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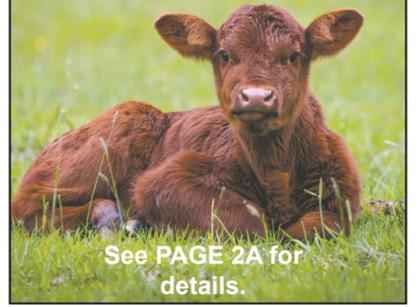
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## Anvil Points money is still in the mail

By NIKI TURNER  
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**RBC I** The \$7.2 million check, which was supposed to go out March 29, has yet to arrive, but everyone is already asking for a piece of the pie.

"I now know what it's like to win the lottery, we're getting so many emails," said board of county commissioner chair Shawn Bolton. "I think we should stick it (the check) back into the CCITF (County Capital Improvement Trust Fund) and build that fund back up."

Commissioners used some of the CCITF funds for the broadband project.

Once the money does come in, the commissioners will need to determine where it should be applied. CCITF monies are limited to capital projects.

"You might want to consider a separate assigned fund," suggested finance director Janae Stansworth, for non-capital projects.

On a positive note, the commissioners said Senator Cory Gardner and Rep. Scott Tipton have indicated they will be working to ensure that the county will not have to sacrifice PILT (Payments In Lieu of Taxes) funds to the tune of \$1 million as originally expected because of the Anvil Points payment.

PILT funds—received to offset losses in property taxes in districts that have non-taxable Federal lands—go directly to the county's general fund.

The commissioners debated where to "draw the line" when it comes to enforcing building code violations, particularly in reference to "rubbish and junk."

"I don't know where we go down

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## MUSICAL SPELLING BEE...



BOBBY GUTIERREZ

MHS drama club members presented "The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee" last weekend. Above, Mason Holliday, Brandon Lozano, Ridge Williams, Brynlee Williams, Ashdon Seibert, Annelise Amack and Savana May performed.

## ERBM board defends bid decision

By CAITLIN WALKER  
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**MEEKER I** The Eastern Rio Blanco Metropolitan Recreation & Park District (ERBM) Board of Directors has come under fire for their decision to hire an Arkansas company for the next phase of their Trails Development Project. The project will add approximately 4.5 miles to the existing China Wall trail system on BLM land. Groundbreaking is scheduled for this summer.

Citizens have raised concerns primarily because the board passed over two substantially cheaper bids from local contractors, one from T&M Contracting for \$43,563 and one from Rock Hawg Construction, Inc. for \$95,844.

At the March 20 board meet-

ing, a construction contract in the amount of \$150,044.40 was awarded to Progressive Trail Design (PTD) of Bentonville, Ark., after a 13 minute discussion. Executive Director Sean VonRoenn directed the board's attention to their packets, explained they had received three out of town bids and two local bids, then stated, "We are recommending to go with the contractor that built the previous trail system, but we'll leave that to the board." He then asked Aaron Grimes of BLM for his thoughts. Grimes talked about the project goals and how he felt PTD in particular would best be able to meet them. Director Kris Arcolesse stated, "I'm really surprised at the difference between the lowest and the highest. I'm not a construction person; it's kind of hard for me to fathom that huge difference. It's hard to

wrap my head around it." VonRoenn agreed that he was not a construction person either, and explained that in order to maximize the number of bids received, the board did not require a bid bond on this project, meaning "the contractor would have additional costs in vetting the project and working with an insured company, so bid bonds are intended to make sure contractors do their due diligence on the front end."

Director Travis Mobley asked for ERBM Parks and Facilities Manager Rod Gerloff's opinion on how the current trails have held up, as maintenance is and will continue to be the joint responsibility of ERBM and BLM. Gerloff stated maintenance has been minimal and the trails are essen-

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## HEALTH FAIRS ...



NIKI TURNER

Several hundred people took advantage of Rangely District Hospital's reduced rates for basic medical tests Saturday. The RDH health fair keeps everything in-house. "We used to send everything to Denver. Every year we have a handful of critical results come back. We can notify them right away now," said RDH CEO Nick Goshe. The hospital doesn't profit from the event, as they cut the test fees to the bare minimum for the benefit of community participants. The hospitals in Steamboat and Craig have recently followed Rangely's lead. RDH's doctors were on hand in the morning to answer questions and meet patients and potential patients, and multiple information booths were available.



PATTI HOKE

About 420 participants took advantage of the 9Health Fair in Meeker, hosted by Pioneers Medical Center and held at the Meeker Elementary School last Saturday. According to Margie Joy, community relations director, that number is down slightly from 2017. "We would like to thank everyone that participated in the health fair," said health fair coordinator and Meeker Family Health Center manager Christy Atwood. "It really is a great, inexpensive way to do some basic health screenings. We appreciate the partnership with 9News to be able to offer this in our community and would like to give a big shout out to everyone who volunteered, the Meeker Fire District and the Meeker Lions Club. We appreciate all of their help and certainly couldn't do it without them." People who registered online should receive their results in 7-10 days. Those who registered at the event will get results back in 2-3 weeks.

## Updates on new dam at river basin forum; dire weather predictions

By JEN HILL  
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**RBC I** Wednesday, April 4 Rangely hosted the State of the White River Basin Forum and Douglas Creek Conservation District's annual banquet.

The presentations kicked off with an update on Douglas Creek Conservation District activities from Executive Director Callie Hendrickson. She touched on the financial situation the district was hit with last year when their budget was cut by 85 percent following the discovery that their mill levy had been collected incorrectly. Hendrickson celebrated Enterprise, Williams and XTO who could have requested a return of some funds and did not. She also thanked the county who helped fund the district during the crisis.

The areas of rangeland health and monitoring have heavily focused on the problems associated with excess feral horses. There are 10 western states with wild horse populations that can sustainably hold 27,000 horses. However, the current population is estimated at 72,000, with another 47,000 in holding facilities. The horses in holding cost \$50 million annually for care. Hendrickson expressed frustration with Congress for failing to act on the problem and encouraged rangeland supporters to contact their representatives.

Hendrickson also addressed the Greater Sage Grouse plan, saying the district has worked with the BLM as a cooperating agency and continue to promote multiple use standards while protecting the grouse.

The district's 2018 plan of work includes developing and implementing weed control, facilitating the White River Algae Technical Advisory Group, as well as continued work on wild horses and the county-wide Land Use Plan.

Hendrickson also updated the audience on the White River Algae Advisory Group's work. In October the White River and Douglas Creek Conservation Districts were tasked with facilitating and administering the local efforts to study the river algae and determine its cause. Hendrickson said the committee has no authority to implement any restrictions on landowners in relationship to the algae. They are entering an agreement with USGS to study the river starting in Meeker and working upriver. Areas of study will include run off levels, stream depth and water velocity, and chemical properties. The project cost for 2018 is \$130,000 with USGS contributing \$40,000. After a variety of other contributions the District still needs \$25,000 for this year. The study is expected to last four years.

Rio Blanco Water Conservancy District Manager Alden VandenBrink provided information about the Yampa/White/Green Rivers Roundtable where he serves as the vice chair. The group is tasked with identifying water related issues and proposing solutions. The White River has an average annual flow of 500,000 acre feet until it meets with the Green River, making it the smallest of the three rivers in the table. The roundtable has established goals including protecting and encouraging agricultural uses, protecting the river from Colorado River Compact curtailment, and restoring water storage infrastructure.

VandenBrink said the White River

does have some shortage for municipal and industrial uses and that the roundtable determined that it is, "critical to prevent the abandonment of pre-1922 Colorado River Compact water rights." Since the conception of the roundtable they have provided \$1.99 million in direct and indirect spending supporting various water projects.

An audience question about Lake Avery was answered by a Colorado Parks and Wildlife representative who said they are currently exploring expanding the lake.

Danielle Hannes of WW Wheeler and Associates gave a presentation about the White River Storage Project which is focused on the potential Wolf Creek Dam. The project began in 2013 with a purpose and need evaluation, feasibility study, filing of water rights and location evaluations and is currently nearing the end of Phase II of the study.

The need for a new reservoir was based on expected increasing future water demands and the fact that Kenney Reservoir loses more than 300 acre-feet per year due to sedimentation, and is currently less than half of its initial capacity.

The Wolf Creek location was determined after screening 23 different sites. They also considered expanding Taylor Draw Dam and dredging Kenney Reservoir but both options were described as incredibly expensive and problematic.

Two Wolf Creek sites were considered; one on the White River and one off river. The off river site was determined the preferred site as it was deemed as having a better location and growth possibilities as well as less risk of future sedimentation limiting capacity.

A variety of dam and reservoir size options were considered for both locations.

The maximum size of the reservoir will be 1.6 million acre feet and 260 feet deep. Two smaller reservoir sizes are also being studied. Annual pump and fill costs for the large dam are estimated at \$640,000. A gravity fill line canal system including an inverted siphon is also being considered.

The next steps for the dam include a public meeting this summer and finishing the engineering report which is scheduled for completion in September. The goal is to initiate project permitting in the coming year.

The final presentation of the evening came from the Colorado River District, who discussed the dire current snowpack and spring runoff predictions. The Yampa and White River Districts are currently at 81 percent of normal snow water equivalent, however the White River Basin is much lower. Projected runoff from April through July is 50 percent of median. Right now western Rio Blanco County is categorized in a severe drought situation.

Colorado River District General Manager Andy Mueller addressed attendees and said that the state gives priority for water usage to municipalities over agriculture. According to the Colorado River Compact, 7.5 million acre feet of water must be delivered by the Colorado River to Lake Powell each year. Mueller is predicting a large drop in Lake Powell levels this year as they anticipate very limited inflow. He

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**WEATHER**



**Saturday: 46/24 Sunny**



**Sunday: 56/31 Mostly sunny**



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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

■ **Father Daughter Ball** April 13 from 7-9 p.m. at the Fairfield Center. Fathers and daughters of all ages, join us for the Father Daughter Ball! Register by April 6 for \$10/person or pay \$15/person at the door. RSVP at the Meeker Recreation Center or by calling 970-878-3403.

■ **Garden Workshop: Initial Planting** April 16 from 5:30-6:30 p.m. at the Meeker Recreation Center. Those 8 and older are invited to this garden workshop to plan their 2018 garden. Register by April 9 for \$3 or pay \$5 at the door. ERBM Recreation and Park District, 970-878-3403

■ **Projects in Grocery Sacks** at Meeker Recreation Center from 1-4 p.m. April 20. Adults 18 and older, grab your crochet hooks and yarn and join us for an afternoon of crocheting, conversation and refreshments. Call 878-3403.

■ **Mother Son Bowling** April 20 from 4-6 p.m. Mothers and sons of all ages are invited to an evening of bowling at Rifle Fireside Bowling Lanes. More information at www.erbmrec.com. ERBM Recreation and Park District, 970-878-3403.

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

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

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

meetings are \$5. Scholarships are available if needed.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

■ **RBC Small Business Development Center** available for guidance at Mountain Valley Bank the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. Rebecca Gould, MVB mortgage lender, in the Meeker office twice a month to answer questions, assist with your mortgage needs. Call the Meeker office at 970-878-0103 for more details and/or to set up an appointment.

'Ag in Motion' brings agriculture to elementary students

Special to the Herald Times

**RBC |** There are many youth and adults, particularly in urban areas, who have little knowledge or understanding of how the agricultural industry provides a wide variety of essential consumables sold internationally in stores and other outlets.

The Colorado Farm Bureau "Ag in Motion" educational outreach trailer was brought to the Meeker Elementary School on March 29 by the Rio Blanco County Farm Bureau, where Meeker High School Vocational Agriculture students and Future Farmers of America [FFA] members presented the Story of Agriculture to preschool and first through fifth grade students. Denee Chintala, MHS vocational agriculture teacher and FFA sponsor coordinated the efforts of the high school students. Meeker Farm Bureau adult volunteers assisted with coordinating and setting up displays.

"Ag in Motion" displays—known as "Barns"—include lessons with graphics and examples of various agricultural production methods and technology essential to successful provision of many products widely used by domestic and international consumers worldwide. Students interactively demonstrated topics including beef and dairy cattle production and illustrated the many products used in our daily lives that are vital to the international economy. Every part of the animals raised in agricultural operations is ultimately utilized by consumers as food, clothing, sports equipment, adhesives,

medical products, gelatin and much more.

The agricultural industry also includes wool used for clothing, carpeting and much more, as well as sheep production for food. Swine and poultry production offer frequently consumed food products as well as those products noted above. The renewable natural resources essential to animal production include growing grasses such as hay and alfalfa for forage. Grains such as wheat, barley, corn, as well as fruits and vegetables, and many renewable resource derivative products such as corn syrup is used for clean-burning fuel additives such as ethanol as well as for food, cereals, bread and much more.

Soil conservation is key to the support of all agricultural endeavors which requires good management techniques, irrigation and fertilization to optimize productivity. Wildlife conservation and management are also key to successful agricultural production to limit predation, lessen conflicts and maintain a natural balance. With the explosion of the world population, higher efficiencies and greater quantities are necessary to meet ever-increasing demands for agricultural products internationally. Exports and imports of foodstuffs are a major element of international trade between nations.

This year's exhibit included a display of livestock from local ranches and farms, and owned by FFA students that were made available to the elementary students to pet and watch while being explained by FFA students.



COURTESY PHOTO

**Meeker FFA students introduced Meeker Elementary School students to the agriculture industry March 29 with the Colorado Farm Bureau's 'Ag in Motion' trailer. Ag in Motion displays include lessons with graphics and examples of agriculture production methods and technology.**

Included were miniature horses, burros, saddle horse, ducks, rabbits, goats and sheep. Some of the animals are used in 4-H projects as well.

Elementary School Principal Kathy Collins commended the Farm Bureau volunteers and the MHS vocational agriculture and FFA students who presented the interactive lessons to the elementary school students. Volunteers included Rio Blanco County Farm Bureau Vice President Mary Ann Wilber who coordinated the presentation as well as J.D. Amick, President of Rio Blanco Farm Bureau, Nancy Amick, Mary Bailey, Lanita Parker, Dianna Watson, Harold Anderson and Bob Amick.

Rangely council updates

By JEN HILL

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**RANGELY |** On Tuesday the Rangely Town Council gave permission to Rick Stover to set up his snow cone stand in the town's empty lot north of the Automotive Museum.

Kelli Neiberger from the gas department said the department recently passed numerous inspections with high scores. Jeff LeBleu from public works said they're planning a senior clean up day. He is looking for volunteers to help with work at the Elk's Trap Club.

Police Chief Vince Wilczek talked about a school resource officer and said the county will outfit two police vehicles, setting the money aside from the Anvil Points funds the county is receiving. The chief and school district superintendent are meeting later this week to discuss funding.

Councilman Andy Shaffer asked what other options should be considered since one officer can't cover all three buildings at once.

Town Manager Peter Brixius said the town is working on potential water restrictions this year due to the low runoff into the White River.

After the Birth Ball April 14

**MEEKER |** The After the Birth Ball is an annual celebration of the end of calving, lambing and the spring birth season. Join the Friends of the Meeker FFA (501c3) in a fun evening of celebration for the entire family. All proceeds benefit the Meeker FFA Chapter and all its endeavors throughout the year. Help the Friends of the Meeker FFA support this fantastic student led organization that is building the future of American agricultural pursuits. Saturday, April 14 from 5:30 to midnight. Cash bar, silent auction, live entertainment, dinner. Tickets are available at the Meeker Chamber, Meeker High School front office, or from a Meeker FFA member. \$35 for adults, \$10 for children 10 and under.

State House of Representatives  
Dist. 57 Assembly held in Meeker

By JEN HILL

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**RBC |** Republican Colorado House District 57, which includes Rio Blanco, Garfield and Moffat counties, met in Meeker on Saturday for its district assembly.

The assembly was seated with 10 of the 12 Rio Blanco delegates. The primary purpose of the assembly was to determine a Republican nominee for the Colorado House of Representatives. The seat is currently filled by Bob Rankin, who was the only nominee at the assembly.

Rankin was nominated by Congressman Scott Tipton from Cortez. Tipton said Rankin is known as someone who doesn't give up and will push back against the federal government. He highlighted Rankin's



Bob Rankin

Education, as well as from Meeker local Dave Smith. Smith called Rankin, "approachable" and said, "we can't afford to lose him on the joint budget committee."

Rankin accepted the nomination, telling the delegates that he has unfinished business in the House and plans to pursue a push on public lands, education reform, cost of health insurance

and severance tax disparities between eastern and western Colorado. He urged the delegates to work on voter turn-out saying, "It's going to be a real tight situation this year."

Rankin's nomination received a second from his wife Joyce, who currently serves on the State Board of

Education, as well as from Meeker local Dave Smith. Smith called Rankin, "approachable" and said, "we can't afford to lose him on the joint budget committee."

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**Who: Mothers & Sons of All Ages**

**Cost:**

Bowling Only: Early Bird \$ 6 | Full Cost \$10

Bowling Package: Early Bird \$10 | Full Cost \$14

Bowling Package+Van Ride: Early Bird \$15 | Full Cost \$19

**Early Bird Cost Deadline: April 13**

**Final Deadline: April 19**

Register at the Meeker Recreation Center or by calling 970-878-3403.



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NEWS BRIEFS

**Museum asks for return of obituary books**

**MEEKER** | Staff at the White River Museum in Meeker has issued an urgent appeal for the return of the museum's obituary volumes for the years 2012-14 and 2016-18. The volumes turned up missing about three weeks ago. Museum visitors use the volumes on site to research family history, and the information contained in them is irreplaceable. There will be no questions asked upon return of the binders.

**NW Colo. Outfitters meeting April 18**

**MEEKER** | The Northwest Colorado Outfitters will be having a meeting April 18 at the 4-H building in Meeker at 1 p.m. U.S. Forest Service, Colorado Parks and Wildlife, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and possibly BLM will be there. Anyone is welcome to attend.

**'Win a Tree' essay contest**

**MEEKER** | Eastern Rio Blanco Metropolitan (ERBM) Recreation and Park District will be celebrating Arbor Day with the chance to win one of three trees. To be eligible to win a tree, the public is invited to write a one page essay titled "Why I Want a Tree" and submit it to guest services at the Meeker Recreation Center by April 20. Essay must include a name and contact number. The top three essays will each win a tree. ERBM staff will help with the planting of each awarded tree. Essay winners will be revealed at an Arbor Day tree planting celebration at noon on April 27 at Town Park.

**Help CNCC's flight team go to nationals**

**RANGELY** | Show off your skills and help CNCC's NIFA flight team get to nationals. We are calling all cooks to enter their best rib and/or chili recipe in a winner-take-all contest April 21 at Cedar Ridges Golf Course from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. No entry fee is required, simply bring enough for our judges and guests to enjoy. The rules are simple: red or green chili are both acceptable. The best overall chili will win the day. Beef or pork ribs only. Best overall wins. The overall winner for each category will win a one hour flight for two, provided by CNCC flight staff (a more than \$200 value each). Anyone interested in entering either a rib or chili entry is asked to contact Angie at 970-675-3227 or email angela.miller@cncc.edu to request an entry packet to register your dish.

**Cedar Ridges golf tournament April 21**

**RANGELY** | The annual Cedar Ridges golf tournament will support the CNCC NIFA team's trip to national competition. Entry fees are \$200 a team or \$50 for individuals. For details contact Kris Kauber: kriskauber@gmail.com.

**Rangely Pick-Up Days April 24-26**

**RANGELY** | For seniors 65 years of age or disabled individuals, The Town of Rangely public works department will pick up debris and rubbish by appointment only. Qualified persons must make an appointment by April 24. Please sign your Rio Blanco County landfill coupon and give it to the public works personnel when they pick up debris or drop by Town Hall prior to the pick-up day. Public works will start picking up items on April 24 and continue through the morning of April 26. All items must be in the alley or left by the curb no later than 7 a.m. on the morning of Thursday, April 26. The property owner will be responsible to dispose of anything placed on the curb after 7 a.m. Unless you are a qualified person for the town pick up, all other citizens needing to dispose of items should make other arrangements or contact your local trash service. No tires, batteries, hazardous materials, electronics or refrigerators/freezers unless they are tagged freon-free. To schedule an appointment or for more information please call Town Hall during normal business hours Monday through Friday at 970-675-8476.

**Cultural Heritage summit April 25-27**

**RANGELY** | Registration for the fourth annual Northwest Colorado Cultural Heritage Program Summit sponsored by the Colorado Tourism Office is now available online. The summit will be held April 25-27 and includes trips to Canyon Pintado, The Tank, Dinosaur National Monument, an opportunity to try rock crawling or a ride in a side-by-side, as well as a variety of presentations on building cultural heritage tourism and its economic benefits. Register at <http://bit.ly/2qkwUPS> or contact program coordinator Nancy Kramer at 970-367-7282, or email nbkramer@nwcochp.org for more information.

**Register for community ed classes now**

**MEEKER** | Spring CNCC Community Education Classes starting in April and May are open for registration, and due one week prior to class starts. Don't miss these opportunities to learn or create something new! Social Media Marketing: Next Steps - April 9, 16 - Refine your business marketing. Introduction to Plein Air - April 14, 15 - Enjoy a weekend of painting outdoors. Summer Main Dish Salads- April 18 - Chef Karla will help spark summer entertaining and meals. Cottage Food Training - May 9 - Learn the specifics of the CO Cottage Food Act for operating a food business out of your home or selling at Farmers Markets. Senior tuition discounts available. For further information, call 878-5227 to get on a class list, or stop by the CNCC Meeker Center at 345 Sixth St. on Tuesday or Wednesday to complete registrations. Registrations may be mailed to CNCC, PO Box 1542, faxed to 970-878-4145 or emailed to iris.franklin@cncc.edu.

**Learn to cook well on a budget**

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

**Children's Chorale in Rangely April 27**

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

**ERBM releases 2017 annual report**

**MEEKER** | The Eastern Rio Blanco Metropolitan (ERBM) Recreation and Park District has released its 2017 annual report that highlights the many accomplishments and challenges along with the future outlook for the district. The report is available to the public on the District's website ([www.ERBMrec.com](http://www.ERBMrec.com)) or may be viewed in printed version at district headquarters at the Meeker Recreation Center at 101 Ute Rd., in Meeker.

# Child Find provides health/education screenings for kids from birth to 5

By JEN HILL  
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**RBC** | The Rio Blanco Board of Cooperative Educational Services, or BOCES, is preparing for their annual Child Find event in Meeker on April 13 and Rangely on April 20.

Child Find is a free yearly spring event for kids ages birth to five providing a variety of health and educational screenings including vision, hearing, height, weight, oral health, motor and speech skills, cognitive abilities and social/emotional skills. The event also offers a time to register children for fall preschool.

The screenings are provided by a variety of specialists including preschool and special education teachers,

a speech language pathologist assistant, motor specialist, dental hygiene students as well as staff from Horizons Specialized Services who provide home care for infants, toddlers and adults who have aged out of the school system.

The event is designed to be exceptionally child friendly. This year's theme is Super Heroes and will include a carnival-like atmosphere designed to make kids comfortable and the experience a fun one.

Child Find allows parents to speak directly with specialists about any concerns they have or that might be identified during the screening process. They are also able to schedule appointments for further evaluation if needed.

It is suggested that parents call

the BOCES office at 970-675-2064 to make an appointment, however walk-ins are accepted.

In addition to Child Find the Rio Blanco BOCES offers a variety of services to students in both the Rangely and Meeker school districts. Headed by Executive Director Teresa Schott, their mission states BOCES is "committed to partnering with our member districts to support and deliver educational and instructional programs to enable each district to meet the individual needs and unique priorities of the students, parents, staff and community we serve." They do this through a variety of services including special education teachers, special education paraprofessionals, speech language, school psychologist, occupational therapy,

physical therapy, assistive technology, school nurses, preschool and gifted and talented programs and transition services for students ages 14-21.

BOCES also champions the Feeding our Future Program which provides non-perishable lunch items each week to 33 students across the county who may otherwise spend the weekend hungry. The program is funded through charitable donations including one recently received from Tesoro Oil and Gas which will help fund the program through the rest of this school year.

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EDITOR'S COLUMN...

'We go to meetings so you don't have to'—it's not catchy, but it's true

By NIKI TURNER  
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We (my daughter/co-owner and I) are headed to our first Colorado Press Association (CPA) convention Thursday. This working trip is the closest thing to a vacation either of us have had in 588 days.

My daughter spent a week in Vail last summer ushering her hubby to the orthopedic surgeon after he destroyed his knee in a riding lawn mower accident (it was scarier than it sounds). She's due for a vacay, too,

maybe more than me, since I'm not working from home with four tiny people under my supervision.

It will snow... at least on Vail Pass... because that's what happens when I head over the "hill," whether it's April or July. That's a damper on any trip, in my opinion, but can't be avoided.

The paper has received Colorado Press Association awards in three categories this year. I'm excited about those awards—they mean we're doing



something right in terms of journalism—but I'm more excited to talk to other newspaper people about our industry and how we're going to adapt and survive the crazy things taking place, from tariffs to reversals on sales tax and public notices.

I can't tell you how many times I've heard someone make an offhand comment about how the newspaper "doesn't have anything in it" (at Monday's fire board forum, most recently). I've moved past my initial reaction of frenetic apologizing to asking, "When was the last time this person actually read the paper?"

Frequently the complainers haven't picked up a paper in years, and they're almost never subscribers. To be perfectly honest, I didn't read the paper for a few years there either, and I was responsible for putting the thing together every week. I believe we've made some improvements.

Another question I ask those who say there's nothing in the paper is this: "Did anyone let us know what was happening, or were we expected to absorb the information via osmosis?"

Contrary to apparent belief, we're neither omnipresent nor omniscient, nor have we perfected the cloning process (I'm working on it. No one will be happy with the results, trust me.) Community newspapers are dependent on community contributors. I know I've said it before but I'll say it again, if you want to see something in the paper, or think an event needs to be covered, please speak up (or at least copy us in on your Facebook post).

The handful of you who've taken

the time to say something, I have your requests and suggestions in a file on my desktop. If we haven't already addressed your suggestion, it's because I need more warm bodies to act as "stringers." If you've ever imagined writing for a newspaper, please drop me a line so we can chat.

My plea? Give the paper another peek. What you find might not make you happy (because happiness comes from within, and that's beyond our control), and you'll probably have opinions about how a story was covered, or where something landed in the layout (it goes where it fits), but at least you'll be better informed.

On that note, as we've mulled the idea of adopting a tagline for the paper, so far the only thing we've come up with is "We Go to Meetings so You Don't Have To." It's so much less edgy and dramatic than "Democracy Dies in Darkness" or even "All the News That's Fit to Print," but it is true. We're attending

meetings where your taxpayer dollars are being spent so you don't have to take that time away from your family or work and can just read about the meeting on Thursday.

Are those meetings frequently boring? Yeah. Nine times out of 10 there's no question why a board is spending money, or where, or how. But it's still our job to check. That's why we go to meetings. What's our job? We're the watchdogs.

I hate to think we're those big white sheepdogs that love to chase cars and nip at cyclists, but that might be true. We're always looking for the discrepancy, for the oddity, for the thing that will blow a deception wide open. More often than not we're happily disappointed and our faith in mankind is restored.

We're not to be feared, unless you're a wolf in sheep's clothing... then you might have a good reason to be nervous when we show up at a public meeting.

MILLENNIAL MUSINGS

Choose your weapon wisely

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RBC | Shotgun or sniper rifle? It depends on the job you're trying to do.

It's the same way with news. Do you want a smattering of buckshot—some hits, some misses? Social media is great for this. Quickly get an overview of country and world events by firing up a screen (just be prepared for a whopping dose of misinformation and "expert" opinions mixed in.)

If, however, you want targeted local news, and prefer it to be served without a side of junk, a newspaper is the tool for you.

I never dreamed I'd end up in the newspaper business, but even before we dove into this industry, I believed social media was a problematic news source (the whole selling of your personal information for profit thing aside.)

For one, you will never see a town council write up in your news widget. Second, even if you did, honest journalism about boring things like budgets will never win beat an adorable cat video. Our brains like fluff, and without the discipline to educate ourselves, we'll choose "junk food" every time.

The third problem, is that it is extremely difficult to focus properly whilst using social media. It's designed that



Caitlin Walker

way to fragment your attention and make you more susceptible to messages. You may feel like you're simply "relaxing" or "interacting with friends," but in reality you're being force-fed massive amounts of information, and you're not very likely to analyze it with critical thinking skills. Hence the proliferation of absurdity.

Finally, and most concerning in my opinion, is that thanks to algorithms created by software much smarter than any of us, there is absolutely no guarantee

you'll see the information that truly matters to you. You see what "they" want you to see; you see what "they" serve you.

I'll be the first (in what is probably a very long line) to wave my hands in the air and scream, "The newspaper is not perfect!" We do our darndest, though, and God help us, we actually believe our founding fathers knew what they were doing when they expressly protected freedom of the press.

Somehow, I can't see George Washington, John Adams or Thomas Jefferson sifting through a time-sucking morass of memes, catfights, quizzes, Tupperware parties, misinformation, so-called "experts" and staged vacation photos to find information about the world in which they lived. Can you?

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

'Shop local' doesn't apply to rec board?

Dear Editor:  
I read with great interest the article in the March 29 issue of the *Herald Times* about a trail expansion of the China Wall trail system. This project is managed and overseen by the Meeker Recreation and Parks Board of Directors. The project is being funded by several grants totaling \$143,750. There were a total of five bids submitted for the project—two were local contractors and three were out of town contractors.

Every year in Meeker all you hear about is "shop local." Well, the board of directors apparently didn't get that memo when then awarded the bid to a company from Arkansas. What happened to "shop local"? Each person on the board should be ashamed of themselves. From looking at the list of directors I see that each director (except maybe for Kent Walter) has a long history in Meeker. With this long association in Meeker you would think each director would understand and support the idea of "shop local." Now I understand that if the two local contractors (who were the lowest bidders) were new to the business or the board had never seen their work, then they shouldn't get the bid. But I know for a fact that T and M Contracting

(the lowest bid) has done work on all the local parks that the recreation district manages and his work has been exceptional. The other contractor I am not familiar with.

I challenge each member of the board of directors to submit a letter to the editor explaining how they ignored the "shop local" concept when awarding the bid. The next time a local business owner tells me to "shop local"—I'm going to encourage them to talk to the Recreation and Park District's Board of Directors.

Claude Wood  
Meeker

Rural School Project team thankful for gravel delivery

Dear Editor:  
The Rural School Project team would like to thank the person or persons who put gravel in the driveway of Coal Creek School recently. We have no idea who did it but it is very much appreciated. It has made the driveway so much smoother and mud free. Thanks for helping us make this historical building a welcoming place for people to come and visit.

Rural School Project team:  
Marge Rogers, Martha Cole,  
Ellene Reichert and Janet Clark  
Meeker

Hoke announces bid for commissioner's seat as a write-in candidate

Dear Editor:  
I would like to thank my friends, family and supporters for the encouragement I have received regarding my candidacy for the Rio Blanco County commissioner's seat. Since I am not a quitter and have always finished to the end when I commit to something, I am presenting myself as a write-in candidate in the primary. The preceding events have certainly made my position more difficult and challenging, but I will not let the difficult circumstances be a deterrent. I firmly believe all the voters of Rio Blanco County have a right to decide who will be their next county commissioner and I remain committed to giving them an option.

If you decide I am the right man for the job I promise you I will put the same energy and perseverance into my duties as your county representative as I am into this race and I will not forget who put me there and why.

Once again, thank you for your support.

Mike Hoke  
Meeker

GUEST COLUMN: ACROSS THE STREET

Civics classes need to come back

By JOYCE RANKIN  
Special to the *Herald Times*



Joyce Rankin

**RBC I** "An informed citizenry is the heart of a dynamic democracy." ~ Thomas Jefferson

Civics is the study of the rights and duties of citizenship. The United States Citizenship Civics Test is the test all immigrants applying for U.S. citizenship must pass. Unlike Colorado some states are requiring that students pass the test before receiving a high school diploma.

Currently only 24 percent of U.S. high school students are proficient in civics. Proficient is defined as "competent or skilled" however a passing grade in many states, and for those desiring citizenship is 60 percent, which, I believe is a pretty low bar. According to a recent study a third of all U.S. citizens can't name even one branch of our federal government.\* An organization called the Civics Education Initiative believes that high school students should be required to pass the 100 basic facts immigration test. I would add that if those entering our country need to earn a score of 60 percent, shouldn't current citizens be able to answer all 100 of the questions correctly?

Under current Colorado law (C.R.S. 22-1-104), Colorado students are

required to take and satisfactorily pass a Civics course to graduate from High School. Remarkably, in Colorado, this is the only graduation requirement in state law. The actual law states: The history and civil government

of the state of Colorado shall be taught in all the public schools of this state. Note the word "shall" in this statement. It's critical, when reading bills, to note "shall" as opposed to "may". Both terms are used in bill writing and, of course, have very different meanings. You seldom see the word "shall" because Colorado is a local control state. This bill however states that history and civil government "shall", or "will be", taught. The bill goes on to state that: Satisfactory completion of a course on the civil government of the United States and the state of Colorado, (which includes the subjects described in subsection 2 including history, culture, and contributions of minorities, including, but not limited to, the American Indians, the Hispanic Americans, and the African Americans), shall be taught

in all the public schools of the state. In the previous paragraph you may have noticed that students are "required to take and satisfactorily pass" a civics course. What does satisfactorily mean? That is left up to the school district. Some districts may require a higher standard to pass than others. Is one correct answer "satisfactorily passing"? It depends on your school district.

Some people believe that there are too many tests given to students and we can't possibly add another. I believe that next to reading and math, being a good citizen should be the foundation of our educational system and our country. Our state should rise to the challenge and require high school graduates to not only be able to pass the test but understand the history and responsibilities behind the answers.

(There are three branches of government: legislative, judicial and executive.)

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GUEST COLUMN: NATIONAL NEWSPAPER ASSOCIATION

Two things you need to know about newspapers

By SUSAN ROWELL  
President of the National Newspaper Association

**RBC I** There are two things you need to know about newspapers.

Newspapers are important to community life and democracy. Always have been. We at the National Newspaper Association think it is important for all sorts of newspapers to survive for the sake of a free society—the very large and the very small ones, the liberal ones, the conservative ones, the middle-of-the-road ones, the ones with no viewpoint but just important news, all of them. Some are our members. Many are not. We defend them anyway. America needs them like we need oxygen.

The second is that even if your



Susan Rowell

newspaper seems to be "online," the digital copy that you may count on probably couldn't exist if there weren't a printed newspaper behind it. The newspaper in print supports all of the other versions economically. So, if the

printed version disappeared, you can't assume all would be well because it is online anyway. It won't be.

These facts are important because the paper your newspaper is printed on is under attack.

One small paper mill in Washington State is trying to use the federal trade

and tariff laws to make this paper—newsprint, or uncoated groundwood paper, in paper parlance—about 50 percent more expensive. This mill has complained to the U.S. Department of Commerce and International Trade Commission about international competition. If it succeeds, the prices of newspaper printing will skyrocket. The resources available for everything else your local newspaper may need or want to do for you will be strangled.

Canadian paper producers have supplied the U.S. for many years. They have some natural advantages over U.S. papermakers because of hydroelectric

power and shipping costs. More than a dozen U.S. mills have stopped making newsprint in the last decade because demand for paper has declined. Today, even if Canadian paper disappeared because of high tariffs being proposed to the federal government, the U.S. paper mills could not supply newspapers with the paper they need. Mills cost hundreds of millions of dollars to build and can take many years to be safely situated in compliance with environmental rules. With demand falling, no one is going to invest in a massive expansion of U.S. newsprint. Over the short term, tariffs could force the price

of paper up and the New York investors who own the Washington State mill could gain.

But our country will lose. Fragile newspapers will vanish. Challenged newspapers will have to cut back. Even healthy newspapers are going to have to find ways to absorb a daunting new cost. And who will pay? Everyone who

relies on a newspaper to tell the local stories, cover elections, advertise sales, get pictures of the winning touchdown, and cheer the economic development people on in their work of creating new jobs.

That worries me. If it worries you, pay a visit [www.stopnewsprinttariffs.org](http://www.stopnewsprinttariffs.org) and be informed.

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*Things I've Learned*  
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**J**UST 11 days ago, I completed by 65th trip around the Sun. During those long trips (which seem to be getting shorter for some odd reason), I've learned many fascinating facts, towering truths, and life lessons. For example, during one of my earliest trips I learned that the Sun is at the center of our solar system, but sadly it took many more trips to learn that I am not the center of the universe. Indeed, not everything (in fact, not much of anything) is about "me."

Also during an early trip, I discovered girls, a breakthrough that with each subsequent trip was strangely both beautiful and baffling, both exciting and enigmatic, both fascinating and frustrating, both . . . well, you get the idea.

It was not until the exact day I completed my 20th trip that I met that one girl, Debbie, who as of tomorrow, in fact, has now made 44 trips with me. From her I have learned what true beauty, excitement, and fascination are, while keeping the bafflement, enigma, and frustration to a minimum. More importantly, I also learned that all this was a gift of God's wondrous grace, goodness, and generosity, "who giveth us richly all things to enjoy" (1 Tim. 6:17).

While still wonderful trips, the first 14 we took together had one shadow that crossed the path: difficulty in conceiving a child, and sure enough, doctors confirmed it wasn't going to happen. It did happen, however, right here in Meeker when our one and only child, Paul, began his own trips in 1988. From this I learned much. For one thing, along with the *Apostle* Paul, "I learned [that] in whatsoever state I am, therewith to be content" (Phil. 4:11). In other words, I learned

not to measure my joy by *outward circumstances* but rather by *inward contentment*.

But the only reason I learned that was because I learned the pivotal truth that God is sovereign in all things, as He "worketh all things after the counsel of his own will" (Eph. 1:11). I learned once again that it's not about me. It's about Him, what He is doing for His own glory, for as Paul wrote in the very next verse: "That we should be to the praise of his glory." All that we do is to bring Him glory and further His kingdom.

Well, there is so much more I've learned, but the greatest thing by far is Jesus' own words: "I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me" (Jn. 14:6). In a day of rampant relativism, which as we all see every day yields nothing but disappointment, depression, and despair, here are God's absolutes. Jesus Christ is the only Way of *salvation*, the only Truth that *satisfies*, and the only Life that *sustains*.

My Dear Reader, what have you learned during your trips around the Sun? If you would like to share something, I hope you will drop me a line: [dwatson@thescripturealone.com](mailto:dwatson@thescripturealone.com).

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# Club 20 addresses restrictions of Colorado Tax Policy; fire districts example

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**RBC I** Saturday, March 31, some 120 attendees at Club 20's annual spring conference in Grand Junction heard from U.S. Senator Michael Bennet (D) and then Colorado's Third District Congressman Scott Tipton (R-Cortez). Thereafter, the organization devoted more than half of its day-long agenda to presentations and discussions about the creation and local government impacts of the 1982 Gallagher and 1992 TABOR (Taxpayer Bill of Rights) Amendments to Colorado's Constitution.

The lead-off speaker was Carol Hedges, executive director of the Colorado Fiscal Institute, officed near the State Capitol in Denver. Hedges, a Kansas native, started by extolling the virtuous beauty and splendor of Colorado, stating "her passion that we are incredibly privileged to live here." While her manner remained very invigorated,

her attitude toward the wonders of the state reversed as she explained that the state's taxation policy including Gallagher and TABOR are locked into the Constitution. Other related taxation and spending policies, she said, also set in the Constitution, include the Amendment 23 provisions for annual increases in K-12 school funding (hasn't been possible), the prohibition on general obligation debt and the requirement that annual state budgets be balanced.

Gallagher, approved by voters in 1982, was intended to equalize property tax rates on nearby properties which then, very often, were unfairly uneven. The Gallagher formula established that residential property not make up more than 45 percent of property tax collections in the state. Commercial property taxes were to comprise the other 55 percent. The amendment also required that property valuations be re-appraised based on market value every two years. The original 45/55 split equated to residential property being assessed at 21 percent of value while commercial properties

were assessed at 29 percent.

With tremendous growth in the number of residences in the state and their statewide value since 1982, the residential assessment rate (RAR) has been forced down to 7.2 percent this year and is projected to be down to 6.11 percent for 2019, according to the Colorado Association of Fire Chiefs, which would represent a 23 percent reduction in the residential tax base over the 2017 to 2019 time frame. The chiefs ask "what business, much less a fire department, can absorb this kind of reduced revenue while demand for services continues to rise? More than half of all fire departments in the state are fire protection (special) districts which depend on residential taxes for 60 to 100 percent of their budgets.

The negative impacts of the continued reduction of the RAR on fire districts also hit all fire departments, other special districts and school districts. In rural Colorado, where home values may grow more slowly, if at all, special district budgets are hit even harder as they're saddled with the state

RAR.

The fire chiefs were represented at the Club 20 discussion by Grand Junction Fire Chief Ken Watkins. Watkins urged attendees to push for at least a temporary solution, a bill in the legislature that would keep the RAR at 7.2 percent until 2022 giving stakeholders and the legislature time to find longer term solutions.

Hedges went on to explain how provisions of the 1992 TABOR Amendment have interplayed with Gallagher to make Colorado's fiscal management even more difficult. For one thing, she reported, it has "taken away fiscal authority from Colorado's elected officials."

Rio Blanco County is one of the 20 Western Slope member counties of Club 20. Members of the chamber of commerce-like Club 20 in each county elect three delegates to represent their county on the Club 20 board of directors. RBC is currently represented by Jeff Rector, Si Woodruff, and this writer.

# Fire district board candidates answer questions

By DOC WATSON  
Special to the Herald Times

**RBC I** In an open forum lasting about 75 minutes, some 70 Meekerites gathered at Kilowatt Komer on Monday evening to hear six candidates for two seats on the Rio Blanco Fire Protection District board, voice their views.

After some opening remarks on procedure, moderator Kathleen Kelley introduced the candidates, in alphabetical order (see the April 8 edition of the *Herald Times* for those bios), asking each one for a two-minute opening statement.

"I think the reason I made the deci-

sion to run was that it was just a natural progression of my career with the fire department," Steve Allen said. "I just want to do what I can to maintain the quality we have." He doesn't have any "big issues," rather he just wants to see some things through he started, such as the remodel of the fire station.

While Jennifer Bouzek has neither fire nor EMS experience, she voiced her great love for this community and emphasized her background in administration, writing grants, research, fund-raising and budgeting. "I think I have that piece of the puzzle that might be missing a little bit to get (the department) to the next step of growth," she said.

In addition to his current position as emergency manager for Rio Blanco County, Ty Gates, has a background in budget and finance as well. "In my current role, my favorite part of my job is fire," he said. "We just finished up our THIRA plan (Threat Hazard Identification Risk Analysis, a Homeland Security program), and wildfire is the number one hazard in our county." Gates also said he enjoys building relationships with other agencies, a recurring theme throughout the evening.

While Stephanie Kobald also stated that she has no fire or EMS experience, she believes that is actually an advantage. "Every board needs a

variety of perspectives and personalities, and I am kind of that outside voice to represent the community," she said. "Being the director of the chamber (of commerce), I work with the county and the town, I'm connect to our business owners and our residents, so I think that's what I bring to the board." She also added that she is on two other boards and is controlled by the chamber's own board, so she is familiar with the process.

Because of his background in fire-fighting and other community service, Gardner Mendenhall stated, "I think it's good once you are a firefighter that you move into the administrative part of it." His desires are fiscal responsibil-

ity to the department and the taxpayers, as well as making sure we have good recruitment and continuity with other outside agencies.

Finally, Lonnie Todd Morris' opening statement emphasized what he helped accomplish in his previous terms on the board. When a new firehouse was considered, the board at that time decided to keep it centralized in town for faster response, which in turn saved money. "When I was on the board, we upped the pension for the firefighters, which was a huge thing," he added. He also is concerned that all our agencies—fire department, police department, sheriff's office and BLM—"work together as one commu-

nity, because we are."

The forum then turned to questions from either people present or ones already submitted at the fire department office. One particularly significant question concerned what each candidate thought the current administration is doing well and where it could do better. (The order changed from alphabetical to seating order.)

Bouzek feels that response times, training and equipment are good, but there could be improvement in "working more as a team" with other agencies as well as our preparedness for Meeker's growth.

Kobald sees a strong effort in the department's seeing "where we were and what changes need to be made to improve," but she also sees a need to improve interagency communication.

Gates observed that the current administration genuinely cares about the membership and the community and does the best it can to build teamwork and camaraderie within the department. He feels, however, that it could do better in understanding things associated with wildland fires, such as "cost share agreements."

Allen praised the board for ongoing training and "top-notch equipment," even compared to full-time departments. His major concern, however, which was another recurring theme, is "recruitment and retention; we need to recruit new people and retain the ones we have."

Morris reiterated that need. "It's been 35 years since I was on the fire department. I was on for seven years, and it was a dog fight to get on. Now you can't get people on, and we've tried many things. Something has changed that."

Mendenhall also added an example, "I think at one time we were trying to get into the high schools to teach an EMT class; I'd like to see us get back to that."

The candidates were asked for ideas of how to motivate recruitment and retention. Kobald believes that it starts with educating the community with what the department does. Mendenhall noted that the new building has sleeping quarters for those who live several miles outside of town, which would appeal to those who would like to serve but are too far away. Bouzek added that social media is another powerful medium to get the word out.

Allen aimed his input at all of us, noting that while the board, and especially Fire Chief Terry Skidmore, have done a lot of things for recruitment, they can't do it all. "It's got to be the community," he insists. "If each of us would just go to someone and say, 'I want you to think about getting on the department,' that would be huge. I had never thought about it myself until Doug Overton called me in 1992." He also added that telling people about the pension program is a strong motivator.

Another key question addressed better cooperation with other agencies. "We just need to sit down and talk to each other and be transparent, instead of complaining about one another," Allen said.

"We just need to check our egos at the door," Gates said. "Yes, we all have our own jurisdiction and things like that . . . (but) I'm all for teamwork and everybody playing nice in the same sandbox, and if we do that we won't care so much about those district lines."

Kobald's practical suggestion was each board member attending another agency's board meeting to help understand "where they're coming from" and how we can work together.

A few other questions were asked and answered, but this race seems to be mostly about what is best for our community, our cooperation and our commerce. We can all probably help in that with our vote.

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# 2018 CNCC Foundation Dinner nets more than \$70,000

By **SUE SAMANIEGO**  
CNCC Foundation Director  
and **REED KELLEY**  
Vice-chair of CNCC Foundation Board

**RANGELY I** A lively crowd gathered for the 14th annual Colorado Northwestern Community College (CNCC) Foundation Dinner March 31 in Rangely. The yearly event raises funds to support scholarships for CNCC students. This year's total reached over \$70,000 which exceeds past successes by some \$20,000.

As guests arrived, they browsed the many silent auction offerings and chatted with friends. CNCC's Flight Team provided table service throughout the night. Chevron's Michael Haub kicked off the evening's fund-raising by presenting a check to CNCC President Ron Granger for \$19,000. Chevron expressed particular interest in students entering STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) fields. Chevron's generosity set the tone for the night.

After a delicious brisket dinner supplied by the College's Sodexo food service, with cheesecake for dessert, CNCC rodeo coach, Jed Moore, led the live auction. Moore gave a quick lesson on auction spotting to his assistants from the Flight team, who responded with varied degrees of enthusiasm and some of whom had apparently never previously witnessed a live auction. When county commissioner Jeff Rector jumped in, the night was off and running. Moore's humor and energy drove the live auction through to the end and kept the audience in stitches.

"So many generous people and businesses came together to make this

such a successful event," said Sue Samaniego, director of the CNCC Foundation, who started with the college in November. "Community support for CNCC is so evident! I am so happy to be a part of this college and community. Thank you all so much!"

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BOBBY GUTIERREZ  
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## Cowboys beat Grand Valley Cardinals, lose to Aspen Skiers

By **BOBBY GUTIERREZ**  
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**MEEKER I** The Meeker Cowboys played and won two of three non-league games last weekend but had their Northwest League games against the Hotchkiss Bulldogs canceled because of rain last Saturday. The Cowboys played Coal Ridge at home Wednesday after press time and will play two games in Nucla against the host Mustangs and Dove Creek this Friday, then host Rangely next Tuesday at Paintbrush Park.

The Cowboys beat the 3A Grand Valley Cardinals at Paintbrush Park 16-4 and 14-6, then lost to the 3A Aspen Skiers 11-9.

"We played well and won two games against a young Grand Valley team," head coach Brian Merrifield said of last Tuesday's doubleheader. "We pitched four different guys against them."

Meeker senior Garrett Frantz pitched all five innings, to get the win in the first game, while Doak Mantle, Uri Goedert and Cooper Meszaros all pitched in the second game.

Both teams scored runs in the first inning of the first game with the home team taking a 6-3 lead into the second inning. The Cowboys scored another in the second and six more in the third, while shutting out the Cardinals.

Grand Valley did score one more in the fourth but the Cowboys countered with three more to finish the game in the fifth inning.

Mantle led the Cowboys with three hits in the first game, all were doubles, while Meszaros and senior Trapper Merrifield each getting two hits. Frantz, Logan Hughes, Ryan Phelan, Uri Goedert and Luis Villalpando all got a hit.

Merrifield stole four bases, Hughes stole three, while Meszaros, Mantle and Jacob Pelloni all stole one.

In the second game, both teams scored one in the first inning, then Meeker added four in the second and seven in the third to give the Cowboys a comfortable lead.

Frantz and Mantle each had three hits in the second game, while Hughes and Pelloni each had two.

Meszaros, Villalpando, Goedert, Merrifield and Jose Garcia each finished with one base hit.

Frantz and Meszaros each stole four bases, Merrifield stole three, while Pelloni and Mantle each stole two bases. Mantle was the winning pitcher in the second game and Villalpando was the catcher for both.

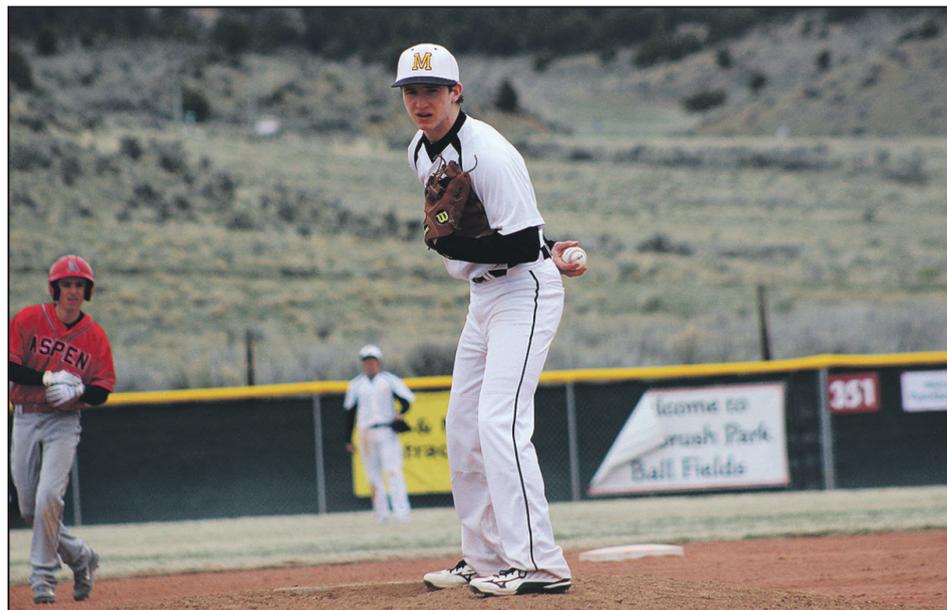
Last Wednesday, the Cowboys played the Aspen Skiers close, losing 9-11 after seven innings at Paintbrush Park.

"We played great offensively, scoring nine runs against good pitching," Coach Merrifield said. "We were up through three innings, then lost the lead in the fifth. Defensively, we made more mistakes than we could afford and weren't able to overcome the deficit."

Mantle led the team with four hits, Merrifield and Pelloni each had two. Meszaros, Phelan, Villalpando and Goedert each got on base with hits.

"Logan, Ryan and Trapper all pitched well and Luis caught a good game," Coach Merrifield said.

The Cowboys will play in Nucla against the Mustangs this Friday at noon, then play Dove Creek at 3 p.m. Meeker will host Rangely next Tuesday at Paintbrush Park.



BOBBY GUTIERREZ

Trapper Merrifield is one of four pitchers for the Cowboys. The team beat Grand Valley 16-4 and 14-6 in a double header, then lost 11-9 to the Aspen Skiers.

## Panthers bring home PRs

Special to the Herald Times

**RANGELY I** On Tuesday, April 3 the Rangely Panther JV track and field team headed to Glenwood Springs for a meet, then on Saturday the varsity team traveled to Grand Junction for the Frank Woodburn Invitation hosted by Palisade High School.

The JV team had freshmen Philip Noyes and Gabe Polley; sophomore Chloe Filfred; juniors Anna Forbes, Elena Forbes and Breanna Davis; and one senior, Kaylee Mecham.

"Almost all of these athletes compete on the varsity level also but it is nice for them to be able to get a meet and compete with athletes on the same level as they are and in the same grade," said coach Scoggins.

This was the first high school meet for Philip Noyes. He threw both the shot and discus and ran the 200-meter and 400-meter. He got a distance of 27 feet 3.25 inches and 74-2.5 in his throws, and times of 28.55 seconds and 1:12.00. Gabe Polley keeps trying the high jump, but also gave the discus a try as well as the 200 and 400. In the discus he got a distance of 66-1, a 28.87

and a 1:04.60 in his runs. Filfred—normally a distance girl—ran some sprints to work on her speed work, she ran the 100-meter, 200 and 400 in 17.90, 38.49 and 1:24.00 respectively. Anna Forbes threw the discus and shot as well as ran the 200. Her discus distance was 67-0 placing fifth and in the shot threw a 23-3 placing 10th. In the 200 she ran a 36.43. Elena Forbes did the same events but was able to PR in the discus with a throw of 74-11 and placed first, then in the shot she threw a 23-8 for seventh place. In the 200 she had a time of 37.33. Davis ran the 100 for a time of 18.60 then won shot with a throw of 29-10 and then threw the discus for 60-0. Mecham threw for the first time this year with a discus throw of 56-8 and shot for 23-8.

For the varsity meet there were several personal records and new season personal records being broken. Makenzie Cochrane had a great meet with new personal records in the shot with a throw of 31-9 taking eighth place and then in the discus she had a throw of 107-3 taking fourth place. Patrick Scoggins had a new season's best in the 200 with a time of 23.58 for

fourth place, then took first in the 400 with a time of 50.75. Chloe Filfred was able to PR in the 800-meter with a time of 3:11.99 and in the 1,600-meter with a 7:21.94.

The throwers have been doing some running as well. Riley Boydston earned a personal record in the 100 dash with a time of 14.81, then went and threw the shot for 34-11.25, and discus 100-11. Breanna Davis ran the 100 for a time of 18.61 then threw the shot for a distance of 28-10.5. Elena Forbes was able to get a PR in the discus with a throw of 77-7. Miekka Peck got a personal record in the discus with 89-9. Brady Bertoch threw the discus for 72-8 and then the shot for 25-5.5.

Raelynn Norman got a season best in the 1,600 with a 6:20.39 then took fifth in the 3,200 run with a time of 13:44.45. Gabe Polley was able to get a personal record in the 200 with a 27.87. Dixie Rhea got a new personal record in the 100 with a time of 14.18. Marshall Webber was able to take sixth place in the 300 hurdles with a time of 45.41 and 18.20 in the 110 high hurdles for 10th place.



MATT SCOGGINS

RHS junior Drew Brannan had a strong pitching performance against the Basalt Longhorns, and led his team offensively at the plate. The Panthers head to Aspen today and play Nucla and Dove Creek Friday.

## Panthers lose two against Basalt Longhorns

Special to the Herald Times

**RANGELY I** The Panthers hosted the Basalt Longhorns in a 2A vs. 3A match in Rangely on Tuesday. The Panthers jumped out to a 3-1 lead in the first two innings behind a strong pitching performance from junior Drew Brannan. The Longhorns took a 4-3 lead after the fourth inning. That did not last long though as the Panthers jumped to a 6-4 lead heading into the final inning. The Longhorns were able to put up four runs that inning to take an 8-6 lead. The Panthers kept grinding in the bottom half of the last inning but were unable to take back the lead and only scored one run to make the game 8-7 in favor of the Longhorns.

The Panthers were led offensively by junior Drew

Brannan who went two for three at the plate with two RBI's and fellow junior Stetson Cudo also added two RBI's while going 1-3 with a walk as well for the Panthers.

During the second game the Longhorns scored first by putting up three runs in the top of the first inning and the Panthers were able to answer back with three of their own in the bottom half of the inning. The Panthers took the lead in the second inning when they scored one run to take a 4-3 lead. The Longhorns answered right back with eight runs that proved to be too much for the Panthers to overcome and the Panthers fell 11-8 after the game was called due to the lack of visibility.

The Panthers will take to the road this week to play in Aspen on Thursday, April 12 and Nucla and Dove Creek on Friday, April 13.



MATT SCOGGINS

RHS junior Raelynn Norman earned herself a season best time in the 1,600 meter run at the varsity meet in Grand Junction hosted by Palisade High School.

## Cowboys compete at Grand Valley, Eagle Valley

By **BOBBY GUTIERREZ**  
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**MEEKER I** The Cowboys' track and field team was busy last weekend, competing in meets in three different locations, with personal bests posted by athletes in all three meets. The Cowboys will compete in Glenwood Springs this weekend, with the pole vaulters competing Friday and the rest of the meet held Saturday.

The complete team traveled to Grand Valley then split the team last Saturday, with most of the team competing in the Frank Woodburn Invitational in Stocker Stadium in Grand Junction, while the pole vaulters competed in Eagle Valley.

"Grand Valley was a large meet, with 16 teams attending," Meeker head coach John Strate said. "It was cold and it ran late but the kids did a great job of posting a number of personal records."

"Brayden Woodward had a huge day in the triple jump, improving by more than two feet, with his jump of 37 feet

7.5 inches, earning him a third place finish," coach Strate said. "Andy Kracht also had a big day in the jumps with his personal best of 18-10.75 and a third place finish in the high jump, with a new personal best of 5-9."

Coach Strate said Tannen Kennedy ran a "solid 800" for this point in the season and freshman Ashiano Mohr won his heat in the 800 meter with a time of 2.24, "showing potential for him to help out on the 4x800 relay later in the season. Freshman Damien "Spud" Kent ran a season best in the 400 meter, with a time of 56.08.

"This is an excellent time for a freshman," coach Strate said. "With continued hard work, it will be exciting to see what he can run by the end of the season."

Meeker sophomore Kirsten Brown earned a second place finish in the triple jump and placed third in the long jump, while Sierra Williams, Megan Shelton, Brown and Gracie Bradfield won the 4x100.

Coach Strate said Bradfield "appeared to win the 200 but due to a timing system failure, there is not time or results," and Karlee Nielsen ran a personal best in the 400.

Coach Strate sent pole vaulters Tevin Pelloni, Colby Clatterbaugh and Cooper Main, along with Sydnie Main and Kenzie Turner, to Eagle Valley last Saturday to compete.

"Tevin improved on his career best by nearly a foot, clearing 11-2 in a downpour," coach Strate said. "This will assure him a spot in the state track and field meet and earned him eighth place in a very competitive field. The top vaulters were more than a foot below their best due to the weather, so it was great to see Tevin step up and face the adversity. Our kids always perform well in adverse conditions."

Clatterbaugh set a personal best of 8-8 and Main, his freshman classmate, cleared the opening height for the first time this season.

Main's sister Sydnie and Turner both cleared 7-8 which is close to Main's best and a personal record for Turner by almost a foot. Main placed fourth and Turner was sixth. Main also placed second in the discus, with a throw of 98-7, her best mark so far this season.

Kennedy ran a career best in the 400 in Grand Junction and Jake Shelton had a season best throw in the discus with

a 120-7 which earned him a fourth place. Ridge Williams had another personal best in the discus and has set a personal best at each meet this season.

For the girls, coach Strate said Bradfield "had a record setting day."

"She started out her day breaking the school record set last year by Maggie Phelan in the 400, with her time of 1:00.46," coach Strate said. "Gracie won the event by a half of a second and she also took top honors in the 200. Gracie's technique work she did last summer, as well as her countless hours in the weight room are really showing. She is on track to set a number of school records and is one of the top sprinters in the state."

Coach Strate said Megan Shelton had a "good day" in the discus with her throw of 112-2, close to her season best and a second place finish.

"We were a little short on the girls' side, due to state FCCLA and splitting the teams so we did not have any relays," coach Strate said.

# Youth wrestlers compete in Rangely

By **BOBBY GUTIERREZ**  
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**MEEKER** Meeker's youth wrestling program has started and 42 wrestlers competed in the Little Panther invitational tournament in Rangely last Saturday and 29 placed in the top four of their respective brackets. The young Cowboys will next wrestle in Craig this Saturday.

"I was proud of how our kids wrestled for our first competition of the season," Coach Carl Padilla said. "I had an out of town parent compliment on how aggressive the Meeker kids wrestled, which gives you a sense of pride when you get a compliment about your team."

Miles Franklin, Deegan Moody, Zeek Gianinetti, Dillon Hobbs, Cade Blunt, Brendan Clatterbaugh and Dagan Dade all won championships in their respective age divisions and weights.

Several, including Dexter Chinn, Grayer Moody, Dominic Wyatt, Tucker Chinn, Garret Merz, Zander Saunders, Noah LeBlanc and Diego Robles all finished as runners-up in their brackets.

Kable Randll, Toren Gates, Thomas Theos, Carson Blunt, Kael Overton, Dawson Richardson, Guage Buhler, Adrianna Price and Damon Maybery were all consolation champs. Placing fourth were; Josh Simmons, Eli Rundberg, Levi Caulfield, Dagon Dade and Damon Maybery.

Daxton Koenig, Mattaio Padilla, Dillon Rundberg, Gael Rodriguez, Lyam Richardson, Bryant Turner, Dathan Dade, Dublin Price and Trevor Keys, all won a match but did not place.

Dillon Koenig, Preston Amick, Peyton Pretti, Alaric O'dell and Tayze Buhler also completed.

Coach Padilla said Tyrell Turner and several parents help coach the 73 young Cowboys are out for the program.



Forty-two Meeker youth wrestlers competed in the Little Panther invitational tournament Saturday in Rangely. PATTI HOKE

## SOFTBALL ...



COURTESY PHOTO

The girls' softball team will host Rangely's Battle of the Borders tournament this weekend starting Friday. "We are expecting 18 teams on Friday and Saturday to play in the 10U, 12U and 14U divisions," Rangely coach Paul Fortunato said. "We would like to give a special thank you to Tim Webber and Western Rio Blanco Recreation and Parks District for all their time and efforts, all the sponsors that have helped the Lady Panthers get to this point and to Rangely Trash Service for donating Port-o-Johns. Playing on Rangely's 12U team are: (front) Jade Miller, Carmella Fortunato, Miah Wren and Miley Chism, (back) Kaitlyn Cox, Emma Winder, Lexi Lebleu, Ryann Mergelman, Emma Smith, Angelina Fortunato, Kastyn Dembowski and Ashlynn Ducey.

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## SHELBY T. LINDSAY, FNP

Shelby received his BSN and MSN through the University of Alabama at Birmingham. While in Rangely on a temporary nursing assignment he felt a resonating tone with the wide open spaces, clean dry air, beautiful facility and friendly people. Shelby is board certified in Family Practice through the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners. He is also certified to perform DOT exams.

Shelby is passionate about medical mission work and is a strong believer in the importance of giving something back. He travels to South America every year to provide healthcare services to underprivileged children in the impoverished barrios of Quito, Ecuador.

He believes that the best form of health care is one in which the provider and the patient collaborate to identify the best option for achieving healthy outcomes.

Shelby enjoys several outdoor activities including hiking, biking, camping and exploring trails on his ATV. He also enjoys playing guitar, singing with friends and has become a Colorado elk meat enthusiast, going so far as to say he would eat it everyday if he could.



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## OBITUARY

## Leland Earl McClain

May 27, 1929 ~ April 1, 2018

Leland Earl McClain was born to Thomas Winnet McClain and Elsie Anna Schack on May 27, 1929, in Boyero, Colo. He was one of four children. Leland attended school in the Hugo area, having to travel 20 minutes to and from school every day. He graduated from Hugo High School in 1947. Following his graduation, he joined the military, in which he was a surveyor. Returning home from the service, Leland's father was able to get him a job working for the state, surveying power lines between Steamboat Springs and Maybell, Colo. During this time he was married briefly to Patricia Mary Chamberlain, and to this union three children were born, Gary, Russell and Beverly. Leland later married Lenora Mabel Bradfield, and to this union Lenora brought into the family two sons, Lloyd and Ray.

Around this time, Leland was able to start working for the Rio Blanco County Road and Bridge as a main-



Leland Earl McClain

tainer, and he was able to retire from the county in 1994. Leland loved to work with his hands, filling his spare time doing welding and mechanic jobs around his home. He was known to have anything on hand anyone might need, and knew exactly where in his home to find it. Having grown up during the Dust Bowl and The Great Depression, he knew the value of using what you had on hand.

When he wasn't working with his hands, he enjoyed hunting and fishing,

learning about old locomotives and he thoroughly enjoyed watching "The Waltons." He felt a great connection to their way of living, and loved seeing the old cars and scenes from that era. Leland was a deeply caring and compassionate gentleman. He was always willing to lend a hand, and would do anything for anybody, and asked for nothing in return. On several occasions, Leland would go play Bingo with the residence at the old Walbridge Wing, where his wife Lenora had worked for 31 years.

Leland never had a negative word to say about anyone. He will forever be remembered for his honesty, kind-heartedness and gentle demeanor.

Leland is preceded in death by his parents, Thomas and Elsie McClain; two sisters, Cleora Holfler and Irene Griffin; his wife Lenora McClain; and daughter Beverly Porter. He is survived by his sons, Gary Chamberlain, Russell McClain, Lloyd Bradfield and Ray Bradfield; brother Chuck McClain; eight grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. Graveside services were held on Thursday, April 5, 2018, at The Highland Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to assist with funeral expenses in care of Grant Mortuary.

## Reagle memorial service

**MEEKER** | There will be a memorial service for Mabel "Mickey" Reagle on April 21, 2018, at 11 a.m. at Meeker United Methodist Church with a fellowship reception to follow in Elbert Hall.

## BOCC: Commissioners asked to consider term limits

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this road. Sure, we'd all like to see everybody's place all cleaned up, but where do we start and where do we quit? I don't know if it's up to me to decide what's junk and what's not (on someone else's property)," said Commissioner Jeff Rector.

County Attorney Kent Borchard said in the past the building department has operated on written citizen complaints.

Rector agreed, saying, "If the constituents are complaining, then we need to do something about it."

Commissioners Si Woodruff and county building inspector Jeff Kumer urged greater awareness of the code and consistency in enforcement.

"For years we've driven by and not said anything. They don't even know the law exists, so a nice letter lets them know. I believe in property rights, but I don't believe the value of my property should be decreased because of the condition of your property," Kumer said.

Citizen Mike Sizemore asked the board to consider implementing term limits on all elected county officials.

"We don't want to create any more career politicians than we have to," Sizemore said.

Bolton said it's open for discussion, noting that he doesn't recall having a contested race for clerk, assessor or treasurer.

"It's a double-edged sword in smaller communities. If you can find the people to step up and take the positions after eight years, that's one

thing," Bolton said.

"I think we should give people a chance to have their say," Sizemore said.

The commissioners agreed to consider the topic on an upcoming agenda, which will possibly put the issue on the November ballot.

The commissioners heard department updates from the communications/IT departments, which are prepping for warm weather to complete implementation of broadband infrastructure.

Communications director Cody Crooks said there are about 200 addresses still to be connected to broadband, which is expected to be finished by the end of the year. Crooks also told the commissioners about some new technology that might work better for the secondary towers that will serve rural clients who access broadband wirelessly.

Deputy Sheriff Jeremy Muxlow updated the commissioners on conditions at the detention center. One of the major problems involves treatment of inmates' medical issues. The sheriff's office is in communication with public health to find a solution that will benefit both departments.

In commissioner updates, Jeff Rector requested to be on record regarding a perceived issue with the original location of Nichols Store in Rangely.

Rector said he has "no desire" to tear down the building, which is across the street from the current store location, and believes confusion about his position stems from a Colorado

Counties Incorporated's steering committee meeting about the historic value of five Moon Lake power poles on Evacuation Creek.

Commissioner Si Woodruff said he received a complaint about the Eastern Rio Blanco Metropolitan and Park District board's bid award process. The commissioners determined that's not in their jurisdiction.

In public comment, former county employee Jeff Madison spoke to the commissioners about the history of the county's impact fees on development.

"We enacted the impact fee in 2008. The crash happened shortly thereafter. Impact fees were not the cause (of the crash)," Madison said. "I had people from Exxon Mobil and Shell and these other companies say they didn't like paying for it, but they said it was the most equitable way of doing it they'd seen."

The impact fees were divided into three categories: administration, law enforcement and transportation. According to Madison, the admin and law enforcement categories were resolved with the development of the Justice Center and the courthouse renovations.

"It would take a lot of the burden off residential and commercial by eliminating those two categories," Madison said.

The current board has looked at ways to eliminate the impact fees in an attempt to attract industry back to the county.

"We have to figure out how to get some activity back in our county," Rector said.

## ERBM: 'Expertise' necessary for project

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BLM. Gerloff stated maintenance has been minimal and the trails are essentially self-sustainable.

The bid was then awarded to Progressive Trail Design on a 4-0 vote (board director and BLM Field Manager Kent Walter recused himself from the vote due to a conflict of interest) with a stipulation the bid not exceed the budgeted amount—PTD's current bid is about \$6,000 over budget. Monies for the project are coming from a Colorado Parks and Wildlife grant (\$106,750,00), ERBM (\$20,000), BLM (\$2,000), the Town of Meeker (\$10,000) and Rio Blanco County (\$5,000).

Mike Wille, owner of T&M Contracting, was in attendance and asked to see the numbers after the decision was made. He was told they would be made available and then he left the meeting.

Just prior to adjournment, the board revisited their decision. Director Arcolesse stated, "I'm not feeling very good about my vote for the trails so help me walk through it. I felt very uncomfortable having Mike (Wille) here and I also felt like 'would've I, could've I?' abstained from that because I felt like I didn't have enough information to make a good vote."

Director Mobley replied, "We always want to do locals, but I think it's so specific in the expertise of the one company. It was tough for me to say that, to put that out there."

Director Varland added, "I was thinking about when the BLM guy tells me, tells us, they've had minimal maintenance. It's not just excavating, it's kind of an art form from what I'm understanding. I was totally comfortable with it but Mike being here, yeah, that was uncomfortable, but he knew this wasn't a place to discuss the bids so I almost felt like him being here was almost like, I don't know what his intention was. It was almost to me, it was, I don't know if it was purposeful but it was

## RIVER:

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said that he is concerned that a curtailment could occur and is unsure how the state would regulate that. He also expressed worry that Western Slope agriculture would bear the brunt of the curtailment.

Mueller cited warmer temperatures, which he said extend the growing season and thus the need for water, as well as limited snowpack and potential causes for the decrease in river flows. By midcentury it is estimated there will be a 20 percent decrease in inflow into the Colorado River.

Mueller said he was worried about the potential of "buy and dry," when agricultural water users are paid to stop producing permanently. He also said that the River District is working on a drought contingency plan which includes a reservoir reoperation, pulling water from a variety of reservoirs including Flaming Gorge, and possible cloud seeding.

kind of intimidation and that's the way I felt about it. It wasn't going to change anything, it was just interesting that he came."

VonRoenn stated, "I would just tell you, and I appreciate all the comments, that we always try to utilize local contractors. We used Mike on big projects but this is a specialized amenity and to build it well it's highly preferable to go with those that are doing it."

Arcolesse added, "We don't always vote just because it's the lowest," and Walter stated, "I think it was communicated that the board would prefer to go with a local contractor but the local contractor didn't offer the expertise that was needed for the project."

VonRoenn continued, "It was a little bit of a rock and a hard place for us bidding the project, which I said. If we had put out a bid bond we run the risk of not getting numbers from the other companies, as well. However had we put it out we wouldn't have seen the local folks bid. That's kind of the owners' recourse in eliminating frivolous bids, which essentially those were."

VonRoenn emailed a rationale explaining the decision to the entire board of directors March 30 after "reaction in the community to the board's decision on the trails contract," according to the email. He also forwarded the rationale to Town Planner Scott Meszaros (the Town of Meeker has \$10,000 pledged to the project) and RBC Economic Development Coordinator Katelin Cook (RBC has committed \$5,000) April 2.

The *Herald Times* requested a summarization of this document from VonRoenn and received the following statement:

"The ERBM Board of Directors has selected Progressive Trail Design to complete the Meeker China Wall Trails Expansion Project this summer based on several criteria, including, but not limited to the following: (1) demonstrated credentials and successful project delivery in building sustainable back-country single-track flow trails in mountainous terrain like those proposed for Hidden Valley and Lion Canyon; (2) extensive trail building experience in western Colorado communities of all sizes, including the original China Wall Trail construction in 2012 and 2013; (3) the project goals of low ongoing maintenance, and increasing usage and visitation, which require a contractor with specialized expertise that will deploy critical construction techniques based on the design framework and parameters set forth in pertinent federal and professional industry planning documents; and (4) to maximize grant resources through the extremely competitive Colorado Parks and Wildlife State Trails program which has awarded \$106,750 toward the completion of this project. ERBM would also like to thank the many professionals who invested significant time and effort into all the pre-construction due diligence to make this trail development possible, including: environmental assessments, wildlife mitigation studies, concept design and mapping, public comment periods,

industry cost analyses, volunteer trail crew coordination, and grant funding processes. Developing this trail system into a high quality hiking and biking amenity for local residents and regional visitors to enjoy has been, and will continue to be, a truly collaborative effort."

At the commissioners meeting Monday last, the general consensus during work session was the county would not be pulling their funds for the project. Commissioner Si Woodruff stated in an emailed response to the rationale document that "this is not our fight," but also said he was "not in agreement with the rationale ... I question how does a company not involved in this type of work ever get the expertise if they're not chosen after following the process."

The Town of Meeker has the matter on their April 17 agenda for discussion. At the March meeting, trustee Travis Day said he was "really concerned" with the way the recreation district handled bids for the trails project and Trustee Rodney Gerloff called for a "point of order" on the matter. According to Robert's Rules of Order, a point of order may be raised if the rules appear to have been broken, thus requiring the chair to make a ruling before discussion continues. Mayor Halandras requested the item be put on the agenda for the next meeting.

Mike Wille also released a statement to the *Herald Times* via email:

"As a business owner and constituent of Rio Blanco County for 18 years I am concerned about the financial direction that we the people are headed. Blatant disregard of public funds to be spent 'out of town' for contractors that do not support our community is eye-opening. The saying has always been 'keep it local'."

I am also guilty of not paying attention to some of our public monies being spent wisely. As a business owner I have to answer to my family, customers and friends. If I were to spend money with no accountability my business would fail. Where is the accountability?

In the bidding process I was not the only local bidder on the trail system. The amount between my bid and the bid awarded was over \$106,000. The second local bid had a difference of \$54,000. If we spend our local tax dollars on Progressive Trail Design out of Bentonville, Ark., the revenue from this job supports families in Arkansas. How do we recoup money for local families?

I attended the public board meeting in order to answer any questions that the board might have pertaining to my experience in construction and trail building. I assumed that there would be public opening of the bid in the meeting, as the project was publicly funded. That was not the case. Bids were not openly disclosed and no questions were asked during this meeting. Why not disclose this to the public during the meeting?

If nothing else comes out of this I would encourage you to let your voice be heard by voting May 3, 2018, in the next election of board members and demand fiscal responsibility.

In closing, my family and the families I employ would like to thank the people of Rio Blanco County and Meeker for the opportunities and the jobs that we have had in the past to make Meeker a better place."

The next ERBM district board meeting will be Tuesday, April 17 at the Meeker Recreation Center at 6 p.m.

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RIO BLANCO COUNTY DAYS GONE BY

*The Meeker Herald — 100 years ago*

■ This would be a nicer country to live in if so many of us didn't have the idea that we were put here to regulate the affairs of the other fellow.

■ The Limekiln school will close Friday, April 19, with an entertainment, supper and dance in the evening.

■ One little chap (a Grinstead boy) only had his jack-knife to give. He gave it. And it is safe to say that the big fellows—such as John Schermerhorn and Frank Sheridan—will see to it that the little fellow has a finer jack-knife in place of the one which he gave to the Red Cross.

*The Meeker Herald — 50 years ago*

■ A climax to the Pep Club banquet and prom Saturday night was the announcement of the 1968 King and Queen—Greg Glasgow and Miss Mary Ann McKean. Their attendances are Miss Kay Brennan and Rod Crawford.

■ Mr. and Mrs. Mark Sheridan are announcing the birth of their son, James Hamilton, born Saturday, April 6 at 12:21 p.m. at Pioneers Hospital. Their son weighed 5 pounds, 9 ounces and 19 inches in length.

*The Meeker Herald — 25 years ago*

■ Motorists on Highway 13 near Nine-Mile slowed down to get through a muddy mess as highway workers tried to stabilize the area where a mudslide had been causing trouble for several weeks.

■ Eight Meeker High School students were arrested in connection with a break-in at the Juniper Hot Springs, west of Craig. Some of the students were released to their parents, while others had to post bond in the \$2,000 range.

■ We feel the coverage we got from the Meeker Herald was very inadequate. What we did for the state, the community, Rocky Mountain Bowstrings and ourselves was a lot more important than a bingo game, or some managers of a lodge up on the mountain. We got stuck on the back page and are made to look trivial.

*The Rangely Times — 50 years ago*

■ Markel Massey, 12-year-old seventh grader from Rangely, won first place in the junior high division at the Rio Blanco County Spelling Bee.

■ Foster Lumber Co.'s announcement this week that the lumber yard in Rangely would be closed in June was a sad blow to most residents. Lack of business is the reason given for the closing.

■ Bumper sticker: "Don't be a dropout. Stay in school and learn to read and riot."

*The Rangely Times — 25 years ago*

■ Jennifer Filener has been selected to participate in Central Teams 1993 Amateur European Volleyball tour.

■ This year's seventh graders placed third in the region of the Colorado Mathematics League's annual math contest.

RBC WEEKLY CALL REVIEW

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

April 2-8, 2018

The dispatch center processed 388

phone calls this last week, receiving 17 911 calls, answered 39 calls for Meeker PD and placed 84 outgoing phone calls. A total of 162 calls for service were created, 76 for the Sheriff's Office, 79 for Meeker PD, and 10 calls for Meeker Fire and Rescue. (Please note the department breakdown of calls reflects a different number because of incidents with multiple agency response). There were seven auto crashes that were reported throughout the county, four involving deer/elk.

The Sheriff's office conducted 28 traffic stops issuing two citations and Meeker PD had 21 stops issuing one citation. Highway 13 south had three traffic stops and three warnings issued.

Other calls for the Sheriff's Office included 14 agency assists, one 911 hangup, four animal calls, six civil papers served, two motorist assists, three suspicious incidents, three traffic complaints, two VIN inspections and one each: burglary, business check, citizen assist, civil, jail incident, juvenile problem, property, traffic accident, traffic complaint, traffic

hazard and warrant arrest.

Meeker Police Department calls included one agency assist, two 911 hangups, nine animal calls, 20 business checks, five citizen assists, two motorist assists, seven suspicious incidents, three vin inspections and one each: gas skip, juvenile problem, parking violation, probation violation, theft, traffic accident, traffic complaint and warrant arrest.

There were 10 calls for Meeker Fire and Rescue four medical transports, one ambulance requests, one accident, one Hazmat incident, two controlled burns and one report of smell of gas in a residence.

There were four assists with Colorado State Patrol.

Rio Blanco Detention facility booked in two and released two, one by the Sheriff's Office and one from Meeker PD. The jail is currently housing six inmates. There were two inmate transports to or from another facility.

There were no DUI arrests.

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9. Not a hit
13. Earth in Latin
14. Fa follower
15. Half of diameters
16. Architectural projection
17. Down Under bird
18. Mountaineer's tool
19. \*Royal family since 1917
21. \*2018 royal bride
23. Stumblebum
24. Ship wrecker
25. \*A national color
28. Ditto
30. Poster heading
35. "It aint over till it's \_\_\_\_"
37. General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade
39. Hindu sage
40. Not all
41. World Series mistake
43. Not Sunni
44. Augmenting
46. Hatha or bikram, e.g.
47. Teller's partner
48. Take the first steps
50. Bar bill, pl.
52. \*The British Royal Navy secures it
53. Strip of wood
55. Bebop, for short
57. \*Cause of 1936 abdication
60. \*#29 Down's co-ruler
64. Dam
65. Fuss, to Shakespeare
67. Dhaka, formerly
68. Black tie \_\_\_\_
69. Biochemistry abbr.
70. Foe
71. Between bleu and jaune
72. Seasonal blues
73. \_\_\_\_ sociales or social networks

DOWN

1. Put in the hold
2. \_\_\_\_meter or \_\_\_\_scope
3. Sportscaster Andrews
4. Words to live by
5. Pico de gallo and such
6. Drug addict
7. \*Catherine of Aragon to Bloody Mary
8. Musketeer's hat accessory
9. Speed of object divided by speed of sound
10. Brainchild
11. a.k.a. Xi'an, ancient capital of China
12. \*How many wives did Henry VIII have?
15. Ships' masts and sails attendant
20. "Coming \_\_\_\_"
22. Get it wrong
24. \*Get engaged
25. \*Symbols for Houses of Lancaster and York
26. Call forth

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38. Frat house party garb
42. Torah teacher
45. Esophagus
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51. Fuse together
54. Former Russian leaders
56. Heathrow craft
57. We have
58. Affirm
59. Pre-easter period
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61. Latte choice
62. "The Road Runner" corporation
63. The Say Hey Kid
64. Leo in Russian
66. "23andMe" type of test

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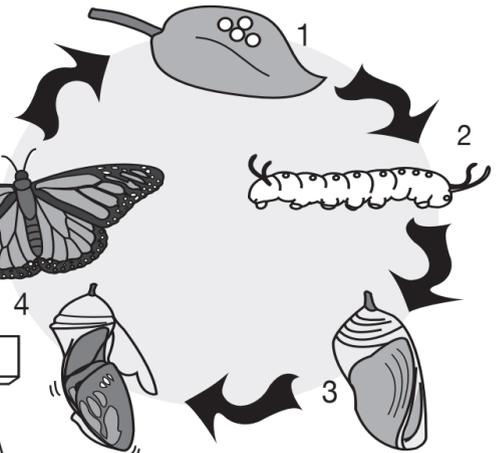
**Butterflies:**

- are \_\_\_\_\_, they have 6 legs.
- have 2 pairs of \_\_\_\_\_ and a narrow body
- have a \_\_\_\_\_ from one half inch (the Pygmy Blue found in southern U.S.) to almost a foot (Queen Alexandra's Birdwing in rain forests of New Guinea)
- have a sense of taste through their \_\_\_\_\_
- feed on nectar from \_\_\_\_\_ or juice from rotting fruit through a "strawlike" tongue
- "\_\_\_\_\_ " through their antennae
- can see \_\_\_\_\_: red, green and yellow
- have skeletons on the \_\_\_\_\_ of their bodies (exoskeleton)
- are protected from being \_\_\_\_\_ by their terrible odor or taste
- may have \_\_\_\_\_ on their wings that scare predators away
- colors may help them \_\_\_\_\_ or blend with backgrounds
- fly mostly during the \_\_\_\_\_
- hang from leaves, crawl into cracks in rocks to sleep at \_\_\_\_\_
- live for about one \_\_\_\_\_ (some live longer)

(A Cycle of Life)  
Metamorphosis  
(Transforming or changing)

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
2. \_\_\_\_\_  
3. \_\_\_\_\_  
4. \_\_\_\_\_  
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13. \_\_\_\_\_  
14. \_\_\_\_\_

words: wingspan, month, day, night, outside, smell, hide, patterns, wings, eaten, insects, flowers, feet, colors



Do you know the four stages of a butterfly's life? Read the clues to fill in the blanks and find out!

- a butterfly \_\_\_\_\_ is laid on a leaf
- a \_\_\_\_\_ (larva) hatches and eats its own eggshell, then it eats the leaves of the plant on which it hatched
- it hangs by silken threads and forms a \_\_\_\_\_ (or chrysalis)
- later, the \_\_\_\_\_ (winged adult) comes out - and the cycle begins again

caterpillar    egg    pupa    butterfly

### What's In a Name? Butterfly Thieves!

Although butterflies have nothing to do with butter, the English called them "butterflies" because many years ago they were thought to flutter around, land on butterchurns or pails and steal this!

Start at the star to see:



- Who's taking whaaaaaat?
- 12 Butterflies have different names in other languages. Match these up!
- English
  - French
  - Russian
  - Greek
- A. papillon (also a dog with "butterfly"-looking ears)  
B. butterfly  
C. petalouda (petal leaf)  
D. babochka (bow tie)

### Monarch Migration

Monarch butterflies travel over 2,000 miles from the U.S. to Mexico. They start flying at the end of summer and get there by November to stay for the winter. Use the color key to see what they look like!

Color key:  
O = orange  
B = black  
R = red  
Y = yellow  
G = green  
U = blue  
P = purple  
K = pink

### Butterfly House

Have you ever heard of a Butterfly House or Zoo? They are places where butterflies live protected. They are full of plants and flowers! The butterflies breed and live in an environment set up for all their needs. Help the butterfly land on the flowers:

# Trooper Tips: Make proper turns

By TROOPER GARY CUTLER  
COLORADO STATE PATROL  
Special to the Herald Times

**RBC I** "Turn to your right, turn to your left"

Usually when I finish writing one of my articles I read back over it and hope that I don't sound as if I give a lecture every month. My hope is to help us remember some of those driving tips we got back when we were 16 and bring it to the forefront of our minds. I know I don't remember everything I learned back when I was 16.

This month I want to touch on the subject of turns, because when we drive we turn a lot, and not everyone is doing it correctly. The majority of crashes happen at intersections,

so we need to be more cautious around them.

When you are at an intersection and plan on making a turn it is very important to make sure it's accomplished correctly. This might amuse you thinking you've done it before and so you can accomplish the task. But then ask yourself are you doing it correctly, which in turn, equals safety.

Let's say a car is in the right turn lane and going to make a right turn. The road it is going to turn on usually has several lanes. One could be an acceleration lane, or the second one may be a through travel lane, meaning that road has cars that are already using that lane.



In either case, the car turning right is required by law to turn to the closest lane to it. The car is not allowed to turn right and then go directly across multiple lanes to get to the farthest left lane, even if you are planning on turning in a very short distance. The way around that is to go down to an area you can do that safely as well as legally.

Another important reminder is a car is not allowed to turn onto a street and cause another car to deviate from its course. This means if you cause another car to swerve, or have to brake, it can cost get you a ticket. So, if the car turns right, it turns into the lane closest

to the right of the roadway. If it is turning left, then it is required to turn to the closest lane to the left of the roadway.

Also if the car is turning left, it is not allowed to go into the intersection until it is clear and safe to do so. This means it is not allowed to go into the intersection and wait until the cars go by and then make the turn. I'm sure you have seen plenty of cars in the intersection waiting to turn and then the light turns red and only then do they make the turn. Sorry to tell you, but that is against the law, as well as unsafe.

I hope this was helpful. Visit us on Facebook and Twitter: CSP Public Affairs @CSP\_News  
As always, safe travels!

# Updated Withholding Calculator Reflects Changes in New Tax Law

Special to the Herald Times

**RBC I** To help taxpayers, the IRS updated the special Withholding Calculator tool on IRS.gov to reflect changes in the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act passed in December.

With most employees seeing withholding changes in their paychecks, the IRS recommends taxpayers use the Withholding Calculator to do a "paycheck checkup." This will help taxpayers check that they are having the correct amount of income tax withheld from their paychecks.

Doing a checkup can help protect against having too little tax withheld and facing an

unexpected tax bill or penalty at tax time in 2019. Some taxpayers might prefer to have less tax withheld up front and receive more in their paychecks, which would reduce their tax refund next year.

The IRS encourages everyone to check their withholding as soon as possible, but it's especially important for these people to use the Withholding Calculator to make sure they have the right amount of tax withheld:

- Two-income families
- People with two or more jobs at the same time or who only work for part of the year
- People who claim credits such as the Child Tax Credit

- People who claim older dependents, including children age 17 or over.
- People who itemized deductions in 2017
- People with high incomes and more complex tax returns
- People with large tax refunds or large tax bills for 2017

Remember, the Withholding Calculator does not ask the user for personally identifiable information, such as name, social security number, address, or bank account numbers. The IRS does not save or record the information the taxpayer enters in the calculator.

The City Council of Anytown, USA will hold a public hearing regarding the use of eminent domain in your neighborhood. At the meeting, plans will be discussed that may result in your house being taken by the government.

If you have an opinion, please attend the hearing at the City Hall on Tuesday at 7:30 PM.

When government takes action, it uses local newspapers to notify you. Reading your public notices is the best way to find out what is happening in your community and how it affects you. If you don't read public notices, you never know what you might miss.

**Notices are meant to be noticed.  
Read your public notices and get involved!**

Public Notice Resource Center

## RIO BLANCO HERALD TIMES

# PUBLIC NOTICES



What is a public notice?

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

### PUBLIC NOTICES

**PAYROLL ACCOUNTS PAYABLE  
TOWN OF MEEKER  
3/31/2018 Disbursements**

**GENERAL FUND**

Town of Meeker, Total Payroll, \$47,882.87

A-1 Collection, Employee Payment, \$357.18

CCOERA, Employee Retirement - PD, \$3,067.00

CCOERA, Employee Retirement, \$6,028.52

CCOERA, Employee Loan Payments, \$1,004.76

CEBT, Health, Dental, Vision & Life In., \$19,342.35

Employee Withholding, Federal Withholding, \$4,634.31

Employee Withholding, State Withholding, \$1,925.53

Employee Withholding, Medicare Withholding, \$1,858.10

Employee Withholding, Social Security Withholding, \$4,573.76

Meeker Human Resource, Employee Donation, \$26.50

Standard Insurance Co., Life/AD&D Insurance, \$974.67

Washington National Ins., Cancer Insurance, \$152.54

Petty Cash, Postage, Cleaning Suppl., \$63.56

All Copy Products, Property Tax on Copier, \$34.61

All Copy Products, Copier Lease, \$244.36

AlSCO, Coveralls / Shop, \$21.53

Atmos, Natural Gas, \$1,160.59

Axon, Taser Cartridge's / PD, \$452.00

Axon Enterprise, Inc., Ammo / PD, \$320.00

CAN Surety, Notary & Omissions Policy, \$39.00

Century Link, Phone Svc., \$433.92

CIRSA, Deductible PD Vehicle, \$1,000.00

CMRS - PB, Reimburse. Pstg., \$59.54

Colo. State Treasurer, 1st. Qtr. Unempl. Tax, \$544.34

Cultural Resource Historians, Nomination Consultant, \$2,835.00

Frisk, Maria, Restitution Paid / MC, \$17.51

Herald Times, Legal Publications, \$1,310.58

Jackson's, Misc. Supplies, \$66.66

KRAI FM, Basketball Sponsorship, \$300.00

Beef Carcass Contest, Donation, \$500.00

Meeker Collision, Repair Unit #16, \$2,812.35

Mountain Cross Engin., Engin. on St. Project, \$4,185.00

Munro Supply, Hose Pothole Machine, \$350.19

MVB Visa, CML Conf. Reg. Weed Lic., \$2,619.45

Noble, Laurie Atty, Muni Judge Svc., \$200.00

Northwest Auto, Motor Oil, \$60.86

Olszewski, Massih & Maurer, Legal Fees, \$4,564.00

Overton Recycling, Recycling Svc., \$2,916.67

Pitney Bowes, Pstg. Meter Rental, \$40.74

RBC Fleet Management, Fuel, \$2,944.86

Respond, 1st Aid Supplies, \$35.85

Rocky Mtn. Reserve, Monthly Claims, \$1,730.22

Rocky Mtn. Reserve, Admin Fee, \$59.95

Samuelson's, Misc. / Shop, \$16.82

Strata Networks, Internet - Town Hall & Shop, \$89.58

T Rose Ect. LLC, Patches / PD, \$32.00

Union Telephone, Cell Phone Svc., \$475.06

Valley Hardware, Batteries, Misc., \$146.43

Valley Repair, Tires Mount & Balance / PD, \$646.20

Watts, Office & Election Supplies, \$106.56

White River Dist., Water Cooler Rental, \$33.75

Wyatt's Sport Center, 10 Boxes Ammo / Parks, \$119.90

**Total General Fund 125417.73**

**WATER FUND**

Town of Meeker, Total Payroll, \$12,933.51

### PUBLIC NOTICES

A-1 Collection Agency, Employee Payment, \$357.17

CCOERA, Employee Retirement, \$2,484.08

CCOERA, Employee Loans, \$1,245.54

CEBT, Health, Dental, Vision & Life In., \$5,891.20

Employee Withholding, Social Security Withholding, \$2,396.38

Employee Withholding, Medicare Withholding, \$560.46

Employee Withholding, Federal Withholding, \$1,271.84

Employee Withholding, State Withholding, \$700.47

Meeker Human Resource, Employee Donation, \$18.50

Standard Insurance Co., Life/AD&D Insurance, \$308.76

Washington National Ins. Co., Cancer Insurance, \$155.96

US Postmaster, Water Billing Pstg., \$167.72

ASTRA, Calif. of Backflow Test Equip., \$114.42

All Copy Products, Copier Lease, \$53.64

AlSCO, Coveralls / Shop, \$21.53

Atmos, Natural Gas, \$602.82

Century Link, Phone Svc., \$153.32

CMRS - PB, Reimb. Pstg., \$123.14

Colo. State Treasurer, 1st. Qtr. Unempl. Tax, \$181.11

Core & Main, Mapping & Software Maint., \$1,460.00

DPC Industries, Canister Chng., \$80.00

Eaton Sales & Service, 4 Switches / Water Loadout, \$405.75

FedEx, Pstg. Water Tests, \$39.30

Jackson's, Office Supplies, \$22.20

Mesa County Health Dept., Water Tests, \$40.00

Munro Supply, Hose Pothole Machine, \$350.19

MVB Visa, Water Conf., \$912.36

Olsson Associates, Well Power & SCADA, \$4,760.00

Pitney Bowes, Pstg. Meter Rental, \$29.53

RBC Fleet Management, Fuel, \$857.61

Respond, 1st Aid Supplies, \$11.95

Ridge Electric, LLC, Well Power & SCADA, \$62,507.70

Rocky Mtn. Reserve, Monthly Claims, \$516.82

Rocky Mtn. Reserve, Admin Fee, \$20.05

Samuelson's, Panel, Misc / Shop, \$68.50

SGM, Water System Maps - Copies, \$66.81

SGS, Water Tests, \$253.50

Strata Networks, Internet - Town Hall & Shop, \$17.61

Union Telephone, Cell Phone Svc., \$77.52

Utility Notification Center, Line Locates, \$18.50

Valley Hardware, Batteries, Misc., \$74.73

Watts, Cleaning & Office Supplies, \$39.08

**Total Water Fund: \$102,371.28**

**TOTAL BOTH FUNDS: \$227,789.01**

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**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS  
ANNOUNCEMENT**

Meeker School District RE-1 is seeking proposals to conduct concrete repair work on the concrete pier caps for the visitor bleachers and grout at the base of the light poles located at Starbuck Stadium. Proposals will be accepted until 4:00 p.m. on April 30, 2018. For a more detailed scope of work, interested applicants may contact Chris Selle, at chris.selle@meeker.k12.co.us or 970-878-9040.

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### PUBLIC NOTICES

**NOTICE OF ELECTION  
POLLING PLACE**  
\$1-13.5-502, C.R.S.

**TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN,** and, particularly, to the electors of the Eastern Rio Blanco Metropolitan Recreation and Park District of Rio Blanco County, Colorado:

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that an election will be held on the 8th day of May, 2018, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. The Board of Directors of the District have designated the following polling places: Fairfield Community Center, 200 Main Street

At said election, the electors of the District shall vote for Directors to serve the following terms of office on the Board of Directors of the District (or state purpose of special election):

The names of persons nominated as Director for a Four-Year Term:

**Rob Baughman**  
**Christopher Lockwood**  
**John Strate**  
**Joe Beck**  
**Andrea Gianinetti**  
**Donald Blazon**  
**Sam Love**  
**Michael Selle**  
**Caitlin Walker**  
**Dan Chinn**

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that an eligible elector of said district for the purpose of said election is a person registered to vote pursuant to the "Colorado Uniform Election Code of 1992;" and who is a resident of the District, or who, or whose spouse or civil union partner, owns taxable real or personal property within the District, whether said person resides within the District or not, or a person who is obligated to pay taxes under a contract to purchase taxable property within the District shall be considered an owner of taxable property for the purpose of qualifying as an eligible elector.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that applications for and return of absentee voter ballots may be filed with, and replacement ballots may be received from:

**Cathy A. Kiser**, Designated Election Official of the Eastern Rio Blanco Metropolitan Recreation and Park District at: 101 Ute Road, Meeker, CO 81641, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., until the close of business on the Tuesday immediately preceding the regular election (May 1, 2018). (970) 878-7417 (telephone)

Eastern Rio Blanco Recreation and Park District  
Cathy A. Kiser Designated Election Official  
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**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS  
ANNOUNCEMENT**

Meeker School District RE-1 is seeking proposals for an insurance broker to provide property, liability and automobile insurance for the school district. Proposals will be accepted until 4:00 p.m. on April 30, 2018. For a more detailed scope of work, interested applicants may contact Chris Selle, at chris.selle@meeker.k12.co.us or 970-878-9040.

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### PUBLIC NOTICES

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

Notice is hereby given that the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado, will hold a public hearing to consider a proposed amendment to the Rio Blanco County Land Use Regulations concerning Impact Fees. The public hearing will be on May 14, 2018, at the Rio Blanco County Historic Courthouse, 555 Main Street, on 3rd floor in the Commissioners Hearing Room, Meeker Colorado beginning at 1:15 p.m. Published: April 12, and April 19, 2018  
Rio Blanco Herald Times

**NOTICE OF BUDGET**

Notice is hereby given that a proposed budget has been submitted to the Rangely Junior College District Board of Directors for the ensuing year of 2018-2019; a copy of such proposed budget is on file at Linda Gordon/Budget Officer, 215 Hillcrest Avenue, Rangely, CO where same is open for public inspection; such proposed budget will be considered at the regularly scheduled board meeting of the Rangely Junior College District to be held on May 14, 2018, 11:00AM CNCC, Johnson Banquet Room for final adoption of budget. Any interested elector of such Rangely Junior College District may inspect the proposed budget and file or register any objections thereto at any time prior to the final adoption of the budget. Publish: April 12, April 19, 2018  
Rio Blanco Herald Times

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS  
ANNOUNCEMENT**

Meeker School District RE-1 is seeking proposals to extend the northeast wall of the Meeker School District Bus Garage so that the garage door on the southwest wall may be closed while performing maintenance operations on school district buses. Proposals will be accepted until 4:00 p.m. on April 30, 2018. For a more detailed scope of work, interested applicants may contact Chris Selle, at chris.selle@meeker.k12.co.us or 970-878-9040.

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**NOTICE OF POLLING PLACE ELECTION FOR  
RIO BLANCO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN** and particularly to the electors of the Rio Blanco Fire Protection District ("District") of Rio Blanco County, Colorado. **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that a regular election of the District shall be held on Tuesday, May 8, 2018, during the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. The Board of Directors of the District has designated the following polling place(s): Fairfield Center  
200 Main St.  
Meeker, CO 81641

At such election, the electors of the District shall vote for Directors to serve the following terms of office on the Board of Directors of the District: Two (2) Directors for Four-Year Terms  
Ty Kipling Gates, Four-Year Term  
Gardner Mendenhall, Four-Year Term  
Jennifer A. Bouzek, Four-Year Term

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Lonnie Todd Morris, Four-Year Term  
Steven K. Allen, Four-Year Term  
Stephanie Kobald, Four-Year Term

**RIO BLANCO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**  
By /s/Patti Merriam, Designated Election Official  
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**TOWN OF MEEKER  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
Tuesday April 17, 2018  
7:00 P.M. Regular Scheduled Board Meeting  
345 Market Street, Meeker, CO**

- Call to Order
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call
- Approval of the Agenda
- Approval of the Previous Minutes
- Approval of Monthly Disbursement
- Public Participation

This is an opportunity for Citizens to bring comments and questions to the Board of Trustees not being addressed in the Regular Meeting Agenda. In consideration of other regularly scheduled agenda items, comments will be limited to 3 minutes or less. Citizens are asked to approach the podium state their name and address for the record.

- Meeker 45 Project Update (Main Street)- Stephanie Kobald
- Discussion Item: ERBM Trail Project Reimbursement Break: Recognition and Appreciation for outgoing Board Members
- Swearing in and seating of newly elected Mayor and Trustees
- Staff Updates
- New Business:
  - Resolution #05-2018, a resolution appointing \_\_\_\_\_ as Mayor Pro-Tem
  - Resolution #06-2018, a resolution appointing Town Officers
- Public Hearing(s):
  - Bid Award for 2018 Town of Meeker Paving Project (6th, 8th, 10th Streets)
- Mayor's remarks
- Town Manager's Report
- Town Attorney's Report
- Other Board Business
- Adjournment

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**PUBLIC NOTICE  
RIO BLANCO COUNTY  
PLANNING COMMISSION**

Notice is hereby given that the Rio Blanco County Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to consider an amendment of the Rio Blanco County Land Use Regulations concerning Impact Fees. The public hearing will be on April 26, 2018, at the Rio Blanco County Historic Courthouse, 555 Main Street, on 3rd floor in the Commissioners Hearing Room, Meeker Colorado beginning at 7:00 p.m. Published: April 12, and April 19, 2018  
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### PUBLIC NOTICES

**NOTICE OF ELECTION  
POLLING PLACE**  
\$1-13.5-502, C.R.S.

**TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN,** and, particularly, to the electors of the Eastern Rio Blanco County Health Service District of Rio Blanco County, Colorado:

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that an election will be held on the 8th day of May, 2018, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. The Board of Directors of the District have designated the following polling places:

Fairfield Community Center, 200 Main Street, Meeker, CO 81641

At said election, the electors of the District shall vote for Directors to serve the following terms of office on the Board of Directors of the District (or state purpose of special election):

The names of persons nominated as Director for a FOUR-Year Term

Terry Skidmore  
Kimberly Brown  
Todd Shults  
Brian Bofinger  
Kai Turner

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that an eligible elector of said district for the purpose of said election is a person registered to vote pursuant to the "Colorado Uniform Election Code of 1992;" and who is a resident of the District, or who, or whose spouse or civil union partner, owns taxable real or personal property within the District, whether said person resides within the District or not, or a person who is obligated to pay taxes under a contract to purchase taxable property within the District shall be considered an owner of taxable property for the purpose of qualifying as an eligible elector.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that applications for and return of absentee voter ballots may be filed with, and replacement ballots may be received from:

Cindy A. Rholl, Designated Election Official of the Eastern Rio Blanco County Health Service District at:  
100 Pioneers Medical Center Drive, Meeker, CO 81641 between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., until close of the business on Tuesday immediately preceding the regular election May 1, 2018.  
(970) 878-9261  
Eastern Rio Blanco County Health Service District  
Cindy A. Rholl, Designated Election Official  
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## PUBLIC NOTICES

**TOWN OF RANGELY**  
**Check Register**  
**March-18**

VENDOR AMOUNT DESCRIPTION  
AFLAC, 407.86, Payroll deduction  
ALL COPY PRODUCTS, INC., 1,177.85, Expenses  
APEX INSPECTION & CONSULTING LLC, 7,002.04, Expenses  
AQUIONICS, INC., 1,063.70, Expenses  
ASHLEY VALLEY VETERINARY CLINIC, 259.00, Animal Shelter Exp  
BILLGREN, MATTHEW, 100.00, Council Stipend  
BOY-KO SUPPLY CO, 35.96, Expenses  
BRADY, ANN, 150.00, Council Stipend  
CALIFORNIA CONTRACTORS SUPPLY, 492.30, Expenses  
CASELLE, INC, 1,418.00, Software Support  
CEBT, 34,920.65, Health Ins  
CENTURYLINK, 1,509.66, Communication  
CIMARRON TELECOMMUNICATIONS LLC, 55.00, Services  
CLEARY BUILDING CORP, 52,875.00, Expenses  
CNCC FOUNDATION, 275.00, Expenses  
COLORADO BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, 300.00, Services  
CRS ENGINEERS, 3,985.00, Services  
DALTILE, 507.54, Expenses  
DAN E. WILSON, ATTORNEY AT LAW LLC, 2,373.50, Services  
DETROIT INDUSTRIAL TOOL, 277.12, Expenses  
DIRECTV, 427.25, WRV Expense  
DON'S DIRECTORY, 63.50, Expenses  
DUCEY'S ELECTRIC, 1,409.72, Expenses  
EASYPERMIT POSTAGE, 2,000.00, Expenses  
FAMILY SUPPORT REGISTRY, 373.80, Payroll deduction  
FIDELITY ADVISOR FUNDS, 22,385.79, Payroll deduction  
FIRST BANKCARD, 4,046.73, Expenses  
FORTERRA, 13,384.55, Expenses  
FPPA, 493.43, PD Insurance  
FRESH EXPRESS CLEANING, 671.25, Expenses  
GLOBAL CHEMICALS, 979.52, Expenses  
GRAND JUNCTION PIPE & SUPPLY, 404.72, Expenses  
GREEN, MIKAYLA, 275.00, Security Deposit  
HACH, 502.18, Expenses  
HACKING, TYSON, 100.00, Council Stipend  
HATCH, LISA, 100.00, Council Stipend  
INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY, 2,299.99, Expenses  
INSIGHT PUBLIC SECTOR, INC., 41.02, Services  
KEY, ANDREW J, 100.00, Council Stipend  
KIMBALL MIDWEST, 106.46, Expenses  
MAIL SERVICES, 850.00, Services  
MESA COUNTY HEALTH DEP T REG  
LABORATORY, 62.00, Expenses  
MOON LAKE ELECTRIC, 14,303.62, Electricity  
MOUNTAIN WEST SECURITY LLC, 980.00, Expenses  
MULLER'S BUILDING SERVICE, 17,003.94, Services  
NETWORKS UNLIMITED, 3,091.57, Support/ Services  
NICHOLS STORE, 57.90, Expenses  
NORCO, INC., 22.82, Services  
PENNELL, ROWENA, 500.00, Security Deposit  
PIERING, LISA, 40.00, Expenses  
PINNACOL ASSURANCE, 2,387.00, Insurance  
PRATER'S PLUMBING & HEATING, 1,123.75, Services  
PROFESSIONAL TOUCH, 89.48, Services  
Q.C. TESTING, INC., 180.00, Services  
QUALIFICATION TARGETS, INC., 520.00, Expenses  
QUILL, 594.79, Expenses  
RANGELY AUTO PARTS, 1,287.20, Expenses  
RANGELY FIRE DEPARTMENT, 458.00, Training  
RANGELY HARDWARE, 3,954.15, Expenses  
RANGELY INSURANCE GROUP, INC., 117.00, Services  
RANGELY SCHOOL FOUNDATION, 11,079.12, Sales Tax Funding  
RANGELY TRASH SERVICE, 1,348.00, Services  
RANGELY, TOWN OF, 7,673.03, Utilities  
RESPOND FIRST AID SYSTEMS, 24.95, Expenses  
RIO BLANCO COUNTY, 95.76, Elections  
RIO BLANCO COUNTY COURT, 55.00, Services  
RIO BLANCO COUNTY SHERRIFFS DEPT, 35.00, Services  
RLI, 100.00, Services  
ROBIE, TREY, 100.00, Council Stipend  
SANTA FE STUCCO & PLASTER, 450.00, Expenses  
SENERGY BUILDERS, LLC., 3,879.00, Expenses  
SERVICE MASTER CLEAN, 1,024.04, Services  
SGS ACCUTEST INC., 374.50, Services  
SHAFFER, ANDREW, 100.00, Council Stipend  
SHELDON MANUFACTURING, INC., 502.39, Chemicals  
SIMS, TERESA, 150.00, Judge's Fee  
SOCIETY FOR HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT, 209.00, Services  
STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY RC, 621.69, Life Insurance  
STATE FORMS CENTER, 25.00, Expenses  
STRATA NETWORKS, 500.00, Services  
SUMMIT ENERGY, 74,816.82, Gas Transmission/ Transport  
TDA CONSTRUCTION, INC., 65,189.00, Expenses  
TIMBER LINE ELCTRIC & CONTROL, 317.50, Expenses  
TRANSUNION RISK & ALTERNATIVE, 90.00, Services  
TRI COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION, 205.00, Services  
TURTLE TRACKS, 375.00, Expenses  
ULINE, 105.48, Expenses  
UNCC, 27.55, Services  
URIE ROCK COMPANY, 3,185.05, Expenses  
URIE TRUCKING CO, 180.00, Expenses  
VERIZON WIRELESS, 1,115.62, Cell Service  
VET CLINIC, THE, 156.00, Animal Shelter Exp  
WAGNER EQUIPMENT COMPANY, 100.80, Expenses  
WALTER ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP, LLC, 190.00, Services  
WEX BANK, 3,105.15, Fuel  
WHITE RIVER MARKET, 235.85, Supplies  
WILCZEK, KAREN S, 300.00, Judge's Fee  
WILD BUNCH CONSORTIUM, 500.00, Expenses  
WINGER, KEELY, 37.50, Expenses  
WRB REC & PARK DISTRICT, 113.50, Expenses  
**Total: 385,665.61**  
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## RIO BLANCO COUNTY ACCOUNTS PAYABLE PUBLICATION LIST MARCH 30, 2018

**FUND: GENERAL**  
**VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT**  
CBI, PRCH SVCS, (129.50)  
RBC SHERIFF'S DEPT, PRCH SVCS, 400.00  
AARMS, PRCH SVCS, 3,150.00  
ALSCO, PRCH SVCS, 1,265.95  
AMAZON, SPPLY, 318.41  
AMERICAN JAIL ASSOC, PRCH SVCS, 44.00  
KIMBERLY ASSELIN, ADVNC, 253.00  
ATMOS, UTL, 776.72  
ATMOS, UTL, 421.87  
ATMOS, UTL, 446.44

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ATMOS, UTL, 155.15  
ATMOS, UTL, 665.21  
ATMOS, UTL, 182.62  
ATMOS, UTL, 1,633.70  
AXIS STEEL, SPPLY, 115.20  
AXON ENTERPRISE, SPPLY, 2,560.00  
BANK OF THE SAN JUANS, PRCH SVCS, 16.05  
BETTER CITY, REDI/UTA DOLA, 4,213.42  
CENTURYLINK, PRCH SVCS, 612.94  
CENTURYLINK, PRCH SVCS, 457.51  
CENTURYLINK-LNG DSTNC, LND PHN, 371.16  
CENTURYLINK-LND LN, PRCH SVCS, 475.67  
CHAPPELL, CLINT, PLNNG CMMTY, 50.00  
CITY OF FLORENCE, TRNGG/DEV, 50.00  
CNCC, CNTRCT SVCS, 2,500.00  
CNCC FOUNDATION, PRCH SVCS, 275.00  
CO BAR ASSOC, PRCH SVCS, 110.50  
CBI, PRCH SVCS, 39.50  
CBI, PRCH SVCS, 90.00  
CBI, PRCH SVCS, 330.00  
CO COUNTY CLERK'S ASSOC, PRCH SVCS, 1,106.70  
CO DEPT OF LABOR/EMP, PRCH SVCS, 125.00  
CO SECRETARY OF ST, PRCH SVCS, 60.00  
CO, STATE OF, PRCH SVCS, 304.62  
COLORADO DOORWAYS, SPPLY, 118.00  
CONNECTWISE, PRCH SVCS, 2,655.99  
COOK, KATELIN, TRVL, 126.44  
COULTER AVIATION, PRCH SVCS, 174.67  
DAILY SENTINEL, PRCH SVCS, 540.00  
DAY, TRAVIS, PLNNG CMMTY, 50.00  
DELUXE, SPPLY, 302.10  
DILKA, COREY, ADVNC, 25.00  
DA OFFICE, PRCH SVCS, 21,067.25  
DUNGAN, JOSEPH, PRCH SVCS, 65.40  
EAGLE RIVER WASTE, UTL, 987.00  
EASTERN RBC EMERGENCY, PRCH SVCS, 35.04  
EKSTROM, WILLIAM A., TRVL, 135.55  
EMPLOYERS COUNCIL, TRNGG/DEV, 545.00  
EXTN PRGM, TRVL, 328.00  
FASTTRACK, LND PHN, 665.87  
FIBERSTORE, INC, SPPLY, 9,763.78  
FLAGSHIP PUBLISHING, PRCH SVCS, 405.00  
GALL'S, LLC, UNFRM/CLTH, 1,107.49  
GENESIS LAMP, SPPLY, 268.23  
CLINTON KILDUFF, ADVNC, 247.00  
LANG, JARROD, ADVNC, 123.50  
LITTLE-MYERS, SHERYL M, PLNNG CMMTY, 50.00  
LITZLEMAN, MARK, TRNGG/DEV, 405.59  
LOVE, VIRGINIA L., PLNNG CMMTY, 50.00  
MA FAMIGLIA, PRCH SVCS, 112.10  
MANAGER OF FINANCE, TRVL, 275.00  
MASTER'S TOUCH, PRCH SVCS, 1,027.95  
MATTHEW BENDER, PRCH SVCS, 83.00  
RHAWNIE MCGRUDER, ADVNC, 142.00  
MEEKER AIRPORT - CONTR, CNTRCT SVCS, 3,500.00  
MEEKER CHAMBER OF COMM, PRCH SVCS, 44.47  
MEEKER CLASSIC SHEEPDOG, PRCH SVCS, 306.00  
MEEKER DRUGS, SPPLY, 38.63  
MEEKER SANITATION DIST, UTL, 1,334.00  
MEEKER, TOWN OF, UTL, 3,549.30  
MILES PARTNERSHIP, PRCH SVCS, 5,068.00  
MOBBLEY, TRAVIS, ADVNC, 62.50  
MOON LAKE ELEC, UTL, 3,292.62  
MOTOROLA, PRCH SVCS, 18,505.12  
MVB-VISA, TRVL, 24,775.84  
MOUNTAIN VET, SPPLY, 153.51  
MUKLOW, JEREMY, ADVNC, 123.50  
NRA, TRNGG/DEV, 645.00  
NICHOLS STORE, FOOD SPPLY, 350.40  
NIELSEN, TREVOR, PRCH SVCS, 52.39  
NORMAN, ADAIR, PLNNG CMMTY, 50.00  
OLSZEWSKI, MASSIH, PRCH SVCS, 801.00  
PCM-G, PRCH SVCS, 2,872.80  
PHIL VAUGHAN, CNTRCT SVCS, 4,349.38  
PMC, PRCH SVCS, 57.00  
PITNEY BOWES RES, PRCH SVCS, 706.23  
PRATER'S PLUMBING, PRCH SVCS, 320.00  
PROMEVO, PRCH SVCS, 333.34  
QUILL, SPPLY, 40.44  
RANGELY CEMETERY DIST, RNgLY CMTRY DIST, 4,117.50  
RANGELY RURAL FIRE, S&R, 1,603.00  
RANGELY, TOWN OF, UTL, 2,897.09  
RANGELY TRASH, UTL, 223.00  
RANGELY TRUE VALUE, SPPLY, 660.83  
REDI SVCS /MY, PRCH SVCS, 208.00  
RESPOND FIRST AID, SPPLY, 52.87  
RB HERALD TIME, PRCH SVCS, 410.26  
SAMUELSON, RPR/MNTC, 100.70  
SCOTT, JOHN, PLNNG CMMTY, 50.00  
JESSE SELBY, ADVNC, 25.00  
SIDWELL CO, PRCH SVCS, 3,308.00  
SMITH, DAVON, ADVNC, 1,397.75  
STAPLES, SPPLY, 739.12  
STRATA NET, INTRNT SVCS, 1,046.40  
STRATTON HATS, UNFRM/CLTH, 128.05  
TYLER TECH, PRCH SVCS, 7,443.44  
UNION TEL, PRCH SVCS, 529.85  
VALLEY HRDWR, SPPLY, 756.67  
VALUE WEST, PRCH SVCS, 4,520.00  
VET CLINIC, PRCH SVCS, 152.15  
WATT'S RANCH MARKET, SPPLY, 891.85  
WESTERN SLOPE INFO, PRCH SVCS, 187.50  
WR DIST, PRCH SVCS, 382.50  
WREA, UTL, 12,008.42  
WR SNOWMOBILE, CNTNGNCY, 500.00  
WSCOGA, PRCH SVCS, 70.00  
US DEPT. OF THE TREA, FED W/H, 30,376.03  
US DEPT. OF THE TREA, FICA W/H, 52,814.50  
CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 11,772.93  
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 39,834.59  
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 119,127.64  
GENERAL FUND TOTAL: 439,602.55  
**FUND: CAPITAL**  
**VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT**  
POWER MOTIVE, R&B, 14,000.00  
RANGELY TRUE VALUE, MNTNC, 2,376.00  
VENTURE TECH, INFO, 6,580.00  
CAPITAL FUND TOTAL: 22,956.00  
**FUND: ROAD & BRIDGE**  
**VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT**  
ALSCO, PRCH SVCS, 231.87  
AXIS STEEL, MTRLS, 456.00  
CENTURYLINK, PRCH SVCS, 114.00  
CENTURYLINK-LND LN, PRCH SVCS, 161.34  
CNCC, TRNGG/DEV, 519.48  
GMCO CORP, MTRLS, 2,066.40  
LYLE SIGNS, SIGN MTRL, 1,504.20  
MARES, PAT, TRVL, 168.72  
MEEKER AUTO, SPPLY, 73.04  
MS&G, SPPLY, 2,126.26  
MEEKER, TOWN OF, SPPLY, 24.00  
MVB-VISA, SPPLY, 1,155.49  
NIELSEN, SCOTT, PRCH SVCS, 22,937.76  
NICHOLS STORE, SPPLY, 118.00  
PITNEY BOWES RES, PRCH SVCS, 27.61  
RANGELY AUTO, SPPLY, 37.00  
SAFETY AND CONST, SPPLY, 321.86  
SAMUELSON, SPPLY, 445.92  
SILVA, CORY, PRCH SVCS, 14.99  
SOLAR TRAFFIC SYST, SIGN MTRL, 2,500.40  
UNION TEL, PRCH SVCS, 314.49

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WATT'S, SPPLY, 51.59  
WR DIST, SPPLY, 98.75  
WREA, UTL, 130.29  
US DEPT. OF THE TREA, FED W/H, 10,895.18  
US DEPT. OF THE TREA, FICA W/H, 20,941.94  
CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 4,656.50  
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 18,070.13  
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 53,370.55  
CO DEPT OF REVENUE, WAGE ASNMT, 832.71  
CO DEPT OF REVENUE, WAGE ASNMT, 801.04  
ROAD & BRIDGE FUND TOTAL: 145,167.51  
**FUND: PUBLIC HEALTH**  
**VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT**  
JANELLE BORCHARD, PRCH SVCS, 226.01  
CENTURYLINK-LND LN, PRCH SVCS, 114.57  
DILLON, MARY, PRCH SVCS, 63.18  
DRAKE, JULIE, PRCH SVCS, 52.97  
FISCU, BOBBIE, PRCH SVCS, 280.00  
HOLLY KNOWLES, PRCH SVCS, 63.77  
BAILEY MANTLE, PRCH SVCS, 420.00  
METROPOLITAN PATH, PRCH SVCS, 118.00  
MVB-VISA, PRCH SVCS, 746.11  
PMC, PRCH SVCS, 255.00  
RANGELY DIST HOSP, PRCH SVCS, 135.11  
STAPLES, SPPLY, 130.08  
THERACOM, SPPLY, 988.23  
WR DIST, PRCH SVCS, 15.00  
US DEPT. OF THE TREA, FED W/H, 1,067.38  
US DEPT. OF THE TREA, FICA W/H, 2,523.44  
CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 492.00  
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 1,440.40  
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 5,803.25  
PUBLIC HEALTH FUND TOTAL: 14,934.50  
**FUND: DEPT OF HUMAN SERVICES**  
**VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT**  
CENTURYLINK, PRCH SVCS, 68.91  
PITNEY BOWES RES, CTY EXP, 21.20  
RYAN TORSELL, PRCH SVCS, 55.52  
US DEPT. OF THE TREA, FED W/H, 4,201.75  
US DEPT. OF THE TREA, FICA W/H, 6,697.96  
CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 1,685.20  
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 3,893.17  
AP PAYMENTS, 11,160.83  
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 15,057.02  
DEPT OF HUMAN SERVICES FUND TOTAL: 42,841.56  
**FUND: CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT**  
**VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT**  
FIBERSTORE, BRDBND IMP, 136.28  
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND TOTAL: 136.28  
**FUND: USE TAX**  
**VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT**  
ALL TEMP SVCS, PRCH SVCS, 1,237.05  
BOYKO, SPPLY, 714.86  
CENTURYLINK, PRCH SVCS, 164.82  
CENTURYLINK-LND LN, MKR SFHS, 128.32  
MOON LAKE ELEC, UTL, 789.32  
PITNEY BOWES RES, PRCH SVCS, 11.28  
RANGELY, TOWN OF, UTL, 117.86  
RANGELY TRASH, UTL, 166.00  
RANGELY TRUE VALUE, SPPLY, 157.86  
SHADLOW, DANIEL, PRCH SVCS, 9.82  
STAPLES, SPPLY, 157.89  
U.S. FOODS, SPPLY, 2,262.42  
VALLEY HRDWR, SPPLY, 42.91  
WATT'S, FOOD SPPLY, 111.16

## COMBINED NOTICE - MAILING

### CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 18-02

To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust:  
On February 7, 2018, the undersigned Public Trustee caused the Notice of Election and Demand relating to the Deed of Trust described below to be recorded in the County of Rio Blanco records.  
Original Grantor(s) Brian Pearce  
Original Beneficiary(ies) Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Highlands Residential Mortgage, LTD JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association  
September 23, 2011  
Rio Blanco  
September 28, 2011  
302156  
Original Principal Amount \$140,713.00  
Outstanding Principal Balance \$125,709.05  
Pursuant to CRS §38-38-101(4)(j), you are hereby notified that the covenants of the deed of trust have been violated as follows: failure to pay principal and interest when due together with all other payments provided for in the evidence of debt secured by the deed of trust and other violations thereof.  
**THE LIEN FORECLOSED MAY NOT BE A FIRST LIEN.**  
**LOT 68 CALVAT SUBDIVISION TOWN OF RANGELY, COLORADO**  
Also known by street and number as: 627 Lake Street, Rangely, CO 81648.  
**THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ALL OF THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY ENCUMBERED BY THE LIEN OF THE DEED OF TRUST.**

### NOTICE OF SALE

The current holder of the Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, described herein, has filed Notice of Election and Demand for sale as provided by law and in said Deed of Trust.  
THEREFORE, Notice is Hereby Given that I will at public auction, at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, 06/06/2018, at Office of the Public Trustee, Rio Blanco County Courthouse, 555 Main Street, Meeker CO 81641, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property and all interest of the said Grantor(s), Grantor(s)' heirs and assigns therein, for the purpose of paying the indebtedness provided in said Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, plus attorneys' fees, the expenses of sale and other items allowed by law, and will issue to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law.  
First Publication 4/12/2018  
Last Publication 5/10/2018  
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 DAYNED;**

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

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

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

Colorado Attorney General 1300 Broadway, 10th Floor Denver, Colorado 80203 (800) 222-4444 www.coloradoattorneygeneral.gov	Federal Consumer Financial Protection Bureau P.O. Box 4503 Iowa City, Iowa 52244 (855) 411-2372 www.consumerfinance.gov
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DATE: 02/08/2018  
Karen Arnold, Public Trustee in and for the County of Rio Blanco, State of Colorado  
By: Karen Arnold, Public Trustee  
The name, address, business telephone number and bar registration number of the attorney(s) representing the legal holder of the indebtedness is:  
Courtney Wright #45482 Eve Grina #43658 Holly Shilliday #24423  
Jennifer Cruseturner #44452 Jennifer Rogers #34682  
McCarthy & Holthus, LLP 7700 E Arapahoe Road, Suite 230, Centennial, CO 80112 (877) 369-6122  
Attorney File # 18-803966  
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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## PUBLIC NOTICES

WHITE RIVER MARKET, NSIP FOOD, 180.19  
WILLIAMS, TAMRA, PRCH SVCS, 9.00  
US DEPT. OF THE TREA, FED W/H, 1,514.37  
US DEPT. OF THE TREA, FICA W/H, 3,094.77  
CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 701.59  
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 2,205.50  
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 8,802.15  
FAMILY SUPPORT REGISTR, WAGE ASSIGNMENTS, 839.00  
USE TAX FUND TOTAL: 23,418.14  
**FUND: SOLID WASTE**  
**VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT**  
ACZ LAB, CLSR/POS, 125.00  
CO DEPT OF PUBLIC HEAL, ST/FED LF, 1,610.83  
CO DEPT OF PUBLIC HEAL, PRCH SVCS, 44.02  
JEAN'S PRINTING, PRCH SVCS, 1,300.30  
MEEKER AUTO, SPPLY, 29.95  
MVB-VISA, SPPLY, 1,570.06  
PITNEY BOWES RES, PRCH SVCS, 5.85  
REDI SVCS /MY, PRCH SVCS, 80.00  
SCHMUESER GORDON MEYER, CAPT OTLY, 1,445.00  
SOUDER, MILLER & ASSOC, CLSR/POS, 14,101.90  
UNION TEL, PRCH SVCS, 53.96  
VALLEY HRDWR, SPPLY, 69.54  
WR DIST, PRCH SVCS, 15.00  
WREA, UTL, 598.62  
WREA, SPPLY, 608.12  
US DEPT. OF THE TREA, FED W/H, 1,522.69  
US DEPT. OF THE TREA, FICA W/H, 2,047.12  
CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 544.00  
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 406.24  
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 3,847.80  
CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES, WAGE ASNMT, 200.00  
SOLID WASTE FUND TOTAL: 30,226.00  
**FUND: WEED & PEST**  
**VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT**  
DULTMEIER SALES, SPPLY, 100.48  
MVB-VISA, SPPLY, 445.08  
PITNEY BOWES RES, PRCH SVCS, 13.82  
RB HERALD TIME, MISC SVCS, 48.00  
VALLEY HRDWR, SPPLY, 26.95  
US DEPT. OF THE TREA, FED W/H, 446.95  
US DEPT. OF THE TREA, FICA W/H, 593.34  
CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 171.00  
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 893.10  
WEED & PEST FUND TOTAL: 2,738.72  
**FUND: COMMUNICATIONS**  
**VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT**  
ALL STATE COMM, PRCH SVCS, 1,687.50  
BEAR RIVER FIBER, PRCH SVCS, 7,100.00  
GRAYBAR ELEC, SPPLY, 423.78  
KPE LOCATING SVCS, PRCH SVCS, 2,000.00  
MAMMOTH NETWORKS, PRCH SVCS, 8,542.25  
MOUNTAIN CONNECT, PRCH SVCS, 299.00  
MVB-VISA, PRCH SVCS, 147.27  
RANGELY TRUE VALUE, SPPLY, 1,068.98  
SEQUOIA SECURITY ABOVE, SPPLY, 20,387.20  
UTILITY NOTIFICATION, PRCH SVCS, 39.15  
VALLEY HRDWR, SPPLY, 9.99  
WESTERN SLOPE INFO, PRCH SVCS, 656.25  
WREA, UTL, 16.47  
US DEPT. OF THE TREA, FED W/H, 904.94  
US DEPT. OF THE TREA, FICA W/H, 1,303.80  
CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 321.00  
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 2,954.70

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COMMUNICATIONS TOTAL FUND: 47,862.28  
**FUND: FAIRFIELD**  
**VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT**  
ATMOS, UTL, 875.33  
BOYKO, SPPLY, 480.34  
CENTURYLINK-LND LN, PRCH SVCS, 83.86  
EAGLE RIVER, UTL, 305.00  
MEEKER SANITATION DIST, UTL, 35.00  
MEEKER, TOWN OF, UTL, 588.00  
MID-AMERICAN RESEARCH, SPPLY, 97.64  
SAMUELSON, SPPLY, 39.97  
SCHINDLER PLUMB, PRCH SVCS, 228.18  
VALLEY HRDWR, SPPLY, 237.06  
WEATHERFORD ELEC, PRCH SVCS, 388.23  
WREA, UTL, 1,572.01  
US DEPT. OF THE TREA, FED W/H, 229.65  
US DEPT. OF THE TREA, FICA W/H, 655.75  
CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 121.28  
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 370.59  
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 2,736.73  
FAIRFIELD FUND TOTAL: 9,044.62  
**FUND: CENTRAL SERVICES**  
**VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT**  
ALL COPY PROD, CNTRCT SVCS, 284.46  
PITNEY BOWES, RNTL/SE, 107.70  
PITNEY BOWES RES, PSTG, 23.20  
XEROX, CNTRCT SVCS, 765.50  
CENTRAL SERVICES FUND TOTAL: 1,180.86  
**FUND: FLEET**  
**VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT**  
AIRGAS, SPPLY, 493.89  
ALL STATE COMM, PARTS/ACCESS, 1,302.52  
APPLIED INDUSTRIAL, PARTS/ACCESS, 820.16  
BEST DEAL SPRINGS, SPPLY, 22.21  
CENTURYLINK-LND LN, PRCH SVCS, 62.60  
COLUMBINE FORD, PARTS/ACCESS, 133.50  
FARIS MACHINERY, PARTS/ACCESS, 282.86  
GCR TIRES & SVCS, TIRES, 2,214.60  
GILBARCO, PRCH SVCS, 198.38  
H2O POWER EQUIP, RPRSM/NTC, 1,214.50  
HONNEN EQUIP, PARTS/ACCESS, 2,183.17  
KIMBALL MIDWEST, SPPLY, 114.49  
LAWSON PROD, SPPLY, 140.02  
MASTER PETROLEUM, GAS, 16,104.15  
MCCANDLESS TRUCK, PARTS/ACCESS, 1,513.16  
MCGUIRE AUTO, LUB, 2,955.54  
MEEKER AUTO, PARTS/ACCESS, 922.76  
MEEKER COLLISION, RPRSM/NTC, 1,970.04  
MOON LAKE ELEC, UTL, 86.10  
MVB-VISA, GAS, 331.83  
POWER EQUIP, RPRSM/NTC, 3,176.41  
PROFESSIONAL TOUCH, PRCH SVCS, 370.00  
RANGELY AUTO, LUB, 2,106.50  
ROCKY MT MACHINE, PARTS/ACCESS, 872.19  
RYNO BLAST, RPRSM/NTC, 1,032.00  
SAMUELSON, PARTS/ACCESS, 45.54  
STEWART WELDING, SPPLY, 33.12  
UNTD SPY OF THE ROCKIES, PARTS/ACCESS, 461.77  
VALLEY HRDWR, SPPLY, 65.96  
WAGNER EQUIP, PARTS/ACCESS, 1,246.21  
WESTFALL O'DELL, PARTS/ACCESS, 2,862.52

## COMBINED NOTICE - MAILING

### CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 18-01

To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust:  
On January 30, 2018, the undersigned Public Trustee caused the Notice of Election and Demand relating to the Deed of Trust described below to be recorded in the County of Rio Blanco records.  
Original Grantor(s) SHEILA SULSER AND TONY SULSER  
Original Beneficiary(ies) MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR MORTGAGE INVESTORS CORPORATION, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS  
Current Holder of Evidence of Debt FREEDOM MORTGAGE CORPORATION  
Date of Deed of Trust August 15, 2011  
County of Recording Rio Blanco  
Recording Date of Deed of Trust August 23, 2011  
Recording Information (Reception No. and/or Book/Page No.) 301939  
Original Principal Amount \$166,271.00  
Outstanding Principal Balance \$143,451.54  
Pursuant to CRS §38-38-101(4)(j), 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 LAND REFERRED TO HEREIN BELOW IS SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF RIO BLANCO, STATE OF COLORADO, AND IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:**  
**LOT 27 IN BLOCK 4 OF SAGEWOOD WEST SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF FILED JUNE 27, 1979 AT RECEPTION NO. 180997**  
Also known by street and number as: 941 HALFTURN RD, RANGELY, CO 81648.  
**THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ALL OF THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY ENCUMBERED BY THE LIEN OF THE DEED OF TRUST.**

### NOTICE OF SALE

The current holder of the Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, described herein, has filed Notice of Election and Demand for sale as provided by law and in said Deed of Trust.  
THEREFORE, Notice is Hereby Given that I will at public auction, at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, 05/30/2018, at Office of the Public Trustee, Rio Blanco County Courthouse, 555 Main Street, Meeker CO 81641, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property and all interest of the said Grantor(s), Grantor(s)' heirs and assigns therein, for the purpose of paying the indebtedness provided in said Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, plus attorneys' fees, the expenses of sale and other items allowed by law, and will issue to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law.  
First Publication 4/5/2018  
Last Publication 5/3/2018  
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**

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ed.  
Each bid must include a certified check or cashier's check in the amount of not less than five percent (5%) of the total bid, made payable to Rio Blanco County, or by a bid bond in like amount executed by a surety company.  
Mailed bids are due no later than 4:00 P.M. on Friday, May 11, 2018. Do not depend on overnight delivery.  
Hand delivered bids will be accepted from 8:00 A.M. to 10:45 A.M. on May 14, 2018.  
Mailing address: RBC Board of County Commissioners, Attn: Vicky Edwards, 555 Main St., Ste. 307, Meeker, CO 81641  
Hand-delivery address: RBC Courthouse, 555 Main St., 3rd Floor, Meeker, CO.  
**BID OPENING**  
Bids shall be opened and read in public at 11:15 A.M. on May 14, 2018 at the RBC Courthouse, 555 Main St., 3rd Floor, Meeker, CO. Bids submitted after 10:45 A.M. shall be returned unopened. Bids submitted and opened shall not be withdrawn for 30 days thereafter.  
**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.  
The County also reserves the right to negotiate changes in project specifications with successful Vendor. If the Agreement is to be awarded, Owner will give the Successful Vendor a Notice of Award within thirty days after the day of the Bid opening.  
**RIO BLANCO COUNTY**  
Dated: April 12, 2018  
By: Shawn Bolton, Chairman  
Published: April 12 & 19, 2018  
Rio Blanco Herald Times

**Board of County Commissioners  
Of Rio Blanco County, Colorado  
Monday, April 16, 2018  
Rio Blanco County Annex Building  
17497 Highway 64  
Rangely, Colorado 81648**

**Tentative Board Agenda April 16, 2018**

Public Comment: Any member of the public may address the Board on matters which are within the jurisdiction of the Board. If you are addressing the Board regarding a matter listed on the Agenda, you are requested to make your comments when the Board takes that matter. Please limit your comments to three minutes per member or five minutes per group. The public comment time is not for questions and answers. It is your time to express your views.  
11:00 a.m. Call to order:  
•Pledge of Allegiance  
•Changes to the April 16, 2018 Tentative Agenda 1)  
2)  
•Move to Approve the April 16, 2018 Agenda including any changes.  
CONSENT AGENDA FOR APRIL 16, 2018:  
Items of routine and non-controversial nature are placed on the consent agenda. Any Commissioner or member of the audience may request an item be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately on the regular agenda prior to action being taken by the Board on the Consent Agenda.  
•Move to Approve the below listed items of the Consent Agenda.  
•Consent 1a\_ Consideration of the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado Meeting Minutes of April 9, 2018.  
•Consent 1b\_ Consideration of the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County,

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Colorado Meeting Minutes of January 22, 2018.  
•Consent 2\_ Approval of the Public Trustee's Quarterly Report for January, February and March 2018.  
•Consent 3\_ Approval of the Treasurer's Quarterly Depositories Report March 30, 2018.  
BUSINESS:  
•Business 1\_ Approval of specified Service fee rate exceptions for the Cimarron Contract.  
BID OPENINGS:  
•Bid Opening 1\_ None.  
BID AWARDS  
•Bid Award 1\_ None.  
MOU's, CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS  
•MCA 1\_ None.  
RESOLUTIONS:  
•Resolution 1\_ Move to approve/deny Resolution 2018-13, a resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado approving the renewal of an Ambulance Service License for the Rio Blanco Fire Protection District – Meeker Ambulance Service.  
•Resolution 2\_ Move to approve/deny Resolution 2018-14, a resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado approving the renewal of an Ambulance Service License for Rangely District Hospital Ambulance Service.  
•Resolution 3\_ Move to approve/deny Resolution No. 2018-15, a resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado Canceling an Outstanding Check payable to Jeffrey Fielder in the amount of \$11.79 issued on June 29, 2017.  
OTHER BUSINESS:  
•Public Comment  
•County Commissioners Updates  
Adjourn  
The agenda is provided for informational purposes only; all times are approximate. Agenda items will normally be considered in the order they appear on the agenda. However, the Board may alter the Agenda, take breaks during the meeting, work through the noon hour and even continue an item for a future meeting date. The Board, while in session, may consider other items that are brought before it. Scheduled items may be continued if the Board is unable to complete the Agenda as scheduled.  
The next regular Board meeting is tentatively scheduled for April 23, 2018, at the Rio Blanco County Historic Courthouse, 555 Main Street, 3rd Floor, Commissioner's Hearing Room, in Meeker, Colorado. Please check the County's website for information at: <http://www.rbc.us/departments/commissioners>. If you need special accommodations please call 970-878-9431 in advance of the meeting so that reasonable accommodations may be made.  
Published: April 12, 2018  
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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Town of Rangely Pick-Up Days**  
For seniors 65 years of age or those disabled, The Town of Rangely Public Works Department will pick up debris and rubbish by appointment only. Qualified persons must make an appointment by April 24th, 2017. Please sign your Rio Blanco County Landfill Coupon and give it to the Public Works personnel when they pick up debris or drop by Town Hall prior to the pickup day. Public Works will start picking up items on April 24th and continue through the morning of April 26th. All items must be in the alley or left by the curb no later than 7:00am on the morning of Thursday April 26th, 2017. THE PROPERTY OWNER WILL BE RESPONSIBLE TO DISPOSE OF ANYTHING PLACED ON THE CURB AFTER 7:00AM.  
Unless you are a qualified person for the town pick up, all other citizens needing to dispose of items should make other arrangements or contact your local trash service.  
NOTIRES, BATTERIES, HAZARDOUS MATERIALS, ELECTRONICS or REFRIGERATORS/FREEZERS unless they are tagged Freon-Free  
TO SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT OR FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL TOWN HALL DURING NORMAL BUSINESS HOURS MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY AT (970) 675-8476.

**RADINO & CHUCKWAGON**  
Please call before 8:00a.m. day of meal  
878-5627 or 675-8112  
Senior Citizen Nutrition Program Meals served at noon. Reservations appreciated. Suggested Donation Over 60 - \$2.50. (Did you know? Home-bound trays can be ordered for over 60, suggested donation \$2.50 - 12:10 p.m. pickup.)  
Friday, 4/13/18, Meal sites closed - sign up for rides - lunch at Vernal Senior Center / pork chops/applause, sweet potatoes, brussel sprout, lemon cake, wheat bread  
Monday, 4/16/18, Liver & onions, meat alternate, fancy scalloped potatoes, green peas, peaches, white bread  
Tuesday, 4/17/18, French dip w/ au ju, oven browned potatoes, mixed vegetables, orange, chocolate pudding  
Wednesday, 4/18/18, Pork steak w/mushroom sauce, brown rice, green beans, creampuff w/ pudding, whole wheat rolls  
\*\*MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE\*\*  
Milk, Tea and Coffee are offered with all meals. Menu subject to change.  
Food Bank of the Rockies Mobile Food Pantry, Meeker Fairgrounds, Thursday, 4/26, 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. 4/12

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

**ATV, Boat and Snowmobile Owners!** You can now renew your Colorado OHV registrations on line at: [www.parks.state.co.us](http://www.parks.state.co.us)

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

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

**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.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

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: [debbiew@theheraldtimes.com](mailto:debbiew@theheraldtimes.com)

**Alcoholics Anonymous**

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

**SAFEHOUSE**

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

**Rangely Victim Services**

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

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

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

**AUCTIONS**

Country Moving Auction  
Saturday, April 21st 10:00 a.m.  
2695 County Road 15  
Craig, CO

John Deere 2955 4x4 tractor w/ cab and grapple bucket; 1965 Dump Truck, attachments, 2 horse trailer, stockwagon, canoe, John boat, Granary to be assembled, fuel tanks, 3 dirt bikes, 7' deck riding mower, key making items, Bull, Fjord team of horses, harness, saddles & tack spurs, hand & power tools of all kinds, hay, straw, panels, Stockwater tanks, antiques & collectibles, Tokheim gas pump, sewing machine, lanterns, forge, patio furniture, spinning wheel, cast iron, coins, firearm items, Bowflex, liquor bottles & glasses, nozzles, helmet, etc., Modern furniture, jars, appliances etc., Brenda & Tom Soos moving. For more info call Steve Claypoole, CP Auction Service, 970-260-5577. See web: [www.cpauction.com](http://www.cpauction.com)  
"Call us about a sale for you"  
4/12-4/19

**AUCTION:**

Annual Spring Consignment Auction  
Saturday April 14th at 9:00 a.m.,  
2368 S. 1500 E.  
(just off Hwy. 40)  
in Vernal Utah.

Equipment of all kinds, Many Vehicles, Trucks, Trailers, Campers, ATVs, Motorcycles, Boats, Lawn & Garden items, New and Used Tools, Generators, Air Compressors, Lumber, Pipe, Tack, Camping and Fishing Items, Antiques & Collectibles, Household items, and much more! For more information or to Consign to this Auction please call ZJ Auction Service, Inc. at 435-828-7424.  
[www.zjauction.com](http://www.zjauction.com)  
3/8-4/12

**ELDER CARE SERVICES**

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

**ELDER CARE SERVICES**

Would like to provide in home care service, to include personal care, light housekeeping, appointments and shopping. (970)620-0917.  
4/12

**FURNITURE**

Brown leather Lazy Boy recliner \$150. Brown, motorized reclining loveseat, 2 years old, gently used. \$300. 6 dining room swivel tilt chairs on rollers, brown leather look upholstery with oak frame, asking \$250 for all 6. (Paid \$170 each when new). All are in excellent condition. Call 970-404-1238.

**FARM & RANCH**

**Looking for Lease:**

Summer grazing pasture for 60-150 pairs of well behaved Black Angus cattle. Competitive rates and excellent references available.  
970-846-8310  
3/29-5/17

**HELP WANTED: GENERAL**

**Join Our Team!**

The Blue Spruce Inn is now hiring FT/PT Housekeepers  
Pt Front Desk - Graveyard position  
Please apply in person  
4/12-4/19



**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

CNCC is accepting applications for the following positions:  
Dental Hygienist Faculty/Program Director: Rangely Campus  
Executive Assistant to the President: Rangely Campus  
Director of Human Resources: Rangely Campus  
Equine Studies Instructor: Rangely Campus  
NPS Academy Instructor: Rangely Campus  
System Administrator IT: Rangely Campus  
Dental Hygiene Faculty: Rangely Campus  
Athletic Director: Rangely/Craig Campus  
Facilities Director: Rangely Campus  
Athletic Trainer: Rangely Campus

Positions are open until filled.  
For more information on these positions, application requirements and complete job description visit: [cncc.edu/employment](http://cncc.edu/employment) Review of applications will begin immediately. Applications will be accepted until positions are filled. CNCC is an Equal Opportunity Employer.  
3/15-4/12

**PIONEERS MEDICAL CENTER**

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

- PRN:**  
■ RN - Acute/ED  
■ RN or LPN - LTC  
■ Certified Nursing Assistant - LTC  
■ Food Service Tech  
■ Patient Care Tech  
■ Environmental Services Tech

- FULL-TIME: (eligible for benefits & sign-on bonus):**  
■ RN - Acute/ED - Nights  
■ Occupational Therapist  
■ Medical Laboratory MLT or MLS

- FULL-TIME: (eligible for benefits):**  
■ LPN or RN - Wing LTC  
■ Cook/Food Service Tech  
■ Certified Nursing Assistant - Nights - LTC  
■ Compliance/Risk/HIPAA Privacy Officer  
■ Health Information Management Clerk

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

**Pioneers Medical Center**  
Phone: (970) 878-5047 Fax: (970) 878-3285  
100 Pioneers Medical Center Dr., Meeker, CO 81641  
Eastern Rio Blanco County Health Service District

**HELP WANTED: GENERAL**

**RESTAURANT SERVERS, BUSSERS AND HOSTS.** Summertime help at Ma Famiglia's. Looking for people with dynamic personalities. Full-time or part-time positions available. Pick up an application at 410 Market St. Meeker.

**HELP WANTED: PART TIME**

Part time mail driver. 970-878-3230. 4/12-4/26

**HELP WANTED: SEASONAL**

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

**Town of Rangely Seasonal Summer Help Positions Opening**

The Town of Rangely will be hiring seasonal workers for public works, gas, utilities, building and grounds and administration departments. Duties include but are not limited to the following: outside landscaping, maintenance, and a variety of other light duties depending on the department. The hourly rate is \$10.50 hour.  
Applications may be picked up at the Town of Rangely, 209 E Main, Rangely, CO 81648. Deadline for submitting an application is May 31, 2018. EOE. 3/29-4/26

**LAND/LOTS**

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

**LAWN & GARDEN**

**Emerald City Lawn Care**

Spring aeration. Free estimates. 970-878-4553  
3/29-5/3

**MISCELLANEOUS**

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



**Employment Opportunities**

- Meeker School District**  
• Part Time Grounds/Maintenance  
• English Language Learner (ELL) Paraprofessional  
**Barone Middle School**  
• 6th Grade Teacher  
• 7th Grade Math Teacher

**ADA/EOE**  
Subject to change at any time!  
For details and an application, please visit our website at [Meeker.k12.co.us](http://Meeker.k12.co.us) or Meeker School District Administration at 555 Garfield St., Meeker, CO  
**970-878-9040**

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support@caseytechservices.com

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James.Amick@cfbmic.com  
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Office: 970-878-3664 Fax: 970-878-3415 Cell: 970-942-8524

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**RENTALS: MEEKER**

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

STORAGE DEPOT 10x25 unit. 878-4808.

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

2 BDR house, large yard, sewer & water paid. 970-878-4397 45-53

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

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

**RENTALS: RANGELY**

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

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

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

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

**WANTED**

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

**WANTED**

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

**PUZZLE ANSWERS**

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- Administrative Assistant/Help Desk Clerk
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- Weed Control Assistant

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# Real Estate Corner

**Meeker Realty LLC**  
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(970) 878-5165  
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643 Main St., PO Box 1384 Meeker, CO 81641

**835 9th Street**  
Log cabin built in 1882, 1204 SF of finished living area, 1+ bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, 2 car detached garage. Corner lot with 12,971 SF of site area.  
List Price: \$114,000

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Laurie J. Brooks  
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- ◆ **NEW! 1083 Laurie Circle** - Priced to Move! East side of duplex home. 3 BD/2 BA, updated kitchen, new carpet & paint, attached two car garage. \$109,900
- ◆ **NEW! 1032 Jennifer Dr.** - Opportunities are unlimited for this great building! Lots of space, landscaped. \$460,000.
- ◆ **White River Ranch Estates on Hwy. 64 Lot 12** - 35 acres with White River frontage, private fishing area. \$225,000.

**NEW LISTING**  
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**HOMES IN MEEKER ...**

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

**RANCHES - RURAL RESIDENTIAL - HUNTING PROPERTIES...**

- \*2610 CR 33- 3 Acres 7 miles west. Very private. 4 BR, 3 BA home, basement & views. REDUCED! \$245,000.
- \*439 Agency Dr. - 6 Acres, 1 mile S of Meeker, beautiful 2 story log home, 4 BR, 3 BA, finished walk-out basement, family room, storage, attached 2 car garage. Horse barn/shop. Awesome views. \$483,999. SALE PENDING!
- \*210 CR 75- Pappoose Creek Cabin in Forest Service lease land, log cabin, outhouse. \$55,000.
- \*CR 8- 88 Acres just east of Meeker. Hunting, dry land pasture, development potential. REDUCED! \$400,000.
- \*17501 CR 8- 19 miles upriver, 2.57 ac & 2 BR cabin. \$195,000. SOLD!
- \*510 Meadow Lane- 3 BR, 2- 1/2 BA home on 6+ acres west of Meeker. \$325,000. SOLD!

**RAW LAND AND HOMESITES ...**

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

And when it rains on your parade, look up rather than down.  
Without the rain, there would be no RAINBOW.  
~ Gilbert K. Chesterton

**RESIDENTIAL**  
NEW! 1170 Cleveland St. - 3BD/2BA Large family home w/ full basement. \$159,900.  
NEW! 825 3rd St. - 4BD/2BA, excellent starter or family home. \$165,000.  
482 12th St. - 2BD/1.5BA, townhouse. \$47,500.  
780 5th St. - 4BD/2BA, 2 separate living spaces. \$158,000.  
880 Main St. - 4BD/2BA, oversized lot w/ sm. cabin off the alley. \$155,000.  
264 9th St. - 2BD/1BA, mobile home w/ owned lot. \$43,000. SOLD!  
1010 Hill St. - 2BD/1BA, corner lot w/ sm. cabin off the St. \$139,000.  
873 Market St. - 3BD/1BA, utility shed, alley access. \$119,000.  
893 Garfield St. - 2BD/1BA, corner lot, alley access. \$127,000.  
959 Garfield St. - 4BD/2.5BA, 1Yr. Home Warranty Av. \$249,900 UNDER CONTRACT!  
855 5TH St. - 5BD/2BA, new roof, siding, windows & flooring. \$200,000.  
767 12th St. - 2BD/1.5BA, townhouse, well kept. \$68,000. REDUCED!

**RURAL RESIDENTIAL**  
1083 Boulder Dr., Craig - Wildemess Ranches cabin, turnkey. \$169,500.  
NEW! 4007 CR 7 - 3BD/2BA with well on 5.18 acres. \$260,000.

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

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

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

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**Real-Tea Roundtable**  
May 2nd  
7:30 a.m., Wendli's

NEW Ridge Estates Subdivision - Full 26 Lot Package. \$999,000  
Moosehead Lodge, Rangely - Cabins, Lodge, B&B, TURN KEY. \$899,000  
1163 Rd. 53 - 4BD/3BA Cabin in Morapos Creek. \$395,000  
8617 Rd. 8 - 4BD/2BA Log Home on 2.85 acres. \$359,000  
730 3rd St. - SOLD!  
564 7th St. - 5BD/2.5BA, Large Fenced Yard, Garage. \$266,000  
TBD E. Market. - 7.46 Acres at the Intersection of HWY 13 & Rd 8. \$249,000  
345 Cleveland St. - 2.28 Acres, Potential for 12 Building Lots. \$216,000  
1164 Hill St. - 3BD/2BA, Central Air, Garage, Fenced Yard. \$212,000  
NEW 109 Market- 0.5 Acre HWY Commercial Lot. \$199,000  
1246 Cleveland St. - UNDER CONTRACT!  
1140 Cleveland Hill - 100% Remodeled 2BD/2BA Duplex. REDUCED \$159,000  
NEW 1276 Hill - 3BD/2BA, Buyer Chooses Upgrades! \$152,000  
1105 & 1107 Market St. - Large Commercial Lot. \$149,900  
NEW 675 11th St. - 3BD/1.75BA, Garage, Fenced Yard. \$149,000  
870 Water St. - UNDER CONTRACT!  
NEW 1058 Sage Ct. - Cute 1BD/1BA Cottage, Large Lot. \$129,000  
Yoleta Lane - East of Craig, 40 Acres. \$77,000  
NEW Ridge Estates - Rural Residential Lots Starting at \$45,000.

1058 Sage Court  
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\$129,000

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