

# Herald Times



## Fire board election ...

Six candidates are vying for three seats on the Meeker Fire Protection District board of directors in a special election held Tuesday for those living in the Meeker Fire and Rescue District. Voters must visit the Meeker Fire Station on 7th Street in downtown Meeker on Tuesday to cast their ballots. The ballot box is open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.



# Countywide agri-tourism workshop links Rangely, Meeker

By ELLEN MEECE  
Special to the Herald Times

**RBC I** Rio Blanco County Historical Society's Heritage Culture Center Committee hosted an agri-tourism workshop on April 19, opening it up via video conferencing to Rangely and anyone who wanted to join in the conversation.

Those gathered were delighted when Kelli Hepler (tourism coordinator at Our Side of the Divide, Delta County, Colo.) also signed in from Delta to be a part of the interaction that took place at the Meeker Public Library.

The purpose of the workshop was to

share agri-tourism ideas and take the first step in forming "clusters" of possible farming, ranching, agriculture locations and experiences to share with tourists.

The formal definition of "agri-tourism" provided by the State of Colorado is: "The practice of engaging in activities, events and services that have been provided to consumers for recreational, entertainment or educational purposes at a farm, ranch or other agricultural, horticultural or agribusiness operation in order to allow consumers to experience, learn about and participate in various facets of agricultural industry, culinary pursuits, natural resources and heritage."

Through discussion, the group specifically learned that participating in a tour loop and educating visitors about agriculture doesn't have to be a daily commitment but that there are several ways to make it work including: Tours by season with days/hours advertised; if "Agri-tour" banner is out, meaning "we are open;" only scheduled events (farm to table event, fall pumpkin patch, etc.); tours by appointment; or lastly a community event—such as a farmer's market.

Adding action to information, those present worked on two agri-tourism tour loops, with one being from Rangely to Meeker with strong participation in Rangely. The partici-

pants present offered ideas for each of these with Rangely suggesting their Community Garden, Pumpkin Patch, Equine Program, CNCC Stargazing, Rodeo and Dinosaur Tour. For more information on the Rangely Community Gardens, go to their Facebook Page: [www.facebook.com/RangelyGardens/](http://www.facebook.com/RangelyGardens/)

At the other end of the loop, Meeker plans to showcase its new farmer's market, set to launch on June 11 from 8 a.m. to noon, featuring local Colorado vendors ranging from produce to various food products, grass-fed and sustainable meats, handmade artisan goods like soaps and personal care items and homemade all-natural gourmet treats.

To be located between 4th Street and the downtown pavilion on Main Street, the market welcomes everyone to support this community effort. Contact Carley Smith for more information or for vendor application at: [carley.smith@rbc.us](mailto:carley.smith@rbc.us)

Another loop outside of Meeker was discussed with possible agriculture activities on County Road 4, including the Upper Colorado Environmental Plant Center, which already conducts tours and educates the public on agriculture.

Anyone interested in being a part of sharing your ranching, farming or other agricultural activities, contact RBCHS at [president@rioblancocounty.org](mailto:president@rioblancocounty.org).

## April: Month focuses on child abuse

By SHANNON SHERIDAN  
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Special to the Herald Times

**RBC I** Child abuse and neglect can have life-long implications for victims, including on their well-being. Children who are maltreated often are at risk of experiencing cognitive delays and emotional difficulties, among other issues.

Childhood trauma also negatively affects nervous system and immune system development, putting children who have been maltreated at a higher risk for health problems as adults. The first step in helping abused or neglected children is learning to recognize the signs of child abuse and neglect.

**Recognizing Signs of Abuse and Neglect**

- Signs with the Child:*
- Shows sudden changes in behavior or school performance;
  - Has not received help for physical or medical problems brought to the parents' attention;
  - Has learning problems (or difficulty concentrating) that cannot be attributed to specific physical or psychological causes;
  - Is always watchful, as though preparing for something bad to happen;
  - Lacks adult supervision;
  - Is overly compliant, passive or withdrawn;
  - Comes to school or other activities early, stays late and does not want to go home;
  - Is reluctant to be around a particular person; and
  - Discloses maltreatment
- Signs with the Parent:*
- Denies the existence of—or blames the child for—the child's problems in school or at home
  - Asks teachers or other caregivers to use harsh physical discipline if the child misbehaves
  - Sees the child as entirely bad, worthless or burdensome
  - Demands a level of physical or academic performance the child cannot achieve
  - Looks primarily to the child for care, attention and satisfaction of the parent's emotional needs;
  - Shows little concern for the child

*Signs with the Parent and Child:*

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One of seven Rio Blanco County dispatchers, Rhawnie McGruder is seen here running the central desk, computers and display screens where 911 calls are first answered at the new Rio Blanco County Justice Center.

## Dispatchers play vital role in importance of emergency 911

By REED KELLEY  
Special to the Herald Times

**MEEKER I** Driving our western Colorado mountain passes in winter storms can create a situation in which calling 911 can be a life-saver.

Did you ever wonder how 911 really works? Where a 911 call gets answered? How long ago and who ever started the 911 system?

During the past 60 years, 911 has evolved into the Universal Emergency Number for citizens across the country to call for help and make a fast and easy connection to a Public Safety Answering

Point (PSAP).

Rio Blanco County's PSAP is the dispatch center in the heart of the county's new Justice Center in Meeker. It is housed in a somewhat spacious room with three banks of computer terminals each with several screens and a chair, with desks that adjust vertically, encouraging work in a standing position, for body health purposes, at least part of the time.

April 10-16, was National Public Safety Telecommunications Week, established by act of Congress in the early 1990s. The entire month of April is National 911 Education Month, designated

as such by Congress in 2008.

The former honors the thousands of men and women who respond to 911 emergency and other calls across the country, dispatch emergency professionals and equipment, transfer calls to appropriate venues and otherwise render life-saving assistance to U.S. citizens and visitors. The latter simply encourages and supports greater knowledge and use of 911—The Number to Know Campaign.

So who does this for us in Rio Blanco County? It's a dedicated crew of seven individuals serving

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## Conservation districts weigh in on plan to assist sage grouse

Special to the Herald Times

**RBC I** The White River and Douglas Creek conservation districts staff attended the BLM's Stakeholder Workshop titled "The Next Step: Implementing for the Future," in Grand Junction on April 19, when several Interior Department staff members from Washington D.C., and Colorado BLM Director Ruth Welch addressed the group.

These officials expressed their desire to hear the stakeholders' questions, concerns and input on the draft policies that will guide the implementation of the plan. The policies were not available for review during the meeting.

Breakouts of the meeting included listening sessions in smaller groups and information sessions on Adaptive Management, Grazing, Mitigation, Oil and Gas Prioritization and Surface Disturbance.

During the listening sessions and the general session, the DOI/BLM staff heard frustration from the stakeholders regarding the changes in the "Colorado Plan." A multitude of stakeholders worked on the state plan for two years to reach compromise we

could all live with and the plan came back from Washington, D.C., with "consistency" aspects.

After hearing all the frustrations, Deputy Assistant Secretary - Land and Minerals Management Jim Lyons assured the group that this was not a top down plan. He had worked with each of the state BLM directors and stakeholders to finalize the plans.

We were pleased to hear that "well-managed livestock grazing is compatible with Greater Sage Grouse (GRSG) conservation." However, there will be changes in prioritization and management of grazing permits.

In regard to processing permits, monitoring, field checks, thresholds and responses, Priority Habitat Management Areas (PHMA) will generally be the highest priority, and additional criteria may be included. Thresholds and responses will be incorporated into grazing permits/leases and GRSG habitat objectives will be tailored to local conditions.

The BLM has committed to continue working with stakeholders during the permit renewal process and

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## Vote Tuesday for Meeker Fire Board

By DOC WATSON  
Special to the Herald Times

**MEEKER I** Voters will have to go to the Meeker Fire Department station on 7th Street on Tuesday to cast their ballots for three contested seats on the Meeker Fire District Board of Directors.

Voters will be deciding between six candidates looking to fill three seats on the board in the first contested election in several years. The fire station will serve as the sole polling

place from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Three of the six candidates are incumbents: Doug Overton, who is the owner/manager of Northwest Auto and who has served on the board for many years, was a volunteer chief for 10 years and a member of the fire department for 22 years; Sherri Halandras, a former emergency medical services worker and now a registered nurse in the emergency room department of Grand River Hospital in Rifle and who has served on the board for four years;

and Rick Dodds, a supervisor with Moody Construction who has served a little less than two years, appointed to fill an open position in May of 2014.

The challengers for the three open slots are: Jamie Cogswell, a licensed home daycare owner; David Luzmoor, a retired chemical plant manager; and David Cole, a retired commercial airline pilot and now an aviation consultant as well as commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars in Meeker.

## AGRI-TOURISM ...



COURTESY PHOTO

Agri-tourism means sharing the agricultural life of our surroundings with those who may have never seen or been to a working ranch, farm, dairy, etc. Above, Deana Wood is feeding a calf during calving season on a Rio Blanco County ranch.

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■ **Science Friday with Doc Bob.** Fridays from 10-11 a.m. at the Meeker Public Library.

■ **Gentlemen's Group** on Tuesdays at 9 a.m. in the Meeker Recreation Center Lounge. Thursdays at the VFW, 290 Fourth St., 10-11 a.m. Adults 50+, stop by for refreshments and conversation. Call 878-3403 or visit [www.meekerrecdistrict.com](http://www.meekerrecdistrict.com) for more information.

■ **Quilting Group.** Tuesday evenings 6-9 p.m. at the Parker Mall. Bring your sewing machine and project.

■ **Game Day** on Wednesdays at 9 a.m. in the Meeker Recreation Center Lounge. Adults 50+, stop by for refreshments, conversation, and a game of cards. Call 878-3403 or visit [www.meekerrecdistrict.com](http://www.meekerrecdistrict.com) for more information.

■ **Adult Pickleball** on Wednesdays from 1-2 p.m. in the Admin Gym at the Meeker Rec Center. Call 878-3403 or visit [www.meekerrecdistrict.com](http://www.meekerrecdistrict.com) for more information.

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

■ **Rangely High School FFA Auction and Dinner,** April 30 at 6 p.m. in the lower commons at RHS.

■ **Interested in starting a business in Colorado?** Attend this free workshop brought to you by the Chamber of Commerce and Rio Blanco County. Instructors from the Colorado SBDC will be here to present "Starting a Business in Western Colorado" and "Creating Cash Flow Budget Projections" along with offering private one-on-one

coaching sessions. The presentation will be at the Meeker Public Library April 28 from 5:30-8 p.m. with coaching sessions on Friday, April 29 at 10:30 and 11:30 a.m. Call 970-878-5510 for more info or call to register at 970-243-5242.

■ **Free monthly movie** May 2 at 10 a.m. at the Meeker Public Library. March's featured film: "The Intern" (Robert DeNiro, Anne Hathaway). Call 878-3403 or visit [www.meekerrecdistrict.com](http://www.meekerrecdistrict.com) for more information.

■ **Free legal clinic in Meeker** Tuesday, May 3 from 2-3:30 p.m. at the Meeker Public Library at 490 Main St. By computer link, volunteer attorneys will answer questions, help fill out forms, and explain the process and procedure for all areas of civil litigation, including family law, property law, probate law, collections, appeals, landlord-tenant law, small claims, veterans issues, and civil protection orders. Please contact the Meeker Public Library at 970-878-5911 to be added to the sign-up sheet.

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

■ **Free parenting seminar** at Christ Reformed Church in Meeker on Friday, May 13 from 7-9 p.m. and Saturday, May 14 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Children welcome, snacks and lunch provided. Corner of 1st and Main. Please call 878-3181 to register.

Send your community events to [calendar@theheraldtimes.com](mailto:calendar@theheraldtimes.com) by 5 p.m. Monday.

## MEEKER OFFICIALS SWORN IN ...



From left, newly re-elected Meeker Mayor Regas Halandras, re-elected Town Council member Travis Day and new town Council member Melissa Kindall took their oaths of office at the Meeker Town Council meeting on Tuesday evening, sworn into office by Meeker Town Clerk Lisa Cook. Halandras and Day are beginning their second terms in office. Newly elected Town Council member Wendy Gutierrez, who was not available to be sworn in as she was attending economic development training on the Front Range, along with a few other Meeker business people, will be sworn into office May 3.

REED KELLEY



From left, Meeker Town Administrator Scott Meszaros, Meeker Police Chief Bob Hervey and Town Attorney Melody Massih were sworn into office by Meeker Town Clerk Lisa Cook at Tuesday evening's Meeker Town Council meeting. The appointments of these town officers must be formally made and the individuals must take the oath of office along with the seating of new and re-elected town council members.

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## Union Wireless upgrades two of its towers in Rio Blanco

Special to the Herald Times

**RBC |** Union Wireless continues to invest in Rio Blanco County and improve mobile communications throughout the region by enhancing its already extensive wireless network.

So far in 2016, the company has upgraded 29 towers throughout the region to support high-speed data capabilities. Ten of those upgrades took place in the last month, including two in Rio Blanco County.

According to Brian Woody, chief customer relations officer at Union Wireless, "We are committed to providing our customers with the very best coverage and fastest data speeds possible. This isn't an easy job considering that Wyoming is the fourth largest state with the smallest population. In 2015 alone, Union added 15 new towers and upgraded 69 towers from 2G to 3G and 4G/LTE. In order to meet our customers' demand, we plan on upgrading more than 100 towers in 2016."

In addition, Union has installed 300 miles of new fiber-optic cable and transmission equipment in Wyoming

during the last two years. The company anticipates installing 200 more miles of fiber in 2016.

The fiber system that Union Wireless is currently building out will enhance network bandwidth capacity along the I-80 corridor, as well as communities in central Wyoming, and allow for substantial expansion in the future.

"Our focus is on our customers. They want high-speed data and service in remote areas so they can stay connected to the people and things they love. The investments and efforts that are taking place today will ensure that Union Wireless will be around to serve the local community for another 100 years," Woody added.

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## Business workshop set today, Saturday

**MEEKER |** The Meeker Chamber of Commerce and Rio Blanco County will offer two subjects in a workshop related to starting a new business in Colorado today and Friday.

The workshops will run today from 5:30 to 8 p.m. at the Meeker Public Library with coaching sessions on Friday at 10:30 and 11:30 a.m.

Call 970-878-5510 for more info or call to register at 970-243-5242.



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The 2016 Meeker High School Prom Royal Court was announced before the beginning of the dancing at the prom, which was held Saturday evening at the Hugus Building to a nearly full house. Members of the royalty, from left in the back row: Attendants Jake Nielsen and Caitlyn Shepherd, Attendants Devon Pontine and Jenna Walsh, and Queen Kadie Hummel and King Nick Burri. In the front row are youth attendants Carson Blunt, left, and Raegan Clatterbaugh.



A good portion of the junior and senior classes enjoyed the dancing on Saturday night that accompanied the 2016 MHS Junior/Senior Prom held in the Hugus Building after a class dinner at the Meeker Cafe. The junior class-sponsored event was well-attended and well-received by the students who partied on until 1 a.m. The Grand March began the event at 9 p.m., when all dates were introduced.

## Bennet, Gardner and Tipton urge Jewell to hit Trapper deadline

Special to the Herald Times

**RBC** | Colorado U.S. Sens. Michael Bennet and Cory Gardner and U.S. Rep. Scott Tipton have urged Interior Secretary Sally Jewell to complete the Trapper Mine Environmental Assessment before the Saturday deadline.

In a letter to Secretary Jewell, Bennet wrote, "Coal mining, electricity generation and associated industries comprise many of the region's largest employers, making substantial contributions to the local economy. The Trapper Mine alone employs 180 people. The mine also provides fuel for the nearby Craig Power Generating Station, which produces a significant amount of baseload electricity."

Trapper Mine's permit was covered under the same environmental review that the U.S. District Court in Colorado deemed deficient for Coloywo Mine, but Trapper Mine was initially believed to be unaffected.

Further review led to a negotiation with the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSMRE) that requires a new Environmental Assessment in order to keep Trapper Mine operational.

Tipton and Gardner also sent a letter Friday to Jewell, urging her to finalize the Trapper Mine Environmental Assessment before the April 30 deadline.

That letter stated, "We write today to urge a timely review and approval of the Proposed Action and Mine Plan at the Trapper Mine in Craig, Colo. We are encouraged by the progress being made on the Environmental Assessment (EA) and reiterate the importance of ensuring the process meets the prescribed timeline."

"Coal fills a vital role in Colorado's electric generation portfolio, currently accounting for 60 percent of the state's total generation. The Trapper Mine specifically provides about 50 percent of the total fuel for the Craig Power Generating Station, which is a critical regional electric generation unit. Both the mine and the power station are crucial to Northwest Colorado's economic viability, as they are two of the region's largest employers and contributors of revenues to state and local coffers. Further, the Trapper Mine has an outstanding track record for reclamation and preventing offsite impacts."

"The recommended course of action from the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSMRE) is a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI). We believe a thoughtful and detailed analysis of the Trapper Mine and its impacts has occurred through this EA process, and urge you to finalize the EA on or before the deadline of April 30, 2016."

### MHS Prom 2016

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FROM MY WINDOW...

'Good ole boys' do great job; election issue is fire board vote

By SEAN McMAHON  
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Let's talk about the good ole boys! It seems to be a popular topic over the past few weeks. I apparently and quite mistakenly brought it up couple of weeks ago when talking about what kind of new chief should be hired to head up the Meeker Fire and Rescue.

I said then and I still believe that I would rather see a professionally trained and educated fire chief hired in Meeker than to bring in one of the local good ole boys as the new chief.

That is a statement I would make face to face to anyone in this town, this county, this state or this country. There isn't a derogatory tone in any way involved in that sentence, that thought or that belief.

Let me explain. I have lived my life in Denver (birth), Colorado Springs, Boulder, Grand Junction, Aspen and, now, Meeker, Colo. I have lived in Riverton, Worland, Casper, and Rawlins, Wyo. I have lived in Fayetteville, Rogers and Eureka

Springs, Ark. I have lived in Phoenix, Sierra Vista and Kingman, Ariz. And I have lived in Yreka, Calif. Those towns have ranged in size from over a million (Denver and Phoenix) to a couple thousand people (Eureka Springs and Meeker).

Every single one of those towns had good ole boys (male and female).

Thank God they did! The best analogy I can come up with is that the good ole boys are the equivalent of the worker bees in a bee hive. They are the ones who get the job done. That is why they call them the "worker" bees. Without them, no hive would survive. There would be no need for the queen or the hive or even the workers.

The workers would survive on their own.

But within each of them is a sense of community, sharing, taking care of each other, doing what needs



to be done. They are the good ole boys of the hive.

Sorry folks, but there is nothing negative to say about them. Paint me with whatever brush you want, but I have never spoken nor written in a derogatory manner about the worker bees or the good ole boys in any of towns in which I have lived.

But not everyone is a worker bee. And that is a good thing, too. Wherever there are worker bees—anywhere in any form of any society—there have to be those who lead. Thankfully, there are.

Here among us humans as well. Take any form of society such as, say, a Fire Department/EMT/Search operation. There are the good ole boys (the worker bees) and the leaders (the queen bee and her drones). No one is any better than the other, they just have different roles to play.

Worker bees and good ole boys do what needs to be done. They know what that is, they are good at doing it and they don't complain of working conditions.

And yes, Mr. Dodds, after 39 years as a journalist and four years as

a certified reserve deputy working at least 40-hour weeks in Carroll County, Ark., I have seen more than my share of heart-breaking events.

Just a few of the most unpleasant: Helping a county coroner scrape a body off of a mattress by the chunks of rotten green flesh because he died about two weeks previous of carbon monoxide poisoning; arriving at a funeral home to interview the coroner only to walk into the embalming room to find the coroner performing an autopsy on my date from the night before (after we both headed home she was in an auto accident, was thrown from the car, landed face down in an irrigation ditch full of water and drowned; finding the body of a kid I knew who was killed late on a rainy night in a single truck rollover. I had to accompany the body to the hospital only to arrive there to find my brand new suede calf-length boots had filled up with his bodily fluids; and, then there was the elderly woman friend who committed suicide with a .357 to the temple, and I was the first one on the scene. Not only was

it tough to deal with this woman's death, but because her 13-year-old son wanted—no, insisted—on seeing his mother one last time, I had to clean skull fragments and the full contents of her skull off the wall before we would let the son in. There have been many more events like these that have followed me as a journalist as well.

I admire the hell out of the good ole boys and girls who can continue to do what they do on a regular basis. After this last incident with the woman and her son, I gave up the deputy role and concentrated on the journalism, which hasn't been without blood, guts, gore and tragedy involving those I have known and those I didn't know.

However, while the past involving Meeker Fire and Rescue has been a history of stellar performances, sacrifice, tragedy, endless ugly hours, etc. I have been trying to say there isn't a group around that can't get better.

Yes, I have heard complaints about a couple of board members who are up for election regarding

perceived nitpicking and micro-managing, which has no place in a workplace—paid or volunteering.

But the only thing I have been saying is that I believe a fully trained professional, one who has done the work and been professionally trained and educated, is the type of chief that Meeker deserves.

There are new technologies, new methodologies and new equipment out there, and Meeker Search and Rescue has enough money on hand to afford the best—a trained chief and some updated equipment.

There have been quite a few ideas bandied about by former chief Marshall Cook as to how the department can be improved—starting now and improved slowly over time.

I love the good old boys and girls. They are truly invaluable and nothing can replace them.

But I also think Meeker needs a professional fire chief who can lead Meeker Fire and Rescue to even greater heights and performance.

And, for that, I apologize to no one.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Fire board chairman responds to Marshall Cook letter

Dear Editor:

I would like to take a little time to respond to Marshall Cook's letter in last week's paper.

I am doing this to give you, the taxpayer, another point a view. I am not up for re-election, so, like Marshall, I feel I can be frank. However, unlike Marshall, I will try to keep this short.

Every meeting we have is open to the public. Every decision, budget item and policy is available to you.

At the first special district forum, the fire board was the only district board with all board members in attendance. We have nothing to hide

and in fact we are proud of how we handle your money.

The transition to full-time chief is a first for the district and the board, so we knew there would be growing pains. I feel the fact that we are moving in that direction shows we do not have the attitude "if it's not broke don't fix it," as suggested by the editor.

We have good equipment and training, but it's the volunteers who make our organization exceptional. Fire, EMS, board member or administrator, we all come from different backgrounds with our own points of view, but when the pagers go off we are a team that will do anything we can to protect every person and property in this fire district.

When Marshall resigned, I asked him to give the board some feedback

so his replacement might be more successful. I did this because after numerous visits to his office I felt we had developed a friendship, and I thought it would be good for the district going forward.

I was disappointed, to say the least, to read it in the paper. Part of me wants to rebut every single concern he has with a little colorful language, but I will just respond to a few.

Marshall was hired as chief to run this organization as he saw fit. Yes, the board gave him multiple ideas as to how we felt the new job should go, but we relied on his expertise to move us forward.

The board is made up of business owners, ex-cops and firefighters, EMTs and an RN. None of us has been a full-time paid chief, and when

Marshall complains that it took nine months to get a job description, he is forgetting to tell you he wrote it. I should be mad it took so long!

Marshall states that repairing an old fire truck is a waste of money and yet he told us it needed to be fixed to keep our ISO rating up. We decided to spend \$14,260 to keep our existing truck in good shape rather than spending \$450,000 for a new one. He complains about his integrity being questioned knowing that the \$25,000 figure he put in the paper is false.

Speaking of money, if we are going to give preferential treatment to whose property is worth the most or who pays the most in tax revenue, then we should move the fire house to Piceance Creek because oil and gas contributes over 80 percent of our revenue.

We can park trucks all over our county but who is going to maintain and staff them? We respond quickly and efficiently to all alarms whether your house is worth \$50,000 or \$50 million.

NIMS compliant, Haz Mat response? I don't recall this being a priority or even having been brought up, and now it's in the paper like the Evil Board just shot down all your ideas. Give me a break. If you truly just wanted to better the district, you would have drawn from your 30 years of experience, all of which was from one place, and led the volunteers and the board forward instead of trying to stir up controversy in a department you gave up on.

I feel my trust was betrayed and Marshall's letter is one sided and misleading.

I wasn't going to get into the politics coming up, but I hope you support our current board and allow us to move forward with a new chief.

I also hope Marshall will find success being a liaison for the Department of Public Health. I am sure there are volumes of policies, procedures and a comprehensive job description that will guide him.

Wade Bradfield  
Chairman  
Meeker Fire Board  
Meeker

Rick Dodd on fire board situation

Dear Editor:

For a little over a month now I've debated on writing this letter to the editor. I've felt that if I say something, it'll get portrayed wrong or it might not be becoming of a current board member running for re-election. Then, after reading this last week's paper, I've reached the point where I just don't care anymore and I'm going to voice my thoughts.

I am going to address Sean McMahon's comment several weeks back about the Rio Blanco Fire Protection District and our hiring of a new chief and "choosing a local good ole boy." It is very obvious you support new board members coming on to serve the Rio Blanco Fire Protection District. You are making that very clear.

Yes Sean, I know you are getting involved because of friendships you've formed. But I would like to know what happened to journalistic integrity and fact checks? Yes, you have the right to voice your opinion. But as an "editor" of a small paper in our small communities, I would think you'd have more professionalism and check your facts.

You very well know that there is always two sides to each story. Our meetings are open to the public and I strongly suggest you come in once in a while and hear exactly what is/has been occurring—instead of getting your information that is one sided and nowhere close to being correct.

Let's talk about the "good ole boy." I'm going to tell you about these good ole boys and girls in our community. I know firsthand about the good ole boys because I am one of them. I've spent many nights at the firehouse with other good ole

boys and girls talking about the call we had just came back from.

Whether we vented to each other, cried on each other's shoulder or laughed about something funny that occurred, we were and continued to be there for each other. You see, being an emergency responder in a community the size of Meeker is tough.

Why? Because there is a great chance we know the person/victim we are responding to assist. I can't tell you how many times I've performed CPR on a person I've known personally and watched take their last breath.

I helped care for and load a man on the ambulance. I considered my second father while I was in high school. I'll never forget looking through the rear windows on the ambulance door knowing that was the last image I'd ever have of him. I'll never forget trying to gather the courage to go to his house and visit with his family after he'd passed away from his injuries.

I responded to a former schoolmate's residence after she'd severely burned most of her body with third-degree burns while her parents had her in the tub chilling her trying to ease her pain. I've responded to children's deaths where I've personally known the parents. I've knocked on doors to tell members of our community that their loved ones have died.

You see Sean, being a first responder in a small community is one of the toughest jobs a person will ever have to do.

You can call our members good ole boys all you want, but until you live in these good ole boys' and girls' shoes, you will never understand. Each of our members have stories like mine, and almost all of my stories involve current and past good ole boys and girls who were there with me.

The saying: "That really hits home," truly does really hit home. The current members and its current board members are proud to be good ole boys and girls. And I would be willing to bet the likes of Dick Merriam, Bud Harp, Dave Allen, Dale Frisby, Bud Miles, Gary Merriam, Bob Ruckman and Deb Merriam (just to name a few) are and

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were very proud to be good ole boys and girls themselves.

Now let's tell a rewarding story that people are unaware of about our members. I know of a man who was injured severely several years ago. He was bed ridden. He and his wife had three children under the age of 10 and had lost his income. Let's make this story even worse and put it at Christmas time.

Gerald Morris did what he does very well at that time of year and put on his red suit. He, Steve Allen, Luke Pelloni and other members of the Meeker Volunteer Fire and Rescue showed up at this man's home with arms full of presents from Santa for the children and the man and his wife.

The public is not aware of this story and numerous other stories like it. These good ole boys and girls never ask for thanks and notoriety. But they continue to make sure people in this community are helped when they need it.

I also want to address Dave Luzmoor and Dave Cole. Mr. Luzmoor and Mr. Cole have been fired up by a group of people who have fed them misinformation and they do not have their facts straight.

They have been fired up by the same group of people who encouraged me to join the board a couple years ago. It took me two meetings to realize that the people who fired me up and encouraged me to join the board were wrong in their allegations and the accusations were false. And now this group of people is misleading the public as to what is actually occurring.

Mr. Luzmoor, as with Mr. McMahon, you are also getting involved because of friendships that have been formed. And again, you are also getting a one-sided version.

It seems on a weekly basis a letter is received by you to the board or a letter to the editor or a letter complaining to the FPPA about the board. You continuously attack two of the board members with threatening letters. You have gone to board members' places of business and made threatening statements.

What kind of board member can you be if you do everything with threats? Are you trying to make everyone afraid of you? What kind of board member will you be if you refuse to listen to both sides?

You are on the outside looking in and have no clue as to what is really happening.

Yes, you've shown up to a couple meetings and take notes and leave about half way through. But you are unaware of the issues we deal with daily and/or getting misleading information as to what is exactly going on.

These good ole boys and girls have responded to your property at least two times that I am aware of because of fires you have started and allowed to get out of control. And last summer they saved your home and other homes around you from certain destruction. And now you are out to destroy their livelihood because of your misinformation. Did I mention I was there on a dozer cutting a fire line to help protect homes and properties around your home?

This election all boils down to the good ole boys and girls we call vol-

unteers. This is about the people who take time away from their families to be first responders, whether it is our fire/EMS, law enforcement or search and rescue members. They are making a huge sacrifice to their families and the community and doing things that most people won't or can't do by putting themselves in the line of fire when they don't have to.

But they do it because they care for the people in this community, not because they want to be a hero. It's for the spouses of our volunteers who unselfishly encourage and support them to be volunteers. We also have numerous couples who are volunteers, which means both parents are gone from their children at one time serving our community. These volunteers respond not knowing if that next page they respond to might be their neighbor, childhood friend or family member.

We are a special district board not like that of a town council and the county commissioners. As a board, we are here to give our members the tools and training they need to take care of this community. And I think our volunteers have done a wonderful job taking care of our community for years and years. It is our job to take care of our members and make sure the taxpayers' money is being taken care of properly. And I feel we are doing a great job at both.

I encourage voters in the Rio Blanco Fire Protection District to show up on Tuesday May 3 and vote. I urge you to vote for Doug Overton, Sherri Halandras and myself. Why? Because we are good ole boys and a good ole girl who have served this community for years. We were all volunteers here, we were raised here, we are vested in this community and we know what it takes to continue the strong and proud tradition of the Meeker Volunteer Fire and Rescue!

Rick Dodds  
Fire Board Member and  
Local good ole boy  
Meeker

EDITOR'S NOTE: I don't pretend to speak for Mr. Cole—who I have known for the full time I have lived here due to his being commander of the Meeker VFW and not once have he and I discussed the department or the board—nor Mr. Luzmoor, who I have spoken with once, which doesn't qualify as a friendship.

But I can tell you that not one word has appeared in this newspaper that has said anything less than spectacular about the members of Meeker Fire and Rescue. There is nothing bad to say, and your letter certainly agreed with what has been written about the members. They are an entire fleet of guardian angels and nowhere in the Herald Times have I nor anyone else said otherwise.

Former chief Marshall Cook's letter established the fact that not all is well at the department or with the board. His letter, if you didn't read it, presents 128 inches of improvements that could be made to make this department even better than it already is.

You bet this department membership is made up of good ole boys and girls who have done a tremendous job over the past many years. But would it hurt to bring in a professional chief who has been trained on the job and through an education to try and make it an even better depart-

ment?

I think not.

And if what you say about a candidate going to a board member's business and levying threats or writing threatening letters to them is true, the Herald Times voraciously condemns that action.

One other disagreement Mr. Dodds: Everything that has been written by me regarding the subject has appeared on an editorial page under the heading of "opinion." That is the duty of an editor. It is also my opinion, not that of Mr. Luzmoor or Mr. Cole.

And in the interest of fairness, Rick, not a single complaint I have received has mentioned your name in any way.

Re-elect Doug Overton to the fire district board

Dear Editor:

I would like to have the community support in my re-election to the Rio Blanco Fire Protection District board of directors. I have the experience not only as a board member but as a 22-year veteran of the Meeker Fire Department of which I served 10 years as the fire chief.

It is important to maintain this experience in the administration of a historically great department.

I am sorry that you all have had to read and listen to a disgruntled employee and his friend the editor. If you have any questions about any of the talking points in question, please get ahold of me or any board member to get our side of the story before condemning us.

Please vote in the Rio Blanco Fire Protection District election on Tuesday at the Fire House. We need as big a turn out as possible because we need to get a good representation of what the public wants.

We don't want or need any more politics that will distract from the good job the volunteers do.

I would also like to give my sup-

port to my fellow incumbents Rick Dodds and Sherri Halandras.

Douglas A. Overton  
Fire Board Member  
Meeker

Halandras urges vote for incumbents on fire board

Dear Editor:

I would like to provide the public with some information regarding the candidates prior to the Meeker Fire Board election.

David Luzmoor has spent a great deal of time over the past few months at the fire department and has attended several board meetings. While I appreciate his diligence, I am disappointed in his behavior.

Luzmoor has written multiple emails to the board, all of which were negative, critical and at times somewhat threatening. Our board chair recently received a full page typewritten letter from Mr. Luzmoor that was not only critical in nature, but threatening as well.

At one point in this letter he stated: "For your sake I hope Doug and/or Sherri are not re-elected with Dave Cole or Dave Luzmoor. If that occurs there is going to be some fierce fighting in your board meetings." Is this someone you would want to serve on any board?

David Cole is well known in the community and has been involved in many community activities. He is well traveled and knowledgeable about many things. He has stated he wants to serve on the fire board in order to "serve the community." However, Mr. Cole has no experience with the fire department and has made the statement that he didn't realize the fire department was a tax district until he was approached to

run for the board.

Jamie Cogswell currently is an EMT on the fire department and is a day care provider in her home.

The incumbents are as follows: Doug Overton has spent the majority of his adult life as a fire department volunteer at every level. He started as a volunteer fireman, became an EMT and served as chief for many years. Doug has also served on the board of directors many times over the years. His wealth of knowledge regarding the fire department is invaluable.

Rick Dodds was previously a volunteer fireman on the department. Rick also worked closely with the fire department during his many years in law enforcement. Rick has been a dedicated board member for the past two years. While there is a huge learning curve regarding statutory rules for special districts, Rick has made every effort to learn these rules.

Sherri Halandras served as an EMT on the ambulance service for nearly 10 years as well as serving as the EMS (ambulance) director for four years prior to becoming an RN. Sherri was a member of the Emergency Medical Services Council for more than 10 years as well as being involved in the trauma system at the state level for many years. Sherri has been a dedicated fire board member for the past four years.

It is our concern and caring for this department and the dedicated volunteers that gives us the passion for what we do. We truly care about the well being of the department and

the volunteers who want nothing but the best for this department and the community.

Have we made mistakes? There is a saying that goes something like this: "Show me a person who has never made a mistake and I'll show you a person who has never made a decision." That being said, I believe all any of us can do is learn from our mistakes and move forward.

Moving forward is what we would like to do. We are excited about the future of the department and we intend to do everything possible, with the help of the volunteers, to make this department the best that it can be.

The volunteers of the Meeker Fire Department have gone above and beyond for this community for more than 83 years and we would appreciate the opportunity to support them in every way.

Please cast your vote for the three incumbents: Doug Overton, Rick Dodds and Sherri Halandras.

Thank you for your support,  
Sherri Halandras  
Fire Board Member  
Meeker

Support from a bunch of 'good old boys'

Dear Editor:

Way back in 1933, a group of "good ole boys" realized a community need, joining together to form Meeker Volunteer Fire Department.

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By Dr. J. D. Watson  
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Dr. J. D. Watson

**WHOM** having not seen, ye love; **in whom, though now ye see him not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory (1 Pet. 1:8).** This wondrous verse demonstrates that after the great turning point in his life (see our last few studies), Peter's "tender affection" (*phileō*) for his

Lord did ultimately grow into a willful self-emptying, sacrificial love (*agapāō*). Specifically, he here commends the recipients of his first epistle for their love for Christ.

First, we notice the *Unseen Loved One*. What is Christianity? It is not a philosophy, a system of ethics, or even a religion or system of belief. *Christianity is Christ*. Unlike any religion or cult on earth, Christianity is about a *person*. We cannot have a personal relationship with an idea, a concept, or a teaching, but only with a person, and Christianity is the only faith in the world that rests solely upon the person of its founder. He, then, is the Unseen Loved that the word **whom** refers to here, as the previous verses specify.

Second, the *uncommon love*. In one of the great statements in military history, Admiral Chester Nimitz characterized the Marines at Iwo Jima—which was ultimately applied to the entire Marine Corps in World War II—as: "Uncommon valor was a common virtue." Far greater than that, we see here an uncommon love that becomes a common trait. Our love for Christ is uncommon for two reasons. The first, Peter tells us, is because **having not seen** Him, we love Him. Peter had personally seen the Lord Jesus, but the Jews to whom he wrote—those of the Dispersion—had never laid eyes on Him. Moreover, Peter adds, we love Christ even though **now [we] see him not** (emphasis added).

"Absence makes the heart grow fonder,"<sup>1</sup> it has been said. Never was that truer than here. The more we learn of Him, the more *dear He* becomes. The more we meditate upon Him, the more *dedicated we* become. Why is this so uncommon? Because it is unprecedented! Could a young man adore a girl he has never met? Could a young lady have passion for a man she has never seen? All the senses are at work in this physical realm, but none of that applies in the spiritual. We do not have to see our Lord to love Him.

Third, the *unequaled luster: ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory*. Oh, what a phrase! **Rejoice (agalliaō)** means to exult or leap for joy, **unspeakable (aneklalētos)**, appears only here in the NT) means unutterable and inexpressible, and **glory (doxazō)** means to give someone recognition, dignity, praise, and esteem by putting him into an honorable position. The latter, in fact, comes from *doxa* (1391), which in the NT has the added ideas of radiance and glory. Putting all this together: *Through our trusting in and uncommon love for the Unseen Loved One, we exult in a joy we cannot express in words, a radiant glory we anticipate in heaven and glimpse even now.*

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<sup>1</sup> First uttered by the Roman poet Sextus Propertius (50 BC–16 BC). *Elegies*, xxxiii, 43 (Latin: *Semper in absentes felicitior aestus amantes.*).

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These gentlemen were everyday citizens of Meeker with a commitment and dedication to their community.

The original founders of the department have passed on through the years, but their legacy continues. Men and women who work in our community, raise their families here, meet and greet people on the street and volunteer to stop whatever they are doing at the moment a call goes out, whether fire or EMS, day or night.

These calls may take them away from their personal lives for a few minutes, but often times for extended hours. It's more often the "good ole boys (and gals)" who respond. These "good ole boys" and gals are just as committed and dedicated to our community as the founders.

The fire/EMS names noted below represent a total of 540 years of service to our community and surrounding area.

The "good ole boys" and gals believe the public should be informed of opinions other than those expressed in the *Herald Times*.

Our current fire board has been very active, not only with the regular monthly board meetings and numerous extra meetings over the past few years, hiring employees, working on future building projects and carrying out their board responsibilities.

A special district board differs from a regular board of directors and must following specific regulatory guidelines. Most of the current members attended special district training on his/her personal time, without pay.

They continue supporting our department with an adequate budget, which allows maintaining equipment

and supplies, training for our members, reviewing policies and procedures, purchasing new equipment as needed and other fiduciary actions. Their commitment often goes unrecognized and unacknowledged.

Do we agree with everything the board does? No. But they always provide members of the department a voice and opportunity to give input before they make a major decision.

New board members cannot and should not expect to immediately hit the ground running. It takes time to acclimate to the responsibilities and duties of being a board member, whether serving on a fire board, town council, hospital board, etc.

Meeker's current fire board consists of a previous 10-year fire chief/EMT, an RN and prior EMT/EMS director, a current EMT, a previous fireman and a grandson of a retired fireman. This board does have experience in the field, understands the duties of being board members, is prepared to move Meeker Fire and Rescue forward, and also recognizes how important history plays in the running of the department.

Please support the incumbent members in the upcoming election—Rick Dodds, Sherri Halandras and Doug Overton. If citizens have questions, please feel free to speak with any of us. If you care about your fire department, please get out and vote on May 3 at the firehouse between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Thank you.

*The Good Ole Boys and Gals of Meeker Volunteer Fire & Rescue: Gary Merriam, Deby Merriam, Steve Allen, Vaughn Moodie, Luke Pelloni, Nancy Richardson, Fain Richardson, Joe Larson, Laura Smith, Melissa Kindall, Zack Allen, Rich Merriam, Richard Schwegler, Patti Merriam, Ray Price, Donald Hobbs, Jacob Jorgensen, Michael North, Daniel Larson, Bob Ruckman, Theo (Ted) Stewart, Brian Conrado (past board member), Chuck Whiteman (past chief and board member), Jerry Eliason, Michael Washburn, Dale Frisby, Wilbur Richardson, Bud Miles, Wayne Nielson, Katherine Nielson, Roy Wedding, Chris Strate, Christopher Carroll, Rich Parr, Steve Overton and Francis Sullivan. Also Concerned Citizens: Brent*

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Junior class thanks those helping with prom

Dear Editor:

The Meeker High School Junior Class would like to thank all of their parents for helping organize and decorate for the 2016 Prom.

We would especially like to thank Heather Burke, Kim Rule and Georgeann Amack. Also, a big thank you to our class sponsors: Brenda Mullins, Zack Clatterbaugh and Larisa Merrell.

Sincerely,  
Meeker High School  
Class of 2017  
Meeker

Huitt thanks Rangely residents for letting him serve

Dear Editor:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the citizens of Rangely for allowing me to serve you for the last 12 years (eight years as council member and four years as mayor).

It has given me the opportunity to meet and get to know so many of the great town employees who work so hard to make Rangely a better place to live. I couldn't have done my job without their support.

I want to thank the council members, past and present, that I have had the pleasure to work with. I am also very confident that the new mayor and council will continue to keep Rangely moving forward and will continue to have the best interest of the town and all of the citizens of Rangely.

Rangely is a great place to live!

Frank Huitt  
Former mayor  
Rangely

'The Wizard of Oz'

was pure joy

Dear Editor:

I want to say thank you to the talented, hard working, devoted theatrical persons for the wonderful "The Wizard of Oz" production.

There was about three hours of pure joy you gave us with your talent and hard work.

Doris Walters  
Meeker

Thanks to wrestling team supporters

Dear Editor:

The Rangely Middle School Wrestling Team would like to thank Professional Touch, Kayla and Claude Rose, Praters Plumbing, Big D's, Roger and Rosaly Coombs, and Curt and Susie Dembowski for their generous donations and support to this year's wrestling team.

It is much appreciated

Jeff LeBleu  
RMS Wrestling Coach  
Rangely

Many helped make field trips possible

Dear Editor:

In May, the Parkview Elementary Treasure Hunting Club will take two field trips in search of "treasure." We will be taking the entire fourth- and fifth-grade classes and use high-quality metal detectors, pin-pointers and digging equipment.

Student will be taking a "hands-on" approach to learning science and history as well as developing a life-long hobby. Students will be taught about digging etiquette, asking permission, sharing historical discoveries and working together.

This has been made possible by the generous support and contributions of a number of organizations and individuals in the Rangely community.

I would like to recognize Giovanni, Stewart Welding, the Bank of the San Juans, Professional Touch, Sam Tolley, Big D's, Deserado Mine, Ducey's Electric,

Raven Realty, Rangely True Value, Rangely Conoco, Williams Energy, the Kirby family as well as the Rangely School District.

Each entity donated funds, making the purchase of high quality equipment possible.

I would also thank Rangely Trash Service and EMC Plumbing for the donation of metal detectors.

Finally, thanks goes to the Wagner family for providing their ranch for our treasure hunts.

Dana Forbes  
Fourth, fifth grade science teacher  
Parkview Elementary School  
Meeker

Thanks for coverage MES's STEM presentation

Dear Editor:

I just wanted to thank you for the great piece on the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) presentation in the paper last week.

The photos turned out great and it looked perfect, so thank you for your help with everything!

Have a great day, Sean and thanks again.

Carley Smith  
Meeker Elementary School  
Meeker

Thanks for support at time of sorrow

Dear Editor:

The Smitman family is so grateful to the entire Rangely community.

Thank you all for all the friendships, projects, love and laughter that you each shared with our dad, George Ernest Smitman Jr., in the last 27 years of his life.

With more thanks to all of you for the care and comfort you gave him in the past three years of difficult times. God bless you all.

The Smitman Family  
Meeker

Thanks for Rowdy Worm assistance

Dear Editor:

Over the past weekend of April 16, Rangely High School held an

after-prom party called Rowdy Worm. Throughout the night, from midnight to five in the morning, students were running around playing games.

At five o'clock, an auction was held until six o'clock. Many students received a variety of cool gifts. It was a huge success. We had lots of help from businesses and parents.

We would like to thank the following businesses for their contributions: Seitz Eye Care, Moon Lake Electric, Duco Inc, Sizemore Oil Field Serv., Blue Mountain Accounting, Big 'D' Pumping, Vernal Cinemas, Kevin Amack Insurance, Rocky Mountain Well Service, Colorado CPA, Sweetbriar, Urie Rock Co, Ducey's Electric, Rio Blanco Schools, Federal Credit Union, Cook Chevrolet, George T. Weldon, W.C. "Bud" Striegel, Bank of the San Juans, Prime Well Fishing, Epsilon Chi Chapter, Love Inc, Deserado Mine/ Blue Mountain, Chevron, Town of Rangely, Mountain West Insurance, Rangely Recreation Center, Rangely High School Stuco, Christie's Liquor, The Salon, Dr. Myers's Dental, Argali Exploration Co, Rangely Liquor Store, Rangely Trash, Pinyon Tree Liquors, Wildlife Expressions, Rangely District Hospital and Raptor Investments.

We would also like to thank the businesses that gave donations: Blue Mountain Inn, WW Peppers, Main Street Bagels, Kum & Go, Nichols Store, Giovanni's, Loaf N Jug, White River Market, Cedar Ridges Golf, Family Dollar, Rangely Conoco, Coca Cola and Barnes & Noble.

Thank you to the following for contributing as well: Kelly and Brenda Brown, Matt Grenfeld, Rick and Ann Brady and Ryan and Cori Elam. We would like to send out a big thank you to all of the parents and volunteers who helped throughout the night. Without all of these people, this event would not have been possible.

Vivian Green  
Administrative Assistant/  
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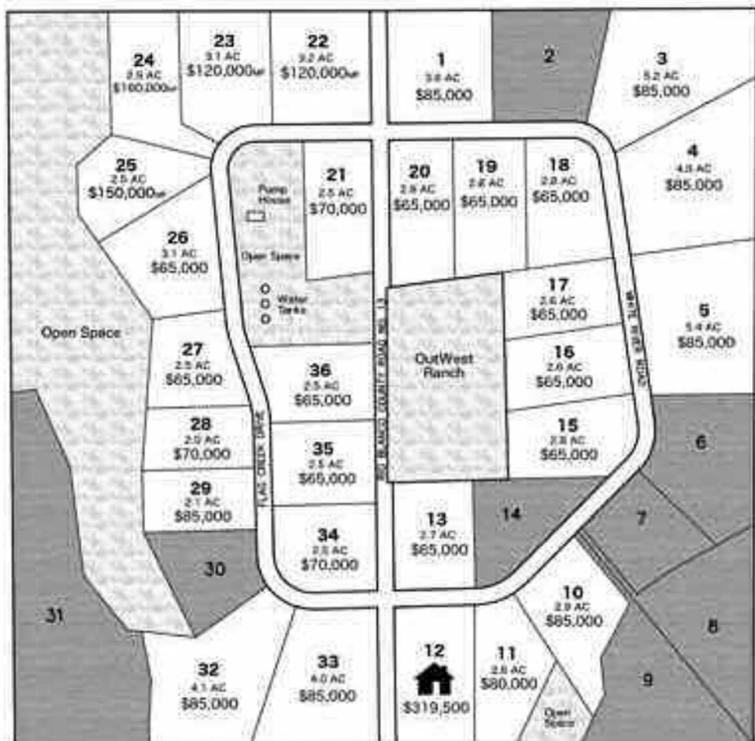
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## MHS girls break 4x400-meter relay record at Rangely, take first

By **BOBBY GUTIERREZ**  
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**MEEKER I** "They were finally able to perform in some good weather," Meeker head track coach John Strate said of the meet his team attended at Coal Ridge last Friday and although the weather was not as nice in Rangely last Saturday, the girls' team won the meet and the Meeker boys finished second behind the host team. The Cowboys will compete in Craig on Friday.

Maggie Phelan, Gracie Bradfield, Sierra

Williams and Avery Watt broke Meeker's school record in the 4x400 relay and finished second at the Coal Ridge meet, with a new school record time of 4:21.2.

"This time should qualify them for the state meet and they should be able to break their own school record again this season," coach Strate said.

Meeker's 4x800 relay team, consisting of Phelan, Williams, Watt and Julia Eskelson, also finished second in Coal Ridge. Phelan also set another personal best in the triple jump, winning the event with a hop, skip and

jump of 32-8.5.

Coach Strate said Peyton Burke had a "strong performance" in the 100 meter high hurdles and her time of 17.74 should "ensure" her a spot at the state meet.

Coach Strate said Bradfield, a freshman, has also put herself "in a position in which she should qualify," in the 200-meter dash, where she finished second with a time of 27.27.

Freshman teammate Sydnie Main continues to score points for her team, placing third in both the discus and shot put. Main's class-

mate Megan Shelton has returned and finished fourth in the shot.

Coach Strate said the boys' team was "highlighted by a season best performance" in the 4x800 relay, which includes Clay Anderson, Marshal Pool, Austin Russell and Josh Cochran. The team completed the two laps around the track in 9:12 but Coach Strate believes they still need to take some time off, in order to qualify for the state meet.

Meeker junior Caleb Bradford is in qualifying position in the discus throw, where he

finished second and the shot put. Meeker freshman Layton Bair had a personal best of 106-11 in the discus, missing the finals by one spot and classmate Gavyn Garr placed eighth in the 400, with his personal best of 55.8.

"Although the weather was not as nice in Rangely, the small meet was a good confidence builder for both team," coach Strate said.

"With five teams attending, multiple people were able to contribute to the scoring for both the boys and the girls."



MATT SCOGGINS

The Rangely High School Panther track team played host to a five-school track and field meet in Rangely on Saturday and one of the highlights of the meet was Rangely's Brennan Noyes, who is seen here clearing the high jump bar at an impressive 6 feet 4 inches.

## Meeker Cowboy baseball team wins a pair; JV still unbeaten

By **BOBBY GUTIERREZ**  
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**MEEKER I** The Meeker Cowboy varsity baseball team won two games last week, including a comeback win against Grand Valley in front of a home crowd.

Meanwhile, the Meeker junior varsity team remained undefeated after three wins last weekend.

Meeker played in Craig on Tuesday and they will host the state's No. 1-ranked 2A team, the Paonia Eagles, on Friday, with the first game scheduled to start at 11 a.m. at Paintbrush Park.

"We beat Grand Valley 6-5, with a seventh-inning rally, including a clutch hit by Uri Goedert and ending

with a walk-off RBI double by Logan Hughes," Meeker head baseball coach Brian Merrifield said.

Garrett Frantz started on the mound for the Cowboys against the Grand Valley Cardinals and Eli Hanks came in as relief and earned the win.

Meeker's junior varsity team also beat the Cardinals 11-3 behind Goedert and Trapper Merrifield's pitching.

The JV Cowboys also played a game Friday against Rifle and won 12-2, this time with Luis Villalpando and Cooper Meszaros pitching for the Cowboys at home.

The Cowboys played at home three days in a row, hosting the Aspen Skiers on a windy Saturday at

Paintbrush Park. The Cowboys swept the Skiers, winning the varsity game 11-3 and the junior varsity team won its game, too.

"Our defense was solid with only one error and another perfect day in centerfield from Doak Mantle, with two catches in tough conditions," coach Merrifield said.

Coach Merrifield said Hughes picked up the win against Aspen, with Ty Gibson catching for Meeker's ace.

"Doak, Hunter (Garcia) and Trapper all pitched well in the JV game," coach Merrifield said of the 12-9 win.

Meeker's varsity team is currently 5-7 and the junior varsity team is currently undefeated at 6-0.



SEAN MCMAHON

Being mostly parked under the basket on the students' end of the basketball court put MHS student Ty Dunham in good position to score. However, this is one of the few shots that Dunham actually made during the Meeker FFA benefit fundraiser event on April 20 in the MHS gymnasium. Despite a strong second-half attempt to overcome the community team (old folks), the students came up just a few points short.



BOBBY GUTIERREZ

Rangely Little League coach Jerry LeBleu pats one of his players on the head after he hit a triple and was batted in by a teammate. Rangely's team of eight-, nine- and 10-year-old players was in Meeker recently to play ball in Meeker's Paintbrush Park.



SEAN MCMAHON

A good crowd was on hand the evening of April 20 as the Meeker Future Farmers of America set up a game of donkey basketball at MHS pitting students against the community (adults). Above, MHS Principal Amy Chinn is caught with the ball as she is surrounded by players on both sides. After four quarters of play, the community team won by the narrowest of margins. They took a big lead in the second quarter and while the students spent the rest of the game nearly closing the gap, time ran out on their hopes to beat, as one student put it, "the old folks."



SEAN MCMAHON

Trina Smith played on the community team on April 20 during the Meeker Future Farmers of America fundraising Donkey Basketball game in the MHS auditorium. The contest pitted MHS students against the community (adults). The community (old folks) jumped to a big lead in the second quarter, and while the students tried to mount an attack during the second half, they came up short by two points.



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### Courtney Bell Rangely High School Soccer

Rangely High School senior and soccer team captain Courtney Bell has been with the Panthers for all four years. Her coaches say she has great knowledge of the game of soccer and has had some incredible games this year. Courtney has a calm presence, which helps her control the defense, and she is quick to react to her opponents.



### 4x400 Girls' Relay Team Meeker High School Track

The quartet of Maggie Phelan, Gracie Bradfield, Sierra Williams and Avery Watt were singing a happy song over the weekend as the four Cowboy runners broke Meeker High School's record in the 4x400 relay, taking second place at the Coal Ridge track meet on Friday. They turned in a new all-time school record of 4:21.2.

## Golfers able to brave the cold for tourney

By **BOBBY GUTIERREZ**  
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**MEEKER** I It was a cold and windy Saturday in Meeker, but that didn't keep more than 20 people off of the golf course to play in the first tournament of the season, a three-person, 27-hole scramble.

"The wind was blowing 8,000 miles an hour and you can quote me on that one," Scott Bowman, whose team did not win, said.

Three teams played in the first flight and two of those teams recorded the same number of shots (92) after 27 holes of play. And since the wind was blowing at 8,000 m.p.h., a playoff was not played.

Bryce Ducey, Pat Walsh and Todd Gibson, all of Meeker, tied with



Taylor Walters, pictured with her dad Roger and Rick Peterson of Rifle, played in Meeker last Saturday in cold and windy conditions and they were still able to tie Bryce Ducey, Pat Walsh and Todd Gibson for first place in the 27-hole scramble.

Roger Walters, his daughter, Taylor and Rick Peterson, all of Rifle.

Four strokes separated the top two teams in the second flight, where Jill Massey, Kyle Hooks and Ted Relihan shot a 97 for first-place hon-

ors, giving locals Don McPherson, Irv Griffin and Greg Ackerman second.

Bowman's sister, Becky, and Buddy Ridings will manage the clubhouse this season, while he prepares

the course for play.

The next tournament at Meeker Golf Course, a two-man, 27-hole scramble, will be played May 15. Contact Becky at the clubhouse (878-5642) to sign up.

## Rangely Girl Scouts have serious need for volunteers

Special to the Herald Times

**RANGELY** I The future of Girl Scouts in Rangely is resting in the arms of volunteers to replace the current troop leaders, who are not able to continue as leaders next year, and adult leadership is needed.

Hilary Martin, the Girl Scouts recruitment specialist out of Grand Junction, said, "We'd sure hate to have girls who want to continue as scouts but can't due to a lack of adult leadership."

A little bit about volunteering, Martin said, "Girl Scouting builds girls of courage, confidence and character who make the world a better place. Volunteering with Girl Scouts is flexible, fun and fulfilling. As a volunteer, you'll introduce girls to new experiences that show them they're capable of more

than they ever imagined.

"We always need troop leaders to start new troops for girls in K-12 grade, and there are numerous other ways to get involved," Martin said. "Meeting times, days and locations are up to the leader so it can fit in your schedule. Meetings tend to be about an hour with about an hour of planning. We have webinars and staff assistance available that makes it unnecessary to have any type of Girl Scout background. It's easy for adults to join in on the fun and get registered today!"

"We have current Girl Scouts who will lose out on this leadership experience, not to mention new girls, if we don't have adults willing to lead them," she said.

If interested, Martin can be reached at 580 24 1/2 Road, Grand Junction, Colo., 81505 or at 970-628-8007.

## RHS track boys first, girls second

Special to the Herald Times

**RBC** I The Rangely High School track team hosted their own invitational on Saturday, and several strong performances emerged as the athlete fought cool windy conditions. The boys won their meet while the girls finished second.

Freshman Phalon Osborn was the lone runner in the 100-meter hurdles finishing third with a time of 19.96.

Freshman Marshall Webber competed in the 100 hurdles for the boys, finishing third as well in a time of 21.28.

Miekka Peck and Makenze Cochrane finished fifth and sixth, respectively in the 100-meter dash. Patrick Scoggins and Kaulan flew the track in the 100 dash and finished first and second with respective times of 11.69 and 11.78.

Aspen Rhea tackled the 200-meter dash in a time of 30.39 for fourth while Scoggins continued his winning ways in the 200 dash with a time of 23.42. In the 300-meter hurdles, Webber had a strong performance from the outside, finishing fourth in 49.77. In the last dash event, Rangely won the girls' and boys' events with Lindzey Thacker crossing the finish line in a time of 1:08.8 for the girls and Scoggins winning in 52.13 for the boys.

Rangely's Raelynn Norman was

the lone representative in the 1600-meter run, taking second in a time of 6:22.44. David Fox and Daniel Connor took second and fifth, respectively, with times of 5:22.39 and 5:47.98. In the 800-meter run, Norman and Kassidee Brown finished fourth and fifth, respectively, with times of 2:58.20 and 3:01.92.

In the last of the distance events, Connor was the only Rangely runner in the 3,200-meter run, and he finished third with a time of 12:32.33.

In the field events, Rangely had eight throwers compete in the discus for the girls: Miekka Peck at 88-2 for second, Makenze Cochrane at 78 for fifth, Mikayla Filfred at 68 for eighth, Breanna Davis at 65-11 for ninth, Anna Forbes at 60 for 10th, Elena Forbes at 58-3 for 11th, Kaylee Mecham at 56 for 12th and Alexis Wiley at 53-7 for 14th.

The boys were led by Chance Sheppard with a first place with a discus throw of 119-2, followed by Austin Ficken at 100-2 for fifth place and Cameron Filfred at 82-7 for seventh.

In the girls' shot, Rangely had Makenze Cochrane at 30-2.5 for third, Breanna Davis at 27-2.5 for fourth, Miekka Peck at 26-1.5 for fifth, Mikayla Filfred at 25-6 for seventh, Kaylee Mecham at 20-7.5 for 11th, Anna Forbes at 19-9.5 for 12th, Elena Forbes at 18-11 for 13th and Alexis Wiley at 18-9.5 for 15th.

Chance Sheppard led the boys in the shot at 36-9 for second followed by Austin Ficken at 36-2.5 for fourth and Cameron Filfred at 26-6 for 9th.

In the high jump, Lindzey Thacker had a jump of 4-9 to win the girls' event while Brennan Noyes cleared 6-4 to capture the boys' side. Kaulan Brady finished second, clearing 6-1.

In the girls' triple jump, sisters Katelyn and Kassidee Brown jumped 32-2.25 and 26-4, respectively, to earn first and fifth.

On the boys' side, Troy Allred jumped 40-3.5 for a first-place finish with Noyes following close behind in second with a leap of 38-1.

In the long jump, Katelyn Brown finished first at 14-1, followed by Aspen Rhea at 14-5 for second and Kassidee Brown at 10-2.5 for eighth. Kaulan Brady won the boys' long jump at 19-4 with Troy Allred finishing third with a jump of 17-11.75.

The team will compete Friday in Montrose.

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### MHS ATHLETICS

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The Rangely High School track team hosted a five-school track meet on Saturday and, above, Rangely's Kaulan Brady and Patrick Scoggins can be seen racing to the finish in the 100-meter sprint. Scoggins narrowly edged Brady for first place.



Between rain and snow storms, baseball games have been played on the Paintbrush Park fields this month in Meeker, including the Little League teams from Meeker and Rangely.

# 911: Cook praises dedicated team

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under the leadership of Mike Cook, County Sheriff Anthony Mazzola's communications supervisor.

Cook lists James Lantz as his senior dispatcher; Sherrie Johnson, Susan Shelton, Lynne Krause and Rhawnie McGruder as full-time dispatchers; and Nicole Mendenhall and Kelcey Tate as current part-time dispatchers. Erin Musser, the sheriff's office manager, is a graduate of the dispatch center who has worked for the department for 12 years. Combined, they represent nearly 40 years of service to the county's public safety endeavor, but several are still within their first five years of service.

Cook says his current team appears to him to be more dedicated to long-term service than any he has worked with in his 11 years.

Cook says, "The phenomenal improvement in working conditions of the new Justice Center over the old courthouse setup, which was very cramped, has greatly improved staff morale and attitude, making the functionality of the dispatch center so much better. This change is a big plus for the community, and we very much appreciate the investment the public has made in us and in this Justice Center."

According to Cook, the dispatch center has an annual budget of \$533,000. Dispatch fees of \$36,000 each from the Meeker Police Department and the Eastern Rio Blanco Fire Protection District accrue to the county general fund. Surcharges on land line phone bills and the purchase of pre-paid cell plans amounting to about \$36,000 annually accrue to the Eastern RBC 911 Board, made up of representatives of the various emer-

gency service entities, separate from county funding. By state statute, these funds can be spent on certain aspects of 911 service. As more customers convert to cell-phone-only services, however, that funding is diminishing, so the Colorado Public Utilities Commission is looking at alternatives for additional funding, perhaps ways through which regular cell phone subscribers could assist in paying for 911 services.

The history of 911 is interesting. The National Association of Fire Chiefs first asked in 1957 for a single number system for reporting fires. In 1967, President Lyndon B. Johnson's Commission on Law Enforcement and Administration of Justice, in its final and very comprehensive report, recommended that a single number nationwide be established for any type of emergency call.

In response, the government turned to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) for a solution. The FCC met with phone giant AT&T to find a means of establishing a universal number that could be implemented quickly.

In 1968, AT&T announced the establishment of 911 as a universal emergency call code. It was a unique number, never having been used as an office code, area code or service code, and it met the long range numbering plans and switching configurations of the telephone industry. For the public, it was brief, easily remembered and easily dialed.

Congress backed AT&T and passed legislation allowing the use of only 911 in the creation of a single emergency calling service as a U.S. standard. A Bell System policy was established to absorb the cost of central office modifications and any addi-

tions necessary to accommodate a 911 code. Served by Alabama Telephone Co., the first U.S. 911 call was made in February 1968 in Haleyville, Ala.

In March 1973, President Richard Nixon's White House Office of Telecommunications issued a national policy statement that recognized the benefits of 911, encouraged the nationwide adoption of 911, and provided for the establishment of a Federal Information Center to assist units of government in planning and implementation.

The intense interest in the concept of 911 can be attributed primarily to characteristics of modern society, i.e., increased incidences of crimes, accidents and medical emergencies, inadequacy of existing emergency reporting methods and the continued growth and mobility of the population.

By the end of 1976, 911 was serving about 17 percent of the U.S. population. In 1979, approximately 26 percent of the population of the United States had 911 service, and nine states had enacted 911 legislation.

By 1987, 50 percent of the US population had access to 911 emergency service numbers. Canada also recognized the advantages of a single emergency number and chose to adopt 911 rather than use a different means of emergency reporting, thus unifying the concept and giving 911 international stature. At the end of the 20th century, nearly 93 percent of the population of the United States was covered by some type of 911 service. Now, approximately 96 percent of the geographic U.S. is covered.

In 2015, the Rio Blanco County dispatch center handled 1,516 emergency 911 calls, had 31,192 incoming calls to the sheriff's department and initiated 10,438 outgoing calls.

## GROUSE:

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recognize collaboration with permittees is key to successful grazing management and GRSG conservation.

Key message from the disturbance breakout were the primary strategy in the plan is to limit disturbance in PHMA through the anthropogenic disturbance cap of 3 percent. The percentage will be reported on a Biologically Significant Unit (BSU) such as the Parachute/Piceance/Roan (PPR) and the Meeker/White River populations, but authorizations will be limited at the project scale.

Anthropogenic includes things such as oil and gas development, coal mines, wind towers, mining, roads, vertical structures, other developed rights of ways, etc. There is always a question regarding how private land will be considered within the BLM's disturbance cap.

Again, during this meeting they represented that private land disturbance will only be considered if there is a federal nexus such as a power line going through private land from public land.

White River and Douglas Creek Conservation Districts' Executive Director Callie Hendrickson's, final request of the BLM staff was, "We ask that while you are drafting the policies to implement this plan, you recognize and consider all the other current regulations and stipulations that the public land users must already adhere to. They have to operate within so many other federal, state, and local regulations it is nearly impossible to function. The sage grouse regulations are piled on top of all the others."

## ABUSE: Recognize signs of abuse

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- Rarely touch or look at each other
- Consider their relationship entirely negative
- State that they do not like each other

The above list may not be all the signs of abuse or neglect. It is important to pay attention to other behaviors that may seem unusual or concerning.

Consider the possibility of physical abuse when the parent or other adult caregiver:

- Offers conflicting, unconvincing or no explanation for the child's injury, or provides an explanation that is not consistent with the injury
- Describes the child as "evil" or in some other very negative way
- Uses harsh physical discipline with the child
- Has a history of abuse as a child
- Has a history of abusing animals or pets

Consider the possibility of neglect when the child:

- Is frequently absent from school
- Begs or steals food or money
- Lacks needed medical or dental care, immunizations, or glasses
- Is consistently dirty and has severe body odor
- Lacks sufficient clothing for the weather
- Abuses alcohol or other drugs
- States that there is no one at home to provide care

Consider the possibility of neglect

when the parent or other adult caregiver:

- Appears to be indifferent to the child
- Seems apathetic or depressed
- Behaves irrationally or in a bizarre manner

Consider the possibility of sexual abuse when the child:

- Has difficulty walking or sitting
- Suddenly refuses to change for gym or to participate in physical activities
- Reports nightmares or bedwetting
- Experiences a sudden change in appetite
- Demonstrates bizarre, sophisticated or unusual sexual knowledge or behavior
- Becomes pregnant or contracts a venereal disease, particularly if under age 14
- Runs away
- Reports sexual abuse by a parent or another adult caregiver
- Attaches very quickly to strangers or new adults in their environment

Consider the possibility of sexual abuse when the parent or other adult caregiver:

- Is unduly protective of the child or severely limits the child's contact with other children, especially of the opposite sex
- Is secretive and isolated
- Is jealous or controlling with family members

Consider the possibility of emotional maltreatment when the child:

- Shows extremes in behavior, such as overly compliant or demanding behavior, extreme passivity, or aggression
- Is either inappropriately adult (parenting other children, for example) or inappropriately infantile (frequently rocking or head-banging, for example)
- Is delayed in physical or emotional development
- Has attempted suicide
- Reports a lack of attachment to the Parent

Consider the possibility of emotional maltreatment when the parent or other adult caregiver:

- Constantly blames, belittles or berates the child
  - Is unconcerned about the child and refuses to consider offers of help for the child's problems
  - Overtly rejects the child
- Reporting your concerns is not making an accusation; rather, it is a request for an investigation/assessment to determine if help is needed.
- Some reporters hesitate to report for fear that the family may learn their identity.

By law, the child welfare agency must keep the reporting party's identity confidential unless the court requires it to be revealed.

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

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# Pioneers Medical Center recognizes its volunteers

Special to the Herald Times

**MEEKER** | April 10-16 is National Volunteer Week, which is a great time to recognize the wonderful people who bring a smile or lend a helping hand to the patients, residents and staff at Pioneers Medical Center (PMC).

"We have a tremendous group of selfless people who give of their time and talent," said Donna Palmer, the director of volunteers at PMC. "We love the volunteers who come in on a weekly basis to visit, knit, play games and sing with the Walbridge Wing residents."

Volunteers are an integral part of the PMC staff and help PMC carry out its mission for a healthy community, said CEO Ken Harmon, offering service in a variety of areas.

Some volunteers deliver a daily meal to community members as part of the Meals on Wheels program. Other volunteers share their talent and friendship with the Walbridge Wing residents. They offer activities of sewing, singing or playing games. And a third group of volunteers greets all visitors to the PMC campus and offers directions to their appointment or other business.

"The PMC volunteer program has more than 30 individuals who give countless hours of service. Their dedication is amazing," says Danette Coulter, also a PMC director of volunteers.

"2015, was the first year for having a greeter at PMC," she said. "This service has been invaluable to assist our patients as they become familiar with the PMC facility. We couldn't have done this without our volunteers."

"The Meals on Wheels volunteers are an extension of our dietary staff," said Brenda Nay, PMC's dietary manager.

Monday thru Friday, the PMC dietary crew prepares 10 to 12 meals to be delivered throughout the community to members who are sick or unable to cook for themselves.

If you would like to volunteer for any volunteer position at Pioneers Medical Center, please call 970-878-5047 and ask for Donna Palmer or Danette Coulter.



COURTESY PHOTO

**Pioneers Medical Center relies heavily on its force of volunteers, who assist in nearly all departments and at many levels of operations. Hospital volunteers include: Back row from left to right: Vi Frasier, Colleen Patterson, Amy Rundberg (holding Ellie Ann Rundberg), Sherry Jordan, Eli Rundberg, John Kapushion, Mickey Tucker, Wayne Tinder, Elaine Jordan, Brian Crabill, Linda Hokit and Dixie Jones. Seated left to right: Sheryl Myers, Patti Terp, Doris Welle and Dianne Baughman. Not pictured are: Sam Stranathan, Karen Borchard, Vicki Scheuer, Leota Cook, Dawn Michels, Sue Taylor, David Hokit, David VanWagner, Mike McGruder, Johnny and Ginny Barton, David and Martha Cole, Julie Pearce, Lauren Michalewicz and Beth Wilson.**



COURTESY PHOTO

**Pioneers Medical Center CEO Ken Harmon presented Brian Crabill of Meeker with a plaque thanking him for more than 1,000 hours of volunteer work at the hospital. Crabill started volunteering with Pioneers Medical Center in June 2015 and in March of 2016 he reached more than 1,000 hours of volunteer time. "Brian is a dedicated and caring volunteer," said Danette Coulter, one of the directors of volunteers at PMC. "Brian is our primary greeter. He helps direct patients and visitors to their appropriate destination. We love having Brian at PMC."**

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# Kum & Go introduces a new incentive program to reward its customers

Special to the Herald Times

**RBC** | Kum & Go has launched its free &Rewards program to reward customers simply for shopping at Kum & Go.

&Rewards is incredibly easy to use and customers earn points just by purchasing items they buy every day—things like fuel, food, soft drinks, coffee and more will count toward earning a reward.

Customers earn two points per gallon on all fuel transactions and five points per dollar spent on most items in store. After earning 250 points, a reward of the customer's choice will be loaded to their account. Reward items include discounts on fuel, free beverages and free fresh food items like pizza and breakfast sandwiches—and a free fountain soda just for signing up! &Rewards also includes a pizza club where customers can purchase six regular price pizzas and earn the seventh pizza free. Additionally, the company will "surprise and delight" &Rewards members with pop up offers such as fuel discounts, and discounted and free snack items.

Customers can download the new Kum & Go mobile app and register immediately. The app is a virtual &Rewards card; by scanning the app's barcode at checkout, customers earn points on purchases and can check to see if they have any rewards to redeem.

Customers who would like a plastic card can pick one up in any Kum & Go store, and register for the program at [kumandgo.com/rewards](http://kumandgo.com/rewards).

The company is also offering the &Rewards Debit card as part of the &Rewards loyalty program which gives customers 5 cents off per gallon every day on regular fuel and 10 cents off per gallon for premium fuel—all while still earning points on fuel gallons and other in-store purchases.

To sign up and start earning rewards today, customers can download the Kum & Go mobile app by texting REWARDS to 39771 for a direct link to download, or they may visit either the Apple App Store or Google's Play Store online. Customers can also visit [kumandgo.com/rewards](http://kumandgo.com/rewards) to join the program.

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- Mon. May 2** - Spaghetti/Sauce, Roll, Fresh Salad, Fruit Cup, Milk-Variety
- Tues. May 3** - Fish Tacos, Cole Slaw, Refried Beans, Fresh Fruit, Milk-Variety
- Wed. May 4** - Choice Day: Tator Tot Casserole, Yogurt, Green Beans, Fruit Cup, Oatmeal Cookie, Milk-Variety
- Thurs. May 5** - Chicken Nuggets, Mashed Potatoes/Gravy, Veggie Sticks, Fruit, Graham Cookie, Milk-Variety

### RANGELY: MAY 2-5, 2016

- Mon. May 2** - Corn Dog, Baked Beans, Mixed Vegetables, Salad Bar with Fruit, Milk/Water. JR/SR HIGH A LA CARTE: Taco Bar w/ Toppings
- Tues. May 3** - Meatloaf w/ Gravy, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Green Beans & Dinner Roll, Salad Bar with Fruit, Milk/Water. JR/SR HIGH A LA CARTE: Hot Dogs
- Wed. May 4** - Chicken Stir Fry, Steamed Rice, Salad Bar with Fruit, Milk/Water. JR/SR HIGH A LA CARTE: Hamburger Bar
- Thurs. May 5** - Beef Macaroni, Broccoli & Carrots, Hot Dinner Rolls, Salad Bar with Fruit, Milk/Water. JR/SR HIGH A LA CARTE: Italian Meatball Sandwich

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## Mother's Day Take-Home Dinner

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Earlier in April, the Rio Blanco BOCES hosted its annual Children's Health Fairs in Rangely and Meeker. The fair, run by the BOCES for many years, provides a wide array of services to young children. At the fair, kids from birth to preschool received developmental screenings for hearing, vision, academics, motor and speech abilities. Families also had access to a dental check and local medical teams available to advise parents on various health issues. To make it fun for the young kids, the fair was themed as a circus and kids were given a chance to play games, earn prizes and get faces painted while parents receive developmental information. Those who are ready to begin preschool in the fall were able to register for school at that time as well.

## Hunting for shed antlers is illegal in Dinosaur

Special to the Herald Times

**RBC I** Gathering shed antlers is a popular and lucrative activity for many people—with antlers used for items ranging from chandeliers, to knife handles, to dog chews. It is that time of year again for monument staff to remind antler hunters that all objects, including deer and elk antlers, within Dinosaur National Monument are protected by law and may not be removed.

Collecting antlers within the monument is a violation of 36 CFR 2.1(a)(1)(i), which covers possessing, removing or disturbing wildlife parts such as antlers. Violating this regulation will result in a fine of up to \$5,000 and/or up to six months in prison.

The monument boundary is generally well-marked by fence and boundary signs, but shed collectors are responsible for knowing who manages the property they are on and its rules and regulations. To report suspicious or illegal activity, contact 970-629-8683.

Disturbing elk and deer during early spring, when food sources have

yet to green up and an animal's fat reserves are at their lowest, can cause stress leading to starvation or the death of unborn calves.

Shed antlers are also an important food source that provide nutrients, such as calcium, to many small mammals. These small mammals pass those nutrients on to other larger mammals and birds, such as bobcats and hawks, when they are caught and consumed.

"We want visitors to experience all the tremendous beauty and the excitement of discovery of Dinosaur National Monument, including its wildlife," Superintendent Mark Foust said. "Leaving the monument as they found it for others to enjoy helps protect this place for everyone."

In addition to antlers, archaeological remains, fossils and other items, such as rocks, feathers, nests and plant material are protected as well.

For more information on Dinosaur National Monument, call 781-781-7700, visit on the web at [www.nps.gov/dino](http://www.nps.gov/dino), or follow DinosaurNPS on social media.



Jeff Kirtland, left, of WPX Energy presented a plaque of appreciation to Rio Blanco County Commissions, second from left to right, Jeff Eskelson, Shawn Bolton and Jon Hill on Tuesday morning for the cooperation between the company and the county over the past couple of years, which, Kirtland said, has meant much to the advancement of WPX Energy and the county.

## Heritage Day is Saturday at Palisade

Special to the Herald Times

**RBC I** Kids and families looking for outdoor adventures are urged to put the ninth annual Outdoor Heritage Day on the calendar. The annual celebration of Colorado's outdoors will take place at Riverbend Park in Palisade on Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

More than 40 agencies, businesses and organizations will be ready to provide information, guidance and support to outdoor adventurers.

A variety of exhibits and educational activities will be featured, including boating safety, fishing, hunting, wildlife management, archery and firearms safety, gold panning, tying flies and watching wildlife.

A popular attraction each year, Colorado Parks and Wildlife will stock the park's pond with plenty of large trout ready to be caught. Bring your own fishing gear or get one of hundreds of fishing rods provided free by Great Outdoors Colorado and CPW.

Event organizers will provide a free hotdog lunch for participants from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Dress for variable weather and be sure to pack snacks, sunscreen and water.

## Meeker student initiated into Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society

Special to the Herald Times

**MEEKER I** Talia Rosas of Meeker, Colo., was recently initiated into The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi, the nation's oldest and most selective collegiate honor society for all academic disciplines. Rosas was initiated at Colorado State University.

Rosas is among approximately 30,000 students, faculty, professional staff and alumni to be initiated into Phi Kappa Phi nationally each year. Membership is by invitation and requires nomination and approval by a chapter.

Only the top 10 percent of seniors and 7.5 percent of juniors, having taken at least 72 semester hours, are eligible for membership. Graduate students in the top 10 percent of the number of candidates for graduate degrees may also qualify, as do faculty, professional staff and

alumni who have achieved scholarly distinction.

Founded in 1897 at the University of Maine and headquartered in Baton Rouge, La., Phi Kappa Phi is the nation's oldest and most selective all-discipline honor society.

The society has chapters on more than 300 college and university campuses in North America and the Philippines. Its mission is "To recognize and promote academic excellence in all fields of higher education and to engage the community of scholars in service to others."

Since its founding, more than 1.25 million members have been initiated. Some of the organization's more notable members include former President Jimmy Carter, NASA astronaut Wendy Lawrence, novelist David Baldacci and YouTube cofounder Chad Hurley.

The society has awarded approximately \$15 million since the inception of its awards program in 1932. Today, more than \$1 million is awarded each biennium to qualifying students and members through graduate fellowships, undergraduate study abroad grants, member and chapter awards, and grants for local and national literacy initiatives.

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OBITUARIES

**Marilyn May'Lee Baker**

April 17, 1953~April 19, 2016

Marilyn May'Lee Baker was born April 17, 1953 in Rifle, Colo. She died Tuesday, April 19, 2016, at her home in Grand Junction, Colo.

Marilyn grew up and went to school in Meeker, Colo., and Omega, Okla. After the passing of her parents, she was raised by her Uncle Jesse and Aunt Lilly Ross in Meeker, where she finished high school.

As an adult she worked at The

Valley Motel for about 20 years.

She loved being a mom and raised her son, Kenneth, in Meeker.

She is survived by: a son, Kenneth A. Baker; three brothers, Harold Linn (Janine) Baker, Allen LeRoy (Tina) Baker, and Jesse Kenneth (Kassie) Baker. She is also survived by five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services will be held in Grand



**Marilyn May'Lee Baker**

Junction at Heart of Junction, 755 North 4th St. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to: She Has a Name Foundation, 755 North 4th St., Grand Junction Colo. 81501

**David Allen Lancaster**

May 19, 1941~April 23, 2016

David Allen Lancaster, 74, passed away Saturday, April 23, 2016, at his home after a three-year battle with lung cancer.

Dave was born in Springfield, Colo., on May 19, 1941. He moved to Artesia (later changed to Dinosaur), Colo., when he was 9 years old.

He spent most of his childhood roaming the hills hunting for arrowheads. He loved camping and fishing in what he called "Little Grand Canyon" - Echo Park.

He moved to Rangely, Colo., in 1978. He worked in the oil field for 30 years, operating a backhoe. Later, he owned his own business, Dave's Backhoe Service.

He is preceded in death by: his father, Frank Lancaster; mother Jane

Lancaster; brother Jesse Lancaster; and nephew, Mike Lancaster.

He is survived by the love of his life, Rita of Rangely; daughters LaDonna Lancaster Howard of Evanston, Wyo., and Ruta Lancaster Homer of Thayne, Wyo.; two granddaughters, Ashley Howard Thompson (Courtney) of Evanston, Wyo., and Brittany Howard Lesmeister (Jared) of Casper, Wyo.; two great-grandsons, Trapper and Cooper Howard of Casper, Wyo.; and one prince or princess due in June in Evanston, Wyo., two brothers, Mike Lancaster (Debbie), and Terry Lancaster (Christy) both of Rangely; and many nieces and nephews that he dearly loved!

Dave was known by many and will be greatly missed.



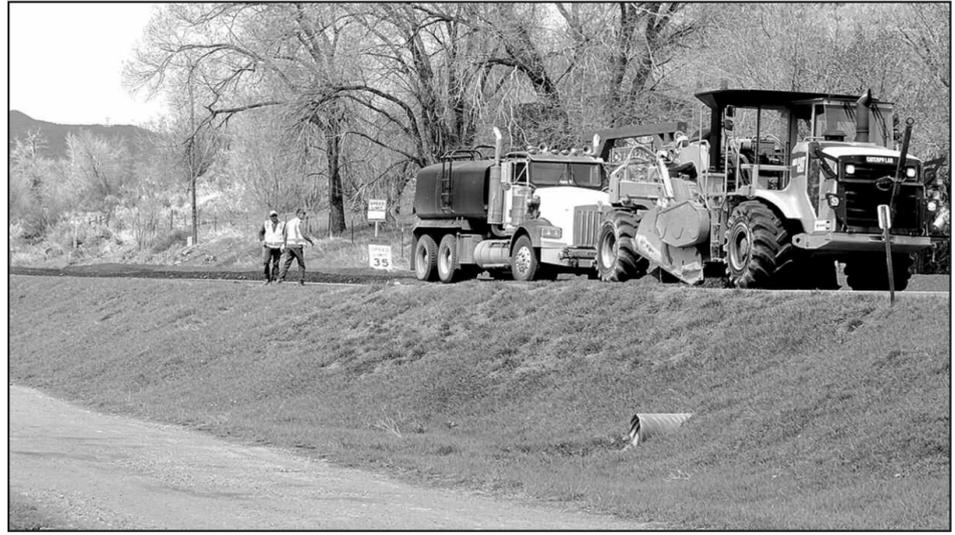
**David Allen Lancaster**

In lieu of flowers, the family has requested donations be made to the Huntsman Cancer Center in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Memorial Services will be held at 11 a.m.

on Saturday, April 30, 2016, at the Grace Baptist Church, 144 South Stanolind Ave. in Rangely, Colorado. His final resting place will be in the Dinosaur Cemetery at Dinosaur, Colo.

Online condolences may be shared at [www.ashleyvalleyfuneralhome.com](http://www.ashleyvalleyfuneralhome.com).



SEAN MCMAHON

Road crews were busy on Saturday grinding the pavement on County Road 8, east of Meeker, getting ready above to cross the intersection with County Road 4. According to one worker at the site, the project is designed to repave the first 11 miles of County Road 8 from where it heads east off of State Highway 13 North.

**State broadband grants available now thru DORA applications**

Special to the Herald Times

**RBC** | The Broadband Deployment Board within the Colorado Department of Regulatory Agencies (DORA) is now accepting applications for broadband infrastructure project grants that support the deployment of broadband internet service to unserved Coloradans in rural communities throughout the state.

Up to \$2.4 million in grants is available in its first application cycle. Information and applications are now available online at [www.colorado.gov/pacific/dora/broadband-fund](http://www.colorado.gov/pacific/dora/broadband-fund) and must be submitted by June 30.

Grants provided by the Broadband Deployment Board are a key component of the state's coordinated effort to expand broadband access to all Colorado citizens. According to the 2015 Federal Communications Commission report,

Broadband Availability in America, 71-percent of Coloradans living in rural areas currently lack access to broadband internet compared to just 10-percent in urban areas.

"It is imperative that we do all that we can to improve access to adequate and reliable broadband that supports economic development and connects communities to critical services, especially in rural areas," said Gov. John Hickenlooper. "These funds will help us to take an important step forward to achieving the goal."

"The Broadband Deployment Board is working to close the connectivity gap between rural and urban Colorado communities by awarding these broadband infrastructure development grants throughout the state," stated DORA Executive Director Joe Neguse. "Access to broadband internet service is vital for rural communities to help them expand key services like remote healthcare, increase access to education and foster busi-

ness development."

For example, broadband access expands healthcare service to rural communities through telehealth initiatives; provides students with the same quality of online education as their metro community peers; increases efficiencies for agriculture via the ability to monitor and analyze crop and water conditions in real time; and helps support local economies by providing rural businesses with the ability to sell products worldwide.

Applicants must provide broadband service in unserved areas, which is defined as having less than 25-megabits downstream and 3-megabits upstream.

The grant program is competitive, and funds awarded will go to applications that demonstrate cost effectiveness and provide substantial benefits to the local community.

Interested applicants may call 303-894-7752 with questions.

**Meeker FFA hosts Farm Day May 5**

Special to the Herald Times

**MEEKER** | The Meeker FFA Chapter is hosting a "farm day" May 5 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the baseball field between the elementary

school and the green 4-H building.

This year's farm day is completely open to the community, and local residents are encouraged to attend.

The FFA chapter members will have horses, cattle, sheep, goats,

chickens, rabbits, mules, donkeys, a tractor display, the soil conservation trailer, farm bureau educational barns, and possibly a milking demonstration.

The public is invited to attend.

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**LEGAL NOTICES**

**PUBLIC NOTICE  
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**

SPORTS OFFICIALS FOR COED SOFTBALL THE EASTERN RIO BLANCO METROPOLITAN RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT, a political subdivision of the State of Colorado, is soliciting proposals from qualified Sports Officials to officiate scheduled Coed Softball games from June 13, 2016 through August 13, 2016 on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings from 6:30 pm - 9:30 pm. Officials do not need to be available for all evenings. Interested parties are required to submit an organized letter which contains: A history of experience and qualifications.

A per game rate defined; include full compensation for labor, equipment use, liability, and other associated costs incurred per game.

Selected candidates will be required to sign an Independent Contractors Contract and provide proof of liability insurance. For more information contact Shelly Rogers, Recreation Manager, at [shellyr@meekerreedistrict.com](mailto:shellyr@meekerreedistrict.com) or 970-878-3403 ext. 409. Proposals must be received by the District before 5p.m. on May 2, 2016 at the District administrative office, Meeker Recreation Center, 101 Ute Road, Meeker, CO 81641.

EASTERN RIO BLANCO METROPOLITAN AND RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT

By: Sean VonRoenn, Executive Director  
Publish: April 21 & 28, 2016  
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**MEEKER SANITATION DISTRICT  
May 4, 2016**

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING at 7:00 PM**

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

1. Call to order
2. Additions or Changes to the Agenda
3. Approval of Minutes
4. Public Comments
5. New Business

A. Swear in Board Members, Elect Officers

6. Old Business
- 2nd Street Sewer Line Shop for Equipment
- Plant Building Repairs
- Plant Manager Report
- Office Manager Report
7. Attorney
8. Board Reports
- Delinquent Accounts
- Approve Current Bills
9. Adjourn

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

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**LEGAL NOTICES**

The Meeker Sanitation District is seeking applicants to fill an opening on the Board of Directors. Applicants must be a registered voter in Colorado and a resident of, or own property in the Meeker Sanitation District to qualify. If you are interested in becoming a Board Member for the Meeker Sanitation District, please contact the Office at 265 8th Street, or call 878-5192. You may also write for information to PO Box 417, Meeker, CO 81641.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE  
RIO BLANCO COUNTY BOARD OF  
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HEARING**

Notice is hereby given that on Monday May 23, 2016 the Rio Blanco County Board of County Commissioners will hold a public hearing beginning at 1:15 p.m. at The Rio Blanco County Justice Building 455 Main street, Meeker, Colorado to consider the following:  
Subdivision Exemption SUBE-0001-16 - Phil E. Brown is requesting a determination from the Board of County Commissioners that the portions of land that do not meet the statutory definition of subdivision under Colorado Revised Statutes 30-28-101 (10)(d), allowing the applicant to sever a 6.21 acre parcel of land isolated by Rio Blanco County Roads 12A and 8. The property is located at 28902 County Road 8, Meeker Colorado, in Section 21, T1N, 90W. Copies may be obtained from the Community Development Department at 200 Main Street in Meeker Colorado, or you may call (970) 878-9456 for more information between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.  
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**LEGAL NOTICES**

**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 2016-2017; 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 9, 2016, 12:00 noon 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.  
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**INVITATION TO BID  
MAINTENANCE SHOP**

**CLOSING BID DATE - June 6, 2016**  
The Meeker Sanitation District will be accepting sealed bids for the maintenance shop.  
The bid specs will be available Monday, May 2, 2016, at the plant of the Meeker Sanitation District, 1150 Market Street, Meeker, Colorado. Plant hours are from 8:00 am to 4:30pm, Monday through Thursday. Please call Plant Manager Kurt Nielsen at the Plant 970-878-5345 to schedule a time to review the specs for the project.  
All price proposals shall be submitted in a sealed envelope and designated on the envelope as "Meeker Sanitation District Maintenance".  
Bids must be received in the office by 4:00 PM on Monday June 6, 2016.  
Mail to: Meeker Sanitation District, PO Box 417, Meeker, CO 81641 OR drop by: 265 8th Street, Meeker, CO 81641.  
Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the Regular Board Meeting on June 8, 2016 at 7:00 PM.  
The Meeker Sanitation District reserves the right to reject any an all bids and waive any and all informalities, and the right to disregard all non conforming or conditional bids or counter proposals. The final award shall be subject to the District's review of all submitted price proposals, including specifications and prices.  
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**RIO BLANCO COUNTY  
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE PUBLICATION REPORT  
MARCH 31 2016**

**FUND: GENERAL**  
**VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT**  
INTERN'L ASSN PROPERTY, VC-PRCH SVCS, \$50.00  
COUNTY SHERIFFS OF CO, MC-TRAIN/DVLP, \$25.00  
ALEXANDER CLARK PRINTING, RSTRCT FIREARM, \$735.50  
ALLEN, TOM, SAR, \$97.50  
ALSCO, PRCH SVCS, \$945.42  
ATMOS ENERGY, UTIL, \$1,517.42  
AVFUEL CORPORATION, AV GAS, \$26,685.79  
BETTER CITY, ECON DEV, \$21,550.00  
BOLTON, SHAWN, TRVL, \$493.26  
BOY-KO SUPPLY, SPLYS, \$481.31  
BROWN'S CREMATION, PRCH SVCS, \$1,100.74  
BROD-FALLEN LAW OFFICES, RSRCT USE, \$12,279.35  
CBI, PRCH SVCS, \$660.00  
CENTURYLINK-LAND LINES, PRCH SVCS, \$1,157.23  
CHAPPELL, CLINT (PLAN COMM), PLAN COMM, \$150.00  
CO ASSESSORS' ASSOC, PRCH SVCS, \$40.00  
CO GOVT ASSOC OF INFO TECH, PRCH SVCS, \$330.00  
CREDIT UNION OF CO, PRCH SVCS, \$12,561.88  
CO STATE UNIVERSITY, SPLYS, \$253.70  
DAILY SENTINEL, THE, PRCH SVCS, \$490.00  
DAY, TRAVIS, PLAN COMM, \$100.00  
DESIGN WERKES, SPLYS, \$1,420.00  
DIGITAL DISPLAY SYSTEM, SPLYS, \$286.45  
DISTRICT ATTORNEY, OFFICE OF, PRCH SVCS, \$19,702.75  
DUCEY'S ELECTRIC, RPR/MTNC, \$947.40  
EKSTROM, WILLIAM A., TRVL, \$130.40  
ELIASEN, HEATH, SAR, \$97.50  
ELIASEN, JERRY, SAR, \$27.50  
EMLAB P&K, SPLYS, \$145.80  
EQUUS, PRCH SVCS, \$24.95  
EXTENSION PROGRAM ACTIVITIES, TRVL, \$702.96  
EYECARE SPECIALTIES, PRCH SVCS, \$199.00  
FEDEX, PRCH SVCS, \$283.56  
FRED PRYOR SEMINARS, PRCH SVCS, \$99.00  
GALL'S, UNIF/CLOTH, \$236.73  
GARNER, MIKE, PRCH SVCS, \$255.50  
GRAYWOLVES TELECOM, SPLYS, \$200.00  
GUNNISON SPORTSMANS ASSOC, TRAIN/DVLP/MT, \$50.00  
HILL, LOGAN D., PLAN COMM, \$100.00  
HOPKINS, OAKLEY, PLAN COMM, \$150.00  
IDENTITY GRAPHICS, PRCH SVCS, \$128.00  
JANKE, PAUL, RENT/LEASE, \$2,950.00  
JAQUEZ, ERIC, SPLYS, \$1,211.72  
JOY, J. LEIF (RBC SURVEYOR), PRCH SVCS, \$8,450.00  
KILDUFF, JAMES, SAR, \$167.50  
LOVE, VIRGINIA L., PLAN COMM, \$150.00  
MA FAMILGIA, PRCH SVCS, \$49.30  
MATTHEW BENDER & CO., PRCH SVCS, \$75.00  
MCGUIRE AUTO PARTS, SPLYS, \$10.76  
MEEKER AIRPORT - CONTRACT, CNTCT SVCS, \$3,500.00  
MEEKER AUTO PARTS, SPLYS, \$24.30  
MEEKER SHEEPDOG TRIALS, ECON DEV, \$28,000.00

**COMBINED NOTICE - MAILING  
CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 16-03**

To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust:  
On February 24, 2016, 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) PAUL R NOLD AND KRISTIANA M NOLD  
Original Beneficiary(ies) WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.  
Current Holder of Evidence of Debt WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.  
Date of Deed of Trust June 06, 2007  
County of Recording Rio Blanco  
Recording Date of Deed of Trust June 13, 2007  
Recording Information (Reception No. and/or Book/Page No.) 288874  
Original Principal Amount \$170,000.00  
Outstanding Principal Balance \$148,389.20

Pursuant to CRS §38-38-101(4)(i), you are hereby notified that the covenants of the deed of trust have been violated as follows: failure to pay principal and interest when due together with all other payments provided for in the evidence of debt secured by the deed of trust and other violations thereof.  
**THE LIEN FORECLOSED MAY NOT BE A FIRST LIEN.**

**THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE COUNTY OF RIO BLANCO, COLORADO: LOTS 8 AND 9 SAGE PARK SUBDIVISION ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF FILED SEPTEMBER 14, 1979 AS RECEPTION NO. 190476, TOWN OF MEEKER**  
Also known by street and number as: 1086 PINYON STREET, MEEKER, CO 81641.  
**THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ALL OF THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY ENCUMBERED BY THE LIEN OF THE DEED OF TRUST.**

**NOTICE OF SALE**

THEREFORE, Notice Is Hereby Given that I will at public auction, at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, 06/22/2016, at Office of the Public Trustee, Temporary Office 1032 Jennifer Drive, 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 4/28/2016  
Last Publication 5/26/2016  
Name of Publication Rio Blanco Herald Times

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• **A NOTICE OF INTENT TO CURE FILED PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-38-104 SHALL BE FILED WITH THE PUBLIC TRUSTEE AT LEAST FIFTEEN (15) CALENDAR DAYS PRIOR TO THE FIRST SCHEDULED SALE DATE OR ANY DATE TO WHICH THE SALE IS CONTINUED;**

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

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

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

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DATE: 02/25/2016  
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:  
Alison L. Berry #34531 David R. Doughty #40042 Elizabeth S. Marcus #16092  
Eve M. Grina #43658 Kelly Murdock #46915 Lynn M. Janeway #15592  
Nicholas H. Santarelli #46592 Sheila J. Finn #36637  
Janeway Law Firm 9800 S. Meridian, Suite 400, Englewood, CO 80134 (303) 706-9990  
Attorney File # 16-010505  
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.

**LEGAL NOTICES**

MEEKER DRUGS, SPLYS, \$127.35  
MGM, IG 4-H, \$90.92  
MEEKER SANITATION DIST, UTIL, \$35.00  
MEEKER, TOWN OF, UTIL, \$542.40  
MERRIAM, RICH, SAR, \$97.50  
MESA MOVING, PRCH SVCS, \$17,176.72  
MOON LAKE ELECTRIC, PRCH SVCS, \$16.64  
MTN AIR MECHANICAL, RPR/MTNC, \$801.34  
MTN STATE EMPLOYERS COUNCIL, TRAIN/DVLP/MT, \$179.00  
NORMAN, ADAIR, PLAN COMM, \$100.00  
NORTH LINE GIS, PRCH SVCS, \$550.00  
PCM-G, SPLYS, \$794.10  
PELLONI, NATHAN, SAR, \$167.50  
PHIL VAUGHAN CONST, CNTCT SVCS, \$7,306.50  
PHIL VAUGHAN CONST, CNTCT SVCS, \$67.50  
PHIL VAUGHAN CONST, CNTCT SVCS, \$225.00  
PHIL VAUGHAN CONST, CNTCT SVCS, \$2,399.45  
PHIL VAUGHAN CONST, CNTCT SVCS, \$166.50  
PHIL VAUGHAN CONST, CNTRCT SVCS, \$2,181.07  
PIONEERS MEDICAL CNTR, PRCH SVCS, \$31.50  
PITNEY BOWES RESERVE, PRCH SVCS, \$1,066.21  
POWERPHONE, TRAIN/DVLP/MT, \$399.00  
QUILL CORPORATION, SPLYS, \$54.84  
RANGELY TRASH SERVICE, UTIL, \$199.00  
RANGELY TRUE VALUE, SPLYS, \$311.08  
REDI SERVICES, UTIL, \$1,212.29  
RESPOND FIRST AID SYSTEM, PRCH SVCS, \$296.23  
RICHARDSON, JLEAH, SAR, \$140.00  
RICHARDSON, JAMES, SAR, \$195.00  
RIO BLANCO HERALD TIMES, PRCH SVCS, \$610.24  
SAMUELSON TRUE VALUE, SPLYS, \$184.39  
THE SCHALLERT GROUP, ECON DEV, \$3,000.00  
SHI INTERNATIONAL, PRCH SVCS, \$938.01  
SIDWELL COMPANY, THE, PRCH SVCS, \$4,050.00  
SMITH, JACOB, SAR, \$195.00  
SOUTHERN COMPUTER WARE, SPLYS, \$104.80  
STAPLES ADVANTAGE, SPLYS, \$638.54  
STRATA NETWORKS, UTIL, \$1,081.76  
SWANSON SERVICES CORP, SPLYS, \$69.36  
THOMSON, CARLY, PRCH SVCS, \$60.00  
TRANE U.S., RPR/MTNC, \$2,241.43  
TYCO SIMPLEX GRINNELL, PRCH SVCS, \$840.00  
ULINE, SPLYS, \$479.59  
UNION TELEPHONE, PRCH SVCS, \$1,899.78  
VALLEY HARDWARE, SPLYS, \$1,093.26  
VALUE WEST, PRCH SVCS, \$4,520.00  
VANTAGE POINT, SPLYS, \$639.98  
VOIANCE LANGUAGE SVCS, PRCH SVCS, \$50.00  
WATT'S RANCH MARKET, FOOD SPLYS, \$1,046.73  
WHITE RIVER DIST, PRCH SVCS, \$169.00  
WHITE RIVER ELECTRIC, UTIL, \$13,391.78  
WINKLER, TIMOTHY W., PLAN COMM, \$150.00  
XEROX CORPORATION, PRCH SVCS, \$49.17  
US TREASURY DEPT, FED W/H, \$37,349.91  
US TREASURY DEPT, FICA W/H, \$52,218.00  
CO DEPT OF REVENUE, STATE W/H, \$11,541.63  
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, \$39,581.79  
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSUR, \$113,853.67

**LEGAL NOTICES**

CO DEPT OF REVENUE, WAGE ASGNMT, \$429.96  
CO DEPT OF REVENUE, WAGE ASGNMT, \$138.80  
FAMILY SPRT REGISTRY, WAGE ASGNMT, \$284.00  
FAMILY SPRT REGISTRY, WAGE ASGNMT, \$388.00  
FAMILY SPRT REGISTRY, WAGE ASGNMT, \$620.52  
GENERAL FUND TOTAL, \$482,219.00  
**FUND: CAPITAL EXPENDITURES**  
**VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT**  
UNIVERSITY OF CO, FGNDS, \$4,657.00  
CAPITAL EXPENDITURES FUND TOTAL, \$4,657.00  
**FUND: ROAD & BRIDGE**  
**VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT**  
ALSCO, PRCH SVCS, \$119.90  
CENTURYLINK-LAND LINES, PRCH SVCS, \$153.57  
CO ASPHALT PAVEMENT ASSOC, TRAIN/DVLP/MT, \$225.00  
CREDIT UNION OF CO, PRCH SVCS, \$1,168.51  
ENVIROTECH SERVICES, MTRLS, \$5,547.76  
GMCO, RD MTRLS, \$4,410.00  
HDR, CR 73 BRDG, \$5,200.83  
MEEKER AUTO PARTS, SPLYS, \$33.36  
MEEKER SAND & GRAVEL, RD MTRLS, \$795.63  
OFFICE DEPOT, SPLYS, \$659.98  
PITNEY BOWES RESERVE, PRCH SVCS, \$31.95  
PROFESSIONAL EMS ED, TRAIN/DVLP/MT, \$125.00  
RANGELY AUTO PARTS, SPLYS, \$74.00  
RANGELY TRUE VALUE, SPLYS, \$97.41  
RBC-R&B PETTY CASH RNgLY, SPLYS, \$25.00  
RESPOND FIRST AID SYSTEM, SPLYS, \$32.31  
UNION TELEPHONE, PRCH SVCS, \$376.06  
VALLEY HARDWARE, SPLYS, \$134.87  
WATT'S RANCH MARKET, SPLYS, \$31.33  
WHITE RIVER DIST, SPLYS, \$52.50  
WHITE RIVER ELECTRIC, UTIL, \$164.96  
US TREASURY DEPT, FED W/H, \$14,352.62  
US TREASURY DEPT, FICA W/H, \$21,528.73  
CO DEPT OF REVENUE, STATE W/H, \$4,821.00  
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, \$18,540.27  
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSUR, \$52,551.73  
ROAD & BRIDGE FUND TOTAL, \$131,254.28  
**FUND: PUBLIC HEALTH**  
**VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT**  
PIONEERS MEDICAL CNTR, PRCH SVCS, \$550.00  
R & S NORTHEAST, SPLYS, \$102.78  
TOTAL ACCESS GROUP, SPLYS, \$255.00  
WHITE RIVER DIST, PRCH SVCS, \$21.25  
US TREASURY DEPT, FED W/H, \$1,137.49  
US TREASURY DEPT, FICA W/H, \$1,938.98  
CO DEPT OF REVENUE, STATE W/H, \$377.08  
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, \$1,670.59  
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSUR, \$2,797.13  
PUBLIC HEALTH FUND TOTAL, \$9,112.62  
**FUND: DEPT OF HUMAN SERVICES**  
**VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT**  
CREDIT UNION OF CO, CNTY EXP, \$307.76  
PITNEY BOWES RESERVE, CNTY EXP, \$9.21  
SINGLETON, CHRIS, CNTY EXP, \$351.96  
US TREASURY DEPT, FED W/H, \$3,911.48  
US TREASURY DEPT, FICA W/H, \$6,130.13  
CO DEPT OF REVENUE, STATE W/H, \$1,265.97  
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, \$5,713.56  
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSUR, \$15,524.98

**COMBINED NOTICE - MAILING  
CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 16-02**

To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust:  
On January 29, 2016, 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) Kevin Carlson and Jolene Carlson  
Original Beneficiary(ies) Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation  
Current Holder of Evidence of Debt JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.  
Date of Deed of Trust April 01, 2003  
County of Recording Rio Blanco  
Recording Date of Deed of Trust April 02, 2003  
Recording Information (Reception No. and/or Book/Page No.) 275071  
Original Principal Amount \$79,000.00  
Outstanding Principal Balance \$61,433.59

Pursuant to CRS §38-38-101(4)(i), you are hereby notified that the covenants of the deed of trust have been violated as follows: failure to pay principal and interest when due together with all other payments provided for in the evidence of debt secured by the deed of trust and other violations thereof.  
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**LOT 12, BLOCK G, WHITE SUBDIVISION, TOWN OF RANGELY, COLORADO, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF FILED FEBRUARY 23, 1946 AS DOCUMENT NO. 69377**  
Also known by street and number as: 155 South White Avenue, 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**

THEREFORE, Notice Is Hereby Given that I will at public auction, at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, 05/25/2016, at Office of the Public Trustee, Rio Blanco County Courthouse Temporary Office 1032 Jennifer Dr., Meeker CO 81641, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property and all interest of the said Grantor(s), Grantor(s)' heirs and assigns therein, for the purpose of paying the indebtedness provided in said Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, plus attorneys' fees, the expenses of sale and other items allowed by law, and will issue to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law.  
First Publication 3/31/2016  
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DATE: 01/08/2016  
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:  
MARCELLO G. ROJAS #46396 SUSAN HENDRICK #33196  
Klatt, Odekirk, Augustine, Sayer, Treinen & Rastede, P.C. 9745 EAST HAMPDEN AVE., SUITE 400, DENVER, CO 80231 (303) 353-2965  
Attorney File # 160015  
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.

**LEGAL NOTICES**

DHS ACCOUNTS PAYABLE, \$3,735.47  
DEPT OF HUMAN SERVICES FUND TOTAL, \$36,950.52  
**FUND: CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT**  
**VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT**  
ALL STATE COMMUNICATIONS, JSTC CNTR, \$4,773.07  
CIRCLE H CONSTRUCTION, BRDBND IMP, \$92,449.76  
GRAYBAR, BRDBND IMP, \$104,938.08  
GROUND ENGINEERING, JSTC CNTR, \$170.00  
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND TOTAL, \$202,330.91  
**FUND: USE TAX**  
**VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT**  
ALL TEMP SERVICES, PRCH SVCS, \$286.48  
CENTURYLINK-LAND LINES, PRCH SVCS, \$159.28  
CNCC, CNTCT SVCS, \$1,000.00  
PITNEY BOWES RESERVE, PRCH SVCS, \$6.31  
RANGELY TRASH SERVICE, UTIL, \$166.00  
RANGELY TRUE VALUE, SPLYS, \$35.33  
REDI SERVICES, PRCH SVCS, \$104.00  
U.S. FOODS, FOOD SPLYS, \$3,902.71  
WATT'S RANCH MARKET, FOOD SPLYS, \$332.96  
US TREASURY DEPT, FED W/H, \$1,585.97  
US TREASURY DEPT, FICA W/H, \$2,535.39  
CO DEPT OF REVENUE, STATE W/H, \$567.29  
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, \$1,884.45  
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSUR, \$4,659.39  
USE TAX FUND TOTAL, \$17,240.03  
**FUND: IMPACT FEE**  
**VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT**  
ROBERT H. WILLIAMS FAMILY, MC-CR 5 CRDR, \$500.00  
HDR, CR 5 CRDR, \$2,855.26  
HDR, CR 5 CRDR, \$252.21  
IMPACT FEE FUND TOTAL, \$3,607.47  
**FUND: SOLID WASTE**  
**VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT**  
CO DEPT PUBLIC HEALTH, ST/FED LF FEE, \$1,518.66  
CO DEPT PUBLIC HEALTH, PRCH SVCS, \$44.02  
JEAN'S PRINTING, PRCH SVCS, \$1,605.95  
PITNEY BOWES RESERVE, PRCH SVCS, \$4.37  
SOUDER, MILLER & ASSOC, PRCH SVCS, \$428.75  
UNION TELEPHONE, PRCH SVCS, \$53.78  
UNITED SITE SERVICES OF CO, PRCH SVCS, \$163.46  
WHITE RIVER DIST, PRCH SVCS, \$15.00  
WHITE RIVER ELECTRIC, UTIL, \$801.61  
US TREASURY DEPT, FED W/H, \$1,011.26  
US TREASURY DEPT, FICA W/H, \$1,668.40  
CO DEPT OF REVENUE, STATE W/H, \$352.00  
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, \$812.48  
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSUR, \$3,533.40  
A-1 COLLECTION AGENCY, WAGE ASGNMT, \$319.41  
CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES, WAGE ASGNMT, \$400.00  
SOLID WASTE FUND TOTAL, \$12,732.55  
**FUND: WEED & PEST**  
**VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT**  
CREDIT UNION OF CO, PRCH SVCS, \$146.22  
RIO BLANCO HERALD TIMES, MISC SVCS, \$43.90  
VALLEY HARDWARE, SPLYS, \$32.92  
US TREASURY DEPT, FED W/H, \$437.31

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US TREASURY DEPT, FICA W/H, \$729.30  
CO DEPT OF REVENUE, STATE W/H, \$159.00  
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, \$572.00  
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSUR, \$843.15  
WEED & PEST FUND TOTAL, \$2,963.80  
**FUND: FAIRFIELD**  
**VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT**  
ATMOS ENERGY, UTIL, \$630.22  
CENTURYLINK-LAND LINES, PRCH SVCS, \$106.82  
K-D FLAGS, SPLYS, \$135.83  
MEEKER, TOWN OF, UTIL, \$588.00  
MID-AMERICAN RESEARCH, SPLYS, \$1,312.35  
REDI SERVICES, UTIL, \$1,005.00  
SAMUELSON TRUE VALUE, SPLYS, \$128.90  
TRANE U.S., PRCH SVCS, \$369.06  
VALLEY HARDWARE, SPLYS, \$225.63  
WHITE RIVER ELECTRIC, UTIL, \$1,696.57  
US TREASURY DEPT, FED W/H, \$216.10  
US TREASURY DEPT, FICA W/H, \$793.14  
CO DEPT OF REVENUE, STATE W/H, \$78.03  
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, \$550.91  
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSUR, \$2,787.38  
FAMILY SPRT REGISTRY, WAGE ASGNMT, \$79.48  
FAIRFIELD FUND TOTAL, \$10,703.42  
**FUND: CNTRAL SERVICES**  
**VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT**  
ALL COPY PRODUCTS, CNTCT SVCS, \$235.95  
CENTURYLINK (LONG DIST), PRCH SVCS, \$303.64  
CENTURYLINK-LAND LINES, PRCH SVCS, \$53.85  
FASTTRACK COMMUNICATIONS, PRCH SVCS, \$665.87  
CENTURYLINK-LAND LINES, PRCH SVCS, \$328.00  
CREDIT UNION OF CO, GAS, \$1,115.91  
DELTA RIGGING & TOOLS, SPLYS, \$1,139.96  
GARNER, MIKE, GAS, \$18.26  
GCR TIRES & SERVICE, TIRES, \$2,786.80  
HONNEN EQUIPMENT, PRTS/RPRS, \$4,263.66  
KIMBALL MIDWEST, SPLYS, \$248.88  
LAWSON PRODUCTS, SPLYS, \$852.99  
MASTER PETROLEUM, GAS/DIESEL, \$32,018.62  
MCCANDLESS TRUCK CNTR, PRTS/ACC, \$204.12  
MCGUIRE AUTO PARTS, PRTS/ACC, \$1,977.15  
MEEKER AUTO PARTS, PRTS/ACC, \$4,156.93  
MEEKER COLLISION, RPRS/MTNC, \$481.00  
MHC KENWORTH-GJ, PRTS/ACC, \$53.67  
NORTHWEST AUTO, RPRS/MTNC, \$512.42  
RANGELY AUTO PARTS, PRTS/ACC, \$698.07  
RANGELY TRUE VALUE, SPLYS, \$23.84  
SAMUELSON TRUE VALUE, SPLYS, \$127.12  
SCHAEFFER MFG. CO., DIESEL, \$2,596.27  
SEVERSON SUPPLY, PRTS/ACC, \$431.94  
STEWART WELDING, PRTS/ACC, \$69.09  
TOOL CHICK, MISC INVTRY, \$30.36  
VALLEY HARDWARE, PRTS/ACC, \$13.16  
VERMEER SALES, TIRES, \$130.63  
WAGNER EQUIPMENT, PRTS/ACC, \$105.44  
WATT'S RANCH MARKET, SPLYS, \$9.52  
WHITE RIVER ELECTRIC, UTIL, \$683.59  
WHITE RIVER ENERGY, UTIL, \$227.85  
XCEL ENERGY, UTIL, \$224.65  
US TREASURY DEPT, FED W/H, \$3,306.61  
US TREASURY DEPT, FICA W/H, \$5,406.99  
CO DEPT OF REVENUE, STATE W/H, \$1,107.00  
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, \$4,750.06  
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSUR, \$12,220.14  
FLEET FUND TOTAL, \$83,165.84

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**MEEKER SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1  
Board of Education Special Board Meeting  
and Work Session  
555 Garfield Street  
Meeker, CO 81641  
May 3, 2016 - 7:00 p.m.**

**Agenda**  
Call to Order and Roll Call  
Pledge of Allegiance: Mr. deVergie will lead the Pledge of Allegiance  
Welcome of Guests  
Approval of Agenda  
**General Public Comment Session:** (comments limited to three minutes)  
Action Items:  
Approval: Personnel Hires  
Part Time Grounds - Brian Conrado  
Certified Substitute - Kitti Piloni  
Acceptance: Resignation - Megan Cowles (2nd Grade)  
Approval: Bid for 2016-2017 Financial Auditing Services  
**Other BOE Information**  
**Executive Session (if needed):**  
**Special Meeting Adjournment**  
**Work Session**  
Drug, Nicotine, and Alcohol Testing for Students  
Potentially only for extracurricular activities  
Testing must considered "negligible intrusion"  
Some evidence to suggest problem exists  
Partnership with Pioneers Medical Center  
Armed School Security Officers  
Curriculum adoption process from DLT  
CNCC concurrent enrollment agreement  
Items introduced by BOE members  
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**LEGAL NOTICES**

**TOWN OF DINOSAUR  
DISBURSEMENTS FOR MARCH 2016**  
Gross Salaries, \$7,678.61  
PERA, Monthly Contributions, \$1,663.55  
Colorado Dept of Revenue, CWT, \$219.00  
IRS, FW/IT/Med, \$854.68  
Centurylink, Phone, fax, internet, \$263.59  
Moon Lake Electric, Electricity, \$1,055.28  
Rangely Trash Service, Trash Service, \$82.00  
Mesa County Health Dept, Water test, \$20.00  
Caselle Inc, Support, \$251.00  
Rangely True Value, Sink, cleaners for town house, \$72.32  
Zions Bank, Flowers for service, water class, \$342.55  
LR Gateway Services LLC, Gas, oil, grease, misc, \$286.93  
IFA, Ice melt, \$13.98  
FedEx, Postage, \$23.02  
Bentley Welding Inc, Pterodactyl, \$742.00  
Lighting Haul Inc, Water break, \$862.50  
Fresh Express Cleaning Service Inc, Curtains cleaned for town house, \$30.00  
Hart Intercivic, Election supplies, \$92.10  
Basin Appliance, Carpet & vinyl town house, \$3,365.50  
Dale Long, Trim for town house, \$42.28  
Severson Supply CO Inc, Plow and parts, \$253.52  
Pinnacol Assurance, Workers comp, \$529.00  
CIRSA, Insurance, \$8,802.15  
Rangely Auto Parts, Tensioner, pulley serpentine belt, paint, \$106.18  
TOTAL ACCOUNTS PAYABLE, \$27,651.74  
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**PUBLIC NOTICE  
STATE OF COLORADO  
Colorado Inactive Mine Reclamation Program**

The State of Colorado, Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, Inactive Mine Reclamation Program is preparing an environmental assessment and developing projects in Rio Blanco County to address problems associated with Mine Fire Abatement at historic coal mines near the Grand Mesa Coal Field. The purpose of the project will be to mitigate the adverse effects of any known underground coal mine fires in order to protect the public from the dangers that the fires may present, protect adjacent coal resources, and to minimize potential wildfire threats posed by the sites. If you have any questions regarding this project contact Tara Tafi, at the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, 1313 Sherman Street, Room 215, Denver, CO, 80203, (720) 425-4122, by May 6, 2016. The Colorado Inactive Mine Reclamation Program mitigates hazards and environmental problems associated with past mining activities. The program is funded by Federal grant money made available to the State of Colorado through the U.S. Department of Interior, Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement. Projects must meet eligibility requirements as outlined in the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 - Public Law 95-87.  
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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**MEEKER STREAKER  
MONTHLY SCHEDULE  
April 2015**  
NOTE: Please call 878-9368 in advance to set up all medical appointment rides. Activities are subject to change. Bus available on dates noted below.  
4/28 Craig/Bus in Town  
4/29 Bus in Town  
4/30 No BusDue to Daylight Savings Time, please schedule out-of-town medical appointments before 2:00 PM. Call Streaker for a ride 878-9368. Reservations for Rec. Center Trips should be made at 878-3403. Chuckwagon 878-5627. Please call in advance for a ride to medical appointments- (970)878-9368. For Rangely dental appointments, please call (970)675-3250.

**RADINO & CHUCKWAGON**  
Please call before 9:00 a.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. Under 60 - Guest Fee \$7.  
(Did you know? Homebound trays can be ordered for over 60, suggested donation \$2.50 - 12:10 p.m. pickup.)  
**Monday, May 2:** Chicken chili, tossed salad, cornbread, apple pie  
**Tuesday, May 3:** Liver & onions, meat alternate, scalloped potatoes, green peas, peaches  
**Wednesday, May 4:** Tilapia with mango salsa, rice, broccoli

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Rangely Food Bank is open on Wednesdays from 4:30-5:30 p.m. at 204 E. Rio Blanco. To donate, please call 970-620-2407.

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)

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

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

**AA & Al-Anon Meetings - Rangely**

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

**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

**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.

NEW EDEN PREGNANCY CARE SERVICES - pregnancy tests, emergency supplies, guidance by trained volunteers, classes on pregnancy and child care, post-abortion support, referrals. Mondays and Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., 345 Main Street, Meeker. Email: [newedenpcs@gmail.com](mailto:newedenpcs@gmail.com) or (970)878-5117 and 219 Sunset Avenue Rangely. Email: [newedenrangely@gmail.com](mailto:newedenrangely@gmail.com) or (970) 675-2300. All services are confidential.

MEEKER HOUSING Authority Board of Directors meets the 2nd Thursday of the month at 2:30 p.m. at The Pines, 875 Water St., Meeker.

**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.

**SAFEHOUSE**

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

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 Grace Baptist Church (144 S. Stanolind Ave.). Join us! For more information, call Heather Zadra at (970) 629-9937.

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

ATTN: RIO BLANCO COUNTY VETERANS: If you do not receive VA travel allowance for visits to the Grand Jct VAMC or to the Craig VA Clinic please contact the RBC Veterans Service Office, Meeker: Joe Dungan, 878-9690 Rangely: John "Hoot" Gibson, 878-9695

Food Bank of the Rockies mobile pantry truck will be in Rio Blanco County providing Food assistance to community members. Scheduled Dates for 2016: April 28, May 26, June 23, July 28, Aug. 25 - See more at: The Food Bank will be at the Meeker Fairgrounds from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**PIONEERS MEDICAL CENTER**

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

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 ■ Patient Care Technician  
 ■ RN - Acute/ED  
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 ■ LPN - LTC  
 ■ Certified Nursing Assistant - Wing

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 ■ RN - LTC  
 ■ LPN - LTC

**FULL-TIME (eligible for benefits):**  
 ■ Physical Therapist  
 ■ Staff RN - Acute/ED  
 ■ Staff RN - Acute/ED - Nights  
 ■ Respiratory Therapy Tech  
 ■ Surgical Services Director

**Part-Time (eligible for benefits):**  
 ■ Cook/Food Service Tech

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) 878-0447 Fax: (970) 878-2885  
 100 Pioneers Medical Center Dr., Meeker, CO 81641  
 Eastern Rio Blanco County Health Service District

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**MEEKER COMMUNITY INVITED FFA Farm Day**  
 May 5th 8:00 am to 4:00 pm  
 There will be a petting farm, tractor display, Farm Bureau Ag education Barns, and Soil Conservation River Simulator

**AUCTIONS**

Liquidation Tire Shop Auction, Saturday, April 30th, 10:00 AM, 320 Denny Court, Montrose, CO, (Aspen Storage behind The Brickyard) 2 tire machines, 2 large air compressors, wheel balancer, 2 air porta powers, tire spreader machine, 2 large tool boxes, commercial upright vacuum, 2 flatbed older trailers, ATV-car-pickup-semi, etc tires & rims - all sizes, hand & power tools of all kinds, specialty tools needed to run tire shop, riding lawn mower w/front blade, many floor & hydraulic jacks; some air, ladders stock water tank, inner tubes, owner said enough tools & equipment to open a tire shop. Owner Moore Tires. For more info call Steve Claypoole, CP Auction Services 970-260-5577. Must see web [www.cpauction.com](http://www.cpauction.com) "Call me about a sale for you"

Country Auction, Saturday, May 7th, 10:00 AM, 1209 Derby Mesa Loop, Burns, Colorado (24 miles north of Dolsero, Colorado off I-70). Many older and modern vehicles of all kinds, antiques, and collectibles of all kinds, old paper and books 8 hit & miss engines, 8 tractors, very old cameras, stoves, enamel, many vehicle parts and motors, 100+ solitaire jars and tins, fencing, buses, games, dump truck, scrap iron, lots of cool antiques, vehicle motors, traps, tire machine, tin roofing, wood, guns and more. For more info call Steve Claypoole, CP Auction Services (970)260-5577. Must see web [www.cpauction.com](http://www.cpauction.com). "Call me about a sale for you"

**GUNS**

CCW Class coming to Meeker Saturday, May 7th, 8:30 AM-12PM  
 Cost: \$75.00

After May 15, 2016 the NRA is changing its requirements for getting your CCW permit. Get Certified NOW!  
 For details & class enrollment form e-mail: [scmclelland79@yahoo.com](mailto:scmclelland79@yahoo.com) or call Clint @ (970)987-2620.

**LAWN & GARDEN**

**Emerald City Lawn Care**  
 Lawn, Leaf, and Garden. Free Estimates. Insured (970) 220-2040

**MISCELLANEOUS**

I AM VOTING for Jeff Rector for Rio Blanco County Commissioner. Your Vote in the upcoming Primary for JEFF RECTOR would be very much appreciated. Thankyou.

**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.

**YARD SALES**

MEEKER: HUGE COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE. St. James Episcopal Church, Richards' Hall, 368 4th St, Sat, 4/30, 8am-1pm. Clothing, books, house wares & much more! Hot dogs & drinks!

**HELP WANTED: SEASONAL**

**WESTLANDS**  
 Private ranch in the White River Valley is seeking applicants for a few qualified and detail-oriented full-time seasonal summer staff starting in May. Applicants should be neat in their appearance, be able to work well with others and provide several personal references. Competitive starting wages. Call 970-878-3714 for an application or apply online at [www.westlandsranch.com](http://www.westlandsranch.com)

**HELP WANTED: PT**

Hiring part time from 11:30 -2:30 p.m. Girls only. Call (970)675-5889 or (970) 675-5888.

**FOR SALE**

Dining room table, 2 lg leafs, 6 reg chairs, 2 captain chairs. Fabulous condition. \$1200 all or best offer. Christine 878-5483

**HELP WANTED: GENERAL**

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

**General Manager**

**Blue Mountain Inn and Suites**  
 Pay range \$33,500.00-\$39,520.00 salary. Oversees all aspects of hotel daily operations. In charge of all bookkeeping and payroll. A job description may be obtained at the hotel. Qualifications: Bachelors in Hospitality or Business Admin., or high school diploma with 8 years experience in hospitality. Cover letters and resumes email to [marie@bmirangely.com](mailto:marie@bmirangely.com)

Guest Services Representative(S) - The ERBM Recreation & Park District is seeking a part-time non-benefitted Guest Services Representatives. Salary range \$12.00-14.60/hr. Duties include, but are not limited to: provide high-quality customer service to each patron, perform basic transactions, answer telephones, perform cash handling duties, etc. Requirements include, but are not limited to: applicant must be 16 years of age or older, possess or working towards acquiring a high school diploma or GED, be available to work a variety of shifts, work early morning shifts starting at 4:30 a.m., evening shifts ending at 8:45 p.m., and rotating weekend shifts both Saturday and Sunday open to close. A completed ERBM Recreation & Park District job application is required for consideration and should be returned to ERBM Recreation & Park District, Attn: Human Resources, 101 Ute Rd, Meeker, CO 81641. Applications are available at the Meeker Recreation Center and online, [www.MeekerRecDistrict.com](http://www.MeekerRecDistrict.com). Complete job description is available upon request and online. Applications will be accepted until position is filled. ERBM Recreation & Park District is an equal opportunity employer.



**Aviation Technology Instructor**  
 Colorado Northwestern Community College, Rangely Campus, is seeking a full-time instructor to teach in the Aviation Technology Program. Minimum requirements include an Associate's Degree in Aviation or related field from an accredited college or university and enrollment in or willingness to enroll in a Bachelor's Degree program, Commercial Pilot Certificate with Airplane Single and Multi-Engine Instrument Airplane Ratings, Flight Instructor, with Instrument Single and Multi-Engine Land Ratings, and a minimum of two years of experience in the aviation industry and/or experience as a flight instructor. For a full job description and the application procedure, please visit our website at: [www.cncc.edu/human-resources/employment-opportunities-2/](http://www.cncc.edu/human-resources/employment-opportunities-2/) First review of applications will begin immediately. CNCC is an Equal Opportunity employer..



**National Park Service Seasonal Law Enforcement Academy Instructor**  
 Colorado Northwestern Community College, Rangely Campus, is seeking a full-time instructor to teach appropriate courses in the National Park Service S.L.E.T.P. Academy. Bachelor's Degree from an accredited college or university, ability to obtain Federal Law Enforcement Training Center certifications as required, current valid driver's license, and ability to earn a Colorado Career and Technical Education Certificate required. Preferred candidates will have a Master's Degree; current FLETC instructor training certifications in any of the following: Basic Tactics, Arrest Techniques, Firearms, Driver Training, and PEB; and teaching experience in crime scene investigation, victims awareness, special/abnormal populations and community policing. For a full job description and the application procedure, please visit our website at: [www.cncc.edu/human-resources/employment-opportunities-2/](http://www.cncc.edu/human-resources/employment-opportunities-2/) First review of applications will begin July 15th. CNCC is an Equal Opportunity Employer.



**Meeker Elementary School**  
 • Kindergarten Teacher  
 • 1st Grade Teacher  
 • 5th Grade Teacher  
 • Physical Education (PE) Teacher

**Meeker High School**  
 • Agriculture Teacher  
 • Mathematics Teacher  
 • Paraprofessional of Credit Recovery Coordinator

**District**  
 • Librarian Paraprofessional

**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

**HELP WANTED: GENERAL**



**Dental Hygiene Program Instructor**  
 Colorado Northwestern Community College, Rangely Campus, is seeking a full-time Dental Hygiene Instructor to teach in the Dental Hygiene Program. Bachelor's Degree required. Must possess a Colorado State License or be eligible to receive Colorado licensure. Preferred candidates will have three years of teaching experience in higher education and certification in local anesthesia and nitrous oxide/oxygen sedation. For a full job description and the application procedure, please visit our website at: [www.cncc.edu/human-resources/employment-opportunities-2/](http://www.cncc.edu/human-resources/employment-opportunities-2/) First review of applications will begin immediately. CNCC is an Equal Opportunity Employer.



**History Instructor**  
 Colorado Northwestern Community College, Rangely Campus, is seeking a full-time History Instructor to teach in the Arts and Sciences Program. Master's Degree required. Preferred, PhD in history and at least 18 graduate hours supporting another needed discipline with three years of teaching experience in higher education in history and another desired discipline. For a full job description and the application procedure, please visit our website at: [www.cncc.edu/human-resources/employment-opportunities-2/](http://www.cncc.edu/human-resources/employment-opportunities-2/) First review of applications will begin immediately. CNCC is an Equal Opportunity Employer

The Meeker Sanitation District is seeking applicants to fill an opening on the Board of Directors. Applicants must be a registered voter in Colorado and a resident of, or own property in the Meeker Sanitation District to qualify. If you are interested in becoming a Board Member for the Meeker Sanitation District, please contact the Office at 265 8th Street, or call 878-5192. You may also write for information to PO Box 417, Meeker, CO 81641.

**HELP WANTED: GENERAL**



**Dean of Instruction**  
 Colorado Northwestern Community College is seeking a qualified applicant for the position of Dean of Instruction on our Rangely Campus. This is a full-time benefited position. Minimum requirements are: Master's degree from regionally accredited institution, College level teaching experience, and Three years of combined higher education experience as a faculty member or administrator. Review of applications will begin immediately. For a full job description and the application procedure, please visit our website at: [www.cncc.edu/human-resources/employment-opportunities-2/](http://www.cncc.edu/human-resources/employment-opportunities-2/) CNCC is an Equal Opportunity Employer

Seven Lakes Lodge, LLC, is currently accepting resumes for the following summer positions; Lodge: housekeeping, server/sous chef, Ranch: ranch hands. Must be able to multi-task, work in a fast paced environment, and possess a valid drivers license. Pay depending on experience. Please send all Lodge resumes to [San@sevenlakeslodge.com](mailto:San@sevenlakeslodge.com), and ranch resumes to [Jarrod@sevenlakeslodge.com](mailto:Jarrod@sevenlakeslodge.com)

**HELP WANTED: GENERAL**



**DIRECTOR OF HOUSING AND ADVISING**  
 Colorado Northwestern Community College, Rangely Campus, is seeking a full-time Director of Housing and Advising. Must demonstrate a strong ability to lead through change and develop a strong academic and residence life living environment. Minimum requirements include a Bachelor's degree in a related field from an accredited College or University, experience as a Resident Advisor, Academic Advisor, and prior leadership experience. Preferred: Master's Degree, Student Advising and Residence Life Director experience. For a full job description and the application procedure, please visit our website at: [www.cncc.edu/human-resources/employment-opportunities-2/](http://www.cncc.edu/human-resources/employment-opportunities-2/) First review of applications will begin immediately. CNCC is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

**RANGELY -** Need person willing to cover town council meetings, school board meetings, and/or possible High School sports. Contact Sean at the Herald Times office. Phone: (970) 878-4017.

**SENIOR HOUSING APARTMENTS (USDA Rental Assisted Living)**

White River Village (WRV) in Rangely CO is advertising for qualified applicants to fill current and future vacancies. Located just steps from the Radino Senior Center, WRV provides comfortable, quiet and affordable living.

Eligibility: A person who is at least 62 years old or an Individual with a disability.

For more information contact Teresa Lang at 970-675-8476 to receive an application or visit [www.rangely.com](http://www.rangely.com)



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- ◆ 66577 Hwy 64 - 14+ acres with 1947 SF home, adjoins BLM ..... \$400,000
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- \*NEW 657 Cleveland- Historic brick 2 story, updated 4 BR, 2 BA, lg lot, trees, great location. \$249,000.
- \*NEW 920 Main St. - 3BR, 1.5 BA, log home w/attached 2 car garage. Updated and spotless. \$184,000.
- \*NEW 755 Cedar St. - 5 BR, 2-1/2 BA. Beautiful one of a kind home, good views, updated high end kitchen, huge family room, outdoor entertaining area 2 fireplaces, garage, on 3 lots, great neighborhood. \$319,000.
- \*826 2nd St- 3 BR, 2.5 BA, 2,064 sq ft bi-level home near schools. Fenced yard, trees. \$170,000.
- \*1331 Sage Ridge Rd- Immaculate 2 story, 3 BR, 2.5 BA, garage, RV carport, fenced. \$239,500 REDUCED!
- \*1111 Wall St- 3 BR, 2 BA one level home. Laminiate floors, lg master suite, storage shed. \$128,000 REDUCED!
- \*112 Main St- 3 BR, 2 BA historic home with a 426 sq. ft. cottage. Updated, large corner lot. \$219,000.
- 1023 Jill Dr- 4 BR, 3 bath home on a large lot, near schools and rec center. Good views. \$126,000 SOLD!
- \*989 Garfield- Lg lot, 3 BR, 2 BA, 2,656 sq ft home, basement, garage, mature trees. \$170,000 SOLD!

**RANCHES — RURAL RESIDENTIAL — HUNTING PROPERTIES...**

- \*NEW 439 Agency Dr- Beautiful 2 story log home. 4 BR, 3 BA, walk-out basement, big deck, on 6 irrigated acres, 1 mile south of town. Attached garage, plus a 30x40 horse barn, trees and wonderful views. \$485,000.
- \*NEW 6500 CR 7- 2 Acres NW of Meeker. 2,382 sq ft updated home, 4 BR, 2 BA, fireplace, well. \$275,000.
- \*NEW 444 Agency Dr- 4 BR, 3.5 BA, 2 story log home w/attached 2 car garage, basement, sun room with hot tub, decks, close to town. 3 irrigated acres, horse barn & corral. Trees & views. \$335,000.
- \*NEW 510 Meadow Lane- 3 BR, 2.5 BA home on 6.9 acres. Private location west of Meeker, large attached garage, wrap around covered porch, pond, hot tub, great views. \$375,000 REDUCED—SELLER MOTIVATED!
- \*3315 CR 8- 42 Acres, great views, 2,304 sq ft, 3 BR, 2 BA log home, decks, new well. \$400,000 SALE PENDING!
- \*1020 S. Little Rancho Dr- 80 Acres bordering BLM land. Very private, end of the road. Newer log home, 3 BR, 2 BA, decks. Barn, pond, water well, fenced for livestock, good hunting, views. \$566,000.
- \*686 Rimrock Dr- 5.5 acres, captivating location, 3BR, 2 BA 1 story log home. Amazing pond, irrigation water, beautifully landscaped, RV hookup, great views, garage, and shed. Zip line! \$409,000.
- \*293 CR 119- Ute Creek Cabin - Forest Service lease land. 2 room log cabin, 3 BA bath. \$75,000.
- \*293 Agency Dr. - 5 acres, 1 mile S. of town, near golf course. Updated 4 BR, 2 BA home with basement, garage, decks. Awesome views. Irrigated hay & pasture. Lg shop with horse stalls. \$419,000.
- \*CR 8 - 88 Acres just east of Meeker. Hunting, dry land pasture, development potential. \$425,000 REDUCED!
- \*29100 CR 8- 12 Acres with River & fishing. Nice 1,252 sq ft 3 BR, 2 BA cabin, borders BLM. \$795,000.
- \*366 N. Cross L Dr- 4 BR, 2 BA home on 3 irrigated acres. Great location. SOLD! \$244,900.

**BUSINESS & INVESTMENT ...**

- \*109 Market St.- 3+ lots on the corner of 1st & Market. Great location next to the Dollar Store \$275,000 REDUCED!
- \*304 4th St. Commercial building on corner lot downtown, great office space, 4,437 sq ft. \$199,000 REDUCED!

**RAW LAND AND HOMESITES ...**

- \*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. \$425,000 REDUCED!
- \*389 Love Lane- 5 acres, Cross L Estates, Lot 13, great horse property, well. \$100,000.
- \*River Property- 19.6 Acres 12 miles west. Irrigated hay, good home sites, river. \$145,000.
- \*Little Beaver Estates- Lot 4, 35 acres, fenced, good pond, looting shed, great home site. \$64,900 REDUCED!
- \*Little Beaver Estates- 35 acre lot bordering DOW hunting land. Lot 11- \$95,000.
- \*Little Beaver Estates 35 acre lot bordering Division of Wildlife public land. Lot 14. \$93,000 REDUCED!
- \*Little Beaver Estates Lot 13 - 35 acre lot bordering Division of Wildlife public land. \$89,000 REDUCED!
- \*100 acres 29 miles east of Meeker, surrounded by Nat Forest, covered with Aspens. \$1,295,000.00.
- \*Several nice building lots on Mimi Circle and Michael Circle. Reduced to \$19,900 each.
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- 1322 Sage Ridge Rd. - 3,822 SQFT of luxury! 3BD, 2BA, game room, theatre, hot tub, views and more. Stress free, move right in! Price Reduced \$398,000
- 585 Cleveland St. - Picturesque 3,806 SQFT home in downtown Meeker. Beautifully landscaped private yard. \$389,000
- 756 Hill St. - Perfectly maintained 3BD/2BA log home with DREAM 4+ car garage \$310,000
- NEW 1104 Jeannette Cr. - Custom built 3BD/1.75BA home, great open floor plan with fabulous White River Valley views, within walking distance of Recreation District. Price reduced: \$230,000
- 1154 Mimi Cr. - Ideal 3BD/2BA two story home in a quiet cul-de-sac with custom finishes \$229,000
- 855 5th St. - Wonderful view over town from this 5BD/2BA home. New roof, siding, windows and flooring. \$200,000
- 1326 Sage Ridge Rd. - Large family home comprising of 4BD/3BA, office, full basement and excellent back yard with fabulous mountain views. \$199,000
- 1033 Main St. - Two-story, 3BD/2BA home, with a cottage in the back yard. \$172,000
- 545 3rd St. - Ideal location, smart use of space, tastefully remodeled 3BD/2BA. \$159,000
- 1060 Park Street - Spacious 4BD/2BA single family home or can also be a 2BD/2BA duplex. Great space, natural light, updated appliances and utilities. \$158,000
- 754 Market St. - Perfectly remodeled BD/1BA, large lot, barn and storage space. \$155,000

- 117 6th St. - Completely remodeled duplex, fully furnished, sleeps 12 people, within walking distance of downtown. \$135,000
- 1112 Park Ave. - Fresh paint, new carpet, super cute 2BD, 1BA, plus den. Fenced yard, off street parking. \$129,000
- 1013 Hill St. - 2BD/2BA home with huge yard, family room, and extra room in the basement. Some remodeling, including floors. \$122,900
- NEW 767 12th St. - Two-story, 2BD/1.5BA Townhouse, well-kept and tastefully remodeled. Great fenced area for children or pets. \$70,000
- NEW 945 & 975 Cleveland St. - Two older homes, great lot space and potential. \$69,000

**RURAL RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES**

- 3900 RBC RD. 10 - 42.35 Acres in the South Fork of the White River. Log home, workshop, garage, corral, spring water, Forest Service access. Privacy and views that can't be matched! \$800,000
- NEW 1972 RBC Rd. 36 - Well kept 16+ acres with over 6,500 SQFT in shop space. Hay sheds, spring water, 2,160 SQFT home and cabin. \$589,000
- 945 RBC Rd. 14 - Sensational, beautiful 5BD/3BA log cabin with pristine setting, Creek & pond. The ultimate privacy in the White River National Forest. \$475,000
- 269 RBC Rd. 57 - Get out of town and into this 3BD/2BA home with over 1,100 sqft in garages alone, plus 1.37 pretty acres! Price reduced: \$329,000
- 1601 White River Rd. - Brand new 3BD/2BA home w/ attached garage. 3.22 acres just south of the golf course. Price reduced: \$319,500

- 4637 RBC Rd. 8 - 4BD/2BA farmhouse on 6+ acres, shop, barn, and corral. Close to town, no covenants. \$329,000 SOLD
- 402 Sandstone Dr. - 10 country acres with a custom stick-built 3BD/2BA home with roping & riding arena, tack shed, carport, pasture, pond & views. Located about 4 miles from Meeker. \$288,000
- NEW 8505 RBC Rd. 8 - Lovely up river home on 1.76 acres. Nice views, fenced yard and year round access. \$289,000
- 346 N. Cross L Dr. - Adorable 3BD/2BA stucco home on 3 acres. Includes tractor, blade & mower. Only minutes from town, miles of views. \$279,000
- 378 RBC Rd. 40 - Log cabin on 3 acres with spring. Located about 20 minutes drive east of Meeker. \$119,000
- 210 RBC Rd. 75 - Popoese Creek Cabin - Forest service leased land, your rustic cabin to enjoy! \$65,000

**VACANT LAND**

- 41 Vacant Lots - Sanderson Hills Subdivision. Located on the northwest side of the subdivision. \$250,000 for all OWNER FINANCING
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- 459 Cross L Dr. - 3 acres in Cross L Estates, good building location on corner lot. \$80,000

- 50 Acres FOURTEEN MILE SUBDIVISION - Enjoy open space and wonderful views! \$67,500
- Ridge Estates Vacant Lots - Moments from town, great views, reasonable covenants! SPRING SALE, prices starting at \$65,000
- 688 Meath Dr. - 35 acre lot in Little Beaver Estates, cleared building pad. Will consider all offers! \$65,000
- 6.79 Acres in Cross L Estates - Irrigated meadow with great hay production, nice lot, domestic water, electricity and views. \$59,000
- 2.25 Acres off Hwy. 13, north of Meeker - Nice building location, close to town! \$45,000
- 2 Lots on Silver Sage Rd. - Sage Hills. \$45,000 for both.
- 2 Beautiful Lots in Sage Hills - Gentle sloping and panoramic views of the surrounding mountains. \$30,000 each.

- 41 Developed Lots in Sanderson Hills Resubdivision - Streets, Curbs, Electricity and Gas installed. \$29,000 each or \$25,000 each in packages of 5 lots.

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- 680 Water St. - Playa del Rio Apartments sits on 4 lots, feature 19 apartment units, 17 storage units, off street parking and park area. Buy before the market booms! \$875,000
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- 1107 Market St. - Commercial corner lot on Highway 13. Perfectly cleared and ready for a new business! \$199,000

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