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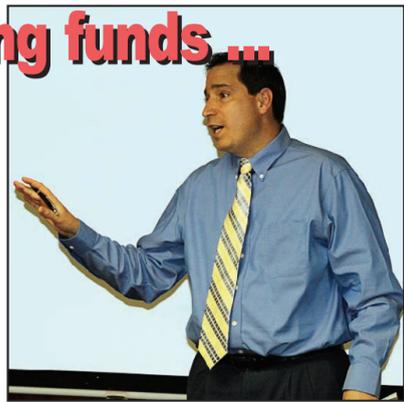


Home of Clyde and Diane Slaugh

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Seeking funds ...

Rangely superintendent Todd Cordrey spoke at the networking meeting Tuesday about the proposed mill levy to fund school sports for the next five years. Read the pros and cons on page 5A.



Joy receives three year prison sentence, probation

By **BOBBY GUTIERREZ**
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MEEKER I Neil Joy listened while his best friend's mother, father, sister-in-law and district attorney spoke. Then he heard his counselor, a friend, his brother, his wife and his attorney speak on his behalf. Finally, Joy spoke for himself before Judge Denise Lynch sentenced him to three years of confinement in the Colorado Department of Corrections for the Aug. 5, 2011 shooting death of James Eben "Jeb" Berthelson, Joy's best friend.

Joy entered guilty pleas Jan. 27, 2012, to charges of reckless manslaughter, a class IV felony, and misdemeanor possession of a firearm while under the influence of alcohol. Judge Denise Lynch handed down a sentence of three years in the Department of Corrections, a three year mandatory parole period on the first count, and one year in jail, to be served concurrently with his prison term, on the second count.

Berthelson's younger brother, and only sibling, Brett Berthelson, stood next to his wife Jessica, as she

read a letter telling how the time her two children had with their "uncle Jebby" was cut short and the "nightmare" they've experienced.

Berthelson's mother, Susan, also addressed the judge, but made no recommendation about the sentencing. Susan spoke of her eldest son's many talents, what a loyal friend he was and how grateful she was for Jeb returning to work on the family ranch.

"We were proud he was our son," Susan Berthelson said.

Berthelson's father, Wiley, thanked district attorney Martin Beeson, deputy DA Gene Tardy, Colorado Bureau of Investigation Agent Brooks Bennett, Investigator Anthony Mazzola and the Rio Blanco County Sheriff's Office for their "professionalism, caring and sincerity, I'm a better person from knowing them," he said.

Wiley said he read "most of the documents" presented and he would not make a recommendation on the sentencing either.

"I'm perfectly OK with your decision, no hard feelings," Wiley Berthelson said. "I hope you ensure

it doesn't happen again. God bless you for taking the responsibility," he told the judge.

Wiley Berthelson spoke about knowing Joy since he was young and Joy's struggles with the truth, but he also took some responsibility.

"There were instances, since he was a minor on up with the truth not totally told, a lack of restitution and lack of accountability," Wiley Berthelson said. "I didn't try to help him, I never had a sit down with him so I have culpa too but it sets a pattern."

He recounted three phone calls he received from Joy the night of the shooting wherein Joy told him his version of what happened (that Jeb had shot a locked gate and the bullet ricocheted, hitting him in the leg). Berthelson said he was "skeptical" of Joy's version of events.

Berthelson said Joy continued telling his version to investigators and wanted to meet with the Berthelson family, but he didn't think it was a good time. Joy did meet with Brett Berthelson, who wanted to know his brother's last words and the truth about what hap-

pened. Joy told him his version of the accident.

Berthelson said when the CBI reconstructed the crime scene they knew events did not unfold according to Joy's account. When asked for the truth, Joy gave the same version again before coming back and confessing.

"There's a pattern here," Wiley Berthelson said. "The pinnacle was when a life was finally lost, the enormity is overwhelming to the defendant. The night it happened, he loaded my son in the back of his pickup and stopped 500 yards from medical help. I think he was a mental mess and couldn't face the music. Five hundred yards from help, same ol' pattern. I hope you can remove the five percent doubt from my mind that it won't happen again."

Tim Langdess, a clinical social worker, said he has seen Joy 23 times since Aug. 30 and that Joy was experiencing guilt, shame, remorse, regretted his dishonesty and had a willingness to face what he did wrong. Langdess said he worried at first that Joy would chose suicide, but instead Joy has become a better



FILE PHOTO
NEIL JOY

father and husband.

Neil Joy's only sibling, Leif, 12 years his senior, spoke for the Joy family, first giving his condolences to the Berthelsons.

"We grew up in a Christian environment, but it took a tragedy to find God," Leif Joy said. "There's 12 years difference between us. He's still my brother. I let him down with my failed attempts to lead by example and I take blame for the living hell we are all going through."

Joy said he did see a positive change in his younger brother last Christmas, being a "father, son and brother; and more importantly, a human being."

"Our hopes and prayers are that Neil's life has changed for the better, I've seen the change and our whole family holds out hope," Leif Joy said before offering to be a friend or big brother to Brett Berthelson.

"We respect your decision as well," Leif Joy told the judge.

Joy's wife Amy said she had known her husband for 10 years and they had been together for nine. Alcohol had been a cause of stress in the family since the beginning but "underneath I knew there was a caring and loving human being."

Amy Joy said Neil and Jeb had a special bond and would do anything for each other.

"Jeb needed Neil and Neil needed Jeb," she said. Joy's wife said alcohol was the common denominator for her husband's problems and he is now dealing with the consequences.

"He has a long road ahead in recovery and will struggle the rest of his life," she said. "No punishment will bring Jeb back and no punishment is worse than him living with what he did."

Beeson said he would be frank and candid and didn't agree with the pre-sentencing investigation report, which recommended a sentence of one year in jail and 10 years proba-

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High winds Monday brought down several trees around Meeker, including one that fell across the south lane of Fourth and Market streets. Another fell on one of the buildings at White River Inn and two of the biggest trees to fall were in the same block with one crossing Eighth Street, another across part of the roof at Brooks Realty.

BOBBY GUTIERREZ

Friendship leads to series of successful novels

By **HALLIE BLUNT**
Special to the Herald Times

RANGELY I It is always remarkable to see the talent within our communities. When finding time to talk, and more importantly, to listen, the stories people of Rio Blanco County can tell are intriguing to say the least.

Rod Harris and Norma Hood have collaborated to create three outstanding novels. The latest, "Frank-3Enroute, The Streets of Las Vegas," is receiving rave reviews, but a chance encounter with Norma and Rod reveals these talented authors are just down-to-earth people with the gift of a story and the talent to express it.

Norma Hood was a dear friend to Rod's mother in Rangely. She is a retired business owner and a former New Mexico state legislator. Norma is both articulate and a good listener, able to pick out the details of stories and write them in a fashion that appeals to the public. Intelligent and

confident, she has four children and 13 grandchildren. Norma has not only written this book with Rod, she also writes poetry and prose. She has enjoyed the friendship this collaboration has provided and it looks to be the start of more books to come.

Rod was born in Rangely. After graduating from high school he served in the United States Marine Corps in Vietnam. His career as a police officer in Las Vegas gave him the knowledge for this book. After 26 years with the police department in a city like Las Vegas, he has stories that are nearly beyond imagination.

Rod moved back to Rangely to care for his mother after she was diagnosed with cancer. He cared for her with sincerity and warmth and people that knew the situation speak of his actions with great respect. His true character is evident in his everyday actions.

In his book, the character called "The Hawk" is a man of integrity, even if there are other characteristics that accompany it.

The reviews of their latest novel have been very good and more are

being printed to keep up with demand. The actual experiences Rod brings to the book provide a very unique excitement. Readers seem to be "taken with Officer Rod Randel, AKA 'The Hawk,'" who provides a realistic character who deals with common issues people face; from co-workers to superiors, even if he has his own way of solving problems.

The book's success is a result of the combination of two great assets to the community of Rangely. They have served in the military and in elected office. Both had accomplished much prior to writing this book, so the story was written with the intent to entertain. It is clear when reading it, and when talking to Rod and Norma, that the project was enjoyable for the authors.

Their unselfish desire to share a story and shed light on a very dangerous profession with a sense of humor and sincerity make the book one that is hard to put down.

They are another example of our community members sharing their skills with the world, representing the talent we hold in our small county.

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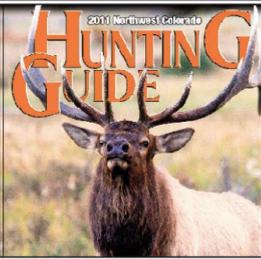


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BRIEFS

Horseshoe tournament

RANGELY | Horseshoe tournament at Elks Park in Rangely on April 1, beginning at noon. \$20 per team, great prizes. To sign up contact 970-210-0772. Proceeds will benefit Jamie Brasfield. There will be inflatables for the kids.

Fairfield grant/scholarship apps due

MEEKER | The Freeman E. Fairfield semi-annual trust grant application deadline is 5 p.m., Monday, April 2. Applications may be mailed to P.O. Box 2302, Meeker, CO 81641 or delivered to Diane Dunham at 438 E. Market St. Mailed applications must be received, not postmarked by April 2. Application forms are available from Diane or any Fairfield committee member. Also, senior scholarship applications are due no later than 5 p.m. on Tuesday, April 3. They may be mailed to P.O. Box 2302, Meeker, CO 81641 or delivered to the front desk at First National of the Rockies. Again, mailed applications must be received, not postmarked, by Tuesday, April 3.

Landfill update

RBC | The RBC landfill coupon program is back for its third year. Residents should receive a coupon this week that waives the fees for one load of household waste and debris brought to the Wray Gulch Landfill. The back of the coupon details allowable waste and restrictions. If you don't receive the mailing, the road and bridge department office staff will send you one. Call 970-878-9590.

Spring class still open

MEEKER | One late starting CNCC community education class is still open for registration. Social Networking Techniques begins April 3-24, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Call 878-5227 to get on a class list. Registrations may be mailed to CNCC, P.O. Box 1542 or by email request to iris.franklin@cncc.edu.

Photos needed for Old Timers

MEEKER | The Rio Blanco County Pioneers Association (Old Timers) will celebrate its 100th anniversary this year on June 2 and is looking for pictures of the past presidents. If anyone has a picture of a past officer please call Connie Theos at 970-878-5369 or mail to 6909 CR 49, Meeker, Colo., 81641; or Kay Bivens at 970-878-4866 or mail 1157 Garfield St., Meeker, Colo., 81641. All pictures will be returned to their owners.

Veterans memorial fund

MEEKER | Contributions for the proposed County Veterans Memorial can be sent to: VFW POST 5843, Rio Blanco County Memorial Fund, Mountain Valley Bank, 400 Main St., Meeker, 81641.

Meeker arts council meeting April 2

MEEKER | Meeker Arts and Cultural Council will meet Monday, April 2 at 6:30 p.m. at the Meeker United Methodist Church Annex at 8th and Park. For more information contact Gary and Laurie Zellers at 878-0554, or e-mail deano65@hotmail.com.

HEALTH CARE SOLUTIONS...



More than 20 people from Meeker and Rangely participated in discussions regarding sustainable health care solutions, brought to Rio Blanco County by the Colorado Trust in cooperation with Club 20 Education and Research Foundation and Colorado Mesa University. The goals of the two sessions were to identify health care strengths and weaknesses, commonalities in health care across western Colorado communities, connecting with communities having best practices and to continue dialogue towards impacting solutions. Information gathered will be compiled and placed on the Club 20 Education and Research Foundation website (www.club20foundation.org).

RBC ready to begin CR 5 work

By **BOBBY GUTIERREZ**
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RBC | County commissioners awarded a \$5.6 million bid for construction project at two locations on RBC Road 5 and opened bids for an airport runway project, where the lowest bid was more than \$8.7 million.

Precision Excavating was awarded the contract to work at two locations on RBC Road 5, one a safety improvement, the other at the intersection of RBC Roads 5 and 24.

RBC Road and Bridge engineer Van Pilaud said the road will be widened between mile markers 10.75 and 11.71 on RBC Road 5, putting eight foot shoulders and 12 foot drive lanes around a sharp, dangerous curve, which has been the site of a fatality. The project will also increase the sight distance on the curve and materials taken to this site will be hauled and used at the

intersection project.

Pilaud said the intersection at RBC Roads 5 and 24 would be turned into a "full movement intersection," with turn and acceleration lanes.

Pilaud said field survey work would start April 16th and start moving material May 1. The projects are expected to be completed by Nov. 1.

Rio Blanco County airport manager Samantha Lopez opened bids for project manager Jeremy McAlister of GDA Engineers to read to commissioners. Nine com-

panies submitted bids, which will now be reviewed and Fiore and Sons of Denver was the low bidder, submitting a bid of \$8,753,526 for the runway project at the Meeker Airport.

McAlister said the hope is to start the project this summer but it is contingent upon FAA funding being allocated.

In other news, commissioner Kai Turner reported attending a meeting with the Colorado State Patrol and local stockgrowers regarding trailing livestock on the highway.

"It was a productive meeting and

we increased the communication with all the parties," Turner said, adding stockgrowers would be allowed to continue trailing their livestock.

Commissioner Ken Parsons reported the Federal Mineral Lease District met and approved grants to the towns of Meeker and Rangely for \$100,000 each, to be used for capital improvements. Parsons said Meeker will use the funds for a paving project and the town of Rangely is working on "redoing their water treatment plant."

Commissioner chairman Shawn Bolton was not in attendance.

RIO BLANCO COUNTY

**HOME OF:
Clyde and Diane Slaugh**

RANGELY | This week's "home of" honorees are 42 year Rangely residents Clyde and Diane Slaugh. The Slaughs have been married 29 years.

Clyde is retired from Chevron after 32 years working for them as a mechanic. Clyde ran the junior saddle club for 10 years.

Diane works at Rangely Junior/Senior High School for Rio Blanco BOCES (Boards of Cooperative Educational Services).

"We have three children. Dennis and his wife Margaret Slaugh live in Rangely, Ike Slaugh lives in North Dakota, Brandy Shelton and her fiancé James Odem live in Rangely. We also have four grandkids. Cody Slaugh who is going to college at Wyotec in Laramie Wyoming, Bransen Shelton lives in Rangely, Justin Slaugh lives in Grand Junction, and Jesse Odem lives in Rangely," Diane said.

"We enjoy riding horses, roping, 4-wheeling, and just being with family. We are a close family and do a lot with our kids and grandkids," Diane added.

When asked what she likes most about living in Rangely, Diane replied, "you have access to just about anything you want, hunting, fishing, riding horses, 4-wheeling, camping. The people in Rangely are like family; they all pull together when some one is in need. It's the quiet life you don't get in the big city, and it's a good place to raise the kids."

Historical society meets April 1

MEEKER | From telegraph's "Singing Wires" of the late 1800's to 4G cell phones today, Rio Blanco County has been a part of the telecommunications ride. But somewhere in between, when there was a switchboard in the hospital and one in the Meeker Hotel; when party lines were the norm and most everyone had a 3-digit phone number, fond memories were being formed — and now is a good time to share those memories.

Welcome to the Rio Blanco County Historical Society's quarterly meeting this Sunday, April 1 at Kilowatt Korner at 1 p.m. We'll be presenting a series of colorful skits and stories and anecdotes of the people who pioneered telecommunications in the White River Valley. Bring a salad or dessert, any old telephone memorabilia you would like to share — and your own story.

ICEBREAKER ...



There was a break in the ice on Kenney Reservoir last week but winds and warm weather have since melted all the ice on the local recreation area.

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Fire danger unusually high

Special to the Herald Times

RBC | Recent windy, dry conditions have already prompted Red Flag Warnings for north-west Colorado. Green-up, which helps to slow fires spread, has not yet occurred in most areas and dead grass and brush is ready to burn.

Landowners wishing to initiate ditch, debris and other outdoor burning activities are urged to check local weather conditions before striking the match. Warm, dry weather is returning to the area later this week.

Fire is a valuable and necessary tool which under the right conditions, can be safely used to promote plant regeneration, put nutrients back in the soil and remove vegetative debris. There are pre-burn actions you can take to burn safely and minimize the chance of fire escaping your control. These include:

- Contact your sheriff's department and fire protection district before burning
- Know expected weather conditions for your burn day—winds can be erratic this time of year
- For up to day weather information visit <http://www.crh.noaa.gov/gjt/>
- Avoid windy and excessively warm and dry days – fire spreads quickly under these conditions
- Advise your neighbors of your plans to burn so they don't panic or call in a false fire report
- Keep a shovel and plenty of water handy to extinguish the fire
- Never leave a fire unattended even for a few minutes
- Dig a fire line or break if there's a chance the fire may not stop where you want
- Keep your cell phone with you to report an escaped fire if cell coverage is available
- Make sure your fire is dead out before leaving the area



OUT OF CONTROL ...

Fourteen controlled burns have gotten out of control in the last week, three in the Rangely area and 11 in the Meeker area, according to Rio Blanco County undersheriff Mike Joos, including one at the High Lonesome Ranch east of Meeker. Meeker fire chief Steve Allen said the conditions are "surprising everyone in how quickly they get out of control," and he asked for people to make sure to call in (878-9600) before burning to get condition updates and ask if there are "no burn" or "red flag" warnings in place.

BOBBY GUTIERREZ



Smoke from one of several recent fires was visible from the Meeker Golf Course. Dry conditions have raised the fire danger to high.

Endangered fish meeting April 4

Special to the Herald Times

RANGELY | Colorado Parks and Wildlife is inviting the public to attend a public meeting to discuss the progress, benefits and future goals of the Upper Colorado River Endangered Fish Recovery Program.

The meeting will be held Wednesday, April 4, from 6-8 p.m. in the Colorado Room of the Weiss building at Colorado Northwestern Community College.

Wildlife managers and biologists from Colorado Parks and Wildlife and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife service are scheduled to attend and be available to discuss the agencies' efforts to recover the four endangered fish.

"We committed to keeping Coloradoans informed about the recovery so we're looking forward to returning to the Rangely area with an update," said Ron Velarde, regional manager for Colorado Parks and Wildlife.

"We will share some of the benefits the Recovery Program has had for area water users and openly address the challenges that local anglers have expressed."

In April, Rangely residents may

notice an increase in activity along the White River below Kenney Reservoir, as recovery program personnel will make additional passes along this stretch to assess and bolster previous efforts to remove non-native fish.

Research studies have revealed that predation from non-native fish is one of the biggest obstacles to the successful recovery of the endangered fish.

"Whether you are an angler, landowner or water user, this is a great opportunity to ask questions and learn about the recovery of these important species," said Sherman Hebein, senior aquatic biologist for Colorado Parks and Wildlife.

The Upper Colorado River Endangered Fish Recovery Program's goal is to recover four native fish found only in the Colorado River basin — Colorado pikeminnow, razorback sucker, bonytail chub and the humpback chub.

As a partner in the recovery program, CPW will continue to work to restore critical native habitat, remove threats that could prevent recovery and seek eventual self-perpetuation of the four species of fish.

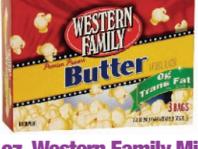
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OBITUARY

Jerry Steele

Oct. 25, 1937 ~ March 22, 2012

Meeker resident Jerry Steele passed away due to natural causes in the early hours of March 22, 2012.

Jerry was director of public works and Rio Blanco County road and bridge for many years. He and his late wife Linda also ran the White River Trading Co. at Sixth and Main in Meeker.

Jerry leaves behind adult children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, a brother and many friends who will greatly miss him. His memorial service was held

in Fruita, Colo., by Pastor Curtis Taylor of Beit Lechem Ministries on Wednesday, March 28.

Donations in his memory or cards can be sent to the Steele family, P.O. Box 156, Meeker, Colo., 81641.



Jerry Steele

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Walbridge ballot question

Dear Editor:

As a trustee of the town of Meeker, I encourage you to vote in our current election.

We have received many questions concerning the town of Meeker ballot question. At the present time, the town of Meeker owns a portion of the property that the Walbridge Wing facility is constructed on (the legal description noted in the ballot question).

A "yes" vote on the ballot question will allow the Eastern Rio Blanco County Health Service District (ERBCHSD) to own both the property and the portion of the building that is currently owned by the town. It would also transfer the assets and funds of the Meeker Hospital fund to the ERBCHSD to be used only to defray "the cost and maintenance of the existing Walbridge Memorial Convalescent Wing or its replacement, if any."

ERBCHSD was required to submit a service plan as a part of the process when the district was formed. The service plan the district agreed upon includes providing a nursing home. If the ballot question is approved, the transfer will maintain the integrity and original intent of the Walbridge Wing and remove the town as an intermediary agent.

If you have further questions, I would be happy to answer them. Please get your ballot mailed in or drop it at town hall.

Thank you for your consideration.
Regas Halandras
Town of Meeker Mayor Pro-Tem

The 1.5 percent

Dear Editor:

"For those who fought for it, freedom has a flavor that the protected will never know!" (Vietnam, unknown).

Only 1.5 percent of eligible males have served in the United States military during the last 10 years. They are mainly from rural areas and they protect 98.5 percent of the rest of us! I believe if you have not fought for America, you do not have a clue what happens to a person during war!

I have been watching the call for death for the U.S. soldier who murdered the Afghanistan civilians. I do not condone this act in any way, but I understand that he needs court martial and a long term mental health treatment. We the protected, along with the military, have made this individual — all of you!

I couldn't help noticing an irony. There is all this clamor to try this guy quickly, never mind his having suffered a traumatic brain injury on his second tour of duty in Iraq, he should have been medically discharged! He was on his fourth tour, serving his country, when this terrible event occurred.

Yet this Major Hasan, who shot up Fort Hood while screaming "Allah akbar," still hasn't stood trial, and they

are still debating whether he is insane, even with the clear evidence regarding his motive: slay as many infidels as possible. So we have a guy in a war zone who cracks, and he must be executed immediately. But this Muslim psychiatrist who was stateside in a nice safe office all day murders 13, wounds 29 of our own guys, and they try to argue the poor lad suffered post-traumatic stress syndrome — from listening to real soldiers who had actual battle experience! Two and a half years later, they still haven't tried the murderous b*****.

If the average American will not understand what has happened to this soldier's mind, then I guess the 1.5 percent should just stay safe at home and let the 98.5 percent deal with the security of the United States of America!

Sgt. Tom Kilduff
USMC - 'Nam 1967-68-69
(2 years, 9 months)

Cross defaced

Dear Editor:

I would like to address the people that continue to deface the cross about four miles up Dragon Wash Road.

This cross may not mean anything to you but it has meaning for those of us that have lived in the Rangely area most or all of our lives. Whether you attend church or find God in the great outdoors, the cross has been there since the late 1940's. It was put up by the different churches that were here during that time period.

The cross has a different meaning for different people. Whatever your beliefs or lack of, please leave the cross alone. It isn't there for your destructive pleasure. Not everything needs to be defiled, torn up or torn down. If you don't have a belief in God, fine, no one is trying to push anything off onto you. Just don't be destructive to something that has meaning for other people.

The cross was shot up by shotgun shells and the arms torn off sometime in late December to early January. Unfortunately this is not the first time that the cross has been destroyed. If anyone has any information on the person or persons that continue to shoot up the cross please contact the Rio Blanco County Sheriff's Office

and report these people.

As a community let's keep an eye on the cross and make note of anyone that is acting suspicious to prevent it from being torn down. Everyone is invited to the Easter Sunrise services each Easter Sunday. It is a non-denominational service.

Sincerely,
Margaret Slaugh
Rangely

Vandals asked to stop

Dear Editor:

Since 1950, Rangelyites have met together for an Easter Sunrise Service at a location on Dragon Road. It's been a collective effort by many people and many churches each year. It's a simple place to host an important event. The cross at this worship site has been vandalized or destroyed — a lot — over these years. There's a good contingency of people that check on the cross in the days before Easter. In the past five years, it's been an annual requirement to either stand it back up or replace it. An entire new cross was erected in recent years, made from three 2x8s glued and bolted together — a great job! The bad news: this past winter the arms of the cross were cut off. The tool of choice? Twelve gauge shotguns! From near point blank range. It was no accident! A guess would be five boxes or more of slugs were used. While doing some research about the Sunrise Services in Rangely, I am reminded by news articles that each spring means the release of cabin fever and the celebration of spring fever by vandalism in many forms. This, sadly is just another victim.

The Rio Blanco Sheriff's Office is aware of this trend and have offered assistance in the future, hoping to avoid or dissuade the offenders. This is a place that's used once a year, for an hour or so, but is important to many. There are also people who appreciate this spot year round. Perhaps, by more awareness, we can preserve this spot, without annual time, effort and materials, being wasted needlessly.

Thank you for listening and see you at Easter Sunrise Service!

Kelvin White
Rangely

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UP AND DOWN EL RIO BLANCO

Get Involved

By **BOBBY GUTIERREZ**
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Get involved seems to be a common theme in the county of recent, as there is a lot to do. Hopefully we all heed the call.

Our county commissioners Shawn Bolton, Ken Parsons and Kai Turner recently started talking with the energy operators in hopes of finding solutions to common issues, so more people can work in the area.

Our county administrator, Kimberly Bullen, has met with chamber of commerce directors Katelyn Cook and Brooke Loshe, town managers Sharon Day and Peter

Brixius to talk about economic development and has arranged for a person from the Colorado Office of Economic Development to facilitate future discussions.

Superintendent of Rangely schools Todd Cordrey spoke at the recent Rangely Community Networking meeting (a great place to network) and invited all citizens in the Rangely school district to public discussions every Monday at 6 p.m., at the EEC Building. Cordrey said the school district and Western Rio Blanco Metropolitan Recreation and Parks District have been talking for almost two years about partnering together and will ask voters to approve a mill

levy increase to the WRBM District to provide funding for the school district's sports and activities, leaving the school district to focus funds for academic achievement, which he said is on a "positive trajectory" in his district.

Peggy Rector credited WRBM director Tim Webber for "thinking outside the box," for a solution.

CNCC president Russell George said that the WRBM is demonstrating "on behalf of our students they care about sports and activities."

Cordrey said the district is currently working on two budgets, one if the .73 mill levy (\$11 increase for a house valued at \$200,000) passes and another

if it does not and said "transparency is key."

At the same meeting, White River National Forest, Blanco District ranger Ken Coffin invited everyone to get involved in the celebration of the Capitol Christmas tree coming from our forest.

And our Governor John Hickenlooper has initiated TBD Colorado, a nonpartisan collaborative effort designed to create informed and constructive conversations among all Coloradans about some of our state's biggest issues and has invited people to nominate themselves to participate by logging in to www.tbdcolorado.org, to get involved.

MEEKER LOCALS

Spring break has almost come and gone! And for once, the weather is cooperating. Well, except for the wind and fire danger.

Don't forget to vote in your local election, April 3.

Sunday is April Fool's Day. Do you wish someone a happy April Fool's Day, or just tell them you hope they don't get fooled? It's also Palm Sunday in the Christian tradition, one week before Easter.

Have you been "gnomed"? In which a person in a black hoodie knocks on your door and then stands there like a yard gnome?

The first week of April is Library Week. We have an amazing library in Meeker, given the size of the community. Thanks to our librarians!

Happy birthday this week to Vincent Bouzek, March 29; Kim Rule, March 30; Alora Harper, Mike Knezovich and Leif Joy, April 1;

HAROLD TYMES



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Mill levy would ensure school sports can continue

By **TODD CORDREY**
Special to the Herald Times

RANGELY I The Rangely School District and The Western Rio Blanco Recreation and Park District are working together to continue the positive trajectory of the school district's academic achievement and to assure sports/activities for the next five years with a mill levy proposal in May.

What is the purpose of the mill levy?

The purpose of the mill levy is to provide funding for school district sports and activities. The school district's budget has been significantly cut over the past five years as the state struggled to balance its budget. The school district receives 67 percent of its funding from the state general fund. In order to continue to maintain sports, academic, special education, transportation, food service and other programs in the school district, additional revenues are required. The state has not been able to fund schools at the level they agreed upon in the state school finance law. Therefore, it will require Rangely citizens to assure that Rangely sports and academics programs will be available at current levels for the next five years.

What is the role of the recreation district?

The recreation and park district has agreed to put forth a mill levy that would generate \$325,000 explicitly for interscholastic sports and activities. The revenue from the mill levy would fund all sports within the

school district for five years. The term "activities" applies to sports and clubs such as chess club, math club and FFA.

When will it sunset?

The tax will automatically end in five years. The cost of the tax will be \$11 per year for a \$200,000 home value for homeowners. The mill levy rate will increase if property values decrease, and conversely the mill levy rate will decrease if the property values increase. The majority of the cost will be paid by corporations that own real property within the Recreation and Park District's legal taxation footprint. According to the Gallagher amendment to the Colorado constitution, business owners pay approximately four times the rate of residential real property owners.

How will this election affect coaches?

The responsibility of the school district for supervision by the athletic director for coaches is not impacted in any way by this agreement. The coaches will report directly to the athletic director.

How will this impact student eligibility?

The eligibility of the students will continue to be a school district's responsibility in accordance with CHSAA guidelines. The athletic and activities programs will see no visible difference with the partnership.

Why can't the school district fund sports they way it has done so in the past?

The school district continues to

receive less revenue each year for academic, special education, sports, activities and transportation needs. The district has significantly reduced expenditures and additional cuts would impact academic and sports programs in the district.

How will the election be managed?

The campaign will be managed and privately funded by an independent citizens' committee.

How will the passing of the mill affect gate receipts?

The school district will collect gate receipts to meet the needs of athletics needs such as track repair, scoreboards, baseball field lights and other capital items. These items were not calculated or designed to be included in determining the size of the mill levy.

How will the mill affect participation fees and activity cards?

The school district will collect

participation fees and sell activity cards to meet the needs of athletics needs such as track repair, scoreboards, baseball field lights and other capital items. These items were not calculated or designed to be included in determining the size of the mill levy.

How will the mill affect sports and activity student fund raising?

The school district will limit, regulate and restrict fund raising in order to eliminate door to door sales by students for district interscholastic sports and activities. However, summer sports programs outside of the school district responsibility may at their own decision fund raise. Any proceeds from allowable fund raising from district programs will be utilized for capital items such as track repair, scoreboards and baseball field lights. These items were not calculated or designed to be

included in determining the size of the mill levy.

How will the mill affect academic programs?

The mill levy will allow the school district to focus its resources on academic programs. The school district is focused on increasing the academic achievement of its students.

How will the mill affect sports and activities?

The mill levy will guarantee the availability of sports and activities in the Rangely School District for the next five years. It is the hope of the school district and recreation district that state funding will rebound and fund schools at the statutory level. If needed, at the end of five years the citizens of Rangely will be able to extend the mill with a vote of the people.

When will the election take place?

The election will be a mail-in ballot process on May 8, 2012.

What are the cons to this mill levy?

Increased taxes at an amount of approximately \$11 per year for a homeowner of a \$200,000 valued house. Business property owners would pay additional taxes at the higher property tax rate per the Gallagher amendment.

What are the pros to this mill levy?

The mill levy would guarantee sports and activities for the next five years at the current levels. The school district would be able to re-allocate sports and activities funds to instructional and student achievement programs. This will allow the school district to continue to improve the educational growth of its students while not impacting their ability to participate in sports or activities.

The Chief End of Man (4)

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



Dr. J.D. Watson

What is the *meaning* of Glorifying God? It means to *admire, worship, love, and submit* to Him. What then is our *motive* for glorifying Him? Simply the fact that all things *should* glorify Him.

C. What is the Means of Glorifying God?

We glorify God when we aim only at that, when all we do has this end as its goal. As that clearly implies, there are many ways we can glorify God.

1. We glorify God when we aim purely at his glory. It's one thing to *promote* God's glory—it's another thing to aim at it. God must be the *Terminus ad quem*—the ultimate end of all actions. As our Lord said in John 8:50, "I *seek* not mine own glory, but the glory of him that sent me." The Greek word "seek" comes from *zeteō*, which speaks of a deliberate and purposeful search. It was used of Judas as he "sought opportunity to betray [Jesus]" (Matt. 26:16). It's used in Matthew 13:45-46: "the kingdom of heaven is like unto a merchant man, seeking goodly pearls: Who, when he had found one pearl of great price, went and sold all that he had, and bought it." It's also used in Matthew 6:33: "But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things [i.e. temporal needs] shall be added unto you." So we glorify God when we just aim at doing so. Attitude and intent matters. When we just seek to do it, that in itself does it.

2. We glorify God when we confess our sin. First John 1:9 is familiar to all of us: "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." The Greek word for "confess" is *homologeō*, which comes from the union of two Greek words—*homo*, meaning "the same," and *logos*, meaning "word or expression." It literally means "to express complete agreement," or "to say the "same words." Confession then is saying the same words about sin that God does—to call sin "sin"—and then agree with Him of how awful it is.

The Old Testament account of Achan is an example of how God is glorified in confession of sin. Achan disobeyed God by stealing treasure from the city of Jericho. He thought if he buried it in his tent, no one would ever know. But God saw right through the dirt, and He was so displeased with Achan that the entire nation of Israel suffered because of it. They were defeated in battle at Ai, and many Israelites died in a graphic illustration that God cannot bless our sin.

When Joshua realized what had happened and Achan's sin was about to be revealed, He said to Achan, "My son, give, I pray thee, glory to the LORD God of Israel, and make confession unto him; and tell me now what thou hast done; hide it not from me" (Josh. 7:19). Joshua made the connection between the confession of sin and glorifying God.

Confessing sin then is glorifying God; it exonerates God and acknowledges that He is holy when He acts in judgment against evil. That preserves Him from any accusation of evil in chastening and thus gives Him glory.

This was the case with the thief on the cross. He had dishonored God in his life, but at his death he brought glory to God by confession of sin. He admitted in Luke 23:41: "We indeed suffer justly." He acknowledged that he deserved not only crucifixion, but damnation. Such a humble confession exalts God.

Excusing sin, on the other hand, is actually accusatory to God. Refusing to acknowledge our responsibility for sin is blaming God.

That's exactly what Adam did. After he sinned, he tried to lay the blame elsewhere: "The woman whom *thou gavest* to be with me, she gave me from the tree, and I ate" (Genesis 3:12, emphasis added). At first sight he blames the woman but then blames God by implying that God, who made him and gave him Eve, was ultimately responsible for the situation in which Adam found himself. He was assigning to God the responsibility for unrighteousness, casting aspersions on the character of God.

The apostle John records an interesting statement in his description of the plagues that are to be poured out on the earth during the Tribulation. Revelation 16:8-9 says, "And the fourth angel poured out his vial upon the sun; and power was given unto him to scorch men with fire. And men were scorched with great heat, and blasphemed the name of God, which hath power over these plagues: and they repented not to give him glory." To acknowledge their sin and repent would have glorified God, for it would have been an admission that He did what He had to do and all His ways were right. They were judged, however, because they refused to confess their sin.

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

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STUDENTS FOR SMART ENERGY ...



(From left to right) Courtney Bell and Justyne Dembowski (holding wind turbine); Jesse Odem and Kiki Ruiz (holding fuel cell car).

COURTESY PHOTO

Wind and fuel cell cars studied

Special to the Herald Times

RANGELY I Students at Rangely Middle School received a grant to learn about alternative energy sources. The money was used to buy kits to build fuel cell cars and wind turbines. More than 20 kits were purchased, along with solar car kits. Students in seventh grade built solar cars and sixth graders also built the fuel cell cars. The plan is to have each grade build one of the kits.

The fuel cell cars use electrolysis to separate the hydrogen from oxygen in distilled water and a PEM membrane to capture the electron off the hydrogen and use it to power an electric motor that powers the car. The hydrogen is then combined back with oxygen via the membrane and

the by-product is water. Students learned other uses for fuel cells, like space exploration and other sources of hydrogen, for instance oil.

The wind turbines use wind energy to generate electricity via an electric generator. Students calculated the amount of work the machines can produce with different number of blades and angles of blades by lifting bottles of water and measuring the mass of the water lifted. Power generated was calculated at different wind speeds. The wind turbines use a gear system and come with a generator and LED lights. Large fans were used to simulate wind.

Students learned wind energy is practical in some areas and pollution-free, but cannot generate all energy needed.

Hertzke named "rising star" among Colorado attorneys

MEEKER I Billy George Hertzke, a 1992 graduate of Meeker High School, has been named to the Colorado Rising Stars list as one of the top up-and-coming attorneys in Colorado for 2012. Each year, no more than 2.5 percent of the lawyers in the state receive this honor. The selection for this respected list is made by the research team at Super Lawyers. Hertzke is a civil law attorney in Denver, Colo.

Super Lawyers, a Thomson Reuters business, is a rating service of outstanding lawyers from more than 70 practice areas who have attained a high degree of peer recognition and professional achievement. The annual selections are made using a rigorous multi-phased process that includes a statewide survey of lawyers, an independent research evaluation of candidates, and peer reviews by practice area.

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CNCC new logo for 50th year

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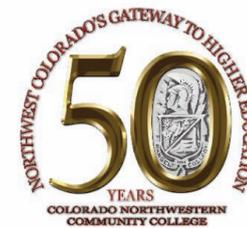
RBC I A new logo has started appearing on all Colorado Northwestern Community College publications, ads, documents and signage. A celebration planning committee was formed at the beginning of the year and approved the logo design in January. The 50th anniversary logo will appear in addition to the college's original logo.

The college opened in fall 1962, admitting a freshman class of 83 students. A dedication ceremony was held on Saturday, Oct. 13 of that year. This year, Oct. 13 also lands on a Saturday, and the planning committee is busy setting up a "Rededication Ceremony"

that day, as well as several other events throughout the year.

The logo incorporates the original 1962 seal of the college along with a headline from a dedication ceremony special section of the Rangely Times dated Oct. 11, 1962. The headline read, "Northwest Colorado's gateway to higher education." The logo also features the school colors of red and black with the addition of gold numerals to recognize the golden anniversary.

Next month, the CNCC Foundation Dinner Dance will officially kick off the year's celebration of 50th anniversary events. Planned events include a golf tournament, a board summit, an energy industry appreciation



luncheon, a sock hop, casino night, "sips, chips, & scholarships" mixer and open house, as well as various fund raising events.

Rangely Junior High honor roll

RANGELY I Rangely Jr./Sr. High School is proud to announce the honor roll for the junior high third quarter. **6th Grade - 3rd Quarter Straight "A's":**

Katelyn Brown, Vanessa Hamilton, Kaylee Mecham, Patrick Scoggins.

"B" Average

Nathaniel Abel, Trevor Austin, Brynn Buckles, Sarah Connor, Doug Denison, Claire Denny, Halie Elam, Austin Ficken, Malichi Ivie, Gavan Kendall, Grace Kenney, Gavin Lancaster, Alexis Lopez, Elizabeth McCann, Linsley Morrill, Miekka Peck, Jonathan Pennell, Joshua Polley, Tasha Teal.

Perfect Attendance

Nathaniel Abel, Kobe Broome, Lane Carlson, Sarah Connor, Doug Denison, Linsley Morrill, Jonathan Pennell, Patrick Scoggins.

7th Grade - 3rd Quarter Straight "A's"

Troy Allred, Braylee Cassavaugh, Laura Davis, Antoinette Dorris, Savannah Nielsen, Bridgette Rhea, Lindzey Thacker.

"B" Average

Katye Allred, Ethan Beck, Corinne Coombs, Elena Cummings, Jarrod Fiscus, David Fox, Korey Hood, Carrissa Hurd, Savannah Knowles, Adriana Lopez, Casey Meeks, Faith Murray, Shane Nash, Brodie Nielsen, Marshall Richens, Melissa Russell, Divinity Saunders, Sidney Shaffer, Zachary Sulser, McKenzie Webber, Mariah Wood-Cole.

Perfect Attendance

Adriana Lopez

8th Grade - 3rd Quarter Straight "A's"

Courtney Bell, Echo Campbell, Alexi Cordrey, Justyne Dembowski, Scott Hansen, Christopher Hogan.

"B" Average

Ryan Barlow, Kaulan Brady, Kristen Coleman, Daniel Connor, Alycia Dominguez, Christina Gliem, Carrie Goddard, Jamie Hallmark, Marielle Ivie, Emily Mick, Jessy Powell, Dillon Warnick.

Perfect Attendance

Ryan Barlow, Echo Campbell, Alexi Cordrey, Carrie Goddard, Christopher Hogan, Dean Irwin, Jessy Powell.

Look who's turning 80



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New Eden anniversary, banquet Saturday

By NIKI TURNER
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MEEKER In the year since New Eden Pregnancy Care Services opened its doors at 388 Main St., they have had 177 visitors and 40 "guidance visits" from women in need of help, support, information, or guidance about pregnancy, birth and child care.

The Christian non-profit organization provides guidance and accurate information concerning pregnancy and childbirth, referrals, pregnancy tests and practical needs in the "Baby Boutique" such as

baby furniture, diapers, clothing and other pregnancy/child raising items.

"All of our services are free and confidential, and we heavily rely on items being donated so that we can provide the assistance that is needed."

"We can meet just about any need of supplies for pregnant mothers and mothers with kids up to 2-years-old. Sometimes we can even help with older children. If we get a special request for something we don't have, the churches and some individual people are willing to help out when they can," said New

Eden director Krystle Dunton. New Eden now offers "Understanding Birth" (2nd edition), a DVD that provides educational information and instruction about pregnancy, labor, comfort techniques, medical procedures, cesarean birth, newborns and postpartum care.

On Saturday, March 31, the organization will host their second annual fundraising banquet, which will include a slide show that highlights what the all-volunteer team has accomplished in 2011. See their ad on page 4A for details about the banquet.



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Sentenced: Joy to serve three years

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"The defendant was drunk, he took a pistol and got behind the wheel, then shot and killed Jeb," Beeson said. "He failed to drive Jeb all the way down the mountain because he was concocting stories to keep himself out of trouble. He lied, to friends and family, he lied to the cops and to agent Bennett when told the evidence, which told us his story was not true. A lack of character was shown."

Beeson told of Joy's four driving under the influence arrests, including two in 1998, one in 1999 and another in 2000.

"The defendant just didn't get it. He never has," Beeson said. "There is one cause and one cause only for all the pain, all the hurt suffered and the consequences lie squarely on the defendant."

"When the defendant completes his sentence, whatever it is, he will walk away with his life to his family," Beeson said. "All the Berthelsons walk away with is cherished memories and emptiness, an emptiness that can never be filled."

Beeson asked the judge to sentence Joy to the maximum six years in the DOC, three years mandatory parole, costs, surcharges and restitution on the first count and one year in county jail for the second count.

Joy's attorney, Gordon Gallagher, said what happened was a tragedy and that there were many sentencing options available. Gallagher said Joy was an alcoholic but the actions and changes he has made since the accident "are real."

"Neil is worth saving," Gallagher said.

Neil Joy also spoke for himself before hearing his sentence.

"First, I want to say I'm sorry," Joy said, mentioning all of the

Berthelsons by first name. "I miss Jeb's family very much. I'm also sorry for what this has done to the community. I would give anything to change what happened that night but I can't. In a split second everything changed, everything came crashing down. My actions that night play over and over in my head and I can't make sense of it all. The gun, the sheer terror, the chaos and the lie, I can never forgive myself. I had a chance to tell the truth to Jeb's brother Brett and I froze, I blew it and I lied to my friend Mike Joos."

Joy went on to say, "Every day and night I see him lying on that dirt road. I have an extremely vivid flashing memory with all five of my senses, every single day. This is how I am charged of remembering my best friend Jeb, of my own doing, I do not deserve to forget. It has been seven months and 15 days and I still don't comprehend the whole situa-

tion. It has also been seven months and 15 days since I had a drink."

Joy said he would not use alcohol or his alcoholism as an excuse. "My carelessness and stupidity are to blame," and now he wants to help educate others. "It was preventable. It shouldn't have happened but it did. I'm sorry, I'll live with the guilt of Jeb's death the rest of my life."

Joy ended his statement by saying, "I'm guilty as charged, your Honor, to this I never disagreed. I accept that my best friend James Eben Berthelson is gone because of my carelessness and I accept and deserve whatever punishment you give me."



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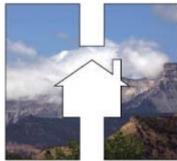
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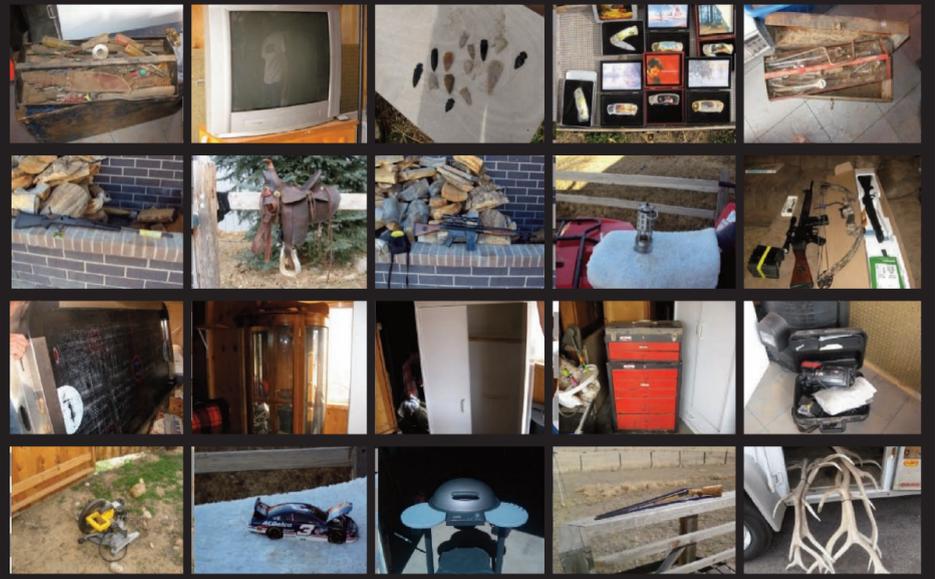
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3	\$28,000
4	\$31,100
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6	\$36,100

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BOBBY GUTIERREZ

Zagar-Brown resigns Yellow Jacket post

Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER I At a regularly scheduled Yellow Jacket Water Conservancy District Board meeting on Feb. 2, 2012, Trina Zagar-Brown of Cooley Zagar-Brown, PC, resigned as secretary counsel to the Yellow Jacket Water Conservancy board of directors. Zagar-Brown resigned pending appointment of interim coun-

sel. Zagar-Brown was appointed by the district board as secretary counsel in 2007. Zagar-Brown stated that the recent increase in work requires more time than her professional schedule will accommodate. She stated that she has truly enjoyed her time with Yellow Jacket and it has been a privilege to work with this dedicated board. As secretary counsel, Zagar-Brown

worked with the board to reinvigorate Yellow Jacket's mission to preserve and develop water storage within the district for the benefit of the district's local water users.

At a scheduled board meeting on March 22, 2012, the Yellow Jacket Board approved the appointment of the Balcomb & Green, PC firm as interim counsel for the Yellow Jacket Water Conservancy District.

Former reserve director testifies about oil shale

Special to the Herald Times

RBC I Anton Dammer, former director of the Naval Oil Shale Reserve, testified before the House Energy and Commerce Committee on March 20, 2012, regarding the development of oil shale resources in the United States. A summary of his testimony follows:

"The development of the oil sands resource in Alberta, Canada, is successful because in the early stages of development they introduced a process of institutional planning and management that was transparent and open to the public, industry, government and the native aboriginal population. These institutions were responsible for sustaining progress in development through dramatic fluctuations in world oil prices.

There are many similarities in the Alberta oil sands and U.S. oil shale resources; sharing many of the

technical and developmental attributes and risks associated with mined and in-situ produced unconventional hydrocarbon resources. While there was always interest in these massive hydrocarbon resources, development of both resources began in earnest as a direct result of the Arab Oil Embargo in the early 1970's. Billions were invested on both sides of the border.

The precipitous fall of oil prices in the early 1980's resulting from the ramp-up of Saudi production essentially closed down the U.S. oil shale industry. And until the Energy Policy Act of 2005, interest in oil shale development in the United States remained more-or-less in remission. Canada, on the other hand, did not abandon their oil sands research and development and today they have 176 billion barrels of proved reserves, are energy independent, and have created tremendous wealth for the province of

Alberta and Canada.

Though late in the game, the United States has a similar opportunity thanks to its massive oil shale resource. We have arguably the largest and most concentrated hydrocarbon resource on earth located in a reasonably small area of Colorado, Utah, and Wyoming — 2 trillion barrels. Eighty percent of that resource is on federal land. The Energy Policy Act of 2005, Section 369 provides a template for planning the development of that valuable resource.

We should follow the lead of our Canadian neighbors, as EPACT 05 suggests, and implement the requisite plans and programs to develop our oil shale resources in a rational and sustainable manner — as recommended in the Section 369 (h) Task Force on Strategic Unconventional Fuels report to the President and Congress. (www.unconventionalfuels.com)"

Road, bridge update

Special to the Herald Times

RBC I The Rio Blanco County Road and Bridge Department is readying itself for an intense maintenance and construction season this year.

With more than 900 miles of maintained roadways and 55 bridges, the challenge is to prioritize the work to serve the majority of the residents and businesses, and to do work that provides overall maintenance cost-savings, such as dust suppressant applications and chip sealing.

To start off the season, the crews will carry out the dust suppressant program during April and May. A magnesium chloride blend is sprayed on approx. 107 miles of gravel roads that have been prepped by the crew. Once a road has this treatment, not only will it control the dust, it needs very little maintenance for the remainder of the summer because the dust suppressant binds the road surface together. A few high-traffic roads will require a second application in the late summer.

Crack sealing will be done in May and June on all the paved roads that

will receive chip sealing.

The county's asphalt roads are on a five-year rotation for this treatment with the goal of extending the serviceability until an overlay is feasible budget-wise. Chip sealing will be done in July and August, followed by paint striping.

As time allows, the crews will spot gravel and repair and replace culverts, guardrails and cattleguards. Blade patching of potholes on all our paved roads will be done as hot mix asphalt is available. Preparations are in the works to overlay about 5.7 miles on county roads 3 (Collins Gulch), 3A (Mobil Camp) and 76 (Little Hills Gas) in the Piceance Creek area.

In late spring, our crews will do some gravel and drainage improvements, funded by a Forest Service grant, on county roads 10 (South Fork), 12 (Marvine) and 48 (Uranium Peak).

Other summer projects, funded in part with grants, will be done by outside contractors. The Stillwater Bridge on County Road 10 (South Fork), which is severely structurally

deficient, will be replaced. The 23A Bridge just north of Rangely will be repaired because it experiences major scour problems below the water line. Scour is the washing away of the foundation by fast-moving water.

Finally, the RBC Road and Bridge Department is overseeing a major project on County Road 5 that is funded with a combination of impact fees and county federal mineral leasing dollars. A dangerous corner between mile post 10.75 and 11.75 will be improved, and the intersection at County Road 24 (Ryan Gulch) will be replaced.

The 35 employees of the Road and Bridge Department are dedicated to making Rio Blanco County roads as safe and smooth as possible.

We welcome your input and appreciate your patience as you travel through work zones. See our website for general project schedules at www.co.rio-blanco.co.us/roadandbridge and click on "Road Conditions and Construction Advisories."

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- 1) To elect Directors for the Board of Directors of Moon Lake Electric Association, Inc., to represent Districts 2 and 3, each for a 3-year term.
- 2) Presentation of the Annual Report to the members.
- 3) For consideration of such other business as may come before said meeting.

Signed this 14th day of March 2012.

Jeffery B. Henderson
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Tues.	April 3 - Chicken a la King, Rice, PBJ, Yogurt/Roll, Vegetable Egg Roll, Fortune Cookie, Canned Fruit, Milk
Wed.	April 4 - Filet o' Fish, PBJ, Yogurt/Roll, Italian Pasta Salad, Seasonal Fruit, Milk
Thurs.	April 5 - Fajita Chix Nachos, PBJ, Yogurt/Roll, Corn, Salsa, Canned Fruit, Milk
Fri.	April 6 - Deli Sandwich, PBJ, Yogurt/Roll, Vegetable Medley/Raw, Seasonal Fruit, Rice Krispies Treat, Milk

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Tues.	April 3 - Soft Shell Taco, Toasted Cheese, Fruit & Salad Bar, Milk
Wed.	April 4 - Turkey & Cheese Bake, Ham & Cheese Sandwich, Fruit & Salad Bar, Milk
Thurs.	April 5 - Pulled Pork Sandwich, Tater Tots, Fruit & Salad Bar, Milk

Rangely Jr. High Track
4/14 @ HOME 8:00am

Dinosaur National Monument botanist earns award

Special to the Herald Times

DINOSAUR I Superintendent Mary Risser presented Tamara Naumann with a superior service award from intermountain regional director John Wessels.

"This Superior Service Award recognizes Tamara Naumann's outstanding performance as Dinosaur National Monument's Botanist and her efforts to eradicate invasive plants from the Monument," stated Risser. "During her tenure at Dinosaur, Ms. Naumann has built an invasive plant management program that is used as a template for regional governmental and non-governmental efforts."

Through Naumann's efforts, Dinosaur is recognized as a leader in tamarisk and Russian olive eradication. She initiated a volunteer Weed Warrior program to treat tamarisk along the Green and Yampa rivers. Tamara and the Weed Warriors have removed tamarisk from all campsites and popular lunch sites along both rivers. The Weed Warriors now focus upon removing tamarisk from endangered fish species' spawning bars. Since the program's launch in 1997, 6,374 volunteers have donated 27,186 hours of labor to remove tamarisk, Russian olive, perennial pepperweed, and leafy spurge from riparian habitat. Naumann expanded the program to include military veterans in 2010 and 2011—a win-win situation for the Monument and participating veterans. Education and constituency development are significant aspects of the program, which has signifi-

cantly enhanced visitors' recreational experiences and the riparian habitat. Naumann receives inquiries each year from agencies and organizations for advice about initiating and operating similar programs on other Western river systems.

In 2006, she completed the Dinosaur National Monument Invasive Plant Management Plan and Environmental Assessment. Our strategy focuses upon early detection/rapid response activities in the river corridors for leafy spurge and Russian olive, intensive monitoring of the tamarisk biological control project, and removal of tamarisk from high priority native fish habitat and recreational beaches. This document contains a wide range of tools to address the invasive plant program; it serves as a template for similar plans in other Colorado Plateau parks.

Naumann developed a combined goat-grazing and herbicide program for Russian knapweed at the Josie Morris Ranch in Cub Creek watershed. The project was located in a high visitor use area, and we used the opportunity to educate visitors about invasive plants. Since concentrated efforts began in the Cub Creek watershed, Russian knapweed canopy was reduced by 90 percent, Russian olive by 100 percent, Canada thistle by 70 percent and tamarisk by 50 percent from the 2002-2003 baseline. In 2010 Naumann achieved a significant milestone with complete eradication of Russian olive from the Monument.

In addition to botany-related issues, Naumann has become the

Monument's go-to person for interdisciplinary scientific collaboration to illuminate process-related drivers of river ecosystem health and function (vital signs) in the Yampa and Green Rivers. Collaborations provide a solid base for developing long-term monitoring and resource protection strategies for the Yampa River — the last naturally flowing river in the Colorado system. The Intermountain Region and Washington Office recognized her efforts through two 2-year flexible base increases. She received the Intermountain Wilderness Stewardship Award in 2007 and honorable mention for the national Wilderness Management award. For her significant accomplishments to Dinosaur National Monument, Tamara Naumann is granted the Superior Service Award of the Department of the Interior.

"The Superior Service Award is the first level of recognition under the Department of the Interior's honor awards system," explained Risser. "Superior service awards are granted for significant acts, services, or achievements that materially aid or affect the successful accomplishment of the department's mission. They recognized the accomplishment of a particularly difficult or important mission, operation, or assignment in a manner that reflects credit on the individual and development of a new procedure or process that results in substantially increased productivity, efficiency or economy of operation. It is really an honor to present Tamara with the Superior Service Award."



Tamara Naumann, Dinosaur National Monument botanist, received a Superior Service award.

COURTESY PHOTO

Bears awaking early

Special to the Herald Times

RBC I Warm weather is bringing some of Colorado's black bears out of hibernation early and Colorado Parks and Wildlife is reminding residents to be "bear aware" to protect bears and people. With temperatures rising into the 70s already across much of Colorado, bears are beginning to emerge from dens and sightings have already been reported in Colorado Springs, Aspen, Durango and Summit County.

"So far the reports that we've received have been mostly just sightings — people seeing bears," said Cory Chick, Area Wildlife Manager for Colorado Springs. "But it's a very good time to remind people that trash is the number one bear attractant and people can do their part by following some simple rules at home."

Colorado Parks and Wildlife advises homeowners to avoid

attracting bears by following these simple steps:

- Obey local trash ordinances. In areas without trash ordinances, only put trash out on the morning of pickup instead of the night before pickup.
- Take down birdfeeders during the spring and summer. Once winter ends, birds have many natural food options. Attract birds naturally with flowers and bird baths.
- Keep barbecue grills clean and stored in sheds or garages.
- Feed pets indoors.
- Keep doors and windows to your home closed and locked, especially when no one is home. Garage doors and side doors that are left open for pets are not only an open invitation to thieves they're also an open door for bears to enter homes.
- Lock car doors and don't store food in your vehicle.

"We need people to commit to making a difference for bears in Colorado," explained Rick Cables, Director of Colorado Parks and Wildlife. "Bears are a great part of our wildlife resource but too many of them are being put down because they get too comfortable around people and become a danger."

Colorado is home to an estimated 16,000 to 18,000 black bears. The population is managed through limited fall hunting with localized population goals set in black bear management plans. Colorado Parks and Wildlife biologists are updating many of the local management plans for bears as the agency's research unit continues to expand knowledge of bears, their habitat and their interactions with Colorado's more than 5 million human residents.

More information about living with Colorado's black bears can be found online at <http://wildlife.state.co.us/bears>

History many don't know

Submitted By TOM KILDUFF
Special to the Herald Times

RBC I There are 58,267 names now listed on the polished black wall of the Vietnam Memorial Wall in Washington, D.C., including those added in 2010.

The names are arranged in the order in which they were taken from us by date. Within each date the names are alphabetized. It is hard to believe it has been 36 years since the last casualties.

The first known casualty was Richard B. Fitzgibbon, of North Weymouth, Mass., listed by the U.S. Department of Defense as having been killed on June 8, 1956. His name is listed on the wall with that of his son, Marine Corps Lance Cpl. Richard B. Fitzgibbon III, who was killed on Sept. 7, 1965.

There are three sets of fathers and sons on the wall.

Thirty-nine thousand nine hundred ninety-six of the names on the wall were just 22 years old or younger. 8,283 were just 19 years old. The largest group of names — 33,103 — were 18 years old. Twelve soldiers on the wall were 17, five were 16 years old and one soldier, PFC Dan Bullock, was just 15-years-old.

Nine hundred ninety-seven soldiers were killed on their first day in Vietnam.

One thousand four hundred forty-eight soldiers were killed on their last day in Vietnam.

Thirty-one sets of brothers are on the wall.

Thirty-one sets of parents lost two of their sons.

Fifty-four soldiers attended Thomas Edison High School in Philadelphia.

Eight women's names are on the wall. They died nursing the wounded.

Two hundred forty-four soldiers were awarded the Medal of Honor during the Vietnam War; 153 of them are on the wall.

Beallsville, Ohio, with a population of 475, lost six of her sons.

West Virginia had the highest casualty rate per capita in the nation. There are 711 West Virginians on the wall.

The Marines of Morenci led some of the scrappiest high school football and basketball teams that the Arizona copper town of Morenci (pop. 5,058) had ever known and cheered. They enjoyed roaring beer busts. In quieter moments, they rode horses along the Coronado Trail, stalked deer in the Apache National Forest, and in the patriotic camaraderie typical of Morenci's mining families, the nine graduates of Morenci High enlisted as a group in the Marine Corps. Their service began on Independence Day, 1966. Only

three returned home.

The Buddies of Midvale — LeRoy Tafoya, Jimmy Martinez and Tom Gonzales were all boyhood friends and lived on three consecutive streets in Midvale, Utah, only a few yards apart. They played ball at the adjacent sandlot ball field. And they all went to Vietnam.

In a span of 16 dark days in late 1967, all three would be killed. Tafoya was killed on Wednesday, Nov. 22, the fourth anniversary of John F. Kennedy's assassination. Martinez died less than 24 hours later on Thanksgiving Day. Tom was shot assaulting the enemy on Dec. 7, Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day.

The most casualty deaths for a single day was on Jan. 31, 1968 — 245 deaths.

The most casualty deaths for a single month was May 1968 — 2,415 casualties were recorded.

For most Americans who read this they will only see the numbers that the Vietnam War created. To those of us who survived the war, and to the families of those who did not, we see the faces, we feel the pain that these numbers created. We are, until we, too, pass away, haunted by these numbers, because they were our friends, fathers, husbands, wives, sons, brothers and daughters. There are no noble wars, just noble warriors.

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MARGARET SLAUGH PHOTOS

The Cross at the site of the community Easter Sunrise Service on Dragon Road was totally destroyed this past winter. When discovered, the wheels were in motion immediately to replace it with a sturdier design. The sunrise service has been at this site since 1950 and the cross has been the target of vandals many, many times. Thank you goes out for the replacement of the cross this time to Margaret and Dennis Slaugh for finding the destroyed cross and contacting others to pitch in, Stewart Welding for materials and building the new cross, NT Coating for painting, Rangely True Value for the Bobcat for site work, Ralph and Jona Carabajal for work at the site. A general thanks too, for all the people who have kept track and kept the tradition in Rangely for more than 60 years! It's impossible to know all the names but your humble "just do it" attitude is appreciated.



(Above) The cross on Dragon Wash Road has suffered at the hands of vandals several times. (Below) Dennis Slaugh, Ralph Carabajal, Jona Carabajal and Daniel Garcia worked to replace the cross this year.



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Entertainment by
Shea and Kelen

This year's live entertainment features Shea Bramer and Kellen Michael. Shea was the regional finalist for Colorado in *American Idol* for 2010, as well as besting the winners for several other states. Kellen is the two-time Colorado winner for *GuitarMaggedon*, a contest held at Guitar Center in Denver annually, featuring the state's best guitar players.

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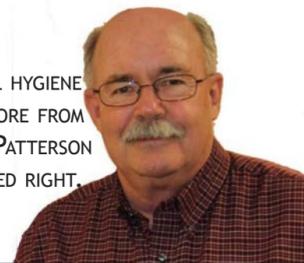
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2011-2012 Phi Theta Kappa members inducted



Kayla Hutton shaking hands with co-advisor Leana Cox.

By April Myers
Editor in Chief

On Wednesday, March 7, 2012 there was an induction ceremony for the new members of the Phi Theta Kappa.

The chapter located here on the Rangely campus is called the Beta Epsilon Tau Chapter. This chapter was started in 1997-1998 school year.

The Craig campus also has a chapter on their campus called Alpha Phi Psi.

The Phi Theta Kappa website, www.ptk.org, states that it started with six charter members at Stephens College in Columbia, Missouri in 1910. For the first six years this group was only for women's junior colleges.

The Phi Theta Kappa was founded in 1918 by presidents of the two-year colleges in Missouri. Phi Theta Kappa celebrates their founder's day on November 19th (www.ptk.org).

In 1924 this changed and now allowed for all colleges in Missouri to participate. Then in 1926 they changed this again and it now included all the states (www.ptk.org).

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The first membership pin was designed in 1921 (www.ptk.org).

In 1964 the first National Office Building was founded in Canton, Mississippi. Then in 1967 the first Board of Directors was named. In 1969 Phi Theta Kappa celebrated its 50th Anniversary (www.ptk.org).

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The one millionth members were inducted into Phi Theta Kappa in 1993. By 2006 they had inducted their two millionth members (www.ptk.org).

There are certain criteria that you have to meet in order to become a new member of Phi Theta Kappa.

When Leana Cox, Rangely chapter co-advisor, was asked how you can become a member she stated, "You have to have a minimum of a 3.5 GPA, have accumulated 12 credit hours which include no remedial courses and receive a letter from the Beta Epsilon Tau Chapter here on campus.

This year at the Phi Theta Kappa induction ceremony there were a

total of 14 new members. These new members are: Jamie Bair, Caitlyn Berry, Renee Gonzales, Teisha Gross, Kayla Hutton, Nicholas Kettle, Heather Manley, Bryanna McFadden, April Myers, Taylor Poos-Benson, Wil Preston, Erin Tilka, Quyen Truong and Hannah Turner.

With the 14 new members that were inducted that brings the total of the Phi Theta Kappa chapter here on the Rangely campus to 22 members.

For the ceremony there are several important things that signify important items for the Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society.

The new inductees are presented with a white rose. PTK.org states that the white rose means purity and beauty of life, with the buds meaning intellectual associations. Tiannah Deckert, who is the chapter's secretary, presented them to the new inductees.

Marco Sanchez the vice president, talked about the significance of the torch. He stated that it is a symbol of knowledge, which is the servant of wisdom that dwells on prudence and leads the way of righteousness

in the midst of the paths of judgment.

Amanda Tellez-Duran the president of the chapter talked to the new members about the significance of the Phi Theta Kappa emblem.

After the significance of the torch the new members had to say a pledge which makes them new members of the Phi Theta Kappa. The pledge was, "I do solemnly promise on this seventh day of March 2012 to uphold the standards of Phi Theta Kappa to keep this object and aim in mind and I do solemnly pledge allegiance to my fellow members and promise to aid them in all worthy endeavors."

All the new members had their picture taken with President Russell George.

Then it was the new members turn to give their sponsors a red rose. The red rose is in appreciation of the support of the new members. Then each new member handed their sponsor the rose and got their picture taken with them.

When Garth Butcher, Phi Theta Kappa advisor, was asked what the ceremony meant to him this is how

he explained it. "The ceremony explains the meaning of the symbols used by Phi Theta Kappa and allows new members to pledge their support for scholarship, service and each other. It also gives the college and the families of the inductees a chance to take a moment to recognize the accomplishments of our honor students."

The Beta Epsilon Tau Chapter has an advisor and a co-advisor. The advisor for the Rangely chapter is Garth Butcher and Leana Cox is the co-advisor.

Garth Butcher, Mathematics Instructor at CNCC, stated that this is his second year as the advisor. Butcher hopes that the chapter grows memberships in the future.

Leana Cox, CNCC librarian, has been involved off and on with Phi Theta Kappa since 2002-2003. Cox was the president in 2003-2004, co-advisor in 2005-2006 and then she took a short break. After she came back from her break she again became the co-advisor.

While interviewing Cox she called the Phi Theta Kappa headquarters to ask them a few questions. Cox asked them how many members our Beta Epsilon Tau chapter has had since it was started. The lady at headquarters stated, "Since your chapter was conceived in the 1997-1998 school year you have had 471 members."

Cox was asked if there was anything interesting that she wanted the community to know about Phi Theta Kappa. Her response was, "It carries with you into your life. Once a member you are always a member. By being in Phi Theta Kappa it affords you discounts and scholarship money that no one else is able to get. If you receive a letter to become a new member it would be in your best interest to join. We do community service projects and activities throughout the community which is extremely rewarding. Plus you get to meet lots of new people."

Butcher was also asked what he wants the community to know about the Phi Theta Kappa chapter

on campus. He stated, "I am not sure what people know and don't know about Phi Theta Kappa. I would like students to know they can help their community with simple service projects that make a difference. Participating in these activities will help prepare students for whatever may follow after CNCC. I would like those students who are interested in serving others to study, maintain high GPAs, and be active in our chapter."

There are several service projects that Phi Theta Kappa is involved in within this community. Butcher stated that they have an ongoing project called "Rangely Reads". This is a service project where the group member read to the children in the Elementary School once a month.

Phi Theta Kappa also participates in "Project Graduation" which is a nation-wide food drive. Butcher said that they encourage friends and family who might be attending the commencement ceremony to bring a canned food item to donate.

"Better World Books" is also a service project that Phi Theta Kappa participates within the community. There are boxes around campus in which you can donate books that will be distributed to families that don't have access to books.

The current officers of the Beta Epsilon Tau chapter are: Amanda Tellez as the president, Marco Sanchez as the vice president, Tiannah Deckert as the secretary, and Landon Mecham as the treasurer.

They just had a new election of officers at their last meeting on Wednesday, March 21, 2012. The new officers for next year will be as follows: April Myers will become the president, Kayla Hutton will be the vice-president, Renee Gonzales will be the treasurer and Heather Manley will become the secretary.

Best wishes to everyone in Phi Theta Kappa who will be graduating this year in May and to the new officers in their year to come.

Graduating sophomores, what's next?



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home away from home for our sophomore's for two years now, but now that they are graduating, they plan move past this town and continue on with their goals.

With Rangely being so small, some of the sophomore's dreams are to go big and accomplish out of country careers along with another who wants to earn his Masters. Others prefer to keep it close to home and are planning on going to four year colleges like Mesa State.

There is no career more honorable than a career in our nation's military, and after being interviewed, Mattson Schroeder said that is exactly what he wants to do. He is leaving in June for the Army this year and said he could not think of anything better than "being part of something bigger than himself."

When asked what he would like to do in the Army he replied that

he is going to be a combat medic, an intense position and one that will require a lot from him. Him and our soldiers like him keep our country what it is now; proud, free, and strong.

Tyler Thurston has been working with Special Education students since high school, and his goal is to make those kids a part of his future. These kids are something so phenomenal, but are often times misunderstood and mistreated.

Tyler's passion for them will make his career as a Special Education teacher all the more worthwhile and give these kids a fun, loving, and dedicated teacher.

One of his favorite moments with these kids was a race in Vegas where he "was part of a Special Olympics race. It was awesome," he said. This moment will help him to work towards this career goal of his, while reminding him of all

moments he has to look forward to with these kids.

Another sophomore with a teacher's position in mind is Britton Coil. Taking after his dad, he looks forward to a future being either a high school or elementary teacher. He plans on going to a four college like "Utah State where I will hopefully be able to play ball too," he says.

"A position in business, after I go to Mesa State," is what Audrey Hogan replied when asked what she planned to do after graduation. She found she really liked her business classes in high school and that's how she found her career goal. Going from her hometown in Rangely to Grand Junction will be a bit different, but the city will have a lot to offer her.

One sophomore plans to pursue a career in one of his greatest passions, hunting. Tyler Nelson

wants to become a hunting guide up in the forests and wilderness of Canada. He said he chose this career because of his love of hunting and being up in Canada would just make it more interesting.

When these sophomores were asked what they would miss about Rangely, most said the friends they have made and the team mates they have grown so close to and the small town where everyone waves on their way down the road.

This place has served as a home to us, whether we really realized it or not, and the friendships we have made will always leave us with memories of this place. The sophomores have worked hard towards their graduation and now they are off to continue their dreams for their futures.

By Sharayah Bachler
Copy Editor

After throwing that cap up in the air, all the graduating sophomores are looking forward to looking at

Rangely in their rearview mirror. Rangely's small town feel is for some people, but for those who grew up in the city, it's a hard adjustment.

Rangely has acted as a sort of



Spotlight: Dental Hygiene



Instructor Joyce Key and second year Rachael Koenig.

By *Aleksei Sharp*
Business Manager

The biggest change for the Colorado Northwestern Community College (CNCC) Dental Hygiene (DH) program in the next few years will be the change in faces of its core faculty.

Four of the five full time instructors will be retiring and the challenge of finding exceptional instructors to replace them will be difficult. Currently, it consists of Mark Patterson as the director, Dr. Phillip Brown as the Clinic Dentist, Tracy Enterline as the 1st Year Coordinator, Barbara Patterson as the 2nd Year Coordinator, and Joyce Key as an instructor.

Mark Patterson registered in 1976 as a Dental Hygienist. After the DH program, he worked at the Army Dental Corps.

In 1984, he applied for a position here at CNCC and has been with us ever since teaching dental health, ethics, and as a clinical instructor.

He became the director of the DH program in 2004 with more direction towards administration response management. He does not do much teaching, but is still involved in the classrooms and the clinicals. He is planning to retire in two years from 30 years of service toward the DH program.

Dr. Phillip Brown graduated from Louisville, Kentucky Dental program in 1985. Following his graduation, he took a practice for two years in Virginia.

He would then work in the Air Force for three years before getting a position at CNCC as a full time Clinic Dentist in 1990. He will be with the DH program another 10 to 12 years.

Tracy Enterline became a fulltime clinical instructor in 2004. She has been teaching on and off for the past 20 years. She will be retiring in May of 2014.

Barbra Patterson has been involved in Dental Hygiene since 1966 as a DH assistant for 10 years. She graduated from a DH program in Chabot College, California in 1978.

After the program, she went back to school in 1993 to get her degree in Bachelors of Science in Education. She decided to apply for a teaching position in 1994 here at the DH program and has been with us ever since.

During that period of time she has raised two boys. She also served as an EMT and a Firefighter as well as a teacher of First Response and CPR. She is planning to retire in the next two years as well.

Joyce Key is a CNCC alumni graduate of the DH class of 1980. She went on to get a Bachelor's degree from University of Northern Colorado, Greeley in 1981.

She got married and decided

to move back to Rangely. Since that time, she has had several opportunities to teach and work in Dental Hygiene within a 20-year period.

She raised two kids; a daughter and a son that are both CNCC graduates. Her daughter graduated from the DH program in 2005 and her son with a business degree.

She taught in the Elementary School as a fifth grade teacher for a total period of nine years while being a DH teacher. She would practice Dental Hygiene with Dr. Myers, here in town, for 15 years as well.

"The same high expectations and standards will be held for the future of the program," said Key.

Within the 50 years of its existence, a constant change in technology and evidence has improved the DH program. It is evident that the program also has a constant change from year to year in the students that it enrolls.

"At first, the students come into the program wanting to be spoon-fed," said Enterline, "but that changes over time due to its rigorousness."

The program transforms the students.

The program attracts highly motivated students that are always encouraged to do their best. If they start to slip in their academics, instructors let them know. In all honesty, they don't have the luxury to slip up in their studies.

"The program goes really fast, and they won't have instructors behind them when they graduate, so the DH students need to take all of the opportunities while they have the instructors," remarked Brown.

The transformation of growth is primarily that of the student's willingness and desires, not that of their instructors.

Mrs. Key advises her students to "Get involved and embrace your experience here at CNCC because it provides a unique learning, leadership, and recreational experience in a diverse natural environment."

As stated in the programs mission statement:

Graduates of our program will understand that dental hygiene is a multifaceted health profession.

As a member of that profession they are expected to serve humanity competently whether as a clinician, educator, consumer advocate, researcher, or change agent.

Enterline advises her students that they "Can't always do DH 24/7. You need to find a balance between activities and the program. You have to manage you time."

Being the oldest and most renowned Dental Hygiene programs in the Rocky Mountain Region, more than 50 students apply for the 27 slots that the

program can hold. The applicants are screened every year based on a point system ranking that is heavily weighed on their GPA, remarked Patterson.

Within two years of the program, students learn what the dental practice provides, about dental cleaning, and about cleaning assessments and community education. They also educate the public about the benefits of floral health, as well as dental and nurse training.

In addition, once a year they do presentations to hospitals about public health and research.

This program means a great deal to the Rangely community. Over the past 10 years, from 1994 to 2004, over 1.6 million dollars of services were provided as a cost of \$160,000 to the community, stated Patterson.

At the end of the two-year program, DH students have two boards, National Board and Clinical board, which they take in order to receive a certificate of completion to practice Dental Hygiene.

First is the National Board, which consists of a seven hour exam with 400 comprehensive question exam.

The second portion of the examination consists of a Clinical Board. It is conducted on the last week of July for the Central Regional Dental Testing Service.

Students are to provide themselves with a patient containing a certain amount of tartar build-up, calcium deposit, and periodontal disease.

For both tests, first time takers from CNCC have a success rate of 98 – 100 percent and 100 percent success rate for the second time.

The only disadvantage to this successful program is its location. "They cry when they get here and they cry when they leave," said Patterson.

CNCC has the best faculty, facility, and program. For the past nine years, the program has had the privilege of having the best instructional team in its 50 years existence.

Due to the programs reputation, nine out of ten students will be accepted into programs available to them after graduation because of the edge students have over the other programs in Colorado.

The health care work force understands the strong work ethic, professionalism, responsibility, and loyalty CNCC's Dental Hygiene students have.

Patterson believes, "You have to come across a person as a whole and how much you care about them. We are looking at them as a person and their wellness. If you can't do that, you are probably in the wrong business. It's not about the money, but improving people's lives. You need to have patients and dedication."

Student Government minutes

Compiled by *Jamie Bair*
Copy Editor

Meeting called to order by President Marco Sanchez at 8:35p.m. On March 21, 2012

Attendance
Marco Sanchez
Zach Higgins
Britton Coil
Aleksei Sharp
Jamie Bair
Sharayah Bachler
Absent
Jessica Madsen
Tardy
Jaynelle Johnson
Emoney Brown

CLUBS ATTENDING
All in attendance

Rock and ice: foose ball machine in the climbing gym possibly be moved and put into the Den. Yampa trip to go rafting on March 20-23 total cost is \$50 and there are 15 spots open, sign up sheet is located in Johnson Building. Check out the Rangely Rock and Ice Club like them on Facebook! Climbing gym is open to all students and community. There will be a sign saying the times that it will be open. Campus Christian club:

Saddah:
Phi Theta Kappa: Amanda represented; had meeting today and were trying to discuss a date for Highway cleanup on a Friday or Saturday but not Easter weekend. Possibly looking at the 13-14th of April. To cleanup campus and Kennedy and the other 3 sections of the road.

A&P:
Learning Community:
Ranch Club:
Spartan Times: Wild Game Dinner; they go throughout the community and ask for donations of wild game as well as silent auction as well as auctioning students for their services for four hours. March 31 @ 6:30p.m.

Committees updates
Election committee; if you know anyone who is interested in joining have them come to a Student Government meeting

Sharayah Motioned to approve last week's minutes, Amanda seconded the motion all in favor 11-0-1

Guest Speaker: Becky Niemi-fitness equipment

in the past she raised funds and purchased all AD and trauma kits found on campus,

-had a couple of requests
NPS: asked "do you think you can find some \$ for treadmills"; fitness equipment is only given to middle schools and high schools. Would also like to have this open to all students. Would love to get this cardio equipment for all students and staff to use.

Abuse of the equipment has caused our rooms to become locked so she asks that we have someone to be in there and monitor things.

Becky Niemi: Here to ask for funding for cardio equipment.

4 Treadmills, 1 elliptical, 1 exercise bike, preacher curl rack, Bench press rack, Kettle Bells, Medicine Balls, Power Throw soft medicine balls, high quality dual resistance band, weight lifting bands/power lifting set, Boso Pro Balls, Weight vest (15lbs), Weight vest (40lbs)

Asking for half the money or all the money. Total estimated amount is \$11,948.00. Possibly asking the community for funds. Jennifer brought up that our community is very helpful they were very gracious

when asked to donate items towards Spartan Times for the Wild Game Dinner.

A lot of our student fees go towards the Recreational center for students to be able to use that facility. Thoughts of taking that money and using it to put towards making our own fitness and cardio rooms.

The Rec. center has things that the school does not; for example the pool and racket ball courts. This is a discussion that needs to be tabled and discussed more later.

Officer Reports:
President

-Marco Sanchez
meeting with President Russell

George informed him of what we were planning on doing on campus, recycling, campus clean up, rec. nights, he wanted us as student government to get involved with the 50th anniversary with what the student would like to see as a celebration. He said "if it's there for the students he supports us"

Vice President
Zack Higgins:
Update on the den and the coffee and tea.

We have a percolator ordered and will be getting coffee from Sodexo.

Made root beer in Todd's biology class, is interested in putting it in the Den for free consumption at first and if it works well buying materials to get a root beer club going. They would be able to make all kinds of different sodas.

Zach still has to talk to health department and have things checked out.

If they start a club costs will initially be covered by the club and use start up fees and possibly ask for a fund from Student government.

Treasurer
Financial report
Clubs and organizations \$2,075
Activities \$3,261
Student printing \$210
Supplies: 1,000
Leadership project: 3,200
Contact information of all Clubs and Organizations

will be sending texts to clubs letting them know about Student Government meeting
Clubs are only required to come bi-weekly to student government meetings.

Secretary
Meeting Conduct

Issue with cell phones and I-pods being out during meeting

Knowing what your motioning and being able to state what you are moving and seconding.

REPS
Jaynelle: Missing
Aleksei: change dispensers, and recycling; Jon is all for it. Students really want the weight room

Emoney: Missing
Jessica: Absent

Sharayah: Students do not know that the den is the den which used to be the Bronco room. Students wanted the gym and weight room to be available.

Advisors
Katie: dining meeting update, all had voted on having a dining meeting, leadership committee was in charge of getting out posters and fliers, that was not done so that meeting will be rescheduled for next Wednesday on March 28th @7:30 trying to allow us as students that are on student government to be responsible

graduation committee would like for students to submit their favorite

quotes, next week you can submit your quotes
got musical talents? At graduation we would love for you to share them.

Dan: gone
-Old Business
Swing Dancing:
March 1st end of class
March 29th at 8:00 p.m. to ?

Students who took class can come and show off their new moves and teach more students how to swing/line dance.

8:00 p.m. lessons for about 30 minutes to an hour and then hit it off with a fun little dance.

Most people may not be interested in going; we need to find a way to attract people.

What are people's feelings towards this dance?

-V.P. thinks people will come and enjoy it.
-Would be good to have a different type of style of dancing and bring out new people.

Would also like to give Jed and Caitlyn a thank you for helping teach students prior to the dance.

Zach moved to allocate \$150 to the swing dance, Sharayah seconded the motion to allocate money; all in favor 12-0-0

Dining Improvement Meeting
Wednesday or Thursday after spring break (DID NOT HAPPEN) MOVED TO NEXT WEEK! Wed. March 28th at 7:30. Fliers need to be up by Friday

Wants it to be suggestions that will help improve dining not just to bad talk them.

Wednesday March 28th at 7:30 located in the Weiss building

Rec. Nights
April 26th for rec. nights

The Den sign contest: design for the sign of the den. WINNER \$100 for a club and an individual would get a shopping spree of \$25

needs a deadline, two weeks from now? April 4th students/club will bring it in and those who attend Student Government will vote and select a winner.

Both Bronco and activities committee will make advertisements!

New Business
Campus Cleanup- talked about.

50th anniversary-tabled discussion

Recognizing clubs
Learning Community filled out the appropriate paperwork. Learning community is an organization that is there to get people involved.

Working at the long term care home where they go every week.

On campus we meet and organize programs, helped build activities for the community.

Taylor moved to approve learning committee as an organization Jamie L. seconded the motion all in favor 10-2-0

Announcements
Pictures: send Dan a picture, pictures are for advertisement to put together and advertise for Student Government and invite them to meetings. E-mail Dan @ Daniel.Parrish@cncc.edu

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

Adjournment:
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Ask Amanda!



COURTESY OF FACEBOOK
Amanda Lanigan

I will be finished with my associate's degree this semester and I am having a hard time deciding on a career. How do you know what

career is right for you?
Signed,
Lost Lamb

Dear Lost Lamb,

Here's a question for you. If you could do anything the rest of your life without money being an issue what would you do? Do what you love and remember that whatever directions you chose to go it's not set in stone.

Love,
Amanda

Dear Amanda,

How do I tell my coach that he is an a**?
Sincerely,
Anonymous

Dear Anonymous,

I'm pretty sure your coach is well aware that he/she is an a**, but if you absolutely have to let him know wait till the end of your sophomore year (otherwise you may find yourself a starting position on the bench.)

Love,
Amanda

WHAT'S IN, WHAT'S OUT?

By Amanda Lanigan, Reporter

What's in?

- Bronco's new QB.
- Spring weather.
- Flip-flops.
- Twitter.
- Baseball season.
- Walking to class.
- Drug testing the baseball team.

What's Out?

- Tim Tebow.
- Leaving a mess in the dorm hallways.
- Taking pictures off people's dorm doors.
- Facebook.
- Socks and sandals.
- Not showering.
- Parking in the fire lane.

That's so 5 minutes ago!

- Classes not getting out early.
- Wearing short shorts to class. (it's not summertime yet).
- Long bus trips.
- Not having a fast-food restaurant in Rangely.
- Actually ending a text conversation.
- March madness.
- Snooki's big news.

CNCC Anti-Bush?

By Michael Dillon
Layout/Design



Above:

Prior to this March, CNCC was flourishing with life and various species of vegetation. Trees stood tall and bushes roamed the landscape. Birds sang and children played. You know, back when we had Bush.



Below:

This is CNCC as of right now. Clearly, it is now lifeless and looks as if we have no hope. It is a barren wasteland from which there is no escape. I think I speak for everyone when I say "we miss Bush".

WHERE'S WILEY?



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

Found him? Tell us on Facebook! Be the first to submit where he is and you will receive a prize!

Have any questions for Amanda?
Email them to her at:
AmandaL2191@hotmail.com

Come to the third annual
Spartan Times Wild Game Dinner
Saturday Mar 31 6:30-8:00
CNCC Colorado Room

There will also be a Silent Auction (all donations accepted)
Donations will help us attend the Associated Collegiate Press National Convention

Come enjoy exotic meats!!

campus chaos!

By Michael Dillon and Alex Mackey, layout/design

Knock Knock

Who's there?

Alex

Alex who?

Alex-plain later!

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Lady Spartans softball report



Lady Spartans heading to their dug-out

MONIQUE MIER

By Monique Mier
Reporter

As an athlete there are certain expectations and requirements for all players. One of those expectations is practicing during school breaks and even on weekends. The softball girls were stuck on campus over their spring break.

Although some of the girls weren't thrilled about having to stay on campus and practice over their spring break Head Coach

Ysidro Jimenez says, "Spring break is during our season and all softball players should know we practice."

Some of the girls said, "Over spring break it sucked not to be able to spend that time with family and friends but they made the best of it and enjoyed having the dorms to themselves."

The softball season is progressing. The season started off strong taking three wins against Mesa Community College, El Paso, TX, and Golden West at the Western Shootout tournament in Yuma,

AZ. Starting of the Scenic West Athletic Conference (SWAC) strong at the tournament in St. George, UT with another victory against Snow College.

Facing the end of the season has been rough for the team because they are low in number due to players having poor health and receiving injuries throughout the season.

Jessica Olsen is one of the sophomores and unfortunately broke her right middle finger in the game against CSN while bunting off the first two pitches. Jessica is one of the pitchers for the Lady Spartan and this injury put her out for six weeks but in good faith she could possibly play the last three weeks of the season. Jessica said, "It was extremely hard on me because I felt I let my team down but I have become a stronger teammate by staying strong for my team supporting and cheering them on."

However the girls are still playing hard and the coaches are standing tall.

Good news! Home games are coming soon... The games are:

- March 31st vs. Southern Idaho
- April 20th-21st vs. Southern Nevada
- May 4th-5th vs. Salt Lake

A couple of fun facts; the game against Southern Nevada is Coach Jimenez's old team; come show some love for our new head coach by filling up the bleachers with fans and support!

The game against Salt Lake is the last game of the season and sophomore day! Please COME SUPPORT the Spartan softball girls as they play hard finishing their season off.

Coach Jimenez is pleased to announce there are eight returners so far signed and ready to come and play next year and hoping for a few more! The eight returners are: Taylor Dumas, Whitney Titus, Lindsey Spendlow, Andria Walker, Kelsey Kuentler, Megan Tubbs, Darrian Smith, and Breana Ryant.

SO-CAL baseball: Charlie Lutz



Charlie Lutz

BELEN GARCIA

By Scott Stanley
Reporter

Coming all the way from Redlands, CA to the middle of nowhere in Rangely, CO was a total of 797.06 miles; finally Charlie Lutz is here to help the Spartan baseball team to compete for the spring season.

A little bit of background on Charlie Lutz he is a sophomore pitcher from Redlands, CA he went to Redlands High School. He transferred in at semester from Riverside Community College. "One of the top Junior Colleges in all of California," said Charlie when I asked him how his old Junior College was.

When asked why he came to CNCC all the way from Redlands, CA, he said, "To play and compete in the SWAC, the best conference in America."

Since it's such a big culture shock coming from Southern California, the biggest difference he said is the weather, no beach, zero population. We have quite a few people on

the CNCC baseball team now that are from Southern California including our two coaches, and soon to be a whole roster full mainly from Southern California. Our head coach-Lou McCollum, our pitching coach-Greg Dupas, and three players are all from Southern California.

When talking with Charlie asking if he likes it here in Rangely, CO he said, "It's just not California and it's a big step from back home. Even though being able to play baseball in the best conference in America and get an education, Rangely will always just be a place I went and played baseball and got my degree."

Catching up with Ryan Cannella the starting catcher for the Spartans, asking him what he thinks of Charlie Lutz as a pitcher, he simply said, "Charlie is a great asset to our team and our pitching staff, he has experience coming from Riverside CC, he is a very effective pitcher with his deceptive motion."

There must be a lot of things to do back home in Redlands, asking Charlie what he likes to do, he simply said, "Chill with friends, go to the beach, and play ball."

Talking with Josh Logsdon, one of his fellow pitchers asking him the same question, he said, "Charlie is a great to have on the team, he is quality starting pitcher and could be easily used as a closer when we needed him. He is a competitor in every sort of way."

It must be nice being able to go to the beach every single day when all you have to do is get on the freeway and be there in no time.

Spartan basketball: 2011-2012 season comes to an end



Michael Willie driving the ball

DAN PARRISH



Lady Spartans practicing hard

MONIQUE MIER

By Jamie Bair
Copy Editor

Colorado Northwestern Community College (CNCC) wrapped up its basketball season on March 8th with a hard loss. For both the men and women's teams it was a loss that kept them from moving on in the championship tournament.

For the women's team it was by a mere four points that the College of Eastern Utah (CEU) slipped away with the win and continued on instead of our Lady Spartans.

Coming in to a college sport you have an idea of what it will be like. For freshmen Michelle Blanton it turned out to be even harder than she imagined. Michelle Blanton stated, "This year didn't go the way it was planned, it was a lot harder than I expected."

Freshmen Jasmine Ransom commented "The season was an eye opener and I've grown up playing. It was a little hard in the beginning but it got easier as I got in shape."

Ransom was selected as All-Region Honorable Mention for this year's 2011-2012 season.

The Lady Spartans have come a long way through the years and have done better with their winning record each year.

The CNCC women's basketball team will be losing four sophomores this year, Jamie Bair, Jahnette Epperson, Jaynelle Johnson, and Jessica Madsen.

When asking sophomore Jessica Madsen what her thoughts on

the season were she replied, "The season was great and I loved being with my team. They are an amazing family I will forever have."

"As for the season, I was disappointed we didn't win more, but was proud of the girls for never giving up, or losing faith that we were a good team," Madsen stated.

Sophomore Jaynelle Johnson stated, "This year was tough but good."

Sophomore Johnson commented that after playing her last game of the season she was sad but knew it would not be the end for her. Johnson asserted "I made honorable mention my freshman year, and this year I made second team. Next year I am looking to continue playing at the D2 level."

Head coach of the women's basketball team, coach Edwards, was asked what he thought of the graduating sophomores; his reply was, "They were all a blessing for this team."

Coach Edwards continues by stating, "They were the foundation of this team and they will forever be a part of CNCC's history. Each one of the graduating sophomores are special and talented in their own way, and I wish them the best in their future endeavors."

When asked how the 2011-2012 season went, Coach Edwards replied, "We were in every game this year and that is something that the program hasn't been able to say for several years."

With each new year it takes away a group of sophomores but brings

in a fresh group of freshmen, ready to come into college basketball and battle on the court.

"I anticipate the team to be much better next year with some help from the incoming freshman class and the development and experience from the sophomore class," stated coach Edwards.

For the men's basketball team their season did not go as planned either. They were a young team and didn't have quite the experience level of the other teams.

Freshmen Yai Ajak stated, "The season was hard. I have never experienced this before and it was a shock coming in as a freshmen."

Freshmen Khalid Smith asserted, "The season was harder than I expected by a long shot."

Smith commented that he was unprepared for all the things his first year of college basketball had to offer; with all the morning workouts, practices, long bus rides, and even mandatory study hall it was a challenge.

The CNCC men's basketball team will be losing three sophomores this year, Carvel Claggett, Garrett Wilkins, and Michael Willie

Head coach of the men's basketball team, coach Hayes, was asked what he thought of the graduating sophomores, he stated, "I am very proud of them. They have worked extremely hard to get to this point in their lives and it is time for the next step. That is what it is all about."

"I will miss them," commented coach Hayes.

Coach Hayes commented this year's 2011-2012 team "made strong strides this season and set a solid foundation for next year's team."

When asked about the season coach Hayes replied, "This was a tough season and it has made a really tough team. With so many changes happening throughout this season for this team they have had to endure a lot. This was a very young team and they had to experience those growing pains."

For the men's team freshmen Riley Parish received honorable mention for Region 18.

Coach Hayes stated, "This puts Parish in an elite class of strong student athletes who play at a high level."

"This is an award the other coaches vote on; so receiving this award shows a level of respect. I hope that this award serves as additional motivation do even better next season," stated Coach Hayes.

"This year's recruitment should bring in some quality student athletes that will help us to keep building. I am looking forward to a strong off season workout to prepare for next year" stated Coach Hayes

The future of CNCC's basketball program looks brighter every year.

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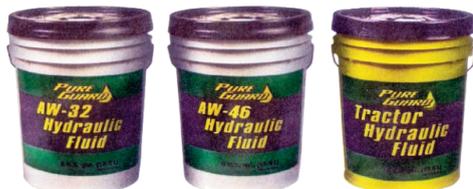


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Meeker FFA team heads to state competition

Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER I The Meeker FFA chapter will be participating in the State FFA Agricultural Issues Forum Career Development Event (CDE) April 30 during the 2012 Colorado State FFA Career Development Event Competition in Fort Collins, Colo. Members of the team are Kaitlyn Dinwiddie, Tristan Nielsen, Kaylynn Dunham, Torrie Gerloff and Brittany Smith. The team is coached by Trina and Quentin Smith.

"Event participants identify, research and present information on agricultural issues that are relevant to their communities, thus creating an inherent connection between the members

and their presentation," said Melissa Dunkel, national FFA CDE education specialist.

FFA members present on a current issue facing agriculture to local community groups prior to competing in the state event. In the presentation, both sides of the issue are addressed, allowing audience members to form their own opinions.

The members of the Meeker FFA agricultural issues team have researched and are presenting the pros and cons of domestic horse slaughter, and whether or not it should be federally funded by the United States Department of Agriculture.

These students have already presented this information to the Meeker 4-H Sheep Club, the White River Riders and the Meeker 4-H Horse Club, and the Rio Blanco

County Fair Board.

The team is also scheduled to speak at the Meeker Chamber of Commerce (April 5), the Upper Colorado Environmental Plant Material Center (April 17), the Meeker School District Board of Education (April 19), the Range Call committee (April 25), and at the annual After Birth Ball (April 21).

These students are also hoping to present to additional regional or state organizations impacted by, or interested in, this issue.

If you are interested in learning more about domestic horse slaughter, its subsequent funding, or in having this group of students present to your organization, please contact Trina Smith at 970-309-1652 or at tsmith@meeker.k12.co.us.



COURTESY PHOTO

Meeker High School FFA students presented "Should the USDA be provided funding to oversee domestic horse slaughter in the United States?" at the RBC Fair board meeting, Thursday, March 22, 2012. (Left to right) Brittany Smith, Torrie Gerloff, Katie Dinwiddie, Tristan Nielsen, and Kaylynn Dunham.

Recognizing the signs and symptoms of child abuse

By SHANNON SHERIDAN
Special to the Herald Times

RBC I Physical abuse is when there is evidence the child has experienced physical harm or injury by the parent or caretaker, or has been subject to circumstances that could reasonably pose a serious threat of physical harm or injury and "either the condition or death is not justifiably explained; the explanation or history given varies from the child's appearance or from the degree or type of such condition or death; or the circumstances indicate that the injury or condition may not be accidental."

According to the Colorado Children's Code (19-1-103), "abuse" or "child abuse or neglect," means an act or omission in one of the following categories which threatens the health or

welfare of a child:

- Any case in which a child exhibits evidence of skin bruising, bleeding, malnutrition, failure to thrive, burns, fracture of any bone, subdural hematoma, soft tissue swelling, or death and either: such condition or death is not justifiably explained; the history given concerning such condition is at variance with the degree or type of such condition or death; or the circumstances indicate that such condition may not be the product of an accidental occurrence;

- Any case in which a child is subjected to sexual assault or molestation, sexual exploitation or prostitution;

- Any case in which a child is a child in need of services because the child's parents, legal guardian, or custodian fails to take the same actions to

provide adequate food, clothing, shelter, medical care or supervision that a prudent parent would take.

- Sexual abuse is when a child or adolescent has been subjected to assault, has been molested, or has been sexually exploited or prostituted. Both boys and girls, at any age, can be victims of sexual abuse. The vast majority of sexually abused children have no injuries that can be observed by anyone, including a health care provider. The few sexually abused children who do have physical indicators will be diagnosed by a physician.

Neglect is a complex and often dangerous situation for children. In Colorado, more children die from neglect than from physical abuse. Thus, when a child's basic needs for adequate food, clothing, shelter, medical care, or

supervision are not being met as a prudent parent in the same circumstances would meet them, the situation must be taken very seriously.

Circumstances of poverty can result in difficulty in meeting the children's needs, however this is not the same as neglect. Parents who have financial difficulty in meeting their children's needs can be referred to community resources such as food banks, shelters, and low-cost day care facilities.

A child is neglected or dependent if (Colorado Children's Code: 19-3-102):

- A parent, guardian, or legal custodian has abandoned the child or has subjected him to mistreatment or abuse or a parent, guardian, or legal custodian has suffered or allowed another to mistreat or abuse the child without taking lawful means to stop such mistreatment or abuse and prevent it from recurring;

- The child lacks proper parental care through the actions or omissions of the parent, guardian or legal custodian;

- The child's environment is injurious to his or her welfare;

- A parent, guardian or legal custodian fails or refuses to provide the child with proper or necessary subsistence, education, medical care, or any other care necessary for his health, guidance or well-being;

- The child is homeless, without proper care, or not domiciled with his or her parent, guardian or legal custodian through no fault of such parent, guardian, or legal custodian;

- The child has run away from home or is otherwise beyond the control of his or her parent, guardian or legal custodian;

- A parent, guardian or legal custodian has subjected another child or children to an identifiable pattern of habitual abuse; and

- Such parent, guardian or legal custodian has been the respondent in

another proceeding under this article in which a court has adjudicated another child to be neglected or dependent based upon allegations of sexual or physical abuse, or a court of competent jurisdiction has determined that such parent's, guardian's, or legal custodian's abuse or neglect has caused the death of another child; and

- The pattern of habitual abuse ... and the type of abuse pose a current threat to the child.

- Emotional maltreatment is when the parent or caretaker's acts or omissions have caused or are likely to cause identifiable and substantial impairment to the child's psychological or intellectual capacity or functioning or when the child is severely emotionally disturbed and is not receiving appropriate treatment.

Accident vs. Abuse

When a child appears to be physically injured, for instance, there appears to be bruising, bleeding, burns, fracture of any bone, cuts bites, soft tissue swelling, or death, and there is reason to believe that the cause may not have been accidental, physical abuse may be indicated.

N Bruises — A bruise's location can sometimes help determine if the cause was accidental or the result of abuse. Accidental bruises or "play bruises" are more likely to occur on bony prominences such as knees, shins, forehead, or elbows. Bruises in specific shapes such as hand or finger marks (from grabbing or slapping), loop marks (from a belt or cord), and hanger marks are possible indicators of physical abuse, as are bruises on the face, arms, buttocks, lower back and lateral thighs (often due to being struck).

N Burns — Accidents do happen. However, abusive burns usually are distinctively different from accidental burns. Abusive burns have clear lines defining the skin and are often deep. Accidental burns tend to be scattered on

the skin and do not penetrate as deeply.

- Fractures — Accidental fractures are often a normal part of the rites of childhood. Children fall out of trees, wreck their bikes, and fall from skateboards. Fractures can also be present at birth as a result of delivery. Breech births frequently cause injury. CPR in adults may cause broken ribs, however it rarely does in small children. Unexplained fractures, particularly under the age of two should be closely examined.

- Lacerations/abrasions — Unexplained lacerations and abrasions, particularly to the mouth, lips, gums, eyes, genitalia, or backs of arms, legs or torso are highly suspect and should be assessed by a physician. Adult human bite marks, unexplained abdominal injuries (such as a swollen abdomen, localized tenderness, and constant vomiting) and/or inconsistent reports of the injuries should be reported immediately.

- Head and Brain Injuries — Traumatic births may result in head injuries. However, if the injury is not noticed within a few days of birth, child abuse should be suspected. Head and brain injuries can occur from falls and car accidents as well as shaking and beating.

- Poisoning — Sometimes parents will give children roots or herbs to cure a common malady and the treatment has an unfortunate side effect of poisoning. Education and support should be of great help in these situations.

In all cases, the child and caretaker's story of the incident that caused the injury is critical to determining whether it is abuse or accidental.

If you have concerns or questions about suspected child abuse and/or neglect, please contact the Rio Blanco County Department of Social Services, 970-878-9640 in Meeker or 970-878-9645 in Rangely.

Why is There a Ballot Question about the Walbridge Wing?

BALLOT QUESTION

SHALL THE TOWN OF MEEKER, COLORADO, WITHOUT CONSIDERATION, CONVEY THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY AND IMPROVEMENTS SITUATE IN THE TOWN OF MEEKER, COUNTY OF RIO BLANCO TO THE EASTERN RIO BLANCO COUNTY HEALTH SERVICE DISTRICT, RIO BLANCO COUNTY, STATE OF COLORADO, TO WIT:

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Currently, Pioneers Medical Center operates The Wing, but has a contract with the Town of Meeker. The Town of Meeker essentially works as a middle man and passes the money from the Walbridge Trust on to PMC to offset operational costs.

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SISTERS TAKE CHARGE...



Sisters Katelyn and Kassidee Brown competed in the state finals of the Denver Nuggets Skills Competition in Denver on Sunday, March 11. Both girls performed extremely well with Kassidee placing second and Katelyn placing first. Later that night Katelyn and winners from the other age groups were acknowledged during halftime at the Denver Nuggets versus Memphis Grizzlies game. Katelyn also received an autographed basketball signed by all of the Denver Nuggets players.

COURTESY PHOTO

BMS wrestlers qualify 14 for state tourney

By **BOBBY GUTIERREZ**
bobby@theheraldtimes.com

MEEKER I Twenty-two Barone Middle School wrestlers used their first day of spring break last Saturday to wrestle in the state qualifying regional tournament in Fruita. Fourteen of them placed in the top eight, qualifying them to wrestle in Denver this weekend. The Meeker team finished second to Craig by eight points.

"Taking 14 to the state tournament is pretty exciting," head coach Lee Overton said. "We were so close to first this year but we are getting consistent." Meeker placed second last year too, to Paonia.

The young Cowboys advanced five wrestlers to the championship match and four won titles.

"It's a tough tournament, there are no classifications like high school, they throw them all together," Overton said of the competition. "To get five kids in the finals and walk away with four champs is awesome."

The middle school regional and state tournament are not sponsored by the school so some sixth-graders were allowed to wrestle and one of them started the ball rolling.

Sixth-grader Jacob Pelloni wrestled in his first middle school tournament and won the 70-pound bracket. According to his coaches, seventh-grader Sheridan Harvey wrestled the best he has this year and dominated the 85-pound bracket, pinning his opponent in the championship match.

Eighth-graders Devon Pontine and T.J. Shelton both won their weight classes, 145 and 152 respectively. Pontine was the only wrestler to place (fourth) at last year's state tournament.

Seventh-grader Dillon Frantz wrestled in the championship match but finished second in the 135-pound bracket. Robby Jensen, Chase Rule and Noah Overton all qualified with fifth-place finishes. Tommy Chitwood, Jake Nielsen, Caleb Bradford, Brett McGruder and Jake Smith also placed in the top eight and will all wrestle in the state meet, which starts this Friday in Denver.

Garrett Frantz, Cody and Cole Purcell, Tell Blanke, Josh Cochran, Cody Nielsen, Jacob Henderson, Hunter Garcia and Tyler Pollock all wrestled in the regional tournament but did not qualify for the state meet.

"They all wrestled well, as they did all season," Overton said.

Atwood, Atoafa stand out at MHS track meet

Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER I Most of the Meeker High School track and field team started their spring break just a little later than the rest of the school, but their sacrifice was well worth it. Members from both the boys' and girls' teams had career days.

Two competitors really stood out in terms of improvement this week. For the girls' team, Bailey Atwood earned first place in both the shot put and the discus, scoring 20 points for the team and improving her previous career bests in both events. On Saturday in the shot put, Bailey was able to gain four feet from her previous career best of 31 feet 11 inches to an astonishing 35-11. The discus was no different, as she improved on her previous mark of 102-8 to an impressive 107-3. Both marks should have her contending for the number one ranking for all 2A females in the state. For the boys' team the improvement that stood out was Tala Atoafa in the triple jump. He was able to earn first place with his mark of 41-7, vastly improving his previous career mark of 38-3.

The success did not end with these two young athletes. Other noteworthy performances included Toby Casias winning the 100-meter dash with a new season best time of 11.68 seconds. He also placed fourth in the 400-meter dash with his time of 53.83.

The young 4x800 meter relay team of JC Henderson, Caleb Lange, Anthony Watt and

Lathrop Hughes were able to earn seventh place in their first outing of the season. The lone girls' relay team competing in the the 4x100 consisted of Adrienne Wix, Sydney Hughes, Linda Olivas and Aly Ridings earned fifth place.

The relay members did not stop scoring with that race. Wix, running the 400 for the first time this season, placed seventh place. Ridings and Hughes both scored in every event they entered. Ridings earned a first place medal in the 100-meter hurdles with her new career best of 17.55. Hughes was not far behind placing fourth in the 100-meter hurdles. She was also able to score points in the 300-meter hurdles, placing second and running a new career best. Immediately after competing in the 300 meter hurdles Hughes was able to jump a new career best in the triple jump and place sixth. She was not alone scoring points in the triple jump. Teammate Aly Ridings earned third place, with a new career best and Katie Morgan placed seventh.

The girls were also fortunate to get scoring in the distance events as well. Piper Haney ran to a fifth place finish and a career best of 2:45 in the 800-meter run.

Overall, it was a great day, and there were many exceptional performances not mentioned in this article. If you would like to view further results go to <http://co.milesplit.com/teams/MEEK>. This website is very viewer friendly and has every member of the team listed, as well as his or her results for each competition entered.



COURTESY PHOTOS

Juniors Tala Atoafa and Bailey Atwood both improved their career bests and won events in the track meet held in Hotchkiss. Atoafa hopped, skipped and jumped more than three feet better than he ever has to win the triple jump. Atwood improved in both the shot put and discus to win each event.



TRACY ENTERLINE

The Rangely High School girls' soccer team has played three games and will be looking for their first win this Saturday against Vail Christian. "We have 17 out for the team with three seniors," John Bottelbergh, who co-coaches with Patsy Wanstedt, said. The seniors are Monica Briggs, Haeley Enterline and Alexis Silvia-McKay. Bottelbergh said Enterline, the team's goalie, has 53 saves in the first three games and his team is "looking for a lot of shots on goal," this Saturday. Pictured preparing to kick is Quincy Thacker (left), with Kelsie Nash (18), Enterline making a save, Thacker, Leslie Hernandez (3) and Heather Turner (22).



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CHAMPIONS of the WEEK



Katelyn Brown Rangely, Colorado

Brown won the state competition of the Denver Nuggets Skills Challenge last weekend in Denver and was recognized at a Denver Nuggets game and given an autographed basketball by the team for her efforts. Brown and her young sister Kassidee (second at state) both won the local and regional competitions.

Bailey Atwood Meeker, Colorado

Atwood set personal career bests in the shot put and discus last Saturday in Hotchkiss and won both events. Atwood added four feet to her shot put and almost five feet to her discus throw, giving her high marks in the 2A female rankings in both events.



LITTLE GRAPPLER...



BOBBY GUTIERREZ

Elijah Deming waits for a whistle to start drilling a half nelson on his workout partner during a recent youth wrestling practice. Deming and several of his teammates will wrestle in the Bad Dog tournament this Saturday in Craig.



BOBBY GUTIERREZ

The Meeker Golf Course will officially open April 1 (no fooling) but it didn't keep Dave Brown from teeing off on No. 9.



BOBBY GUTIERREZ

Emery Bear pulled the pin for his playing partner Matt Greenfell at Cedar Ridges Golf Course where the two were playing Tuesday afternoon. Cedar Ridges has been officially open for almost three weeks now and will host its first tournament April 14.



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4/13 @ HOME vs. Union (V, JV) - 3:30/5:30

RHS Track & Field

3/31 @ Cedaredge/Central - 9:00 am
4/7 @ PHS - 9:00 am
4/9 @ GJHS-Fresh/So - 12 noon
4/13 @ Coal Ridge - TBA
4/14 @ Glenwood - TBA

RJH Wrestling

3/31 @ Middle School State Tourney - TBD



SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL BOOSTERS!

With the support of the business community, we are able to provide this space for weekly schedules of athletic activities. The support is greatly appreciated. If we missed contacting you as a booster, please contact Bobby Gutierrez at the Herald Times at 675-5033. We can add your name next week.

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Service, LLC
100 Chevron Rd., Rangely, CO
675-3010

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Services, PC
118 W. Main St., Rangely, CO
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Silver Sage RV &
Mobile Home Park
259 Crest, Rangely, CO
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MEEKER COWBOYS

MHS TRACK & FIELD

4/7 @ Palisade Invitational
4/13 @ Coal Ridge Invitational
4/14 @ Glenwood Springs Invitational
4/21 @ Rifle Invitational

MHS BASEBALL

4/7 @ Paonia High School - 11am, 1pm
4/16 @ Paonia - 11am, 1pm
4/19 @ Grand Valley HS - 2:30, 4:30pm
4/21 @ HOME vs. Paonia - 11am, 1pm
4/25 @ HOME vs. Rangely - 3pm, 5pm
5/13-14 @ Regionals

BMS WRESTLING

3/31 @ Middle School State Tourney - Denver

BMS TRACK & FIELD

Practice Starts 4/2
4/14 @ Rangely Invitational



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233 Sixth St., Meeker, CO
878-5041

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Meeker, CO
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First National Bank
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878-5073

Ma Famiglia Restaurant
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410 Market, Meeker, CO
878-4141

Thrifs & Gifts
265 Sixth St., Meeker, CO
878-5500

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485 Market St., Meeker, CO
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793 East Market, Meeker, CO
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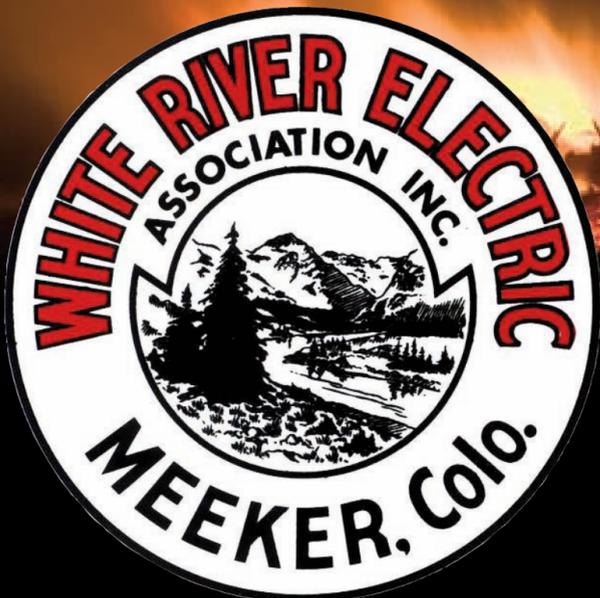
Protect POWER LINES

White River Electric Association is urging caution when burning weeds near power poles this spring.

- Be prepared with the proper tools to handle a controlled burn. Water and electricity do not mix. Do not spray water close to conductors.
- Plan your burning before you begin. Clear vegetation and debris in a 3 foot perimeter around the base of power poles.
- Check with the Sheriff's Office to be sure that there are no red flag warnings or fire bans in place, and notify them of your plans to burn.
- If the fire does get away from you and a pole becomes engulfed in flames, immediately call the fire department and WREA.
- Monitor your controlled burn and any power poles that are in the burn area. Power poles need to be monitored during and after the burn as embers can catch and burn slowly on poles and are not always obvious.
- Not reporting a fire-damaged pole may cause a serious accident to happen later. Report any fire damaged poles that you see to WREA immediately.
- Fire safety is important during controlled burning because damaging is not only a potential safety risk, but can also cause power interruptions and are expense to replace, at the members' expense.



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RIO BLANCO COUNTY DAYS GONE BY

The Meeker Herald — 100 years ago
 ■ The town board of registration met Tuesday and enrolled more than 500 voters. The complete registration will foot up nearly 550.

■ Dr. Montgomery was up on upper Coal Creek in the early part of the week, on professional duties, and found the snow four feet deep in Henry Park.

■ The Denver & Rio Grand has bought the Colorado & Southern's half interest in the Midland. What effect this will have on prospective railroad building in this county remains to be seen.

The Meeker Herald — 50 years ago
 ■ See "Hot Time in Old Town

Tonight" minstrel show April 4 and 5, sponsored by the Meeker Lions Club.

■ Marshal Sam Cron reminds the boys and girls in the Meeker community that the bicycle licenses are due April 1, and can be purchased at the City Hall from town clerk Roy Turner.

■ Mr. and Mrs. Louis C. Reagle are announcing the engagement of their daughter Gail to Ronald Ray Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Miller of Meeker.

■ For the Meeker city council there will be seven candidates running for the six places on the ticket: Roger Purdy, Dale Jens, Howard Joy, Dale Frisby, Odon

Harris, John Oldland and Glen Miller.

The Meeker Herald — 25 years ago
 ■ Meeker contractor Dale Jens will start tearing up the sidewalks next week for the downtown and Sulphur Creek improvement projects.

■ "Towns and county receive mineral lease fund checks totaling \$290,413"

■ From the editor: "For the past 10 years or so, I've been one of those fortunate souls who've always escaped from Meeker during spring break. Unfortunately, things didn't work out this year, but never again will we make that fatal mistake. It was cold

wet, and miserable here and everybody left behind was envious of those who made it to warmer climates."

■ Dondi Clapper, daughter of Gene and Sharon Clapper of Meeker, will be honored as the outstanding sophomore student in the liberal arts field at the CNCC honors banquet.

■ Chris, Peggy and John Strate drove to California for their spring vacation.

Rangely Times — 45 years ago
 ■ Project Dragon Trail will be completed in March 1968. Dragon Trail will consist of detonating a 40 kiloton nuclear device near the base of the Mancos "B" gas zone

at a depth of approximately 2,700 feet. The test is planned in an area 17 miles south of Rangely and west of Douglas Creek. The predicted effects indicate a gas production increase of six to eight times that of a conventional well in this area.

Rangely Times — 35 years ago
 ■ Mr. and Mrs. George Wilczek announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Cathy Ann Jones, to Ken James Thorsted.

■ Marine Corporal Anthony E. Badeaux, son of Savannah J. Steele of Rangely, has been promoted to his present rank while serving with the 3D Force Service

Support Group, on Okinawa.
 ■ A public meeting will be held in the Rangely Junior High School auditorium, at which time representatives of the Colorado River Water Conservation District and the Rangely Area Chamber of Commerce will make a presentation outlining proposals for the construction of a dam and reservoir east of Rangely.

Rangely Times — 25 years ago
 ■ Don and Kathy Collier attended the wedding reception for their son, Lee Collier, and his wife, Karen, Saturday.

■ Hans Parkinson is the new golf course professional at Cedar Ridges Golf Course.



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LEGAL NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE

Town of Meeker Planning Commission and Town Board of Trustees
 Request for Annexation and Zoning Public Hearings

The Town of Meeker will be holding the following Public Hearings at 345 Market Street, Meeker, CO 81641 as follows:
 Planning Commission Public Hearing on the following requests scheduled Monday, March 26, 2012 at 7:00 P.M. Upon completion of the Planning Commission Public Hearing, the Commission will make a recommendation to the Board of Trustees concerning the requests.

Town of Meeker Board of Trustees Public Hearing on the following requests scheduled Tuesday, April 17, 2012 at 7:15 P.M.

A. Request from White River Electric Association (WREA) for annexation and zoning of a parcel described as: A PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED IN THE S.E. QUARTER OF THE S.W. QUARTER OF SECTION 22, T1N, R94W OF THE 6TH P.M., DESCRIBED BY METES AND BOUNDS AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT THE INTERIOR QUARTER SECTION CORNER OF SECTION 22, T1N, R94W AND RUNNING S0°12'W ALONG THE N-S, 1/4 SECTION LINE A DISTANCE OF 2246' TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; FROM THE POINT OF BEGINNING S76°12'W FOR A DISTANCE OF 300 FEET; THENCE S0°12'W FOR A DISTANCE OF 294 FEET; THENCE S89°45'E FOR A DISTANCE OF 24 FEET; THENCE N84°31'E FOR A DISTANCE OF 269.6 FEET; THENCE N0°12'E FOR A DISTANCE OF 340 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; ALL BEARINGS BEING REFERRED TO THE TRUE MERIDIAN AND THE PARCEL OF LAND CONTAINING A CALCULATED AREA OF 2.29 ACRES MORE OR LESS. (LEGAL DESCRIPTION PER BOOK 119 PAGE 443 IN THE OFFICE OF THE RIO BLANCO COUNTY CLERK AND RECORDER) LESS AND EXCEPTING A PARCEL OF LAND DESCRIBED IN BOOK 193 PAGE 294, RECEPTION NO. 104166 TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS, STATE OF COLORADO LESS AND EXCEPTING A PARCEL OF LAND DESCRIBED IN BOOK 363 PAGE 400, RECEPTION NO. 172291 TO RICHARD R. FLAHERTY AND GERALDINE FLAHERTY, CONTAINING A TOTAL CALCULATED AREA OF 1.66 ACRES MORE OR LESS. WREA has requested Highway Commercial zoning for the property.

B. Request from the Town of Meeker to rezone a parcel from the current Open Zone to Highway Commercial, to be conveyed to WREA described as: A PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED IN THE S.E. QUARTER OF SECTION 22, T1N, R94W OF THE 6TH P.M., DESCRIBED BY METES AND BOUNDS AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT THE INTERIOR QUARTER SECTION CORNER OF SECTION 22, T1N, R94W AND RUNNING S0°12'W ALONG THE N-S, 1/4 SECTION LINE A DISTANCE OF 2246 FEET; THENCE S76°12'00'W 300 FEET TO THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING. SAID POINT BEING A FOUND #5 REBAR WITH ALUMINIUM CAP, RLS 12029; THENCE S0°12'00'W, 252.14 FEET TO A POINT ON THE NORTHERLY ROW LINE OF COLORADO STATE HIGHWAY 13; THENCE S88°59'39'W ALONG SAID NORTHERLY ROW LINE 135.18 FEET; THENCE N89°21'37'W ALONG SAID NORTHERLY ROW LINE 64.85 FEET; THENCE N00°12'00'E 204.61 FEET; THENCE N76°12'00'E 206.12 FEET TO THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING. CONTAINING 1.05 ACRES MORE OR LESS.

RESOLUTION NO. 3
 Series 2012

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF MEEKER BOARD OF TRUSTEES RECOGNIZING THE VALIDITY OF THE WHITE RIVER ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION, INC. PETITION FOR THE ANNEXATION TO THE TOWN OF MEEKER OF A CERTAIN PARCEL OF REAL PROPERTY GENERALLY DESCRIBED AS: LYING IN SECTION 22, T1N, R94W OF THE 6TH P.M., RIO BLANCO, COLORADO, AND SETTING A DATE, TIME AND PLACE TO HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE TO ANNEX SAID PARCEL OF REAL PROPERTY, DESIGNATE ITS ZONING AND BRING IT WITHIN THE TOWN OF MEEKER ZONING DISTRICT MAP.

WHEREAS, the White River Electric Association, Inc. ("the Petitioner"), in accordance with C.R.S. §31-12-101, et seq., has petitioned the Town of Meeker Board of Trustees ("Town Board"), for annexation into the Town of Meeker the unincorporated real property solely owned by the White River Electric Association, Inc., which real property is described in Exhibit A, attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference (NOTE: "Exhibit A" is identical to the legal description in item A. above); and,

WHEREAS, Petitioner informed the Town Board at its regular meeting on March 6, 2012, that Petitioner requested a public hearing to consider the adoption of an ordinance to annex said parcel of real property, designate its zoning and bring it within the Town of Meeker Zoning District Map, in accordance with the laws of the State of Colorado and the provisions of the Meeker Municipal Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN OF MEEKER BOARD OF TRUSTEES THAT it has determined that said Petition for Annexation meets the requirements and is in substantial compliance with C.R.S. §31-12-107, and the Town Board will proceed with a public hearing to consider the adoption of an ordinance to annex said parcel of real property, designate its zoning and bring it within the Town of Meeker Zoning District Map.

FURTHERMORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town Board will hold a public hearing on the 17th day of April, 2012, at the hour of 7:15 p.m. at the Meeker Town Hall, 345 Market Street, Meeker, Colorado, for the purpose of adopting an ordinance to annex said parcel of real property, designate its zoning and bring it within the Town of Meeker Zoning District Map.

PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED by a vote of 5 to 0 by the Town of Meeker Board of Trustees, Meeker, Colorado, this 6th day of March, 2012.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
 TOWN OF MEEKER
 \$Lisa Cook, Town Clerk
 \$Mandi Etheridge, Mayor

Further information is available at Town Hall, 345 Market Street, (970)878-4960 during regular business hours.

Sharon Day

Town Administrator

Publish: March 15, 22, 29 and April 5, 2012 in Rio Blanco Herald Times

LEGAL NOTICES

MEEKER SANITATION DISTRICT
 April 4, 2012
 REGULAR BOARD MEETING • 7:00 PM

The Regular Board Meeting of the Meeker Sanitation District will be held at the Meeker Sanitation District Office, 265 8th Street, Meeker, Colorado

1. Call to order
2. Additions or Changes to the Agenda
3. Approval of Minutes
4. Public Comments
5. New Business
6. Old Business
- A. Disinfection System Progress
- B. 8th Street Settling Progress
- C. Rate Study Progress
- D. Vault Wastewater Report
- E. Plant Report
- F. House Water Pumps and Tanks
7. Attorney
8. Board
- A. Delinquent Accounts
- B. Approve Current Bills
- C. Employee Hours Review
9. Recess

This agenda is subject to change without further notice. Agenda is posted at the office of the Meeker Sanitation District, 265 8th Street.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

RANGELY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-4
 BOARD OF EDUCATION
 BUDGET WORKSHOP WITH COMMUNITY
 ALL COMMUNITY MEMBERS ARE INVITED

Tuesday, April 3, 2012
 EEC Board Room
 6:15pm - 8:00pm

Publish: March 22 and 29, 2012

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LEGAL NOTICES

TOWN OF MEEKER PUBLIC NOTICE
 PUBLIC HEARINGS
 MONDAY, APRIL 9, 2012

The Meeker Planning Commission will hold public hearings, Monday, April 9, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. to consider the following variance requests.

- A. Applicant John Purkey, 715 Hill Street - 1/2 Lots 1, 2, 3 less the north twenty ft. of Lot 3, Block 69, Town of Meeker, is requesting a 13 ft. variance from the required 25 ft. front yard setback to construct a new home and garage at a 12 ft. front yard setback (30 ft. from the curb).
- B. Applicant Cheri Robinson, 787 Hill Street - All of Lots 9 and 10, and the Southerly 8 feet of Lot 11, Block 69, Town of Meeker, is requesting a variance from the required maximum fence height in a front yard of 4 ft., to install a 6 ft. chain link fence in the front yard.
- C. Applicant Brad Murdock, 109 Market Street, Lot 10, 11, 12 and East 1/2 of Lot B, is requesting a 2.5 ft. variance from the 7.5 ft. variance to construct a building with a side yard setback of 5 ft. from the property line of 1st St. and a variance to use 5 parking spaces for snow storage during the winter months.

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 Sharon Day at Town Hall or by telephone, 970-878-4960, Monday through Friday.

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LEGAL NOTICES

TOWN OF MEEKER
 BOARD OF TRUSTEES
 Tuesday April 3, 2011 - 7:00 P.M.
 Town Hall
 345 Market Street, Meeker, CO.
 AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- A. Welcome Scott Meszaros, Town Administrator
- II. Roll Call
- III. Approval of the Agenda
- IV. Approval of the Previous Minutes
- V. Approval of the Monthly Vouchers
- VI. Public Participation
- VII. New Business
- A. Blanco Forest District Quarterly update
- B. Public Hearing 7:15 P.M.-Request from Meeker Lions Club for approval of a special events liquor license for the "District Lions Club Convention" to be held at the Fairfield Center, 200 Main Street on April 27 and 28, 2012
- C. Board consideration of authorization for 4 day, ten hours per day, employee schedule for the summer months
- D. Board direction concerning bid preference revisions to the Town of Meeker Personnel Policy and Procedures
- E. Overview concerning revised subdivision regulations (public hearing to be scheduled April 17, 2012)
- VIII. Mayor's remarks
- IX. Town Manager's Reports
- X. Town Attorney's Report
- XI. Other Council Business
- XII. Adjournment

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LEGAL NOTICES

Public Notice
 Section 8 Rental Assistance Program
 Accepting Applications

The Garfield County Housing Authority, administrator for the Rio Blanco County Section 8 Rental Assistance Program, is re-opening the waiting list for this program by accepting applications from qualified families.

The housing choice voucher program is a federal program for assisting very low-income families, the elderly, and the disabled to afford housing in the private market.

Family Size	Maximum annual gross income for Rio Blanco County
1	\$21,800
2	\$24,900
3	\$28,000
4	\$31,100
5	\$33,600
6	\$36,100

Applications available on our website or call 888-625-3589. Completed applications may be mailed or faxed. You are responsible for ensuring receipt of your application.

Rio Blanco County Section 8 Rental Assistance Program
 c/o Garfield County Housing Authority
 1430 Railroad Avenue, Unit F
 Rifle, CO 81650
 (970) 625-3589 or (888) 625-3589 Fax (970) 625-0859
 www.garfieldhousing.com

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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF VACANCY

The Rangely Rural Fire Protection District will have (2) vacancies on their Board of Directors. Any individual interest in serving a two year term on the Board of Directors of the Rangely Rural Fire Protection District needs to submit a written letter of interest to the Rangely Rural Fire Protection District at P.O. Box 220, Rangely, CO 81648 by May 12, 2012. For further information, contact Linda Gordon at 970-675-5212.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notification that Rangely District Hospital continues the record destruction process initiated in 1994. Certain portions of the medical records of patients not seen in our facility for a minimum of 10 years will be destroyed. If you wish records to be retained, please contact the Medical Records dept. at (970) 675-4233. Records of minors will not be destroyed until the patient reaches legal age plus 10 years.

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 Rio Blanco Herald Times

LEGAL NOTICES

COMBINED NOTICE
CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 12-02

To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust: On January 12, 2012, 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): Roger Melanson
Original Beneficiary(ies): Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Fidelity Mortgage Company.
Current Holder of Evidence of Debt: BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING LP
Date of Deed of Trust: 2/28/2008
County of Recording: Rio Blanco
Recording Date of Deed of Trust: 2/28/2008
Recording Information(Reception Number and/or Book/Page Number): 291537
Original Principal Amount: \$71,535.00
Outstanding Principal Balance: \$68,947.77
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.
THE SOUTH 10 FEET OF LOT 2, ALL OF LOT 3 AND THE NORTH 30 FEET OF LOT 4, BLOCK D, LEECH ADDITION NO. 1 TOWN OF RANGELY, COUNTY OF RIO BLANCO, COLORADO

Also known by street and number as: 307 and 311 S Sunset Ave, 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.

HEREFORE, Notice Is Hereby Given that I will at public auction, at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, 05/16/2012, at Office of the Public Trustee, Rio Blanco County Courthouse, 555 Main Street, Meeker CO 81641, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property and all interest of the said Grantor(s), Grantor(s)' heirs and assigns therein, for the purpose of paying the indebtedness provided in said Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, plus attorneys' fees, the expenses of sale and other items allowed by law, and will issue to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law.

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Last Publication: 4/19/2012

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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 MORE THAN EIGHT (8) BUSINESS DAYS AFTER THE SALE;

DATE: 01/13/2012

Karen Arnold

Public Trustee of Rio Blanco County, State of Colorado

/s/Karen Arnold

By: Karen Arnold, Public Trustee

(S E A L) PUBLIC TRUSTEE RIO BLANCO CO COLO

The name, address, business telephone number and bar registration number of the attorney(s) representing the legal holder of the indebtedness is:

Caren Jacobs Castle #11790, Barbara A. Bader #10394, Christa Kilk #29855, Deanna L. Westfall #23449, Deanne R. Stodden #33214, Jennifer C. Rogers #34682, Katharine E. Fisher #39230, Kimberly L. Martinez #40351, Elizabeth S. Marcus #16092, Britney Beall-Eder #34935, Christopher T. Groen #39976
Castle Stawianski LLC 999 18TH ST., #2201, DENVER, CO 80202 (303) 865-1400
Attorney File # 11-16996

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.

(c)Public Trustees' Association of Colorado Revised 6/2011

COMBINED NOTICE

CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 12-01

To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust:

On January 9, 2012, 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): Donna M. Gutierrez and Jose E. Gutierrez

Original Beneficiary(ies): Wells Fargo Home Mortgage, Inc.

Current Holder of Evidence of Debt: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.

Date of Deed of Trust: 12/19/2003

County of Recording: Rio Blanco

Recording Date of Deed of Trust: 12/24/2003

Recording Information(Reception Number and/or Book/Page Number): 277413

Book: 591 Page: 669

Original Principal Amount: \$140,000.00

Outstanding Principal Balance: \$116,836.18

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.

THE EAST 25 FEET OF LOT 4 ALL OF LOT "A" THE WEST 10 FEET OF LOT 3 BLOCK 35 TOWN OF MEEKER, COLORADO. COUNTY OF RIO BLANCO. STATE OF COLORADO.

Also known by street and number as: 148 Main Street, Meeker, CO 81641.

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.

HEREFORE, Notice Is Hereby Given that I will at public auction, at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, 05/09/2012, at Office of the Public Trustee, Rio Blanco County Courthouse, 555 Main Street, Meeker CO 81641, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property and all interest of the said Grantor(s), Grantor(s)' heirs and assigns therein, for the purpose of paying the indebtedness provided in said Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, plus attorneys' fees, the expenses of sale and other items allowed by law, and will issue to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law.

First Publication: 3/15/2012

Last Publication: 4/12/2012

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

DATE: 01/09/2012

Karen Arnold

Public Trustee of Rio Blanco County, State of Colorado

/s/Karen Arnold

By: Karen Arnold, Public Trustee

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Castle Stawianski LLC 999 18TH ST., #2201, DENVER, CO 80202 (303) 865-1400
Attorney File # 12-00179

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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LEGAL NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE

Request For Proposals

Community Wildfire Protection Plan Update / Addressing Project

Rio Blanco County is currently accepting Requests For Proposals for the following: Rio Blanco County is planning to update their Community Wildfire Protection Plan and as a part of the CWPP update, Rio Blanco County is planning to upgrade their GIS addressing dataset for use by the Rio Blanco County Dispatch Center. The project is scheduled to begin in May 2012.

Interested contractors are asked to contact the County Emergency Manager, John Hutchins at (970)878-9623or e-mail: jhutchins@co.rio-blanco.co.us with any questions pertaining to this Request For Proposal. Interested parties can find the RFP and other supporting documents at www.co.rio-blanco.co.us

Three (3) copies of the proposal marked "CWPP/Addressing – Request For Proposals" must be received no later than 11:00 a.m., Mountain Daylight Time, on April 23, 2012 at:

Rio Blanco County Administration Office

Attn: Board of County Commissioners

200 Main Street

P. O. Box i

Meeker, CO 81641

The pre bid conference will be held on Tuesday, April 3, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. at the Rio Blanco County Administration Office located at 200 Main Street, Meeker, Colorado. Attendance is NOT mandatory.

Should you decide to utilize an express delivery service, please note that overnight services are not always delivered on the next day. Any proposal received after the announced time and date for submittal, whether by mail or otherwise, will be rejected. It is the sole responsibility of the Contractor to ensure that its proposal is received by the deadline indicated above.

Bids will be opened and read out loud in the Rio Blanco County Administration Building Conference Room at 200 Main Street, Meeker, CO at 11:00 a.m. on April 23, 2012. All interested parties are invited to attend. The final bid acceptance will be subject to review of all submitted bids and project funding. Copies of the bids will be available for public inspection.

Rio Blanco County reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids, to waive any informalities in the bids or in the bidding procedures, and to consider the best interest of Rio Blanco County in determining which bid to accept or reject.

Publish: March 22 and 29, 2012 in Rio Blanco Herald Times

INVITATION TO BID

TOWN OF MEEKER PAVING PROJECT

You are hereby invited to bid for the construction of the Hill St, 2nd St, 4th St, and Town Hall Paving Project: for the Town of Meeker. This construction project includes the rotomill and overlay of approximately 6,400 linear feet of roadway as well as installation of a concrete drain gutters. The project site is located on Hill Street including 2nd Street to 12th Street, parts of 4th Street and the parking lot of Town Hall of the Town of Meeker. The Project Owner is the Town of Meeker. The Project Engineer is Chris Hale, P.E. of Mountain Cross Engineering, Inc. in Glenwood Springs.

A complete set of plans, specifications and contract documents may be obtained after March 30th, 2012 from the offices of Mountain Cross Engineering, Inc. (970-945-5544) or at the Meeker Town Hall (970-878-5344) for a deposit of \$35. The deposit will be refunded if the set is returned in good condition. A mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held at the Meeker Town Hall, 345 Market Street, on Wednesday, April 4th, 2012, at 10:00 a.m.

Send or deliver the Bid Proposals to Meeker Town Hall, 345 Market Street, Meeker, CO 81641 by 3:00 p.m., Friday, April 13th, 2012, the bid to be awarded at the April 17, Board meeting, 7:00 p.m. in the Town Board room at 345 Market St. Each bid must be accompanied by a bid bond or a check in the amount of 10% of the bid made payable to the Town of Meeker as bid security, along with 3 references for similar work. The Bid Proposals and Bid Security should be placed in an envelope, securely sealed and labeled "Bid for Paving Project". Plans, specifications and contract documents should be returned with the bid. Performance and Payment Bonds are required.

The Town reserves the right to reject any and all bids; to change, add, or amend the specifications; to waive any informalities; and the right to disregard all non-conforming or conditional bids or counter proposals. Each proposal shall be reviewed and considered consistent with the provisions of the Town of Meeker Personnel Policy and Procedure Manual, including but not limited to the Contract-Award-Preference section, which is incorporated herein by this reference and made a part of this "Invitation to Bid."

Contact Russ Overton with the Town of Meeker 970-942-7555 for additional information or with any questions regarding this project.

Published: March 29, 2012 in Rio Blanco Herald Times

COMBINED NOTICE

CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 11-40

To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust:

On December 29, 2011, the undersigned Public Trustee caused the Notice of Election and Demand relating to the Deed of Trust described below to be recorded in the County of Rio Blanco records.

Original Grantor(s): Leslie M Sorensen

Original Beneficiary(ies): Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., acting solely as nominee for COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC.

Current Holder of Evidence of Debt: BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING LP

Date of Deed of Trust: 8/18/2000

County of Recording: Rio Blanco

Recording Date of Deed of Trust: 8/18/2000

Recording Information(Reception Number and/or Book/Page Number): 267887

Original Principal Amount: \$50,440.00

Outstanding Principal Balance: \$44,548.07

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.

SUBLOT 5 OF MEEKER TOWNHOUSES NO. II BEING A PART OF LOT 11 BLOCK 72 TOWN OF MEEKER, COLORADO ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF FILED FEBRUARY 21, 1978 AS RECEPTION NO. 180325

Also known by street and number as: 730 11th Street, Meeker, CO 81641.

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.

HEREFORE, Notice Is Hereby Given that I will at public auction, at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, 05/02/2012, at Office of the Public Trustee, Rio Blanco County Courthouse, 555 Main Street, Meeker CO 81641, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property and all interest of the said Grantor(s), Grantor(s)' heirs and assigns therein, for the purpose of paying the indebtedness provided in said Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, plus attorneys' fees, the expenses of sale and other items allowed by law, and will issue to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law.

First Publication: 3/8/2012

Last Publication: 4/5/2012

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 MORE THAN EIGHT (8) BUSINESS DAYS AFTER THE SALE;

DATE: 01/04/2012

Karen Arnold

Public Trustee of Rio Blanco County, State of Colorado

/s/Karen Arnold

By: Karen Arnold, Public Trustee

(S E A L) PUBLIC TRUSTEE RIO BLANCO CO COLO

The name, address, business telephone number and bar registration number of the attorney(s) representing the legal holder of the indebtedness is:

Robert J. Aronowitz, Esq. #5673, Monica Kadmas #34904, Randall M. Chin, Esq. #31149, Stacey L. Aronowitz, Esq. #36290, Andrea Rickles-Jordan #39005, Susan J. Hendrick #33196, Joel T. Mecklenberg, Esq. #36291, Joan Olson, Esq. #28078, Lisa Cancanon Esq. #42043
Aronowitz & Mecklenberg, L.L.P. 1199 Bannock Street, Denver, CO 80204 (303) 813-1177
Attorney File # 1269.08209

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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LEGAL NOTICES

RIO BLANCO COUNTY
2012 Rio Blanco County Road 3-3A-76
Overlay Project No. 2012-CR3-8700

REQUEST FOR BID

PROJECT NAME, LOCATION AND GENERAL SCOPE OF WORK

2012 Rio Blanco County Road 3-3A-76 Overlay Project No. 2012-CR3-8700. Work for Rio Blanco County includes providing and installing approx. 13,110 tons HBP Grading "SX" 75 Gyration PG 58-28F and 76 (mile post 5.638 – 5.937).

CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

Contract Documents shall be available on-line at www.govbids.com/scripts/co1/public/home1.asp, or on the county's website at www.co.rio-blanco.co.us on the Public Announcements page, or at the Rio Blanco County Road and Bridge Dept. 570 2ndStreet, Meeker, Colorado 81641 on March 29, 2012.

BIDDER QUALIFICATIONS

Vendors must be listed on the most current CDOT Pre-qualified Contractor Listing.

PROJECT SUPERINTENDENT AND QUESTIONS

Van Pilaud, County Engineer, (970) 878-9590, Fax (970) 878-3396. All Bidders are advised to examine the site and become familiar with all conditions. Any questions regarding this Project are to be directed in writing to Van Pilaud before Thursday, April 12, 2012 at 4:00 P.M. at the above address or fax number.

WORK SCHEDULE

The Project shall start on or after June 4, 2012 and be completed by July 31, 2012.

MANDATORY PRE-BID MEETING

Bidders must attend the mandatory pre-bid meeting:

Wednesday, April 10, 2012 at 10:00 A.M. at the Rio Blanco County Road & Bridge Dept., 570 Second Street, Meeker.

BID SUBMITTALS

Bidders shall submit sealed bids for this project which shall include all information required by the contract documents. Bids shall have Bidder's name and address and "Sealed Bid-2012 Rio Blanco County Road 3-3A-76 Overlay Project No. 2012-CR3-8700".

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

Mail or hand-deliver to the Rio Blanco County Board of County Commissioners, at P.O. Box i, 200 Main Street, Meeker, CO 81641 before Thursday, April 19, 2012 at 4:00 P.M., OR Hand-deliver to the Rio Blanco County Board of County Commissioners, 200 Main Street, Meeker, CO until 11:00 A.M. on Monday, April 23, 2012. No bids shall be received Friday, April 20 through Sunday, April 22.

BID OPENING

Bids shall be opened and read in public at 11:15 A.M. on April 23, 2012 at the Commissioners' Meeting Room at 200 Main St., Meeker, CO. Bids submitted after 11:00 A.M. shall be returned unopened. Bids submitted and opened shall not be withdrawn for 30 days thereafter.

BID PREFERENCE

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

BID AWARD

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

RIO BLANCO COUNTY

Dated: March 26, 2012

By: Shawn Bolton, Chairman

Publish: Rio Blanco Herald Times: March 29 and April 5, 2012

COMBINED NOTICE

CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 12-03

To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust: On January 17, 2012, 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): Dennis Clayton Carter and Jeanie R Carter
Original Beneficiary(ies): Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., acting solely as nominee for COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC.

Current Holder of Evidence of Debt: BANK OF AMERICA, N.A. SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP

Date of Deed of Trust: 11/22/2006

County of Recording: Rio Blanco

Recording Date of Deed of Trust: 11/22/2006

Recording Information(Reception Number and/or Book/Page Number): 286875

Original Principal Amount: \$220,000.00

Outstanding Principal Balance: \$207,563.45

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.

Parcel No. 1

Harville Minor Subdivision

according to the Plat thereof filed April 27, 2005

as Reception No. 281288

Rio Blanco County, Colorado

TOGETHER WITH a 30-foot easement described in document recorded September 11, 1972 in Book 319, Page 281, Reception No. 154895, records of Rio Blanco County, Colorado.

LEGAL NOTICES

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

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

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

Notice is hereby given that a regular municipal mail ballot election for the Town of Meeker will be held on Tuesday, April 3, 2012. The polls (the walk-in location) for all electors of the Town on Election Day shall be the Town Hall, 345 Market Street, Meeker, Colorado between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

A completed mail ballot package or replacement ballot package may be returned by US mail by affixing the proper postage or by walk-in at Town Hall, 345 Market Street, Meeker, Colorado on any regular business day between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., except for Election Day, April 3, 2012, then between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have here unto set my hand and official seal at Meeker, Colorado on this 27th day of February, 2012.

TOWN OF MEEKER

Lisa Cook, Town Clerk

Publish: March 8, 15, 22 and 29, 2012

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LEGAL NOTICES

INVITATION TO BID Meeker Cemetery District

The Meeker Cemetery District is requesting bids for the dirt work needed for development of addition to the Highland Cemetery. Site is located west of existing cremation garden area and shop/office building, located at 265 County Road 4, Meeker, CO 81641

1) Work will include excavating approximately 1,600 lineal feet of roadway - 20 feet wide by 14 inches deep. Filling, grading, road base, and preparation for asphalt. On site stockpiling of soil.

2) Approximately 3 acres of surface soil will be scraped, planed and graded for preparation of planting lawn grass.

3) Scaled drawings are available of the proposed site work.

4) A site walk around will be arranged for bidders by the Cemetery Manager Art Cox.

5) Questions about the project will be addressed at the time of the walk around or by contacting the manager at (970)878-5013 or (970)321-2444 during regular business hours (8-5) Monday through Fri-day or by appointment.

6) Bids need to be at Cemetery District Office, 265 County Road 4, Meeker, CO by 5:00 p.m. Friday, March 30, 2012. Mailed bids are acceptable but must be received prior to bid closing. They can be mailed to Meeker Cemetery District, PO Box NN, Meeker, CO 81641.

7) Bid packets can be obtained at the Cemetery District office, 265 County Road 4, Meeker, CO, 8-5, Monday through Friday or by appointment.

8) Bids should be placed in a securely sealed envelope marked "Meeker Cemetery District, Highland Cemetery Expansion Bid".

9) Bid will be awarded at the regular Meeker Cemetery District board meeting April 5, 2012 at the District Office, 265 County Road 4, Meeker, CO.

The Meeker Cemetery District Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informalities and minor irregularities in bids, and to accept the bid deemed, in the opinion of the Board, to be in the best interest of the Meeker Cemetery District. The Meeker Cemetery District Board also reserves the right to negotiate changes in specifications with successful bidder.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of Donald O Rooks also known as Donald O. Rooks, Deceased

Case Number 2012 PR 002

All persons having claims against the above-named estate are required to present them to the Personal Representative or to District Court of Rio Blanco County, Colorado at PO Box 1150, 555 Main St. Meeker CO 81641 on or before July 25, 2012, or the claims may be forever barred.

F J Fennessy

Attorney for Personal Representative

PO Box 1518

Meeker CO 81641

970 878 4783

Donald O. Rooks Jr

Personal Representative

14241 Canyon Vine Cove

Draper UT 84920

970 629 1415

Publish: Mar. 22, 29 & Apr. 5, 2012

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NOTICE OF A PROPOSED PROJECT OR ACTIVITY WARRANTING PUBLIC COMMENT

Notice is hereby given that the following proposed construction activity warrants public comment: GreenBack Produced Water Recovery, LLC proposes to construct and operate a commercial produced water treatment, storage and recycling facility known as the White River Trails Ranch Facility. This source will be designed to process 2,737,500 barrels per year of wastewater and will be located in Section 5 of Township 1 North, Range 96 West in Rio Blanco County. The source will have permitted emissions greater than 25 tons per year for total hazardous air pollutants and will be considered a new major source subject to Title V Operating Permit requirements. Additionally, the source will be located in an attainment area and will have permitted emissions greater than 50 tons per year. As such, this permit is subject to public comment per Regulation 3, Part B, Section III.C.1.a. Copies of the draft permit and preliminary analysis are available for review in the public comment package.

The Division has determined that the proposed source will comply with all applicable regulations and standards of the Colorado Air Quality Control Commission and has made a preliminary determination of approval of the application. The Division will receive and consider the written public comments and requests for any hearing for thirty calendar days after the date of this Notice. Additional information regarding this action can be found at the Rio Blanco County Clerk's office and on the Division's website at:

<http://www.cdphe.state.co.us/ap/airpublicnotices.html>

or by contacting Carissa Money at 303-692-3329 of the Division.

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MEEKER SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1 Board of Education Meeting

Tuesday, April 3, 2012 • 7:00 p.m. Meeker High School Cafeteria

550 School Street

Agenda

Pledge of Allegiance

Action: Approval of the Agenda

Presentation: BMS "Rocketeers"

Action: Approval of the Minutes

Presentation/Possible Action: ES Repairs Update

Public Input

Board Committee Reports

Information: Health Insurance Renewal

Other

Adjournment

Check the District Website:

www.meeker.k12.co.us

for updates to the agenda.

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LEGAL NOTICES

AGENDA

TOWN OF MEEKER PLANNING COMMISSION

Town Hall, 345 Market Street

Monday, April 9, 2012 • 7:00 P.M.

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

III. Approval of Agenda

IV. Approval of Previous Minutes

V. Public Participation

VI. Public Hearings:

Variance Request:

A. Applicant John Purkey, 715 Hill Street - 1/2 Lots 1, 2, 3 less the north twenty ft. of Lot 3, Block 69, Town of Meeker, is requesting a 13 ft. variance from the required 25 ft. front yard setback to construct a new home and garage at a 12 ft. front yard setback (30 ft. from the curb).

B. Applicant Cheri Robinson, 787 Hill Street - All of Lots 9 and 10, and the Southerly 8 feet of Lot 11, Block 69, Town of Meeker, is requesting a variance from the required maximum fence height in a front yard of 4 ft., to install a 6 ft. chain link fence in the front yard.

C. Applicant Brad Murdock, 109 Market Street, Lot 10, 11, 12 and East 1/2 of Lot B, is requesting a 2.5 ft. variance from the 7.5 ft. variance to construct a building with a side yard setback of 5 ft. from 1st St. and a variance to use 5 parking spaces for snow storage during the winter months.

VII. Other Planning Commission Matters

VIII. Adjournment

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NOTICE OF A PROPOSED PROJECT OR ACTIVITY WARRANTING PUBLIC COMMENT

Notice is hereby given that the following proposed construction activity warrants public comment: Enterprise Gas Gathering, LLC proposes to construct and operate a natural gas processing facility known as the Meeker Gas Plant. This source is designed to process 1.8 billion cubic feet per day of natural gas and will be located approximately 22 miles southwest of Meeker in Sections 18 and 19 of Township 1 South, Range 97 West in Rio Blanco County. The source would be considered a major source of air pollutants subject to Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) requirements if the operator did not install emissions controls and accept Federally enforceable emissions limits in the proposed permit. Since the operator will accept emissions limits less than 250 tons per year for each criteria pollutant, this source will be considered a synthetic minor source not subject to PSD review. The source will have permitted emissions greater than 100 tons per year for criteria pollutants, and greater than 10 tons per year of individual hazardous air pollutants (HAP) and greater than 25 tons per year total combined HAP and will be considered a new major source subject to Title V Operating Permit and Maximum Achievable Control Technology (MACT) requirements. As such, this permit is subject to public comment per Regulation 3, Part B, Section III.C.1. The Division has determined that the proposed source will comply with all applicable regulations and standards of the Colorado Air Quality Control Commission and has made a preliminary determination of approval of the application. The Division will receive and consider the written public comments and requests for any hearing for thirty calendar days after the date of this Notice. Additional information regarding this action can be found at the Rio Blanco County Clerk's office and on the Division's website at:

<http://www.cdphe.state.co.us/ap/airpublicnotices.html>

or by contacting Jacob Sebesta at 303-692-3143 of the Division.

RELEASED To: Rio Blanco Herald Times

on March 22, 2012

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PUBLIC NOTICE RANGELY JUNIOR COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES Regular Session

Monday, April 2, 2012 Johnson Building Banquet Room

AGENDA

12:00 noon

1.0 Call Meeting to Order

1.1 Changes to the Agenda

2.0 Consideration of Previous Minutes

2.1 Approval of the Monday, March 5, 2012 RJCD Board minutes

3.0 Action/Discussion Items

3.1 CNCC College Report – Russell George

3.2 Payment of RJCD bills – Linda Gordon

4.0 Other

5.0 Adjournment

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

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

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

SAFEHOUSE

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

AA & Al-Anon Meetings - Rangely

Alcoholics Anonymous - Open meetings Tues & Thurs, 7 pm, 115 Kennedy Dr., St. Timothy's Episcopal Church, Rangely.

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

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

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

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

Alcoholics Anonymous

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

Rangely Victim Services

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

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

PENNIES PLUS PROJECT

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

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

MEEKER LIONS CLUB BINGO

1st & 3rd Wednesdays

Dinner 6 p.m. • BINGO 6:30 p.m.

RBC Fairgrounds Exhibit Hall Progressive Bingo

Concessions & Dinner Available

Meeker Streaker available for transportation to Bingo, call 878-9368.

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

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

BRESNAN CABLE television customers - If you are not receiving a television channel station you normally get, 3 people must report it before it's considered an outage. Call the service number on your bill to report.

PLEASE SAVE the date May 19, 2012 for the Fifth and Final Coach Bob Tucker Golf Tournament.

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.

HORSESHOE TOURNAMENT

at Elks Park, Rangely, Colo., Sunday, April 1, 12:00 noon. \$20 per team, great prizes. To sign up contact (970)210-0772. Proceeds will benefit Jamie Brasfield. There will be inflatable for the kids.

ATTENTION RANGELY!

Remember Middle School Student Council needs your donations for the Ronald McDonald House. Please drop off at the Rangely Junior/Senior High School Office by April 23 or call 675-2253 for some one to pick up.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

RANGELY REGIONAL LIBRARY CLOSED MARCH 29 - APRIL 8

Rangely Regional Library will be closed March 29 through April 8 for the removal of defective carpeting and the installation of new carpeting. The Library will resume its regular hours of operation beginning April 9. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

To friends of Nellie Harrison, wife of the late Daniel Harrison. We are having a SURPRISE 80th birthday celebration in her honor on Friday, March 30th at 6:00 p.m. at the LDS Vernal Stake Center, 850 W. 100 N. Vernal, Utah. Information contact Tina (435)630-3123.

PISTOL RIVER LEATHER

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MONDAY, APR. 2: Meatloaf, garlic mashed potatoes with gravy, green beans & almonds, salad, dessert.

TUESDAY, APR. 3: Chicken Marsala with mushrooms and gravy, spinach, herb rice pilaf, salad, dessert.

WEDNESDAY, APR. 4: Chicken pot pie, mashed potatoes, cinnamon apples, salad, dessert.

FRIDAY, APR. 6: Baked potato bar with all the fixings, vegetable, salad, dessert.

I WILL be on vacation, Sat., Apr. 14 through Weds. Apr. 25. Sue Duke, A Cut Above.

AUCTIONS

COUNTRY MOVING Auction, Saturday, March 31, 10 a.m., 6395 County Road 15, Craig, Colo. 7200 Kubota tractor with loader, Ford pickups - one with snowplow, 1994 Buick station wagon, 1990 Ski-Doo super clean, 2 riding mowers, anvil, 4 ft. 3 pt. rototiller, hand & power tools of all kinds, B tank, oxy torch set, 2 ATV trailers, ladders, 3 air compressors, etc., antiques, furniture, glassware, bottles, toys, clocks, books, train, etc., 8 guns, bullets and shells, modern household furniture, snow cone machine, fireplace, TV books, rocks and yard out, bumper pool and bar pool tables, 2 upright freezers and more. Owners: Susan & Leroy North. For more info. on this auction, call Steve Claypoole, CP Auction Service. (970)260-5577. See web: www.cpauction.com "Call me about a sale for you!"

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ENERGETIC PEOPLE needed for the front of the house at Ma Famiglia Restaurant. Full-time day positions. Pick up an application at 401 Market St., Meeker.

**HELP WANTED:
GENERAL**

Job Title: Dispatcher
Job Description: Applications for a dispatcher for the Town of Rangely Police Department are now being accepted. Applicants must be 18 years of age and have a high school diploma or equivalent. Typing, communications skills, and the ability to multi-task are required. Successful applicants will be administered a psychological test, must pass pre-employment drug screen and be able to work nights, weekends and holidays. To apply submit a completed application to the Town of Rangely Police Department at 209 E Main Street, Rangely Colorado 81648. Applications may be obtained from the personnel department or are available on our website at www.rangely.com. Position is Open until filled. EOE
Salary: Negotiable
Contact Info: Melody Eyl, (970) 675-8467.

**HELP WANTED:
GENERAL**

Looking for a fund-raising opportunity for your nonprofit group throughout the summer? The ERBM Recreation & Park District is looking for a responsible and dependable organization to sell concessions at Paintbrush Park this summer, mid-May to late-August, two to five nights per week, and some weekends. Commitment for the whole season is required. If interested, please call Nicole at 878-3403 ext. 217 by April 1, 2012.

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The successful candidate will possess excellent customer relations and time management skills as well as a happy attitude. Solid typing and spelling abilities are also needed.
Stop by our office at 592 Main Street, Ste. 6 in Meeker to pick up an application.

**HELP WANTED:
SEASONAL**

TEMPORARY LABORERS - Rio Blanco County is currently seeking applicants for temporary laborers at the Meeker Road & Bridge Dept. Applicants must be able to perform manual labor, flagging (stand on hot pavement 8-10 hrs per day) and operate light construction equipment. Must have a valid Colorado Driver's License, be 18 years of age, have the ability to regularly lift 50lbs., be in good physical shape and have full range of motion. Rio Blanco County will train and certify for Flagger Certificate. \$15.48/hr. Applications can be obtained from the HR Dept, 200 Main Street, Meeker, or downloaded from our website at www.co.rio-blanco.co.us. Application deadline: April 12, 2012. Job # 1204. EOE.

**HELP WANTED:
SEASONAL**

(TEMPORARY) WEED CONTROL ASSISTANTS - Applicants must be able to perform manual work involving spraying of herbicides on rangeland and road sides. Mechanical skills with pump and small engine repair are highly desired. Requirements: age 18, valid CO Driver's License, good driving record, must be in good physical shape, have full range of motion, and be able to make field application of herbicides. Prefer applicants with knowledge of noxious weeds, current herbicide applicator certification, or agricultural experience and be able to use a GPS. \$14.50/hr. Positions to begin early May. To apply, submit a completed RBC application to the HR Dept at P.O. Box i, Meeker, CO 81641. Applications can be picked up at the HR Dept or downloaded from our website at www.co.rio-blanco.co.us/personnel. For information call (970) 878-9570. Deadline: April 12, 2012. Announcement #1206. EOE

(TEMPORARY) FAIRGROUNDS LABORER - Applicants must be able to perform manual labor at the County Fairgrounds in Meeker. Must have a valid Colorado Driver's License, have the ability to occasionally lift 100 lbs, be in good physical shape and have full range of motion. Full time with required overtime during certain events. \$12.00/hr. To apply, submit a completed Rio Blanco County Application to the HR Department at P.O. Box i, Meeker, CO 81641, (970) 878-9570. Applications can be obtained from the HR Department or from our website at www.co.rio-blanco.co.us/personnel. Positions open until filled. EOE. Announcement # 1205.

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**HELP WANTED:
SEASONAL**

Employment opportunities are available for seasonal farm/ranch workers from May - October, in Jensen, UT. Job applicants will need to be highly motivated, quick learners, and be willing to work flexible hours. Farm experience, utility maintenance, repairs and troubleshooting skills are preferred but not required. Seasonal employee housing can be provided if needed for the right individuals. A current Driver's License is required. Wages will depend on experience. Applicants must pass a pre-employment drug test. Interested applicants are asked to send a current resume to: Frank@thunder-ranchllc.com

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Rangely District Hospital has an opening in the Clinic for the above captioned position. This is a casual position working 0-19 hours a week (including some Saturdays), as needed to cover shifts for employees on emergency or sick leave, and vacations. Must have strong Microsoft Office Suite skills, especially Excel as well as familiarity with basic office equipment. A high school diploma is required previous experience in a clinical or similar setting.
For more information regarding this position, please call Lois Pittman at 675-4206. An application for this position and complete job description are available in Human Resources.

RANGELY DISTRICT HOSPITAL
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MEDICAL/NURSING ASSISTANT ~ CLINIC
Rangely District Hospital has an opening in the Clinic for the above captioned position. This is a casual position working 0-19 hours a week based upon the need to cover shifts for employees that call-off in an emergency situation, sick leave, or vacation. This position provides basic nursing care to patients in an outpatient setting under the direct supervision of the Clinic Director. The successful candidate must have the ability to express ideas clearly in both written and oral communication and must have the ability to multi-task. A high school diploma or equivalent required.
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Requirements include, but are not limited to: applicant must be 18 years of age or older; possess a Bachelors Degree in Recreation or related field or 2 years supervisory experience in an aquatics setting or combination of education & experience; possess or obtain Lifeguard, AED, First Aid/CPR, WSIT and AFO Certifications; valid CO Driver's license.
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624 Market St. — Large restaurant building, currently being leased and recently remodeled with outstanding location, Beautiful rock outcroppings. \$625,000
The Bistro on Park Ave. — Exceptional family-owned restaurant in Meeker. Currently operated by a professional chef. \$198,000
206 Market Street - 2,320 SQFT Commercial/ Residential opportunity, with large detached garage. Make an Offer! \$159,000

RANCHES
Louisiana Purchase Ranch — Premier hunting area, 1,500 acres, plus hunting and grazing permits. \$3,250,000 Seller has two other ranches for sale, call for details.
550 Acre Ranch on the White River. \$1,500,000
1553 RBC Rd. 13 — Perfectly manicured 77 acre ranch only 2 miles south of Meeker, adjoins the Meeker Golf Course. 4 BD home and outbuildings. \$950,000
Hunting Property — 943 Acres exceptional elk and deer hunting. \$850,000

VACANT LAND
Market Street - Highway Commercial vacant land, 3+ lots - \$350,000
48 Acres — 5 miles south of Meeker, joins BLM. \$255,000
5 Acres with river front — 13 miles up the White River, great fishing! Reduced \$139,900
Two 2.96 Acre Industrial Lots — Located off County Road 15. \$135,000 for both.
15,000 SQFT, 6th & Water Street — Mixed Zoning. \$120,000
20 Acres along Strawberry Creek - Mixed grass/alfalfa meadow with creek running through property. \$85,000
NEW 23105 Highway 13 - 5.09 Acres with water well and electricity. \$80,000
2 adjoining vacant lots in Sage Hills Fantastic views, \$79,900
4 prime Lots in Cross L Estates — Possible owner finance. \$74,000 to \$77,000. \$250,000 for all.
182 Main Street - Oversized mixed use vacant lot. - \$75,000
6.79 acres Cross L Estates Beautiful large lot. \$69,000
3 Acre Lot in Cross L Estates — Reduced to \$59,000
1417 Silver Sage Road — Two vacant lots, Reduced to \$55,000 for both.
Large, beautiful Lot in Sage Hills — Seller will consider financing. Reduced to \$35,000

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◆ 921 E. Main St., small 2 bedroom, 1 bath home, 650 sq. ft. with a 14,000+ sq. ft. lot, comes with kennel fencing and storage shed. Reduced to \$45,200. Sale Pending
◆ 315 & 317 N. Grand, 2 BD, 2 BA, in each unit, with 12mo. leases, 1200 SF each side, Hardwood Floor, Walk-in tile shower, W/D hookups, carport for each unit. \$155,000
◆ 340 CR 95, Dinosaur, 4 BDRm, 3 BA, huge 3 car garage, wells, on 35 Acres, isolated beauty, \$270,000
◆ 226 Dakota, 1344 SF, Metal roof forced air and gas water heater, stove, refrigerator, 2 Bedroom, 1 Bath, unfinished 1/2 basement (528 sq. ft.). \$98,000
◆ 402 Lake St. Vacant Lot. Recent survey, soil samples, blue prints, ready to build. \$30,000
◆ COMMERCIAL BUSINESS: 322 W. Main St. White River Drive-In. Very clean. 1950s-style drive-in, recently updated, new ceiling, new stucco. \$285,000
◆ COMMERCIAL BUSINESS: 114 Steele St. NW Colorado's only full service laundry, turn key operation 10,000 SF lot with building and 2 bedroom rental apt. for extra income. \$395,000
◆ 1112 Mark Cir., 4 brm, 2 3/4 bath, Super low heating bills, oversized lot, 1232 SF on each level, 2 car garage, wood stove, Excellent views, lots of space! \$188,000
◆ 388 9th Street Great potential! corner of Park and 9th Street, two lots, currently a church, and set up as a Day Care facility, chain link, fencing and playground equipment in back. \$119,000
◆ 1188 County Rd 63: Unique property with secluded location, 5+ acres. 3 BDRms 1 1/2 bath home, small pond, several outbuildings and 4 car carport. Good water, Beautiful landscaping with great exterior improvements. \$199,000
◆ 440 Garfield Street: 768 SF on main level with 630 SF basement, 6x24 sunroom and 1246 SF garage on oversized 8625 SF lot. \$130,000
◆ 1153 Market Street: 15,000 SF lot with 2 bedroom, 1 bath home. Highway comm. Reduced to \$116,000.

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◆ 2606 CR 33 - 36+ acre site, 2 bedroom log home, 2000 SF shop, awesome views. New Price: \$299,900
◆ NEW LISTING: 760 Water - Great 2 bedroom home, remodeled throughout, quiet location Price: \$186,000
◆ Ridge Estates - \$59,900 per lot includes water tap. (Lots 22-25 excluded) Call Meeker Realty LLC (970) 878-5165 for lot availability.
◆ NEW - 517 Park Avenue - 2988 SF Retail/office space. Formerly Meeker Mortuary. \$170,000
◆ NEW LISTING - 988 CR 15 - Beautiful new 2 story log home on 15.89 acres - Price reduced to \$349,995. VERY MOTIVATED SELLER!
◆ NEW - 740 3rd Street - Great 3 bedroom, 1 bath home on larger lot near hospital - \$169,900
◆ NEW LISTING - Lot 1, Liberty Industrial Park, 3.5 acres for \$140,000
◆ NEW LISTING - 0.36 acre parcel west of Meeker near Kum & Go - Highway Commercial - \$40,000
◆ NEW LISTING - 10 E. Market - MUST SELL! Motivated Buyer - Make an Offer! Priced for Quick Sale \$120,000 Reduced!
◆ 533 Cleveland - Updated 4 bdrm, 2 bath, great location, must see to appreciate. Sale Pending
◆ 642 12th Street Move-in ready. Lots of upgrades, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths. Price reduced to \$184,500
◆ Vacant Lot - 13th and Garfield Street, 7500 SF - \$35,000
◆ 565 4th Street - Modern Family Home - 4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, 1888 SF trees. PRICE REDUCED TO \$250,000
◆ 1062 Main Street - Great Starter Home or Rental with 1536 SF including full basement on a fenced corner lot. Asking \$88,000.
◆ 6321 CR 7 - 10 acres, custom home with log siding 3 bedrooms, 2.25 baths, basement, garage, water. Price: \$259,750
◆ 566 Rimrock Drive - 2160 SF total living area, 3+ bedrooms, 2+ baths, 2 car built-in garage, 5 acres, close to town. Call today for a showing. Price Reduced to \$275,000
◆ 1368 Robert Street: 2352 SF total (1176 up and 1176 finished basement), 4 bedroom, 2 baths, 1 car garage, quiet location. PRICE REDUCED TO \$215,000

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RESIDENTIAL

146 S. Grand Ave. 2 bedroom 1 bath, office space center of town lot=7,500 sq. ft. \$52,000
614 & 616 E. Rio Starter townhome or investment, 2 bedroom & 1.5 bath \$70,000/side
208 Dakota Ave Great Starter Home 2 Bedroom 1 Bath over partial basement close to Park \$107,000
703 E Rangely Ave. Charming ranchstyle home 2 bedroom 1 bath & 2 garages, corner lot \$119,500
908 Tropic St. 3 bedroom 2 bath Manufactured Home with 2-car garage built in 2005 \$139,950
325 Mesa Dr Remodeled 3 Bedroom 2 Bath over full basement 1976 total sq. ft. \$146,000
908 Taos Immaculate ranch style home 3 bdrm 2 bath plus office 1397 sq. ft. blt. In 1999 \$146,000
627 E. Rio Blanco Nicely updated split level home 3 bedroom 2 bath 1,562 total sq. ft. \$149,900
1101 Half Turn Rd. Remarkable ranch style home 3 bdr. 2 bath 1,413 sq. ft. blt. in 2007 \$164,500
233 S. Grand Ave. Tranquil Tri-Level home 3brd 1.5 bath on corner lot RV parking \$168,000
223 S. Sunset Ave. New construction, Ranch style 3 bedroom 2 bath w/partial basement \$178,000
226 Morrison Ave. Lovely Bi-Level home close to Town Park 3 bdrs. 2 baths 1,686 sq. ft. \$183,000
208 River Rd. Beautiful Bi-Level Home 3+bedroom 1.7 bath 2,800 Sq. Ft. built in 1982 \$198,000
1220 Deserado Dr. Lovely Two Story Home 4 bedrooms 3 bath 1,615 sq. ft. built in 2008 \$212,500
267 Crest St. Picturesque Brick Ranch Style Home 4 BD, 2 BA, 1776 total sq. ft. 2 car garage \$219,000
300 River Rd Beautiful Ranch Style Home 2267 sq ft with 4 bedrooms 2 baths built in 2007 \$249,000
1410 La Mesa Circle Majestic 2-story home, 4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, built in 2007. 3125 SF \$369,500
3865 HWY 40 102 Acres, two Beautiful homes 4 bedroom 3 bath each. Reduced to \$460,000

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405 Triceratops Ter. 3 bedroom 2 bath Manufactured Home on large lot built 2005 \$83,000
223 2nd St. West 3 bedroom 2 bath Manufactured Home 1296 sq. ft., built 1996 \$80,000

COMMERCIAL

747 E. Main Commercial building set up as church/mortuary \$68,000

LOTS/LAND

629 E. Main St. 7 Lots 6,250 sq. ft. \$12,500
119 Sunset Ave Lot Size=9,000 sq. ft. \$20,000
Skull Creek Estates Approx. 5 1/2 acres \$25,000
4 lots in La Mesa Sub. \$26,400 each.
Lake St. 2 Lots. 5,000 sq. ft. each. Both \$28,000
Redwood Estates- Approx 1/2 acre building lot \$28,000
3 lots in Ridgeview Sub. Various prices

3.76 acres down river on CR 2 \$30,000
222 & 226 S. Grand Ave. 14,000 sq. ft. Lot \$30,000
Mesa Dr. 2 building lots. Both \$32,000
202 W. Main St. Great corner location \$35,000
820 Main St. Commercial Lot 18,564 sq. ft. total \$41,770
2 Fantastic lots in La Mesa Sub \$50,000 each
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