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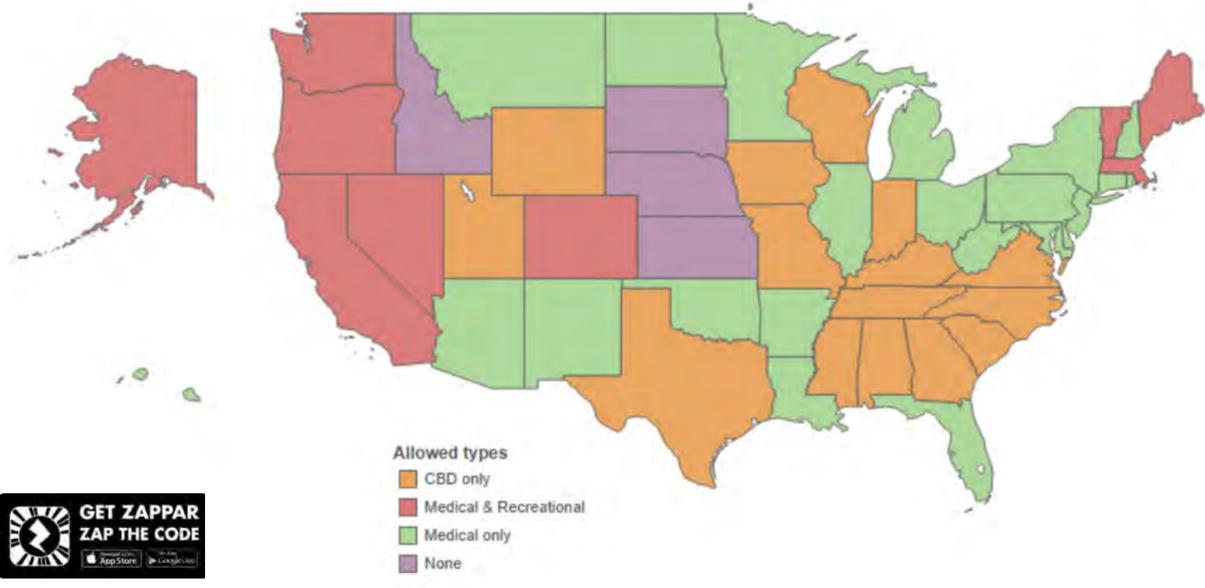
"Better a witty fool than a foolish wit."

~William Shakespeare

April Fool's Day
Monday, April 1



State marijuana legalization status, 2018



Cannabis and cannabis products have been legalized in all but four states since 2000, and officials are looking for ways to determine societal impacts and create strategies to manage them. Download the free Zappar app and scan the code to see how the cannabis landscape has changed during the last 20 years.

The social impact of legal cannabis

By ROXIE FROMANG
Special to the Herald Times

HOW HAS CANNABIS IMPACTED THE CRIME RATE IN COLORADO?

The authors of this review reported that the total number of marijuana arrests fell 52 percent between the years 2012 and 2017. In Denver, marijuana arrests fell 81 percent over this same period of time. The percentage of Colorado adults reporting marijuana use increased from 13.6 percent in 2014 to 15.5 percent in 2017. Fifteen percent of DUI arrests in 2017 involved cannabis versus 12 percent in 2014. However, authors cautioned that this uptick may be partially due to "an increase in the number of law enforcement officers who are trained in recognizing drug use," rather than as a result of any changes in driving behavior. According to CDOT, the number of fatalities in which a driver tested positive for Delta-9 THC at or above the 5.0 ng/mL level declined

from 52 (13 percent of all fatalities) in 2016 to 35 in 2017 (8 percent of all fatalities).

Locally, interim Rangely Police Chief Ti Hamblin reports that DUIs have increased in the Rangely area for cannabinoid-only or cannabinoid-in-combination positive drivers since legalization. Meeker Police Chief Phil Stubblefield reports slight increases in DUIs. Stubblefield says that "legalization has made it more difficult to search for illegal narcotics such as methamphetamine that are commonly transported with cannabis."

Statewide, the number of fatalities with cannabinoid-only or cannabinoid-in-combination positive drivers increased 153 percent, from 55 in 2013 to 139 in 2017. About 10 percent of people in treatment for a DUI self-reported marijuana as their primary drug of abuse, compared to 86 percent who report alcohol as

their primary drug of abuse. The 9th Judicial District reported marijuana related charges went from 484 in 2008 to 175 in 2017, the biggest factor being adult possession charges which dropped from 261 in 2008 to 9 in 2017. Minor possession charges, however, rose districtwide from zero cases in 2008 to 295 in 2017.

The report also includes some jarring statistics about illegal and black market cannabis activity. Criminal cultivations on public land in Colorado and the amount of illegal marijuana seized from such operations increased despite hopes of lawmakers and advocates of legalization. More than 10,350 pounds of illegal cannabis were seized by Colorado law enforcement in 2017; nearly double the 5,145 pounds seized in 2016. The diversion to other states has posed problems for law

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Rangely trustees take another look at marijuana

By BRITTNY CAMPOS
Special to the Herald Times

RANGELY Crossing Rangely's Main Street is hazardous, according to a White River Village resident who spoke to the Rangely Board of Trustees at the March 26 meeting. The resident, who rides a scooter, said he has had a couple close calls on the highway and asked about installing caution lights or some kind of warning at the crosswalks.

Mayor Andy Shaffer said the town has been working with the Colorado Department of Transportation to add "bump-outs" and some flashing signs to create visual alerts for drivers.

Interim Police Chief Ty Hamblin said crosswalks are legally treated like school bus stops—if vehicles don't stop for pedestrians, drivers can be ticketed, as pedestrians have the right-of-way. Hamblin and

Town Manager Lisa Piering are taking action to further educate the public in proper crosswalk etiquette. Hamblin is also researching grants to purchase a new portable speed trailer to alert drivers of their real-time speeds.

The marijuana debate returned to the table Tuesday, as "a few" retail marijuana operations have asked about opening stores in Rangely. In 2013 the Town approved Ordinance 682 prohibiting the operation of marijuana cultivation facilities, marijuana product manufacturing facilities, marijuana testing facilities and retail marijuana stores. Citizens can petition the board to change the ordinance, or the board can vote to change it.

Hamblin said he has contacted Parachute Chief of Police Sam Stewart regarding the impact of recreational marijuana stores in Parachute. According to Stewart, the pros of having the marijuana stores

in town are that they comply with all regulations; are great to work with since they have great security and well-maintained buildings; and the companies donate time and money to the community. The cons include increases in homelessness and drug-related crimes, increased accessibility by children, and that the businesses are not locally owned. Stewart believes the issue should be brought to the voters.

Hamblin's biggest concerns are "how much easier is it going to be for somebody who wouldn't normally have access to it [marijuana] and how it's going to affect our youth."

The board did not come to a decision and will continue to research the issue.

A human trafficking awareness trailer will be coming to Rangely April 29-30 to educate the community on the dangers of human trafficking. It will be at the high school and junior high for one

day for students to learn how to stay safe as well as recognize the signs of someone who might be a victim of human trafficking. Colorado Northwestern Community College and the Rangely Police Department asked the board for \$700 in funding to place the trailer at the CNCC campus another day and on Main Street for a small amount of time. Trustees approved the request.

The CNCC Flight Team asked for support to attend the National Intercollegiate Flying Association (NIFA) competition. CNCC has qualified for nationals five times in the last 10 years and took second place to the Air Force Academy. CNCC is the only two year college in the region. The team is trying to raise \$25,000 to help with lodging, food, aircraft rental, registration and travel for the upcoming competition. The board agreed to donate \$1,000 to the CNCC Flight Team.

COUNTY BEAT

State legislation, wolf reintroduction, water regulation outlook 'depressing'

By NIKI TURNER
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RBC "Depressing." That's how RBC Commissioners describe legislation underway at the state capitol.

Commission Chair Jeff Rector said he testified on Senate Bill 181 again last week in another 10 hour session. Proponents of the energy industry, and counties dependent on oil and gas tax revenue, believe the bill—as written—will effectively shut down energy development in the state.

"There was some good testimony on both sides," Rector said. "There's some good stuff in it that's applicable to the Front Range, with the stuff they're dealing with with wells close to houses. but we still don't know what the final draft is. Hopefully we got some verbiage changed in it," he said, later adding, "It's a tough place at the capitol right now."

Rector also said the four largest producers have rewritten their 2019 budgets and pulled \$350 million out of Western Colorado.

"In 2018 state gave back \$16 million in severance taxes to counties; the total FML [federal mineral lease] received was \$86.9 million. They gave back \$18.7 million, about 21 percent, to all counties, municipalities, we receive 1.5 percent of that," said RBC Finance Director Janae Stansworth.

"There's a lot of people in western Colorado that believe the same way as people on the Front Range. It was probably a 60-40 split," Rector said. "I would love for industry to put some of the money they spend to fight this to be proactive and put some educational information out there."

Commissioner Si Woodruff said the same was true at a daylong program about reintroduction of wolves to Colorado he attended in Rifle last week. The class was presented by Defenders of Wildlife, a national non-profit whose stated mission "is dedicated to the protection of all native animals and plants in their natural communities."

Woodruff said presenters included a "pool rider" for 31 Alberta, Canada, cattle ranches, a rancher near Yellowstone, and a former wildlife services trapper. The ranch representatives said when they quit fighting the wolves and "taught the cows" to stay in the herd and not be scattered, livestock losses to wolves dropped to less than 1/2 percent. The former trapper said hunter success rates in the states where he worked are still just as high, although he didn't say the number of hunters is still at the same level.

"I don't want to say I don't believe them," Woodruff said, "But I don't believe them."

Commissioner Gary Moyer and Woodruff, and Economic Development Director Makala Barton attended an Associated Governments of Northwest Colorado (AGNC) meeting in Glenwood Springs last week.

One of the presentations came

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~ Commissioner Jeff Rector
on Senate Bill 181

from the Colorado River District about "demand management," a potential plan to make sure Lake Powell and Lake Mead have enough water to "keep the turbines running," in the event of severe drought conditions, Moyer explained. The proposal differs from a "call" on water rights in that it would be voluntary, compensated and acknowledged.

In other water-related news, Moyer explained aspects of the Waters of the U.S. Act, and said Colorado's new Attorney General, Phil Weiser, has withdrawn the state from a lawsuit that provided a stay of "Draconian" regulations while specific definitions are developed. The original act gave the Environmental Protection Agency and Army Corps of Engineers jurisdiction over "navigable waters" in the U.S., without clearly defining "navigable."

In work sessions Monday in Meeker the board:

■ Discussed to possibility of County Planner Rachel Gates and Public Health Director Julie Drake collaborating on emergency preparedness.

"Planning in a general term is all land use," Gates said. "Within our community I could be helpful in the meantime to work with other departments."

■ Heard from Department of Human Services Director Barb Bofinger about plans for the White River Roundup and continued high levels of referrals for child welfare. There were 13 referrals in February. A dearth of nonprofit entities and a shortage of substance abuse treatment are part of the problem, according to casework supervisor Michelle Reese. "Substance abuse should be a hot topic," Reese said. "It's a community issue."

■ Drake introduced new Public Health Nurse Alice Harvey, who starts work today. Drake's department is working on a federal grant that will "drill down" and figure out where the substance abuse problems are in RBC. Her department is also working with Providence Recovery Services, which will provide a local treatment facility in Craig.

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Sunday: 40s/20s Sunny



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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

■ **March Business of the Month: Outfitters Diner.** Open house Friday, March 29, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Stop in to say hi, enjoy appetizers and dessert and enter to win \$50 in Chamber Bucks and a \$50 certificate to Outfitters Diner. 173 First Street, Meeker. 970-878-9956

■ **Fair Board Meeting** March 28 at 6 p.m., Rangely Annex Building

■ **Interested in learning Mah-jongg?** Come join us at Meeker Public Library Thursday evenings through the month of April. 6:30 to 8 p.m.

■ **Projects in Grocery Sacks** April 5, 1-4 p.m. at Meeker Recreation Center. Grab your crochet hooks and yarn and join us for an afternoon of crocheting and conversations. ERBM Recreation and Park District. 970-878-3403.

■ **Father Daughter Ball** 7-9 p.m. at the Fairfield Center. Fathers and daughters of all ages, join us for our annual ball! Register at 970-878-3403 by April 5 for \$7 or pay \$10 at the door. This year's theme is denim and diamonds. ERBM Recreation & Park District 970-878-3403.

■ **Warrior at Heart men's prayer group.** Thursdays from 5:45 to 7 a.m. at the Meeker VFW. Non-denominational and non-doctrinal. www.waheart.com

■ **Tiny Open Gym** Tuesdays from 10 to 11 a.m. at the Admin Gym. Bring your one to four year olds to this free open gym to burn off some energy. A gym supervisor will be present, but will not lead organized activities. Max three children per parent/caregiver. ERBM Recreation

and Park District 970-878-3403.

■ **Art On A Kart Master the Masters.** Mark your calendar for the third Thursday of each month. Invite your friends and hone your creativity and painting skills with an evening of art and friendship. Canvas, paint, drawing and painting techniques are included. \$30 per person. This month's Master the Masters will be "The Kiss" by Klimt on March 21 at 6 p.m. in the Meeker Coworking Space. Call or text Liz Waters 970-274-3794 to confirm or ask questions.

■ **Crafts class** for middle school through high school teens. Every Friday at 1 p.m. at the Meeker Public Library. March's class will be jewelry. Space is limited to 10 participants. Call 878-5911 or drop by to sign up.

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

■ **Meeker Lions Club** meets every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at 290 Fourth St. New members are always welcome. It's a great way to give back to the community and spend time with a fun group of people.

■ **Rangely Community Resource Pantry Winter Hours:** Mondays from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m., Thursdays from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and the first and third Saturday of the month from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

■ **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.

■ **Gentleman's Group** meeting every Tuesday at 9 a.m. at the Meeker Recreation Center lounge. Adults 55+, stop by for refreshments and conversation. ERBM Recreation & Park District 970-878-3403.

■ **Celebrate Recovery** meetings every Friday from 6 to 8 p.m. at Meeker Assembly, Fourth and Market Street. Meeker Council of Churches.

■ **The Meeker Library Book Club** will meet Monday, Apr. 8 at 1 p.m. to discuss "A Lady's Life in the Rocky Mountains" by Isabella Bird. All interested readers are welcome to join in the fun. Stop by the Meeker Library for details.

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

■ **Game Day** for adults 55+ on Wednesdays at 9 a.m. in the Meeker Recreation Center lounge. Stop by for refreshment, conversation and a game of cards.

■ **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.

■ **Free Adult Open Gym Volleyball** (18+): Tuesday at MES gym. 7:30-9 p.m. through May 14. ERBM Recreation and Park District. Call 878-3403 for details.

■ **Free Adult Open Gym Basketball** (18+): Wednesdays at MES gym. 7:30-9 p.m. through May 15. ERBM Recreation and Park District. Call 878-3403 for details.

■ **Free Teen Open Gym Basketball** (7th to 12th grade): Thursdays at MHS Gym. 6:30-8 p.m. through May 16. ERBM Recreation and Park District. Call 878-3403 for details.

■ **Free Youth Open Gym Basketball** (K through 6th grade): Thursdays at MES Gym. 1-2:30 p.m. through April 19. Youth under eight must have a parent/caregiver 13 or older present. ERBM Recreation and Park District. Call 878-3403 for details.

■ **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.

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

■ **Tootsie Care Day** has joined with Pioneers Hospital Home Health Foot Clinic. To help reduce confusion, Vicki will be at MVCC on the 2nd Wednesday of each month, to trim toenails of anyone who has trouble with the task. Please call PMC Home Health 970-878-9265 to schedule an appointment. Thank you.

Email events by 5 p.m. Monday to calendar@ht1885.com

COMMISSIONERS: continued

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■ Drake said they had "one near miss" in retail food inspections, but the business was able to address concerns and pass inspection.

■ A rabies scare surrounding a cat that bit a human in Rangely uncovered "holes" in the Colorado Department of Health and Environment's courier system. Drake said she'd been assured Rangely was included in the testing system, but "we tested their system and it has a lot of holes in it."

■ This year's tobacco grant will focus on prevention, not cessation, and plans to target the rodeo and Range Call.

■ Drake added her department is "significantly below budget."

REGULAR MEETING

■ The board rescinded a letter to the Colorado Senate in opposition to SB 181. "Not that we don't still oppose it, we do," Moyer said. The bill passed the Senate March 13, before the letter was prepared.

■ Approved a letter to President Trump in support of David Bernhardt's nomination as Secretary of the Interior. Bernhardt, 49, is a Rifle native, an attorney, oil industry lobbyist and government administrator. According to Wikipedia, his activity in Colorado politics started when he was 16 and made his case before the Rifle City Council to not levy taxes on arcade games at a teen center he was starting. Opponents to his nomination cite his activities as a lobbyist for extraction and agriculture as reasons he should not be confirmed.

■ Opened bids for the 2019 crackfill bid which will be awarded at the next meeting.

■ Awarded bids totaling \$358,005 for weed and pest spraying.

■ Approved the Project THOR Meet Me Center Host Agreement for a monthly cost of \$6,160 and a non-recurring cost after DOLA funding not to exceed \$56,337.

■ Approved an agreement with Stewart Welding for the construction of 16 secondary tower broadband platforms, \$67,170.

■ Approved a Memorandum of Understanding that will ensure Rio Blanco County's participation with the the Colorado, Utah and Wyoming Energy Offices and the Ute Indian Tribe to establish the Western States and Tribal Nations Natural Gas Initiative. According to Commissioner Rector, Colorado is about to remove itself from the initiative. The board authorized payment to Colorado Mesa University Foundation for the Western States and Tribal Nations Advocacy Sponsorship for \$5,000 as part of the MOU. Mesa, Moffat and Garfield counties have also signed on.

■ Approved Resolution 2019-06 which authorizes the Rio Blanco County Sheriff's Office to enact or rescind fire bands in unincorporated areas of Rio Blanco County without having to convene a meeting of the Board of County Commissioners. Sheriff Anthony Mazzola thanked the commissioners.

The next meeting of the Rio Blanco County Board of Commissioners will be in Meeker on April 8.

Simonsen named to Dean's Freshman Honor Roll at University of Wyoming

MEEKER | Natalie E. Simonsen is one of 447 Colorado students on the 2018 fall semester academic Dean's Freshman Honor Roll at the University of Wyoming in Laramie. The honor roll consist of regularly enrolled freshmen who have earned a 3.25 or better grade-point average. To be eligible, students must have been enrolled for a minimum of 12 credit hours taken for letter grades.

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Spring has arrived in full force this week, complete with warm weather, skyrocketing pollen counts and adorable creatures galore. (It's probably a good time to take down those Christmas lights, too.) Check out page 6A for an interview with Blanco Ranger District's Mary Cunningham on tips and tricks for a great birdwatching experience and be on the lookout for other furry friends as they search for sustenance after a long and snowy winter. CAITLIN WALKER PHOTOS

NEWS BRIEFS

Beware of WREA payment scam calls

MEEKER | Please be advised that someone claiming to be from WREA is calling members demanding payment for alleged delinquent electric bills and threatening to disconnect power if the bill isn't paid immediately. This is a scam. WREA will not terminate service for delinquent accounts without proper notice and will never demand immediate payment via phone. If you receive a call from someone claiming to represent WREA and he/she is demanding payment via phone, we recommend that you hang up immediately and call WREA at 970-878-5041 to report the call. We will continue to be proactive in our fight and thank all of our WREA members who have already outsmarted the scammers by hanging up on them. Please share this information with family and friends so that we can work together to stop this nonsense.

Wagon Wheel OHV Club meeting Apr. 3

MEEKER | Wagon Wheel OHV Club will meet Wednesday, Apr. 3 at 7 p.m. at Kilowatt Korner in Meeker. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Attend a Range Call board meeting

MEEKER | Be a part of one of meeker's oldest celebrations: Range Call. Board meetings are held every third Thursday at 7 p.m. at Mexican House. Next meeting: April 18.

Fairfield grants now available

MEEKER | The deadline for Freeman E. Fairfield semi-annual grant applications will be 5 p.m., Monday, April 1, 2019. 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 April 1, 2019.

Job happiness and resilience workshop

RBC | Improve productivity and office culture by understanding character strengths, positive coping skills and resiliency. Free workshop offered by RBC Economic Development, Colorado Workforce, Mind Springs Health and Colorado SBDC on Wednesday, April 3 at the Meeker Public Library from 8-9:30 a.m. and in Rangely at Rangely Town Hall from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Email makala.barton@rbc.us or call 878-9582 to RSVP.

YVCF accepting scholarship applications

RBC | The Yampa Valley Community Foundation is now accepting online applications for 2018 scholarships. YVCF administers the Kenny Corriveau Trade Scholarship that is awarded to applicants in Routt, Moffat and Rio Blanco counties for the purpose of advancing education in the trades. This scholarship is available to individuals ages 17-25 to attend a trade, college or university institution. The Yampa Valley Community Foundation awarded \$183,650 in 161 scholarships for the 2017-18 school year that assisted Yampa Valley students seeking both technical and 4-year degrees. For additional details and to apply, visit: <https://yvcf.org/kenny>. The deadline to apply is 4 p.m. April 6. Email scholarships@yvcf.org with any questions.

Human trafficking awareness campaign

RBC | A human trafficking awareness campaign is coming to Rio Blanco County in April, with events in Meeker on April 27-28 and in Rangely on April 29-30. The campaign's intention is to provide information and educate the public, particularly young people, about what human trafficking is, its prevalence and how to avoid it. For more information and how you can help support this community awareness endeavor, contact Nancy Amick at jdnamick@gmail.com or call 878-4460.

Register now for Caregiver Conference

RBC | Are you a caregiver? Register now for the 11th annual Caregiver Conference June 11, 2019, from 8:15 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Glenwood Springs High School for a lineup of speakers, free lunch, pampering and vendors. The conference is open to all, including family caregivers, spousal caregivers, children caring for their aging parents, volunteers, adult day program staff, non-medical caregivers, dementia caregivers, assisted living staff, counselors, support group members, RNs, LPNs, CNAs, MSWs and more. RSVP by May 31 to 2019ColoradoCaregiverConference.eventbrite.com or call 970-665-0041.

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EDITOR'S COLUMN...

"You learn nothing from life if you think you're right all the time"

By **NIKI TURNER**
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I don't know who said it, and it really doesn't matter. We all tend to live in our own little filter bubbles, accepting only input that agrees with our preconceived notions and past experiences. In addition, we're now deluged with so much information we tend to make snap judgments based on what we think we know instead of listening and researching and making an effort to see both sides of a story.

I'll use my own industry as an example: A recent poll published by the Columbia Journalism Review said 60 percent of respondents believe reporters are paid by their sources. After I stopped laugh-crying at this foolishness, I wondered what other kinds of crazy things we believe about other businesses.

If you haven't worked in or managed a restaurant how much do you know about the restaurant business?

I once made a comment about the high cost of healthcare being caused by doctors getting paid too much to a doctor's wife. She set me straight pretty quick.

A discussion a few weeks back with Meeker Drugs owner Diana Jones enlightened me to how a local pharmacy conducts business.

We could have those conversations with anyone, in

any business, and learn something. If you haven't been personally involved in a particular industry, you probably don't comprehend its inner workings.

That line of thought came up during public discussion at the end of the commissioners' meeting Monday about how the energy industry has fallen short in telling their own

story. In many cases, that has led to misinformation and misconceptions.

Think about it, those poll respondents who think reporters get paid by their sources had to hear that somewhere, right? And while there probably are a handful of unscrupulous reporters out there who've been paid off by a source to write a story a particular way, it's certainly not 60 percent.

What have we heard or been told about other industries that we've assumed is true without ever opening a line of honest communication with someone who actually works in that industry, whatever it might be?

Try this experiment: Think of a particular industry you like to bash and complain about. It might be the high cost of gas or the post office. Then, instead of complaining, go talk to someone who actually works in

that industry and ask them why things are the way they are. Talk to them in person, not on social media. Better yet, talk to several people. You might be pleasantly surprised.

Here's a scary question: how many of our legislators and lawmakers are operating on misleading assumptions as they make decisions that affect us all? Too many, I think.



Spring (whatever that means around here) has

officially sprung. This year it returned with an unwelcome guest again: allergies. I've been fortunate to suffer from few allergies most of my life, but in the last few years, they've gotten progressively more annoying.

After my 15th consecutive sneeze Monday night, I looked up the allergy index at pollen.com, thinking, "Nothing is blooming yet, what's there to be allergic to?" How wrong I was. As it turns out, the allergy index here this week is high, thanks primarily to elm, poplar and juniper trees.

Has anyone sneezed themselves to death?

DAYS GONE BY

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■ George Witter has been appointed undersheriff, vice Stuart Edgar resigned.

■ Deputy Game Wardens Cardnell and Moody were arrivals on Tuesday's stage, and a general shaking up was the result of their trip. At their instance Ed. Sanderson was arraigned before Justice Burnham Wednesday on the charge of buying and shipping deer hides, and it cost Sandy \$25. The wardens are on the trail of other offenders in this section.

The Meeker Herald
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■ The mail has been getting in late of evenings during the past two weeks, due to the very bad roads. Better times will be made from now on.

■ Colin Smith had the misfortune to have his horse fall with him last Sunday and sustained a slight rupture which will keep him indoors for a few weeks. Dr. Farthing is attending to him.

■ Noel Chapin, who returned from naval service some time ago, has been teaching the upper Coal Creek school.

The Meeker Herald
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■ Jere Taylor, John Eliason, Steve Overton and Calvin Peters were participants in the FFA shop contest held in Rifle, Monday. As a team, Steve Overton and Jere Taylor received a superior rating and placed first in team standings. Jere received 2 superiors and an excellent overall; John received 2 superiors; Steve received 3 superiors and a superior overall; and Calvin received 2 superiors.

■ M.A. Fredericks Real Estate of Meeker this week announced the completion of a real estate purchase by John J. and Vivian Terlep of Pueblo who purchased the O.M. Hegwer place 28 east of Meeker on the White River. The new owners plan to spend part of the summer at their newly purchased property.

■ The four Colony venture partners have agreed to a \$12.5 million operation and field program aimed at commercial shale production. The semi-works plant on Parachute Creek will be de-activated for the next four to six months while engineering and a major revision are completed. The plant is expected to be in operation again within seven to 10 months. Meanwhile, employees of the Oil Shale Corp., which has operated the plant for the last two years, are being transferred to the company's headquarters at Rocky Flats near Denver.

The Meeker Herald
25 years ago

■ Lynette Anderson, 17 of Boise, Idaho, received slight cuts on her feet and a passenger, Phylis Moody 16, of Boise, Idaho, received lacerations to her ankle as the result of an accident a half mile west of Blue Mountain at about 8 p.m. on March 4. According to the Colorado State Patrol, Miss Anderson was driving a 1954 Buick east on U.S. 40 when the vehicle went off the road to the left sideways, skidded 30 feet and rolled over one

time. The vehicle received damages estimated at \$200. Patrolman Eldon Hartley investigated the accident. After being advised by Idaho authorities Sheriff Dean Lawton and Patrol Sgt. Leland Acre obtained a search warrant and later located about eight ounces of marijuana beneath the front seat of the vehicle.

■ Stubblefield announces candidacy for Sheriff. "I enjoy working with and teaching children, I implemented the 'Officer Friendly Program' here in Meeker, I teach the D.A.R.E. class to the fifth grade. I have been a Cub Scout leader the last 10 years and I serve as chairman for the Recreation District Board. I also hold a degree in law enforcement. My most satisfying case of 1993 was the investigation and arrest of a man for abuse of the elderly. I will not tolerate anyone who takes advantage of the elderly, physically or financially."

Rangely Times
50 years ago

■ William Morrow & Co., N.Y., announced this week publication of THE PIXY AND THE LAZY HOUSEWIFE, written by Mary Calhoun (Mrs. Leon Wilkins) of Rangely. In the past 10 years she has had more than a dozen books published, including THE GOBLIN UNDER THE STAIRS (1968), THE LAST TWO ELVES IN DENMARK (1968), THE RUNAWAY BROWNIE (1967), THE THIEVING DWARFS (1967) and HIGH WIND FOR KANSAS (1965). In the latest book, a household sprite, the teasing pixy of Devon, was said to be a hard worker but a torment to the lazy housewife. In this lighthearted tale, illustrated by Janet McCaffery, Mary Calhoun has imagined a classic confrontation between devilish Willy Tatters, the leader of the pixies and Old Bess, the laziest housewife in all of Devon.

■ The Dinosaur TOPS Club had a meeting on March 10. No one had to take "Petunia" the pig home, as every member lost weight this week. Elva Jean Murry was crowned queen this week, with the most weight loss. A 10-week bowling contest was won by the team of Evelyn Jones, Marge Miller, Doris Murry, Elva Jean Murry, Carol Murry and Susie Lancaster.

■ Cutter Association at the track north of Rio Blanco Avenue and were watched by a large crowd. Plans have been announced for continuing the races each week with kid chariot races scheduled for next Sunday, starting at 2 p.m.

Rangely Times
25 years ago

■ The newly formed Rio Blanco County area Crime Stoppers is seeking a person wanting to serve on its board of directors. The local Crime Stoppers chapter will help assist law enforcement agencies by providing cash rewards for those with information that could lead to an arrest or conviction of someone perpetrating a crime.

■ The Rising Star Riders, a family saddle club in Vernal, Utah, is once again pleased to host Richard Shrake. Shrake, the internationally known horseman and highly respected trainer, instructor, lecturer and judge from Sunriver, Ore., will be teaching a three day colt breaking and riding clinic and workshop.

■ Air Force Airman Cimarron J. Reeves has graduated from Air Force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio. During the six weeks of training the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization and customs and received special training in human relations.

MILLENNIAL MUSINGS

Embrace the messiness of change

By **CAITLIN WALKER**
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MEEKER I All of a sudden, spring is everywhere. It's in the buds on the trees and the anthills popping up along the street. It's in the first bright green shoots of soft baby grass, the birdsong in the air and my blindingly white Irish legs that haven't seen sunshine since last September. (Although they only get slightly less blinding in the summer time.)

Spring is also all over my house. Having four kids, you learn to live with an ungodly amount of messiness and lower your expectations accordingly or you'll go insane, but when the temperature rises enough for them to be outside in the backyard doing who-knows-what for hours on end, the mess intensifies. Mud. Rocks. Dirt. Sticks! More mud. More rocks. More sticks. On my kitchen floor. In my dishwasher (no joke). All over everything and everyone.

I've seriously considered calling it quits on the whole house cleaning thing during these months, but as with

most things, there's a life lesson buried in the disaster that is my house. As I was sweeping up yet another ridiculously large pile of dirt, Legos, socks (why, children, why?) and other miscellany, it got me thinking about how incredibly messy change is. As humans, we crave that drab to fab, "ta-dah!" moment, but we often forget about all the demolition and reconstruction that has to occur for that to happen.

As we jump headlong into the sunshine of summer, let's consider the areas of our lives that are still in change-mode, and adjust expectations accordingly. "Embrace the glorious mess that you are," author Elizabeth Gilbert says.

As the saying goes, the road to success is never a straight line.

And apparently the road to a clean house is a roundabout with no exit. Send help.



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OBITUARIES

DEATH NOTICE

Stanley Whitehawk McCook, 40, of Meeker, Colo., formerly of Randlett, Utah, husband of Kelly Ramsey McCook, passed away on Thursday, March 21, 2019, in Colorado. Funeral services are pending.

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Michael Lee Garcia
Nov. 4, 1978 ~ March 16, 2019

Michael Lee Garcia, 40, passed away in Salt Lake City, Utah, on March 16, 2019, with his family at his side. Mike was born on Nov. 4, 1978, in Ponca City, Okla., to Paula Sell and Ross Garcia. Mike married Chara Blakley Garcia on July 15, 2000, in Dinosaur, Colo. They have two children Trinity and Evan.

Mike enjoyed hunting, fishing, trucks and cars, hiking, boating, camping, hanging out with family and friends, working in the oil and gas industry, and helping people. Mike loved his family and friends. He served as a city council member in Dinosaur, Colo. Mike is a member of Ashley Valley Calvary Chapel and is a born-again Christian.

Mike is survived by his wife Chara, children Trinity and Evan, and mother Paula Sell.

Mike is preceded in death by his father Ross Garcia, sister Maria Blakley, grandpa Sell, aunt Pam Sell, stepfather John Sell and

half-brother Mark.

Funeral services were held Friday, March 22, 2019, at 11 a.m. at the Uintah Conference Center (313 East 200 South). A viewing for family and friends was held Thursday at the Phillips Ashley Valley Funeral Home from 6-8 p.m. and Friday from 9-10:45 a.m. at the Uintah Conference Center. Interment was in the Vernal Memorial Park under the care and direction of the Phillips Ashley Valley Funeral Home.

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The Meaning of Faith
By Dr. J. D. Watson
Pastor-Teacher, Grace Bible Church



Dr. J.D. Watson

Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. (Heb. 11:1)

PROBABLY the best way to describe [the] concept of modern theology is to say that it is faith in faith, rather than faith directed to an object which is actually there," Francis Schaeffer wrote. "Modern man cannot talk about the object of his faith, only about the faith itself. . . . [It] turns inward. In Christianity the value of faith depends upon the object towards which the faith is directed."

Sadly, what has occurred since Schaeffer penned those words in 1968 is that the modern view of faith has taken over much of Christianity. We often hear such statements as "my faith," or "my faith helped me," or "I was so troubled that I lost my faith." Faith, then, is made to be its own object. But without an object, the entire concept of **faith** is incomplete and meaningless. What, then, is faith?

First, we must understand the *foundational definition* of faith. As we have noted before, **faith** is not nebulous, not mere mental assent. The Greek verb *pisteuō*, as well as the noun *pistis* that appears here, is very specific. They not only speak of trusting in and being firmly persuaded of something but also implicitly carry the idea of being committed to and obeying something. The crucial element of faith, then, is not the *act*, but the *object*.

Second, our text goes far deeper into a *fuller description* of faith. While a little awkward in English, *Young's Literal Translation* (YLT, 1898) renders our text well: "And faith is of things hoped for a confidence, of matters not seen a conviction." This provides us our two-fold portrait.

(1) Faith involves *confidence*. **Substance** is *hypostasis*, which refers to that which stands under something else, that is, the foundation of something, the true essence and substance of it. Here, then, it describes the foundation, the very essence of faith as an absolute confidence that while we can't see something, we still know it's real and that it's ours. Faith is not "blind optimism" or "a leap into the dark" as many like to describe it. It is rather "a step into the light" because it is based upon the promise of God. True faith is living in a confidence that is so real that it gives absolute assurance. This is what we see in each of our "champions." They rested on the promises of God and lived in absolute confidence.

(2) Faith also includes *conviction*. This carries the previous thought one step deeper. **Evidence** (*elencho*) simply means proof or persuasion, which also implies a response, an outward demonstration of the inward confidence. What is our proof? Not our faith, rather what God says, which we trust in implicitly and act upon immediately. As was true of each of our "champions," it is such faith that drives our service. So, putting it together, faith is *supreme confidence* in what God says and *settled conviction* that it will come to pass.

Scriptures for Study: What do these verses tell us about faith: Romans 8:24-25; 2 Corinthians 4:18; 1 Peter 1:8?

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CANNABIS: weighing effects on youth, healthcare

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enforcement as well. The Colorado Information Analysis Center (CIAC), located in the Department of Public Safety, compiled data from the El Paso Intelligence Center (EPIC), and manages a database in which law enforcement agencies can voluntarily report drug seizures. The number of seizures for Colorado-sourced marijuana reported to EPIC increased from 286 in 2012 to 608 in 2017.

■ HOW HAS CANNABIS IMPACTED THE YOUTH IN COLORADO?

The impact that cannabis would have on the youth of our state was a huge factor for groups on both sides of the legalization debate. Data on youth marijuana use was available from two sources. The Healthy Kids Colorado Survey (HKCS) surveyed 47,146 high school and 6,704 middle school students in 2017 and the National Survey on Drug Use and Health (NSDUH) had about 512 respondents in 2015/2016. The HKCS results indicate no significant change in past 30-day use of marijuana between 2013 (19.7 percent) and 2017 (19.4 percent). Also in 2017 the use rates were not different from the national 30-day use rates reported by the Youth Risk Behavior Survey. 19.4 percent of Colorado high school students reported using marijuana in the past 30 days compared to 19.8 percent of high school students nationally. The 2017 HKCS found that marijuana use increases by grade level, with 11.0 percent of 9th graders, 17.7 percent of 10th graders, 23.7 percent of 11th graders, and 25.7 percent of 12th graders reporting use in the past 30 days. The 2015/2016 report from NSDUH had a much smaller number of respondents compared to HKCS. Their report indicated an increase in youth use from 2006/2007 at 9.1 percent and 2013/2014 to 12.6 percent. However the last two years showed decreased use with 9.1 percent reporting use in 2015/2016. The NSDUH showed that youth use of marijuana in Colorado (9.1 percent) was above the national average of 6.8 percent. In terms of juvenile marijuana arrests the numbers are encouraging. The rate per 100,000 decreased from 583 in 2012 to 453 in 2017, a 22 percent decrease.

Rangely Police Department reports that they have had a dozen minor-in-possession cases each year and that number has not been affected by the legalization of cannabis. Meeker Police Department reports an increase in school referrals related to marijuana and calls of minors taking marijuana that belonged to their parent or guardians.

Statewide the number of white juvenile arrests decreased from 2,146 in 2012 to 1,703 in 2017 (-21 percent). The number of Hispanic juvenile arrests decreased from 767 in 2012 to 733 in 2017 (-4 percent). The number of black juvenile arrests decreased from 202 in 2012 to 172 in 2017 (-15 percent). In spite of the juvenile arrests decreasing, school discipline data for 2017-2018 indicated that marijuana accounted for 22 percent of all expulsions and 24 percent of all law enforcement referrals in Colorado public schools.

Graduation rates are up and drop-out rates are down since 2012. The graduation rate rose steadily from a 10-year low point of 72 percent in the 2009-2010 school year to 79 percent in the 2016-2017 school year. Over that same time period, the drop-out rate decreased from 3.1 percent to 2.3 percent. It was reported that marijuana related arrests at colleges and universities increased by 56 percent.

■ HOW HAS CANNABIS IMPACTED HEALTH CARE IN COLORADO?

After the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) analyzed data from the Colorado Hospital Administration (CHA) they determined the impact on the medical community was enormous. Increased availability led to increased health care utilization related to marijuana exposure. According to the National Library of Medicine, exacerbation of chronic health conditions was expected. Tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) is associated with psychosis, anxiety, and depression symptoms, making exacerbation of underlying psychiatric disorders inevitable. However, it is difficult to fully quantify the scope of this increased health care utilization because marijuana use is often coincident with other behaviors

that contribute to health care visits. For example, the combination of marijuana plus ethanol increases the risk of motor vehicle collisions more than either substance alone. Serum THC concentrations are not readily available, so assessing causality is difficult. However, there has been an increase in visits for pure marijuana intoxication. These were previously a rare occurrence, but even this increase is difficult to quantify. Patients may present to emergency departments (EDs) with anxiety, panic attacks, public intoxication, vomiting or other nonspecific symptoms precipitated by marijuana use. Hospitalization rates (per 100,000 hospitalizations) with possible marijuana exposures, diagnosis or billing codes increased from 803 before commercialization (2001-2009) to 2,696 per 100,000 after commercialization (January 2014-September 2015). The period from October 2015-December 2015 indicated another increase, but due to changes in coding systems, variable structures, and policies at CHA, the numbers for 2016 are considered preliminary by CDPHE. The period of retail commercialization showed an increase in emergency department visits from 739 per 100,000 ED visits (2010-2013) to 913 per 100,000 ED visits (January 2014-September 2015). Julie Drake, the Director for the Rio Blanco County Public Health reported that they do not keep records locally of any marijuana related overdoses, hospitalizations, etc. The number of calls to poison control mentioning human marijuana exposure increased over the past 10 years. There were 45 calls in 2006 and 222 in 2017. Between 2014 and 2017 the frequency of calls reporting human marijuana exposure stabilized.

The financial data, evaluated against this social impact report released by the Colorado's Department of Criminal Justice, is insightful for Colorado and states considering legalization. You can find the full report, Impacts of Marijuana Legalization in Colorado, at Colorado Department of Public Safety Division of Criminal Justice Office of Research and Statistics website at https://cdpsdocs.state.co.us/ors/docs/reports/2018-SB13-283_Rpt.pdf.

Celebrate spring with a bit of backyard birdwatching

By CAITLIN WALKER
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MEEKER I Need a moment of zen? Give birdwatching a try. This fun and free hobby is a great way to celebrate spring and bring a bit of mindfulness to the daily grind.

"Birds are great entertainment to watch—their behaviors, interactions, foraging techniques—their songs and brilliant plumage make us 'happy,'" said Blanco Ranger District's Supervisory Biological Scientist Mary Cunningham in an email exchange with the HT. "The more you study and understand birds the more enjoyable this great hobby is."

Birdwatching can be done anywhere. According to Cunningham, Meeker is home to a variety of easily accessible vegetation communities that support unique bird species. Grab an inexpensive pair of binoculars and a field guide or smartphone app and you're ready to go. (Cunningham recommends the Sibley app, available for both Apple and Android devices.)

No matter your level of expertise, remember the safety and welfare of the animals you're observing is your first priority. Exercising restraint and caution and keeping habitat disturbance to a minimum are of paramount importance, according to The American Birding Association Code of Birding Ethics.

Cunningham recommends these tips to get the most out of your birdwatching experience.

- Identifying birds by song



CAITLIN WALKER PHOTO

WHAT YOU'LL NEED:

- Binoculars
- A birding app or two (try the Audubon Bird Guide, Merlin Bird ID, or Birdsnap) or a field guide
- A field journal and pen to record your sightings
- Optional: bird feeders—don't forget to clean a few times a year with a 10 percent bleach solution—and bird seed; it's not necessary to feed birds year-round, but early spring is a great time to give your feathered friends a little help

can be intimidating at first (but challenging and necessary as you learn more.) Work on identifying "field marks"—colors/markings/shape/flight patterns that can help you identify birds by sight.

- Have patience and really "study" the bird that you are trying to identify...sight, song, life history, nesting behavior, range maps.

- Realize that different groups of birds use different habitat/vegetation communities i.e. the green-tailed towhee in the mountain

shrub is unlikely to be observed in a wet meadow near the river and a sandhill crane in the wet meadow is unlikely to be seen in the pinyon/juniper on China Wall.

- Keep a field journal of notes as you learn new species—write down behaviors, timing of first sighting, vegetation type, sketch. Was the bird carrying nesting material in its beak (building a nest)? Carrying food in its beak (feeding young)? Displaying while singing (courtship)?

Trooper Tips: a call to action, part 3

By TROOPER GARY CUTLER
Colorado State Patrol

RBC I Over the past two months I've talked about crashes over the 2018 holiday season which took nine lives in seven crashes during a 72 hour period. We touched on the topic of mixing drinking, drugs and driving. Now let's look at two of the most common ones we deal with every day: distracted driving and aggressive driving.

Driving a vehicle is an important endeavor. I think too often drivers become complacent with this task. Anytime a driver diverts their attention from watching the road, or the surrounding area, there is a greater potential for disaster.

It comes down to a simple rule; there is no good time to be messing with your phone or anything else in the car when it's moving. That quick moment taken to tune the radio, or grab the burger you just

picked up at the drive through is often just enough to miss something important.

At just 45 MPH, you are traveling at approximately 66 feet per second. That goes up to 88 feet per second when traveling 60 MPH. That is a large distance to be driving with the equivalency of having your eyes closed. Too often we believe since nothing bad happened the last time, it won't happen this time. So when things go as we expect them, we are prone to becoming complacent. With complacency, comes the possibility of dire consequences. This means watch the roads and the people around you at all times so we won't have crashes that were preventable.

Another reason for crashes, especially over the past holiday, is aggressive driving. I know when driving in my personal vehicle, I am often amazed to see a driver speeding past me, failing to signal, and

zipping in-between cars trying to go somewhere in a hurry. At times I've seen the drivers so close to the bumper of the car in front of them, it is only a matter of a soft brake and the two may crash. The part that interests me the most about this though, is I usually catch up to the person, due to red lights, or congested traffic even though I'm going the speed limit and not speeding.

The amount of time gained from speeding or trying to pass other vehicles is usually minute at best. Don't gamble on the idea that you won't hit someone. Ask anyone after they had a crash, if they thought they were going to hit someone, and they would say they didn't plan on that happening.

So please, take away the distractions and slow your traveling to a safe speed with plenty of space between cars. A day without any crashes is a good day!

As always, safe travels!



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BMS students start Fellowship of Christian Athletes club

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MEEKER I In response to a leadership challenge from Barone Middle School principal Jim Hanks, seventh grader Ainsley Selle and eighth grader Nora Gianinetti are seeking to create a Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) club to meet during the Wednesday lunch hour in the BMS commons area. Lunch will be provided.

Ms. Selle presented the club's proposal to the board of education at the March 25 meeting. The club's philosophy is to "create a club that allows kids to get introduced to or become deeper with the Christian faith," and will include devotionals and short videos as well as small group conversations. The club will be supervised by seventh grade science teacher Georgann Amack with assistance from high school FCA supervisor Michelle Selle. Participation is optional.

District policy requires the board be informed whenever a new club is started, even if there are no budgetary implications. Doctor Bob Dorsett inquired as to whether the student leaders and adult sponsors of the group were familiar with the handbook and the rule that adult sponsors must be non-participatory and was

assured they had done their research.

After student celebrations, the board heard committee reports. Board member Tom Allen reported the Meeker Education Foundation has secured the services of Paul Vinzant for a rock donor wall they plan to erect near the high school track. The Foundation has also set the date of their annual golf tournament fundraiser for June 9; more details will be announced in the coming weeks.

The District will also apply for a Fairfield grant again this year. They're hoping for \$55,000 for some "bigger ticket items" including Chromebook updates, curriculum materials and assistance with rental costs for the current ag program space, according to Superintendent Chris Selle.

Principal Kathy Collins informed board members that Meeker Elementary School had received a \$5,000 ECHO Grant—which stands for Early Childhood Health Outdoors—to design and build an outdoor classroom area for preschool students and certify and train teachers in proper use of the space. This will bump up the rating of the building.

Construction on the south side of Meeker High School officially began last week during spring break. MHS Principal Amy Chinn told the board, "it's a

mess—flashlights, no heat, no electricity, no plumbing. But things are happening." Parking lot closures are now in place to accommodate construction. The district has ordered temporary speed bumps and has two staff directing traffic during school drop off and pick-up. "It is congested and we need to be mindful of what's going on but it went relatively smoothly," Selle stated.

During the superintendent report, Superintendent Selle stated attendance was down due to a "potpourri of illnesses" prior to spring break and clarified a few minor things on the financial report. He also provided updates on finance legislation to watch. Currently the state's Joint Budget Committee's proposal includes an increase for student population and growth (approx. \$298,000 increase for Meeker), a negative factor buy down of \$77 million, full day kindergarten funding (approx. \$175,000 increase for Meeker), but no extra funding allocated for Colorado's rural schools (approx. \$256,000 decrease for Meeker). Selle will present budget estimates for the next year at the April work session, after the Joint Budget Committee completes some revision. The board expressed support for the funding of full day kindergarten. "The research on early childhood education is clear. Investments there are much

more effective than trying to remediate later," Selle said.

After updates, the board approved the hiring of Amanda Evans, who will fill one of three open positions at Meeker Elementary School, updates to align the district's policies on reporting requirements and medical marijuana with current legislation, and the final 2019-2020 and preliminary 2020-2021 calendar. The 2019-2020 calendar features a start date of Aug. 19 in order to ensure the full number of attendance days so the year can end by memorial day. It also features a Sunday afternoon graduation opposed to the usual Saturday morning ceremony. This change will accommodate CHSAA's decision to hold the state track meet on Memorial day weekend in 2020.

The board also approved a DOLA grant application for just over \$800,000 for the auditorium remodel. ERBM's board recently approved \$200,000 to partially cover the match funding required for the grant. Construction estimates for the auditorium are around \$1.6 million.

The board of education will meet again for a work session April 8 at 7 p.m. and will discuss proposed budgets, construction updates and the possible addition of a high school golf program.

USDA seeks public comments on conservation practice standards

Special to the Herald Times

RBC I USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) announced it is seeking public input on its existing national conservation practice standards as part of implementing the 2018 Farm Bill. NRCS offers 150-plus conservation practices to America's farmers, ranchers and forest landowners to help them meet their business and natural resource needs on their working lands.

"With the help of NRCS, agricultural producers across the country are taking voluntary steps to improve their operations while benefiting natural resources," NRCS Chief Matthew Lohr said. "As part of our process of implementing the 2018 Farm Bill, we are asking agricultural producers, conservation partners and others to provide feedback on our practice standards in an effort to refine and enhance them."

NRCS is requesting public comments on how to improve conservation practice standards that support programs such as the Environmental Quality Incentives Program and Conservation Stewardship Program, which help producers cover part of the costs for implementing these practices. The comment period ends April 25, 2019. More information can be found at <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2019/03/11/2019-04290/review-of-usda-natural-resources-conservation-service-national-conservation-practice-standards>

These standards provide guidelines for planning, designing, installing, operating and maintaining con-

servation practices.

2018 FARM BILL

As part of implementing the 2018 Farm Bill, NRCS is reviewing conservation practices by:

Evaluating opportunities to increase flexibility while ensuring natural resource benefits.

Seeking avenues for the optimal balance between meeting site-specific conservation needs and minimizing risks of design failure and associated construction and installation costs.

Ensuring, to the maximum extent practicable, the completeness and relevance of the standards to local agricultural, forestry and natural resource needs, including specialty crops, native and managed pollinators, bioenergy crop production, forestry and others.

Providing Comments

Comments may be submitted using any of the following methods:

Federal eRulemaking Portal: <https://www.regulations.gov> Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

Mail or hand-delivery: Public Comments Processing, Attention: National Environmental Engineer, Natural Resources Conservation Service, United States Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Room 6130-S, Washington, D.C., 20250.

NRCS will use comments as part of updating standards. For more information on how NRCS is implementing the Farm Bill, visit farmers.gov/farmbill

Grazing fees lowered for 2019

Special to the Herald Times

RBC I The federal grazing fee for 2019 will drop to \$1.35 per animal unit month (AUM) for public lands administered by the Bureau of Land Management and \$1.35 per head month (HM) for lands managed by the USDA Forest Service. This represents a decrease from the 2018 Federal grazing fee of \$1.41 per AUM.

An AUM or HM—treated as equivalent measures for fee purposes—is the use of public lands by one cow and her calf, one horse, or five sheep or goats for a month. The newly calculated grazing fee was determined by a congressional formula and takes effect March 1, 2019. The fee will apply to nearly 18,000 grazing permits and leases administered by the BLM and nearly 6,500 permits administered by the Forest Service.

The formula used for calculating the grazing fee was established by Congress in the 1978 Public Rangelands Improvement Act and

has remained in use under a 1986 presidential Executive Order. Under that order, the grazing fee cannot fall below \$1.35 per AUM/HM, and any increase or decrease cannot exceed 25 percent of the previous year's level.

The annually determined grazing fee is established using a 1966 base value of \$1.23 per AUM/HM for livestock grazing on public lands in Western states. The figure is then calculated according to three factors—current private grazing land lease rates, beef cattle prices, and the cost of livestock production. In effect, the fee rises, falls, or stays the same based on market conditions.

"The BLM and Forest Service are committed to strong relationships with the ranching community and work closely with permittees to ensure public rangelands remain healthy, productive working landscapes," said Brian Steed, BLM Deputy Director for Programs and Policy. "Fifty percent of the collected grazing fees deposited into the U.S. Treasury are returned to the

Range Betterment Fund for on-the-ground range improvement projects. Portions of collected fees are also returned to the states for use in the counties where the fees were generated."

The grazing fee applies in 16 Western states on public lands administered by the BLM and the Forest Service. The states are: Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming. Permit holders and lessees may contact their local BLM or Forest Service office for additional information.



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 18-24, 2019

The dispatch center processed 420 phone calls this last week, receiving 26 911 calls, answered 42 calls for Meeker Police Department (MPD) and placed 150 outgoing phone calls. A total of 157 calls for service were created, 62 for the Sheriff's Office, 68 for MPD and two assists with Rangely Police Department. (Please note the department breakdown

of calls reflects a different number because of incidents with multiple agency responses).

The Sheriff's Office conducted 14 traffic stops, issuing four citations and MPD had 12 stops issuing three citations. Highway 13 had six traffic stops and issued two citations.

Other calls for the Sheriff's Office included 12 agency assists, three 911 hang ups, 10 animal calls, four civil papers served, seven motorist assists, five suspicious incidents, three traffic hazards, three VIN inspection and one each: business check, harassment, hazmat incident, suicide.

Meeker Police Department calls included seven agency assists, two 911 hang ups, nine animal calls, 15 business

checks, three citizen assists, two code enforcement, two motorist assists, two traffic complaints, six VIN inspections and one each: civil, juvenile problem, suicide.

There were eight calls for Meeker Fire and Rescue including one alarm, one suicide, two reports of smoke coming from a building, four ambulance requests.

There were eight assists with Colorado State Patrol.

Rio Blanco Detention facility booked in four, two by the Sheriff's Office, one by CSP and one from Rangely PD and released none. There were no transports to or from another facility and there are currently 18 inmates in the facility.

There was one DUI arrest by CSP, five vehicle crashes reported in the county, one involving a deer.

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SCHEDULE

BASEBALL

12 & 3 p.m. March 29 @ Paonia v. Dove Creek/Nucla

3 & 5 p.m. April 2 v. Roaring Fork

April 5-6 @ Gunnison Tournament

2 & 4 p.m. April 11 v. Grand Valley

TRACK

10 a.m. March 29 @ Meeker

2 p.m. April 2 @ Grand Valley

9 a.m. April 6 @ Grand Junction

April 12 @ Glenwood Springs (pole vault only)

9 a.m. April 13 @ Glenwood Springs

April 19 @ Coal Ridge

MIDDLE SCHOOL REGIONAL WRESTLING ...



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TIFFANY JEHOUREK PHOTO

MEEKER | Twelve Cowboys competed during the Region 5 middle school tournament, all trying to wrestle their way to Colorado middle school state tournament. Nearly 200 boys were in Montrose, Colo., competing for seven spots in each weight, with no school class size distinction. Only in high school does school size become a factor. In middle school there is no 2A, 3A, 4A, or 5A, they are all competing for those bids to state. When the brackets wrapped up and dust settled 11 Cowboys were headed to Denver to compete at state, but all 12 had placed and earned team points. Wrestling in the elementary tournament was Snowdon Williams and wrestling in the middle school tournament and going to state are Dillon Hobbs, Trae Kennedy, Connor Blunt, Brendan Clatterbaugh, Elijah LeBlanc, Cade Blunt, Dagon Dade, Judd Harvey, Noah LeBlanc and Tanner Musser. As a team the Cowboys took home gold with 103 points. Competing with teams from Grand Junction, Montrose and Delta, the Cowboys were a force to be reckoned with. This Friday the state tournament will begin at 3 p.m. at the National Western Complex. The matches can be viewed live on www.trackwrestling.com, once the links have been posted look to our Facebook page for more information. To see more pictures download the free Zappar app and scan the code. (<https://www.zappar.com/getzappar/>)



COURTESY PHOTO

RANGELY | Last weekend six Rangely middle school wrestlers and one youth wrestler competed in the regional tournament last Saturday in Montrose. The panther middle school team qualified four wrestlers to the state tournament in Denver starting on Friday. The qualifiers were Kobey Chism, Kasen LeBleu, Reid Zadra, Jaxon Torsell, Sage Rhea. "Sixth graders Landon Carlson and Izaiah Moody wrestled very hard and we are proud of their effort they have put forth this season. I think we wrestled a little scared in some matches, but I think it was a good showing for this team," said head coach Jeff LeBleu. The Panthers' youth wrestler was Reid Zadra. Zadra qualified with a second place finish. "We want to wish all the Panther wrestlers good luck at state. Bleed green," LeBleu said.

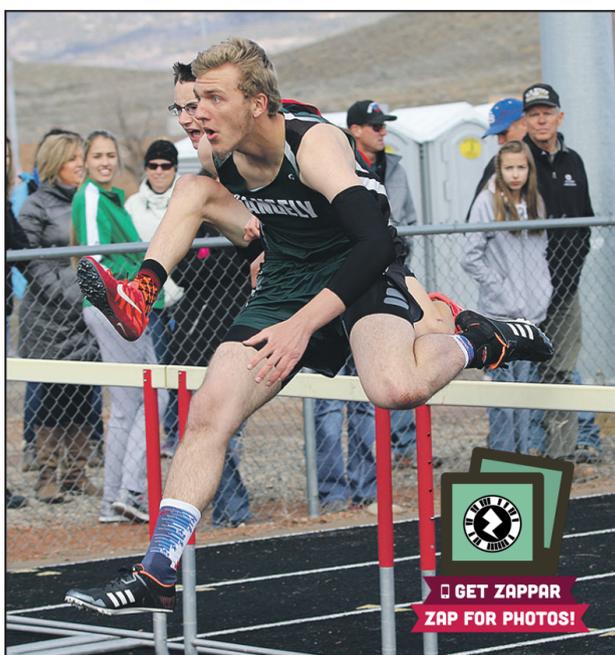
Panthers nab three first place finishes in Hotchkiss

Special to the Herald Times

RANGELY | With spring break coming to an end 13 Rangely track and field athletes decided to spend part of their last free weekend attending the Hotchkiss Invitational on Saturday, March 23. When they arrived at the meet and found snow covering the infield and surrounding area, they were not sure if they needed to wear their running shoes or muck boots. After setting up camp the athletes got into competition mode and didn't let the snow get them down as they all competed well. It was helpful that the weather decided to cooperate, and not snow or rain during the meet, it even got warm for a few moments.

The team brought home three first place finishes: seniors Riley Boydston and Marshall Webber, and junior Hannah Wilkie. Boydston took first in the discus with a throw of 117 feet, 9 inches, then took 10th in the shot with a 35-4. Webber had a close finish in the 110 high hurdles with a new season best of 18.10 seconds. He also ran the 200-meter dash for a time of 26.60. Wilkie, running the mile for her second time in her career, was able to pull off a new season best of 5:29.94.

The other 10 athletes found themselves placing or getting new season bests in their events or trying new events. For throwers, senior Breanna Davis threw the shot



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MATT SCOGGINS PHOTO

Rangely senior Marshall Webber took first place in the 110 high hurdles with a new season best of 18.10 seconds last week at the Hotchkiss Invitational. The Panthers will compete in Meeker this Friday. To see more pictures download the free Zappar app and scan the code. (<https://www.zappar.com/getzappar/>)

for 29-11.75, placing fourth, then threw the discus for 75-1. Elena Forbes threw the discus for 74-1 and the shot for 24-0. Freshman

Brooke Filfred had a discus throw of 52-5 and threw the shot for 23-8. Freshman Brent Cantrell earned a season best in the discus with a

throw of 42-3 and then threw the shot for 18-10.75.

For the runners and jumpers, the team had Mary Scoggins placing third in the mile with 6:04.87. She also placed fourth in the long jump with 14-6.5. Timothy Scoggins placed sixth in the high jump with a jump of 4-2, he had a season best in the long jump with a 15-7.5. He also ran the 200-meter dash in 29.69. Freshman Chloe Goshe ran the 100 hurdles for the first time this year, placing 15th overall with a time of 19.38. She also competed in the long jump for a distance of 12-6.75 which was a 12th place. Chloe Filfred got two new season bests in the 800-meter and 1,600-meter. Her time in the 800 was a 3:09.28 and a 6:57.76 for the 1,600. Anna Forbes—usually a thrower—is finding herself running this year as she is recovering from an injury. She ran the 100-meter dash in 17.07. Colton Noel competed in the long jump, 1,600 run and the 200 dash; he had a jump of 13-9.5, a 5:53.33 in the 1,600 and a 31.21 in the 200 dash.

The girls put together a 4x400 relay team made up of Mary Scoggins, Goshe, Filfred and Wilkie. They placed eighth overall with a time of 4:48.80.

The Panthers will be going to Meeker this weekend as well as Cedaredge. It will be a challenging weekend as they push themselves to compete in back to back meets.



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11 a.m. & 1 p.m. April 6 @ HOME v. Hotchkiss

TRACK

10 a.m. March 29 @ Meeker

9 a.m. March 30 @ Cedaredge

BUY-FLY TOURNAMENT WINNERS...



The winning team, Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing Veterans: Walter Evins, Mike Springsteel, Bradley Kalblinger and Bob 'Tripp' Bell. (Names are not in order.)



The second place team was Rio Blanco Abstract: Wayne Kirk Patrick, Dave Metrovich, Adam Paret and Erik Elkman. (Names are not in order.)



The third place team was the LBT Dawgs: Brandon, Renee, Brooklyn and Porter Briscoe. (Names are not in order.)

Competitors for the 15th annual Buy-Fly Fishing Tournament met at the Buford School for check-in March 9 and enjoyed breakfast burritos furnished by Fritzlan's Guest Ranch and cinnamon rolls furnished by Mona Avey. Teams were on the White River by 8 a.m. They were off the river by 1 p.m. Sunday and back with their last catch to eat chili furnished by Boots Campbell and Dean Hubbell.

This year's winning team was Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing Veterans, sponsored by Mountain Valley Bank, White River Inn and K-T Ranch. First place team members were Walter Evins, Mike Springsteel, Bradley Kalblinger and Bob "Tripp" Bell. The second place team was Rio Blanco Abstract with Wayne Kirk Patrick, Dave Metrovich, Adam Paret and Erik Elkman. The third place team was the LBT Dawgs with Brandon, Renee, Brooklyn and Porter Briscoe. The fish fillets will be cooked at the yearly fish fry the second week in June to support the Buford School and the White River Community Association.



Mike Springsteel caught the most fish out of all the competitors during the tournament. Springsteel was also on the winning team.



Porter Briscoe was part of the third place team, but won the prize for the youth who caught the most fish.

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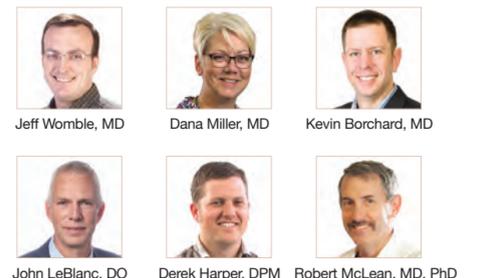
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NOTICE OF SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET
Notice is hereby given that a proposed supplemental budget has been submitted to the Rangely Junior College District Board of Directors for the ensuing year of 2018-2019; a copy of such supplemental budget is on file at Linda Gordon/Budget Officer, 215 Hillcrest Avenue, Rangely, CO where same is open for public inspection; such supplemental budget will be considered at the regularly scheduled board meeting of the Rangely Junior College District to be held on April 22, 2019, Noon CNCC, Johnson Banquet Room for final adoption of supplemental budget. Any interested elector of such Rangely Junior College District may inspect the proposed budget and file or register any objections thereto at any time prior to the final adoption of the budget. Published: March 21, 2019 and March 28, 2019 Rio Blanco Herald Times

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given of the filing of a Technical Revision 131 (TR-131) to the Colowyo Coal Mine, Mining Permit No. C-1981-019, by the Colowyo Coal Company L.P., 5731 State Highway 13, Meeker, CO. 81641, with the Colorado Division Reclamation Mining and Safety, Colorado Department of Natural Resources, 1313 Sherman Street, Room 215, Denver, Colorado 80203. TR-131 proposes a redesign of the Section 28 Collector Ditch, a reduction in the disturbance boundary at the southern end of the South Taylor Pit, and a decrease in the number of the secondary channels in the post-mine surface.

All of the areas to be affected by this Technical Revision are owned by Colowyo Coal Company L.P., Axial Basin Coal Company, the Bureau of Land Management, and the Colorado State Land Board, and are located approximately 28 miles south of Craig, Colorado, west of Colorado State Highway 13 and west of Moffat County Road 51. The affected area can be located on U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle map Nos. N4015-W11305/7.5 (Axial, Colorado) and N4007.5-W11305/7.5 (Ninemile Gap, Colorado) and is more particularly described as follows: All or portions of Sections 2-6, 7-11, 14-22, and 28-30 of Township 3 North, Range 93 West, all or portions of Sections 13, 15-18, 20-24, 26-30, and 31-34 of Township 4 North, Range 93, all or portions of Sections 1-3, 10-12, and 14-15 of Township 3 North, Range 94 West, and all or portions of Sections 12, 13, 18, 23-27, and 34-36 of Township 4 North, Range 94 West of the 6th P.M., Moffat County and Rio Blanco County, Colorado.

A precise description of the Permit Boundary can be found in Volume 16, Exhibit 1, Item 13 of the permit document and is included herein by reference.

A copy of the application for the Technical Revision is on file at the Moffat County Clerk and Recorder's Office in the Moffat County Courthouse located at 221 West Victory Way, Craig, Colorado, 81625, and the Rio Blanco County Courthouse at 555 Main Street, Meeker, CO 81641. Questions concerning this Technical Revision should be directed to Tony Tennyson, Senior Environmental Engineer at Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association Inc., at (970) 824-1232.

Any person having an interest concerning this Technical Revision has the right to provide written comments or objections concerning this Technical Revision to the Colorado Division Reclamation Mining and Safety at the address noted above. Comments to the Division must be made within 10 days after the publication of this notice. Published: March 28, 2019 Rio Blanco Herald Times

PUBLIC NOTICES

address for the record.
VIII. Bid opening for the Town of Meeker 2019 Chip Seal project.
IX. Chamber of Commerce Update
X. Funding request by Ryan Banks with Rocky Mountain Youth Corp for the youth summer program.
XI. Funding request by Bob Amick with RBC Historical Society for signage within the Meeker Historic District.
XII. Mayor's Remarks
XIII. Town Manager's Report
XIV. Other Board Business
XV. Adjournment
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PUBLIC HEARING

The Meeker Planning Commission will be holding a public hearing, Monday, April 1, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. to consider the following variance request.

A: Applicant John B. Leone and Harry Watt, 457 Water Street - Lot 1, Watt Minor Subdivision, according to the Plat thereof filed May 22, 2018 as Reception No. 316465, Town of Meeker, are requesting a 25 ft. variance (at one corner of the proposed deck addition) and a 16 ft. variance (at the other corner of the proposed deck addition) from the required 25 ft. front yard setback, in accordance with the Meeker Municipal Code, to construct a 4 ft. addition to the existing deck in the front yard on the south side of the property. The meeting will be held at Town Hall, 345 Market Street, downstairs in the Board Room. If you have comments for or against the application, you are invited to attend the hearing or submit written comments, prior to the meeting, to Town Hall, 345 Market Street, Meeker, CO 81641. Further information is available by contacting Carl Padilla at Town Hall or by telephone, 970-878-4970, Monday through Friday. Published: March 28, 2019 Rio Blanco Herald Times

PUBLIC NOTICE

Rio Blanco County is accepting proposals for the 2019 Secondary Tower Broadband Project, to provide services for purchasing and installing solar power plants and broadband equipment as well as construction of guyed Rohn 45G towers for the purpose of expanding the RBC Wireless Broadband Network. More detailed information may be obtained on our County website RBC.us/bids, or by contacting RBC Communications Director, Cody Crooks 970-878-9546, cody.crooks@rbc.us, or 555 Main Street, P.O. Box 1047, Meeker, CO 81641. As per the RFP, all proposals are due no later than Friday, April 5th, 2019, 5:00 PM MST. Published in the Rio Blanco Herald Times: March 28th, 2019 Posted on the Rio Blanco County Website (rbc.us/bids): March 25th, 2019 Posted on BidNet.com: March 25th, 2019 Published: March 28, 2019 Rio Blanco Herald Times

PUBLIC NOTICE

Fair Board Meeting
March 28, 2019
6:00 p.m.
Rangely Annex Building
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Meeker Housing Authority Board of Directors meets the 3rd Thursday of the month at 6:00.PM at The Pines, 875 Water St., Meeker.

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.

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

The VFW, American Legion, and their Auxiliaries will meet the second Thursday of each month at 5:30 PM at 290 4th St. For further information call (970) 878-5326

AA & Al-Anon Meetings - Rangely Alcoholics Anonymous - Open meetings Tues & Thurs, 7 p.m., 115 Kennedy Dr., St. Timothy's Episcopal Church, Rangely.

Al-Anon meets Monday, 8:15 p.m., 207 S. Sunset, 1st Baptist Church, Rangely. Al-Anon info call 970-629-5064 or 970-629-2970.

Women's NA/AA meetings, Monday 1:30 p.m., St. Timothy's.

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

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

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

SAFEHOUSE

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

Open Range Cowboy Church of Meeker



Sunday, 6:00 in the evening
Fairgrounds Exhibit Hall
For more information,
Please call Tom
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PUBLIC NOTICES

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



The Church at Meeker

Non-denominational
Sunday Mornings 10:30
1032 Jennifer Drive
Pastor Rich Ford
970-942-3243

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

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

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.

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NOTICE

REAL PROPERTY PURCHASE AT TAX LIEN SALE AND APPLICATION FOR ISSUANCE OF TREASURER'S DEED

TO: Every person in actual possession or occupancy of the hereinafter described real property, lot or premises, and to the person in whose name the same was taxed or specially assessed, and to all persons having an interest or title of record in or to the said premises and to whom it may concern, and more especially to:

SNIDER, JERRY D.
U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION ND
LUCERO, GARY
RIO BLANCO COUNTY TREASURER

You and each of you are notified that on **NOVEMBER 16, 2011**, the then County Treasurer of Rio Blanco County, Colorado, sold at public tax lien sale to **LUCERO, GARY**, the following described real property situate in the county of Rio Blanco, State of Colorado, to-wit:

**LOT 5 AND THE NORTH 25 FEET OF LOT 6 BLOCK A CHASE SUBDIVISION
TOWN OF RANGELY, COLORADO
ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF FILED SEPTEMBER 27, 1948 AS
DOCUMENT NO. 75975**

And a Certificate of Purchase was issued therefore to **LUCERO, GARY** by the said County Treasurer; That said tax lien sale was made to satisfy the delinquent taxes assessed against the real property for the year **2010**; That said real property was taxed or specially assessed in the name of **SNIDER, JERRY D.**, for said year **2010**; That on **JANUARY 25, 2019**, said **LUCERO, GARY** the present holder of the certificate of purchase, have made request to the Treasurer of said County for a deed to said real property; That at **10:00 A.M.** on **JUNE 26TH, 2019**, a Treasurer's Deed will be issued for the said real property to the said **LUCERO, GARY**, unless the same has been redeemed.

Said property may be redeemed from said sale at any time prior the actual execution of said Treasurer's Deed.
Tax Lien Sale Date: **NOVEMBER 16, 2011**
Treasurer's Deed can be issued after **NOVEMBER 16, 2014**;
Date Deed Scheduled to issue: **JUNE 26, 2019**
Redemption Period expires **JUNE 26, 2019, PRIOR** to 10:00 A.M

Schedule	TLSC	ASSD Value	Assessed Name
R1102570 AKA R112570	20110044	3,180	SNIDER, JERRY D.

Witness my hand this **5TH** day of **MARCH, A.D. 2019**.
/S/ Rhonna Waldref, Treasurer, Rio Blanco County
Published: **MARCH 21, 2019; MARCH 28, 2019; APRIL 4, 2019**
Published in the Rio Blanco Herald Times

HELP WANTED: GENERAL

**COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY EXTENSION
Job Vacancy #19-19
Extension Director & Agent
Agriculture and 4-H Youth Development
Rio Blanco County, Meeker, CO**

The position will lead diverse and inclusive agriculture, horticulture, natural resource and 4-H Youth Development programs. This position will also provide leadership and organization in the development, implementation, evaluation, and reporting of educational programs in Rio Blanco County and assisting other counties as appropriate. Completed bachelor's degree. Degree must have been conferred in agriculture, horticulture, livestock, youth development, natural resources, human development, social or behavioral sciences or closely related field.

To view the job vacancy announcement and apply, click link: <http://jobs.colostate.edu/postings/65538>. For full consideration, all materials must be RECEIVED no later than 11:59 PM Mountain Time on Tuesday, April 16, 2019.

We are committed to increasing the diversity of our staff and providing culturally responsive programs and services. Therefore, we encourage responses from people of all backgrounds and abilities. We invite you to review Colorado State University's Principles of Community (<http://diversity.colostate.edu/principles-of-community/>) that guide our mission and vision of access, teaching, service, and engagement. CSU is an EO/EA/AA employer and conducts background checks on all final candidates.
3/28-4/4

HELP WANTED: SEASONAL

The Meeker Cemetery District is seeking seasonal non-benefited laborers. 32 hours per week. May 1st-Sept 30th. Duties include 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 \$18/hr DOE. Applications available at the Meeker Highland Cemetery office 265 County Road 4, Meeker. M-Th 8am-12pm
3/7-4/11

Help wanted Rangely, Meeker, Rifle area. Must pass drug and alcohol test and be willing to travel. Weed sprayer, Seasonal position. Starting now till late September. 970-629-5634.
3/21-4/11

Blue Mountain Inn and Suites is hiring for Seasonal Housekeeping must be available to work any day of the week and Front Desk Attendant for weekends only. You can pick up an application at 37 Park Street Rangely, CO
3/7-4/4

COMBINED NOTICE - MAILING

CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 18-15

To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust: On December 24, 2018, 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): CLIFTON ALAN PEARCE AND PENNY PEARCE Original Beneficiary(ies): MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS INC., ACTING SOLELY AS NOMINEE FOR CARRINGTON MORTGAGE SERVICES, LLC Current Holder of Evidence of Debt: CARRINGTON MORTGAGE SERVICES, LLC Date of Deed of Trust: July 13, 2015 County of Recording: Rio Blanco Recording Date of Deed of Trust: September 10, 2015 Recording Information (Reception No. and/or Book/Page No.): 310977 Original Principal Amount: \$117,900.00 Outstanding Principal Balance: \$111,428.45 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 7, BLOCK 3, SAGEWOOD WEST SUBDIVISION PHASE 1, TOWN OF RANGELY, COLORADO, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF FILED JULY 12, 1982 S RECEPTION NO. 207248.** Also known by street and number as: 1001 TANGLEWOOD LN, RANGELY, CO 81648. **THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ALL OF THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY ENCUMBERED BY THE LIEN OF THE DEED OF TRUST.**

NOTICE OF SALE

The current holder of the Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, described herein, has filed Notice of Election and Demand for sale as provided by law and in said Deed of Trust. THEREFORE, Notice Is Hereby Given that I will at public auction, at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, 04/24/2019, at Office of the Public Trustee, Rio Blanco County Courthouse, 555 Main Street, Meeker CO 81641, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property and all interest of the said Grantor(s), Grantor(s)' heirs and assigns therein, for the purpose of paying the indebtedness provided in said Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, plus attorneys' fees, the expenses of sale and other items allowed by law, and will issue to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law. First Publication: 2/28/2019 Last Publication: 3/28/2019 Name of Publication: Rio Blanco Herald Times

NOTICE OF RIGHTS

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

- A NOTICE OF INTENT TO CURE FILED PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-38-104 SHALL BE FILED WITH THE PUBLIC TRUSTEE AT LEAST FIFTEEN (15) CALENDAR DAYS PRIOR TO THE FIRST SCHEDULED SALE DATE OR ANY DATE TO WHICH THE SALE IS CONTINUED;
- A NOTICE OF INTENT TO REDEEM FILED PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-38-302 SHALL BE FILED WITH THE PUBLIC TRUSTEE NO LATER THAN EIGHT (8) BUSINESS DAYS AFTER THE SALE;
- IF THE SALE DATE IS CONTINUED TO A LATER DATE, THE DEADLINE TO FILE A NOTICE OF INTENT TO CURE BY THOSE PARTIES ENTITLED TO CURE MAY ALSO BE EXTENDED;
- IF THE BORROWER BELIEVES THAT A LENDER OR SERVICER HAS VIOLATED THE REQUIREMENTS FOR A SINGLE POINT OF CONTACT IN SECTION 38-38-103.1 OR THE PROHIBITION ON DUAL TRACKING IN SECTION 38-38-103.2, THE BORROWER MAY FILE A COMPLAINT WITH THE COLORADO ATTORNEY GENERAL, THE FEDERAL CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION BUREAU (CFPB), OR BOTH. THE FILING OF A COMPLAINT WILL NOT STOP THE FORECLOSURE PROCESS.

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DATE: 12/26/18
Rhonna Waldref, Public Trustee in and for the County of Rio Blanco, State of Colorado
By: Rhonna Waldref, Public Trustee
The name, address, business telephone number and bar registration number of the attorney(s) representing the legal holder of the indebtedness is:
Lauren Tew #45041 Monica Kadrmas #34904 Nichole Williams #49611
Randall M. Chin #31149 Weldon P. Phillips, Jr #31827
Barrett Frappier & Weissman, LLP 1199 Bannock Street, Denver, CO 80204 (303) 350-3711
Attorney File # 7995756
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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HOMES: RANGELY

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*2101 Meath Dr. - 35 acres in Little Beaver Estates 8 miles east of Meeker. Good pasture. Great views. \$89,900.
*CR 8- 88 Acres just east of Meeker. Hunting, dry land pasture, development potential. **REDUCED!** \$400,000.

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*92 CR 59- 5 acres 10 miles up Buford/New Castle Road. Home sites. Borders forest. \$175,000.
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*1751 Bright Water Lane. - 39 Acres with White River, irrigated hay meadow, and great home sites. 5,000 sq ft barn with power, septic & cistem. Borders BLM. 14 miles west off of Hwy 64. Great hunting area. \$375,000.
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