Telephone, Feb. Cell Phone Svc., $485.93
USPS, Postage Mail Ballots / Election, $454.30
Valley Hardware, Trash Bags / Shop; Materials for Skunk Traps / AC; Key's / PD, $235.25
Watt's, Dog Treats / AC, $66.68
White River Distributing, Water Cooler Rental & Bottle Water, $46.25
White River Electric, Feb. Electricity, $2,251.70
Young, J. Christopher PHD, Employee Psych Testing / PD, $300.00
Total General Fund: $222,439.40

WATER FUND

Town of Meeker, Total Payroll & Witholding, $43,503.65
CMRS - PB, Reimburse February Postage, $123.14
All Copy Products, Feb. Copier Lease, $53.64
Alsco, Feb. Coveralls, $21.53
Atmos, Feb. Natural Gas, $581.01
AWWA, 2018 Dues, $315.00
Century Link, Feb. Phone Svc., $153.34
Colo. Document Security, Document Destruction, $17.70
Core & Main, Meter Pit MIU's, $840.00
DPC Industries, Canister Chg., $80.00
ERBM Park & Rec., CPR & 1st Aid Certifications / PW, $70.00
Gofer Foods, Meal / PW, $19.90
Grand Jct. Pipe, Fire Hydrant Repair Parts, $1,055.60
McGuire Auto, Truck Radio, Wiper Blades / Shop, $260.94
Meeker Auto, Grinding Wheel, Abrasive Roll / Shop, $73.72
Mesa County Health Dept., Water Tests, $40.00
MVB Visa, Water Conf., Monthly Phone Svc., $765.93
Northwest Auto, Loader Tire Tube / Shop, $128.50
Olsson Associates, Well Power & Scada / Dola Grant, $4,970.00
Olszewski, Massih & Maurer, Feb. Legal Fees, $192.00
Pitney Bowes, Feb. Postage Meter Rental, 29.53
Rocky Mountain Reserve, Dec. HRA Claims, $399.12
Rocky Mountain Reserve, Jan. HRA Claims, $956.60
Rocky Mtn. Reserve, Feb. HRA Claims, $159.17
Rocky Mtn. Reserve, Feb. Admin Fee, $20.05
Samuelson's, Chimney Cap, Duct Tape / Shop, $41.67
SGM, Copy Maps, $250.00
Strata Networks, Feb. Internet Town Hall & Shop, $17.61
Union Telephone, Feb. Cell Phone Svc., $79.10
Utility Notification Center, Line Locates, $5.80
Valley Hardware, Trash Bags / Shop, $37.07
White River Electric, Feb. Electricity, $2,675.78
Total Water Fund: $57,937.10
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CO DIV OF VETERANS AFFR, PRCH SVCS, 480
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COULTER AVIATION, PRCH SVCS, 174.67
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CSU EXTENSION, PRCH SVCS, 50
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GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 36,470.41
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 123,313.96
GENERAL FUND TOTAL: 469,175.27

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M S&G, ROAD MTRL 1610.26
MVB-VISA, PRCH SVCS 851.04
NICHOLS STORE, SPPLY 62
OFFICE DEPOT, SPPLY 131.52
PITNEY BOWES RES, PRCH SVCS 13.66
RANGELY TRUE VALUE, SPPLY 23.76
RESPOND FIRST AID, SPPLY 33.66
UNION, PRCH SVCS 314.53
VALLEY HARDWARE, SPPLY 78.95
WATT'S, SPPLY 17.77
WHITE RIVER DIST, SPPLY 31.25
WREA, UTL 146.79
US DEPT OF TREASURY, FED W/H 5.34
US DEPT OF TREASURY, FED W/H 2,883.21
US DEPT OF TREASURY, FED W/H 10,402.97
US DEPT OF TREASURY, FICA W/H 216.64
US DEPT OF TREASURY, FICA W/H 1,858.24
US DEPT OF TREASURY, FICA W/H 50.72
US DEPT OF TREASURY, FICA W/H 434.60
US DEPT OF TREASURY, FICA W/H 20,434.62
CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H 2.00
CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H 643.00
CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H 4,464.50
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT 1,798.30
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT 17,830.24
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE 53,370.55
COLORADO DEPT OF REVENUE, WAGE ASNMT 743.00
ROAD & BRIDGE FUND TOTAL: 118,969.40

FUND: PUBLIC HEALTH
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT

BLUE RIDGE NET PUBLISH, SPPLY, 2,809.90
CENTURYLINK-LND LN, PRCH SVCS, 114.59
METROPOLITAN PATH, PRCH SVCS, 287
MVB-VISA, PRCH SVCS, 939.42
PMC, PRCH SVCS, 205
RANGELY DIST HOSP, PRCH SVCS, 235.11
STAPLES, SPPLY, 132.06
WHITE RIVER DIST, SPPLY, 21.25
US DEPT OF TREASURY, FED W/H, 1,187.54
US DEPT OF TREASURY, FICA W/H, 2,622.54
CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 522.00
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 1,449.02
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 5,803.25
PUBLIC HEALTH FUND TOTAL: 16,328.68

FUND: DEPT OF HUMAN SERVICES
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT

CENTURYLINK, PRCH SVCS, 69.29
PITNEY BOWES RES, CNTY EXPNS, 0.47
US DEPT OF TREASURY, FED W/H, 3,774.90
US DEPT OF TREASURY, FICA W/H, 6,090.38
CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 1,561.19
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 3,524.45
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 12,580.59
AP PAYMENTS, 6,063.76
DEPT OF HUMAN SERVICES FUND TOTAL: 33,665.03

FUND: CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT

ACCURETTA VOICE, BRDBND IMP, 29,452.11
DUCEY'S ELEC, GNRTRS, 6,694.22
EMLAB P&K, FRFLD COM, 313.56
FIBERSTORE, BRDBND IMP, 1,664.00
FIRE TEAM SECURITY, BRDBND IMP, 2,726.11
FLAT ROCK CONST, MA ENTTLMNT, 43,873.94
GDA, MA ENTTLMNT, 12,153.94
GRAYBAR ELEC, BRDBND IMP, 72,153.57
LONG WAVE, BRDBND IMP, 224,258.11
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND TOTAL: 393,289.56

FUND:USE TAX
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT

CENTURYLINK, PRCH SVCS, 165.85
CENTURYLINK-LND LN, MKR SFHS, 126.28
CO ASSN/ NUTRITION, PRCH SVCS, 100
HENDERSHOTT, MELAINE, PRCH SVCS, 1,700.92
IDENTITY GRAPHICS, PRCH SVCS, 120
MARKETING & TECH, SPPLY, 582.85
MOON LAKE, UTL, 735.54
NICKSON, ANNALEE, PRCH SVCS, 53.13
PITNEY BOWES RES, PRCH SVCS, 138.65
RANGELY, TOWN OF, UTL, 101.3
RANGELY TRASH, UTL, 166
RANGELY TRUE VALUE, SPPLY, 87.17
RB HERALD TIME, PRCH SVCS, 15
U.S. FOODS, NSIP FOOD SPPLY, 2308.83
WATT'S, NSIP FOOD SPPLY, 248.43
WHITE RIVER MARKET, FOOD SPPLY, 173.48
WILLIAMS, TAMRA, PRCH SVCS, 4.5
US DEPT OF TREASURY, FED W/H, 1,475.88
US DEPT OF TREASURY, FICA W/H, 2,972.74
CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 678.64
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 2,174.73
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 8,597.52
FAMILY SUPPORT REGISTRY, WAGE ASNMT, 839.00
USE TAX FUND TOTAL: 23,566.44

FUND: SOLID WASTE
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT

CO DEPT OF PH, CLSR/POS, 3,000.00
PITNEY BOWES RES, PRCH SVCS, 5.17
REDI SVCS/WY, PRCH SVCS, 80
UNION, PRCH SVCS, 54.14
VALLEY HARDWARE, SPPLY, 89.98
WHITE RIVER DIST, PRCH SVCS, 15
WREA, UTL, 906.55
WHITE RIVER ENERGY, SPPLY, 886.5
US DEPT OF TREASURY, FED W/H, 1,653.58
US DEPT OF TREASURY, FICA W/H, 2,074.48
CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 552.00
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 406.24
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 3,847.80
CHILD SUPPORT SVCS, WAGE ASNMT, 200.00
SOLID WASTE FUND TOTAL: 13,771.44

FUND: WEED & PEST
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT

DULTMEIER SALES, SPPLY, 261.81
MVB-VISA, SPPLY, 710
PITNEY BOWES RES, PRCH SVCS, 2.35
STAPLES, SPPLY, 66.78
VALLEY HARDWARE, SPPLY, 35.82
US DEPT OF TREASURY, FED W/H, 446.95
US DEPT OF TREASURY, FICA W/H, 593.34
CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 171.00
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 893.10
WEED & PEST FUND TOTAL: 3,181.15

FUND: COMMUNICATIONS
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT

BEAR RIVER FIBER OPTIC, PRCH SVCS, 4650
GRAYBAR ELEC, SPPLY, 2082.37
MAMMOTHNETWORKS, PRCH SVCS, 8,542.25
MVB-VISA, SPPLY, 1016.39
NW CO CTY, PRCH SVCS, 1,835.00
RANGELY TRUE VALUE, SPPLY, 14.99
UTILITY NOTIFICATION, PRCH SVCS, 46.4
WESTERN SLOPE INFO, PRCH SVCS, 1,000.00
WREA, UTL, 16.7
US DEPT OF TREASURY, FED W/H, 771.87
US DEPT OF TREASURY, FICA W/H, 1,211.26
CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 293.00
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 2,954.70
COMMUNICATIONS TOTAL FUND: 24,434.93

FUND: FAIRFIELD
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT

ATMOS ENERGY, UTL, 928.4
BOYKO, SPPLY, 307.71
CENTURYLINK-LND LN, PRCH SVCS, 81.8
EAGLE RIVER WASTE, UTL, 305
K-D FLAGS, SPPLY, 65.75
MEEKER SANITATION, UTL, 35
MEEKER, TOWN OF, UTL, 588
MID-AMERICAN RESRCH, SPPLY, 309.37
ROCKY MT GUTTERS, SPPLY, 1,068.00
SAMUELSON, SPPLY, 2.99
VALLEY HARDWARE, SPPLY, 97.31
WREA, UTL, 1,881.84
US DEPT OF TREASURY, FED W/H, 242.69
US DEPT OF TREASURY, FICA W/H, 697.80
CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 128.85
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 367.74
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 2,906.72
FAIRFIELD FUND TOTAL: 10,014.97

FUND: CENTRAL SERVICES
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT

ALL COPY PROD, CNTRCT SVCS, 284.46
PITNEY BOWES, RNT/LEASE EQP, 164.85
PITNEY BOWES RES, PSTG, 79.22
STAPLES, SPPLY, 1,240.00
XEROX, CNTRCT SVCS, 1273.08
CENTRAL SERVICES FUND TOTAL: 3,041.61

FUND: FLEET
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT

BOYKO, SPPLY, 97.6
CENTURYLINK-LND LN, PRCH SVCS, 62.6
COLUMBINE FORD, PARTS/ACCSS, 380
FARIS MACHINERY, PARTS/ACCSS, 1,646.73
GILBARCO, PRCH SVCS, 198.38
GRAINGER, SPPLY, 95.16
H&H HYDRAULICS, PARTS/ACCSS, 34.67
HONNEN EQUIP, PARTS/ACCSS, 754.77
LAWSON PROD, SPPLY, 19.44
MASTER PETROLEUM, GAS, 65,512.42
MCGUIRE AUTO, LUB, 1880.98
MEEKER AUTO, PARTS/ACCSS, 2089.19
MEEKER COLLISION, PRCH SVCS, 3,519.65
MOBILITY DRIVEN, RPR/MNTC, 752.93
MOON LAKE, UTL, 93.57
MVB-VISA, GAS, 342.03
NORTHWEST AUTO, PARTS/ACCSS, 225.58
POWER EQUIP, RPR/MNTC, 1,300.20
RANGELY AUTO, PARTS/ACCSS, 1362.26
SAMUELSON, SPPLY, 28.46
TRANSWEST TRUCKS, PARTS/ACCSS, 358.38
VALLEY HARDWARE, SPPLY, 74.92
VERMEER SALES, PARTS/ACCSS, 1,793.86
WAGNER EQUIP, LUB, 2500.91
WESTFALL O'DELL, PARTS/ACCSS, 4,582.33
WREA, UTL, 844.92
WHITE RIVER ENERGY, UTL, 261.8
XCEL ENERGY, UTL, 258.83
US DEPT OF TREASURY, FED W/H, 2,332.15
US DEPT OF TREASURY, FICA W/H, 4,712.16
CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 982.50
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 4,222.47
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 10,595.29
FLEET FUND TOTAL: 113,917.14
TOTAL: $ 1,245,047.40
PUBLISHED MARCH 15, 2018
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Public Notice – OHV Kiosk RFP Posting
Rio Blanco County
Wagon Wheel West OHV Trail Educational Kiosk Project
Request for Proposals

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF RIO BLANCO COUNTY is soliciting proposals to construct and install up to 18 educational kiosks to be located along the Wagon Wheel OHV Trail System in Rio Blanco County, Colorado. Proposal documents are available online at http://www.rbc.us/bids.aspx. County representative for this project is Katelin Cook, Economic Development Coordinator, (970)878-9474. Proposals shall have "Rio Blanco County Wagon Wheel West OHV Trail Educational Kiosk Project – Request for Proposals" written on a sealed envelope. Proposals must be received by 11:00AM, Mountain Standard Time, on March 19, 2018. Do not depend on overnight delivery. Proposals shall be opened and read in public at 11:00AM on Monday, March 19, 2018 at the Commissioners' Meeting Room, 17497 Highway 64, Rangely, CO 81648. Bids received after 11:00AM on March 19, 2018 shall be returned to Proposer unopened. The Rio Blanco County Board of County Commissioners reserve the right to reject any or all bids; to waive any informalities in bids; issue a contract for individual portions of the bid; and to accept the bid that, in the opinion of the Board, is in the best interest of the County of Rio Blanco, State of Colorado. The County also reserves the right to negotiate changes in specifications with successful vendor.
Publish March 8 and March 15, 2018
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NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
ERBM Meeker Recreation Center Parking Lot Asphalt Project
A Public Works Project
Eastern Rio Blanco Metropolitan Recreation and Park District
101 Ute Road
Meeker, Colorado 81641

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Eastern Rio Blanco Metropolitan Recreation and Park District ("ERBM"), a political subdivision of the State of Colorado, is inviting proposals from qualified General Contractors for the Meeker Recreation Center Asphalt Project, located at 101 Ute Rd. in Meeker, Colorado.
Contractors must submit their bid proposals before 5pm on Friday, March 30th, 2018 at ERBM's administrative office located at 101 Ute Road, Meeker, Colorado 81641; or via email at rodney@ERBMrec.com. Bids must be clearly marked "Meeker Recreation Center Parking Lot Asphalt". A pre-bid walkthrough of the site is highly recommended and can be scheduled by contacting Rodney Gerloff at 970-878-7420.
This is a guaranteed maximum price construction project. Bids shall designate separate costs for: (1) milling and overlay of upper parking lot (19,196 square feet); (2) milling and overlay of facility drive (11,263 square feet); and, (3) crack spot milling and overlay of lower parking lot.
Construction timing to be negotiated with contractor, ideal schedule to include recreation center maintenance week closure May 9th – 13th. ERBM reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids. Each proposal shall be reviewed and considered consistent to adopted ERBM Fiscal Policies and Procedures.
A copy of the Request for Proposal and Owner-Contractor Agreement template can be found at www.ERBMrec.com.
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Rio Blanco Herald Times

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Estate of David Charles Brown, Deceased
Rio Blanco County District Court
Case No. 18PR1

All persons having claims against the abovenamed estate are required to present them to beh Personal Representative or to the District court of Rio Blanco County, Colorado on or before March 31, 2018 or the claims may be forever barred.
Jillian Pilch, 2925 Bonds Lake Rd, Conyers, GA 30012
Published: March 15, 22 & 29, 2018
Rio Blanco Herald Times

PUBLIC NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME
In the Matter of the Petition of :
Angel Brianna Hall Case No. 18C3

Public Notice is given on February 20, 2018 that a Petition for a Change of Name of an Adult has been filed with the Rio Blanco County Court. The Petition requests that the name of
Angel Brianna Hall
be changed to
Eowyn Brianna Larson
SUSAN MILLS
Clerk of Court (SEAL)
Joan Gibson
Deputy Clerk
Published: March 1, 8, 15, 2018
Rio Blanco Herald Times

NOTICE OF FILING OF VERIFIED SUPPLEMENTAL PETITION TO DETERMINE HEIRSHIP AND NOTICE OF HEARING

IN THE MATTER OF THE DETERMINATION OF HEIRS OR DEVISEES OR BOTH, AND OF INTERESTS IN PROPERTY, OF LU DICK, a/k/a LUCIUS A. DICK, Deceased; RUTH ROBERTS DICK, Deceased; ARCHIBALD E. ROBERTS, a/k/a ARCHIBALD EDWARD ROBERTS, Deceased; and DORIS W. ROBERTS, a/k/a DORIS WHITE ROBERTS, Deceased.

District Court, Rio Blanco County, Colorado
455 Main Street
PO Box 1150
Meeker, CO 81641
(970) 878-5622, Option 1
Case # 2017PR30017

To All Interested Persons:

This Notice of Hearing is filed pursuant to C.R.S. §15-12-1303. The Petitioner is Christopher C. Roberts, 7588 Greenough Road, Falcon CO 80831. The property, located in Rio Blanco County, Colorado, is as follows:
2.50% perpetual non-participating royalty interests in the following-described real property situated in Rio Blanco County, Colorado:
Township 2 North, Range 97 West, 6th P.M.: Section 36: Lot 8 of
Resurvey Tract 49, Rio Blanco County, Colorado
Decedent Lu Dick passed away on April 21, 1957. Ruth Roberts Dick passed away on October 11, 1980. Archibald E. Roberts passed away on July 25, 2006. Doris W. Roberts passed away on October 26, 2015.
The individuals named in the Verified Supplemental Petition to Determine Heirship as having an interest in the above-described royalty interests are as follows: Guy A. Roberts, 5567 Seven Lakes West, West End NC 27376 (1/3 interest); Charles R. Grey, 2802 SW Beaverton Hillsdale Hwy, Apt. B, Portland OR 97239 (1/3 interest); and Christopher C. Roberts, 7588 Greenough Road, Falcon CO 80831 (1/3 interest). These individuals are the grandsons of Lu Dick and Ruth Roberts Dick, and the children of Archibald E. Roberts and Doris W. Roberts.
Should you object to the relief sought in the Verified Supplemental Petition to Determine Heirship, you must file an Answer to the same within thirty-five days of the date of the publication of this Notice, in any event, no later than the date set herein for the Hearing scheduled in this matter. All objections to the Verified Supplemental Petition to Determine Heirship must be filed in writing with the Court and the appropriate filing fee must be paid within the time period for answering. All objections to the Petition must be served on the Petitioner, Christopher C. Roberts, through his attorney at the address set forth below. The hearing will be limited to the objections timely filed and the parties timely answering the Verified Supplemental Petition to Determine Heirship. If no objections are timely filed and served as specified in this Notice of Hearing, the Court may enter a decree without a hearing.
A hearing on the Verified Supplemental Petition to Determine Heirship will be held at the following date, time, and location:
Date: April 20, 2018
Time: 3:00 p.m.
Courtroom/Division: B
Address: 455 Main Street, Meeker, CO 81641
Respectfully submitted this 2nd day of March, 2018 by:
John D. Aylward
Attorney for Petitioner
417 W. Mountain Avenue
Fort Collins CO 80521
Telephone: 970-493-6556
Facsimile: 970-493-6928
E-mail: johnaylward@msn.com
Atty. Reg. #: 7471
Publish: March 8, 15, 22, 2018
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PUBLIC NOTICE
TOWN OF MEEKER
MUNICIPAL MAIL BALLOT ELECTION
April 3, 2018
TO THE ELECTORS OF THE TOWN OF MEEKER, COLORADO:

NOTICE is hereby given that a regular municipal election for the Town of Meeker will be held on Tuesday, April 3, 2018 between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. The polling place for all electors of the Town for the election shall be at the Town Hall, 345 Market Street, Meeker, Colorado:
The following town officers will be elected at such election: a Mayor (two-year term), and three members of the Town Board of Trustees (four-year term). The following are the candidates to be voted upon and their terms of office:

MAYOR
Two-year term Candidate One Position
REGAS K. HALANDRAS
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Four-year term Candidates Three Positions
SCOTT CREECY
SCOTT B. NIELSEN
BOB DORSETT
JOSEPH BECK
PAT TURNER

Qualifications for persons to vote in the Municipal Election are: attain the age of eighteen (18) years on the date of the election; be a citizen of the United States; a resident of the State of Colorado and the Town of Meeker twenty-two days prior to the date of the election, and registered to vote within the Town of Meeker.
A completed mail ballot package or replacement ballot package may be returned by US mail by affixing the proper postage or by walk-in at Town Hall, 345 Market Street, Meeker, Colorado on any regular business day between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., except for Election Day, April 3, 2018, then between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have here unto set my hand and official seal at Meeker, Colorado on this 1st day of February 2018.
By: LISA COOK, Town Clerk
PUBLISHED: March 8, 2018 and March 15, 2018
Published in: The Rio Blanco Herald Times

TOWN OF MEEKER, COLORADO
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS FOR THE ANNEXATION AND INITIAL ZONING OF BELLAND/FITZGIBBONS ANNEXATION

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN of a public hearing before the Meeker Planning Commission (April 2nd) and Meeker Board of Trustees (April 3rd) at the following time and place:
Planning Commission meeting 2nd day of April 2018
Board of Trustees meeting 3rd day of April 2018
7:00 P.M.
Meeker Town Hall
345 Market Street
Meeker, Colorado
The hearing is for the purpose of taking public comment on a Petition for Annexation of property known as Belland/Fitzgibbons Annexation which has been presented to the Town Board of the Town of Meeker, Colorado and found to be in apparent compliance with the applicable provisions of law. The Town Board has adopted a Resolution setting a public hearing to be held to determine if the proposed annexation complies with the applicable requirements of law. The Applicants have additionally requested a zoning designation as Highway Commercial (HC).
Any person may appear at the hearing and present evidence upon any matter to be considered by the Board or Commission.
Lisa Cook, CMC
Town Clerk
Published in the Rio Blanco Herald Times on:
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Second Publication: March 8, 2018
Third Publication: March 15, 2018
Fourth Publication: March 22, 2018
Rio Blanco Herald Times

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Estate of Dena Marie Byers, aka Dena M. Byers aka Dena Byers, Deceased
District Court of Rio Blanco County, Colorado
Case No. 18PR030001

All persons having claims against the above-named estate are required to present them to the Personal Representative or to the District Court of Rio Blanco, Colorado, on or before the 2nd day of July, 2018, or the claims may be forever barred.
Romney Pfeifer Law Office, Personal Representative
Attn: Cena Nichole Carlson
415 W. Victory Way
Craig, CO 81625
Published: March 15, 22 & 29, 2018
Rio Blanco Herald Times

TOWN OF MEEKER
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Tuesday March 20, 2018
7:00 P.M. Regular Scheduled Board Meeting
345 Market Street, Meeker, CO
Estate of Dena Marie Byers, aka Dena M. Byers aka Dena Byers, Deceased
District Court of Rio Blanco County, Colorado
Case No. 18PR030001

I. Call to Order
A. Pledge of Allegiance
B. Roll Call
II. Approval of the Agenda
III. Approval of the Previous Minutes
IV. Approval of Monthly Disbursements
V. Public Participation
This is an opportunity for Citizens to bring comments and questions to the Board of Trustees not being addressed in the Regular Meeting Agenda. In consideration of other regularly scheduled agenda items, comments will be limited to 3 minutes or less. Citizens are asked to approach the podium state their name and address for the record.
VI. Staff Updates
VII. Public Hearing Items:
1) Liquor Special Event Permit (200 Main Street Location) on
May 5, 2018, (3pm to 12am) to serve during the "Annual Afterbirth Ball"
VIII. New Business:
1. National Historic District Project Public Presentation- Mr. Carl McWilliams
IX. Discussion Item: Publications
X. Mayor's remarks
IX. Town Manager's Report
X. Town Attorney's Report
XI. Other Board Business
XII. Adjournment
Board Workshop Topics: Tree City USA, Business Grant Program, Recycling
Executive Session: Board of Trustee discussion regarding general Personnel Issues C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(f)
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NOTICE OF CANCELLATION
1-13.5-513(6), 32-1-104, 1-11-103(3)C.R.S.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the Rangely Rural Fire Protection District, Rio Blanco County, Colorado, that at the close of business on the sixty-third day before the election, there were not more candidates for director than offices to be filled, including candidates filing affidavits of intent to be write-in candidates; therefore, the election to be held on May 8, 2018 is hereby canceled pursuant to section 1-13.5-513(6), C.R.S.
The following candidates are hereby declared elected:
Paul Fortunato 4 year term until May, 2022
Signature of Designated election Official
Linda C. Gordon
(DEO's Printed Name)
Contact Person for the District: Linda C. Gordon
Telephone Number of the District: 970-629-1116
Address of the District: P.O. Box 220, Rangely, CO 81648
District Facsimile Number: 970-675-8558
District Email:
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RIO BLANCO COUNTY
NOTICE OF ROAD VACATION HEARING

NOTICE IS HEARBY GIVEN that the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado will conduct a public hearing on the 26th day of March, 2018 at 1:15PM at the Rio Blanco County Historic Courthouse, 555 Main Street, 3rd floor, Commissioner's Hearing Room in Meeker, Colorado for the purpose of considering and acting upon a petition it received calling for the vacation of the following described road:
That Portion of Rio Blanco County Road 60 described below
All persons interested in this matter are encouraged to attend the hearing.
The tracts of land through which said road passes and owners and occupants thereof, as nearly as can be determined are as follows:
Owner:
Shirley F. Cox
Wade Ray Cox
Description of Land:
All that of Rio Blanco County Road No. 60, lying in the NW1/4SE1/4 and the SW1/4NE1/4 of section 36, T2S, R95W of the 6th P.M., Rio Blanco County, Colorado.
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INVITATION TO BID

You are hereby invited to bid for the construction of the Town of Meeker Paving Project: 6th Street, 8th Street, & 10th Street. This construction project includes the rotomill and overlay of approximately 9,250 linear feet of roadway. The Project Owner is the Town of Meeker. The Project Engineer is Chris Hale, P.E. of Mountain Cross Engineering, Inc. in Glenwood Springs.
A complete set of plans, specifications and contract documents may be obtained after March 12, 2018 from the offices of Mountain Cross Engineering, Inc. (970-945-5544) or at the Meeker Town Hall (970-878-5344). A mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held at the Meeker Town Hall, 345 Market Street, on Monday March 19, 2018, at 10:30 a.m.
Send or deliver the Bid Proposals to Meeker Town Hall, 345 Market Street, Meeker, CO 81641 by 3:00 p.m., Monday, April 02, 2018. Each bid must be accompanied by a bid bond or a check in the amount of 10% of the bid made payable to The Town of Meeker as bid security, along with 3 references for similar work. The Bid Proposals and Bid Security should be placed in an envelope, securely sealed and labeled "Bid for Paving Project". Plans, specifications, and contract documents should be returned with the bid. Performance and Payment Bonds are required.
The Town reserves the right to reject any and all bids; to change, add, or amend the specifications; to waive any informalities; and the right to disregard all non-conforming or conditional bids or counter proposals. Each proposal shall be reviewed and considered consistent with the provisions of the Town of Meeker Personnel Policy and Procedure Manual, including but not limited to the Contract-Award-Preference section, which is incorporated herein by this reference and made a part of this "Invitation to Bid."
Contact Russ Overton with the Town of Meeker 970-878-5530 for additional information or with any questions regarding this project.
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RIO BLANCO COUNTY
NOTICE OF ROAD VACATION HEARING

NOTICE IS HEARBY GIVEN that the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado will conduct a public hearing on the 26th day of March, 2018 at 1:15PM at the Rio Blanco County Historic Courthouse, 555 Main Street, 3rd Floor, Commissioner's Hearing Room in Meeker, Colorado for the purpose of considering and acting upon a petition it received calling for the vacation of the following described road:
That Portion of Rio Blanco County Road 84 described below
All persons interested in this matter are encouraged to attend the hearing.
The tracts of land through which said road passes and owners and occupants thereof, as nearly as can be determined are as follows:
Owner:
Shirley F. Cox
Description of Land:
All that of Rio Blanco County Road No. 84, lying in section 30, T2S, R94W of the 6th P.M., Rio Blanco County, Colorado.
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NOTICE OF CANCELLATION
1-5-208(1.5), 32-1-104, C.R.S.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the Western Rio Blanco Metropolitan Recreation and Park District, Rio Blanco County, Colorado, that at the close of business on the sixty-third day before the election, there were not more candidates for director than offices to be filled, including candidates filing affidavits of intent to be write-in candidates; therefore, the election to be held on May 8, 2018 is hereby canceled pursuant to section 1-5-208(1.5), C.R.S.
The following candidate is hereby declared elected:
Jeffery L LeBleu 4 year term until May, 2022
Ryan Torsell 4 year term until May, 2022
(Signature of the Designated Election Official)
Linda C. Gordon
(DEO's Printed Name)
Contact Person for the District: Linda C. Gordon
Telephone Number of the District: (970) 675-8211
Address of the District:
611 S. Stanolind Avenue, Rangely 81648
District Facsimile Number: (970) 675-8011
District Email:
LGordon@westernrioblanco.org
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Estate of Dena Marie Byers, aka Dena M. Byers aka Dena Byers, Deceased
District Court of Rio Blanco County, Colorado
Case No. 18PR030001

All persons having claims against the above-named estate are required to present them to the Personal Representative or to the District Court of Rio Blanco, Colorado, on or before the 2nd day of July, 2018, or the claims may be forever barred.
Romney Pfeifer Law Office, Personal Representative
Attn: Cena Nichole Carlson
415 W. Victory Way
Craig, CO 81625
Published: March 15, 22 & 29, 2018
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Board of County Commissioners
Of Rio Blanco County, Colorado
Monday, March 19, 2018
Rio Blanco County Annex Building
17497 Highway 64
Rangely, Colorado 81648
Tentative Board Agenda March 19, 2018

Public Comment: Any member of the public may address the Board on matters which are within the jurisdiction of the Board. If you are addressing the Board regarding a matter listed on the Agenda, you are requested to make your comments when the Board takes that matter. Please limit your comments to three minutes per member or five minutes per group. The public comment time is not for questions and answers. It is your time to express your views.
11:00 a.m. Call to order:
•Pledge of Allegiance
•Changes to the March 19, 2018 Tentative Agenda
1)
2)
•Move to Approve to the March 19, 2018 Agenda including any changes.
CONSENT AGENDA FOR MARCH 19, 2018:
Items of routine and non-controversial nature are placed on the consent agenda. Any Commissioner or member of the audience may request an item be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately on the regular agenda prior to action being taken by the Board on the Consent Agenda.
Move to Approve the below listed items of the Consent Agenda.
•Consent 1_ Consideration of the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado Meeting Minutes of March 12, 2018.
•Consent 2_ Approval of Stormwater Discharge Annual report for Rangely Airport for 2017.
•Consent 3_ Approval of Stormwater Discharge Annual report for Meeker Airport for 2017.
BUSINESS:
•Business 1_ None.
BID OPENINGS:
•Bid Opening 1_ Rio Blanco County Wagon Wheel West OHV Trail Educational Kiosk Project.
•Bid Opening 2_ 2018 Lower White River Pest Control District Aerial Spraying.
•Bid Opening 3_ 2018 Lower White River Pest Control District Ground Spraying Noxious Weed Control Project.
BID AWARDS
•Bid Award 1_ None.
MOU's, CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS
•MCA 1_ Move to approve/deny an Agreement between the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado and Coulter Aviation for the Piceance Creek Weed and Pest Control District Aerial Spraying Project.
•MCA 2_ Move to approve/deny an Agreement between the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado and Julius Ag, Inc. for the Piceance Creek Weed and Pest Control District Hand Spraying Project, in an amount not to exceed $90,000.00.
•MCA 3_ Move to approve/deny an Agreement between the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado and Osborn Industries LLC for the Piceance Creek Weed and Pest Control District Hand Spraying Project, in an amount not to exceed $90,000.00.
•MCA 4_ Move to approve/deny an Agreement between the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado and Morning Star Elevator, Inc. for the Historic Courthouse Elevator Maintenance in an amount not to exceed $3,000.00.
•MCA 5_ Move to approve/deny an Agreement for Services between the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado and Civic Forum Associates, Inc. for the 2018 Fairfield Complex Remodel Design Project in an amount not to exceed $21,000.00.
•MCA 6_ Move to approve/deny an Agreement for Services between the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado and Black Mountain Glass, Inc. for the 2018 Fairfield Complex Store Front Window Removal Project in an amount not to exceed $850.00.
•MCA 5_ Move to approve/deny an Agreement for the Services between the Board of County of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco, Colorado and Accreditation, Audit & Risk Management Security LLC to provide services on behalf of the National Institute for Jail Operations for the use and benefit of the Rio Blanco County Sheriff's Office, in an amount not to exceed $5,075.00.
•MCA 6_ Move to approve/deny an a Non-Exclusive Network and Use Agreement (VAR) between the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado and Cimarron Telecommunications LLC to provide final broadband installation, maintenance, and services to the consumers of Rio Blanco County.
RESOLUTIONS:
•Resolution 1_ None.
OTHER BUSINESS:
•Public Comment
•County Commissioners Updates
Adjourn as the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado.
Convene as the County of Board of Equalization of Rio Blanco County, Colorado.
•Business 1_ Move to approve/deny a Settlement Agreement between the Rio Blanco County Board of Equalization and Utah Gas, formerly SWEV-CO-SABW, LLC, settling Board of Assessment Appeals Case No. 70387 concerning account numbers P7503900, P7503901 and P7503902.
Adjourn as the County Board of Equalization of Rio Blanco County, Colorado.
Adjourn
The agenda is provided for informational purposes only; all times are approximate. Agenda items will normally be considered in the order they appear on the agenda. However, the Board may alter the Agenda, take breaks during the meeting, work through the noon hour and even continue an item for a future meeting date. The Board, while in session, may consider other items that are brought before it. Scheduled items may be continued if the Board is unable to complete the Agenda as scheduled.
The next regular Board meeting is tentatively scheduled for March 26,2018, at the Rio Blanco County Historic Courthouse, 555 Main Street, 3rd Floor, Commissioner's Hearing Room, in Meeker, Colorado. Please check the County's website for information at: http://www.rbc.us/departments/commissioners. If you need special accommodations please call 970-878-9431 in advance of the meeting so that reasonable accommodations may be made.
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COMBINED NOTICE - MAILING
CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 17-23

To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust:
On December 12, 2017, 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)	ROY W. CHANDLER AND OLIVIA CHANDLER
Original Beneficiary(ies)	Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., acting solely as nominee for Residential Finance Corporation
Current Holder of Evidence of Debt	LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC
Date of Deed of Trust	May 05, 2009
County of Recording	Rio Blanco
Recording Date of Deed of Trust	May 13, 2009
Recording Information (Reception No. and/or Book/Page No.)	295767
Original Principal Amount	$154,660.00
Outstanding Principal Balance	$135,418.30

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 42 HILLCREST SUBDIVISION ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF FILED SEPTEMBER 3, 1974 AS RECEPTION NO. 162563 TOWN OF RANGELY, COLORADO.
Also known by street and number as: 230 RIDGE RD, 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, 04/11/2018, 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.
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● A NOTICE OF INTENT TO CURE FILED PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-38-104 SHALL BE FILED WITH THE PUBLIC TRUSTEE AT LEAST FIFTEEN (15) CALENDAR DAYS PRIOR TO THE FIRST SCHEDULED SALE DATE OR ANY DATE TO WHICH THE SALE IS CONTINUED;

● A NOTICE OF INTENT TO REDEEM FILED PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-38-302 SHALL BE FILED WITH THE PUBLIC TRUSTEE NO LATER THAN EIGHT (8) BUSINESS DAYS AFTER THE SALE;

● IF THE SALE DATE IS CONTINUED TO A LATER DATE, THE DEADLINE TO FILE A NOTICE OF INTENT TO CURE BY THOSE PARTIES ENTITLED TO CURE MAY ALSO BE EXTENDED;

● IF THE BORROWER BELIEVES THAT A LENDER OR SERVICER HAS VIOLATED THE REQUIREMENTS FOR A SINGLE POINT OF CONTACT IN SECTION 38-38-103.1 OR THE PROHIBITION ON DUAL TRACKING IN SECTION 38-38-103.2, THE BORROWER MAY FILE A COMPLAINT WITH THE COLORADO ATTORNEY GENERAL, THE FEDERAL CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION BUREAU (CFPB), OR BOTH. THE FILING OF A COMPLAINT WILL NOT STOP THE FORECLOSURE PROCESS.

Colorado Attorney General
1300 Broadway, 10th Floor
Denver, Colorado 80203
(800) 222-4444
www.coloradoattorneygeneral.gov

Federal Consumer Financial Protection Bureau
P.O. Box 4503
Iowa City, Iowa 52244
(855) 411-2372
www.consumerfinance.gov

DATE: 12/13/2017
Karen Arnold, Public Trustee in and for the County of Rio Blanco, State of Colorado
By: Karen Arnold, Public Trustee
The name, address, business telephone number and bar registration number of the attorney(s) representing the legal holder of the indebtedness is:
Lauren Tew #45041 Monica Kadrmas #34904 Nichole Williams #49611
Randall M. Chin #31149 Weldon P. Phillips, Jr #31827
Barrett Frappier & Weisserman, LLP 1199 Bannock Street, Denver, CO 80204 (303) 350-3711
Attorney File # 6800502
The Attorney above is acting as a debt collector and is attempting to collect a debt. Any information provided may be used for that purpose.
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COMBINED NOTICE - MAILING
CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 17-24

To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust:
On December 28, 2017, 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)	Mathew C Casto and Miranda P Lee
Original Beneficiary(ies)	Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for AMCAP Mortgage LTD. DBA Major Mortgage Co.
Current Holder of Evidence of Debt	JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association
Date of Deed of Trust	May 24, 2013
County of Recording	Rio Blanco
Recording Date of Deed of Trust	May 30, 2013
Recording Information (Reception No. and/or Book/Page No.)	306427
Original Principal Amount	$172,448.00
Outstanding Principal Balance	$157,498.19

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LOT 24 BLOCK 4 SAGEWOOD WEST SUBDIVISION ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF FILED JUNE 27, 1979 AS RECEPTION NO. 189097 TOWN OF RANGELY, COLORADO
Also known by street and number as: 881 HalfTurn Road, 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

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THEREFORE, Notice Is Hereby Given that I will at public auction, at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, 05/02/2018, 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.
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DATE: 12/29/2017
Karen Arnold, Public Trustee in and for the County of Rio Blanco, State of Colorado
By: Karen Arnold, Public Trustee
The name, address, business telephone number and bar registration number of the attorney(s) representing the legal holder of the indebtedness is:
Courtney Wright #45482 Eve Grina #43658 Holly Shilliday #24423
Jennifer Cruseturner #44452 Jennifer Rogers #34682
McCarthy & Holthus, LLP 7700 E Arapahoe Road, Suite 230, Centennial, CO 80112 (877) 369-6122
Attorney File # 17-801548
The Attorney above is acting as a debt collector and is attempting to collect a debt. Any information provided may be used for that purpose.
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEEKER HOUSING AUTHORITY Board of Directors meets the 2nd Thursday of the month at 9:00 a.m. at The Pines, 875 Water St., Meeker.

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Holy Family Catholic Church St. Patrick's Day dinner will be March 25 this year.
3/8-3/15

Looking for female roommate to help out with rent and utilities and weekends with cooking and laundry. Call for interview. 970-260-8758

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

Rangely Victim Services
An open door for the protection and care of abused and battered persons. **Non-emergency call 629-9691 . Emergencies call 911.** Providing assistance for victims of violent crimes.

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

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

Attention Rio Blanco County Veterans: Veterans may be eligible for mileage reimbursement for travel costs to receive VA medical care. If you do not currently receive VA travel compensation please contact the Rio Blanco County Veterans Service offices. Rangely: John 'Hoot' Gibson, 970-878-9695. Meeker: Joe Bob Dungan, 970-878-9690. Travel compensation is made possible through the Veterans Trust Fund Grant and VFW Post 5843.

AUCTIONS

AUCTION: Annual Spring Consignment Auction
Saturday April 14th at 9:00 a.m.,
2368 S. 1500 E. (just off Hwy. 40) in Vernal Utah. Equipment of all kinds, Many Vehicles, Trucks, Trailers, Campers, ATV's, Motorcycles, Boats, Lawn & Garden items, New and Used Tools, Generators, Air Compressors, Lumber, Pipe, Tack, Camping and Fishing Items, Antiques & Collectibles, Household items, and much more! For more Information or to Consign to this Auction please call ZJ Auction Service, Inc. at 435-828-7424.
www.zjauction.com
3/8-4/12

Moving Auction, Saturday, March 17th 10:00 AM
864 Behrman Street, Craig, Colorado
10'x12' shed, 40' sea container, 2005 International 26' box truck, 35' 5th wheel travel trailer, Jeep, 4 post hydrolic lift, Ram Charger (no motor), Brush Hog, log splitter, 3 gas engines, water tanks, hand & power tools, car and how to do books, guns, camp items, cinder blocks, shelving, coins, stamps, black bear rug, deer head, dinner bell, cats, dogs, old gas pump, saddles & tack, queen log bedroom set, furniture, desks, book shelves, statues, santa-M&M-Bronco, race car collections, glassware, antiques, china, weight machine, front load washer & dryer, freezer, 5 sewing machines, jewerly and more.
For more info call Steve Claypoole, CP Auction Service 970-260-5577. See web www.cpauction.com "Call us about a sale for you" *3/8-3/15*

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY

Colorado Camo Clothing LLC will have an open house/investor meeting on March 15, 2018 in the top of Hugus Building at 6 p.m. to explain a little about what they're going to do and what opportunity there might be for residents of Meeker. Thanks. Call Randy with any questions 970-433-1448. *3/1-3/15*

ELDER CARE SERVICES

Western Slope In-Home Care has an established care team here in Meeker! We need to start helping people in need! Cleaning or personal care. **Easy sign-up.** Call for a **free consultation**. 970-878-7008. (Visit westernslopehomecare.com to see other counties we serve in or services we provide.).

HELP WANTED: PART TIME

Wanted: Library assistant. Comfortable with Windows, wi-fi, patrons of all ages, cats and Story Time. 24 hours per week. Meeker Public Library 878-5911 *3/8-3/15*

MEEKER SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1

Employment Opportunities

Barone Middle School
- 6th Grade Teacher
- 7th Grade Math Teacher

ADA/EOE
Subject to change at any time!
For details and an application, please visit our website at Meeker.k12.co.us or Meeker School District Administration at 555 Garfield St., Meeker, CO

970-878-9040

HELP WANTED: GENERAL

Town of Rangely - Job Listing
Animal Shelter
The Town of Rangely Animal shelter is accepting applications for a part time animal shelter technician. This is a part time position with no benefits. The shelter requires staffing seven days a week so weekends may be required. To apply, submit a completed Town of Rangely application to the Personnel Department at 209 E. Main, Rangely, CO 81648. Applications can be picked up at the Personnel Dept. or downloaded from our website at http://www.rangely.com/.
3/15-3/22

Energetic people needed for the front of the house at Ma Famiglia's Restaurant. Full-time and part-time positions available. Positions available immediately for qualified applicants. Pick up and application at 410 Market St. Meeker.

Colorado Northwestern Community College

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES
CNCC is accepting applications for the following positions:
Dental Hygienist Faculty/Program Director: Rangely Campus
Executive Assistant to the President: Rangely Campus
Director of Human Resources: Rangely Campus
Equine Studies Instructor: Rangely Campus
NPS Academy Instructor: Rangely Campus
System Administrator IT: Rangely Campus
Dental Hygiene Faculty: Rangely Campus
Athletic Director: Rangely/Craig Campus
Facilities Director: Rangely Campus
Athletic Trainer: Rangely Campus
Positions are open until filled.
For more information on these positions, application requirements and complete job description visit: cncc.edu/employment Review of applications will begin immediately. Applications will be accepted until positions are filled. CNCC is an Equal Opportunity Employer. *3/15-4/12*

BANK OF THE SAN JUANS
DIVISION OF GLACIER BANK
ONE BIG HAPPY LITTLE BANK

Full Time and Part Time Customer Service Representatives - Rangely
We are looking for two professional individuals with strong customer service skills and cash handling experience to join our team. Banking experience is a plus. Excellent benefits. Apply online at www.glacierbancorp.com. Bank of the San Juans is an Equal Opportunity Employer. *3/15*

HELP WANTED: SEASONAL

The Meeker Cemetery District is seeking seasonal non-benefited laborers. 32 hours per week. May 1st – Sept 30th. Duties include perform manual labor, grounds maintenance and mowing. Must be able to lift, pull and carry 50lbs. Experience in equipment operation and small landscaping equipment a plus. Hiring range $16-$18/hour DOE. Pick up an application at the Meeker Cemetery District 265 County Rd 4, Meeker M-Th 8-12pm. *3/1-4/12*

Noxious Weed Management weed sprayers needed. Must be 18 yrs old, good driving record. Experience a plus, but will train the right people. Pre-employment drug screening, 40-60 hrs per week. Good wages. 970-260-5832 *3/15-3/29*

RIO BLANCO COUNTY Colorado

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES
- **Deputy Coroner, Rangely**
- **Temporary Laborer, Rangely**
- **Temporary Laborer, Meeker**
- **GIS Manager, Meeker**
- **Patrol Deputy, Rangely**
- **Relief Control Specialist**
- **Relief Dispatcher**

For details and a Rio Blanco County application, please go to www.rbc.us or Rio Blanco County HR at 555 Main St., Meeker, CO. 970-878-9570.
ADA/EOE

RECREATION & PARK DISTRICT
Meeker, Colorado

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES
Full Time Positions
Parks & Maintenance Supervisor
- Benefits
- Two years supervisory experience
- Two years in a public agency

Seasonal Park Laborers
- Season starting April 1st & ending September 30th

For details and an application, go to www.ERBMRec.com or 101 Ute Road, Meeker CO.
970-878-7417

SYNC2 media

Colorado Statewide Classified Advertising Network

To place a 25-word COSCAN Network ad in 91 Colorado newspapers for only $300, contact your local newspaper or call SYNC2 Media at 303-571-5117.

SYNC2 MEDIA	WANTED
Buy a 25-word statewide classified line ad in newspapers across the state of Colorado for just $300 per week. Ask about our frequency discounts! Contact this newspaper or call SYNC2 Media, 303-571-5117	**Cash for Mineral Rights** Free, no-risk, cash offer. Contact us with the details: **Call:** 720-988-5617 **Write:** Minerals, PO BOX 3668, Littleton, CO 80161 **Email:** opportunity@ecmresourcesinc.com

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LAND/LOTS

FSBO: 22 acre horse property with RV service and new fence. $85,000 OBO. 4751 County Rd 7. 580-377-9436

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.

RENTALS: MEEKER

3 BDR/2 BA house to rent for $995. Available 03/15/18. Phone 970-390-2182 or 303-774-7725
3/8-4/5

House for rent. 2 BDR/1 BA. Call 970-942-8477
3/15-3/22

Clean, quiet, 2 BDR, 1 BA includes washer & dryer. No pets. $475 per month + deposit. 970-260-8844 or 970-878-5265.

Commercial office space available in Hugus Building, downtown Meeker. 878-4138.

AVAILABLE NOW: retail space in the center of Meeker at 6th and Main in the historic Hugus Building. Includes over 5000 square feet and loading dock in the alley. This former general store has Main Street display, windows, anaantique ceiling, freight elevator, built-in cupboards and 1910 era show cases. Call 970-878-4138 for details.

RENTALS: MEEKER

STORAGE DEPOT 10x25 unit. 878-4808.

Cute 1 BDR/1 BA house w/ knotty pine living room, private small yard.
$675/mo Water & Sewer included. 970-878-5858

Main Street Building Office Space for Rent:
Suite 4, large updated office with 3 interior offices, conference and reception area. Monthly rent includes utilities. Call 970-683-1875 for more info. *2/22-3/22*

CLEAN REMODELED 2BD APARTMENTS, in-house laundry, storage units available, close to shopping and the downtown area & more. $575 to $595/month. Western Exposures Realty LLC (970) 878-5877.

RENTALS: RANGELY

2 BDR , full bath, washer/dryer, utilities not included, no smoking/no pets, fenced yard. 306/308 South White Ave, Rangely. $425 deposit/$425 per month. 970-261-5634. *3/8-4/5*

SILVER SAGE RV PARK
(970)675-2259
RV Spaces for rent.
Managers: Dana & Debbie Hanvey
(970)675-2259 (970)216-0138

3 BDR, 1 BA, 1500 sq.ft., 2 car garage, large fenced back yard, extra storage available. 1 year lease, deposit, references., $800 per month. 970-640-2393

RENTALS: RANGELY

2 BDR house upstairs, 3 rooms downstairs, fenced in yard, 1 car garage, central heating and a/c. 970-629-3605

Rangely Duplex for Rent 1 or 2 bedroom duplex -Newly remodeled & landscaped. Please contact Rodney 970-462-6538 or Dan 970-462-6858.

COLOWYO COAL COMPANY
SAFETY · PEOPLE · PRODUCTION · ENERGY

5731 State Highway 12
Meeker, Colorado 81641
970-824-1200

Sr. Administrative Assistant - Accounting (IRC24987)
Position is based at Colowyo Mine in Meeker, CO.
Colowyo Mine has an opening for a Sr. Administrative Assistant - Accounting (IRC24987)
To apply go to our website at www.tristategt.org then click on the Careers link.
EEO M/F/D/V

WANTED

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Finicky little white dogs need old venison or beef for dog food. Freezer burned ok. No sausage, pork or chicken. Call or text 970-948-9547.

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HOMES IN MEEKER ...

***NEW 885 Garfield-** 2 corner lots, big fenced back yard with garden, 3,476 sq ft brick home, attached garage, 6 BR, 3 BA, beautiful kitchen, full basement with a family room, 2 fireplaces, lots of storage. **$285,000.**
***NEW 760 3rd St.-** 3BR, 2-1/2 BA Well-built home, great neighborhood. Hardwood floors, fireplace, Lg fenced landscaped yard, sprinkler system, covered patio, attached garage, storage shed, great views. **$249,000.**
780 11th St.-** 3 BR, 2 BA freshly upgraded bi-level home. Fenced back yard, storage shed. ***REDUCED! **$189,900.**
***871 10th St.-** 4 BR, 2 BA home. Family room, living room, fireplace, garage, shed, deck, views. **$225,000.**
223 Main St.-** Full quarter block near downtown. Beautiful 3 BR, 2 BA home. Plus three 1 BR, 1 BA fully equipped rental cabins, big garage, storage sheds, lots of trees and space. ***REDUCED! **$349,000.**
112 Main St.-** Historic 2 story, 3 BR brick home on large corner lot plus a small cottage for Mom. ***REDUCED! **$209,000.**
125 Main St.-** Lg corner lot with an impeccable 5 BR, 2.5 BA, 2 story home. Living room, dining room, family room, large covered back patio, oversized 3 car garage, 2 kennels, beautiful yard. **$319,000.** ***SALE PENDING!
960 7th St.-** 2 lots at north edge of town. Nice big home, full basement, garage. **$225,000.** ***SOLD!

RANCHES — RURAL RESIDENTIAL — HUNTING PROPERTIES...

2610 CR 33-** 3 Acres 7 miles west. Very private. 4 BR, 3 BA home, basement & views. ***REDUCED! **$245,000.**
439 Agency Dr.-** 6 Acres, 1 mile S of Meeker, beautiful 2 story log home, 4 BR, 3 BA, finished walk-out basement, family room, storage, attached 2 car garage. Horse barn/shop. Awesome views. **$483,999.** ***SALE PENDING!
***210 CR 75-** Papoose Creek Cabin in Forest Service lease land, log cabin, outhouse. **$55,000.**
CR 8- 88 Acres** just east of Meeker. Hunting, dry land pasture, development potential. ***REDUCED! **$400,000.**
17501 CR 8-** 19 miles upriver, 2.57 acres bordering Oak Ridge Wildlife area public land. Walk out hunting! Newer 678 sq ft log cabin, 2 BR, 1 BA. Decks with great river views. Good water well. **$195,000.** ***SOLD!
510 Meadow Lane-** 3 BR, 2 1/2 BA home on 6+ acres west of Meeker. Wrap around porch, detached garage, pond. **$325,000.** ***SOLD!

RAW LAND AND HOMESITES ...

***1751 Bright Water Lane-** 39 Acres with White River, irrigated hay meadow, and great home sites. 5,000 sq ft barn with power, septic & cistern. Borders BLM. 14 miles west off of Hwy 64. Great hunting area. **$375,000.**
***5 Acres** 16 miles up CR 8. Great views overlooking the river and surrounding mountains. Across the Hwy from Sleepy Cat. Borders DOW Oak Ridge hunting land. Community well water available & power. **$175,000.**
***3 Large Multi-family Lots** in Sanderson Hills, near Rec Center. Zoned MR-A. **$180,000** for all 3, or sold separately.
CR 14-** 5 Acres with river access. Heavily treed, water rights. **$68,000.** ***SALE PENDING!
***12924 CR 8-** 5 Acres with River, great fishing. Vacant land, good building site, 13 miles upriver, awesome views. **$149,000.**
***8432 CR 15-** 7.5 Acres, 10 miles NE of Meeker. Great home site with a creek flowing through with great fishing, water well, pasture. **$175,000.**
***8432 CR 15-** 18 Acres, 10 miles NE of Meeker. Great home site with a creek flowing through, great fishing and hunting, good pasture. **$185,000.**
***5807 CR 7-** Vacant 20 acre parcel, 9 mi. North, on Strawberry Creek. Good home site & viewsl. **$75,000.**
CR 8- 88 Acres** just east of Meeker. Hunting, dry land pasture, development potential. **$400,000.** ***REDUCED!
Little Beaver Estates-** 35 acre lot bordering DOW hunting land. **Lot 11- $95,000.** ***SALE PENDING!
***100 acres-** 29 miles east of Meeker, surrounded by Nat'l Forest, covered with Aspens. **$1,395,000.00.**
TBD Meadow Lane-** 33 acres west of town. Pole barn, hay production. **$90,000.** ***SOLD!

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◆ **NEW! 1032 Jennifer Dr.** — Opportunities are unlimited for this great building with lots of paved parking! Over 4800 sq. ft of interior space, fenced yard on south side, handicap accessible state of the art fire suppression system. Trees, landscaped and ready for your new business. $460,000.
◆ **White River Ranch Estates on Hwy. 64 Lot 12** — 35 acres with White River frontage, private fishing area. $225,000.

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730 3rd - $279,000

Moffat County - Elk Springs 1,280 +/- Acres - SOLD!
NEW Moosehead Lodge, Rangely - Cabins, Lodge, B&B, TURN KEY. $899,000
1163 Rd. 53 - 4BD/3BA Cabin in Morapos Creek. $395,000
NEW 369 Love Ln. - UNDER CONTRACT!
8617 Rd. 8 - 4BD/2BA Log Home on 2.85 acres. $359,000
NEW 730 3rd St. - 5BD/2BA Freshly Remodeled, Garage, Large Lot, $279,000
NEW 564 7th St. - 5BD/2.5BA, Large Fenced Yard, Garage, $266,000
TBD E. Market St. - 7.46 Acres at the Intersection of HWY 13 & Rd 8. $249,000
345 Cleveland St. - 2.28 Acres, Potential for 12 Building Lots. $216,000
1164 Hill St. - 3BD/2BA, Central Air, Garage, Fenced Yard. $212,000
533 Cleveland - UNDER CONTRACT!
NEW 1246 Cleveland St. - Excellent Condition 3BD/1BA, Fenced Yard. $169,000
1140 Cleveland St. - 100% Remodeled 2BD/2BA Duplex. REDUCED $159,000
1105 & 1107 Market St. - Large Commercial Lot. $149,900
870 Water St. - 3 BD/1BA, Fenced Yard, $145,000
211 Morrison - Rangely -2+BD/1.75BA, Garage/Workshop, $115,000
Yoleta Lane - East of Craig, 40 Acres. $77,000

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● ***RESIDENTIAL***
NEW! 825 3rd St. – 4BD/2BA, excellent starter or family home. **$165,000.**
482 12th St. – 2BD/1.5BA, townhouse. **$47,500.**
780 5th St. – 4BD/2BA, 2 separate living spaces. **$158,000.**
880 Main St. – 4BD/2BA, oversized lot w/ sm. cabin off the alley. **$155,000.**
264 9th St. – 2BD/1BA, mobile home w/ owned lot. **$43,000.**
1010 Hill St. – 2BD/1BA, corner lot w/ sm. cabin off the St. **$139,000.**
873 Market St. – 3BD/1BA, utility shed, alley access. **$119,000.**
893 Market St. – 2BD/1BA, corner lot, alley access. **$127,000.**
959 Garfield St. – 4BD/2.5BA, 1Yr. Home Warranty Av. **$249,900 REDUCED!**
855 5TH St. – 5BD/2BA, new roof, siding, windows & flooring. **$200,000.**
767 12th St. – 2BD/1.5BA, townhouse, well kept. **$70,000.**

● ***RURAL RESIDENTIAL***
1083 Boulder Dr., Craig – Wilderness Ranches cabin, turnkey. **$169,000.**
73209 Hwy 64 – 5BD/2BA, heated shop & outbuildings on 11.02ac. **$350,000 REDUCED!**

● ***RANCH PROPERTY***
281±ac. Ranch – Located in Lion's Canyon, well present, adjoins BLM. **$422,000.**
River Ranch on the Yampa, Maybell – 5 BD/4BA, Lg. Barn/Shop on 128.68±ac., senior water rights w/ Yampa River frontage. **$998,000 REDUCED!**
Baker's Peak Vista Ranch, Craig – 506±ac., outbuildings, water rights & domestic well, adjoins BLM & Nat. Forest. **$1,300,000.**
Four Springs Ranch, Maybell – Great Ranch setup on 343.98±ac. w/ water rights & Yampa River frontage. **$1,250,000.**

● ***VACANT LAND***
1031 CR 36 – 5ac. w/ electricity & well. **$54,500.**
2 lots, Sage Hills – Building sites. **$30,000** ea. or **$58,000** for both.
Two 5ac. lots, Strawberry Patch Rd. – Ponds, fence & electricity. **$56,500** ea.
35 lots, Sanderson Hills – Great building sites. **$29,000** ea. or **$25,000** ea. in packages of five.
459 Cross L Dr. – Great building site, 3ac. corner lot. **$69,500.**
50ac. lot Off Hwy. 13 – Near mile marker 24, views. **$55,000.**
2 lots, Silver Sage Rd. – Two building sites. **$45,000** for both.

● ***COMMERCIAL***
Brontosaurus (Hwy. 40), Dinosaur – Lg. Building. **$155,000.**
60240 Hwy. 40, Maybell – Wildgame meat processor, business & real estate. **$280,000.**
335 6th St. – Multipurpose building, multiple units, downtown. **$310,000.**
1120 Cleveland St. – 6 2BD/1BA apartment units, 2 buildings, paved parking. **$299,500.**
1020 Hill St. – Triplex building, 2BD/1BA in ea. unit. **$277,000.**
101 E. Main St. – Brothers Property, Lg. Building w/ paved parking on 0.43±ac. **$375,000.**
Gravel Pit, WRC Wet Pit – 20 miles W. of Meeker, 110±ac., water rights & ~150,000 tons of gravel to extract. **$1,500,000.**
Playa Del Rio Apartments, 680 Water St. – 19 2BD/1BA apartment units, 17 storage units, Coin Op. laundry room. **$950,000.**
Ma Famiglia Italian Restaurant, 410 Market St. – Business & Real Estate offered together or separate. Turnkey & Profitable. **$900,000 REDUCED!**

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