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BOBBY GUTIERREZ

After an unusually warm and dry winter, we've had a few storms to start the first days of spring.

RDA/RDC help new business pay rent, nominate new member

By JEN HILL

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RANGELY I Last month Dan and Bobbie Fiscus approached the Rangely Development Agency seeking help with starting a new equipment rental business on Main Street. On Thursday the RDA approved helping the Fiscus' by assisting with rent payments for first six months of business operation. They also recommended the Fiscus' work with the Small Business Development Center to create a complete business plan.

Better City has been developing a plan to bring a call center to Rangely. According to Town Manager Peter

Brixius they are beginning the recruitment process and have several leads.

The RDA is seeking bids to review potential changes to RDA organization and operations. Town Attorney Paul Benedetti estimated attorney fees at \$20,000-25,000. They are waiting for pricing from another attorney who was described as having extensive renewal authority experience.

Tim Webber resigned his positions on the RDA and RDC. Keely Winger, who currently works for the County Economic Development Department, was nominated to replace Webber. Winger will need to be confirmed by the Town Council.

The RDA discussed to applying for candidate status of the Main Street Program. The program is geared towards helping communities revitalize their downtown areas. The candidate tier focuses on organizational structure, leadership, finances, partnerships and resources. The town initiated participation in the Main Street Program several years ago. They talked about starting a smaller committee to head up the effort that could meet more regularly and focus in on the program specifically. The town council will have to approve the application to the program and encouraged the council to do so.

They met with Darin Carei of

Senergy Builders regarding the workforce housing agreement in which the RDA helped fund six townhomes rented at affordable prices. The town currently manages the properties for a fee. The agreement is ending in the coming months. According to Carei Senergy is considering selling the properties saying they took a financial loss on the homes last year. He said he did believe the rental demand in Rangely will go up soon and was interested in working with the town to repeat the agreement if the market improves. According to Brixius the town received approximately \$45,000 in property tax from the properties.

Essay contest winners will be headed to Washington, D.C.

By TORY LASKER

Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER I The White River Electric association (WREA) is a rural electric distribution cooperative serving eastern Rio Blanco County, southern Moffat and northern Garfield Counties. Not only does the association ensure that members receive safe and reliable electric service in their homes and businesses, they also sponsor multiple local scholarships awarded to students at the end of every school year.

One of the many scholarships presented is the NRECA Washington, D.C. Youth Tour, which entitles high school juniors to submit a one page letter or essay. This year's essay topic was addressing issues, policies and or positive attributes students believe they have gained under President Trump's administration. Once submitted the White River Electric Association and its panel of judges select one boy and one girl from the junior class to represent WREA in

an all-expense paid, weeklong trip to Washington, D.C. The winners are treated to an experience of a lifetime. They meet with senators and representatives and tour the Lincoln Memorial, Jefferson Memorial, 911 Memorial, Arlington National Cemetery, Library of Congress, Smithsonian Museum and many more. This year Esmeralda Torres and Pake Burke will get to embark on the journey to present their letters to President Trump in Washington, D.C.

When asked how the two winners felt about their accomplishment as well as the process of their process their responses varied greatly.

Torres-Pena wrote about the Trump administration's policies on immigration.

"I'm not very into politics so it was difficult for me to find something to say. Eventually I got to sit down and think about what I would say to him," said Torres. "I thought about my life and how living with an undocumented parent has affected us. I thought about the daily fear my

mom would always go through. I knew I wanted to write about immigration, but I didn't want it to be another one of those articles that people skim through. I wanted the person reading to understand where I was coming from and to understand why I was writing for it. It's very different when you just read about things like this compared to actually living it. I feel like sometimes it's hard to see things in others perspective so that was another reason why I decided to write from a personal point of view."

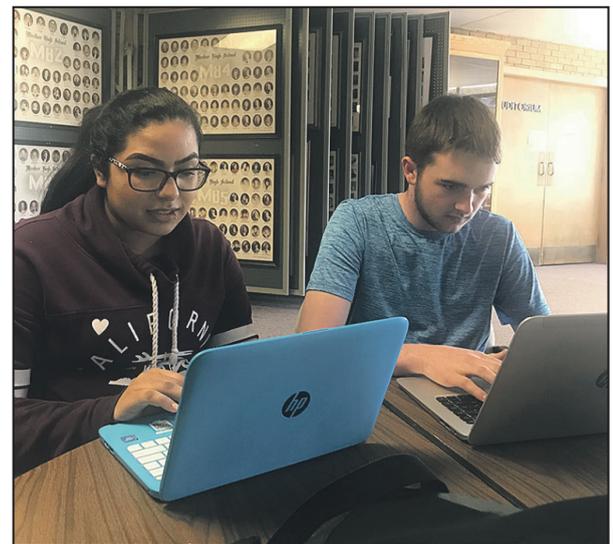
Burke's topic of choice was what he believes is best for the people of the United States.

"When I first heard about the essay scholarship, I was hesitant. Although I am not a political extremist, I disagree with many modern day politicians about what is best for our country and its people. I am not afraid to state my opinion; I have mixed feelings about our current president. I knew that I would be unable to address the president about any specific policy given my biases against

his ideologies. Instead, I thought about politicians, and how so much of their world involves the whirlwind of bills, policies, acts, etc. Too often we let the logistics cloud the reality of our situation. Democracy is founded on the principle of the people's voices, so I channeled that. I decided to write about what I believe is best for the people of our country. I wrote about how the president should talk less and listen more to the ideas and judgment of our country's citizens. I mentioned how he should use his status to be progressive rather than try to fight change or undo the work of past leaders," stated Burke.

Torres and Burke both expressed their appreciation for the opportunity and for everything WREA does for the community's youth, and wrote, "We are eager to see what's to come in the future, and we are extremely proud of each other. We are still in disbelief, and can't wait to share this journey with a close friend."

[\(Torres' and Burke's essays are on Page 12 of this issue.\)](#)



TORY LASKER PHOTO

WREA essay contest winners Pake Burke and Esmeralda Torres will travel to Washington, D.C., to present their letters to the president.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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

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

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

■ **The Meeker Library Book Club** meets at 1 p.m. the second Monday of each month (excluding holidays). The next meeting will be April 9. We will be discussing "The Autobiography of Eleanor Roosevelt" by Eleanor Roosevelt. All interested readers are welcome. Stop by the Meeker Library for details.

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

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

■ **Real-Tea Roundtable.** Join real estate expert Suzan Pelloni for

helpful hints on buying and selling property. The first Wednesday of the month at 7:30 a.m. at Wendell's.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Eighth place state finish for Rangely Knowledge Bowl

Special to the Herald Times

RANGELY I In just the second year of reviving its Knowledge Bowl program, Rangely High School's Knowledge Bowl team earned an eighth place finish at the state event. The team competed in four Region 8 contests throughout November, December and January against North Park, Moffat County, Middle Park and Steamboat Springs. Rangely's "A" team, consisting of Brady Bertoch, Riley Boydston, Kaylee Mecham, Caleb Noel and alternate Miekka Peck, earned an "at-large" berth to state with a score of 81 points at the regional meet at Steamboat Springs on Feb. 9.

The Colorado Knowledge Bowl Association held its state championships on the CSU-Ft. Collins campus March 12-13. The academic competition for Colorado high school students is a Jeopardy-like game in which participants are asked a total of 470 questions over two days (a normal one-day meet features only 260 questions) on topics ranging from

art to space travel. Championship teams in each school size classification, from 1A to 5A, competed for top honors from the best 60 Knowledge Bowl teams across the state. Statewide, the sport is played by 160 schools that compete on a regular basis in a season that runs from September to March each year.

Peyton and Telluride captured the 2A state champion and runner-up trophies. Rangely's team finished the two-day event with an eighth place finish out of 13 2A teams. The team is coached by Rangely science teachers Katie Toyne and Kyle Boydston. Both coaches recognize that Knowledge Bowl helps develop public speaking and problem-solving skills and helps enhance natural academic curiosity. Kaylee Mecham, Caleb Noel and Miekka Peck are all seniors and will be missed next year. Mecham had this to say about her teammates, "I am so proud of my team and I am going to miss competing with them!"

"Kaylee and Caleb did an outstanding job leading our A team for



COURTESY PHOTO

The RHS Knowledge Bowl team—Kaylee Mecham, Miekka Peck, Riley Boydston, Brady Bertoch and Caleb Noel—visited the aquarium at the Biology Hall at CSU during the state competition.

the last two years. Miekka did the same with our B team," said coach Toyne, adding, "We had a lot of fun at the state meet and gained a lot of experience. I'm happy that they were

able to end their Knowledge Bowl experience at the state meet. We are looking forward to seeing Riley, Brady, and our underclassmen take the reins next year."

Commissioners approve settlement with Utah Oil & Gas

By JEN HILL
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RBC I Monday in Rangely the Rio Blanco County Commissioners opened up bids for OHV trail kiosks and aerial insecticide spraying.

The commissioners opened one bid for the Lower White River Pest Control District aerial spraying project from Coulter Aviation for \$2.74 per acre. They also opened bids for the ground spraying which included one from Rocky Mountain Weed Management for \$107 per hour, one from Noxious Weed Management for \$65 per hour and a bid from Elder Weed Spraying for \$85 per hour.

The board approved a \$63,150 bid to Coulter Aviation for the Piceance Creek Weed and Pest Control District aerial spraying project, a \$90,000 bid to Julius Ag for the Piceance Creek Weed and Pest Control District hand spraying project and another \$90,000

bid to Osborn Industries LLC for the Piceance Creek Weed and Pest Control District hand spraying project.

The commissioners approved \$21,000 for the Fairfield Complex remodel design project, which is being completed by Civic Forum Associates as well as another \$850 for window work in the building.

Finally, they approved just over \$5,000 to the Accreditation, Audit & Risk Management Security LLC to provide services on behalf of the National Institute for Jail Operations for the Sheriff's Office.

During public comment the commissioners were approached for a grant for White River Round Up which they immediately approved. The amount of the grant was not stated.

Robert Knight with Cimarron Telecommunications told the commissioners they would likely be asking for a few exceptions, such as providing free access to White

River Village. Commissioner Shawn Bolton said that the county is preparing to install the remote towers which will expand the reach of the internet signal.

Former commissioner Ken Parsons spoke about the discussion to create a Federal Mineral Lease District. Parsons said the state statute allowing the creation of the district has passed and they are not allowed to make a new one. The commissioners said they had just become aware of the issue that morning. Bolton said the inability to create the district will not impact the counties' ability to receive funds from the Anvil Points settlement, however it will decrease PILT (Payments in Lieu of Taxes) funds to the county by approximately \$1 million over the next two years. However, Bolton was still content with the PILT plan saying, "We're basically giving up \$1 million to get \$8 million."

During commissioner updates

Commissioner Jeff Rector said he had attended the Colorado Counties Incorporated steering committee and was glad to see that CCI was fighting back on some legislation. Commissioner Si Woodruff said that he had worked on the wildlife services predator control project and had attended the Yampa/White River Round Table meeting. Bolton spoke in support of the broadband bill and spoke about the Anvil Points funding being returned to the county saying, "Still not happy about the amount but at least we're getting something out of it."

The commissioners approved a settlement agreement with Utah Oil and Gas, formerly SWEVCO-SABW, LLC, settling a Board of Assessment Appeals Case regarding the assessed value of Utah Gas and their tax abatement status. The agreement increases the amount of taxes Utah Oil and Gas will pay to the county.

Rangely hospital prepares for health fair

By JEN HILL
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RBC I The Rangely District Hospital Health Fair is set for Saturday, April 7 from 7-11 a.m. at the hospital.

This year the fair will offer a variety of basic health screenings including hearing, blood pressure, blood chemistry and count, A1C, Vitamin D, colon cancer and prostate. They

are also introducing Hepatitis C and Vitamin B12 screenings. Participants will have the opportunity to win a variety of prizes including bicycles and a Bowflex machine.

Rangely District Hospital took over management of the health fair in 2011. Hospital CEO Nick Goshe believes the fair provides a valuable service to the community by bringing low cost preventative screenings to Rangely. "We know healthcare is

expensive," he said. The screenings provided are either at or below the cost to the hospital.

Last year's fair saw approximately 300 visitors and identified 7-10 people who required follow up care.

This year the hospital will not offer pre-draw times. If patients are unable to make the fair on April 7 they are encouraged to call and schedule for a different time, still at the discounted prices.

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- Blood Chemistry - \$30
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NEWS BRIEFS

Holy Family St. Patrick's Day dinner March 25

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

Blood drive in Rangely March 28

RBC | Wednesday, March 28 will be the eighth annual Makayla Jane Memorial Blood Drive at Rangely District Hospital. The St. Mary's Blood Mobile will be located in the Rangely District Hospital parking lot at 225 Eagle Crest St., from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Reservations are welcome and accepted. Makayla Jane Kottenstette was born March 23, 2010, and passed on March 27, 2010. Her parents, Kathy and Ian, have continued the annual blood drive in her name.

■ Donors must be at least 18 years of age (or if you are 16 or 17 and have your parents' permission).

■ Donors must weigh at least 120 pounds and be in good health.

■ It is NOT OK to donate if you have given blood in the past eight weeks.

■ It is NOT OK to donate if you've received a tattoo or unusual piercing within one year from the date of donation.

■ It is NOT OK to donate if you have a cold or flu.

■ It is OK to donate if you are on medication and have asthma, high blood pressure, diabetes or thyroid issues as long as they are under control.

■ It is OK to donate if you've gone to Mexico and went to a resort area and remained in the resort area.

■ It is NOT OK to donate if you've visited a remote area of Mexico or the jungle within one year of the donation date.

Mental health first aid training March 28

RANGELY | Mental health first aid training will be held Wednesday, March 28 from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the CNCC Weiss Conference Room at 500 Kennedy Dr. in Rangely. Registration is required for this free class and space is limited. Register online at <http://www.mhfaco.org/findclass/attend/244>. Contact svalentino@ncchealthpartnership.org with any questions.

Whiskey tasting fundraiser March 30

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

CNCC Foundation dinner March 31

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

Register for community ed classes now

MEEKER | Spring CNCC Community Education Classes starting in April and May are open for registration, and due one week prior to class starts. Don't miss these opportunities to learn or create something new! Food Safety Works - April 4 - Training for food service workers, get 3 year certification. Social Media Marketing: Next Steps - April 9, 16 - Refine your business marketing. Introduction to Plein Air - April 14, 15 - Enjoy a weekend of painting outdoors. Summer Main Dish Salads- April 18 - Chef Karla will help spark summer entertaining and meals. Cottage Food Training - May 9 - Learn the specifics of the CO Cottage Food Act for operating a food business out of your home or selling at Farmers Markets. Senior tuition discounts available. For further information, call 878-5227 to get on a class list, or stop by the CNCC Meeker Center at 345 Sixth St. on Tuesday or Wednesday to complete registrations. Registrations may be mailed to CNCC, PO Box 1542, faxed to 878-4145 or emailed to iris.franklin@cncc.edu.

Learn to cook well on a budget

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

White River Basin forum April 4

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

Fairfield grant applications due April 2

RBC | Since April 1 falls on a Sunday, the deadline for Freeman E. Fairfield semi-annual grant applications will be 5 p.m. Monday, April 2. Applications may be mailed to P.O. Box 2302, Meeker, Colo., 81641, or delivered to Diane Dunham, 438 E. Market. Mailed applications must be received, not postmarked, by April 2.

Children's Chorale in Rangely April 27

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

ACADEMIC AWARDS ...



MATT SCOGGINS PHOTO

The Superintendent's Academic Awards Ceremony is a yearly event to honor student's grade seven through twelve who have excelled academically at Rangely Junior/Senior High School. Students are chosen to receive specific awards based on their academic performance over the past year as well as their cumulative efforts. Seventy students were invited and received the Superintendent's Academic Award and twelve sophomores, juniors, and seniors who have maintained a cumulative 4.0 GPA throughout high school while taking a rigorous course load or who were ranked in the top 5 percent of their class received the Distinguished Scholar Award. Mr. Tim Foster, President of Colorado Mesa University was the guest speaker and stressed the importance of academics to the students and congratulated them on their fine efforts. Dinner was provided for parents and students by Mr. Samuel Tolley, current board member and salutatorian of the class of 1979. Pictured: Paityn Myers, Kassidee Brown, Kaylalle Fortunato, Alanna Wiley, Katelyn Brown, Patrick Scoggins, Kaylee Mecham, Samantha Lapp, Jayleen Kenney, Cassia Long and Dillya Wagner.

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EDITOR'S COLUMN...

All stirred up

By **NIKI TURNER**
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behind government-controlled websites.

There's this Bible verse in the book of James that says "the wrath of man does not produce the righteousness of God." The word wrath used there, in the original Greek, can be defined as "excitement of mind." By that definition, we're surrounded by a lot of wrath these days and it's definitely not producing righteousness (equity of character or action).

Everybody is all stirred up, agitated, angry and offended about everything, and now we learn there are outside entities provoking the American people on purpose via various media outlets.

The real question is why? If keeping everyone distracted is the purpose, it's certainly working. If the purpose is more malicious, like "divide and conquer," that seems to be working pretty well, too.

I've spent several days trying to find a line-item accounting of the expenditures for the Anvil Points trust fund. It's next to impossible to find detailed spending reports for federal and state agencies online.

That, dear readers, is how the federal government walks off with millions of our tax dollars. There's no accountability.

It's a painful reminder why I've been hammering on this state bill to allow counties to avoid print publication of several of their financial reports. Once we entrust publication (note that "public" is the first half of that word) of spending reports to the same folks who are in charge of the checkbook, with no third-party verification and only on the dubious world of the ethernet, we're asking for trouble.

Trusting the government to hold the piggy bank is almost as smart as trusting your little brother or sister with it.

We'll find out this week how many of our state legislators approve of hiding government expenditures

On a national level, legacy print publishers are watching another legal issue. The U.S. Commerce Department is responding to a complaint from a single paper supplier in Washington (which is actually owned by an obscure New York hedge fund) that imported Canadian paper is being sold below market value.

Since the supplier filed the petition last summer, the cost of newsprint has steadily increased. If duties and tariffs are added to the mix, many small publications won't be able to afford to publish local sports and government stories in print. When that happens, everyone loses.

I'm not much of a conspiracy theorist, but this looks sketchy. Since when does the U.S. government give a rat's patooty about some small company's complaint or concerns? Who benefits if legacy publishers (paper and ink) are forced to go all digital? (Digital is easier to manipulate and control than print, which can't be edited after the fact.) Who is profiting from this hedge fund?

Closing thoughts this week? In the interest of maintaining some degree of positivity, "Be excellent to each other." Thanks, Bill and Ted.

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GUEST COLUMN: HEALTH & WELLNESS

Diet, nutrition and healthy eating: Part 1

By **JULIE DRAKE**
Special to the *Herald Times*



Julie Drake

RBC I Words like dietitian, nutrition and healthy eating are common in popular media. However, it was not always that way, especially in Northwest Colorado. A dietitian was a novel, poorly understood profession and the messages they taught were thought to be crazy and irrelevant.

I know because my mom was the only registered dietitian in Northwest Colorado during the 1960s, '70s and early '80s. She traveled throughout the region consulting with hospitals, clinics and nursing homes. She lived

in Yampa but drove to Craig, Steamboat and Kremmling several times a year. Although her bachelor's and master's degrees educated her on the impact of carbohydrates, protein and fiber bulk in a diet,

she expressed frustration that all the "kitchens" really wanted were ideas and tips for "quantity cooking." She taught hospital cooks how to stretch

a cookbook recipe to feed 25 or more people.

Occasionally the "progressive doctors" would ask her to review a patient's diet plan. She was glad when one Steamboat doctor began referring constipated pregnant mothers to her for dietary advice. I remember being a small child and hiding under the table as she advised people who were too skinny or too fat on their diets, but direct patient consultation was rare.

As our sheep herd grew, she gave up most of the dietitian work, but continued to judge "foods" at all the local fairs (even in Rio Blanco

County), educate coaches and parents on the importance of "food for sport," spoke often about healthy eating and the importance of exercise. She taught my brothers and I to cook and eat healthy. She grew a huge garden and processed much of our own meat in more "sensible" portions and cuts. My mom died a year and half ago, but her lessons about health and nutrition still live on. I have most of her nutrition books and cookbooks and will share some of the "pearls" from them in my next columns.

Julie Drake is the Public Health Director for Rio Blanco County.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Project Healing Waters

Dear Editor:

The veterans from Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing would like to thank the Buford School White River Community Association for the invitation to participate in the Buy-Fly Fishing Tournament. The generous contributions of White River Inn, Mountain Valley Bank, K-T High Lonesome Ranch, Watts Ranch Market, Wyatt's Sports Center, Fritzman's Guest Ranch and many volunteers, the four-man team from Grand Junction, Cedaredge and Montrose thanks you.

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The Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing team at the Buy-Fly Fishing Tournament.

I would have liked to have had the opportunity to comment before publication.

I would like to clarify a few of our statements from our letter, as we did not mean to imply that Rio Blanco Landfill had raised their rates this year. In our letter, we noted that our last rate increase was over 10 years ago (the landfill has raised its rates since that time, according to the article it was in 2009). Since that time, fuel, dump fees, employee wages, insurance and virtually all other expenses have increased as is natural over the course of time.

I would like to apologize for any confusion that this letter may have caused. We certainly did not intend to use the county as an excuse to raise our prices. I've spoken with Road and Bridge Director Dave Morlan and explained that we had not stated that there were any recent landfill price increases, and we were not singling dump fees

out as a major reason for our price increase and apologized if there was a mis-understanding. In the future please contact me at 970-878-4444 to clarify any communication from the company.

Also, please note that we are Eagle River Waste, not Eagle River Water Services.

We look forward to continuing to provide excellent solid waste and recycling services to Meeker and Rio Blanco County and are excited to continue our involvement in the communities.

Sincerely,
Fain Richardson
General Manager
Eagle River Waste

EDITOR'S NOTE: The Herald Times has apologized for the lack of comments from Eagle River Waste Systems, and the mistake in the company name. We regret the error.

About the Rangely PD

Dear Editor:

First of all, please know that I was unable to attend the town council meeting which was primarily regarding the concerns residents (taxpayers) had with the local police department. I tried to pull the meeting up on the internet. The day I tried to do this was the day the town had pulled it off and was to put it back on. Unfortunately, I was never able to pull the meeting up for review. My information comes from individuals who were there at the meeting who relayed to me what was said.

Let me say I have served on the planning commission, the town council, as mayor of Rangely plus Rio Blanco County commissioner, as well as serving on many regional, state and federal boards.

As I continue to hear people discuss the problems that were related to the council that Tuesday evening, it has become really interesting to me as to how the town responded to what their actions would be. Long story short, from the last article in the paper it appears the town attorney came up with the plan for the police department and the town that has been presented to the people. The proposed plan is a six-week course (meeting once a week) which would not only include the police department, but any individuals who wish to attend. What I get from this is that the meetings will explain to all why and what the police have done in the past relative to what is actual protocol under legal guidelines.

My concern for this is, quite frankly, don't we just need to talk common sense in solving many of

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the issues that were presented to the town council, i.e. police chief, etc. The person actually in charge of your police department is your Rangely Police Chief Wilczek. Chief Wilczek not only answers to the council but to the administrator of the town. If there is a problem with his department, the Chief is the head of that department and is responsible for whatever is going wrong or right. May I say, not the attorney. In this case, there were a number of issues that seemed to appear basically the manner in which legal issues were carried out. I am going to say if there is a problem, the problem becomes not the attorney's responsibility, but the police chief in this case. The attorney is there for legal issues that actually come to court for the police department to address. The attorney is not the person responsible for the everyday actions of the police department in total, nor should he or she be. Sure, the police department must check with the attorney on legal issues.

It seems to me when you have more than 100 people from Rangely attend a town council meeting there must truly be a problem somewhere, somehow. It would now appear to me that the Rangely citizens taking their time to attend a meeting and share what they thought were problems is not being taken as it should be by the town as a whole. The

people presented issues, some right, some not so right. However, overall, what the people told you, the council and administration, was there is a problem with the local law enforcement. Basically, the general public just wants to know what you are going to do to resolve the true issues. They don't want to have to attend meetings for six weeks that basically tell them what is legal for the police department, if you understand what I am saying.

They presented the problem and now expect the police chief, administrator and the town council to come up with problem solving issues that correct the situation and move on.

I have been hearing concerns with the police department for a long period of time. Evidently, the citizens who attended were actually telling the council administrator and the police chief what those problems appear to be. They took time to come to a meeting.

I would hope that more would be presented to the public other than six weekly meetings that you (the public) can attend with the police department, etc. The public doesn't want to be the police department, they want the police department to function as it should under the guidance of the police chief. If the police chief cannot form a plan to present to the public, but has to use the attorney to put the plan together, that is a sad situation and tells me the chief quite honestly does not recognize how

serious the true problem is. I know a child that doesn't care for the police, period, anymore simply because of a situation she was involved in and she, herself, was treated by local law enforcement.

Her grandmother wrote a letter to the council about this situation. Handling of the teenager basically involved common sense... yes, perhaps there is a truly legal way to handle a situation such as the one that happened, however, plain and simple, the teenager needed to be with her only relative in town... that means if the police had to take her to the only relative, for God's sake, please do just that. This would have saved the young lady a lot of problems, plus, she would then think the police department were really wonderful people. Instead she has no use for police, period. Sad, sad. All because of how she, herself, was handled. Proper procedures for the police department probably identify the procedure as taking the teenager to the police department, (not her relatives) when she had done nothing wrong... an adult did, but the teenager didn't. It will take a long time for this teenager to believe in police again, all because a police officer didn't use common sense in how to handle an innocent teenager.

It would seem to me that your police chief is totally responsible for his department and their actions. So where does that leave the Town of Rangely citizens?

There is an election coming up to replace some of the council and

a new mayor. Generally, the first meeting of the council is appointment of the town administrator, the clerk, the municipal judge and the and the police chief. By the way, how many people are aware that the municipal judge is also the wife of the police chief plus the secretary to the district court. I am not saying she is not capable, because she is. What I am saying is this not a conflict? Her

husband the police chief, and she the municipal judge, as well as the secretary to the district court. This decision is done by town council and generally upon the recommendation of the town administrator with exception of the district judge secretary position. The police chief says any tickets he writes go to the Meeker court. What does this cost the town to have court in Meeker,

traveling, etc. I think this is very interesting. However, this has gone on for years. So therein the responsible party or parties are the town council and administrator.
Just some thoughts for all to consider.

Peggy Rector
Taxpayer, Citizen of Rangely

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God's Handbook of Ethics

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To know wisdom and instruction; to perceive the words of understanding; To receive the instruction of wisdom, justice, and judgment, and equity. (Prov. 1:2-3)



Dr. J.D. Watson

THE Book of Proverbs could be called *God's Handbook of Ethics*, meant especially for the young but certainly not exclusively for them. Simply put, it tells us the difference between the two polar opposites: wisdom and folly. The first two verses provide us with a three-fold summary of what this collection of ethics is about.

First, Proverbs is about *concentration*.

Know is *yāda*, to know relationally and experientially. **Wisdom** (*chokmāh*) refers to the skill, experience, shrewdness, and ability to make the right choices at the right times. Further, **instruction** (*mūsār*) refers to training that comes from discipline and even chastening. Such knowledge, then, does not come automatically or by osmosis. It requires concentrated thought, study, and discipline.

Second, Proverbs is about *comprehension*. **Perceive** well translates the Hebrew *biyn*, which is more often rendered "understand" and "understanding" and carries other meanings such as: discern, observe, pay attention, be intelligent, and be discreet. *Biyn* is, therefore, much more than just gathering knowledge. It's about comprehending that knowledge and understanding how to use it.

Third, Proverbs is about *captivation*. **Receive** (*lāqah*) is a broad term for taking or seizing something. Knowledge and wisdom come only through God's Word, so we must be ready to receive it, take it to ourselves, be captivated by it. Further, *instruction* is again *mūsār*, education that comes through discipline. Another common attitude of our day is that wisdom comes by mystical enlightenment. When we need wisdom, it is argued, we need only open our hearts, add a pinch of prayer, and God zaps us with wisdom. What a dreadful notion! Yes, God speaks in "a still small voice" (1 Kings 19:12), but that whisper will come via His Word. And yes, if we lack wisdom, we are to ask God for it (Jas. 1:5), but again, He will give it through His Word.

I pray this short study will encourage you to go deeper. A good approach is to read one chapter a day and thereby go through the book in one month. (I also recommend Warren Wiersbe's, *Be Skillful [Proverbs]: God's Guidebook to Wise Living* [David C. Cook, 2010], a wonderfully readable and practical exposition, as are all his "BE Series" expositions.)
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RBC Republicans hold county assembly; candidates named

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RBC The Rio Blanco County Republicans gathered Saturday in Meeker for their county assembly where two candidates for county commissioner sought access to the Republican primary ballot.

Meeker residents Gary Moyer and Mike Hoke were both nominated for the District 1 (central) county commissioner seat. Following nominations, seconds and speeches, Moyer received 46 delegate votes (88 percent) and will be on the June 26 primary ballot. Hoke garnered 6 votes (12 percent) and plans to petition onto

the primary ballot. Candidates need a minimum of 30 percent of the vote to be placed on the ballot by assembly and a minimum of 10 percent to be allowed to complete the petition process.

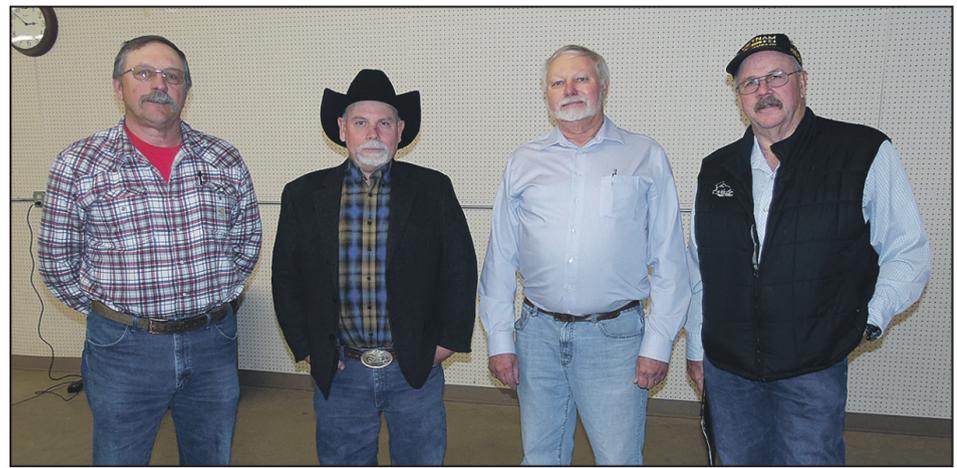
Nominated by Terry Smalec of Rangely, seconded by Doug Overton of Meeker, Moyer told the crowd that in a county that is 75 percent owned by the government, "We need elected officials who will represent us well in Washington, D.C. Here in RBC, we have more interests in common with our neighbors in Utah and Wyoming than with the folks over the mountains who see our public lands as nothing more than a place to recreate when they wish to. They don't understand multiple use or the need for lim-

ited government." Moyer is a member and past president of the White River Conservation District board.

Retired state patrolman Rob Baughman nominated Hoke, which was seconded by Vince Wilczek, Rangely Chief of Police. Hoke, who is retired from Colowyo, said that he's seen young people and families have to pack up and leave Meeker due to lack of job opportunities, and he hates it. Hoke has been on the Pioneers Health Center and Foundation boards, and been a school bus driver in recent years.

Appearing uncontested on the Republican ballot after nomination and approval by the delegates will be Renae Neilson for county assessor, Boots Campbell for county clerk and recorder, Laura Smith for county coroner, Anthony Mazzola for county sheriff, Rhonna Waldref for county treasurer, and Leif Joy for county surveyor.

Neilson thanked the county Republican Party officers and especially her husband, Paul, stating that he has to endure her brain that doesn't always turn off at night. She's been pleased with the relatively low number of assessment appeals and her office's success in dealing with over



REED KELLEY PHOTO

Terry Smalec (left) of Rangely nominated Gary Moyer (second from left) of Meeker to run for the District 1 commissioner's seat. Rob Baughman (right) of Meeker nominated Mike Hoke (second from right). Hoke plans to petition onto the primary ballot. With no Democratic candidates, the primary in June will determine who replaces Commissioner Shawn Bolton for the District 1 seat.

and under-reporting in oil and gas values.

Campbell indicated her office has made a lot of progress in her four years, adjusting to the new voting system required by the Secretary of State. She's also proud of the county's new ballot drop box system and gives tremendous credit to her office team.

Current county coroner Dr. Albert Krueger said it was "with great pleasure and joy" that he was nominating his deputy, Laura Smith, to replace him. Smith said she "couldn't say she loved the coroner work, but that she does care, and that's important."

Mazzola reminded the crowd that four short years ago he promised to put "serve" back into the "To Serve and Protect" formula, and to be fiscally conservative. He feels he's done both. He mentioned that his office and others are currently discussing how school resource officers might better ensure public and school safety in both Meeker and Rangely.

Long-serving county treasurer Karen Arnold is retiring at the end of her term. Terry Goedert, with Jeff Rector seconding, nominated Arnold's deputy, Waldref to run as her successor. Waldref said that among her goals were getting the county able to accept credit card payments for the office and cross-training staff so that each could fill-in at any position. She hopes the number of foreclosures that she would have to facilitate as the public trustee would be low, that there have been only four so far this year

vs. 41 in her first year.

Joy was not able to attend the assembly, but conveyed his appreciation and desire to be re-elected surveyor by letter, which was read by assembly chair, Logan Hill.

Bob Rankin was in attendance to stir up support for his House District 57 re-election campaign. Rankin celebrated the return of \$18 million to Colorado of remaining Anvil Points oil shale clean-up funds and the long-delayed pay-out by the Department of the Interior (see Page 1A). Rankin is carrying the legislation to funnel that money back to our four northwest Colorado counties. He also urged the Republicans to turn out every possible vote this fall toward putting a Republican in the governor's chair. He said one of his remaining goals in the legislature is to overcome the 1982 Gallagher Amendment which skews business property tax vs. residential property tax.

Joyce Rankin, Bob Rankin's primary aide and spouse, who currently serves on the State Board of Education, also spoke. She discussed school safety and the arming of teachers. She mentioned the Routt County sheriff's plan to put armed guards in each of their public schools which she said would cost them \$1.3 million, an amount most school districts certainly couldn't afford. She said she'd like to make it a state requirement that schools teach civics again, stating that our students should have to know what persons wanting to become U.S.



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RBC Commissioner Shawn Bolton, who is ending his term as commissioner, thanked those present at the assembly for the opportunity to serve.

citizens have to learn about our government. Joyce Rankin will not be up for re-election until the fall of 2020.

Moffat County Commissioner Ray Beck came down from Craig to speak in support of Brett Barkey, now the district attorney for Grand, Moffat and Routt Counties, who is running for state treasurer. Barkey, a retired U.S. Marine, lives in Hayden.

The assembly elected delegates to represent RBC at the Colorado State Republican Assembly April 13 and 14 in Boulder. Those delegates will be Jeff and Rebecca Rector, Andy Key, Shawn Bolton, Anthony Mazzola, Terry and Ramona Smalec, Sam and Ginny Love, Connie Billgren, Jennifer and Logan Hill.

The county assembly came on the heels of the March 6 precinct caucuses where assembly delegates were elected for the purpose of choosing candidates for county office and selecting delegates to the State Assembly where gubernatorial candidates will be considered. Delegates to multi-county assemblies for naming state and federal House candidates were also designated.

Retiring county commissioner Shawn Bolton gave some grateful remarks toward the end of the meeting, saying he had had a good time as commissioner and appreciated his opportunity to serve. Bolton, too, celebrated the long-delayed return of the Anvil Points dollars to RBC.

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County Democrats hear from congressional candidates

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RBC | Rio Blanco County Democrats held their County Assembly in Meeker March 11. First and foremost, they heard from their candidates for the U.S. House of Representatives, the State House seat, and surrogates for gubernatorial and state attorney general candidates.

Attending in person were immediate past State Representative Diane Mitsch Bush from Steamboat Springs representing Routt and Eagle Counties and Glenwood Springs attorney Karl Hanlon. Mitsch Bush and Hanlon hope to be on the June primary Democratic ballot vying to be the nominee to challenge Colorado Third Congressional District Representative Scott Tipton, R-Cortez. Both brought their own entourage of supporters. Colin Wilhelm, also a Glenwood Springs attorney, spoke to his run for the State House District 57 seat.

Mitsch Bush talked about having to receive some of the Trump Administration budget and program cutbacks as well as the overwhelm-

ing influence of unlimited corporate dollars in campaigns for federal offices. Both her campaign and that of Hanlon's state they are not accepting political action committee contributions unlike their Republican opponent, Tipton, whom they regard as having been bought and paid for by large corporate support.

She wants to work toward a single-payer, universal health care system including the current child health insurance program (CHIP), Medicare, and Medicaid. She pointed out that the current single-payer Veterans Administration program operates at one third the cost of Medicare and Medicaid. She also wants to take on the drug cartel and stop them from being able to set prescription drug costs without any apparent limitations.

Hanlon grew up on a ranch that's still in the family 30 miles north of Walden. Now a municipal and water attorney in Glenwood Springs, he and wife also run a non-profit that brings autistic kids and veterans with PTSD together with therapy horses and other animals. Hanlon promises



Glenwood Springs attorney Karl Hanlon, attended the RBC Democratic Assembly March 11. He hopes to be on the primary ballot to run against U.S. Rep. Scott Tipton.

attention to veterans, proper, balanced management of public lands, and the pursuit of diverse economies for the District. He's especially enthusiastic about Pueblo rapidly becoming a



Immediate past State Representative for Routt and Eagle Counties, Diane Mitsch Bush, is Third Congressional District Democratic candidate vying with Glenwood Springs attorney Karl Hanlon to run against Republican U. S. Representative Scott Tipton of Cortez.

renewable energy industry center.

The county Democrats also filled a couple looming officer and precinct committee person vacancies. Upriver ranching scion Joe Livingston was elected vice-chair and retired teacher and Craig native, Debra Frazier, was elected secretary-treasurer. They join county chair Paula Davis, a former Rangely mayor, who presided over Sunday's meeting.

The group elected Carrie and Nicholas Swails, Rangely, to be their delegates to the April State Assembly in Broomfield. The Swails will carry

forward recommended State Party Platform positions on transparency in government, state support for heritage and agricultural tourism, support for school finance reform being initiated by a majority of school superintendents in the state, improved public access to state waters, intervention in the vast inequality of corporate executive pay, and keeping intact the integrity of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Gubernatorial candidate, Cary Kennedy, and State Attorney General candidate, Rep. Joe Salazar, Thornton,

were represented by surrogates. RBC Democratic delegates will go to the state assembly solidly in support of Kennedy's bid for governor.

Firefighters plan prescribed burn west of Meeker

Special to the Herald Times

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RANGELY I The Rangely Panthers track and field team had its first meet on Friday, March 16, in Rifle, Colo. When they arrived they thought they were in the Winter Olympics, but doing Summer Olympics events. The infield was covered with snow, the outside lanes had ice on them, the rings were wet and the wind was blowing a cold breeze of 11 mph. As the starting time got closer the snow began to melt and the rings dried up but the wind continued to blow all day long and the temperature never rose above 47.

The Panthers took 11 athletes to the meet. With it being the start of spring break, several families took advantage of the time off and left town for the week. Senior Patrick Scoggins scored in all of his individual events: he took first in the 400-meter dash with a time of 50.99, first

in the 800-meter with 2:05.54, and fourth in the 100-meter dash with a 12.10. Senior Cameron Filfred threw the shot put for a distance of 31-1 and the discus for a distance of 82-3 1/2. Miekka Peck, senior, threw the shot put for a distance of 26-2 1/2 and the discus for 87-11, taking sixth place overall.

The junior class was represented by Riley Boydston, Marshall Webber, Anna Forbes and Elena Forbes. Riley Boydston was both a thrower and runner this meet, throwing the shot for a distance of 33-8 and the discus 92-6. He ran the 100 dash for a time of 14.78 seconds. Webber ran the 110 high hurdles for a time of 20.45 taking 13th place, and the 300 hurdles for a time of 47.95 for ninth place. Anna Forbes is returning from taking the year off last year and threw the shot put for a distance of 22-7 and the discus for 47-10. Her sister Elena, also a thrower, threw the shot for 23-8 and the discus for 72-3.

Brady Bertoch and Chloe Filfred were the only two sophomores competing this weekend. Bertoch, a thrower, was able to get new personal records in both the shot and discus. He threw the discus for a distance of 78-8 and the shot for 27. Chloe Filfred ran the 1600-meter and the 800. She got 3 minutes, 30.72 seconds in the 800 and 8:14.51 in the 1600.

Gabe Polley and Dixie Rhea made their debut in track and field at this meet. Gabe ran the 200-meter dash in 28.43, long jumped 14-2 1/2 and attempted high jump. Dixie Rhea is recovering from an injury and attempted the triple jump.

The boys put together a 4x400 relay team which took ninth overall with a time of 4:07.43. The relay was made up of Marshall Webber, Patrick Scoggins, Gabe Polley and Cameron Filfred. The Panthers will compete again on Saturday, March 24 in Hotchkiss.



MATT SCOGGINS PHOTO

RHS junior Marshall Webber finished ninth in the 300 hurdles at the first track meet of the season in Rifle. The team finished ninth overall. The Panthers will compete March 24 in Hotchkiss.

Cowboys drop season opener in Carbondale

By **BOBBY GUTIERREZ**
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MEEKER I Before starting spring break 2018, the Meeker High School baseball team traveled to Carbondale last Wednesday for its season opener against the Roaring Fork Rams, who shut out the Cowboys 10-0.

The Cowboys will be idle this week but return from break to play two league games in Rangely against teams from the southwest corner of Colorado, Ignacio and Dolores, March 31.

“Roaring Fork’s ace threw five perfect innings (no hits, no walks) against us,” Meeker head coach Brian Merrifield said. “Garrett Frantz pitched for us, with Jacob Pelloni and Tucker Ercanbrack sharing catching duty.”

Coach Merrifield said start-

ing catcher Luis Villalpando “came down with pneumonia on Tuesday, so it was ‘next guy up!’”

“Jacob (who has not played baseball since middle school) is a tremendous athlete and he stepped up,” coach Merrifield said. “Braydon Garcia (a freshman) stepped in at second base and did an excellent job.”

Coach Merrifield said 29 players are out for the team and they will be led by seniors Frantz and Pelloni, along with Trapper Merrifield, Doak Mantle, Uri Goedert, Cooper Meszaros, Jerrick Garza and Logan Hughes. Coach Merrifield said Hughes did not play in Carbondale. Although the varsity lost, Merrifield said the JV team won 14-8.

The Cowboys will play Ignacio at noon, March 31, and Dolores at 3 p.m.



CATHIE DOLAN PHOTO

Senior Garrett Frantz pitched for the Cowboys in the season opener against the Roaring Fork Rams in Carbondale. Varsity lost 10-0 in a shut-out, but the JV team won 14-8.

Meeker tracksters start season in Rifle; first home meet in years coming March 30

By **BOBBY GUTIERREZ**
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MEEKER I More than 20 Meeker High School track and field athletes spent their first day of spring break in Rifle competing in a track meet, where several did well despite the weather. The teams will be idle this week but they will come back from break and prepare for their first home meet in several years on March 30.

“Despite being windy and a bit chilly, the kids had a pretty good start to the season,” Meeker assistant coach Kris Casey said after the Rifle meet. The Meeker girls team placed sixth out of 19 teams.

Returning state qualifier and placer Gracie Bradfield started the season fast, winning the 200-meter dash and placing second in the 100. Bradfield’s junior classmate Megan Shelton, also a state placer, won the shot put and discus in Rifle.

Sydney Main, who also qualified in both throws last year, placed fourth in the discus and seventh in the shot put event in Rifle.

“Grace looks to build on her strong state meet from last year, where she reached the top of the podium in three events,” Meeker head coach John Strate said of his sprinter. “In the throws, the team is fortunate to have Megan and Sydney returning. Both girls placed in the discus last year and Megan placed in the shot. Sydney will look to qualify in the pole vault this year as well, and Megan is likely to push for a couple of our relay spots.”

Main placed eighth in the pole vault and Meeker junior Kenzie Turner tied for sixth in the pole vault with a personal record of seven foot.

Although relay teams have not been established yet, coach Strate is excited about returning relay leaders.

“We are fortunate to have a number of state

placers returning from last years team,” coach Strate said. “On the girls side we will be led by seniors and state placers the last three years, Sierra Williams and Avery Watt. Both of these girls are excited about where they finished last year and they know the work it takes to finish on top. They will both be a very important part of our relays this year.”

Coach Strate said the boys will return state qualifiers Pake Burke, Kale Burke, Tannen Kennedy and Tevin Pelloni.

“Senior Matthew Beck is looking towards a strong season after qualifying for state cross county in the fall,” coach Strate said. “The boys’ team has a lot of young athletes this year that will gain valuable experience over the course of the season.”

Coach Strate would like to ask for volunteers for the March 30 home track meet on the new Bob King Track at Starbuck Stadium.

Chism, Varner and Pearce win Northwestern Colorado wrestling championships

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RANGELY I The Panther wrestling team competed in the Northwestern Colorado wrestling championships last Saturday. The team placed fourth overall, and wrestled very well.

“We just can’t compete team score wise with the teams that have full rosters,” said head coach Jeff LeBleu.

Curtis Reeves at 80 pounds was one match away from the medal round.

“Curtis has improved each year he has wrestled and I hope he sticks with it because he can become a good little wrestler,” LeBleu said.

Anthony Dorris at 85 pounds placed fourth.

“Anthony really didn’t wrestle to his ability I didn’t think, he needs to get confident in his shots, once he does that he will be placing higher.”

Mariah Henson at 90 pounds wrestles hard each week, according to LeBleu. “Her confidence is lacking, once we turn that corner she will be fun to watch.”

Sixth grader Kobey Chism wrestled his best tournament of the season.

“Kobey defeated two wrestlers who have had his number this year. Kobey pinned his first three opponents including Ty Goedert from Meeker, and beat Candin Call from Moffat County 6-2 in the finals. Kobey is peaking at the right time,” LeBleu said.

Braxton Moore at 95 pounds lost to the eventual champion in the semis and lost 6-5 in the consolation side to take fourth. “Braxton has the ability to be a good wrestler he just needs to keep with it. It will get tougher as Braxton will move up to the high school level next year.”

Sixth grader Jaxon Torsell was also defeated in the semis by the eventual champ in the third place match. “Jaxon has been away from wrestling for three years, he looked pretty good all season, he will grow and keep learning, next season should be exciting for him.”

Kasen LeBleu (120) “also has confidence issues, he works hard in practice and he shows signs of get-

ting it but he just isn’t there yet. He will get there and should be another good year next year.”

Seventh grader Wyatt Wiley at 150 pounds hasn’t wrestled for quite a few years. “Wyatt came out this season and has improved every week. It will be exciting to see him progress next season and the years to come.”

Eighth grader Zane Varner has had a great junior high career. Varner was undefeated last season, won the North Western Colorado Championships the last two seasons and has only been defeated twice this year, once in a sudden death match against Voloshin from Moffat County and in a match against Kelton Turner of Meeker. “Varner got revenge against Voloshin and defeated him 4-2 to win the championship.”

Eighth grader Donte Pearce has had an outstanding season, Donte finished this season with an 18-1 record. “Donte has really turned it on this year. He will also make a big impact at the high school level. Donte is one of the wrestlers that get into situations and seems to come out on top most of the time.”

“Eighth grader Brent Cantrell has improved so much from last year and if he keeps improving I think good things will happen in the future for Brent. It will take some hard work,” LeBleu said.

Coach LeBleu said he and “Dirt” Claude would like to thank all of the wrestlers from day one to the end of the season, saying, “nobody quit and they all worked hard all season long.”

He also thanked JC Chumacero for all his long hours tracking, setting up the tournament to ending up officiating the tournament, Travis Witherell for all his help with tracking wrestling and also officiating, Joe Gutierrez for the last minute call and coming to Rangely to help officiate. All the tournament helpers, custodians and bracket runners, all the ladies involved in setting up and running the hospitality room: “still the best in the state,” and last but not least photographer Cheryl Peed, whose “pictures are amazing.”

Nine wrestlers will compete in the north west regionals in Grand Junction Saturday with the top six advancing to the state tournament.

BMS wrestlers finish second in league finale

By **BOBBY GUTIERREZ**
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MEEKER I Nineteen Barone Middle School wrestlers competed in the final league tournament of the school season in Rangely last Saturday, with 17 returning with medals and a second place team trophy.

A few of the young Cowboys will wrestle in the state-qualifying regional tournament this weekend in Grand Junction but for most the middle

school season is over.

Of the 19 Meeker wrestlers, 17 of them placed in the top four, including three champs, two runners-up, nine consolation champs and three fourth place finishes.

Seventh-grader Connor Blunt won the 115 pound bracket, while his cousin Kelton Turner ended his eighth-grade season undefeated in 14 matches in the 150-pound division and eighth-grader Parker Pontine ended his middle school career with

an undefeated season too in 15 matches.

“We have a good group to move into high school next year,” BMS coach Todd Morris said.

Porter Hossack (125) and Tanner Musser (160) both finished as runners-up in their respective weight classes.

Trae Kennedy (85), Ty Goedert (90), Kaleb Nielson (95), Damon Dade (105) Elijah LeBlanc (120), Dagen Dade (120), Tyson and Dalton

Portwood (120 and 140 respectively), along with Zach Eskelson (150) all finished as consolation champs.

Chakwah Brink (80), Kaden Franklin (100) and Triden Powell (135) all placed fourth. Rowdy Rosendahl and Damick Chintala (110) both competed but did not place.

Coach Morris said eight wrestlers will try to qualify this weekend in Grand Junction for the state meet the following weekend in Denver.

Onyett rodeo results

RBC I Colton Onyett of Rangely finished third in bareback riding at the Trinity Valley Community College rodeo competition in Athens, Texas, riding for the McNeese State University rodeo team. In the Texas A&M University-Kingsville rodeo competition, Onyett finished seventh in bareback riding.

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Participant numbers up for annual racquetball tourney

By **HEATHER ZADRA**
Special to the Herald Times

RANGELY I Rangely's annual racquetball tournament saw participant numbers up from last year as players from Colorado Springs, the Denver area, Grand Junction, Montrose and Vernal joined local athletes to compete, among them several Colorado Northwestern Community College students and faculty. Locals who placed in the tournament included long-time player and event organizer Shirley Parsons and partner Jason Krueger, who took home second-place trophies in the mixed A/B doubles event. Matt Harwood won the men's C event. CNCC aviation technology student Hiro Maruyama took first in the men's B division while Maruyama and doubles partner Heather Zadra took first in the mixed

C/D doubles category. Zadra placed first in the women's B division, with friend and competitor Lysa Hixson placing second, the two playing within three points in a close tiebreaker.

As usual, the weekend was hosted at the Western Rio Blanco Metropolitan District Recreation Center and featured a weekend of food, door prizes, handmade trophy mugs, and access to the Rec Center's many amenities. Special thanks to the WRBM Rec District staff for their work in making the tournament possible and to Jeanne Smith for collecting all the door prizes. Anyone interested in learning how to play racquetball can contact Parsons at 675-5360 about a free first lesson or the Rec Center at 675-8211 about regular group playing times.

Men's Open 1st: Matt Dockter (Colorado Springs) 2nd:

Rob Hauck (Montrose)
Men's A 1st: Jesse Stanford (Grand Junction) 2nd: Ed Roffey (Grand Junction)

Men's B 1st: Hiro Maruyama (CNCC) 2nd: Nick Rubba (Denver)

Men's C 1st: Matt Harwood (CNCC) 2nd: Ian Prichard (Grand Junction)

Women's Open/A 1st: Michelle Dockter (Colorado Springs) 2nd: Lisa Brutosky (Grand Junction)

Women's B 1st: Heather Zadra (Rangely) 2nd: Lysa Hixson (Rangely)

A/B Doubles 1st: Michelle Dockter/Matt Dockter (Colorado Springs) 2nd: Shirley Parsons/Jason Krueger (Rangely)

C/D Doubles 1st: Hiro Maruyama/Heather Zadra (CNCC/Rangely)

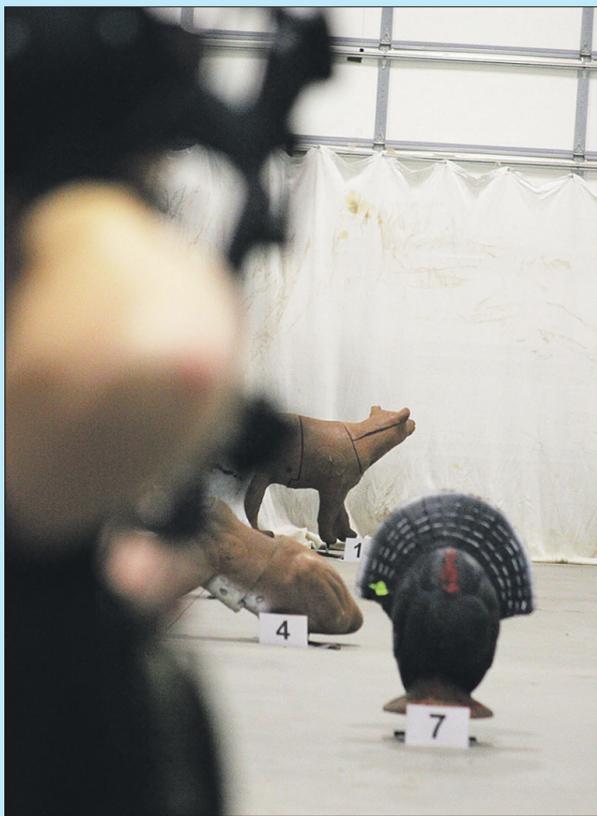
2nd: Matt Harwood/Ian Prichard (CNCC/GJ)



COURTESY PHOTO

Jason Krueger and Shirley Parsons of Rangely were the second place doubles winners at the annual Rangely racquetball tournament. Michelle and Matt Dockter of Colorado Springs won first place. Participation was up this year, with players from throughout Colorado and Vernal.

3-D ARCHERY SHOOT...



The annual 3-D Archery Shoot, a fundraiser sponsored by the Meeker Sportsman's Club last Saturday, featured 65 adult shooters and 21 kids. Zack Allen, the archery chairman for the club, won the Bowhunter division and Todd Combs of Craig won the Men's Freestyle division. Shawn and Cutter Polly, both of Craig, both finished second in the Bowhunter and Freestyle division, respectively, while Coombs was third in the Bowhunter division and Ray Tenbrook of Gypsum was third in Freestyle. Allen said shooters came from Grand Junction, Gypsum, Olathe, Rifle, Glenwood Springs, Delta and Vernal, Utah, participated and the next event will be even bigger, the R100, scheduled to be held in Meeker Aug. 11-12. "We loved seeing all the kids this year, that's what it's all about," Allen said. "Kids always shoot free at Meeker Sportsman's Club archery shoots. We're building a good future."

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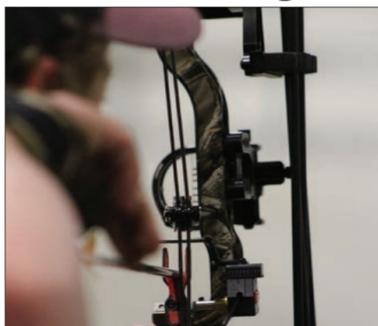
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OBITUARIES

Jessica Myone Widmer

April 8, 1989 ~ March 16, 2018

Jessica Myone Widmer, 28, was taken suddenly in a tragic accident on March 16, 2018. She was born April 8, 1989, to John and Marjorie Widmer in Rangely, Colo.

Jessica attended school in Rangely until the family moved to Rifle, Colo., during her freshman year. She blossomed in Rifle playing volleyball, basketball, and soccer; attending advanced placement classes; being inducted into the National Honor Society; and making many (lifelong) friends. Soccer and fire-fighting were Jessica's passions. If she wasn't running, studying, or practicing, she was at the fire department.

After high school, Jessica's free spirit soared. She attended three colleges, earned two bachelor degrees, obtained her wildland fire certificate, lived in several new places and met even more new friends.

Jessica spent a brief time in the Air Force's Security Forces before returning to her beloved Colorado. She loved the mountains, fresh air, sunshine, fishing and adventures. Jessica was a fierce friend who felt she could fix anything and make any-



Jessica Widmer

one feel like they mattered.

Jessica was preceded in death by her great-grandfather, Francis Moore; great-grandmother, Zealtha Moore Trice; grandfather, Donald Sloan; and her adored dog, Buddy. She is survived by her parents, John and Marjorie Widmer (Rifle, Colo.); grandparents, Jim and Vickie Claybaugh (Rangely, Colo.); and Phil and Barbara Widmer (Rangely, Colo.); and numerous aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

A celebration of Jessica's life is scheduled for Saturday, March 24 at 1 p.m. at the Garfield County Fairgrounds South Hall, at 1001 Railroad Ave in Rifle, Colo. Flowers are welcome (she loved them) or please consider a memorial contribution to your local animal shelter.

Dance for her. Smile when you think of her. But... above all, LIVE in her memory and honor.

Louis Ray Todd

Dec. 31, 1940 ~ March 13, 2018

On Tuesday, March 13, 2018, Louis Ray Todd, 77, of Meeker, Colo., passed away peacefully at home. Born Dec. 31, 1940, in Mount Airy, N.C., Ray (as he liked to be known) was the third son and third child of James Melton and Edith Louise Todd.

At 17 years of age, Ray enlisted in the United States Air Force. He was honorably discharged on Oct. 7, 1964. Employed as a sign electrician for more than 20 years, Ray helped create the famous Las Vegas landmark signs, "Vegas Vicky" and "Vegas Vic". He was a cherished husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather. Ray loved being with his family, fishing, playing with the grandkids, spending time on the computer and enjoying the great outdoors. He was an avid NASCAR fan, a model car and plane enthusiast, and loved working helping his friends, co-workers and neighbors. He would go out of his way to lend a helping hand. Ray's quick wit and sarcastic sense of humor was always appreciated by those around him.



Louis Ray Todd

Robert. Surviving Ray is his sister, Patricia Todd Montoya; Lenora Todd, of Meeker; his three daughters, Kimberly Roberts, her children, Hillary, Iona and Edmund; Melody (Ayrton) Kracht, their children, Corey, Nevaeh and Hailey; Kathryn (Timothy) Finotti, their children, Justin, Daniel, Timothy, Benjamin and Maxwell. He is also survived by Vernon's son, Vershaun Corban Todd, seven great-grandchildren and many other loving friends and family.

A special thank you to Dr. Kellie Turner, Home Health, Hope West and Grant Mortuary for their loving care and support.

James J. Veitch

Feb. 20, 1947 ~ March 12, 2018

Montrose resident James J. Veitch passed away Monday, March 12, 2018, at his home in Montrose, Colo. James was 71 years old.

A celebration of life was held at 6 p.m., Thursday, March 15, 2018, at the Turn of the Century Saloon 121 N. Fourth St., Montrose, Colo. Memorial contributions can be made in James' name to Montrose Suicide Prevention Coalition, P.O. Box 1208 Montrose, Colo., 81402.

James Joseph Veitch was born Feb. 20, 1947, to James J. and Lillie M. (Russell) Veitch in Los Angeles, Calif. James spent his childhood and attended schools in Redondo Beach, Calif., and moved to Lake Isabella, Calif., in his teens, where he attended Kern Valley High School and graduated in 1964.

On Nov. 13, 1963, James married Goldie Deal in Lake Isabella, Calif., and to this union three children were born. James and Goldie moved to Colorado in 1990. The couple later parted ways in 1999 but remained friends. On Feb. 9, 2002, James married Eva Marie Hicks in Delta, Colo. The couple shared 16 years of love and marriage.

James belonged to the Church of the Great Outdoors; where he



James J. Veitch

enjoyed everything the nature had to offer such as fishing, hunting, prospecting, he also enjoyed western history, wood working, writing, poetry, antler crafts, but nothing came close to the love he had for his

family and all the time he was able to share with each and every one of them.

James is survived by his adored wife, Eva Veitch; son, Jeffry Veitch (Leta) Montrose, Colo.; daughters, Sandra Veitch, Grand Junction, Colo., and Brandy Giau (Matt) Meeker, Colo.; grandsons Dakota and Justin Giau; and previous wife/friend Goldie Menesini of Reedsport, Ore.

James was preceded in death by his parents.

Arrangements are under the care and direction of Taylor Funeral Service and Crematory.

View the internet obituary and sign the online guest registry at www.taylorfuneralservice.com.

Opportunity for novice youth/women hunters

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- An essay of 500 words or less, handwritten by the youth and in their own words, about why he or she should be selected over other youth for this special experience. The applicant's lack of experience, reasons that have kept them from participating in a hunt and the desire to learn are suggested topics for the required essay.

- By March 30, applicants must mail, email (or hand-deliver their entry to CPW's Meeker office) to: DWM Bailey Franklin, P.O. Box 1181, Meeker, Colo., 81641; baileyfranklin@state.co.us.

RBC WEEKLY CALL REVIEW

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

March 5-11, 2018

The dispatch center processed 324 phone calls this last week, receiving eight 911 calls, answered 45 calls for Meeker Police Department and placed 49 outgoing phone calls. A total of 152 calls for service were created, 74 for the Sheriff's Office, 74 for MPD, and four calls for Meeker Fire and Rescue. (Please note the department breakdown of calls reflects a different number because of incidents with multiple agency response). There was one auto crash with minor injuries reported throughout the county.

The Sheriff's Office conducted 38 traffic stops issuing four summons and one arrest while MPD had 30 stops issuing three citations.

Other calls for the Sheriff's Office included five agency assists, two 911 hang-ups, two animal calls, three civil papers served, two business checks, four motorist

assists, six suspicious incidents, two traffic complaints, two VIN inspections and two warrant arrests. One call each: citizen assist, DUI, harassment, property, traffic hazard.

Meeker Police Department calls included two agency assists, five 911 misdials, seven animal calls, 16 business checks, two motorist assists and four vin inspections. One call each: citizen assist, civil, harassment, juvenile problem, property, suspicious incident.

There were five calls for Meeker Fire and Rescue one medical transport and four ambulance requests.

There were two assists with Colorado State Patrol.

Rio Blanco Detention facility booked in seven and released five, one by Colorado State Patrol, five by the Sheriff's Office, one by Rangely PD and are currently housing nine inmates. There was one inmate transported to or from another facility.

March 12-18, 2018

The dispatch center processed 437 phone calls this last week, receiving 36 911 calls, answered 57 calls for Meeker Police Department (MPD) and placed 96 outgoing phone calls. A total of 183 calls for

service were created, 122 for the Sheriff's Office, 62 for MPD and six calls for Meeker Fire and Rescue. (Please note the department breakdown of calls reflects a different number because of incidents with multiple agency response). There were five auto crashes that were reported throughout the county, three involving deer/elk and one fatal crash.

The Sheriff's Office conducted 69 traffic stops issuing 11 citations and MPD had 16 stops issuing one citation.

Other calls for the Sheriff's Office included 11 agency assists, four animal calls, four civil papers served, two business checks, 10 motorist assists, two suspicious incidents, three traffic complaints, four VIN inspections and three warrant arrests.

Meeker Police Department calls included four agency assists, three 911 misdials, 13 business checks, two motorist assists, five suspicious incidents and four VIN inspections. One call each for: alarm, animal call, assault, citizen assist, civil, gas skip, harassment, juvenile problem, M-1 transport, property, theft, traffic complaint, trespass and warrant arrest.

There were six calls for Meeker Fire and Rescue: two medical transports and two ambulance requests and one injury/death vehicle crash.

There were four assists with Colorado State Patrol.

Rio Blanco Detentions facility booked in nine and released seven, one by Colorado State Patrol, six by the Sheriff's Office, one each by Meeker and Rangely PD. The jail is currently housing 11 inmates. There were three inmates transported to or from another facility.

There were no DUI arrests.

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Seven teams of four and seven judges participated in the annual Buy-Fly Fishing Tournament March 10-11, sponsored by the White River Community Association. The fishing teams caught 130 pounds of white fish for the annual fish fry to be held June 9 from 4-6 p.m. (All trout were returned to the river unharmed.) The first place team was Rio Blanco Abstract (top). Second place went to Sable Mountain Outfitters (center). Third place went to the Snap Nuts from New Mexico (bottom). Pat from the Num Nuts team caught the most fish (above left), and the longest fish was caught by Wayne Kirkpatrick on the Rio Blanco Abstract team (bottom left).

Winning essays from MHS students

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following are the winning essays written by Meeker High School students for an annual contest hosted by White River Electric Association. The two students will be able to deliver their letters to the president in Washington, D.C., during an all-expense paid trip. See Page 1A for details.

Dear Mr. President,

I am writing to you today not as a bitter voter, self righteous politician, rallying lobbyist, or greedy CEO, but rather, simply, as a fellow human being. While each of us have our own deeply rooted opinions, we shall not allow them to come between us in a more philosophical analysis of our current state. I want to discuss your plans for the future of our nation, but more importantly, your plans for ensuring the wellbeing of its people.

The past twelve months, instead of leading to unity, have caused deep, seemingly irreparable divisions. We are confused, bitter and frightened. There is clear disorder within the nation, and harsh clashes of beliefs can be identified in any aspect of our government. I have the inclination to say that this disorientation can be largely attributed to the sheer amount of fear within American citizens--fear of others and fear for themselves. Skepticism and opposition have caused distrust and discord within the masses. This disunion is unsettling to me, as it might be to yourself as well. I do not wish to live in a world so strongly divided that I cannot discern my friends from my enemies. Fear can spark extremely negative, careless actions, so it should be approached cautiously. I can attest to this personally. There have been major violent conflicts throughout the world for nearly my entire upbringing. For a child in a developed nation, I have seen too many terrorists attacks, mass shootings, barbaric protests, political scandals, and other horrifying human rights violations to count. We must begin to rethink how we view disagreements between parties. I propose, then, that fear should be replaced with reason, and instead of joining resistances, we should come together to resolve major issues. This shared passion can be utilized to make progress.

Another flaw I want to identify is our inability to cope with societal change. Too often, contrasting opinions create a boundary that separates individuals from any development outside of their personal worldviews. Ironically, change can give rise to fear; many people have a tendency to advocate for a brittle, traditional foundation rather than accepting possible outcomes from a malleable structure in society. However, despite its intimidating stigma, I do not fear change, as change is the driving factor behind all notable progress in society. Change is what brought man out of darkness and sparked the Cognitive Revolution. Change is what allows for humans to make social advancements, scientific discoveries, technological breakthroughs, and our ability to adapt to unprecedented events. Accepting positive change in a population strengthens bonds and unites the public to conquer more trying obstacles. Change is the pathway to solutions.

Possibly the most pressing matter I'm concerned with is the evolution of democracy, and the security of a true democracy. Too often, we become consumed by the menial affairs within our political spectrum. Individual party affiliations encourage a competitive environment, with legislature serving as a platform to make bold statements. I am anxious, though, for we may be on a path towards losing our voices in government and depending on the pompous figureheads who are chosen to "represent" the people. For the sake of our posterity, I hope that we are not, in fact, regressing. I hope that we will have the strength to stand up for what is morally correct rather than what is easiest for the government to implement. The government is made to serve the people and ensure their freedoms, not the other way around.

Our citizens need a leader to resolve their fear and show them that they can change their fate. I am well aware of your ability to capture the attention of others, so I ask you, sir, to use your time in office to serve all the people. I ask that you not be rash in your actions, but instead make timely decisions based on knowledge, moral standards, and the collective judgment. I ask that you spread change with open arms and an open mind. I ask that you help bring back innovation, creativity, and cooperation to our nation. I ask one last thing of you, Mr. President: Will you accept the challenge?

With Best Regards,
Pake Burke

Dear President Donald Trump,

I am not writing this for sympathy but rather for understanding. I am a 17 year old girl with siblings the ages of 12 and 6. My mother is a 36 year old single parent. We've always had a pretty good life. Not much to complain about except everything to fear. The three of us being born in the United States had nothing to worry about. My mother however had everything to worry about. From how to raise three kids alone, how to make sure there was a hot meal on the table, and how to stay in the United States with us.

My mother was about 5 years old when she was brought into the U.S. and it's all she's ever known. She didn't do it out of respect for this country, she had no choice. She considers herself a proud American in all ways except paper. Although my mother paid taxes, had a decent job, sent us to public school, and followed every law there was, there was still a chance that any second her whole life could be ruined. In any second her three children that she worked so hard to raise could be taken away from her in less than the time it took her to raise us.

August 1, 2001 the first bill was passed which enabled the program DACA. This program allowed alien immigrants that entered the states as a minor to enroll in college and receive a visa so that they can educate themselves. Because of this program my mother was allowed to receive her visa and further educate herself, further contribute to the economy and further give us a life that she had always wanted.

September 05, 2017 as I saw my mother cry over you sir ending DACA I realized how much this program meant and not just to my mother but to millions of Dreamers as well. Thanks to DACA, young immigrants have been able to pursue higher education, start their own businesses, and continue to work and contribute back to our communities. Without it there is no hope. No opportunity to work for your life. In a land of freedom and liberty and justice for all I hope you reconsider bringing a program back like DACA that will help young immigrants work their way into this country instead of living in the constant fear of something that was not their choice.

Help the ones who like my mother were brought in as children and have to live with the fact that they are immigrants because of their parents. I strongly encourage you sir to think about the millions of families that this would help. The less number of fatherless and motherless children who are left with nothing after one of their parents get taken away from them because of their status. We are all human and we are trying to make a better life for ourselves and our future generations. Bringing a program like DACA will help immigrants show that they are worth a chance and will make illegal aliens prove that they can contribute to this country's economical well being.

Sincerely,
Esmeralda Torres

CORRECTION

RBC I in the barn quilt trail story in the March 15, 2018, edition of the *Herald Times* on Page 1A, Jeff Madison was incorrectly referenced as Jim Madison. We regret the error.

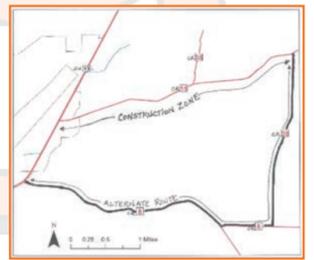
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- Type of false news, pl.
- Holiday mo.
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- Surprise at a speakeasy
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RIO BLANCO COUNTY DAYS GONE BY

The Meeker Herald — 100 years ago

■ Hooverize by putting in a War Garden, and keep a few chickens and a pig to eat up all the scraps which would otherwise be lost.

■ "The war must be paid for," says D.C. Roper, commissioner of internal revenue. "Congress has as much right to conscript a just portion of income as it has to conscript our boys. The tax for 1917 is designed to reach moderate as well as large incomes, so that all persons who are in financial position to bear a portion of the heavy government expenses can be assessed in proportion to their ability to pay."

The Meeker Herald — 50 years ago

■ A group of Meeker's history-conscious and concerned citizenry has formed the Meeker Hotel Block Restoration Committee for the purpose of planning both to restore and preserve the old hotel and adjoining properties as well as to bring Meeker an up-to-date hotel, restaurant and lounge. The Meeker Hotel, which is advertised for sale last week, is regarded by many as the center of the heart-beat of the old settlement, and if it is allowed to become another Colorow Hotel, will see the disappearance of "the last chance" to preserve the historical significance of the town.

■ Dale Jens, Meeker High School music instructor, received the final word last week that the Meeker High School dance band and Rio Blanco Wetbacks have been scheduled to appear June 26 as a part of the musical entertainment planned for San Antonio, Texas' big show, Hemis-Fair, 1968. It's a World's Fair and it's the first one ever held in the southwestern United States.

■ Frank Cooley presented Stan Harp with an engraved fruit bowl from the Meeker Fire Department in recognition of his many years of service and especially Harp's 22 years as Fire Chief. The occasion, March 11, was also in celebration of the 35th anniversary of the organization.

The Meeker Herald — 25 years ago

■ The first time Randall Kurzon held a contest in Meeker, the winner got to name his restaurant. This time, the winner will get to own it. Kurzon and his partners, Al Muñoz and Joe Alonzo, plan to give away three Last Chance restaurants to the three top winners in an essay contest. The first place winner will get the Meeker restaurant, plus a four-bedroom house on Ninth Street. Second place gets the restaurant in Rangely, with the two-bedroom house just behind it. Third place will get the one in Hayden, but no house.

■ Local leprechauns transformed 20 pounds of flour, three bottles of food coloring and seven gallons of water into a giant semi-gloss biodegradable shamrock in the middle of the intersection of Sixth and Main. The caper took place shortly before midnight on St. Patrick's Eve under protection by Meeker Patrolman Mike Joos and Rio Blanco County Deputy Pete Larson. An investigation suggests the plot may have been hatched at the Rustic Saloon. Melinda Parker, Boots Penney, Kevin Leonard, Angelo McDormio and Sam Karaffa may have been involved, but no one is talking, and the evidence was washed away by rain just before noon Wednesday.

■ About 40 Meeker students, from kindergarten through high

school, attended "No TV Night" at the Meeker Public Library.

The Rangely Times — 50 years ago

■ The Rangely High School cheerleaders just finished their session with the completion of the basketball schedule this month. The hard-working coeds were Linda Sutton, Dede Schmacher and Katy Yeager.

■ Robert Kennedy says "it is time to face the reality that a military victory is not in sight and that it probably will never come." Picture, if you can, this country with such a man at the helm. Anything less than complete victory in this war is impossible to contemplate. We don't particularly agree with the way the war is being conducted but we hope this country will never take the easy way out, then have to live with its shame eternally.

■ From Dinosaur: The Bill Irby home was damaged by fire on Monday night.

■ Your age is showing if you'd rather win an argument than be right.

The Rangely Times — 25 years ago

■ The Rangely Development Agency approved two matching grants under the face renovation/site improvement program, one for Five "S" Services and one for the Rangely Times.

■ It has been known for some time that the Dinosaur dump will be closed. It has been expected that some sort of arrangement was to be worked out with Rio Blanco County to use their landfill northwest of Rangely.

■ Bill Holly, a Rangely Middle School student, qualified for the state finals competition for the National Geography Bee on February 26.

IT'S GOOD TO BE FIRST.

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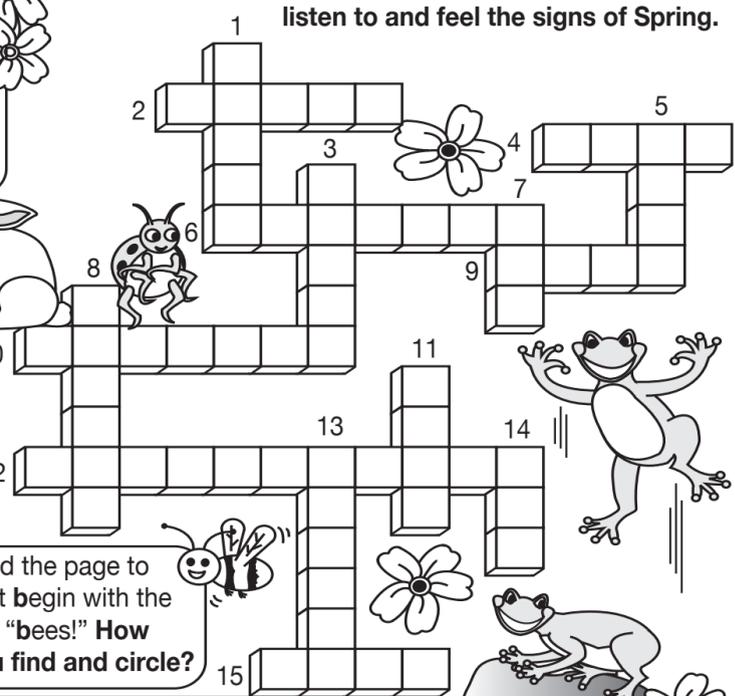
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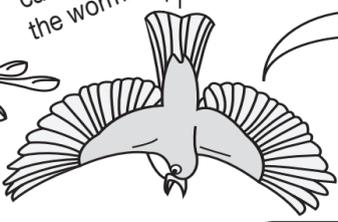
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Spring Is Spectacular!

Signs of Spring are all around us. Read the clues to fill in this puzzle, and then go outside to look at, listen to and feel the signs of Spring.



The early bird catches the worm! 

Spring is spectacular! My bird friends are singing and building nests. The frogs are peeping and jumping in swamps. People are shouting and running, playing games. Everyone is outside enjoying the fresh air and bright, warm sunshine. I love watching it all!

Uh-oh! I'm not sure that I like all the birds around as much as he does!

You may see more bunnies bounding about in the springtime!

Even the flowers on a prickly pear cactus in the desert may blossom in the springtime.

Buzz around the page to find words that begin with the letter "b" as in "bees!" How many can you find and circle?

1. _____ blowing and blustering
2. _____ singing and building nests
3. _____ peeping and leaping
4. _____ unwrapping on bushes and trees
5. _____ shedding winter coats
6. _____ swelling and overflowing
7. _____ flowing in trees to carry water and food
8. _____ flowers blooming in the desert
9. _____ pushing up dirt mounds
10. _____ shearing wool from sheep
11. _____ mixing with dirt to make mud
12. _____ floating in fields of flowers
13. _____ shoots showing
14. _____ warming the land and water
15. _____ pollen floating and coating parked cars

cactus buds flower ants winds
farmers tree streams sun birds
butterflies frogs rain sap dogs

SPRINGS in Things!

Springs are here and there and everywhere. There are metal and plastic springs in many things to make them work. Find and circle these things that have springs in them. (P.S. Two of these are little jokes – different kinds of things that have "a spring" – they are not in the puzzle... cross them off the clue list.)





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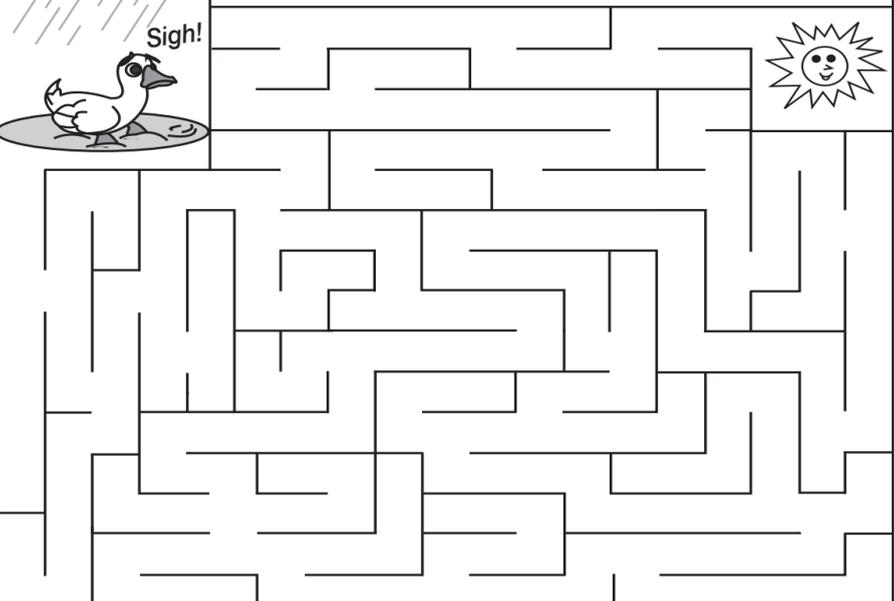
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Rainy Day Blues!

Little Duck loves water, but he's tired of spring showers! Help him get into the sunshine:





Things in Spring!

Spring is a time of great activity. People, animals and birds are outside working, exercising and playing. Match up this list of things people do in the spring...then ask to go outside and play!




1. cook
2. splash
3. paint
4. plant
5. wash
6. clean

A. in puddles
B. fences
C. out garages, attics
D. tree sap into maple syrup
E. cars
F. flowers, trees and gardens

1. clean
2. carry
3. open
4. fly
5. fish
6. buy

A. kites
B. in streams
C. umbrellas and raincoats
D. more fresh fruits and vegetables
E. our houses
F. windows to air out the house

We love flowers...We're bzzzzzz-zz-bee!

YOUR BUSINESS HERE!

Great exposure? Check. Prime placement? Check. Brownie points with kids (and parents)? CHECK.

The Herald Times is looking for businesses to sponsor our Kid's Page. \$125/week. Sign up for one ad or schedule a rotation. Don't know where to start? NO WORRIES! We'll build your ad for you FREE!

Call (970)878-4017 or email ads@theheraldtimes.com to sign up!

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PUBLIC NOTICES



What is a public notice?

These pages include a variety of notices required by Town, County and State statutes and regulations. Here you will find meeting agendas for local entities, proposed ordinances, tax and budget information, liquor licenses, foreclosures, summonses and bid invitations. Public Notices serve to inform the public of government actions, provide a third-party information check and provide a permanent record.

PUBLIC NOTICES

TOWN OF RANGELY
Check Register
February-18
VENDOR, AMOUNT, DESCRIPTION
TOWN OF RANGELY
Check Register
February-18
VENDOR, AMOUNT, DESCRIPTION
AFLAC, 407.86, Payroll deduction
ALL COPY PRODUCTS, INC., 734.70, Expenses

PUBLIC NOTICES

ANIMAL HEALTH & SANITARY SUPPLY, 582.79, Expenses
APEX INSPECTION & CONSULTING LLC, 11,685.63, Expenses
ARAMARK, 71.98, Uniforms
BECKER, NICHOLE, 117.16, Expenses
BILLGREN, MATTHEW, 100.00, Council Stipend
BOY-KO SUPPLY CO, 183.78, Expenses
BRADY, ANN, 150.00, Council Stipend
CASELLE, INC, 1,418.00, Software Support

PUBLIC NOTICES

CCNC, INC., 100.00, Expenses
CEBT, 34,920.65, Health Ins
CENTURYLINK, 1,510.10, Communication
CIMARRON TELECOMMUNICATIONS LLC, 55.00, Services
CNCC FOUNDATION, 500.00, Donation
CO DEPT OF PUBLIC HEALTH & ENV, 115.00, Services
COLOCPA SERVICES, PC, 62.50, Services
COLORADO P.O.S.T., 525.00, Training
COMMERCIAL INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY, LLC, 212.00, Expenses
COMMUNITY COUNTS OF COLORADO, INC., 100.00, Expenses
CONSERVANCY OIL COMPANY, 414.15, Expenses
COUNTRYSIDE VETERINARY CLINIC, 34.00, Services
CRS ENGINEERS, 1,430.00, Services
CUMMINS ROCKY MOUNTAIN LLC, 625.81, Services
DAN E. WILSON, ATTORNEY AT LAW LLC, 8,432.52, Services
DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR/BLM, 440.00, Expenses
DIRECTV, 427.25, WRV Expense
DUCEY'S ELECTRIC, 32,149.19, Expenses
ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE, 36.75, Elections
EMC PLUMBING & HEATING, INC., 1,082.09, Expenses
FAMILY SUPPORT REGISTRY, 373.80, Payroll deduction
FIDELITY ADVISOR FUNDS, 22,399.34, Payroll deduction
FIRST BANKCARD, 2,081.89, Expenses
FPPA, 470.71, PD Insurance
FRESH EXPRESS CLEANING, 252.75, Expenses
GALLS LLC, 1.90, Uniforms
GLOBAL CHEMICALS, 498.76, Expenses
HACKING, TYSON, 100.00, Council Stipend
HARDIN, KAYCIE, 117.16, Expenses
HATCH, LISA, 100.00, Council Stipend
INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY, 331.97, Expenses
ITRON, INC., 1,258.42, Services
KEY, ANDREW J, 100.00, Council Stipend
KRAI-AM AND KRAI-FM, 155.00, Expenses
MAIL SERVICES, 669.41, Services
MASTER PETROLEUM, 1,028.00, Fuel
MESA COUNTY HEALTH DEPT REG LABORATORY, 168.00, Expenses
MOON LAKE ELECTRIC, 13,046.68, Electricity
NATIONAL METER & AUTOMATION, 1,326.54, Expenses
NETWORKS UNLIMITED, 2,854.07, Support/Services
NICHOLS STORE, 212.58, Expenses
NORCO, INC., 25.26, Services
ORKIN PEST CONTROL SOLUTIONS LLC, 162.42, Services
PANTHER PRIDE BOOSTER CLUB, 250.00, Grant
PIERING, LISA, 40.00, Expenses
PINNACOL ASSURANCE, 3,763.00, Insurance
PIPELINE TESTING CONSORTIUM, 170.00, Services
PRATER'S PLUMBING & HEATING, 225.00, Services
PROFESSIONAL TOUCH, 269.08, Services
QUILL, 618.92, Expenses
RANGELY AREA CHAMBER, 22,264.97, Expenses
RANGELY AUTO PARTS, 631.04, Expenses
RANGELY HARDWARE, 3,091.93, Expenses
RANGELY LADY PANTHERS, 150.00, Grant
RANGELY SCHOOL FOUNDATION, 10,952.48, Sales Tax Funding
RANGELY TRASH SERVICE, 778.00, Services
RANGELY, TOWN OF, 9,267.65, Utilities
RESPOND FIRST AID SYSTEMS, 28.85, Expenses
RIO BLANCO HERALD TIMES, 95.04, Expenses
ROBIE, TREY, 100.00, Council Stipend
ROCKY MOUNTAIN SUPPLY CO, 1,079.30, Expenses
ROWDY WORM, 750.00, Donation
SENERGY BUILDERS, LLC., 4,084.50, Expenses
SGS ACCUTEST INC., 298.50, Services
SHAFFER, ANDREW, 100.00, Council Stipend
STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY RC, 621.69, Life Insurance
STRATA NETWORKS, 500.00, Services
SUMMIT ENERGY, 96,809.40, Gas Transmission/Transport
TIMBER LINE ELCTRIC & CONTROL, 381.00, Expenses
UNCC, 20.30, Services
US WATER SYSTEMS, INC., 193.52, Expenses
VERIZON WIRELESS, 1,134.11, Cell Service
WALTER ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP, LLC, 313.75, Services
WEX BANK, 3,357.77, Fuel
WHITE RIVER MARKET, 169.00, Supplies
WILCZEK, KAREN S, 320.78, Judge's Fee
WOODS & AITKEN LLP, 50.00, Services
WRB REC & PARK DISTRICT, 111.00, Expenses
Total: 309,349.15
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PUBLIC NOTICES

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 26, 2018
Public Comment: Any member of the public may address the Board on matters which are within the jurisdiction of the Board. If you are addressing the Board regarding a matter listed on the Agenda, you are requested to make your comments when the Board takes that matter. Please limit your comments to three minutes per member or five minutes per group. The public comment time is not for questions and answers. It is your time to express your views.
11:00 a.m. Call to order:
Pledge of Allegiance
Changes to March 26, 2018 Tentative Agenda
1)
Move to Approve the March 26, 2018 Agenda including any changes.
CONSENT AGENDA FOR MARCH 26, 2018
Items of routine and non-controversial nature are placed on the consent agenda. Any Commissioner or member of the audience may request an item be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately on the regular agenda prior to action being taken by the Board on the Consent Agenda.
Move to Approve the Below Listed Items of the Consent Agenda.
Consent 1. Consideration of the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado Meeting Minutes of March 19, 2018.
Consent 2. Approval of Bureau of Land Management Form 299, Right of Way Application for County Road 27 at Mile Marker 3.63 to cut off an "oxbow" eroding the bank next to the road.
Consent 3. Approval of the annual Application for Nutrition Project Award under Title III C of the Older Americans Act - Revised 1192, for the White River Roundup Rio Blanco County Department of Human Services and authorize the Chairman to sign out of session.
BUSINESS:
Business 1. Move to approve/deny the purchase of a used Grizzly Rock Separator from Power Motive Corporation, for the Rio Blanco County Road and Bridge Department, in an amount not to exceed \$14,000.00.
BID OPENINGS:
Bid Opening 1. Rio Blanco County 2018 Cattle-guards and Wings.
Bid Opening 2. Rio Blanco County Fleet Management 4 Wheel Drive Utility Vehicle.
Bid Opening 3. Rio Blanco County Wagon Wheel West OHV Trail Educational Kiosk Project.
BID AWARDS:
Bid Award 1. Move to approve/deny the 2018 Lower White River Pest Control District Aerial Spraying project to Coulter Aviation in an amount not to exceed \$165,000.00.
Bid Award 2. Move to approve/deny the 2018 Lower White River Pest Control District Ground Spraying Noxious Weed Control Project to Elder Weed Spraying, in an amount not to exceed \$7,500.00 and to Noxious Weed Management, in an amount not to exceed \$7,500.00.
MOU's, CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS:
MCA 1. Move to approve/deny an Agreement between the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado and Morning Star Elevator, Inc. for the Historic Courthouse Elevator Maintenance in an amount not to exceed \$3,000.00.
MCA 2. Move to Approve an Application for Transportation and Utility Systems and Facilities on Federal Lands between the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado and the Bureau of Land Management for County Road 27 at Mile Marker 3.634, to cut off an "ox-bow" eroding the bank next to the road.
MCA 3. Move to approve/deny an Agreement for Services between the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado and Ducey's Electric Inc. to install AC/DC Power Plants at 209 E. Main Street, Rangely, Colorado and 200 Main Street, Meeker, Colorado, in an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00.
MCA 4. Move to approve/deny an Agreement for Services between the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado and Elder Weed Spraying for the 2018 Lower White River Pest Control District Ground Spraying Noxious Weed Control Project in an amount not to exceed \$7,500.00.
MCA 5. Move to approve/deny an Agreement for Services between the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado and Noxious Weed Management LLC, for the 2018 Lower White River Pest Control District Ground Spraying Noxious Weed Control Project, in an amount not to exceed \$7,500.00.
MCA 6. Move to approve/deny the resumption of accepting non-friable asbestos at the Wray Gulch Landfill beginning effectively immediately.
MCA 7. Move to approve/deny an Agreement for Services between the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado and Ducey's Electric Inc. to install AC/DC Power Plants at 209 E. Main Street, Rangely, Colorado and 200 Main Street, Meeker, Colorado, in an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00.
MCA 8. Move to approve/deny Modification No. 1 to an Agreement for Services between the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado and Ducey's Electric, Inc. for the installation of conduit and heat tape on the east side of the Meeker Road and Bridge building, increasing the not to exceed amount by \$4,000.00 to a total of \$11,380.00.
MCA 9. Move to approve/deny a Colorado Department of Local Affairs Rural Economic Development Initiative Grant Program Application for the implementation of a Rio Blanco County Broadband Marketing and Tourism Business Development Project requesting a grant amount not to exceed \$30,000.00.

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RESOLUTIONS:
Resolution 1. None
OTHER BUSINESS:
Public Comment
County Commissioners Updates
RECONVENE AT 1:15 PM - PUBLIC HEARINGS:
Public Hearing 1. Shirley Cox is requesting that a portion of County Road 84A be vacated in Meeker, Colorado.
Resolution 1. Move to approve/deny Resolution 2018-08, a resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado, Vacating a Portion of County Road 84A Subject to Certain Reservations set Forth in the Resolution.
Public Hearing 2. Shirley F. Cox and Wade Ray Cox are requesting that a portion of County Road 60 be vacated in Meeker, Colorado.
Resolution 2. Move to approve/deny Resolution 2018-09, a resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado, Vacating a Portion of County Road 60 Subject to Certain Reservations set Forth in the Resolution.
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 Monday, April 9, 2018 in the Historic Courthouse, 555 Main Street, 3rd Floor, Commissioner's Hearing Room, in Meeker, Colorado 81641. Please check the County's website for information at <http://www.rbc.us/departments/commissioners>. If you need special accommodations please call 970-878-9431 in advance of the meeting so that reasonable accommodations may be made.
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NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
ERBM Meeker Recreation Center Parking Lot Asphalt Project
A Public Works Project
Eastern Rio Blanco Metropolitan Recreation and Park District
101 Ute Road
Meeker, Colorado 81641
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Eastern Rio Blanco Metropolitan Recreation and Park District ("ERBM"), a political subdivision of the State of Colorado, is inviting proposals from qualified General Contractors for the Meeker Recreation Center Asphalt Project, located at 101 Ute Rd. in Meeker, Colorado.
Contractors must submit their bid proposals before 5pm on Friday, March 30th, 2018 at ERBM's administrative office located at 101 Ute Road, Meeker, Colorado 81641; or via email at rodney@ERBMrec.com. Bids must be clearly marked "Meeker Recreation Center Parking Lot Asphalt". A pre-bid walkthrough of the site is highly recommended and can be scheduled by contacting Rodney Gerloff at 970-878-7420.
This is a guaranteed maximum price construction project. Bids shall designate separate costs for: (1) milling and overlay of upper parking lot (19,196 square feet); (2) milling and overlay of facility drive (11,263 square feet); and, (3) crack spot milling and overlay of lower parking lot. Construction timing to be negotiated with contractor, ideal schedule to include recreation center maintenance week closure May 9th - 13th. ERBM reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids. Each proposal shall be reviewed and considered consistent to adopted ERBM Fiscal Policies and Procedures.
A copy of the Request for Proposal and Owner-Contractor Agreement template can be found at www.ERBMrec.com.
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Notice of General Municipal Election Conducted as a Mail Ballot Election To be held on Tuesday, April 3, 2018 At Town Hall 209 E Main Rangely, Colorado

I, Lisa Piering, Town Clerk of Rangely, Colorado, I DO HEREBY GIVE PUBLIC NOTICE of a General Municipal Election for Town of Rangely Mayor and Council members to be held on Tuesday, April 3, 2018, at which time there will be elected:
ONE MAYOR, SERVING A 2-YEAR TERM
and
THREE COUNCIL MEMBERS, SERVING A 4-YEAR TERM
Each position shall be voted upon by the entire electorate of the Town. The person receiving the greatest number of votes for the Mayor, 2-year term shall be elected. The first three people receiving the greatest number of votes for the Council member 4-year terms shall be elected.
There are no questions that will be placed on the ballot.
Every person who has attained the age of 18 years possessing the following qualifications is entitled to register to vote at all municipal elections:
A) He/she is a citizen of the United States;
B) He/she resided in the State of Colorado for thirty days prior to the municipal election at which he offers to vote.
The Town of Rangely will conduct a mail ballot election. Ballots may be deposited up to and on the day of the election at the Collection box until 7:00 p.m. April 3, 2018 at Town Hall, 209 E Main, Rangely Colorado, 81648.
Ballots will be mailed to registered electors unless an absentee ballot request application is completed. Your application must be returned to the town clerk's office on or before March 30, 2018. You can download absentee ballot applications at www.rangely.com under divisions/administrative services/town clerk/elections or come into the Town of Rangely offices at 209 E Main for blank forms.
Lisa Piering
Town Clerk/Treasurer

SAMPLE BALLOT

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER: To vote for the candidate of your choice, completely fill in the OVAL to the LEFT of the candidate's name. If you tear, deface, or wrongly mark this ballot, return it and request a replacement.
VOTE LIKE THIS:
"WARNING"
Any person who, by use or force or other means, unduly influences an eligible elector to vote in any particular manner or to refrain from voting, or who falsely makes, alters, forges, or counterfeits any mail ballot before or after it has been cast, or who destroys, defaces, mutilates, or tampers with a ballot is subject, upon conviction, to imprisonment, or to a fine, or both: 1-7.5(1)(b)(3) C.R.S.
TOWN COUNCIL, MAYOR
VOTE FOR ONE (1)
 ANDREW M. SHAFFER
TOWN COUNCIL, TRUSTEE
FOR FOUR YEARS
VOTE FOR THREE (3)
 MATT BILLGREN
 RICHARD E. GARNER
 LUKE D. GEER
 ALISA GRANGER
 JAMES DILLON
FRONT Card 1 Rpt#E 18 "Precinct #1"

SAMPLE BALLOT

OFFICIAL BALLOT FOR TOWN OF RANGELY REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTION APRIL 3, 2018

Lisa Piering
Town Clerk
BACK Card 1 Rpt#E 18 "Precinct #1"

PUBLIC NOTICE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF RIO BLANCO COUNTY, COLORADO

Notice is hereby given that on Monday, April 23, 2018 the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado will hold a public hearing beginning at 1:15 p.m. at the Rio Blanco County Historical Courthouse, 555 Main Street, Meeker, Colorado, to consider the following:
4M Ranch Limited Impact Review (PLIR) PLIR-0001-18. The applicant is requesting to add and additional residence on the property. Located at 52171 Highway 64 in Section 28, Township 2 North, Range 97 West.
Copies of the documents may be obtained from the Community Development Department at 555 Main Street in Meeker, Colorado, or you may call (970) 878-9456 for more information between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.
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PUBLIC NOTICE INVITATION TO BID

2018 Meeker Town Hall Window Replacement Project
Notice is hereby given that bid proposals, for the Town Hall Window Replacement Project, will be accepted by mail or delivered to Town Hall, 345 Market Street, Meeker, CO until Friday, April 27, 2018 at 3:00 P.M.
The proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud at the Tuesday, May 1st Town Council meeting to be held at 7:00 P.M.
The bid will be awarded at the following Town Council Meeting to be held at Town Hall, 345 Market Street in Meeker.
Specifications and Bid Packages including project specifications are available upon request at Town Hall or by calling 970-878-5344 or on the Town's website www.townofmeeker.org.
The Town reserves the right to reject or accept any and all bids. Each proposal shall be reviewed and considered consistent with the provisions of the Town of Meeker Personnel Policy and Procedures Manual.
The bid proposal must be placed in an envelope, securely sealed and labeled "Meeker 2018 Town Hall Window Replacement bid" and be received no later than Tuesday, May 1, 2018 at 7:00 P.M.
Contact Scott Meszaros, Town Administrator, 970-878-4960 for additional information.
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PUBLIC NOTICE INVITATION TO BID

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

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN of a public hearing before the Town of Meeker Planning Commission (April 2nd) and Meeker Board of Trustees (April 3rd) at the following time and place:
Planning Commission meeting 2nd day of April 2018
Board of Trustees meeting 3rd day of April 2018 7:00 P.M.
Meeker Town Hall
345 Market Street
Meeker, Colorado
The hearings are for the purpose of taking public comments on approval of Ordinances for Design Standards in relation to Town Codes and building/site/development standards.
Any person may appear at the hearing and present evidence upon any matter to be considered by the Commission/Board.
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of Dena Marie Byers, aka Dena M. Byers aka Dena Byers, Deceased
District Court of Rio Blanco County, Colorado
Case No. 18PR030001
All persons having claims against the above-named estate are required to present them to the Personal Representative or to the District Court of Rio Blanco, Colorado, on or before the 2nd day of July, 2018, or the claims may be forever barred.
Romney Pfeifer Law Office, Personal Representative
Attn: Cena Nichole Carlson
415 W. Victory Way
Craig, CO 81625
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PUBLIC NOTICES

Rangely Foundation for Public Giving 6:50pm
Town of Rangely
March 27, 2018 - 7:00pm
Agenda

Rangely Board of Trustees (Town Council)
Ann Brady, Mayor
Andrew Shaffer, Mayor Pro Tem
Tyson Hacking, Trustee
Trey Robie, Trustee
Lisa Hatch, Trustee
Andrew Key, Trustee
Matthew Billgren, Trustee

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Invocation
4. Pledge of Allegiance
5. Minutes of Meeting
6. Approval of the minutes of the March 13, 2018 meeting
7. Petitions and Public Input
8. Changes to the Agenda
9. Public Hearings - 7:15pm
10. Committee/Board Meetings
11. Supervisor Reports – See Attached
12. Reports from Officers – Town Manager Update
13. Old Business
14. New Business

a. Discussion and Action to approve February 2018 Financials
b. Discussion and Action upon the recommendation of the RDA/RDC board to appoint Keely Winger to the Vacant RDA/RDC Board Position
c. Discussion and Action supporting the Colorado Fair Districts Initiative to reform the Redistricting and Reapportionment Process in Colorado
d. Discussion and Action to approve a change from 40-mph to 25-mph speed limit on Kennedy Drive beginning just north of the intersection of College Loop Drive and La Mesa Circle, as well as adding a stop sign to the east side of the intersection by replacing the current yield sign. (See Attached map and location of the intersection and signage changes)
14. Informational Items
a. RBC/SBDC Events – March 29, 2018 Regional Co-Working Site Visit – April 3, 2018 Tourism Marketing Workshop – April 10, 2018 Government Contracting Workshop – April 18, 2018 Basic Supervisor Bootcamp, Contact Keeley Winger to RSVP or for more information
b. CNCC 14th Annual Foundation Dinner Fund-raiser March 31, 2018 5:30 CNCC Colorado Room
c. State of the White River Basin Forum and Douglas Creek Conservation District Annual Meeting April 4, 2018 5:00pm CNCC Campus
d. Rangely Animal Shelter Vaccine Clinic, April 14, 2018 11am at Rangely Fire Hall
e. Citizens' Academy – Law Enforcement Media Article
f. CML Annual Conference – June 19th – 22nd
15. Board Vacancies
16. Scheduled Announcements

a. Rangely District Library Board meeting March 12, 2018 at 5:00pm
b. Rangely Junior College District Board meeting is scheduled for March 12, 2018 at 12:00pm
c. Western Rio Blanco Park & Recreation District Board meeting March 12, 2018 at 7:00pm
d. Rangely School District Board meeting is scheduled for March 13, 2018 at 6:15pm
e. RDA/RDC Board meeting scheduled for March 15, 2018 at 7:30am
f. Rural Fire Protection District Board meeting is scheduled for March 19, 2018 at 7:00pm
g. Rio Blanco County Commissioners Board meeting is scheduled for March 19, 2018 at 11:00am
h. Rangely Chamber of Commerce Board meeting is scheduled for March 22, 2018 at 12:00pm
i. Community Networking Meeting is scheduled for March 27, 2018 at 12:00 noon.
j. Rangely District Hospital board meeting is scheduled for March 29, 2018 at 6:00pm
k. Rio Blanco Water Conservancy District Board meeting is scheduled for March 28, 2018 at 7:00pm
17. Adjournment
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This Notice of Hearing is filed pursuant to C.R.S. §15-12-1303. The Petitioner is Christopher C. Roberts, 7588 Greenough Road, Falcon CO 80831. The property, located in Rio Blanco County, Colorado, is as follows:
2.50% perpetual non-participating royalty interests in the following-described real property situated in Rio Blanco County, Colorado:
Township 2 North, Range 97 West, 6th P.M.: Section 36: Lot 8 of Resurvey Tract 49, Rio Blanco County, Colorado
Decedent Lu Dick passed away on April 21, 1957. Ruth Roberts Dick passed away on October 11, 1980. Archibald E. Roberts passed away on July 25, 2006. Doris W. Roberts passed away on October 26, 2015.
The individuals named in the Verified Supplemental Petition to Determine Heirship as having an interest in the above-described royalty interests are as follows: Guy A. Roberts, 5567 Seven Lakes West, West End NC 27376 (1/3 interest); Charles R. Grey, 2802 SW Beaverton Hillsdale Hwy, Apt. B, Portland OR 97239 (1/3 interest); and Christopher C. Roberts, 7588 Greenough Road, Falcon CO 80831 (1/3 interest). These individuals are the grandsons of Lu Dick and Ruth Roberts Dick, and the children of Archibald E. Roberts and Doris W. Roberts.
Should you object to the relief sought in the Verified Supplemental Petition to Determine Heirship, you must file an Answer to the same within thirty-five days of the date of the publication of this Notice, in any event, no later than the date set herein for the Hearing scheduled in this matter. All objections to the Verified Supplemental Petition to Determine Heirship must be filed in writing with the Court and the appropriate filing fee must be paid within the time period for answering. All objections to the Petition must be served on the Petitioner, Christopher C. Roberts, through his attorney at the address set forth below. The hearing will be limited to the objections timely filed and the parties timely answering the Verified Supplemental Petition to Determine Heirship. If no objections are timely filed and served as specified in this Notice of Hearing, the Court may enter a decree without a hearing.
A hearing on the Verified Supplemental Petition to Determine Heirship will be held at the following date, time, and location:
Date: April 20, 2018
Time: 3:00 p.m.
Courtroom/Division: B
Address: 455 Main Street, Meeker, CO 81641
Respectfully submitted this 2nd day of March, 2018 by:
John D. Aylward
Attorney for Petitioner
417 W. Mountain Avenue
Fort Collins CO 80521
Telephone: 970-493-6556
Facsimile: 970-493-6928
E-mail: johnaylward@msn.com
Atty. Reg. #: 7471
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NOTICE OF CANCELLATION and CERTIFIED STATEMENT OF RESULTS

§1-13.5-513(6), 32-1-104, 1-11-103(3) C.R.S.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the Douglas Creek Conservation District, Rio Blanco County, Colorado, that at the close of business on the sixty-third day before the election, there were not more candidates for director than offices to be filled, including candidates filing affidavits of intent to be write-in candidates; therefore, the election to be held on May 8, 2018 is hereby canceled pursuant to section 1-13.5-513(6) C.R.S.
The following candidates are hereby declared elected:
Terry Smalec, 4 year term until May, 2022
Designated Election Official, Tristan Nielsen
Contact Person for the District: Tristan Nielsen
Telephone Number of the District: 970-878-9838
Address of the District: 351 7th Street, Meeker, CO 81641
District Email: whiterivercd@gmail.com
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of David Charles Brown, Deceased
Rio Blanco County District Court
Case No. 18PR1
All persons having claims against the above-named estate are required to present them to the Personal Representative or to the District court of Rio Blanco County, Colorado on or before March 31, 2018 or the claims may be forever barred.
Jillian Pilch, 2925 Bonds Lake Rd, Conyers, GA 30012
Published: March 15, 22 & 29, 2018
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PUBLIC NOTICES

MEEKER SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1 Board of Education Regular Meeting
555 Garfield Street
Meeker, CO 81641
March 26, 2018 - 7:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. Pledge of Allegiance: Ms. Simonsen will lead the Pledge of Allegiance
3. Welcome of Guests
4. Approval of Agenda

Student Celebrations:
General Public Comment Session: (comments limited to three minutes)
Consent Agenda:
1. Approval: Minutes from Regular Board Meeting on February 20, 2018
2. Approval: Minutes from Special Board Meeting on March 12, 2018
3. Acceptance: Financial Reports and Check Vouchers for February 2018
Public/Committee Reports: Meeker URA, DAC, Meeker Education Foundation, BOCES
Principal Reports:
1. Meeker Elementary School - Kathy Collins
2. Barone Middle School - Jim Hanks
3. Meeker High School - Amy Chinn
Superintendent Report
Action Items:
1. Approval: Personnel Hires
1. MS Track Coaches - Marty Casey (Head), Hallie Blunt (Asst.), Tom Knowles (Asst.)
2. Approval: 18-19 Certified and Classified Staff
3. Approval: 18-19 Title I, Part A - Supplement, Not Supplant ESSA Assurance
4. Approval: BE - School Board Meetings (2nd Reading - Online Policy Link)
5. Approval: EEA - Student Transportation (2nd Reading - Online Policy Link)
6. Approval: GCE/GCF, GCE/GCF-R, GDA, GDE/GDF, GDE/GDF-R, JF, JF-E, JFABD, JFABD-R, JFABE, JFABE-R, JFBB, JFBB-R, JKA-E-2, JLC, JRA/JRC, JFA/JRC-E-2, KBA, KBA-E (2nd Reading - Online Policy Link)
7. Approval: Policy Repeal (2nd Reading - Online Policy Link): GDAA, JF-R, KBA-E-1, KBA-E-2
Other BOE Information:
Executive Session (if needed): C.R.S. 24-6-402 (4)(h) - Confidential Student Matters
C.R.S. 24-6-402 (4)(f) - Personnel
Adjournment
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PUBLIC NOTICES

Eastern Rio Blanco County 911 Emergency Telephone Service Board Rio Blanco County Sheriff's Office Training Room
355 4th Street
Meeker, CO 81641
Proposed Meeting Agenda
March 27, 2018 - 12pm

Call Meeting to Order
Approval of Agenda
Approval of February 6, 2018 Board Minutes
Financial Report
Old Business
1. Emergency Notification
a. Swift 911
New Business
General Business
Action Items
1. Exemption From Audit
a. Approval
b. Signing
Schedule Next Meeting
Adjournment
Work Session
1. Bylaws Edit
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NOTICE OF CANCELLATION and CERTIFIED STATEMENT OF RESULTS

§1-13.5-513(6), 32-1-104, 1-11-103(3) C.R.S.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the White River Conservation District, Rio Blanco County, Colorado, that at the close of business on the sixty-third day before the election, there were not more candidates for director than offices to be filled, including candidates filing affidavits of intent to be write-in candidates; therefore, the election to be held on May 8, 2018 is hereby canceled pursuant to section 1-13.5-513(6) C.R.S.
The following candidates are hereby declared elected:
Neil Brennan, 4 year term until May, 2022
Gary Moyer, 4 year term until May, 2022
Designated Election Official, Tristan Nielsen
Contact Person for the District: Tristan Nielsen
Address of the District: 351 7th St. Meeker, CO 81641
Telephone Number of the District: 970-878-9838
District Email: whiterivercd@gmail.com
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Ordinance 688 (2018)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF RANGELY, COLORADO ELIMINATING AND REDUCING THE LIQUOR RELATED DISTANCE RESTRICTIONS IMPOSED BY C.R.S. 12-47-313, RELATING TO SCHOOLS AND CAMPUSES WITHIN THE TOWN

WHEREAS, Section 12-47-313, C.R.S., prohibits a local licensing authority from receiving or acting on an application for a retail liquor store license if the building in which the alcoholic beverages are sold is within five hundred feet (500') of any public or parochial school or the principal campus of any college, university or seminary; and
WHEREAS, Subsection (d)(III) of said section 313 allows the Board of Trustees of the Town of Rangely (also known as the Town Council) to eliminate or reduce said distance restrictions for liquor licenses; and
WHEREAS, the logical and practical location for liquor licenses within the Town is on or near Main Street, also known as State Highway 64; and
WHEREAS, the Town limits are small enough that existing and future schools and main campuses of a college, university or seminary might be desired to be located within five hundred feet (500') of the Town's Main Street; and
WHEREAS, due to the unique local circumstances, the Council believes that the danger of young persons and students in the Town being able to unlawfully obtain liquor from local liquor licenses is negligible; and
WHEREAS, the Council believes that the dangers that underlies the above quoted state law do not apply to the Town of Rangely, due to unique local circumstances, including the effectiveness of the Town's Police Officers; and
WHEREAS, failing to adopt this Ordinance will likely mean that the inhabitants of the Town may be unnecessarily inconvenienced from having sufficient retail liquor outlets within a reasonable walking distance; and
WHEREAS, for the foregoing reasons, the Council determines that the adoption of this Ordinance is in the best interests of the Town and its inhabitants, and does not harm the safety or interests of students within the Town; and
WHEREAS, Notice of the consideration of this Ordinance was given by publication in the Rio Blanco Herald Times newspaper on February 15th, 2018 and February 22th, 2018; and
WHEREAS, the Council held public hearings at its regular meetings at the Rangely Town Hall, 209 E. Main Street, on February 13th, 2018 and March 13th, 2018, at which time input from the public was solicited.
NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED:
1. With respect to liquor licenses located on Main Street, also known as State Highway 64, within the Town limits, there are no distance restrictions between such retail liquor licenses and any school or campus located wholly or partially within the Town limits.
READ, APPROVED AND ORDERED PUBLISHED ON FIRST READING THIS 13th DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2018 BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF RANGELY, COLORADO
/s/ Ann Brady
Ann Brady, mayor
Attest: /s/ Lisa Piering
Town Clerk
PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED ON THE SECOND READING THIS 13TH DAY OF MARCH, 2018 BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF RANGELY, COLORADO.
/s/ Andrew Shaffer
Mayor Pro Tem
Attest: /s/ Lisa Piering
Town Clerk
Published: March 22, 29 and April 5, 2018
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PUBLIC NOTICES

Meeker Cemetery District Board Meeting Agenda
April 5, 2018 @ 7pm
BOARD ROOM, 265 County Road 4
Meeker Highland Cemetery

1. Call to Order
2. Additions or changes to Agenda
3. Approval of March 1st Minutes
4. Public Input
5. OLD BUSINESS
A. Crack Seal
B. Cremins Garden/Front gate project Bid Award
6. NEW BUSINESS
A. Manager Report
B. Office Manager Report
7. Present and Approve Bills & Deeds
10. Open Board Discussions
11. Adjourn

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COMBINED NOTICE - MAILING

CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 17-24
To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust: On December 28, 2017, the undersigned Public Trustee caused the Notice of Election and Demand relating to the Deed of Trust described below to be recorded in the County of Rio Blanco records.
Original Grantor(s) Mathew C Casto and Miranda P Lee
Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for AMCAP Mortgage LTD. DBA Major Mortgage Co.
JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association
May 24, 2013
Rio Blanco
May 30, 2013
306427
\$172,448.00
\$157,498.19
Pursuant to CRS §38-38-101(4)(i), you are hereby notified that the covenants of the deed of trust have been violated as follows: failure to pay principal and interest when due together with all other payments provided for in the evidence of debt secured by the deed of trust and other violations thereof.
THE LIEN FORECLOSED MAY NOT BE A FIRST LIEN.
LOT 24 BLOCK 4 SAGEWOOD WEST SUBDIVISION ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF FILED JUNE 27, 1979 AS RECEPTION NO. 189097 TOWN OF RANGELY, COLORADO
Also known by street and number as: 881 HalfTurn Road, Rangely, CO 81648.
THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ALL OF THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY ENCUMBERED BY THE LIEN OF THE DEED OF TRUST.

NOTICE OF SALE

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, 05/02/2018, at Office of the Public Trustee, Rio Blanco County Courthouse, 555 Main Street, Meeker CO 81641, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property and all interest of the said Grantor(s), Grantor(s) heirs and assigns therein, for the purpose of paying the indebtedness provided in said Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, plus attorney's fees, the expenses of sale and other items allowed by law, and will issue to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law.
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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.

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

HAPPY 90TH BIRTHDAY
MAXCY KATSOCK
LOVE FROM SHELLY & SANDY

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

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

ATV, Boat and Snowmobile Owners! You can now renew your Colorado OHV registrations on line at www.parks.state.co.us

Rangely Victim Services

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

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, Tuesdays and Thursday, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., County Annex, 17497 State Hwy 64, Rangely. 878-9695 office, 675-2669 home.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

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

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

SAFEHOUSE

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

Alcoholics Anonymous

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

AUCTIONS

AUCTION:
Annual Spring Consignment Auction
Saturday April 14th at 9:00 a.m.,
2368 S. 1500 E.
(just off Hwy. 40)
in Vernal Utah.
Equipment of all kinds, Many Vehicles, Trucks, Trailers, Campers, ATV's, Motorcycles, Boats, Lawn & Garden items, New and Used Tools, Generators, Air Compressors, Lumber, Pipe, Tack, Camping and Fishing Items, Antiques & Collectibles, Household items, and much more! For more information or to consign to this Auction please call ZJ Auction Service, Inc. at 435-828-7424.
www.zjauction.com
38-412

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

HELP WANTED: GENERAL

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

HELP WANTED: GENERAL

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

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

HELP WANTED: PART TIME

PART-TIME teller position for Rio Blanco Schools FCU at our new location in Meeker, CO. Previous banking experience preferred, but not necessary. One day a week, every Wednesday 9:00 - 4:30. Must provide excellent customer service, process loan payments, make share deposits and withdrawals, etc. Resumes accepted through April 4th. Background check required. Rio Blanco Schools Federal Credit Union, 402 W. Main St, Suite 139, Rangely, CO. 970-675-2372. 3/22-3/29

HELP WANTED: SEASONAL

The Meeker Cemetery District is seeking seasonal non-benefited laborers. 32 hours per week. May 1st - Sept 30th. Duties include perform manual labor, grounds maintenance and mowing. Must be able to lift, pull and carry 50lbs. Experience in equipment operation and small landscaping equipment a plus. Hiring range \$16-\$18/hour DOE. Pick up an application at the Meeker Cemetery District 265 County Rd 4, Meeker M-Th 8-12pm. 3/14/12

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

LAND/LOTS

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

MISCELLANEOUS

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

RENTALS: MEEKER

2 BDR/1 BA MOBILE HOME COMPLETELY REMODELED W/NEW APPLIANCES INCLUDING W/D. ON CORNER OF 9TH & WATER. \$600 MO WHICH INCLUDES SPACE RENT. CALL 970-220-2150

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

RENTALS: MEEKER

STORAGE DEPOT 10x25 unit. 878-4808.

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

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

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

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

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

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

RENTALS: RANGELY

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

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

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

RENTALS: RANGELY

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

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

WANTED

Catering of evening meal, delivered, for 7-12 people, Oct 19-26, 2018. Call or text Ken @ 814-591-8989 or email klstraub@comcast.net

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



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

Sr. Administrative Assistant - Accounting (IRC24987)

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

SEVEN LAKES LODGE SEASONAL-SUMMER POSITIONS

Agriculture Assistant
Seasonal Full-time - 40 Hours per week/May 1
General ranch knowledge helpful; Irrigating, lawn care and maintenance, vehicle upkeep and ranch equipment maintenance (keeping guest and ranch vehicles clean, maintaining/upkeeping ranch grounds, operating lawnmowers, weed-eaters etc.), interacting with guests and assists with activities (sporting days, and other activities) as directed by Ranch Manager. Valid driver's license. Hourly pay depending on experience. May be required to work over-time and/or weekends, long hours. Heavy lifting required. Possible housing available.

Agriculture-Equestrian Assistant
Seasonal Full-time - 40 Hours per week/May 1
Regularly perform general ranch operational duties, plus equestrian duties as directed by Ranch Manager daily. Ranch duties include but not limited to: Irrigating, lawn care and maintenance, vehicle upkeep and ranch equipment maintenance (keeping guest and ranch vehicles clean, maintaining/upkeeping ranch grounds, operating lawnmowers, weed-eaters etc.), interacting with guests and assist with activities (sporting days, and other guest activities). General equestrian daily tasks include; care and grooming of animals and being accountable for maintenance of tack and supplies, interacting with guests, assisting guests and other staff on western trail rides from novice to experienced levels, providing guest lessons from general basics of riding, to experienced levels of riding for western conditions. May be required to go on pack trips days at a time. Required to operate vehicles with horse trailers with animals. Valid driver's license required. Hourly pay depending on experience. May be required to work over-time and/or weekends, long hours. Heavy lifting required. Possible housing available.

Property maintenance
Seasonal Full-time - 40 Hours per week/April 1
Knowledge of general maintenance required for high end lodge and ranch. Including but not limited to; general carpentry, operation of general maintenance tools, painting, staining, chinking, plumbing, lawn care and maintenance, and vehicle and ranch equipment maintenance. Assist maintaining grounds of lodge and ranch areas, and other duties and projects as directed by the Lodge and Ranch Managers. Valid driver's license required. Hourly pay depending on experience. May be required to work over-time and/or weekends, long hours. Heavy lifting required. Possible housing available.

Fine Dining Server
Seasonal Full-Time - 40 Hours per week/May 15
Fine dining experience required. Provide exceptional service for family and guests in a high-end, private atmosphere. Professional, but casual service for breakfast and lunch hours, with multi-course evening dinner service. Duties include but not limited to; maintenance of dining and meal prep areas, assist the chef and other team members with keeping kitchen area neat and clean as directed by Lodge Manager. Servers are required to interact with guests in a professional and polite manner, keeping all guest needs as priority continuously. Knowledge in mixology preferred. Professional attire required as directed by Lodge Manager. Hourly pay depending on experience. May be required to work over-time and split shifts. Early/evening/weekend hours required. Possible housing available.

Sous Chef-Fine Dining Server
Seasonal Full-Time - 40 Hours per week/May 15
This position is for a sous chef who also has experience in fine dining service. Duties include but not limited to; assisting the chef as needed during high guest capacity and provide exceptional fine dining service, as scheduled. Maintain dining and meal prep areas, assist the chef and other team members with keeping kitchen area neat and clean as directed. Servers are required to interact with guests in a professional and polite manner, keeping all guest needs as priority continuously. Knowledge in mixology preferred. Professional attire required as directed by Lodge Manager.

Domestic House Staff
Seasonal full-time - 40 hours per week/May 1
To provide exceptional domestic house chores for a private family and guests. Duties include but not limited to; general cleaning of a large lodge and laundry services for guests. Required to be efficient and help keep multiple buildings clean and tidy at all times. This position requires the ability to multi-task and be a team player, while keeping guest needs a priority continuously. Perform other duties as required by Lodge Manager. Hourly pay depending on experience. Shift work, weekends, and over-time may be required. Heavy lifting required. Possible housing available.



Please direct all inquiries and resumes to San@sevenlakeslodge.com. Applications can be picked up upon request.



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

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

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

ADA/EOE

MEEKER SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1

Employment Opportunities

Meeker School District

- Part Time Grounds/Maintenance
- Barone Middle School
- 6th Grade Teacher
- 7th Grade Math Teacher

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

970-878-9040

RECREATION & PARK DISTRICT
Meeker, Colorado

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Full Time Positions

Parks & Maintenance Supervisor

- Benefits
- Two years supervisory experience
- Two years in a public agency

Seasonal Positions

Park Laborers

- April 1st - September 30th
- Seasonal Lifeguards (2)**
- May 1st - September 30th
- Seasonal Recreation Assistants (2)**
- May 1st - September 30th

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

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PIONEERS MEDICAL CENTER

A community oriented medical center with high patient standards, is hiring for the following positions:

PRN:

- RN - Acute/ED
- RN or LPN - LTC
- Certified Nursing Assistant - LTC
- Food Service Tech

FULL-TIME: (eligible for benefits & sign-on bonus):

- LPN or RN - Wing LTC
- RN - Acute/ED - Nights
- Occupational Therapist
- Medical Laboratory MLT or MLS

FULL-TIME: (eligible for benefits):

- Compliance/Risk/HIPAA Privacy Officer
- Cook/Food Service Tech
- Certified Nursing Assistant - Nights - LTC

PART-TIME: (eligible for benefits):

- Pharmacy Tech
- Ortho Medical Assistant

Submit Resume and/or Application to: Pioneers Medical Center, HR, 100 Pioneers Medical Center Dr., Meeker, Colo., 81641
Visit our Website at: www.pioneershospital.org

Pioneers Medical Center
Phone: (970) 878-6247 Fax: (970) 878-2285
Medical Center 100 Pioneers Medical Center Dr., Meeker, CO 81641
Eastern Rio Blanco County Health Service District

PUZZLE ANSWERS

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