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(Left) Crocuses are beginning to appear. Let hope bloom.



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RBC Public Health stresses personal responsibility

By NIKI TURNER
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RBC Community leaders and stakeholders met virtually on Monday for an update on the coronavirus pandemic. While no positive tests have been reported in Rio Blanco County, as of Tuesday, March 17, eight people had been tested with four negatives and the remaining tests awaiting results. Those who have been tested are under isolation orders.

"We're a couple of weeks behind the other mountain communities," Public Health Director Alice Harvey said. "We're stressing personal responsibility and hoping to curb the spread."

Personal responsibility — staying home when sick, practicing good hygiene, social distancing, etc. — was partially mandated this week following orders from Colorado Gov. Polis Monday to close restaurants, bars, gyms, theaters, and recommending school closures. School and recreation districts opted to close as of Tuesday.

Public health is looking at ways to effectively communicate directly with the highest risk communities: nursing homes, senior centers, etc.

The county's Board of Health, appointed by the county commissioners, has the authority to issue

quarantine orders, which are enforceable by law with a court order.

Many local restaurants and other businesses have started offering additional options for take-out and delivery, and online ordering. Meanwhile, grocery stores locally and regionally were decimated by shoppers stocking up on supplies while hospitals banned visitors and added screenings for patients.

Harvey said they are actively testing those who meet criteria but said at this point widespread community testing is not currently warranted. Public Health is working with both county hospitals and RBC Emergency Management to determine what widespread testing will look like. The goal is to identify people who need medical care without flooding the hospitals and may include a "triage" situation to filter patients to appropriate medical professionals.

In a press conference Tuesday, state epidemiologist Rachel Herlihy announced a new Colorado Department of Public Health website with statewide data and information. The website can be found at <https://covid19.colorado.gov/>.

For current local updates and guidance, visit the Public Health's coronavirus update page at <https://www.rbc.us/592/Coronavirus-Update> or call 970-878-7121.

Saying goodbye to 'Officer Friendly'

By DOC WATSON
Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER After 40 distinguished years in law enforcement, Meeker Police Chief Phil Stubblefield will retire on April 2 after three years, almost to the day (April 18, 2017), in that position.

While chief of police is one of the great zeniths of law enforcement, Stubblefield's career has been eclectic to say the least. Entering law enforcement as a deputy for the Emery County Sheriff in Utah, he served there from 1980 to 1984 and was ultimately promoted to detective. From there he came to Meeker, serving first as a patrolman and then becoming a lieutenant in 1985.

In 1995, Stubblefield was elected Rio Blanco County Sheriff and served two terms. During that time, he also served as the Public Information Officer (PIO)—this is a spokesperson for a governmental agency who provides information to the media and the public. Leaving Meeker for a time, he became the liaison between the Grand County Airport and the TSA from 2004–2006, there overseeing the no-fly list, doing background checks and performing other security duties.

Stubblefield then served as the chief investigator for the DA's office in Cortez for three years before returning again to Meeker as a lieutenant in 2009. This position was not just about policing duties but also programs aimed at community relationships. Among many programs he founded—Elk Bugling Contest, Bicycle Rodeo, Shop with a Cop, Stranger Danger and Eddie Eagle Gun Safety—the Officer Friendly Program has been his favorite. This has involved going to the schools and doing a safety program associated with each grade,



Phil Stubblefield took the oath of office for Chief of Police on April 18, 2017. Three years later (almost to the day), he will retire on April 2, 2020 after 40 years in law enforcement.

and he will get to do this one more time before he retires. These programs have, in fact, given him the most satisfaction in his job.

Stubblefield's career has also included the academic side through the years, including: a Criminal Justice Degree from CNCC; certification as a vocational instructor; and teaching college and Police Academy courses. He has also earned several certificates, a few being: Investigations and Incident Command; Management; Supervision; Emergency Management; and FBI Rocky Mountain Command School.

It certainly sounds like Stubblefield will enjoy his retirement. He and some buddies "have a lodge/resort in Green River, Utah," he said. But when he says "lodge" around Meeker, people ask, "Oh, what do they hunt there?" But it's not a hunting lodge. It's a resort where people can stay, kayak on the river, go

mountain biking, four-wheeling, things like that."

While not serving in the law enforcement field, he will still be able to help out the town in code enforcement, economic development and other such contributions. More time at home will also be a great plus, especially because of the arrival of six-month-old fraternal twin grandbabies.

As for Stubblefield's replacement, "[The town] is doing advertisements around the state, on social media, and with hiring companies," he said. The replacement could come from within, as one person in the department has applied, as well as another in the sheriff's office, but there have also been three other applications from outside the area.

Scheduling of a retirement party is pending and will be advertised.

Thank you, Phil, for your 40 years of faithfully serving and protecting.

COUNTY BEAT



By NIKI TURNER
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RBC Commissioners opted on Tuesday to keep county buildings open and staff in place for the time being, after hearing updates from Public Health Director Alice Harvey and Emergency Management Director Ty Gates regarding the coronavirus situation in the state.

Gates said he was not advocating for a disaster declaration at this time, but said that could still happen. "It does put you in line for reimbursement of some costs," he said, adding, "I tend to agree we can do that in a month or a week or whenever, although I think the governor's [disaster] decree may put us in line for some economic help."

In a work session, commissioners and county staff discussed several areas of concern, including seasonal workers agriculture depends on who may not be able to come into the country, protecting volunteers and recipients of food bank items, and how to handle arrests and incarceration.

"We're going to have to make some decisions about what to do for our communities," said Commissioner Jeff Rector.

The board heard a request for \$5,000 from the economic development budget to support the rodeos at Range Call from Range Call committee president Roy Gilbert, who said they are partnering with the Meeker Summer Rodeo Series to benefit both groups.

Gilbert said they sell about 3,600 wristbands, more than half of which go to out-of-town visitors.

"Range Call and the Sheepdog Trials are the two biggest things that

happen in Meeker," Gilbert said.

The county had been supporting Range Call through a \$10,000 tobacco-cessation grant (Colorado Quit Line) they're no longer receiving.

In the regular meeting, the board:

- Approved a letter in support of BLM Travel and Transportation Management plan

- Approved a request from the Rangely 911 Board to increase the 911 fee in Rangely from \$1 to \$1.80

- Tabled three appointments for the Historic Preservation Board. "We want to start interviewing all of the candidates for these different boards before appointing them," Commissioner Gary Moyer said.

- Heard from County Clerk and Recorder Boots Campbell, who said operations in her office are not affected by the state office shutdown due to coronavirus. "Everyone is available by phone or email," she said. However, the Denver Department of Motor Vehicle personnel who come to Meeker for the mobile driver's license office will not be coming this month.

- Opened bids for eight small vehicles, the lower White River pest control aerial mosquito spraying bid, and tabled the herbicide hand spraying bid at the request of the Lower White River Pest Control District. The district will send out a new RFP and the finance department will hold on to the one bid received.

- There are still no "takers" for the 2020 relief building inspector position. LaDonna Eubanks said the county's options are to continue to use the current substitute or go through an inspection company. "I just have a real hesitation hiring

someone for that position two days a week because I'm not certain we need that," Eubanks said.

- Approved an intergovernmental agreement (IGA) between the Board of County Commissioners and the Wolf Creek Reservoir Project. Commissioner Si Woodruff and County Attorney raised concerns about the 40-year term. Water Conservancy District Director Alden VandenBrink explained, "Water time is measured in decades. When you're doing water planning the typical timeframe is 50 years, it's not short term." The IGA is necessary, Commissioner Moyer said, to strengthen their [Wolf Creek Reservoir Project] case with the state water engineer.

- Approved resolutions that approve subdivision exemptions for the Uphoffs in Piceance Basin.

- Approved a resolution adopting a procedure for emergency meetings by the Rio Blanco County Board of Health that will allow that board to meet without fulfilling public notice requirements.

Following public comment and commissioner updates, the board adjourned and reconvened as the Board of Equalization to discuss the 2019 TEP Abatement Request approved at the previous meeting. County Attorney Todd Starr said, "It occurred to me after the last motion that the actual motion you made was not what you intended to do based on your comments. I believe you had intended to go back to an original valuation different than what you moved to do. This is to amend your motion to correct your valuation."

The board moved to amend the assessed value to \$39,008,320, not the previously stated \$41,450,340.

Rangely board tables decision

By ROXIE FROMANG
Special to the Herald Times

RBC The Rangely Town Board of Trustees met on March 10 with trustees Alisa Granger, Trey Robie, Luke Geer, Keely Ellis and Tyson Hacking present.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

A public hearing was held to consider a liquor license application filed on Jan. 30, 2020, by California Wok at 321 E Main in VA A SY's name. Liquor licensing agent Janet Miller and Rangely Police Chief Ti Hamblin presented information obtained during the processing of the liquor license. A translator was provided for Mr. SY during the hearing. Along with an open code violation for refuse on property, Miller and Hamblin expressed concerns about omitted and misrepresented information on the application concerning SY's previous criminal convictions or arrests and questionable business practices of being visibly intoxicated

ed during business hours. SY said he did not know he had to report the charges because they were from a long time ago and hoped they would forgive him for his past mistakes in regard to drinking. He said he has since quit drinking, and California Wok employees Callista Urbanik and Mark Futch Jr. vouched for him, reporting that he is no longer drinking alcohol and understands that if he were approved for the license he could not drink on the premises. The business owner stated the reason for wanting the liquor license is because a lot of customers have requested a drink with dinner and have walked out after learning the establishment did not serve alcohol. SY promised to set up a class for himself and his employees to learn how to safely serve alcohol if his establishment was approved for the liquor license. After some discussion by the board the decision to approve or deny the liquor license application was tabled. A

vote must take place within 30 days from the date of the public hearing.

COMMITTEE/BOARD MEETINGS

Piering reported that marketing coordinator Jeannie Caldwell will be coordinating the Rangely marketing effort. She has met with all the special districts and is giving tips on Facebook and other digital marketing of our area.

SUPERVISOR REPORTS

Town Clerk Marybel Cox gave an election update, and said ballots should be going out this week. The office is preparing for the yearly audit. They are also working on updating human resource forms and the personnel manual.

Chief Hamblin reported that interviews for the part time dispatch position will be conducted at the end of March. Last month a study was completed on Rangely's emergency dispatch service and

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Cancellations, changes and where to order take-out

By HT STAFF

RBC I The following updates were submitted to the HT by local entities and businesses and found on social media. If you have information you'd like listed here, please email editor@ht1885.com or call 970-878-4017.

■ The Rangely Regional Library and the Meeker Public Library are both closed to library patrons and guests.

■ White River Electric Association appreciates our memberships' patience and goodwill during these unusual times. We continue to monitor the Coronavirus (COVID 19) situation as it evolves. WREA remains open for business providing our members safe and reliable power with some modifications to support the health and safety of our employees and community. Our front office will remain open with normal hours Monday through Thursday from 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. but going forward the front office will be CLOSED on Fridays beginning Friday, March 20. WREA's phone lines remain available 24 hours a day, so please do

not hesitate to call. While the front office remains open Mon - Thurs, we welcome all members to utilize the variety of online options available through SmartHub including bill-pay. You can download the SmartHub app on your phone or connect through our website at www.wrea.org. We are optimistic that these precautions and plans will help us effectively navigate the Coronavirus (COVID 19) situation. WREA will adapt as necessary and we will get through this together as a family and a community.

■ ERBM and WRBM are closed and events are cancelled at least through the 30 day closure mandated by the state.

■ The White River Museum closed as of March 17 based on the wishes of the staff, all of whom are older and immune-compromised, and the fact the museum is not an essential service. The museum will reopen on March 30 unless a need to remain closed longer is present.

■ St. James' Episcopal Church is moving to an online-only worship format effective this Sunday and suspending all services and

programs hosted at St. James including Sunday celebration of the Eucharist, Communion visits, Books & Bible study, coffee hour and Breaking Bread. Even though we won't be meeting in person we will be posting Morning Prayer on our Facebook page and YouTube channel each Sunday at 10 a.m. If you do not follow us already, please click on the buttons to the left so you can join us!

■ Meeker United Methodist Church is moving all worship services online for the remainder of March. Worship services can be viewed at Meeker United Methodist Church's Facebook page and active participation in the comments is encouraged. If you are unable to access the service and would like a DVD copy of the service, please let us know. Tithes and offerings can be made by mail or with online giving at www.meekermc.org/giving. If you need assistance during this time, please let us know how we can help. We are praying for all those affected by the virus. While we do not need to panic, it is time that we all take measures to protect those among us who are most

vulnerable.

■ Faith Baptist Church will notify parishioners if they are having a regular 11 a.m. service on Sunday. There will be no Teen Activity on Saturday, March 21 and no SNF Nacho Movie fellowship on Sunday night. All Patch club events will be postponed until April 8, Ladies Bible Study will be postponed until April 9. You can still turn in your tithes and offerings by sending it through the mail, using the contribution button on FBCMeeker.org, or by just dropping it by the church.

■ The Meeker Assembly of God will be streaming services beginning at 10 a.m. on Sundays for the duration. www.meekerassembly.org

■ Pioneers Medical Center is restricting all visitors. No visitors will be permitted inside the facility. They are suspending Medicare Annual Wellness visits. All elective surgeries are being postponed until further notice. Screenings will continue at the main lobby (from 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and the Emergency Entrance 24/7. Anyone entering the facility must complete the screening.

■ Rangely District Hospital's cafeteria is closed to the public, and visitors are restricted at the hospital and Eagle Crest Assisted Living. Please call 970-675-5011 with questions or for updates.

■ Suspended indefinitely: Colorado Northwestern Community College Workforce training and community programming

For public safety, Colorado Northwestern Community College is suspending most workforce training and community programming indefinitely in our service area (Moffat, Rio Blanco and South Routt Counties).

As of Wednesday, March 18 there have been no confirmed cases of the virus at any CNCC locations and these measures are purely preventative.

If you're enrolled in one of our non-credit classes, scheduled to teach a class or a manager with a training agreement, we'll be calling with additional details about educational options, prorated refunds, and rescheduling.

If you're a degree-seeking student or for-credit instructor, important information will be provided via your CNCC emails.

To learn more about CNCC's response to COVID-19 visit: <https://cncc.edu/cncc-covid-19-updates>

For questions or updates about the workforce training and community programs, send us a Facebook message, email sasha.nelson@cncc.edu or call us at 970-824-1109 or 970-824-1118.

■ The Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) Commission Meeting scheduled for March 18 - 19 in Aurora this week is canceled due to the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak.

■ The Republican Party County Assembly on Saturday in Rangely will happen, but the public will not be allowed in the room

with the delegates and candidates.

■ The Food Bank for March 26 in Meeker will not start until 11:30 a.m. You must remain in your car at all times. Follow the signs, there will be a drive-through type system. Paperwork will be filled out by a volunteer. One box per vehicle. Proxy must be filled out prior to getting goods for someone else. If you have volunteered previously but have not been contacted, please do not come. We can only have 10 people per commissioner mandate.

■ Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation is suspending all RMEF events through May 10, 2020. A full list of RMEF events and current status, including rescheduled events that have been postponed due to COVID-19, can be found here: <https://www.rmef.org/events/>.

■ Lobby access at Mountain Valley Bank is restricted beginning March 18. Mountain Valley Bank in Colorado will assist customers through the drive-thru. All customers will still have access to digital channels and will be able to continue any necessary transactions. All locations continue to be fully staffed and are readily available to assist customers as outlined above and via phone, and email communications.

SENIOR MEALS

Radino and Chuckwagon will not be open for lunch gatherings. We will be open starting Wednesday, March 18 for meal pick up at the front door to your car or your hand. Please do not come inside the buildings. Times will vary slightly. We will continue to deliver for our homebound meals. You will still need to call in a reservation by 8 a.m. of that day or preferably the night before. This will continue until further notice.

RESTAURANTS: RANGELY

■ The Main Street Cafe is still open for drive through and take out. Hours are 6 a.m. to 2 p.m. Cafe has same food menu items. 970-675-2799.

■ El Agave Restaurant is providing take out and delivery for the next 30 days. We will take over the phone payments, no contact with delivery or you can choose to sign with your own pen for take-out. We will give customers an option of no contact delivery and will leave your meal on your front doorstep if requested. Temporary hours for take out and delivery are from 12-7 p.m.

■ Giovanni's Italian Grill is open for take out orders. Order online at <https://www.toasttab.com/giovannis-italian-grill/v2/online-order> or call 970-675-2670.

RESTAURANTS: MEEKER

■ Blanco Cellars and the Little Cheese Shop
317 E. Market St. 970-779-9463, Tuesday through Friday 12:30-6 p.m.

All alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages, cheeses, cured

meats, and boards.

Order in store or online / take out / delivery. BlancoCellars.com

■ Clarks. 970-878-3240 to call ahead for best results, however, you may order at the window if you wish and wait in the parking lot and feel free to use our wifi while you wait.

■ Ma Famiglia is open for take out and delivery. Call 970-878-4141 to order. View menu at <https://mafamiglia.com/our-menu/>. Monday-Tuesday 4-8 p.m., Wednesday-Friday, 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and 4:30-8 p.m. Closed Saturday and Sunday.

■ Meeker Drugs Soda Fountain. 970-878-9988. Monday-Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., call ahead for pick-up orders.

■ Meeker Cafe. 970-878-5062. Free delivery with a \$30 order. Take out available. Monday-Sunday from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

■ Mexican House. 970-878-5535. Free delivery with \$30 order. Take out also available. Sunday-Thursday 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., Friday-Saturday 11 a.m. to 10 p.m.

■ Outfitter's Diner. 970-878-9956. Take out and delivery options.

■ The Fork. The Fork will be offering parking lot pick up Wednesday through Saturday. 4-8 pm. Let us cook for you! Give us a call! 970.878.8388.

■ Wendll's. Take out and delivery options. 970-878-3688. Monday-Friday 6 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. wendlls.com

■ White River Bakery. The bakery remains open and the full menu is available for take out. Current hours are Tuesday-Saturday from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. and 5-9 p.m.

GROCERY AND BULK FOOD

■ Watt's Ranch Market. Take out from deli available. No phone orders. Monday-Saturday 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., Sunday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. 970-878-5868.

■ GM Meats. 970-620-6951. Weekly ordering, deliveries as needed.

■ Kris's Pantry - Allison's Pantry. 970-964-7620. Pick up or free delivery. Catalog #4 orders due March 30. View the catalog here: <http://catalogs.alisonspantry.com/Flipbook/Catalog%20%234%202020/?fbclid=IwAR1fc2nLGC-6q39io-HMzn2x64gCSGuNtg0p-JD1ZJowokoGCZUjCXpR3KA-hU>

■ White River Market in Rangely will deliver groceries for those in need and at high risk. Call 970-675-2554 to place your order.

AUTO PARTS

■ Parts City/McGuire Auto Parts. In order to keep our employees healthy we will begin to break our own rules and stay behind our counters and direct our customers to the right aisle. We also want our Meeker customers to know that delivery is available for all. We are happy to leave your parts on your doorstep. We also offer curbside service. Call us from your car and we will carry out. 970-878-9855.

TOWN: no funding for Just Transition yet

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Hamblin says "they started to implement some of those [suggested] changes". A report on the study should be ready in the next several weeks. Rio Blanco County law enforcement agency representatives had a meeting to determine how they can better work together and discussed new Colorado laws. Hamblin completed his leadership trilogy through the FBI last month. Lieutenant Coker presented at the February Business over Breakfast. Officer Block completed Intoxilyzer training. In February the department switched from Watch Guard to Axon body cameras and the district attorney's office reports that the new cameras have made it easier to review camera footage. Hamblin was the advisory witness for a sex assault case last month in Meeker. Rangely will be hosting an ICS 300 class at Rangely District Hospital on May 11-12 for supervisors of emergency incidents.

TOWN MANAGER UPDATE

Piering and Ellis attended a

meeting in Craig with the governor-appointed Just Transition committee for energy industry communities. There was a large crowd at the meeting to discuss the impact of the closure of the coal mine and power plant in that community. Committee members include local leaders from the counties of Routt and Moffat, the Department of Labor, Office of Economic Development and International Trade, and other executive directors within the governor's staff. Currently, the committee has no funding to help move anything forward for our communities.

Piering has been attending weekly updates with Rio Blanco County Public Health and other entities updating them on Covid-19. The Town of Rangely will be helping distribute information to the community via social media and the utility billing advertising about the virus. They have talked to employees about critical departments and working towards contingency plans if needed to continue to meet the needs of residents. Mueller Construction complet-

the installation of the rake arm and the water department is working to complete some additional projects including finishing up some of the manhole project in April. The Main Street Beautification project is back up and running. The final report presentation from the University of Colorado will be available at a later date. The town will be working towards securing grant funding for the project. Piering said that the State of Colorado inspected the wastewater treatment plant on March 9 and were very complimentary about the cleanliness of the plant. They commended the employee who does the monitoring and testing also. The inspector confirmed that the headworks needs repairs and will make recommendations to DOLA for that project.

NEW BUSINESS

Robie moved to approve Resolution 2020-02 a resolution of the Town Council vesting jurisdiction over plumbing permit and inspection to the Colorado State Plumbing Board. The motion was seconded by Ellis and it passed unanimously.



Here's what to do if you get Coronavirus (COVID-19):

Stay home except to seek medical care.

People who are mildly ill with COVID-19 or who suspect they may be infected with the virus will likely experience cold-like symptoms such as cough, runny nose, and fever. If you or someone you know experiences these symptoms and are able to safely care for yourself at home, please **STAY HOME**. Isolate yourself from other people and animals in your home. If available, use a separate bathroom. The virus can be contagious up to 14 days, so it is important to maintain isolation during that time period.

When to seek medical care:

The elderly, immunocompromised and those with underlying medical conditions may experience more severe symptoms and may need to seek medical care. The following are symptoms that would make it necessary to seek medical care:

- **Shortness of breath** - if you are having difficulty breathing, this could be a medical emergency and would require medical care.
- **A fever** - Fevers uncontrolled with Tylenol or Motrin, rest and plenty of fluids may constitute a medical intervention.

Before seeking care:

Before you go to the clinic or emergency department, it is important that you **call first** and inform them you may have the coronavirus disease. This will allow the staff to prepare for your arrival so they can keep you safe as well as protecting others from the disease. Once you arrive at your healthcare facility, it is important that you put on a mask ensuring you cover your nose and mouth. Your healthcare providers will also be wearing masks.

How to protect yourself during this time:

- Social distancing is important. Keep at least 6 feet between you and someone who appears to be sick.
- Wash your hands frequently or use alcohol based hand rub (wash your hands with soap and water after using the rub 7 times in a row).
- Do not touch your face or rub your eyes and nose.
- Avoid large crowds during an outbreak.
- Get plenty of rest, drink lots of fluids and maintain a healthy diet.
- Reduced social activity is recommended for the elderly and those with weakened immune systems.

While you are ill:

Drink plenty of fluids, take Tylenol or Motrin as directed and get plenty of rest. Wash your hands frequently or use alcohol based hand sanitizer. Avoid sharing personal items. Cover your cough and sneeze using the inside of your elbow. Clean high touch areas such as countertops, door knobs, telephones, keyboards, toilets, faucets, and light switches frequently. Clorox solutions and EPA registered cleaning products are thought to be effective against the coronavirus.

Rio Blanco County Healthcare Facilities:

Remember, call ahead to inform staff if you think you might have coronavirus disease.

Rangely:

- Rangely District Hospital: 970-675-4255
- Rangely Family Medicine: 970-675-2237

Meeker:

- Pioneers Medical Center: 970-878-9292
- Meeker Family Health Center: 970-878-4014

Rio Blanco Alerts: (970) 878-7121

Please call Public Health with any concerns, questions, or for additional info:
Meeker: (970) 878-9520
Rangely: (970) 878-9524



Use Town's drop box

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MEEKER I Meeker's Board of Trustees approved an ordinance that will allow for electronic participation via telephone or online during emergency situations at the March 17 meeting in response to ongoing uncertainty about the coronavirus pandemic.

The town is encouraging the public to use the dropbox outside for payments, or to call or email with questions; and are diligently sanitizing the front counter and doors, as well as trying to keep public works staff and the police officers from all working together at the same time in the same place.

STAFF UPDATES

Chief of Police Phil Stubblefield said the town's newest officer has completed his training and they're planning to interview another officer when he completes the police academy. Meanwhile, the search for Stubblefield's replacement continues. He's retiring in early April. Stubblefield offered an endorsement to Lieutenant Otis Hayes to fill in for Stubblefield in the interim.

Public Works Superintendent Russell Overton said the town, county and school district had trouble for a few days after water got into the fuel tanks at the county shop. Overton said all the vehicles had to be drained and filters changed. According to Overton, the company that performed a tank inspection for the county didn't put a plug back in and water ran into the fuel tanks.

Asked by Mayor Regas Halandras about the pile of "stuff" left over from the street sweeper, Overton said they give that material — sand, rocks and "a lot of trash" — away to property owners who request it. It can be used to fill in washes, but because of the trash mixed in, it's not suitable for most homeowners.

Town Clerk Amy Tupy said 1,412 municipal election ballots would be mailed to registered voters on Wednesday.

NEW BUSINESS

Trustees revisited a request for Range Call sponsorship presented at the last meeting. Town Manager Lisa Cook told the board the town paid about \$3,000 in costs for event security last year, not including overtime pay for the police department; contributed \$1,500 toward the fireworks display put on by the Meeker fire department; and "paid for a

sign" at the fairgrounds for several years.

"It's a lot of stuff when you consider the police department's contribution," she said.

The board agreed to support \$500 for a "Choice" sponsorship.

The board received a recommendation from the town's engineer, Chris Hale, to award the bid for the Water Street water line project to the CW Construction, LLC, which was the low bidder at \$871,950.

Appointed Deanna Roach, Amber Douglas, Kathy Sizemore and Libby Morton to the Housing Authority Board. One additional vacancy will be filled by a town trustee, but the board agreed at the last meeting to wait until after the April 7 election to determine who that person will be.

Discussed a quit claim and nonexclusive utility easement agreement between WREA, ERBM and the Town related to the planned fishing pond at Circle Park. There was some confusion about wording in some areas, pointed out by mayoral candidate and former county attorney Kent Borchard. Town Attorney Melody Massih agreed that the language of the agreement needs to be clarified, and said she would speak with the rec district, which has already approved the agreement. The board agreed to approve the agreement contingent on the clarification.

The board budgeted \$50,000 toward construction of a sidewalk on School Street, but an engineer's estimate came back at \$175,000, Cook told the board.

"The good news is that CDOT has about \$600,000 left in a multimodal grant fund," she said. The grant is a 50% match, and the town will apply for it. Funds budgeted toward Market Street sidewalks and curb and gutter replacement could also be applied to the School Street sidewalk project.

Trustees expressed some concerns about old-growth trees along the proposed sidewalk route, which would be on the east side of School Street.

Cook said plans for Colorado Northwestern Community College to occupy the second floor of Town Hall have fallen through. The college has said they plan to focus more on the dual enrollment program through the high school and evaluate "what Meeker needs from them."

Trustees discussed possible options for the space before adjourning.

MUNICIPAL CANDIDATES ...



The two candidates hoping to step into the seat Regas Halandras has occupied for the last two terms, along with three incumbent trustees and two challengers, met Friday at the Old West Heritage Culture Center in Meeker for a public forum. Candidates responded to prepared questions and a couple of questions from members of the audience. The full video is available at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CzVU_Og0WH8.

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MEEKER I The deadline for the semi-annual Freeman E. Fairfield grant applications will be 5 p.m. Wednesday, April 1, 2020. Applications may be mailed to PO Box 2302, Meeker, CO 81641 or delivered to Diane Dunham, 438 East Market. Applications must be received, not just postmarked, by April 1, 2020.

Rodeo Bible Camp this summer

MEEKER I The Meeker Rodeo Bible Camp will be held June 16-18 at the RBC Fairgrounds. The camp is for boys and girls, ages 10-18. Participant fee is \$125. Clinics offered include rough stock, barrels/poles, goat tying, team roping, breakaway roping, team sorting, horsemanship and colt starting. The camp will end at the Thursday night Meeker Summer Rodeo Series where campers can demonstrate what they've learned and win buckles. For more information call 970-260-6820.

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EDITOR'S COLUMN

Viruses don't care, we have to

By NIKI TURNER
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No, we don't get to be excluded from a pandemic. As nice as it would be to have a free pass to avoid everything associated with the coronavirus situation, there is no such pass.

We can feel sorry for ourselves that a stupid virus has upended our lives temporarily (permanently, for the unfortunate ones it kills and their families). We can be angry and stomp and yell and throw things (wine glasses shatter very nicely, by the way). We can yield to sorrow and depression and nihilism. We can stubbornly refuse to comply with guidance from experts and rail against government efforts to control the speed with which this thing spreads as attacks on our personal freedoms, and we can deny not only scientific facts but real-time data from other countries around the world who are also dealing with this. We can do all those things. None of them are helpful.

A virus doesn't care if you're a

Republican or a Democrat. A virus doesn't care if you had a vacation planned or a wedding or tickets to a concert or graduation or any other human event scheduled. Viruses simply don't have the capacity to care, and because they don't, we must.

We must care for one another by taking precautions and protecting the most vulnerable among us, by supporting our local business owners and our displaced workers in whatever way we can, by looking after our neighbors and friends if this thing drags on, which it's likely to do, given what we're seeing in other nations.

This is going to leave a mark, much like the events of 9/11 left a mark, and possibly a much larger one. What did we do in the face of that enemy? We came together as a nation to defend one another, to do what was necessary for the greater good. Will we do that again, when the enemy is invisible and already among us? For all our sakes, I hope so.

Do your part.

GUEST COLUMN

Let's think positive—what CAN we do?

By KAYE SULLIVAN
Special to the HT

MEEKER I In this scary and frustrating period of coronavirus along with all the restrictions and advisories of what we can't do, I believe there is still a place in our hearts and lives for what we CAN do. Without ignoring the wisdom of avoiding large groups, social distancing, and washing our hands, etc., this is also a time to think positive and do good.

These are my thoughts and I am sure you have your own:

Reach out to isolated and elderly folks. They are even more alone than most of us. I will continue to call my mom who lives in a nursing home far from me. I can't restore her beloved March Madness or her local restrictions, but I can call more often and say I care about her.

Be compassionate. Let's think about how we each can support those in severe need. So many folks don't have the financial security, health care, or basic living ability to survive this pandemic. Let's figure out some ways to assist those who are really suffering. Even a small gift can go a long

way. Text/call/email friends to connect, send a hopeful message, or just reach out. We are all in this together, wherever we live, so let's stay connected and bolster each other.

Use our "isolated" time wisely. Well, gosh, if I'm not going to public events, frankly, I have lots of purging and spring cleaning to do. I can still accomplish things I need to do even if they are never top of the to-do-list so I might as well face these chores and be productive.

Keep doing what we feel safe doing. Fortunately, Meeker is a small community and I have no fear of going to the Post Office, grocery store, or other local businesses. Let's not lose those lifestyle practices that are the core of our community.

Adapt. This is a great time to test our daily habits and experiment with alternatives. No sports to watch on TV? Well, perhaps there's a different choice that will appeal or read a book or go for a walk. Who knows what we will find if we keep our minds open?

Be accepting and forgiving. Many people are stressed, worried, and tense. Try to accept these reactions to tough times.



Offer a smile, hopeful thought, or way to help.

Ask for help. We live in a very caring environment, but friends, organizations, and even family may not recognize your needs if you don't speak up.

We each have to make our own decisions. My thoughts may not reflect your situation. Still, I encourage all of us to think positive, embrace the western pioneer "can do" spirit and strongly carry forth despite the challenges we currently face.

GUEST COLUMN: SOPHIA'S SOAPBOX

A brief history of the alternative school

By SOPHIA GOEDERT
Special to the HT

MEEKER I High School is already a confusing time for teens before you add in other factors. A lot of these factors lead to kids not knowing where to go and how to deal with their problems. School can end up making it worse in

some cases, and when they don't have an alternative plan, their best option seems to be dropping out.

In 1995 Meeker had its first Alternative School — a place for kids to go when normal schooling simply wasn't an option. The "Alt School" took in kids who had dropped out from Meeker or neighboring towns, kids that

needed to work to support their families but couldn't go to school on normal hours, kids who were pregnant and needed the chance to go to alternative schooling, kids who lived for athletics but school wasn't their thing, and kids who simply didn't learn the traditional way schools were teaching in the '90s.

When the Alt School idea was starting to get some movement, two main people were in charge of teaching the kids what they needed to learn: Jerri Shaw and Cheri Robinson. Robinson was in charge of language arts and math while Shaw was in charge of science, social studies and math. But their duties as teachers didn't stop there. They endured people in the community bashing their work while trying to make teens see their

purpose. The goal of the Alt School when it started was to try to increase the graduation rate. Working with the school board and with staff at MHS, they created a curriculum that worked for the kids while still meeting high school requirements. Shaw said this was one of the biggest struggles, and a constant one. But with a lot of hard work the Alt School had around 100 kids graduate in roughly 10 years.

Without that school those kids would be on a totally different path than they are on today.

Robinson and Shaw were the support systems for a lot of kids in the school. They took on the task of going to kid's houses and getting them out of bed, locating birth certificates so they could get driver's licenses, taught kids how to drive, and were flexible

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YOUR FUTURE MATTERS

There's no doubt that our communities will be impacted by the recent announcement of Tri-State and Colowyo closures. Over the next several months, we'll be involved in many conversations with industry, community and government leaders and will be representing the county and the taxpayers. We understand that we won't be able to accurately represent the members of our community using only assumptions. It's important that we spend time hearing directly from the employees and businesses that will be personally impacted while at the same time respecting your privacy. We will be asking for input in a regional survey (with the option of responding anonymously) in the coming weeks, so please watch for that. In the meantime if you feel comfortable, we'd love to hear from you. Please give us a call at 970-878-9582 or email eco@rbc.us.

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GUEST COLUMN

A depressed town fights back

By DAVID MARSTON
Special to the HT



David Marston

MEEKER I For nearly half a century, coal powered the blast furnaces of the 1,410-megawatt Comanche Power Generating station in Pueblo, a city of 110,000 in southern Colorado. You can't miss Comanche, the state's largest coal-fired power plant; it dominates the flat landscape for 40 miles in each direction, just as its plume of smoke dominates the sky.

That's why residents shuddered in August 2017, when Xcel Energy announced that Comanche would shut down Comanche boilers 1 and 2, by 2025. Pueblo had already suffered through steel-mill layoffs and closures in the late 1970s and early 1980s, losing 8,000 of 9,000 jobs. This is a place that knows the pain of an industry cutting back. Yet what's happening in Pueblo today offers some hope to other towns experiencing the death of a fossil-fueled economy.

That's because a new industry has come on the scene in Pueblo. Vestas, a Danish windmill factory that employs some 900 people, makes tower bases for giant windmills. And business is booming: Wait time for a new Vestas windmill is five years, says Colorado Public Utilities Commissioner John Gavan. For Pueblo Mayor Nick Gradisar, who is focused on employment, Vestas' existence helps to ease the pain of losing Comanche's jobs. "We're gonna lose good jobs when Xcel shuts down those boilers," he says of Comanche's coming closure, "but our air will be cleaner."

What does it mean when two of three boilers sit idle? Each boiler devours trainloads of coal along with millions of gallons of water bought from the town, which makes good money on the deal. Comanche used to run flat out, with coal-powered steam spinning the turbines that make

electricity, but the rise of renewables means coal plants power up intermittently. "Coal-fired plants are running at 54 percent these days... and plants are built to run at capacity," reports Bloomberg.

Frank Hilliard, who helped build the plant's third boiler, is a roll-your own cigarette-type guy who lives in Walsenburg, a busted coal mine town 50 miles south of Pueblo. Hilliard says the remaining boiler at Comanche is young and powerful, shipping out 857 megawatts. But he fears it's on the chopping block, too.

"We just built Comanche 3 and they want to shut the damn thing down," he complains. He wishes that Xcel and the other big utilities didn't hate coal. "Coal created damned good work," he says, "and most jobs require college now."

But hate isn't the problem; it's the market. Three hundred coal plants have closed in the past 10 years, representing half of U.S. coal generating capacity, reports the research firm S&P Global. 2019 was the second-biggest year ever for coal plant closures, and utilities are pushing early shutdowns for remaining coal plants.

To comply with Colorado's 2040 goals of 100 percent carbon-free electricity, the smart money predicts that Comanche 3's closure will happen sooner, perhaps much sooner.

When Hilliard worked on Comanche 3, it was one of the last coal turbines built in the country. He's still proud of what he accomplished. "We built Comanche 3 with the plan that it would power Colorado until well after my kid died. These plants are really something.

How can we just destroy them?"

It happened fast, this economic turn away from fossil fuels and toward renewables. Along with Vestas Windmills symbolizing a new economy, Xcel is building the state's largest solar installation, a 240-megawatt solar farm, which will surround the 139-year-old Pueblo steel mill, now Russian owned. Mayor Gradisar says his Slovenian immigrant grandfather worked there for 50 years making steel using coal, yet he embraces the town's new future.

"Pueblo will be one of the first steel mills run on renewables," he says, "and the Pueblo Mill is already the biggest recycler in Colorado, using nothing but scrap metal."

Gradisar is counting on Pueblo's grit: "This is a city built by immigrants," he says. "The mill had 40 languages going — hard work is in Pueblo's DNA."

These days, Pueblo needs all the economic help it can get as it leads the state in all the wrong categories: mortality, crime, and high school drop-out rates. The rapid layoffs in the 1970s and 1980s slammed Pueblo on its back, and the town has never really recovered.

Meanwhile Mayor Gradisar is banking on the new economy. "If the citizens approve, we'll municipalize the electricity grid and home-grown wind power will cut our electrical bills by fifteen percent," he says.

As for Hilliard, he continues to miss the good old days, "I don't like change, but I'm not gonna fight it." He says, "I'm too old and too broken-down to look for a new job. 'It's time to move on.'"

David Marston is a contributor to Writers on the Range.org, a private nonprofit organization dedicated to lively discussion about the West. He lives in New York and Colorado.

OBITUARIES

Beatrice Hume

April 16, 1923 ~ March 11, 2020



Bea Hume

Beatrice Hume passed away in the early morning of March 11, 2020, in her room at Rangely District Hospital surrounded by her loving family. She became a full time resident in the long-term care unit at Rangely District Hospital in October of 2014.

Bea was born on April 16, 1923, in Lordsburg, New Mexico to Maria (Castillo) and Refugio Madero. She lived in Shakespeare, New Mexico, and attended school in Lordsburg, a couple miles away, along with her brothers, Leandro and Nino, and her sisters, Jesus and Amalia (PeeWee).

She met her husband of 62 years, Ray Hume, Jr. (he passed away in 2008) in Lordsburg on her way to a movie with her sister PeeWee. They later married in Hollywood, California on November 15, 1945, only two days after Jr.'s ship arrived from his service in the Army during World War II.

Bea is survived by her five children. Fern Arnn (Charlie, deceased) of Vernal Utah, Janice Porter, Bill Hume (Julie), John Hume (Becky) all of Rangely, Colorado and Barbara Williams (Jack) of Casper Wyoming as well as 13 Grandchildren with one more by marriage, 28 Great-grandchildren with 12 more by marriage, 6 Great-Great grandchildren with seven more by marriage and three new babies due this spring.

Her parents, Maria and Refugio Madero, preceded her in death as well as both of her brothers and her two sisters.

Bea and Jr. moved to Rangely in 1947. Along with raising their five children, Bea worked in the family businesses over the years

here in Rangely. They owned and operated Headquarters Bar and Café where she served some great Mexican Food from the Café. In 1974 the family purchased Nichols Market where much of the Hume family, including Bea worked over the years. It is still operated today by her son, Bill Hume.

She was a member of the Rangely Elkettes and helped with many of their benevolent activities. She was a member of the Rangely Christian Church and enjoyed attending services and visiting with friends. Her greatest joy was when someone came to Christ.

The family spent a lot of time out in the hills around Rangely. Load up the truck with kids and dogs and let's go have a picnic! She also spent a lot of time in her yard enjoying her bushes and flowers.

She loved to gather her family together and cook holiday meals and of course her special Mexican dishes! She spent time teaching the girls in the family how to fix many of her favorite dishes. Her cheese enchiladas are still known as some of the best around!

After she became a resident in the long-term care unit she shared many stories from the past with her family, friends and the staff. She enjoyed going through old photos and if you came to see her you found her room covered with photos of her kids, grandkids, great-grandkids and her great-great-grandkids. She was so proud of each and every one of them. She always saw the best in them and did her best to encourage them. She will be greatly missed by many!

Funeral services will be held for Bea on Saturday, April 18, 2020, at the Rangely Christian Church, 501 Darius Ave. at 11 am. Burial will be held after the service at the Rangely Cemetery.

ALT SCHOOL: continued

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with kid's work schedules, or even smoking habits. They did whatever they could in order to get kids to succeed in school so that they could graduate.

While there were those who didn't approve of the notion of an Alt School, there was also a percentage of people in the community who offered their support. People were worried that kids weren't getting a traditional education. They would see the kids walking around during school hours and judge without knowing any background knowledge. The school held open houses to try to show the naysayers the inner workings, and would also go and pick up trash around their block as

well as in parks to do their part in the community.

The police department was a tremendous help, offering their support whenever they could. Mary Washburn volunteered a lot of time over seven years, along with Iris Franklin who helped teach basic home economics classes.

Robinson and Shaw couldn't teach forever, so when it was time to pass the torch, they did so to John Strate in 2004. It then went to Jason Browning, then to Chris Foreback. While it was running, Dr. Bob Dorsett was a huge help, volunteering his time to help the kids with their future. There were many more people who helped along the way, and without them, it would not have run as smoothly as

it did. The Alt School, even while facing backlash, never failed to try to make kids' lives better. This town would have been drastically different if the Alternative School never came into play.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Are you an Alt School graduate? Would you like to share your story? Email editor@ht1885.com and let us know what impact the Alt School had on your life.

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WE RESERVE THE RIGHT TO SAY 'NOPE.'

The Parable of the Talents (2)

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

... Well done, thou good and faithful servant ... [or] ... Thou wicked and slothful servant ... (Matt. 25:14-30)

■ Dr. J.D. Watson

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NYTHING whereby we may glorify God is 'a talent,'" wrote J. C. Ryle. "Our gifts, influence, money, knowledge, health, strength, time, senses, reason, intellect, memory, affections, privileges as members of Christ's Church, advantages as possessors of the Bible—all are talents." And let us be reminded that all these belong to God who has simply entrusted them to us. So, as noted last time, *first*, we acknowledge the *commission* we are given (vv. 14-15).

Second, we examine the *character* we reflect (vv. 16-18). The response of these three servants falls into only two categories. The first two servants vividly demonstrate faithfulness. As we have noted before, there is no greater quality in a servant than faithfulness, for it drives everything else. The faithfulness of these servants is evident in that the first servant **went and traded**. The Greek construction of **went** can be translated "having gone" showing immediacy—he didn't know how long his master would be gone, so he didn't waste a minute—and **traded** (*ergazomai*, "work," "labor," "make gains by trading") implies not a one-time transaction but ongoing business activity. As a result, the servant doubled the amount his master had entrusted him with. While the second servant was entrusted with less than the first, he was equally faithful and also doubled the amount. Such faithfulness does, indeed, reflect exemplary character.

In contrast to such faithfulness, the second category, of course, is unfaithfulness, which was true of the third servant. It was common to bury valuables in ancient times for security, but the master did not want his servants simply to *protect* his assets, rather he wanted them to *proliferate* those resources.

Let us ponder a moment on what motivated the actions of these servants. Did greed motivate the first two? Obviously not, for it wasn't their money. Did selfishness motivate the third servant? No, for the same reason. Was it rather fear of failure or just simply laziness? Perhaps one or both of those were part of it. We would submit, however, an underlying motive in both cases: while the first two loved their master, the third did not. True love drives us to do what is best for others and do what pleases them. A lack of love (perhaps even hatred in this case) drives us to do nothing. We will make excuses for our actions, as this servant did, instead of simply admitting our lack of love.

It has been debated whether the unfaithful servant pictures an unbeliever or simply the nominal Christian who fails to use what God has given. In the end, however, the result is the same. Those who love the Lord will be faithful in using the "talents" and opportunities He has given. Those who don't love Him will just bury them.

Scriptures for Study: How do the following verses encourage you: Galatians 6:9-10; Colossians 4:17; Hebrews 6:10-11; 1 Peter 4:10?

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



CAITLIN WALKER PHOTO

Meeker High School drama performed the Brothers Grimm March 11 and 12. For more photos, visit <http://www.theheraldtimes.com/brothers-grimm-photos/meeker/>, scan the QR code in the story below with your smartphone camera app or in the digital edition, click the QR code.

MHS drama provides much needed comic relief with 'Brothers Grimm'

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

MEEKER | The Meeker High School put on a production of "The Brothers Grimm" on March 11 and 12. The play was a fast-paced show about the fairy tales written by the Grimm brothers.

Two narrators, played by Ridge Williams and Chakwah Brink, and actors Zach Harman, Mason Holliday, John Hampton Hightower, Becca Steerman, Brandon Lazano, Brynlee Williams, Liam Deming, Elijah Deming, Tacy Crawford, Aspen Merrifield, Ruby Holliday and Kate Lockwood, attempted to combine all 209 stories ranging from classics like Snow White, Cinderella, and Hansel and Gretel to more obscure stories like The Devil's Grandmother and The Girl Without Hands.

It was a successful production that brought in

a sell-out crowd. These twists on everyday fairy tales had the crowd laughing from beginning to end.

Shane Kobald, a sophomore at Meeker High School, said, "It was very fun and organized. Everyone seemed to know their lines and were having fun!"

Acting in the play, Elijah Deming said, "It was a great opportunity to leave my comfort zone."

This interactive play was for all ages and there wasn't a person in the room who wasn't laughing at some point. Directors Shana Holiday and Janelle Borchard really brought this play to life.



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Sanitation District reminds you to think before you flush

Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER I Despite a temporary toilet paper shortage due to panic buying over the coronavirus pandemic—which is not, as you might guess due to purchasing choices, a stomach bug, but a respiratory illness—Meeker Sanitation District would like to remind residents not to flush any strange objects down the toilet. Anything other than toilet paper, including facial tissue, paper towels, napkins, flushable wipes, sanitary products and diapers, can all clog and damage the sewer system.

There are a variety of other things you should also avoid washing down your drain, sink or toilet (including dollar bills and dentures, which have both been found in Meeker's sewer system.)

If you feel you must get creative when it comes to wiping, the best recommended course of action is to purchase a bidet, if you can, or use a washable rag or sponge (be sure to clean and disinfect it, and wash your hands with soap for at least 20 seconds!)

To the right is a very complete list of items

to keep out of the sewer system, provided by the Meeker Sanitation District and the Colorado Special Districts Property and Liability Pool.

What happens if you have a sewer backup regardless? Stay calm. Close up as many drains as possible in your home, and don't run any water until you find the clog. Neighbors and your utility company may be able to help you ascertain if the issue is specific to you only, or part of a larger problem. A plumber can assist you with snaking your drain, if the clog is severe. A contractor may be required to clean and restore your home, depending on the damage caused.

The below infographic provides additional information about potential causes, what to do when it happens and how to avoid these often messy and expensive issues.

Homeowners, your insurance may offer coverage for sewer and drain backups. The policy add-on could be only a few dollars a year, according to the Colorado Special Districts Property and Liability Pool. Check with your insurance company for options.

THINK BEFORE YOU FLUSH!

Keep these items out of your pipes to avoid clogging and damage:

- Air fresheners
- Automobile fluids
- Automobile parts
- Bacon grease
- Bandages
- Batteries
- Bones
- Books
- Bread dough
- Building supplies
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- Sour cream
- Sponges
- Styrofoam
- Syringes
- Tampons
- Teeth
- Toothbrushes
- Toys
- Vegetables
- Wet wipes
- Yard debris



What should I do if I have a sewer backup?

- 1 Carefully try to close as many drains as you can, using care with ceramic plumbing fixtures
- 2 Don't run any water down any drain or toilet in your home until the clogs are cleared
- 3 Check if neighbors are effected. This could indicate a problem in the main line.
- 4 Call a plumber to assist with clearing the issue and closing your drains
- 5 Call your utility to report the issue. They'll recommend action and check the main line.
- 6 Call your homeowners' insurance company to determine what coverage may be available
- 7 Call a contractor to clean and restore your home to a livable condition. Your insurance company should be able to recommend one.

Root Damage
Trees and their roots may not be an issue when pipes are installed, but years of growth can lead to issues later.



Cracked Pipes
Temperature, ground movement, roots, clogs and poor installation can cause cracks which lead to back ups into your yard or home.

Clogged Pipes
Clogs can be made of hair, kitchen grease, yard debris, diapers, or even paper products.

Separated Joints
Underground pipes aren't solid, and can disconnect at the joint. This causes wastewater to back up into your home through drains.

Mainline Backups
Weather, natural disasters, vandalism, and infrastructure breakdown can all lead to unavoidable sewer line issues.



Who pays to clean up the mess?

You do. If the backup occurs in your service line or in the main line as a result of anything other than the utility's negligence, it is ultimately your responsibility to clean up the mess and restore the line.

Your utility isn't responsible for your lines, or for acts of nature or vandalism. In many cases, the utility will coordinate clean up with a cleaning service to help minimize the damage, but the financial responsibility probably lies with you.

What can I do to safeguard my home?

- Plumbers can assess your risk and install back-flow valves to protect basements.
- You can use grease-fighting liquid dish soaps like Dawn to break up grease blockages.
- Review the list on this flyer of items to never wash down a drain.
- Make sure your homeowners insurance policy includes coverage for sewer backups.

What are utilities doing to prevent back-ups?



Unfortunately, even with regular scheduled maintenance, some backups are simply unavoidable. These include events caused vandalism, infrastructure breakdown, ground movement or natural disaster.

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Sports suspended through April 18

Special to the Herald Times

RBC | The Colorado High School Activities Association, following the most recent recommendation of state and federal health officials, has announced changes in the spring sports and activities schedules.

“In light of Governor Jared Polis’ announcement Monday afternoon, we are announcing that the Association will follow the guidelines that went into effect at 8 a.m. Tuesday and will remain in effect for 30 days,” CHSAA Commissioner Rhonda Blanford-Green said. “This media and school advisory is to keep the membership apprised of the latest decisions from the CHSAA office.”

These updates include:
 ■ The suspension of spring sports and activities is extended through April 18. CHSAA encourages schools to set stricter standards on student gatherings outside of the high school. This suspension means no practices or competition.

■ All CHSAA music events have been cancelled for 2020.

The CHSAA Hall of Fame, scheduled for April 14, has been cancelled.

■ The CHSAA Legislative Council meeting, scheduled for April 15, has been postponed pending changes in the public gathering restrictions.

■ The State Speech Tournament and Student Leadership’s Advisor U have been postponed until later in the spring pending changes in the public gathering restrictions.

■ The CHSAA office will remain closed until March 30, with staff working remotely from home.

■ The CHSAA will recognize individual participants from the CHSAA state basketball championships with a memento in the coming weeks to recognize their leadership and resolve during that week.

National and state decisions related to the COVID-19 virus are changing daily, even hourly, so new updates will be posted on CHSAANow.com and communicated via email to schools and media.

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Runners still working toward goals individually during CHSAA closure

Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER | The 2020 track season began March 2. The following week the full team was together for four practices before the Colorado High School Sports Activities Association announced that all sports practices and competition, music competitions, the state speech tournament and student leadership’s Advisor U are suspended through April 18.

This year’s seniors are Kirstin Brown, Karlee Nielsen, Julia Dinwiddie, Hailey Follman and Josh Dinwiddie.

Brown, Nielsen and Dinwiddie are returning state qualifiers along with underclassmen Savannah Mendenhall, Sarah Kracht, Aspen

Merrifield, Hailey Knowles, Jeremy Woodward, Cooper Main, Kelton Turner, Spud White, Porter Hossack and Colby Clatterbaugh.

Head coach John Strate said that “the three weeks we are missing will certainly throw a kink in our training plan. The track season is already short so we will really need to modify our training schedule. This will be tough on the freshmen on the team. In the technical events it will be a challenge to get them up to speed. Fortunately, we have a number of athletes that are self-motivated and will do some things over the course of the practice ban to ensure they stay in shape.”

The first meet of the year was slated for this weekend at Rifle. The team will miss multiple

meets during this crucial and unprecedented time in our history, including the only meet to be held on their home track.

Regardless, the team and coaches have set some goals. “Our first goal every year is to get every athlete to work hard and improve. If we do that the rest takes care of itself. We also want to take as many kids to the state track meet as possible. If we can take our large group of freshmen this year and mesh them with our upperclassmen leaders we have a lot of potential,” Strate added.

This year’s team has 52 kids out in total, including 22 freshmen.

When practice has resumed and the first meet is scheduled an update will follow.

AWARDS ...



COURTESY PHOTO

The 2019-2020 Meeker Cowboy wrestling team celebrated their year Monday. Receiving awards were, from left to right, Reese Harvey – Most Improved, Trae Kennedy – Most Near Falls and Most Tech Falls, Colby Clatterbaugh – Most Dedicated, Most Takedowns, Most Wins, Ridge Williams – Most Valuable, Dax Sheridan – Most Pins, Most Reversals, Most Escapes. Clatterbaugh and Kennedy had been training for nationals in Virginia Beach before the Colorado High School Activities Association canceled practices and nationals has been postponed. Head coach JC Watt called this team, “dedicated and hard-working and a fun team to coach.”

BUY-FLY ...



COURTESY PHOTOS

The annual Buy Fly fishing tournament hosted by the White River Community Association was held last weekend. “We had fairly good weather, just a little cold,” said Drenda Forrest. Her husband, Randy, is president of the association.

First Place (top) Kabars (Healing Waters) (Nathan Rudolph, Jared Taylor, Rodney Hill, Al Armitage)
 Second place (second from top) Dean Hubbell Team, Adam Parrett, Erik Eckman, Dave Metrovich, Travis Kaiser
 Third place (not pictured) Ty Dunham Team (Ty Dunham, Joby Borquin, Kash Atwood, Hagan Wright)
 Youngest team (third from top) Sable Mountain Outfitters (Eva Schritchfield, Avere Woodward, Kaleb Nielson, Montey Franklin.)
 Most fish (fourth from top) Nathan Rudolph
 Largest fish (bottom) Jake Avey
 Forrest thanked the tournament sponsors: Mountain Valley Bank, High Lonesome Ranch (K-T Ranch), White River Inn, Watt’s Market, Fly Shop, and all the people who chipped in and helped at the tournament and donated.

Colorado River District's State of the Rivers postponed

Special to the Herald Times

RBC I The Colorado River District is postponing its spring State of the River educational events across the West Slope to prevent the spread of the novel coronavirus. The District will host a webinar exploring our water supply and issues impacting West Slope water in June.

“Our job is to protect West Slope communities, and the best way to do that right now is to postpone our State of the River events,” said Andy Mueller, general manager of the Colorado River District.

Typically hosted in April and May, State of the River events explore water issues in river basins across 13 West Slope communities. The Colorado River District is working with its partners to explore later dates and other options to host State of the River events while still protecting public health.

The District will host a webinar addressing climate, water supply and other issues affecting every Western Colorado river basin at noon Wednesday, June 10. Watch for registration information and more details about the webinar at coloradoriverdistrict.org.



trict.org.

The District's headquarters in Glenwood Springs will also be closed until at least March 27, and District employees are working remotely.

“River District staff are still working to protect West Slope water, and we're still working to

bring important information to West Slope residents about the water we all rely on,” Mueller said. “However, we want to do that while minimizing the spread of the virus. We hope you'll join us to learn more about these issues online in June or in-person when it is safer to do so.”

RBC WEEKLY CALL REVIEW

WEEKLY CALL REVIEW AT THE RIO BLANCO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DISPATCH CENTER

March 9-15, 2020
Meeker Dispatch Center administered 323 phone calls last week including 11 911 calls, 45 calls for Meeker Police Department (MPD) and placed 78 outgoing calls. A total of 119 calls for service were created, 32 for the Sheriff's Office, 43 for MPD.

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

- Law enforcement conducted 20 traffic stops
- Sheriff's Deputies issued warnings on seven stops
- Meeker PD issued warnings on 13 stops
- There were no DUIs or traffic arrests
- One traffic crash occurred in RBC and four assists with CSP.

Sheriff's Deputies responded to 32 requests for service

- One 911 hang ups/tests
- Two animal calls
- Seven attempts to serve civil papers

- Two traffic complaints
- One each: civil, K-9 deployment, security check, traffic hazard, traffic crash, trespass, VIN Meeker Police Department

responded to 43 requests for service

- One 911 misdials/tests
- Two alarms
- Three agency assists
- Four animal calls
- 21 business checks
- Two citizen assists
- Three motorist assists
- Two traffic complaints
- Two VIN inspections
- One each: harassment, juvenile problem theft, warrant arrest

Meeker Fire and Rescue responded to seven calls

- Three ambulance requests, three medical transports, one assist with CSP on a minor injury accident.

Rio Blanco Detentions

- 11 current inmates, nine males and two females
- Three warrant arrests
- Eight booked, four by RBCSO, one each from MPD, RPD and CSP
- Seven inmates released
- Three transports to or from other facilities.

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

Craig resident, insurance company pay \$500,000 for Dead Dog Fire expenses

Special to the Herald Times

RBC I Dunn announced Monday that Grange Insurance Association and Dale Owens of Craig, Colorado, have paid the United States \$500,000 to resolve their liability for a wildland fire in June of 2017 near Rangely, Colorado.

On June 11, 2017, Mr. Owens created a campfire to roast hotdogs for his family on federal land administered by the Bureau of Land Management near Rangely. The United States alleges that Mr. Owens did not build a fire ring around the entirety of the fire and that he stepped away from the fire to gather additional firewood. While he was away, there was a shift in the wind, and the fire escaped the fire ring. Mr. Owens was able to get his family to safety and to call 911. He also stayed on the scene and attempted to extinguish the fire. Despite the efforts of Mr. Owens and of first responders, the fire—which later became known as the Dead Dog Fire—was not immediately contained and became an uncontrolled wildfire. The Bureau of Land Management and United States Forest Service incurred significant fire suppression costs in fighting the Dead Dog Fire.

Mr. Owens had a home insurance policy in place with Grange Insurance Association at the time of the Dead Dog Fire. Both Mr. Owens and Grange

Insurance have been fully cooperative with the United States, allowing the parties to reach a full resolution of Mr. Owens' liability for the Dead Dog Fire without litigation.

“Wildfires are a constant danger in Colorado, and taxpayers often foot the bill for putting them out. The Dead Dog Fire is an example of how not following best practices around campfires can lead to a wildfire,” said U.S. Attorney Jason Dunn. “The United States appreciates that this fire was reported immediately, which allowed federal resources to be deployed quickly to combat it. We also appreciate that this matter was resolved cooperatively and enables the United States to be reimbursed for many of the costs incurred in fighting the fire.”

“We strive to educate the public and prevent any human-caused fires. In this case, the BLM appreciates that Mr. Owens stayed on scene and cooperated with fire investigators providing important information that was used for the case. Part of being an educated and responsible public land user is knowing what to do in a situation like the Dead Dog Fire,” said BLM Colorado State Director Jamie Connell. “We would also like to thank the United States Attorney's Office for their assistance in settling this case.”

The United States was represented in this matter by Assistant United States Attorney Andrea Wang.



Assistance for workers during temporary pandemic closures

Special to the Herald Times

RBC I The Colorado Department of Labor and Employment (CDLE) announced assistance for workers and employers during temporary closures as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. The guidance includes information for employees filing for unemployment insurance claims, as well as information on programs available for employers.

Workers who have a reduction in hours/wages may file an unemployment claim at coloradoui.gov. A list of resources and FAQs on how to file is available on CDLE's

website at colorado.gov/cdle and clicking on “Coronavirus Information and Resources.”

The Department is also taking steps to reduce the impact of these claims on employers who have had to temporarily lay off staff due to closures or slowdowns. CDLE encourages all employers to utilize paid leave and telework options for employees before utilizing temporary layoffs. Employers can also consider alternatives to laying off staff through CDLE's Work Share Program. More information at <https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/cdle/node/23616> or by email at cdle_employer_services@state.co.us.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE CLAIMS:

If you are laid off due to business closures related to COVID-19, you can receive unemployment benefits, provided you meet all other eligibility requirements. File a claim online at coloradoui.gov/fileclaim. Indicate you expect to return to work and are job-attached to your last employer.

CDLE will process unemployment insurance payments to ensure payment will continue to be paid in a timely manner.

For more information, visit colorado.gov/cdle and click on “Coronavirus Information and Resources” Updates will be released as they become available.

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Hayden Garcia demonstrated how to show a rabbit during a community club meeting recently. All 4H events have been postponed March 23 until further notice.

It's a Way of Life 4H Community Club report

By EVA SCRITCHFIELD
Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER I The "It's a Way of Life" 4-H livestock club held its second business meeting. This club is a community club but mainly for livestock kids who show swine, sheep, goats, cattle, etc. The meeting began with an icebreaker presented by Hayden Garcia. Everyone put their shoes in a pile, then found a partner. Each partner described the other partner's shoes, and then found each other's shoes.

After the icebreaker, the club had a discussion about

parliamentary procedure and regular business, like treasurer and secretary reports given by previous president Sierra Gomez.

Officers were then elected: President Sierra Gomez, Vice President Madison Kindler, Secretary Hayden Garcia, Treasurer Spencer Gates and Reporter Eva Scritchfield.

The club discussed demonstrations and how they work, and Hayden Garcia gave an example of how to show a rabbit. She brought four different breeds and shared information about each breed and how to show each one.

Meeker Pop Up Driver License office closed for March and April

Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER I In an effort to protect customers and Division of Motor Vehicle team members, the DMV has canceled the Pop Up Driver License events in Meeker on March 19-20 and April 16-17.

Currently the DMV plans to host its next Pop Up Driver License Office in Meeker on May 7-8 at the county courthouse.

Coloradans are strongly encouraged to use DMV online services during this time. At www.myDMV.Colorado.gov, Coloradans can use any of its 35 online services, such as:

- Request a Driver Record
- Pay citation (traffic ticket)
- Begin application for a new driver license or ID
- Renew a driver license or ID (if eligible)
- Pay a reinstatement fee
- Change driver license or ID address
- Exchange driver license or permit for an ID
- Extend an expiration date, if eligible
- Reschedule a hearing
- Check where your driver license or ID card is
- And more!

The cancellations are part of the DMV's continued effort to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. Previous measures include:

Drivers 65 and older can renew online: Coloradans 65 and older may renew their driver license online at myDMV.Colorado.gov. Previously, Coloradans older than 65 were only able to renew their driver license or ID card by visiting an office or renewing by mail. Online renewals for those 65 and older will remain in place until the emergency order is lifted. There are a small number of customers who may have additional restrictions because they have renewed online twice before. The DMV will work with these customers on an individual basis to renew their credentials without visiting an office.

Vehicle registration waivers: The state is permitting counties to waive late fees for vehicle registration and renewals. This is in effect for the period of the Governor's emergency order. Customers are encouraged to utilize online services to complete eligible transactions.

Coloradans who have questions about DMV services should call 303-205-5600. Customers with questions about CO-RCSA services should call 303-205-2335. Please note that due to the number of questions we are receiving, our phone waits may be longer than normal.

The DMV appreciates Coloradans' patience as it works to provide the best service possible during the COVID-19 pandemic.

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Mind Springs Health offering telehealth services for clients during virus outbreak

Special to the Herald Times

RBC I As the residents of Colorado practice social distancing and self-isolation, there is a strong need for direct access to mental health care, as it is imperative to the strength and resiliency of our communities. Alternative mental health therapy that helps ensure those in need of mental health services, who cannot visit their therapist's office in person, are still able to receive quality care is being offered through Mind Springs Health. This week, the mental healthcare provider is implementing a robust telehealth program for clients who are self-isolating, are quarantined, or are simply anxious about going out in public places.

"Now, more than ever, there is a need for mental health care to be available via video chat or telephone," said Michelle Hoy, Executive Vice President of Mind Springs Health. "It's a very stressful time for many of our community members who are experiencing a level of anxiety that they've not felt before. We want to ensure that

our existing clients have access to their mental health care provider, while also extending services to those who may have never felt the need to reach out for mental health care until now."

While Mind Springs Health has been providing telehealth services prior to the COVID-19 outbreak, the need for extended services became clear before the virus reached Colorado. In the past month, the company began acquiring the necessary equipment, setting protocols and standards to meet HIPPA regulations, and offered training to more mental health care providers within the organization to ensure community needs can be met. Telehealth will be prioritized for the communities in Western Colorado impacted the most by COVID-19, including Eagle, Pitkin, and Summit counties. Telehealth will also be prioritized for Garfield County, due to the number of residents that live in Garfield County, yet work in or travel to Pitkin and Eagle Counties on a regular basis. The program will then be

rolled out to the remaining six counties the organization serves on the Western Slope over the next few weeks and as informed by CDC and our state or Federal government. Those seeking services through telehealth are encouraged to call their local Mind Springs Health office. A list of offices can be found at MindSpringsHealth.org/treatment-services/locations.

Currently, all 12 of the Mind Springs Health offices remain open during their normal business hours, as does the West Springs Hospital in Grand Junction. An internal incident command team was created in February and sprang into action on the evening of March 5, when the first presumptive positive case in Colorado was announced. The team is actively monitoring COVID-19 on an ongoing basis to ensure the health and safety of clients and staff, while also maintaining business continuity.

At outpatient offices, clients are screened and asked to stay home if they're displaying COVID-19 symptoms. At the West Springs Hospital,

visitation has been restricted to phone visits only. The walk-in clinic also remains open; however, clients are screened for symptoms before entering the facility.

In addition to expanding telehealth, which will allow some clinical employees to work from home, non-clinical employees are being provided with options to work from home as well to help reduce the risk of exposure of the virus to both clients and staff.

"At the end of the day, we understand that what we do saves lives," said Sharon Raggio, Mind Springs Health president and CEO. "Mental health is an important component of overall health. When someone is experiencing crisis, Mind Springs Health and West Springs Hospital will be there for them, despite difficult situations like COVID-19."

Looking for coping skills to help with anxiety surrounding COVID-19? Visit www.MindSpringsHealth.org or www.MyStrength.com, using the "payer code" WELLNESSWEB.

Providence Recovery awarded grant money for treatment services

Special to the Herald Times

RBC I Providence Recovery in Craig, serving Moffat and Rio Blanco counties, has been awarded \$129,961 in grant funds from the Colorado Department of Human Services (CDHS) to expand access to substance use disorder treatment in rural and frontier counties.

In addition, Mind Springs Health, which serves the Western Slope including Meeker and Rangely, was awarded \$336,414 to "increase access to a continuum of substance use disorder treatment services, including medical or clinical detox, residential treatment, recovery support services and intensive outpatient treatment by hiring, training and integrating mobile case managers/peer supports."

Colorado House Bill 19-1287, which was signed by Gov. Jared Polis last May, established a \$5 million grant program to increase treatment services in rural and frontier areas of the state.

Following a competitive application process, \$4.6 million was awarded to 16 groups, funding projects such as hiring more certified addiction counselors, launching withdrawal management centers and opening new recovery residence programs.

"We are committed to developing a robust continuum of care for substance use in rural and frontier communities," said CDHS Office of Behavioral Management Director Robert Werthwein. "This much-needed funding will help organizations tailor solutions in their counties and grow successful programs."

The remainder of the \$5 million will fund administrative costs, with \$200,000 rolling over into the next grant cycle.

Substance use disorder affects Coloradans in all counties but is particularly acute in rural and frontier communities that lack robust treatment options. In FY 2018-19, more than 54,000 Coloradans received treatment and withdrawal management services for substance use disorder.



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We can fill your lunchbox with fruits and vegetables that you like. Let's cut out fun shapes from your favorite cheese too.

Nutritious and Delicious

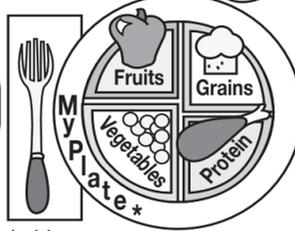
Families may grab a quick takeout meal when they are pressed for time or on the go. Takeout meals can be a tasty treat, but home-cooked meals are less expensive, and we know exactly which ingredients we're using.

When families plan menus together we can choose our favorite meals. When we shop together we can look for the freshest foods – vegetables and fruits – and everyone can choose the kinds that he likes the most. By checking labels on packages, we can learn which foods have the best ingredients. When we cook at home we can adjust our recipes to use small amounts of healthful oils, salt or sugar. Some families are steaming or baking part of their favorite meals.

Read the clues to fill in the crossword:

- Choose foods from each of the food _____ every day: vegetables, fruits, grains, proteins and dairy.
- _____ are low in fat, sugar and calories and high in fiber and vitamins, like vitamin A, which is good for our eyes and skin.
- Many fruits have _____ and are famous for vitamin C, which helps to repair body tissue and heal cuts.
- Low-fat milk and cheeses will give you _____ for strong bones and teeth.
- Meat, fish, beans, eggs, peanut butter and nuts have lots of protein to help build _____. Choose lean cuts of meat if possible.
- Oats, brown rice, popcorn and buckwheat are whole grains with lots of fiber and carbohydrates that give us _____.
- "My _____" lets us see at a glance what, and how much, we are eating.

* plate based on USDA source



Moderate amounts of fat are good for your brain!

I've "bean" here before.

Eat lots of brightly colored fruits and veggies.

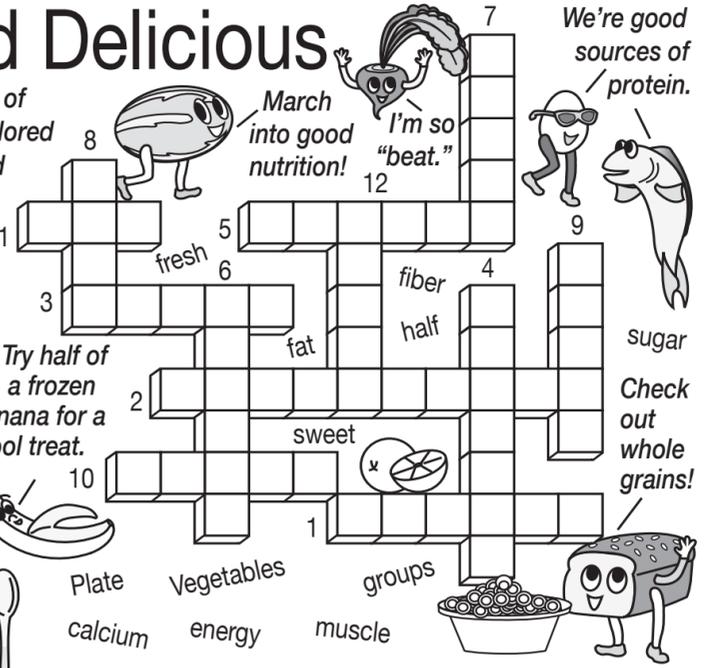
Try half of a frozen banana for a cool treat.

March into good nutrition!

I'm so "beat."

We're good sources of protein.

Check out whole grains!



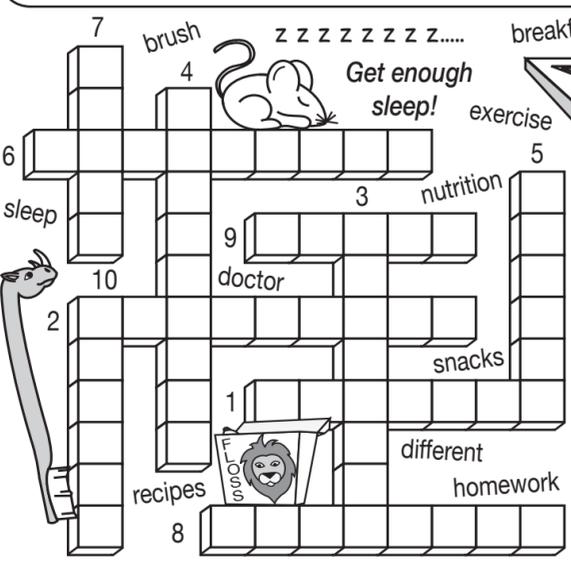
- Notice that _____ of the area of MyPlate is for vegetables and fruits.
- We can buy _____ vegetables, ones that were frozen right after picking or canned soon after – they are all good for us.
- We can use less _____, go light on the salt shaker and add flavor to our cooking by adding herbs like basil and spices like cinnamon.
- Some _____ is needed for our body and brain to function well. Choose liquid fats like olive oil rather than solid ones.
- Eat _____ treats in small amounts: dark chocolate, half of a frozen banana, a yogurt or low-fat ricotta cheese parfait with nuts and fruit.

It's easier to keep on a healthful track if your family and friends do too. It's fun to cook and exercise with others. We're checking out the sports and activities at our school and local Parks and Recreation Department for upcoming spring months. That will keep us moving!

Healthful Fun with Family and Friends

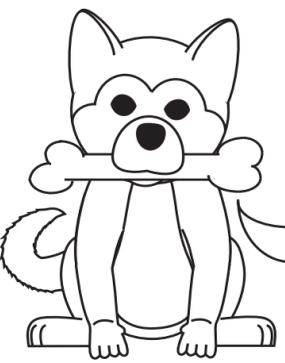


Read the clues to fill in our healthful habits crossword, then find and circle the words!



- Check out some new, healthier _____ for favorite comfort foods like macaroni and cheese.
- Try some _____ vegetables like *kalettes* – (a cross between Brussels sprouts and kale) or purple potatoes or rainbow carrots (orange, red, purple, white).
- Play soccer, dance, fly kites – find a type of _____ you like and have fun with it for 30 - 60 minutes a day.
- Spark your energy each morning with a good _____.
- Eat three meals and don't forget 2 - 3 small _____.
- Choose snacks that will give you lots of _____: nuts, veggies with low-fat dip, fruit.
- _____ your teeth twice a day and floss too.
- Get your _____ done, then, if allowed, enjoy playing a computer or video game.
- _____ is important for resting and repairing our bodies, so get a good night's sleep.
- Visit a _____ for a checkup and an eye exam; and the dentist to check your teeth.

Ideas To "Chew" On!



Every day we make choices about the food we eat. We may grab something tasty that is not very nutritious. If we keep lots of healthful food choices around the house it will be easy to grab a tasty bite that is better for us. Here are some choices for meals and snacks. **Do you know which one would be a better choice? Circle it.**

Breakfast:

- A. bacon, eggs, fried potatoes
B. oatmeal, fruit, milk
- A. pancakes with fruit
B. fried egg, bacon and cheese sandwich

Lunch:

- A. corn dog, french fries, soda
B. boiled hot dog, baked beans, milk
- A. grilled chicken patty, salad, milk
B. chicken nuggets, onion rings, milk shake

Snacks:

- A. nacho chips with cheese dip
B. baked tortilla chips with salsa
- A. chocolate chip cookies
B. rice cakes with a little peanut butter

Supper:

- A. cheeseburger, fries, soda
B. turkey burger, fruit salad
- A. pepperoni and cheese pizza
B. vegetable and cheese pizza

DAYS GONE BY

The Meeker Herald 125 years ago

The attention of the public is called to the add of Frederick Ouimet, which appears in this issue. Mr. Ouimet will open a new blacksmithing and

wagonmaking shop, half a block west of the old Bergh stand, on Monday. Give him a call.

The Rawlins Republican is building a railroad from New Castle, Wyoming, to Meeker, which further strengthens our already well-founded belief that this town is the "hub of the

universe." But the question is, "What shall we do with all the railroads heading for the hub?" Give them right of way and depot sites, of course, and welcome them.

Mr. and Mrs. Rube Oldland of Piceance, were registered at the Miller house

during the week. It is rumored that Mr. Oldland contemplates building here during the summer.

After a lengthy visit with the old folks, John Bloomfield left for Greeley, where he is following his profession — civil engineering and surveying.

The Meeker Herald 100 years ago

If the free publicity fiends were cut out there would be no scarcity of newsprint. This paper has cut them all out. Every publisher should do likewise.

Tom Scott's real estate office now presents all the handsome appearances of a metropolitan office of like character, with its up-to-date heating plant and handsome furnishings. Tom wants the best, and he has it in his newly furnished office.

"Press News. Rush!" continues to rush into this office; and its rapid pace continues till it reaches our capacious waste basket.

The Meeker Herald 50 years ago

A series of reported and unreported burglaries of women's underclothes was believed solved last week with the arrest of a young Meeker juvenile boy. The young boy was arrested as a suspect by Chief of Police James Marinelli in a home other than his own. Approximately 200 pieces of undergarments have been recovered and are awaiting identification at the Sheriff's office.

Charter members of the Meeker Fire Department were a part of those honored at the annual Fireman's banquet held Monday evening of last week in the dining room of the El Rancho Cafe. Charter members present include: R.G. Lyttle, Edgar Peltier, George LeFevre, Melvin Holland, Loren Idol and Robert White.

The Meeker Herald 25 years ago

Meeker Fire Chief Doug Overton takes a break to enjoy the fireworks March 18 at the former Deighton House hotel on

Market Street in Meeker. Fire trainers from Loveland set fires inside the abandoned building, then Meeker, Craig and Rifle volunteer firefighter teams entered the building to locate the blaze and douse it.

A man in his early 30s who lived near Alamosa died from Hantavirus Pulmonary Syndrome in February, according to the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment.

Rangely Times 50 years ago

Merrill J. Miller was named General Manager of Moon Lake Electric Association, Inc. at a recent meeting of the Board of Directors of the association.

Twelve petitions were filed in the clerk's office by the deadline, March 6, for the offices of trustee and two petitions for the office of mayor, to be elected April 7.

Rangely Times 25 years ago

Rangely and Dinosaur residents awoke at 5:46 a.m. by an earthquake Monday. The quake, measuring 4.1 on the Richter scale, caused no reported damage or injuries, but did give local residents an unwelcome wakeup call. Chevron geologist Fred O'Toole said that the 4.1 earthquake originated from the Willow Creek Thrust Fault and was not caused by the injection of liquids into the basin.

Eleven young wrestlers traveled to Craig on Saturday to participate in a wrestling tournament. Ten of the 11 young men finished in the top four in their respective brackets. Robby Elam, 2nd; Casey Rasmussen, 2nd; Joshua Padilla, 1st; Keenan LeBleu, 1st; Garth Byers, 4th; Tyland Robinson, 3rd; Koby Rose, 3rd; Ryan Torsell, 3rd; Wes Torsell, Don Strain, 3rd; Cody Byers, 2nd.

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Fill in the blank squares in the grid, making sure that every row, column and 3-by-3 box includes all digits 1 through 9.

THEME: DRIVER'S ED

ACROSS

- Happen again
- Promotions
- Field mouse
- UV absorber
- Seek a seat
- Eagle's nest
- Jury
- Mad King George's number
- Bad-tempered one
- *Two or more people on the road
- *Fines can do that?
- Scott's woolen cap
- Give an impression
- Last month
- Willy Wonka mastermind
- Lay down to rest again
- Container weight
- Damaging precipitation
- One born to Japanese immigrants
- Windows alternative

- Clown act
- London subway
- What Motion Picture Association of America does
- Lentil soup
- Pulitzer winner Bellow
- Little Women to Aunt March
- Victorian and Elizabethan ones, e.g.
- Dropped drug
- Type of dam
- Post Malone's genre
- *Traffic separator
- *Kind of lane
- Tiger's and lioness' offspring
- J. Edgar Hoover's org.
- Capital of Vietnam
- Between wash and dry
- 1985 Kurosawa movie
- Village V.I.P.
- Brewer's kiln
- Play part
- Young salmon

DOWN

- Campus drilling grp.
- Poet Pound
- Coconut fiber
- Not fitting
- Add a new magazine
- Seed cover
- *Punishable driver offense, acr.
- Like a hurtful remark
- Action word
- Like face-to-face exam
- Don't cross it?
- Comic cry
- Keeness in a certain field
- D-Day beach
- Old-fashioned over
- Move like a serpent
- *Go back the way you came
- Hawaiian veranda
- Banal or commonplace
- *"Raised _____," or "Don't Walk"
- Small fragments

- Bar order, with the
- Puzzle with pictures and letters
- *Up-side-down triangle sign
- Biz bigwig
- Yarn spinner
- "The Nutcracker" protagonist
- Crafting with stitches
- One of Sinbad's seven
- Miss America's accessory, pl.
- Prefix for below
- Church song
- Actress Sorvino
- Shining armor
- Negative contraction
- Pub order
- ____-China
- Christmas season
- Horizontal wall beam
- *Keep your hands at ten and _____
- *Measurement of alcohol in body, acr.



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 ALL STATE COMMUNICATION, S&R, 128.38
 ALL TEMP SVCS, RPR/MNTC BLDG, 1,730.80
 ALSCO, PURCH SVCS, 1,111.64
 SYNQB/AMAZON, SPPLY, 8,708.86
 ATMOS ENERGY, UTL, 612.63
 ATMOS ENERGY, UTL, 370.27
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 ATMOS ENERGY, UTL, 1,088.89
 BOYKO, SPPLY, 7,619.00
 BRIGHT IDEAS BULB RECY, PURCH SVCS, 1,020.00
 CCNC, PURCH SVCS, 200.00
 CENTURYLINK, LND LN, 519.93
 CENTURYLINK-LD, LND LN, 6.85
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 MELISSA DEMBOWSKI, PURCH SVCS, 72.45
 DISTRICT ATTORNEY, PURCH SVCS, 21,495.00
 DISTRICT 11&12 4-H, PRGMNG, 700.00
 DOUGLAS CREEK CONSERV, RESRC USE, 10,000.00
 DUCEY'S ELECTRIC, RPR/MNTC BLDG, 4,350.00
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 MEEKER SANITATION, UTL, 726.00
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 MOON LAKE ELEC, UTL, 3,409.27
 MVB-VISA, AWRDS, 18,797.03
 NICHOLS STORE, FOOD SPPLY, 1,077.83
 OVERHEAD DOOR, RPR/MNTC BLDG, 85.00
 PHOENIX SUPPLY, SPPLY, 381.15
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 RANGELY TRASH, UTL, 249.50
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 CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 11,034.36
 GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 42,036.75
 COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 115,938.19
 A-1 COLLECTION AGENCY, WAGE ASNMT, 734.39
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FUND: ROAD & BRIDGE
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 AXIS STEEL, SPPLY, 493.00
 CO ASPHALT PVMNT, TRNGNG DEV, 250.00
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 MORLAN, JENIFER, TRVL, 212.87
 MVB-VISA, PURCH SVCS, 1,140.59
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 RANGELY TRUE VALUE, SPPLY, 23.81
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 RB HERALD TIME, PURCH SVCS, 132.50
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 US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FICA W/H, 22,442.10
 CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 4,682.50
 GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 18,405.63
 COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 58,730.69
 CO DEPARTMENT OF REVEN, WAGE ASNMT, 958.50
 ROAD & BRIDGE FUND TOTAL: 127,400.88
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VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
 AMAZON, SPPLY, 1,221
 McKESSON MED, SPPLY, 246.64
 MVB-VISA, SPPLY, 394.11
 R & S NORTHEAST, SPPLY, 35.04
 STAPLES, SPPLY, 176.94
 MEL TRUJILLO, PURCH SVCS, 250.00
 US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FED W/H, 920.64
 US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FICA W/H, 2,361.60
 CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 400.47
 GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 746.72
 COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 4,084.31
 PUBLIC HEALTH FUND TOTAL: 9,617.68
FUND: DEPT OF HUMAN SVCS
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
 AMAZON, SPPLY, 394.20
 CENTURYLINK, PURCH SVCS, 72.64
 PITNEY BOWES RES, CNTY EXPNC, 10.70
 STEERMAN LAW OFFICES, PURCH SVCS, 10,000.00
 US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FED W/H, 3,900.36
 US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FICA W/H, 6,680.27
 CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H,

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1,557.41
 GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 4,236.80
 COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 15,562.17
 AP PAYMENTS, 4,323.66
 DEPT OF HUMAN SVCS FUND TOTAL: 46,738.21
FUND: CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
 CIVIC FORUM ASSOC, COL-PK, 21,355.12
 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND TOTAL: 21,355.12
FUND: USE TAX
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
 CO ASSN/ NUTRITION, INTER GOV AG, 100.00
 DUCEY'S ELEC, PURCH SVCS, 148.50
 HENDERSHOTT, MELAINE, PURCH SVCS, 300.00
 HORIZONS, HORIZONS, 2,125.00
 MOON LAKE ELEC, UTL, 954.57
 MVB-VISA, SPPLY, 319.29
 NICHOLS STORE, SPPLY, 30.00
 PITNEY BOWES RES, PURCH SVCS, 182.50
 RANGELY, TOWN OF, UTL, 117.86
 RANGELY TRASH, UTL, 184.00
 RANGELY TRUE VALUE, SPPLY, 45.58
 RB HERALD TIME, PURCH SVCS, 18.75
 STAPLES, SPPLY, 106.86
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 VALLEY HARDWARE, SPPLY, 59.68
 WATT'S, FOOD SPPLY, 253.69
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 US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FICA W/H, 3,186.72
 CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 674.26
 GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 2,311.60
 COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 9,285.00
 FAMILY SUPPORT REGISTR, WAGE ASNMT, 420.00
 USE TAX FUND TOTAL: 26,047.22
FUND: SOLID WASTE
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
 NEWMAN SIGNS, PURCH SVCS, 563.70
 PITNEY BOWES RES, PURCH SVCS, 6.40
 SOUDER, MILLER & ASSOC, PURCH SVCS, 673.75
 TAYLOR ELECTRICAL, PURCH SVCS, 2,853.03
 UNION TELEPHONE, PURCH SVCS, 55.90
 WR DISTRIB, PURCH SVCS, 15.00
 WREA, UTL, 854.45
 WHITE RIVER ENERGY, SPPLY, 506.51
 US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FED W/H, 1,437.17
 US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FICA W/H, 2,340.32
 CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 534.00
 GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 1,119.94
 COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 5,121.30
 SOLID WASTE FUND TOTAL: 16,081.47
FUND: WEED & PEST

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VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
 ADAPCO, MSQTO CNTRL, 17,280.00
 B&J TRADING, SPPLY, 9,785.00
 MVB-VISA, PURCH SVCS, 60.00
 PITNEY BOWES RES, PURCH SVCS, 1.50
 US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FED W/H, 441.46
 US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FICA W/H, 637.72
 CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 167.00
 GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 250.08
 COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 912.10
 WEED & PEST FUND TOTAL: 29,534.86
FUND: COMMUNICATIONS
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
 AMAZON, SPPLY, 158.88
 CALIX, PURCH SVCS, 4,500.00
 CODY CROOKS, PURCH SVCS, 170.78
 KPE LOCATING, PURCH SVCS, 880.00
 MAMMOTH NET, PURCH SVCS, 800.00
 MVB-VISA, PURCH SVCS, 250.59
 NOANET, PURCH SVCS, 544.50
 PITNEY BOWES RES, PURCH SVCS, 4.00
 RANGELY TRUE VALUE, SPPLY, 17.99
 TDA CONSTRUCTION, PURCH SVCS, 1,500.00
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 WILSON CABLING COMM, PURCH SVCS, 11,250.00
 US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FED W/H, 1,260.86
 US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FICA W/H, 2,029.04
 CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 439.00
 GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 1,591.40
 COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 5,920.45
 COMMUNICATIONS FUND TOTAL: 32,088.35
FUND: FAIRFIELD
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
 A-1 HEATING & COOLING, PURCH SVCS, 180.00
 ATMOS ENERGY, UTL, 971.20
 MEEKER SANITATION, UTL, 35.00
 MEEKER, TOWN OF, UTL, 588.00
 MVB-VISA, SPPLY, 195.14
 OVERTON RECY, PURCH SVCS, 224.00
 SAMUELSON'S, SPPLY, 1,192.17
 VALLEY HARDWARE, SPPLY, 17.97
 WREA, UTL, 1,940.45
 US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FED W/H, 309.33
 US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FICA W/H, 799.54
 CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 140.00
 GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 423.16
 COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 3,016.70
 FAIRFIELD FUND TOTAL: 10,032.66
FUND: CENTRAL SVCS
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
 ALL COPY PRODUCTS, CNTRCT SVCS, 343.16
 PITNEY BOWES, SPPLY, 246.49
 PITNEY BOWES RES, PSTG, 40.25
 ROCKY MOUNTAIN COMP, CNTRCT SVCS, 307.24

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CENTRAL SVCS FUND TOTAL: 937.14
FUND: FLEET
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
 A&E TIRE, TIRES, 3,781.72
 AIRGAS USA, SPPLY, 231.91
 AXIS STEEL, SPPLY, 99.60
 BEST DEAL SPRINGS, PRPTS/ACCS, 814.65
 BOYKO, SPPLY, 77.90
 COOK CHEVROLET, PURCH SVCS, 421.50
 CRAIG POWERSPORTS, PRPTS/ACCS, 244.28
 EATON SALES & SRVC, PRPTS/MNTC, 652.68
 FARIS MACHINERY, PRPTS/ACCS, 296.03
 GCR TIRES & SVC, TIRES, 3,028.69
 GILBARCO, PURCH SVCS, 391.14
 H&H HYDRAULICS, RPT/MNTC, 668.68
 HONNEN EQUIP, RPT/MNTC, 1,355.67
 JACKSON GROUP, PRPTS/ACCS, 290.56
 KIMBALL MIDWEST, MISC INVTY, 334.61
 MASTER PETROLEUM, GAS, 42,964.91
 MCGUIRE AUTO, SPPLY, 3,409.94
 MEEKER AUTO, PRPTS/ACCS, 2,280.37
 MEEKER COLLISION, RPT/MNTC, 1,405.45
 MOON LAKE ELEC, UTL, 85.70
 MVB-VISA, PURCH SVCS, 228.53
 NORTHWEST AUTO, PRPTS/ACCS, 264.16
 OVERTON RECY, TIRES, 306.00
 POWER EQUIP, RPT/MNTC, 1,892.76
 RANGELY AUTO, PRPTS/ACCS, 3,746.68
 RANGELY TRUE VALUE, PRPTS/ACCS, 30.95
 SAFELITE AUTO GLASS, RPT/MNTC, 1,138.26
 SCHAEFFER MFG, DIESEL, 1,424.11
 SKID PRO ATTACHMENTS, PRPTS/ACCS, 9,325.00
 STEWART WELDING, RPT/MNTC, 127.50
 THOMPSON DISTRIB, SPPLY, 184.48
 TRANSWEST TRUCKS, PRPTS/ACCS, 1,231.23
 VALLEY HARDWARE, SPPLY, 24.79
 WAGNER EQUIP, PRPTS/ACCS, 2,296.40
 WEAR PARTS & EQUIP, PRPTS/ACCS, 8,814.15
 WESTERN IMPLEMENT, PRPTS/ACCS, 398.34
 WESTFALL O'DELL, CAP OTLY, 178,826.16
 WREA, UTL, 1,047.29
 WHITE RIVER ENERGY, UTL, 334.00
 XCEL ENERGY, UTL, 286.24
 ZEP SALES & SVCS, SPPLY, 212.95
 US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FED W/H, 2,322.44
 US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FICA W/H, 4,763.89
 CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 922.00
 GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 4,271.61
 COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 10,457.26
 FLEET FUND TOTAL: 297,713.17
FUND: \$1,200,335.19
 Published: March 19, 2020

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TOWN OF RANGELY
Check Register
February-20
VENDOR AMOUNT DESCRIPTION
AFLAC, 297.15, Payroll Deduction
ALERT/SAM, 100.00, Expenses
ALL COPY PRODUCTS INC, 897.67, Expenses
ALL SOUND DESIGN, 211.05, Expenses
ALLIED 100 LLC, 1144.60, Expenses
APCO INTERNATIONAL INC, 7890.00, Expenses
APPLIED CONCEPTS INC, 112.00, Expenses
AV-TECH, 2317.50, Expenses
AXON ENTERPRISE INC, 3505.71, Expenses
BLOCK LAVON, 40.00, Expenses
BOBCAT OF THE ROCKIES, 700.31, Expenses
BOYKO SUPPLY CO, 156.16, Expenses
CANYON PINTADO VETERINARY CLINIC, 80.00, Services
CASELLE, INC, 1418.00, Software Support
CCNC, 100.00, Expenses
CEBT, 36686.56, Life Insurance
CENTURYLINK, 1450.96, Communication
CIMARRON TELECOMMUNICATIONS LLC, 55.00, Communication
COKER, MICHAEL D, 40.00, Expenses
COLORADO NENA/APCO, 450.00, Expenses
CONNOR, DANIEL, 40.00, Expenses
COX, MARYBEL, 40.00, Expenses
CUMMINS ROCKY MOUNTAIN LLC, 664.50, Expenses
DAN WILSON ATTORNEY AT LAW, 3103.28, Services
DIRECTV, 462.25, WRV Expenses
DUCEY'S ELECTRIC, 199.89, Expenses
EATON SALES & SERVICE, 148.62, Expenses
ELLIS, KEELY, 100.00, Council Stipend
EMC PLUMBING & HEATING INC, 141.52, Expenses
EMPLOYERS COUNCIL, 3550.00, Expenses
FEDERAL EXPRESS, 17.63, Expenses
FIDELITY ADVISOR FUNDS, 21287.18, Payroll deduction
FIRST BANKCARD, 3521.78, Expenses
FPPA, 706.84, PD Insurance
GALLS LLC, 31.42, Expenses
GEER, LUKE D., 100.00, Council Stipend
GIOVANNI'S ITALIAN GRILL, 59.50, Expenses
GODDARD, WESLEY, 150.00, Expenses
GRANGER, ALISA, 100.00, Council Stipend
HACH, 8561.19, Expenses
HACKING, TYSON, 100.00, Council Stipend
HAMBLIN, TIRYNN, 40.00, Expenses

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HENSON, STEPHANIE, 806.46, Expenses
HIRERIGHT INC, 64.36, Expenses
HUGHES, JORDAN, 300.00, Expenses
INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY, 1229.94, Expenses
ITRON INC, 1339.19, Expenses
KEY, ANDREW J, 100.00, Council Stipend
KIMBALL MIDWEST, 490.53, Expenses
LEECH, JESSE, 40.00, Expenses
MACKAY, DELBERT, 775.00, Expenses
MAIL SERVICES, 869.54, Services
MASTER PETROLEUM CO INC, 1903.11, Expenses
MOON LAKE ELECTRIC, 12063.26, Electricity
MOUNTAIN STATES SUPPLY, 2305.79, Expenses
MULLEN, JOCELYN, 320.00, Expenses
MULLER'S BUILDING SERVICE, 1500.00, Expenses
NETWORKS UNLIMITED INC, 5509.78, Support/ Services
NICHOLS STORE, 687.35, Expenses
NORCO INC, 25.26, Services
NWCAT LLC, 1109.55, Expenses
PIERING, LISA, 40.00, Expenses
PINNACOL ASSURANCE, 3148.00, Expenses
PIPELINE TESTING CONSORTIUM, 425.00, Expenses
PRAETORIAN DIGITAL, 450.00, Expenses
PRATER'S PLUMBING & HEATING, 1500.00, Expenses
QUALITY CARPET & FURNISHINGS, 2911.55, Services
QUILL CORPORATION, 267.26, Expenses
RANGELY AUTO PARTS & SUPPLY, 728.82, Expenses
RANGELY DISTRICT HOSPITAL, 119.88, Services
RANGELY HARDWARE, 2995.75, Expenses
RANGELY SCHOOL FOUNDATION INC, 10310.65, Sales Tax Funding
RANGELY TRASH SERVICE, 815.00, Services
RANGELY TOWN OF, 7805.65, Utilities
RESPOND FIRST AID SYSTEMS, 110.90, Expenses
RIO BLANCO COUNTY, 15855.08, Expenses
RIO BLANCO HERALD TIMES, 601.32, Expenses
ROBIE, TREY, 100.00, Council Stipend
SCHMEUSER GORDON MEYER, 2660.00, Expenses
SENERGY BUILDERS LLC, 3914.00, Expenses
SGS ACCUTEST INC, 672.72, Services
SHAFFER, ANDREW, 150.00, Council Stipend
STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY RC, 763.64, Life Insurance

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STEWART WELDING & MACHINE INC, 710.00, Expenses
SUMMIT ENERGY, 80407.25, Gas Transmission/Transport
TECHNICAL COLLEGE OF THE ROCKIES, 6110.55, Expenses
TELEDYNE INSTRUMENTS INC, 282.09, Expenses
TRANSUNION RISK & ALTERNATIVE, 50.00, Services
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, 719.00, Expenses
UNCC, 8.94, Services
USA BLUEBOOK, 218.45, Expenses
VERIZON WIRELESS, 890.87, Communication
WEX BANK, 4823.97, Fuel
WHITE RIVER MARKET, 90.90, Expenses
WILCZEK, KAREN S, 300.00, Judge's Fee
WRB REC & PARK DISTRICT, 186.50, Expenses
Total: 283,361.13
Published: March 19, 2020
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PUBLIC NOTICES

Hand-delivery address: Rio Blanco County Courthouse, 555 Main St., 3rd Floor Board Room, Meeker, CO 81641
BID OPENING
Bids shall be opened and read in public at 11:15 A.M. on April 14, 2020 at the Commissioners' Meeting Room at Courthouse 3rd Floor Board Room, Meeker, CO. Bids submitted after 10:45 A.M. shall be returned unopened. Bids submitted and opened shall not be withdrawn for 30 days thereafter.
BID AWARD
The Rio Blanco County Board of County Commissioners reserve the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informalities and minor irregularities in bids, and to accept the bid deemed, in the opinion of the Board, to be in the best interest of Rio Blanco County, State of Colorado. The County also reserves the right to negotiate changes in product specifications with successful vendor. Owner will give the Successful Vendor a Notice of Award within thirty days after the day of the Bid opening.
RIO BLANCO COUNTY, COLORADO
Dated: March 10, 2020
By: Jeff Rector, Chairman
Published: March 12 and 19, 2020
Rio Blanco Herald Times

PUBLIC NOTICES

h. Rangely District Library Board meeting is scheduled for Mar 24, 2020 at 5:00pm
i. Rio Blanco Water Conservancy District Board meeting is scheduled for Mar 25, 2020 at 6:00pm
j. Rangely District Hospital board meeting is scheduled for Mar 26, 2020 at 6:00pm
k. Rangely Junior College District Board meeting is scheduled for Mar 30, 2020 at 12:00noon
18. Adjournment
Published: March 19, 2020
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PUBLIC NOTICES

RIO BLANCO WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT AG LEASE
Rio Blanco Water Conservancy District is now accepting Management Proposals for hay and livestock production on lands owned by the district. Hay production and limited grazing will take place on the lands containing 64 acres more or less with the ability to increase acreage to 72 acres. Rio Blanco County Parcel 137907100918 (Parcel #1 approximately 1.9 miles east of RBC County Road 65) & Parcel 138112100934 (Parcel #2 approximately 2.5 miles east of RBC County Road 65). Irrigation is available with water rights, irrigation ditches, some pipe, and pump. Please contact the Rio Blanco Water Conservancy District at 2252 East Main Street Rangely, Colorado, 970-675-5055 for conditions and additional information. Proposals must be received by March 31, 2020.
Published: March 12, 19 and 26, 2020
Rio Blanco Herald Times

COMBINED NOTICE - MAILING
CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 20-01

To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust: On January 13, 2020, 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): Daniel A. Sagaser and Mary Lou Sagaser
Original Beneficiary(ies): Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. acting solely as nominee for Quicken Loans Inc.
Current Holder of Evidence of Debt: Quicken Loans Inc.
Date of Deed of Trust: February 04, 2015
County of Recording: Rio Blanco
Recording Date of Deed of Trust: February 11, 2015
Recording Information (Reception No. and/or Book/Page No.): 309771
Original Principal Amount: \$90,000.00
Outstanding Principal Balance: \$86,437.23
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.
Land Situated in the County of Rio Blanco in the State of CO
Lot 4 Wasatch Camp Subdivision according to the Plat thereof filed January 18, 1982 as Reception No. 204475 Rio Blanco County, Colorado. TOGETHER WITH: AN UNDIVIDED TWO-SEVENTHS INTEREST IN LOT 8 WASATCH CAMP SUBDIVISION.
Also known by street and number as: 16432 Highway 64 W, 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, 05/13/2020, at Office of the Public Trustee, Rio Blanco County Courthouse, 555 Main Street, Meeker CO 81641, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property and all interest of the said Grantor(s), Grantor(s)' heirs and assigns therein, for the purpose of paying the indebtedness provided in said Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, plus attorneys' fees, the expenses of sale and other items allowed by law, and will issue to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law.
First Publication: 3/19/2020
Last Publication: 4/16/2020
Name of Publication: Rio Blanco Herald Times

NOTICE OF RIGHTS
YOU MAY HAVE AN INTEREST IN THE REAL PROPERTY BEING FORECLOSED, OR HAVE CERTAIN RIGHTS OR SUFFER CERTAIN LIABILITIES PURSUANT TO COLORADO STATUTES AS A RESULT OF SAID FORECLOSURE. YOU MAY HAVE THE RIGHT TO REDEEM SAID REAL PROPERTY OR YOU MAY HAVE THE RIGHT TO CURE A DEFAULT UNDER THE DEED OF TRUST BEING FORECLOSED. A COPY OF SAID STATUTES, AS SUCH STATUTES ARE PRESENTLY CONSTITUTED, WHICH MAY AFFECT YOUR RIGHTS SHALL BE SENT WITH ALL MAILED COPIES OF THIS NOTICE. HOWEVER, YOUR RIGHTS MAY BE DETERMINED BY PREVIOUS STATUTES.

- 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
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DATE: 01/13/2020
Rhonna Waldref, Public Trustee in and for the County of Rio Blanco, State of Colorado
By: Rhonna Waldref, Public Trustee
The name, address, business telephone number and bar registration number of the attorney(s) representing the legal holder of the indebtedness is:
Weinstein & Riley, P.S. 11101 W 120th Ave Suite 280, Broomfield, CO 80021 (303) 539-8601
Attorney File # 47902879
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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Rio Blanco County
2020 Crack Fill Project
REQUEST FOR BID

PROJECT NAME
2020 Rio Blanco County Crackfill Project. THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF RIO BLANCO COUNTY is soliciting bids for furnishing and placement of approx. 20,346 lbs. of an ASTM D6690 Type II Joint & Cracksal Material on Rio Blanco County Roads in the Meeker District.
BID DOCUMENTS
Bid Documents shall be available on-line at www.govbids.com/scripts/co1/public/home1.asp, or on the county's website at www.rbc.us on the Elected Offices & Boards/Bids & Requests for Proposals page, or at the Rio Blanco County Road and Bridge Dept. in Meeker on March 12, 2020.
VENDOR QUALIFICATIONS
Vendors must provide a current and valid copy of their Certificate of Good Standing issued by the State of Colorado Secretary of State.
PROJECT SUPERINTENDENT AND QUESTIONS
Clint Chappell, Road and Bridge Coordinator, (970) 878-9590, Fax (970) 878-3396. Mailing address: Rio Blanco County Road and Bridge Dept., 570 Second Street, Meeker, CO 81641.
All Vendors must examine the sites and become familiar with all site conditions. Any questions regarding this project are to be directed in writing to Clint Chappell before Tuesday, April 7, 2020 at 4:00 P.M. at the above address or fax number.

WORK SCHEDULE
This project shall start May 4, 2020 and be completed by May 29, 2020, depending upon delays due to adverse conditions.
PRE-BID MEETING
Vendors shall attend a pre-bid meeting (mandatory):
Tuesday, March 31, 2020 at 1:00 P.M. at the Rio Blanco County Road & Bridge Dept., 570 Second Street, Meeker.
BID SUBMITTALS
Bids shall have Vendor's name and address and "SEALED BID - 2020 RIO BLANCO COUNTY CRACKFILL PROJECT" written on the sealed envelope. All required documents shall be included with the bid or it shall be rejected.
Each bid must include a certified check or cashier's check in the amount of not less than five percent (5%) of the total bid, made payable to Rio Blanco County, or by a bid bond in like amount executed by a surety company.
Mailed bids are due no later than 4:00 P.M. on Monday, April 13, 2020. Do not depend on overnight delivery.
Hand delivered bids will be accepted IN MEEKER from 8:00 A.M. to 10:45 A.M. on April 14, 2020.
Mailing: RBC Board of County Commissioners, Attn: Vicky Edwards, P O Box 599, Meeker, CO 81641

Work session 5:30 – COVID-19/Liquor Licensing
Town of Rangely
March 24, 2020 - 7:00pm
Agenda

- Rangely Board of Trustees (Town Council)
ANDY SHAFFER, Mayor
Andy Key, Mayor ProTem
Trey Robie, Trustee
Luke Geer, Trustee
Tyson Hacking, Trustee
Alisa Granger, Trustee
Keely Ellis, Trustee
1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Invocation
4. Pledge of Allegiance
5. Minutes of Meeting
a. Discussion and Action to approve the minutes of March 10, 2020
6. Petitions and Public Input
7. Changes to the Agenda
8. Public Hearings - 7:10pm
9. Committee/Board Meetings
10. Reports From Council
11. Supervisor Reports – See Attached
a. Kelli Neiberger
12. Reports from Officers – Town Manager Update
13. Old Business
14. New Business
a. Discussion and action to approve the February 2020 Financial Summary
b. Discussion and action to approve the liquor license renewal for Loaf n Jug
c. Discussion and action to approve the liquor license for California Wok, LLC
15. Informational Items
16. Board Vacancies
a. Planning and Zoning Board Vacancy
17. Scheduled Announcements
****PLEASE NOTE ALL MEETINGS MAY BE CANCELLED ON SHORT NOTICE DUE TO COVID-19**
a. Western Rio Blanco Park & Recreation District Board meeting is scheduled for Mar 9, 2020 at 7:00pm
b. Rangely School District Board meeting has been scheduled for Mar 10, 2020 at 6:15pm
c. Rural Fire Protection District Board meeting is scheduled for Mar 16, 2020 at 7:00pm
d. Rio Blanco County Commissioners Board meeting is scheduled for Mar 16, 2020 at 11:00am
e. RDAIRDC Board meeting scheduled for Mar 19, 2020 at 7:00am
f. Rangely Chamber of Commerce Board meeting is scheduled for Mar 19, 2020 at 12:00noon
g. Community Networking Meeting is scheduled for Mar 23, 2020 at 12:00noon

PUBLIC NOTICE
TOWN OF MEEKER
MUNICIPAL MAIL BALLOT ELECTION
April 7, 2020

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 7, 2020 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, One Position
Candidate
RODNEY GERLOFF
KENT BORCHARD
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Four-year term, Three Positions
Candidates
TRAVIS DAY
WENDY GUTIERREZ
MELISSA J. KINDALL
JARED HARVEY
MATT SCOTT
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 7, 2020, 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 17th day of March 2020.
By: Amy Tupy, Town Clerk
Published: March 19 and 26, 2020
Rio Blanco Herald Times

PUBLIC NOTICE
Democrat County Assembly
Old West Heritage Culture Center, 517 Park Ave, Meeker
March 28, 2020, 2:00 p.m.

The agenda is as follows:
I. Call to order
II. Call the roll
III. Reports of committees
IV. Action on reports of committees
V. Election of officers
VI. Report of committee on resolutions
VII. Designation of candidates for direct primary election
VIII. Establish vacancy committee
IX. Selection of delegates
X. Approval of Precinct Committee persons
XI. Ratification of selected candidates
XII. Election of members to state committees
XIII. Recess
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DISTRICT COURT, RIO BLANCO (MEEKER) COUNTY, COLORADO
455 Main Street, PO Box 1150, Meeker, CO 81641
Telephone: 970-878-5622
Case No. 19 CV 30033

Plaintiff(s): Donald T. Bollinger, Joseph P. Moyet, also known as Joseph Paul Moyet, aka Joseph P. Mayet, aka Joseph Paul Mayet, and Stephanie Boyd Moyet, aka Stephanie Boyd Moyet, vs.
Defendant(s):
1) Rio Blanco Properties, a Colorado Limited Partnership,
2) Succession of Doyle Galloway Berry, Probate No. 20835, 16th Judicial District Court, Parish of St. Mary, State of Louisiana,
3) Succession of Doyle Galloway Berry, as General Partner of Rio Blanco Properties, a Colorado Limited Partnership,
4) Bert Kyle Berry, as independent co-executor of the Succession of Doyle Galloway Berry,
5) Scott Thomas Berry, as independent co-executor of the Succession of Doyle Galloway Berry,
6) Rhonna Waldref as Public Trustee of the Rio Blanco County, Colorado,
7) And all unknown persons that claim under or through the above named defendants.
Attorney: John P. Gormley
SPEICKER, HANLON, GORMLEY & VOLKMANN, LLP
P.O. Box 1991/ Grand Junction, CO 81502
Phone Number: 970.243.1003/Facsimile Number: 970.243.1011
e-mail: john@shglaw.com Atty. Reg. #: 12292



Legal Notice of
Nominating Meetings
MOON LAKE ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION, INC

Members of Moon Lake Electric Association, Inc., who reside in Districts 1 and District 6 are hereby notified of District Nominating Meetings which have been scheduled as follows:

- ✓ **District 1 – 6:00 p.m., March 26, 2020, at the Moon Lake Electric Office in Altamont.**
 - This includes members living in the areas west of Dry Gulch, including Altonah, Upalco, Bluebell, Altamont, Mt. Home, Talmage, Tabiona, and Hanna
- ✓ **District 6 – 6:00 p.m., March 25, 2020, at the Jensen Water Improvement District Office.**
 - This includes members living in the areas east of the Lapoint Highway 40 turnoff, including the communities of Gusher, Ouray, Jensen, and Flaming Gorge, Utah, and Dinosaur, Colorado

These meetings are called under the provisions of Bylaw IV, Section 3, of the Bylaws of Moon Lake Electric Association, Inc.

The purpose of the meetings is to nominate candidates for the position of Director for the above Districts. Only Bonafide members residing in the District may make nominations for the position of Director, and nominations so made at this meeting will be voted on at the Annual Meeting to be held May 28, 2020. Nominations shall be restricted to no more than four individuals by a majority vote of members present at the meeting. In addition to the nominations made at the nominating meetings, candidates may be nominated by petition, of any fifty or more District members. Petition packets are available at Moon Lake's headquarters office. Any petition must be received at the Moon Lake Electric Roosevelt Office by April 9, 2020. Members having questions concerning District boundaries should contact the Roosevelt Office at 435-722-5400.

Members are encouraged to attend and ask any questions they may have regarding the operation of their Cooperative.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF COLORADO TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANT(S): You are hereby summoned and required to appear and defend against the claims of the complaint filed with the court in this action, by filing with the clerk of this court an answer or other response. You are required to file your answer or other response within 35 days after the service of this summons upon you. Service of this summons shall be complete on the day of the last publication. A copy of the complaint may be obtained from the clerk of the court.

If you fail to file your answer or other response to the complaint in writing within 35 days after the date of the last publication, judgment by default may be rendered against you by the court for the relief demanded in the complaint without further notice.

This is an action by Plaintiff to collect amounts due and owing from Defendants concerning two promissory notes in the original principal amount of \$100,000.00 each as described in the complaint and Foreclosure Pursuant to Rule 105 CRCP of a Deed of Trust against real property located in Rio Blanco, Colorado, more particularly described in a Notice of Commencement of Action (Lis Pendens) recorded on December 30, 2019 under Reception # 319351 in the records of the Clerk and Recorder of Rio Blanco County, Colorado. Dated February 25, 2020. Published in the Rio Blanco Herald Times First Publication: February 27, 2020 Last Publication: March 26, 2020 SPIECKER, HANLON, GORMLEY & VOLKMAN, LLP By: /s/ John P. Gormley John P. Gormley, #12292 Attorneys for Plaintiffs

Rio Blanco County 2020 Alternative Dust Control Project REQUEST FOR BID

PROJECT NAME, LOCATION AND GENERAL SCOPE OF WORK
2020 Alternative Dust Control Project. Work includes the placement of approximately 28,090 gallons of Earthbind Non-Corrosive Asphalt Emulsion Blend or Approved Alternative on a multi-year test section of approx. 3.8 miles of new gravel on Rio Blanco County Road 116.

CONTRACT DOCUMENTS
Contract Documents shall be available on-line at www.govbids.com/scripts/co1/public/home1.asp, or on the county's website at www.rbc.us on the Bid Postings page, or at the Rio Blanco County Road and Bridge Dept. 570 2nd Street, Meeker, Colorado 81641 on March 19, 2020.

PROJECT SUPERINTENDENT AND QUESTIONS
Clint Chappell, Road and Bridge Coordinator, (970) 878-9590, Fax (970) 878-3396. Mailing address: Rio Blanco County Road and Bridge Dept., 570 Second Street, Meeker, CO 81641.

All Vendors must examine the sites and become familiar with all site conditions. Any questions regarding this project are to be directed in writing to Clint Chappell before April 7, 2020 at 4:00 P.M. at the above address or fax number.

WORK SCHEDULE
This project shall start April 28, 2020 and be completed by April 30, 2020, pending delays due to adverse conditions.

MANDATORY PRE-BID MEETING
Vendors shall attend a mandatory pre-bid meeting: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 at 10:00 A.M. at the Rio Blanco County Road & Bridge Dept., 570 Second Street, Meeker.

BID SUBMITTALS
Bids shall have Vendor's name and address and "2020 RIO BLANCO COUNTY ALTERNATIVE DUST CONTROL PROJECT" written on the sealed envelope. All required documents shall be included with the bid or it shall be rejected.

Each bid must include a certified check or cashier's check in the amount of not less than five percent (5%) of the total bid, made payable to Rio Blanco County, or by a bid bond in like amount executed by a surety company.

Mailed bids are due no later than 4:00 P.M. on Monday, April 13, 2020. Hand delivered bids will be accepted in Meeker from 8:00 A.M. to 10:45 A.M. on April 14, 2020. Do not depend on overnight delivery.

Mailing: RBC Board of County Commissioners, Attn: Vicky Edwards, P O Box 599, Meeker, CO 81641
Hand-delivery address: Rio Blanco County Commissioners' Board Room, 555 Main St. 3rd Floor, Meeker, CO 81641

BID OPENING
Bids shall be opened and read in public at 11:15 A.M. on April 14, 2020 at the Rio Blanco County Courthouse Commissioners' Board Room at 555 Main Street, 3rd Floor, Meeker, CO. Bids submitted after 10:45 A.M. shall be returned unopened. Bids submitted and opened shall not be withdrawn for 30 days thereafter.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

C.R.S. 8-19-101, et seq. shall be observed on all construction contracts on public projects. The law states that when a construction contract for a public project is to be awarded to a bidder, a resident bidder shall be allowed preference against a nonresident bidder from another state equal to the preference given or required by the state in which the nonresident bidder is a resident.

BID AWARD
The Rio Blanco County Board of County Commissioners reserve the right to reject any or all bids; to waive any informalities in bids; and to accept the bid that, in the opinion of the Board, is in the best interest of the County of Rio Blanco, State of Colorado.

RIO BLANCO COUNTY, COLORADO
Dated: March 16, 2020
By: Jeff Rector, Chairman
Published: March 19 and 26, 2020
Rio Blanco Herald Times

Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado Rio Blanco County Historic Courthouse 555 Main Street, 3rd Floor Hearing Room Meeker, Colorado 81641 Tentative Agenda March 24, 2020

Public Comment: Any member of the public may address the Board on matters which are within the jurisdiction of the Board. If you are addressing the Board regarding a matter listed on the Agenda, you are requested to make your comments when the Board takes that matter. Please limit your comments to three minutes per member or five minutes per group. The public comment time is not for questions and answers. It is your time to express your views.

- 11:00 a.m. Call to order:
 - A. Pledge of Allegiance
 - B. Changes to March 24, 2020 Agenda
- 2) CONSENT AGENDA March 24, 2020

Items of routine and non-controversial nature are placed on the consent agenda. Any Commissioner or member of the audience may request an item be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately on the regular agenda prior to action being taken by the Board on the Consent Agenda.

- A. Move to approve the below listed items of the Consent Agenda.
- B. Consideration of the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado Meeting Minutes of March 17, 2020.
- C. Consideration of the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado Meeting Minutes of March 10, 2020.

3. BUSINESS
 - A. Move to approve/deny an Abatement or Refund of taxes for the tax year 2019 to TEP in the amount of \$_____.
 - B. Move to Approve appointments to the EMS Board and NWRITAC Board.
 - C. Move to approve/deny the EMS Incident Objectives for Covid-19.
4. BID OPENINGS
 - A. Piceance Weed & Pest District Herbicide aerial spraying.

5. BID AWARDS
6. MOU'S, CONTRACTS, AND AGREEMENTS
7. RESOLUTIONS
8. OTHER BUSINESS
 - A. Public Comment
 - B. County Commissioners Updates
9. PUBLIC HEARINGS

Adjourn
The agenda is provided for informational purposes only; all times are approximate. Agenda items will normally be considered in the order they appear on the agenda. However, the Board may alter the Agenda. take breaks during the meeting, work through the noon hour and even continue an item for a future meeting date. The Board, while in session, may consider other items that are brought before it. Scheduled items may be continued if the Board is unable to complete the Agenda as scheduled.

The next regular Board meeting is tentatively scheduled for April 14, 2020 in the Rio Blanco County Historic Courthouse, 555 Main St., 3rd Floor Hearing Room, Meeker, Colorado, 81641. Please check the County's website for information at http://rbc.us/186/Board-of-County-Commissioners. If you need special accommodations please call 970-878-9431 in advance of the meeting so that reasonable accommodations may be made.

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Interested in spending time outdoors? ... in learning about plants and gardening? Rangely Community Garden is looking for people that are interested in gardening. - would like to garden but don't have any space at their house. - would like to get involved with kindred spirits and being active with a community garden. - are not afraid of getting their hands dirty and enjoy spending quiet time surrounded by nature. If this is something that fits you, please consider joining the Rangely Community Garden. The first meeting will be April 4th, 2020 in the Garden at 910 E. Rangely Ave (by the Camper park) from 10 am till noon. Come join us. 970-270-4447 (3/19-4/2)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

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

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

Open Range Cowboy Church of Meeker
Sunday, 6:00 in the evening
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For more information, Please call Tom 970-260-6820

RBC | 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.

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP)
Meeker School District RE-1
LOCAL ARTWORK

Meeker School District RE-1 is soliciting qualified candidates interested in providing Local Artwork for the Meeker High School Addition and Renovation.

The artwork theme includes places and things in/around Meeker, CO and Rio Blanco County. Selected candidates will be limited to local artists (including students) who live on the Western slope of Colorado, preferably those who live in Rio Blanco County or Meeker, CO. The District is requesting artwork of various sizes and mediums.

The RFP is available as of February 21, 2020. Interested applicants may obtain the RFP by contacting the owner's representative, NV5, via work phone or e-mail at (720)-591-4855 or Victoria.Zahourek@NV5.com
Deadline for responses is March 30, 2020 at 3:00 pm
Published Mar. 5, 12 & 19, 2020
Rio Blanco Herald Times

MEEKER SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1
Employment Opportunities

Meeker Elementary School

- Special Education Generalist
Deadline April 6, 2020 at 5 p.m.

Meeker High School

- English Language Art/Social Studies Teacher for School Year 2020/2021
Deadline March 19, 2020 at 5 p.m.

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1168 Rd. 63-506± Acres, Custom Log Home & Shop \$1,170,000	363 N Cross L Dr. Rural 2 Story BACK ON THE MARKET . . . REDUCED \$339,000	117 6th Street Rustic Duplex BACK ON THE MARKET \$189,000
Elk Mountain Inn-21 rooms, Bar, Restaurant, Courtyard \$975,000	29± Acres up Rd. 8-Valley Views, Building Area, Fishing \$349,000	109 Market St. - 1/2 Acre, Corner Lot, Highly Visible \$175,000
223 8th St.-2+BD/2BA, Yard, Adjoining Retail Space . . . REDUCED \$775,000	45304 Hwy. 13 SALE PENDING	1299 Rd. 10 - 4.52 Acres, Ideal Basecamp for Units 23/24 . . . REDUCED \$137,000
658± Acres, Rd. 143-North of RB Lake, Hunt Unit 11. \$660,000	TBD N. 6th St.-8.45± Acres, Livestock Welcome \$299,000	1105 & 1107 Market St. - Corner Lot, Commercial Opportunity \$149,000
319± Acres, Rd. 77-Colorow Cabin, Well, Grazing Permit \$640,000	950 Cleveland St.-3BD/3BA, large workshop. \$285,000	338 Love Ln. Residential Vacant Lot REDUCED \$84,900
431 E. Market St.-22± Acres, Shop, Office, Living Quarters \$549,000	841 3rd St. SALE PENDING	2 Sage Hills Lots - Panoramas, Build Your Dream Home \$59,000
100 Mesa Dr.-6BD/4BA, Beautiful Location, 5/5 Acres \$449,000	7.46 Acres, E. Market St.-Highway Frontage, Great Traffic \$249,000	Ridge Estates Subdivision - Rural Residential Lots Starting at \$45,000
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