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District election results

ERBM RECREATION & PARK DISTRICT

(526 ballots returned)
Elected (# of votes):
Dan Chinn (294)
John Strate (233)
Rob Baughman (215)

Not elected (# of votes):
Andrea Gianinetti (183)
Christopher Lockwood (171)
Donald Blazon (136)
Joe Beck (93)
Sam Love (89)
Michael Selle (61)

PMC BOARD OF DIRECTORS

(522 ballots returned)
Elected (# of votes):
Kimberly Brown (411)
Todd Shults (402)
Kai Turner (357)
Brian Bofinger (257)

Not elected (# of votes):
Terry Skidmore (220)

RIO BLANCO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

(516 ballots returned)
Elected (# of votes):
Ty Gates (311)
Steven K Allen (268)

Not elected (# of votes):
Lonnie Todd Morris (158)
Stephanie Kobald (129)
Jennifer Bouzek (70)
Gardner Mendenhall (51)

These results are unofficial and will be verified May 21.

Rangely council splits vote on judge

By JEN HILL
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RANGELY Tuesday the Rangely Town Council reappointed a variety of town positions and addressed conflict of interest concerns surrounding the reappointment of Municipal Judge Karen Wilczek, wife of Police Chief Vince Wilczek. Mayor Andy Shaffer also responded to a recent controversy regarding CNCC President Ron Granger's performance.

APPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL JUDGE

Current Town Judge Karen Wilczek provided a letter to the council and personally addressed concerns that her marriage to the Rangely Police Chief could present a conflict of interest. In her letter Wilczek stated that any cases which may be a conflict are delegated to back-up Judge Teresa Sims. "I have and will continue to recuse myself

when any potential or perceived conflicts of interest arise," she said. In her letter Wilczek defined a conflict of interest saying, "a conflict might be perceived if the police chief made an arrest or issued a summons for a violation that he had investigated and/or alleged." She also said that the bulk of her cases are code violations from animal control or code enforcement.

Town Attorney Dan Wilson also provided a letter on the subject stating he would recommend Wilczek be reappointed, "despite the conflict issue." Wilson stated that Wilczek rarely has to recuse herself and that, "Each time, she did so without the need of the defendant making the point, to Karen's credit."

Councilman Andy Key said that he believes that any citation brought by any of the Rangely Police Department presents a conflict of interest, as those officers are employees of Wilczek's husband.

Wilczek said that the former town attorney believed that it was not a problem as long as people felt she was unbiased. She also said that the town attorney negotiates plea deals and, "Usually it's almost cast in stone." She said she only deviates when "it's in the person's best interest."

According to Wilczek, the Municipal Court can sentence a maximum 90 days in jail and \$300 fine, so any matters that might require more than that will be moved up to higher court. She also mentioned that the municipal court is not a court of record, meaning there are no tape or video recordings of the sessions.

Key asked Wilczek if she has any "bias against OHVs and ATVs." Wilczek said she sees some daily abuse of the current statute which was designed to allow people to get access to BLM land.

Councilman Rich Garner said the appearance of impropriety or conflict is not evidence of that occurring and that he does not believe there are currently any issues.

Wilczek was reappointed with a 4-1 vote with Key as the only no.

Wilczek was first appointed municipal judge in 2006 and is also the court clerk for the Rio Blanco Associate Court.

APPOINTMENT OF TOWN CLERK AND ATTORNEY

The council reappointed Dan Wilson as the Town Attorney. Andy Key was the only "nay" vote on the appointment, saying he was concerned about the "prosecution of citizens." Wilson received three "yea" votes. Luke Geer abstained.

Key nominated Lisa Piering to continue as Town Clerk and Treasurer with a ringing endorsement saying she does great work and is always professional.

COUNCIL DECLARES SUPPORT FOR CNCC PRESIDENT

Last month CNCC's Moffat County Affiliated Junior College District Board of Control entertained a motion of 'No Confidence' in CNCC President Ron Granger. The motion failed on a 3-2 vote. The vote followed a letter from Colorado Community College System President Nancy McCallin which reminded the board they (the board) have no employees and their power is limited to levying and distributing taxes. McCallin's letter followed a proposal by the Board of Control which would have made Granger more accountable to that board. In response to the failed motion and press coverage that followed

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Year OF THE Bird

WORLD MIGRATORY BIRD DAY 2018

Bird identification beginning at 12:00 clockwise:
Swainson's Hawk - Golden-winged Warbler - Yellow-rumped Parrot - American Redstart - Red Knot - Northern Goshawk - Black Tern - Little Blue Heron - Sage Thrasher - Rufous Hummingbird - Dickcissel - Northern Pintail

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www.environmentamericas.com

The birds are back!

By NIKI TURNER
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MEEKER I A hummingbird flew up to my living room window last weekend and hovered there as if to say, "I'm home! Where's the chow?"

Whether it's the hummers or the turkey vultures, World Migratory Bird Day (formerly International Migratory Bird Day) occurs the second Saturday in May and is a day to celebrate the return of migratory birds by getting outside and identifying different species in our neighborhoods. Meeker is home to 37 confirmed breeding bird species, with 80 total species documented, according to the 2016 Colorado Breeding Bird Atlas. That's 20 more confirmed species than were listed in the previous atlas.

Need to identify a bird? Ask a current or former Meeker Elementary School student. They're likely to know more about local birds than the average adult, thanks to 15 years of cooperation between the Meeker Elementary, Barone Middle School, the Blanco Ranger District and wildlife biologist Mary Cunningham.

"It's my favorite time of the year," Cunningham said. For the last

15 years she has directed educational programs for fourth through eighth-graders centered around Migratory Bird Day. Students view a PowerPoint presentation related to the year's theme, fourth graders compete in a coloring contest, and individual sections of each grade go on a two-hour bird watching field trip with Cunningham, starting at the school and culminating at Circle Park. This year's conservation theme is "Year of the Bird."

Cunningham said the groups typically identify 20-30 species by sight and sound, using auto-focus binoculars that give students a chance to see the birds up close. In 2007 the district received a "More Kids in the Woods" grant to purchase 25 pair of the binoculars, and have been awarded another grant to buy 25 much-needed replacements this year.

New this year is a pilot program with Meeker High School biology students to study the long-term trends of breeding bird species in and around Meeker, and to assist with the elementary school field trips.

Last year Meeker Elementary School and the Blanco Ranger District received an award from Environment for the Americas, the

parent organization that hosts World Migratory Bird Day for their support of bird conservation education. Cunningham was awarded the Educator of the Year award at a reception held at the Amazonian Gallery of the Smithsonian National Zoo in Washington, D.C.

Not all migratory species are welcomed back with open arms. Colorado ranchers have reported an increase in the number of raven attacks on livestock, while town residents have reported more turkey vultures coming in to roost at night. Both breeds are protected under federal law.

According to Cunningham, the number of ravens in the state has increased by 18 percent, which probably accounts for the additional reports of attacks. The only recourse for livestock producers is to hire USDA Wildlife Service officers to mitigate the species when they become a nuisance.

"They're just doing what comes naturally to them," Cunningham said. "You can't anthropomorphize animals as good or bad. They're just animals."

For more information about World Migratory Bird Day, visit www.environmentamericas.org or www.migratorybirdday.org.

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AWARD WINNER ...



COURTESY PHOTO

Local author Lou Dean has received the Colorado Author's League 2018 feature article award. The article, titled "Keeper's Return" has been published in a new Guideposts publication, "All Creatures." According to Dean, "It's the story of a special dog that touched the lives of many. That same dog is a big part of my upcoming memoir, 'Doubleday, Bantam, Dell and a Stray Dog named Keeper,' which is about the dogs that have loved me for 40 years and supported me on my writing journey." Dean is scheduled to speak at the Fireside Talk at the Rangely Outdoor Museum on June 8. Her books are available at Sweetbriar in Rangely, through Amazon or on Dean's website: www.loudean.com.

WEATHER



Saturday: 70s/40s P'tly. cloudy



Sunday: 70s/40s Cloudy



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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

■ **Meeker Recreation Center Annual Shutdown.** The Meeker Recreation Center and pool will be closed May 9-13 for annual maintenance. Normal hours resume May 14. ERBM Recreation & Park District 970-878-3403

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

■ **Summer Line-Up Registration Begins** May 14 at 5 a.m. at the Meeker Recreation Center. Registration is now open for summer activities! ERBM Recreation & Park District 970-878-3403

■ **The Meeker Library Book Club** meets at 1 p.m. the second Monday of each month (excluding holidays). The next meeting will be May 14. We will be discussing "Hidden Figures" by Margot Shetterly. All interested readers are welcome. Stop by the Meeker Library for details.

■ **Adult Coed Softball Early Bird Deadline** May 17 at Meeker Recreation Center. Get your team signed up for the 2018 adult coed softball league! Games will be played Wednesdays starting on June 6 and running through July 25. More info. at ERBMrec.com. ERBM Recreation & Park District 970-878-3403

■ **WRBM Free Hiking Trip** May 25. Enjoy a hike at the Gates of Lodore. Bring lunch, water and appropriate attire. Deadline May 23. 970-675-8211.

■ **WRBM Summer Hours begin** May 29. Building hours Mon. & Weds. 5:30 a.m.-8 p.m., Tues., Thurs. & Fri 5:30 a.m.-7 p.m. Sat. & Sun. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Pool hours Mon. & Weds. 6 a.m.-7:45 p.m., Tues., Thurs. & Fri 6 a.m.-6:45 p.m. Sat. & Sun. 12 p.m.-4:45 p.m. Child care Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m.-10:30 a.m. and Mon.-Thurs. 4:30 p.m.-7 p.m. 970-675-8211.

■ **The Rangely Moms Group** meets the first Thursday of each month from 9-11 a.m. at First Baptist

Church (207 S. Sunset Ave.) to help connect moms in our community. Any moms who have newborn through elementary aged children are welcome to join us for food, fellowship and fun. Childcare is provided. The first meeting is free. Subsequent meetings are \$5. Scholarships are available if needed.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Email your event info. to calendar@theheraldtimes.com

READY TO HIRE ...



COURTESY PHOTO

One of the graduates in the Class of 2018 for Colorado Northwestern Community College asked the question many of the new alumni will be asking in the days to come. There were approximately 300 students in this year's class, of whom 148 participated in commencement exercises held on the Rangely campus Saturday, May 5.

Oldtimers' Reunion set for June 2

This year's theme: 'Blame It All On My Roots'

By HALLIE BLUNT
Special to the Herald Times

RBC | It is springtime in the White River Valley again, school is wrapping up for the year, livestock is being turned out, and the ditches are starting to run in the fields. Something else that has happened in our beautiful valley for the past 106 years is the annual Oldtimers' Reunion. The Rio Blanco County Pioneer Association would like to invite anyone that is over 30 years

old and ever attended school in one of our county schools to come join us on June 2.

This year the theme is "Blame It All On My Roots" with a fun fashion show planned for entertainment before dinner.

In the coming weeks we will share the history of the reunion, stories of how it all began and highlights. One such story is in the original records of the association printed in part in the Meeker Herald centennial edition in 1985. It reads, "The original inhabitants decided to pull together everyone who was around when the town was first settled." The date of the first "Oldtimers' Dance and Reunion"

was Feb 9, 1912. After deciding to have this reunion, the paper reported, "For the past few weeks, since the old-timers' dance and reunion was determined and talked about, it was a foregone conclusion that a great big time would be the result." That is reportedly exactly what happened, a great time was had and so the tradition began. Oldtimers' is a tradition of friendship, community involvement and having fun celebrating this great place where we live.

The cost is \$35 dollars per person. Register and pay online by going to the website, www.rbcpioneers.org or mail your registration to the RBC Pioneers Association, Haley Kracht P.O. Box 1103, Meeker, CO, 81641.

RIO BLANCO COUNTY PIONEER ASSOCIATION
OLDTIMER'S REUNION

JUNE 2, 2018

- **Capture Our Culture, 3 p.m.**
The Rio Blanco Historical Society will record oral stories of individuals, families, classes or other groups who want to share their RBC history.
- **Social Hour, 5 p.m.**
- **Dinner, 6:30 p.m.**
Catered by Ma Famiglia
- **Dancing to follow**
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Meeker High School Open House

Who: All community members invited

Where: Meeker High School

When: May 15 - 6 p.m., May 16 - 10:00 a.m.
June 7 - 6 p.m.

What: Open house to learn about MHS and Bus Garage facility needs. Question and answer session followed by a school tour.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Spring band concerts May 10, 15

MEEKER | The spring band concert for Barone Middle School will be held today at 7 p.m., and the Meeker High School combined band and choir concert will be Tuesday, May 15 at 7 p.m. Both concerts will be held in the high school auditorium.

ERBM annual building closure May 9-13

MEEKER | Each year the Meeker Recreation Center must close for critical maintenance that cannot be performed around normal operations. This year's building closure will be May 9-13. MRC opened in 2008 and is seeing normal wear and tear that must be addressed in order to avoid more costly repairs in the future. Normal hours will resume on Monday, May 14.

Rangely Museum Fireside May 11

RANGELY | The first Fireside event of the season sponsored by the Rangely Outdoor Museum will begin at 6:30 p.m. on May 11 at 200 Kennedy Dr., in Rangely. Join Glade Hadden and Richard Ott for an evening's tour through the archaeology and history of Canyon Pintado National Historic District, and the grassroots efforts now underway to conserve its diverse cultural heritage. Bring lawn chairs, flashlights and your curiosity.

New Eden pancake breakfast May 12

MEEKER | New Eden Pregnancy Center in Meeker is hosting its annual pancake breakfast and silent auction on Saturday, May 12 from 7-9:30 a.m. at the Fairfield Center. Enjoy pancakes hot off the grill. \$10 for adults, \$5 for moms (even if your kids are grown), and \$5 for kids.

Becky Dubbert Memorial Walk May 12

RANGELY | Join a multiple sclerosis walk-a-thon in honor of Becky Dubbert Saturday, May 12 in Rangely starting at 9 a.m. at 255 E. Main St. in Rangely. Registration is \$25 for anyone over 16, \$15 for under 16, and includes a T-shirt, water, diddy bag and swag. First place winners (man, woman, child) receive \$100, second place \$75, third place \$50. To make a donation visit www.msfocus.org and select Becky Dubbert Memorial Walk under the events tab at the top right. To register, contact Konnie Billgren at 970-675-5290 or email rangelychamber@gmail.com.

Voice student recital May 12 at MHS

MEEKER | There will be a recital for Rachael Arney's nine voice students, ages 8-15, on Saturday, May 12 at 7 p.m. at Meeker High School.

Project 45 offers partnership workshop

MEEKER | Developing partnerships within the community is what the Meeker: Project 45 Main Street Community program is all about. We're looking at how to make the most of relationships and create new links in the community to make the most of our activities downtown. Please share your ideas with us at the upcoming workshop. Drop in to the Meeker Library between 11:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 15 to tell us what your organization is working on; let's see if we can help move each other forward. Who should attend? Anyone involved with or interested in business development, downtown Meeker, community organizations and events.

Learn to play the Native American Flute

RANGELY | Come soothe your spirit and listen, then learn to play, the Native American style flute. Come to Rangely Town Hall on Tuesday, May 15 from 5-7 p.m. If you have a flute, bring it, but there will be flutes available to learn on. Class limited to 20, so come early and listen to Twinfeathers play, then stick around to learn how to play. For ages 12 and up.

Free White River Village concert May 15

RANGELY | Free Celtic harp and Native American flute concert with Alex and Mad Dog Tuesday, May 15, 4 p.m. at White River Village 410 N. White Ave., Rangely. Check out all their music, as well as many other great albums from Mad Dog at mad-dogfriedman.bandcamp.com. A Rangely community event from the TANK Center for Sonic Arts and the Rangely Area Chamber of Commerce.

Community 6K for water event May 19

MEEKER | A community 6K for Water event will take place May 19 and is sponsored by Meeker United Methodist Church. Register today online at 6kMeekerUMC.org. Each registration of \$50 brings clean water to one person in need! Everyone is invited to register and join the walk at Sanderson Park at 9 a.m. on Saturday, May 19. You may also sponsor someone to walk. Call 878-5904 for more information.

Third annual Visit Rangely Day May 24

RANGELY | The third annual Visit Rangely Day will be Thursday, May 24 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Visit the rock art sites, The Tank, the Rangely Outdoor Museum, the Rangely Automotive Museum and lunch and learn with Andrea at Miles Media.

Wild Bunch Grand Opening May 25

RANGELY | The grand opening celebration for the Wild Bunch Consortium will be Friday, May 25 with a ribbon cutting at noon at 258 E. Main St. in Rangely. Hot dogs and snacks will be provided. The business opened April 2 and offers accounting, adventure photography, bike repair, stand-up paddle board and mountain bike rentals, shuttle services, small engine repair, and retail for outdoor enthusiasts.



BARN FIRE ...

Emergency crews responded to a barn fire in Meeker Wednesday. Meeker Chief of Police Phil Stubblefield said crews were "pretty sure" it started with a heat lamp. No people were hurt, but a few animals were lost.

DOC WATSON PHOTO

Celebrating
Super Moms

MOTHER'S DAY ~ MAY 13



GROCERY

11-16 oz. Mother's COOKIES	2 for \$4
5 oz. Flipz PRETZELS	2 for \$4
12-15 oz. Wishbone SALAD DRESSING	3 for \$5
2.25 oz. Maruchan CUP	3 for \$1
7 oz. Sunshine CRACKERS	2 for \$4

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24 oz. Mr. Dee's Hashbrowns, Fries & GOLDEN ROUNDS	4 for \$5
56 oz. Red Button ICE CREAM	2 for \$7
13-16 oz. Marie Callender FROZEN MEALS	2 for \$5
16 oz. Marie Callender POT PIES	2 for \$5

DAIRY

16 oz. Western Family JUMBO BISCUITS	2 for \$3
64 oz. Full Circle ALMOND MILK	\$2.79
32 oz. Cache Valley Cheddar-Jack SHREDDED CHEESE	\$6.99



32 oz. Western Family Bagged
Cereal
\$2.99

MEAT

Boneless New York STRIP STEAK	\$6.99/lb.
Boneless Pork SIRLOIN CHOPS	\$1.49/lb.
24 oz. John Morrell PRE-SLICED HAM	\$6.49
12 oz. Johnsonville SAUSAGE LINKS	\$2.99



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Eggs
\$1.49



16 oz. Western Family
Sweet Cream Butter
2 for \$7

PRODUCE

1 lb. STRAWBERRIES	2 for \$4
Seedless WATERMELON	39¢/lb.
Fresh PINEAPPLE	99¢/lb.
Jalapeno PEPPERS	99¢/lb.
Bunch GREEN ONIONS	2 for \$1
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EDITOR'S COLUMN...

Democracy: Participation required

By NIKI TURNER
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name when you get your ballot. If no independent candidates step up by the July deadline to run in the general election (or decides to run as a write-in independent), our next county commissioner will be decided in June, not in November.



more events, more meetings and to get local community news to you. In the immortal words of Bartles & Jaymes (I'm dating myself, I know), "Thank you for your support." If you're a print subscriber, please call the office at 878-4017 or email accounts@theheraldtimes.com so we can add you to the online subscriber list.

Congratulations to the newly elected and reelected members of the fire district board, the rec center board and the hospital board. Voter turnout for this combined special district election was higher than the voter turnout for the town election in April. That's excellent news, and hopefully a trend in the right direction. Democracy is a "participation required" system if it's going to work for the majority.

The next opportunity we get to participate in our democratic process will take place in June with the primaries. For the first time independent (unaffiliated) voters will be allowed to vote in the primaries, which is a big plus for independents in counties where the only opportunity to vote for a local official may be in the primaries.

In the county commissioner race in RBC, for example, two Republicans are running. Gary Moyer will be on the ballot and Mike Hoke is a write-in candidate (meaning if you want to vote for him, you'll have to write in his

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Happy Mother's Day to all the mothers of little ones for whom Mother's Day is a lot like every other day... diapers, boogers, skinned knees, sticky hugs and kisses and handmade construction paper presents. Enjoy it while it lasts, even though the days are long and sleep deprivation threatens to eat your brain. One day you'll blink and they're all grown up.

Although, according to Facebook, you don't qualify as an empty nester until your kids get all their stuff out of your basement/garage/attic/barn. Technically, I guess that means I still live at home. Happy Mother's Day, Mom!

GUEST COLUMN: VETERANS

A heads up for local veterans

By WES EUBANKS
Meeker VFW & American Legion

RBC I This is a heads up for veterans, family members, friends and caregivers.

There are some bad people out there, always has been. Some of these folks are after your home. Unsolicited offers (fantastic deals) to refinance your home/lower monthly payments/access equity etc. Some legislative action has been taken but the threat still exists. If you have questions talk to your banker.

The National Personnel Records

Center in St. Louis, Mo., (www.archives.gov) can be a valuable asset to veterans and their family members including discharge documents, DD-214, military honors, etc. The fire in 1973 caused major damage but it did not put them out of business. Modern technology and old-fashioned perseverance can do wonders.

This Memorial Day could be a

nice opportunity to spend some time with the family and do something to help our children remember the sacrifices made by military veterans.

Organizations like the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion are important in the cause of freedom because they give a voice to veterans and their families.

God Bless America.

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GUEST COLUMN: RECYCLING

There is no 'away,' but there is Western Slope recycling

By NICOLETTE TOUSSAINT
Special to the Herald Times

RBC I Our handyman, Tim, warned us we'd have to pay a fee when he took our defunct microwave away.

That worried me, because environmentally, there's no such place as "away". The earth is a closed loop system, so mankind's junk isn't leaving. Ever. Check out www.stuffin.space and you can see more than 100,000 manmade objects, many defunct, orbiting the earth in real time.

Manmade junk amounts to a huge problem: Mount Everest is littered with thawing fecal matter and discarded climbing gear. The Great Lakes are awash in microfibers from fleece. The Pacific Ocean's garbage vortex is now twice the size of Texas.

The U.S. exports 80 percent of its old electronics to developing countries. In Agbogboshie, Ghana, barefoot children mine tons of e-waste at a gargantuan dump looking for computers and cellphones so that their parents can burn the plastic and drench the circuit boards in cyanide to extract gold. Their efforts can lead to asthma, pneumonitis, tremors, neuropsychiatric problems, convulsions, coma, even death. Still, at least 15 million people worldwide survive by recycling dangerous e-waste. As a recent World Bank Group white paper noted, "many poor people, faced with a choice between starving or waste-picking, choose the latter."

But it's not just the poor who prowl e-dumps. It's also thieves. Smart devices that have been sent "away" can come back to haunt us via identity theft. That's why there's an old computer lying in the crawl space under my house. It's nearly impossible to truly scrub personal data off of e-devices.

For personal, health and environmental reasons, I don't want

my discarded devices added to some malignant midden in Asia or Africa. Plus, it's becoming increasingly difficult to send junk away to places like Ghana, India and China.

This January, China enacted a new law barring the import of plastic, mixed paper, old clothing and other materials from American recycling programs. The problem isn't just that badly-sorted recycling often contains toxic waste. It's also that China, which

There might be some good tidings for the Pacific garbage patch. In 2016, Japanese researchers discovered a bacteria that can eat non-biodegradable plastic. This spring, an international research team led by the U.S. National Renewable Energy Laboratory - yes, the folks in Boulder—discovered an *Ideonella sakaiensis* variant that can break down those ubiquitous polyethylene terephthalate (PET) plastic water bottles. That moves scientists closer to solving the titanic problem of discarded plastics that take centuries to biodegrade.

There might even be hope for e-waste. Manufacturers in China, India and other developing countries are starting to view e-scrap as a valuable commodity. In recent years, the rising demand for, and value of, the "rare earth" elements used in laptops and cellphones has risen, placing the cost of recycling closer to mining. Policies encouraging sustainable "harvesting" of rare and valuable raw materials have already been adopted in Singapore, Taiwan and South Korea.

There's also some good news about local recycling. It's growing.

Seven years ago, a recycling professional I met at networking event in Carbondale, where I live, told me that virtually nothing got recycled on the Western Slope. Because we didn't have local recycling facilities, everything had to be trucked over the passes to Denver. For most of our junk, that's just too far away to be economical.

Hence my nagging concern about trashing that microwave.

When I asked Tim whether the microwave wound up in what's euphemistically called a "landfill," he said, "No." He took it to Trinity Recycling, which serves the Roaring Fork and Vail Valleys from Gypsum and Glenwood Springs. Trinity disassembles appliances, metal sheds and filing cabinets, copper pipes and wires, cars, trucks and even old radiators and recycles the metals locally.

Today, several "material recovery centers"—factories that sort and resell recycled materials—operate on Colorado's Western Slope: Pitkin County runs one. So does Eagle County. So does the City of Grand Junction.

That's better news than I was expecting when I trashed the microwave. So I think I will just save my rant about why a three-year-old microwave couldn't be fixed away for another column, another day.



imported \$5.6 billion in U.S. scrap in 2016, is now producing its own electronic products—and its own electronic waste.

The best choices for dealing with worlds' trash problem involve local efforts. A good example comes from Mumbai, where about 80 baby Olive Ridley turtles recently scuttled across a beach into the Arabian Sea. Five years ago, they wouldn't have made it one foot. With garbage piled five feet deep in places, Versova Beach ranked as one of the world's most polluted oceanfronts.

Then, in 2015, Mumbai lawyer Afroz Shah launched recruited volunteers who worked every weekend for two years removing a staggering 5,000 tons of litter in what the U.N. termed the world's largest beach cleanup.

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- ★ Meeker Sanitation Board of Directors - 9 years
- ★ Town of Meeker Planning Commission - 8 years
- ★ Pioneers Healthcare Foundation - 3 years
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Thanks to Bank of the San Juans and PTO

Dear Editor:

I would like to once again recognize the Bank of the San Juans and the Parkview PTO for their financial assistance with both the 2018 science fair and the treasure hunting for Parkview students this year. Because of the generosity shown by the folks in these organizations Rangely fourth and fifth graders got to see how rewarding and fun learning can be. Prizes given for first through third place finishers in the science fair as well as funding for the treasure hunt was provided. These two groups deserve a real "shout-out" for making dreams come true!

Dana Forbes
Rangely

Wilhelm vows to increase teacher pay

Dear Editor:

Teachers in Colorado are criminally underpaid and underfunded. Depending on the metric used we are either 46th or 47th in teacher pay. Also teachers spend on average about \$650.00 of their own money on their classrooms each year. We all know teaching is a hard profession and that it takes a special person to be a teacher. As a community we want our children to have the best education possible. That means, keeping our current teachers, hiring the best teachers, and giving them the funding they need. We can't

keep our current teachers or hire the best teachers if we don't pay them enough to live on. I will increase teacher pay and school funding. I will support our teachers and our students.

Colin Wilhelm
Greenwood Springs
Candidate for HD 57

Goddard family appreciates support

Dear Editor:

The family of Phyllis Goddard wish to extend our deepest appreciation for the support shown after the passing of our mother, Phyllis. Special thanks to David Morton and everyone from the First Baptist Church.

Greg Goddard and Family
Rangely

Stuttering awareness

Dear Editor:

National Stuttering Awareness Week begins May 7, 2018. Did you know more than three million Americans stutter? That's more than the populations of Wyoming, Vermont, Alaska, North Dakota, and Washington, DC...combined.

One percent of your readers stutter, and up to five percent of children stutter for a time during their early developmental years.

In the spirit of spreading awareness, the most important thing you and your readers can do for someone who stutters—or for anyone you are speaking with—is listen. Listen to what they have to say rather than how they say it.

For more information, visit our website: StutteringHelp.org.

Sincerely,
Jane Fraser
President, The Stuttering
Foundation
Memphis, Tennessee
912-638-3416

Strates appreciate community support during health crises

Dear Editor:

Words cannot express our appreciation for this community. With Chris's recent health crises our emergency response members have literally been life savers. They do their jobs so expertly and with such compassion and caring. Our community is so blessed to have the staff at Pioneers Hospital. We have felt the power of all the prayers that have been lifted up on our behalf and appreciate each and every one of them. After being gone six weeks, we came home to a freshly cleaned house, a refrigerator stocked with food and home cooked meals, and a mowed lawn. We are so glad to be home in this loving community.

Now that we are home we are receiving professional, compassionate care from home health and will be able to utilize the palliative care services of Hope West. We are so fortunate to have such caring people provide these services in Meeker.

Chris and Peggy Strate
Meeker

Rosas recipient of \$500 yearly scholarship from CSOC

Special to the Herald Times

RBC I Rio Blanco County Sheriff Anthony Mazzola is pleased to announce that Meeker High School student Mariela Rosas is this year's recipient of the County Sheriff's of Colorado, CSOC, scholarship award for Rio Blanco County.

CSOC, offered a total of 31 awards of \$500 each this year to deserving high school and college students in Colorado to fund higher-level education expenses for the 2018-2019 academic year.

A citizens' committee selected the winner for each county. Committees made their selections based on criteria established by CSOC, including leadership, merit, character, involvement, purpose and need.



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Applicants were required to be full-time, legal Colorado residents who planned to attend a Colorado university, college or trade school.

Rio Blanco rotates the scholarship between the Rangely and Meeker high schools.

This is the 39th year for CSOC scholarship program. Monies for the program are derived in part from the CSOC honorary membership fund, which consists of contributions from individual citizens and businesses each year. Businesses and citizens should have already received a letter signed by the Sheriff in the mail promoting this program.

If you are interested in providing support for this excellent program please contact the County Sheriff's of Colorado at www.coloradosheriffs.org.

Gambill receives six months probation

Fines and public service also part of sentence for killing Meeker buck

By MEEKER POLICE DEPT.

Special to the Herald Times



MEEKER I It's been almost six months since a 5x5 mule deer buck that roamed Meeker's streets was shot with an arrow and had to be put down by officials the following day. Public outcry over the incident forced the Meeker Police Department to pull a Facebook post after just a few hours when comments became threatening toward those responsible for the deer's injury.

According to Assistant District Attorney Steve Mallory, Taylor Shane-Thomas Gambill, 19, of Lakewood, Colo., pleaded guilty to a charge of hunting in a careless manner. He'll lose 20 points on his hunting license, serve six months of probation and has to pay all court costs and fines. He also has to do restorative justice with the Colorado Department of Wildlife and useful public service. If he completes probation and all other requirements, the other charges filed against him—failure to locate wounded game, hunting out of season, illegal possession and hunting without a license—will be dropped from his record.

RBC WEEKLY CALL REVIEW

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

April 30-May 6, 2018

The dispatch center processed 434 phone calls this last week, receiving 17 911 calls, answered 59 calls for Meeker Police Department (MPD) and placed 76 outgoing phone calls. A total of 126 calls for service were created, 68 for the Sheriff's Office, 57 for MPD, and 10 calls for Meeker Fire and Rescue. (Please note the department breakdown of calls reflects a different number because of incidents with multiple agency response).

There were six automobile crashes, two involving injuries, five involving a deer and one ATV crash with injuries.

The Sheriff's Office conducted 19 traffic stops issuing five citations and MPD had 17 stops issuing six citations. Highway 13 south had nine traffic stops and issued four citations.

Other calls for the Sheriff's Office included 10 agency assists, one 911 hangup, five animal calls, seven civil papers served, four motorist assists, four traffic accidents, two traffic complaints, four traffic hazards, three FIN inspections and one each: attended death, civil, BLM fire, property (found or lost), suspicious incident and warrant arrest.

MPD calls included five agency assists, seven animal calls, six business checks, three citizen assists, three

juvenile problem, three motorist assists, two thefts, six VIN inspections and one each: alarm, code enforcement, funeral escort, property, restraining order violations, theft, traffic complaint and warrant arrest

There were 10 calls for Meeker Fire and Rescue: two automobile crashes with possible injuries, three ambulance requests, two medical transports to another hospital and three fire calls.

There were two assists with Colorado State Patrol.

Rio Blanco Detention facility booked in seven and released five, CSP with one, MPD with one, Rangely PD with two and the Sheriff's Office had three arrests. The jail is currently housing 11 inmates. There were no inmate transports to or from another facility.

There were no DUI arrests.

OBITUARY

Bob (Robert) Eugene Fairchild

July 1, 1928 ~ May 7, 2018



Bob Fairchild

Bob (Robert) Eugene Fairchild, 89, passed away May 7, 2018, at Rangely District Hospital. He was born July 1, 1928, in Cheney, Kan., to Clarence and Caroline Fairchild. A Rangely resident since 1958, he was a retired Chevron pipeline employee of 25 years. He was a member of the Rangely Christian Church and the Masonic Lodge. He was the main originator for the baseball program that is now in Rangely, and he directed the building of the field and setting up of the summer program with the help of many others in the community. On Sept. 17, 1947, he

married Phyllis Jean Evans in Great Bend, Kan., and they enjoyed 70 years of marriage.

Bob enjoyed hunting, fishing, sports and most of all sitting in the patio swing watching the sun rise and set with his wife, the love of his life. Bob will be greatly missed by those who loved him but we are so happy to have had him for all of those years. We will miss his big hugs, laughter and smile. He is now in the arms of Jesus and those who have gone before him. He will be reunited with his son Bryan Charles who passed away so young, and a stillborn son, Randy Lee, who he will finally get to meet. He is survived by his wife Phyllis, son Rob, two daughters-in-law Brenda Halcomb-Fairchild and Alisa Warren-Fairchild, five grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren.

We wish to express our gratitude

and appreciation to those who have extended expressions of sympathy and offer of assistance during our time of mourning. Thank you for the cards, phone calls, visits, food, flowers and prayers.

We express our love and thanks to you for attending the viewing and our services for our beloved Bob. Our thanks to Blackburn and Sons Vernal Mortuary and the Rangely Christian Church. The funeral service will be held Saturday, May 12 at 1 p.m. at the Rangely First Christian Church. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the St. Jude Children's Hospital either by phone at 1-800-822-6344 or mail checks (made payable to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital) to: St. Jude Children's Research Hospital 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, Tenn., 38105. Send condolences online to www.blackburnvernalmortuary.com

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What Does It Mean to be a Christian? (2)

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

And the disciples were called Christians first in Antioch. (Acts 11:26)



Dr. J.D. Watson

A Christian is one who first receives the Cross for salvation. Such "conversion," however, implicitly speaks of deeper realities.

Second, being a Christian creates transformed character. No verse speaks with more clarity on this truth than does 2 Corinthians 5:17: "Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new." There is a fascinating difference between two words that are used for "new" in the New Testament. One is *neos*, which refers to something new in time, something that recently has come into existence, such as "new wine" (Matt. 9:17) and a "new lump" of leaven (1 Cor. 5:7).

The word used here, however, is *kainos*, which refers to something new in quality, as it would be distinguished from something old and worn out, something that has never existed before. It is used, for example, to refer to the "new covenant" (Heb. 8:8) and the "new heavens" and "new earth" (2 Pet. 3:13). Much as he does here in our text, Paul used it again in reference to the "new man" we are in Christ (Eph. 4:24). In contrast, "old" is *archaios* (English "archaic"), which describes something that has existed for a long time, even reaching back to a beginning, whenever that beginning was.

Paul's intent, then, cannot be misunderstood. The old *passions* we were enslaved to, the old *practices* we indulged in, and the old *principles* we lived by are gone. Everything is new. "Regenerating grace creates a new world in the soul," wrote Matthew Henry; "all things are new; the renewed man acts from new principles, by new rules, with new ends, and in new company."

Paul's teaching here is not an isolated one. He uses the same Greek words for "new creature" again in Galatians 6:15. Likewise, in Ephesians 4:22-24, he details putting off the "old man" and putting on the "new man." "Putting off" (*apothēmi*) paints the graphic picture of changing clothes; as we would take off old worthless clothes and never use them again, we take off the old garments of sin and permanently put on the new garments Christ's righteousness.

Neither is this principle confined to the New Testament. The Old Testament precedent appears several times in Ezekiel (11:19; 18:31; 36:26; cf. Is. 43:18-19). The prophet declared to people who were at the time (and prophetically are today) exiled in a foreign land because of their sin and rebellion: "I [God] will give them one heart, and I will put a new spirit within you; and I will take the stony heart out of their flesh, and will give them an heart of flesh."

Salvation is not *renovation*; it's not like a "fixer-upper" house. Salvation is *regeneration*; it is an entirely new dwelling filled with sparkling new furnishings, all of which have never existed before.

Scriptures for Study: Acts 19 records Paul's ministry in Ephesus. What changes occurred in people when they were converted?

We hope you will visit our website (www.TheScriptureAlone.com), where you will find not only our podcast of these devotional studies but also other resources for Christian growth, including messages in MP3 media files. You are also invited to worship with us at Grace Bible Church (on the corner of 3rd and Garfield) at 10:30 A.M. each Lord's Day, where the ministry is: "contin[ing] steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers" (Acts 2:42).

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MHS Senior Shelby Steele performed two solos at Sunday's performance. She has been dancing for 15 years and plans to attend Colorado Mesa University and then pursue a professional dance career.



Senior Maddie Kummer dedicated the first of two solos to her niece, cancer survivor Anastyn Kummer, who joined her on-stage after the performance. Kummer plans to attend Southern Utah University to become a pediatric oncology nurse.

MICHELLE COX PHOTO

RBC | Both ends of Rio Blanco County were treated to delightful dance performances this past weekend.

ERBM Recreation and Park District hosted the eighteenth annual recital May 5 and 6, which featured several dance and tumbling performances.

WRBM Recreation and Park District dance students also put on a great show at their annual spring recital.

For more photos, visit theheraldtimes.com.



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The energetic WRBM 7-8 year old group.



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5-6 year olds at WRBM's spring recital.



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9 years and up WRBM dancers.



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The darling 3-4 year old WRBM group rocked their bears to sleep.



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ERBM's Creative Movement and Tumble Fun performers boogied onto the stage for their grand finale Saturday (above) and 5-8th grade ballet students performed at Sunday's show (right).



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Nat'l Honor Society induction May 14

MEEKER | The Meeker High School National Honor Society (NHS) will hold its annual induction ceremony Monday, May 14 at 7 p.m. at the Meeker High School auditorium. NHS President Sierra Williams announced that Kay Bivens will keynote. Bivens, who has long been a favorite of many Meeker students, is well known for her tireless work as an elementary school librarian putting books in the hands of children and bringing literature to life through their character reenactments.

"She made every student feel special," Logan Hughes, NHS secretary, said.

NHS will induct 27 new members at this spring gathering and honor a community member, an area business, and a school staff member for their outreach and support of the Meeker School District, its students and its staff.

Community members are welcome to attend the induction ceremony.

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Cowboys compete in Grand Junction league meet

By **TIFFANY JEHOREK**
Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER I Meeker Cowboy track and field competed in the three-day league meet in Grand Junction, Colo., on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, May 3-5. This meet's atmosphere is phenomenal for preparing the state qualifiers for Pueblo. The number of competitors—exceeding 1000—and the format—prelims plus finals—create a high stakes environment perfect for preparation.

Coach Strate finds the meet valuable as a “two-day meet, three for pole vaulters, just to learn how to manage themselves in terms of being in the sun too much, eating properly and sleeping.” The state meet only allows competitors to compete in four events, and there will be hard decisions that need to be made on which events some Cowboys will be competing in.

The league meet was successful for the Cowboys. Spud Kent, freshman, qualified for the 400 dash with a time of 54.01

seconds. This was his season's best and he finished seventh overall in a large pack of runners. The boys' 4x400 relay had a goal of running their relay in three minutes and 40 seconds, they posted a time of three minutes and 40.04 seconds also qualifying them for state at this time, but they may need to improve on the time to remain qualified. The men's pole vaulters are a young group, and it “will be fun to see how our young vaulters do at state” coach Strate said. The vaulters had a successful start to the meet on Thursday; both Colby Clatterbaugh and Tevin Pelloni (above) had personal bests set at this meet clearing 11 feet 4 inches. Pelloni cleared this height in fewer attempts than Clatterbaugh and took second place.

Personal bests seemed to be on the menu for the pole vaulters. Sydnie Main cleared 7-10 and took second place. Overall Main had an “excellent” meet, according to Strate, earning all-conference honors in the discus with her winning 118-2 throw. She took fifth in the shot put throwing 31 feet, 11.25 inches,

and was a member of the women's first place 4x200 relay alongside Bradfield, Williams and Brown. In discus, junior Megan Shelton threw 115-7. She and Main are currently sitting second and third in the state and both have thrown 118 feet. Shelton continued to take third in shot put and was member of the 800 medley with Gracie Bradfield, Sierra Williams and Kirsten Brown.

The Cowboys continued the success with Bradfield who took first place in the 400 dash and earned all-conference honors with a time of 59.75 seconds. This is her personal best time and she broke her own school record. Coach Strate said, “it was exciting to see her hard work pay off...Gracie has been looking to break the 1 minute barrier in the 400 meter dash.” Bradfield also took second in the 200 dash. “She had a long two days, but responded well. She ran smart in the prelims and it showed on Saturday in the finals,” Strate said. Also making finals in the 400 dash was sophomore Karlee Nielsen, she ran her personal best with a time of

1:06 seconds, cutting 6 seconds of her time off from the beginning of the season.

Senior Sierra Williams ran a personal best time in the 800 run, with a time of 2:31.31 seconds, blowing three seconds off of her time from last week. “Sierra has been a huge part of our relays over the last four years,” Strate said. “It is great to see her hard work leading to success in an open event.”

Kirsten Brown, another part of the successful relays is also excelling in open events. She took second in the triple jump and third in the long jump. The final meet of the season Brown will make the push to qualify for long jump at state.

The last meet of the regular season is hosted by Grand Valley in Parachute on Saturday, however, Meeker will host the pole vaulters Friday at 10 a.m., as a part of this meet.

Current state qualifiers and their events are:

- Gracie Bradfield – 100-meter dash, 200-meter dash, 400-meter dash, 4x100 meter relay, 4x200 meter relay, 4x400 meter relay, 800-meter medley
- Sierra Williams – 800-meter run, 4x100 relay, 4x200 relay, 4x400 relay, 800-meter medley
- Sydnie Main – Pole vault, discus, shot put, 4x200 relay
- Megan Shelton – Discus, shot put, 4x100 relay, 800 medley
- Kenzie Turner – Pole vault
- Kirsten Brown – Triple jump, 4x100 relay, 4x200 relay, 4x400 relay, 800 medley
- Jake Shelton – Discus
- Tevin Pelloni – Pole vault
- Colby Clatterbaugh – Pole vault
- Spud Kent, Tannen Kennedy, Jeremy Woodward, and Andy Kracht as part of the 4x400 relay
- Spud Kent – 400 dash

Cowboys play 'must win' game today



By **TIFFANY JEHOREK**
Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER I The Cowboys were in a must win situation due to the RPI ranking system on Thursday, May 3 as they faced off against the Roaring Fork Rams. The game originally scheduled to be hosted by Meeker had to be moved to Rifle due to an unplayable field from the recent storms. It was a battle from the beginning with the Cowboys playing both sides of the ball well, executing and prevailing with a score of 12-4, keeping the team alive for the regional seeding.

Cowboy coach Brian Merrifield started junior Tristan Wille, calling his performance “stellar.” This was Wille's first varsity start and he pitched three innings giving up four runs, two earned. The pitching lineup continued with Garrett Frantz throwing two innings, giving up zero runs and picking up the win. Logan Hughes finished up the game and threw two innings, gave up zero runs and earned the save.

The previous matchup on March 15 between the Cowboys and Rams ended with the Rams walking away with a 10-0 win. Merrifield had a defensive strategy for this game and it paid off.

“Tristan stepped into a tough spot and showed us he can hang,

Merrifield said. Having a bench with depth allowed for Frantz and Hughes to take over with catcher Luis Villalpando and effectively “shut the door on the Rams”

Offensive pressure put on the Rams led to 12 runs. During the March 15 game they were up against a pitcher who threw five perfect innings, but they were prepared and ready for the challenge on Thursday. Trapper Merrifield, Hughes and Frantz were all three for four at the bat. Merrifield picked up a stolen base, his 28th of the season. Other at bats earning runs included Villalpando who was two for four and Ryan Phelan who was two for two. Doak Mantle, Cooper Meszaros, Uri Goedert and Jacob Phelan all hit one each with Hughes, Villalpando, and Mantle driving in two runs each.

Cowboys followed up the win on Thursday with two disappointing losses on Monday, May 7 to Hotchkiss. It was a perfect day for baseball in Meeker, the weather cooperated, but the Cowboys could not overcome the defensive errors. Merrifield said “He loves watching these guys play,” and has enjoyed every second he has gotten to spend with “his group of seniors” since T-ball. Merrifield is the father to one of the seniors on the team and has dedicated years of his life to coaching these boys. He says he

has thrown a million pitches and would throw them a million more. He considers himself “blessed” to spend so much time with them.

Hotchkiss bested Meeker Monday 11-1 and 9-0. Game one opened with Hughes followed by Goedert, Wille and Frantz all throwing to Villalpando. Defensive errors against a team like Hotchkiss are unaffordable. “They made us pay,” Merrifield said. Offensively the ball was hit hard, it just happened to be directly at a Bulldog each and every time.

Trapper Merrifield started on the mound for game two, with Phelan, Cole Rogers and Josh Murphy all pitching to Villalpando.

“It was just one of those days where they hit the ball where we weren't and we hit at them,” said Merrifield.

Rangely travels to Meeker Thursday, May 10 at 4 p.m. for district play at Paintbrush Park. This is a must win game for the Cowboys in order to play Paonia, the second seed, in the district tournament. Districts will be hosted by Olathe High School on Saturday, May 12. The district tournament begins at 10 a.m. with game one between No. 1 vs. No. 4/5, game two at 12 p.m. between No. 2 vs No. 3/6, and the title game at 2 p.m. The state tournament is in Pueblo, Colo., May 19.

RHS soccer season ends

Special to the Herald Times

RANGELY I The spring season is so short that it is hard to believe that it has come to an end. All the Rangely High School soccer girls worked hard throughout the season to learn a sport that almost all of them had never played. Freshmen through seniors came out this year to try the sport for the first time and loved playing. The games did not go as planned but one thing is for sure: the girls never gave up no matter what. The team will miss

the seniors next year but are determined to work harder next season.

Each senior contributed to the team along with their knowledge of the sport: Maria Blakely, Klaire Denny, Halie Elam, Grace Kenney, Elizabeth McCann and Katelyn Brown. Sarah Connor was one of our managers this year. The team will return 11 juniors as seniors next year who will have helpful experience behind them, including Kassidiee Brown, Phalon Osborn, KK Fortunato, Marlena Miller, Skylar Thacker, Alanna Wiley, Paityn Myers, Samantha Lapp,

Aspen Rhea, Alexis Wiley and Jayde Trumbley. Also there will be four sophomores returning: Susie Gillard, Zoey Peck, Caeleigh Donovan and Andrea Knight. As with any sport came injuries, so two of our sophomores, Andrea Knight and Zoey Peck, became managers for part of the season. Two freshmen, Kacie Lapp and Meagan Ward, which contributed to the team this year. The coaching staff is excited for the returning players next year and for any new girls who would like to come out to play soccer next season.

SIGNED ...



After four years of competing for Rangely High School in cross country, basketball and track, Patrick Scoggins has signed to run for Colorado State University-Pueblo. Scoggins will be joining an up and coming NCAA Division II cross country/track and field force in Pueblo, joining several All-Americans and an 800-meter national champion as he continues his running career. CSU-Pueblo's track and field coach Matt Morris said, “We are excited to have Patrick on board, he is going to help us out right away.” Scoggins is looking forward to continuing his academic and athletic careers as a ThunderWolf next fall.



Before the start of the annual Casey Turner Memorial youth wrestling tournament last Saturday, Meeker coach Carl Padilla spoke of the camaraderie wrestling creates and introduced the referees as examples of giving back to the sport. Meeker's Tyler Ilgen was a four-time state qualifier and lost in the state finals to Paonia's Trevor Smith, who was in Meeker to referee next to his friend, along with meeker state runner-up Jacob Pelloni, Fowler state champion Brandon ?? who is now a program director for ERBM, former state qualifier Nick Smith, Barone Middle School coach Todd Morris and Meeker High School wrestler Kesston Hobbs.



Several members of the Meeker High School girls' basketball team and their coach were recently honored by the Western Slope League. Megan Shelton, Kenzie Turner, Tori Lasker, Gracie Bradfield and Julia Dinwiddie were all named to the WSL All-Conference team (Turner was honorably mentioned) and their coach Jamie Rogers was named the Coach of the Year. The lady Cowboys, who finished second in the WSL, second in the district and second in the state-qualifying regional tournament, will return all of their all-conference players to next year's team.

Panthers fly through league meet

Team preps for last regular week of the season; one meet left to qualify for state

By PATRICK SCOGGINS
Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER | The RHS track and field team spent May 4-5 at 2A's toughest league meet, racing, jumping, and throwing against the likes of quadruple league champs Cedaredge and quintuple state champions Paonia. With a two-day format, many events had prelims Friday and finals on Saturday, and despite the stiff competition, the Panthers had several athletes make finals.

On Friday, the freshman duo of Gabe Polley and Phillip Noyes competed hard in the 100-meter dash, 200-meter dash, long jump and high jump. While neither were able to get into finals, Polley saw new personal bests in the 100 dash and long jump while Noyes ran a personal best in the 200 dash.

Ana Forbes and Kaylee Mecham joined the Panthers on the track Friday, both running personal bests in the 100 dash. Elena Forbes ran the 100 dash as well in personal best fashion along with throwing the discus 80 feet 2 inches.

Marshall Webber was having a terrific day of prelims, running a strong 110-meter high hurdles. Going through the 300-meter hurdles, Webber was leading the way by several meters until he hit a hurdle and went down hard. Webber ended up sitting the rest of the weekend out in order to heal and rest for the next meet. Patrick Scoggins ran the 400-meter dash prelims in 52.12 seconds, qualifying for finals with the fastest qualifying time. Later, Scoggins defended his 800-meter title with a win in 1:59.93.

The lady Panthers distance crew of RaeLynn Norman and Chloe Filfred competed well in Friday's heat. Norman cut 30 seconds off of her previous best in the 3,200-meter run, taking third in 12:58.71. Filfred

ran a new personal best as well in the 800-meter run, finishing in 3:05.25.

Austin Ficken and McKenzie Cochran continued to lead the Panther throwers over the weekend. With each day hosting a different throwing event, the throwers were able to really focus in on their event for the day. Ficken won the Western Slope League discus title with a throw of 136-00 then finished third in the shot put in 43-01.5. Cochran finished fifth and sixth in discus (106-07) and shot put (31-00.75), respectively. Riley Boydston got into finals with a personal best throw of 119-00 in the discus, placing eighth as well as taking 12th in the shot put. Miekka Peck just missed finals in the discus, finishing in 10th with a throw of 89-06. Peck also placed 12th in the shot put. Breanna Davis threw the shot put 30-01.50 for an eighth place finish in finals. Brady Bertoch threw as well as running a new personal best in the 100 dash.

While Saturday was even hotter than Friday, the Panthers continued to improve and compete for top spots in the finals. While the throwers started the day off with their performances, Patrick Scoggins was the first runner on the track with the 400 dash finals. Scoggins won the race in 50.69, more than two seconds ahead of the second place finisher.

RaeLynn Norman and Chloe Filfred ended the weekend for the Panthers, competing in the 1,600-meter run. Filfred ran a new personal best of 7:01.76, while Norman pressed herself into a fifth place finish with a time of 6:05.23.

The weekend proved very successful for the RHS track and field team, as all of their hard work started to really show. This upcoming Saturday, the Panthers will be traveling to compete on Grand Valley's new track with one last chance to qualify for state.



MATT SCOGGINS PHOTO



COURTESY PHOTO

(Top) Rangely's Marshall Webber still had a smile and thumbs up even after hitting a hurdle and taking a spill.

(Bottom) Austin Ficken took the win in the discus with a 136 foot throw and nabbed third in shot put. He threw 43 ft. 1 in at the Grand Junction league meet.

HOPS ...



Barone Middle School's Jayden Overton clears a hurdle in lane four, Emma Luce in lane three and Autumn Hobbs in lane one. These seventh grade hurdlers placed second, first and third respectively in the 100-meter hurdles at the Little Snake River track meet in Baggs, Wyo., May 4. This was successful meet following a week of uncooperative weather during practice. "The conditions at the meet Friday were nearly ideal," said coach Marty Casey. He went on to say, "We had some excellent performances, across all divisions, against some great competition." The success was deep with 12 girls placing and 20 boys taking home ribbons.

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Prepare for wildfires now

Special to the Herald Times

RBC I With wildfires burning homes and causing evacuations throughout Colorado already this season—in addition to statewide snowpack levels being below normal—the Colorado State Forest Service (CSFS) wants to remind homeowners living in the wildland-urban interface to prepare for wildfires before they arrive.

While there is no guarantee firefighters will be able to save a home from a wildfire, the odds increase if homeowners and communities take proactive steps to reduce their fire risk, says Lisa Mason, CSFS forestry education specialist.

“Fire risk reduction efforts are much more effective when neighbors work together to reduce hazardous fuels around their homes and throughout the community,” Mason

said. “Remember that addressing wildfire risk is not a one-time effort and that flammable vegetation grows back over time,” Mason said.

For more information and resources on protecting homes and communities from wildfire, including how to become a Firewise Community, visit csfs.colostate.edu/wildfire-mitigation or call a local CSFS field office.

- Remove all flammable vegetation within at least 15 feet of any part of a home or other structure, including decks.

- Reduce the density of standing trees within 100-200 feet of all structures.

- Ensure adequate access for fire and emergency equipment and be sure that the house number is easily visible to emergency responders.

- Keep grasses and weeds surrounding the home mowed to a height of less than six inches, through regular maintenance.

- Regularly clear pine needles and leaves from gutters and decks, and trim overhanging branches.

- Stack firewood and locate propane tanks at least 30 feet from and uphill of structures.

- Have an evacuation plan and a designated meeting place that all family members are familiar with.

- Prepare a “grab and go” disaster kit with necessary family/pet items including important documents/photos, clothing, medications, food/water, phone charger, etc. so you are ready for immediate departure.

- Contact your county sheriff’s office to ensure your phone number appears in Reverse 911 or other emergency notification database.

CDOT Encourages Drivers to ‘Get Turned On’

Special to the Herald Times

RBC I Are you turned on? It’s the question CDOT is asking motorists in a new safety campaign to reduce distracted driving. The campaign urges drivers to turn on the Do Not Disturb While Driving feature on their iPhones and to download other apps to prevent incoming distractions.

View the campaign messages at: bit.ly/CDOTGetTurnedOn or bit.ly/CDOTGetTurnedOnVideos

“Distracted driving is a serious issue in Colorado,” said Darrell Lingk, Director of the CDOT’s Office of Transportation Safety. “Drivers acknowledge that it’s a problem, but like any bad habit, it’s difficult to change. We’re hoping Coloradans assume personal responsibility for the issue and take action to prevent this dangerous driving behavior.”

Many phone manufacturers are including built-in functionality that limits phone use while driving. CDOT’s campaign aims to raise awareness about these features so more people turn on Do Not Disturb While Driving.

Through online video ads, gas station TVs and digital ads airing

across Colorado, CDOT’s Get Turned On campaign shows where to find the Do Not Disturb While Driving setting on an iPhone and how to enable it. When activated, Do Not Disturb While Driving will mute incoming text messages, phone calls and notifications. For text messages, there is an option to send an automatic reply to your contacts that tells them you’re driving and will respond later. In an emergency, a person who tries to contact you via text can write “urgent” to push the message through.

“These tools are great because they eliminate the temptation to glance over at notifications,” said Sam Cole, CDOT Communications Manager. “Breaking the impulse to grab your phone behind the wheel can be tough, but you don’t have to rely solely on self-control. Turn on Do Not Disturb While Driving once and those distractions will be eliminated.”

In a 2017 CDOT survey:

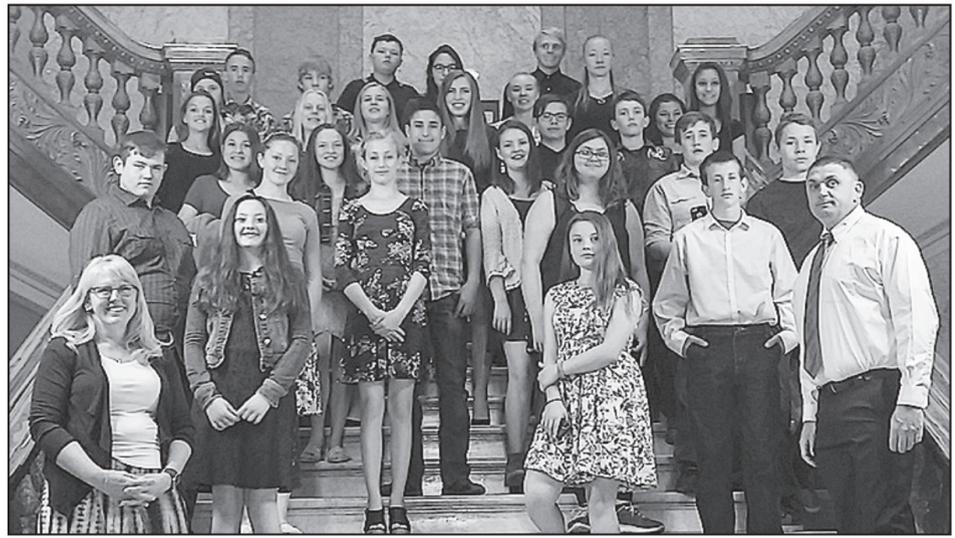
- 89 percent reported driving distracted in the last week
- 40 percent admitted to reading a text while driving
- 25 percent said they had sent a text

Once the setting has been turned on, your phone will automatically activate Do Not Disturb While Driving mode when it connects to your car’s Bluetooth or when the phone detects the vehicle is in motion, or users can turn the setting on manually.

CDOT’s campaign also features victims of distracted driving sharing their stories. Robye Nothnagel is one of those victims. Her life was changed in February of 2017 when a driver who was texting struck Robye as she was using a crosswalk – breaking her pelvis in four places and shattering her tibia. “Because she was texting, she didn’t see me until I hit her windshield,” Nothnagel recalls. “It was a second and my life changed, drastically.” View Robye’s video at: youtu.be/xThPOPODX9w

In 2017, a new law increased a first distracted driving offense from a \$50 fine and one point to a \$300 fine and four points.

CDOT offers a variety of resources and app suggestions on its website to help Coloradans become distraction-free drivers, no matter what type of phone they use. For more information about distracted driving in Colorado, visit distraction.codot.gov.



Rangely eighth graders visit Denver

Special to the Herald Times

RANGELY I The Rangely eighth grade class of 2022 journeyed to Denver last week, leaving Sunday and returning late Tuesday.

The class had the opportunity to meet Representative Bob Rankin and sit on the House Floor on Monday. During the session, the Colorado Auctioneers Association auctioned off a Colorado flag that had flown over the capitol building. Representative Rankin won the bid then preceded to present the flag to the eighth graders. After the session,

the class was given a tour of the capitol building, where they were privileged with being allowed to go up to the dome and enjoy the amazing view and weather of Denver.

Following the tour, the class ate lunch in a park, then headed to the History Colorado Museum. While in the museum, eighth graders were given the chance to experience the effects of a dust storm (without all the dust), see an exhibit on the Denver Bears, and many other hands-on experiences. Later that day, the class went to the Denver Art Museum, where they got to see

a plethora of different art and create some of their own.

Monday night the eighth graders spent time at the 16th Street Mall. The class rode the train all the way to the Millennium Bridge then walked back to The Cheesecake Factory for dinner.

Tuesday morning the class journeyed through the Denver Zoo before finishing their trip off at the Denver Museum of Nature and Science. The museum had two special exhibits that the students could choose to see, the Dead Sea Scrolls or the Planetarium.

Douglas Pass construction through August

Special to the Herald Times

RBC I The Colorado Department of Transportation began a project on CO 139 on the south side (Garfield County) of Douglas Pass on April 30, with an anticipated completion date of mid-August. The work, contracted to United Companies for \$4.8 million, repairs, resurfaces and replaces guardrail along 12 miles between mile point (MP) 19 at the southern base of the pass and MP 31, about three miles south of the summit.

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Motorists are urged to avoid distractions when driving through the work zone and to go Slow for the Cone Zone!

STAY CONNECTED

Those interested in staying up to date on the project and work schedule can do so by visiting the project web site at www.codot.gov/projects/co-139-douglas-pass. The project public information line is 970-623-6651 and the email address is col39douglaspass@gmail.com.



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Young hunters benefit from CPW Outreach Program

Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER I On a snowy, blustery weekend in early April, six young turkey hunters and their mentors huddled quietly on pristine private land on the outskirts of Meeker, scanning the terrain intently, hoping to catch a glimpse of their elusive quarry. Participating in the first turkey hunt of their lives, the youngsters battled the frigid air and their own nervous excitement as they listened to whispered suggestions and tips from their expert advisors.

When at last a turkey came into view, each novice carefully shouldered their borrowed shotguns, remembering to follow the hard-and-fast rules of firearm safety as they gently squeezed the trigger, hoping their aim was true as the echo of the gun's report receded across the landscape.

"Every kid took a turkey home for their family's dinner table this year, and you should have seen the smiles on their faces," said District Wildlife Officer Bailey Franklin of Meeker. "But, we consider bagging a turkey to be a bonus. In keeping with the goals of Colorado Parks and Wildlife's Hunter Outreach Program, we focus on education, ethics and safety, and I have to say we accomplished our mission again this year."

Franklin, along with his fellow officers and several volunteers, leads the annual hunt—held in honor of CPW Wildlife Officer Jon Wangnild

of Meeker who died in 2013. Each hunting expert provides the critical mentorship novice hunters need to participate in a safe and ethical manner.

"All of these kids have dreamed of hunting but couldn't for a variety of reasons, primarily because they did not have anyone to show them how," said Franklin. "Because of the expert advice provided by CPW, and the hard work, dedication and generosity of many locals, these young hunters now have experience and knowledge. Most of these kids can now hunt safely on their own and maybe become mentors themselves in the future."

CPW officials say in addition to being one of Colorado's most treasured traditions and critical for the successful management of the state's wildlife—hunting encourages youth to maintain a healthy lifestyle with responsible outdoor activities as a priority.

After completing the required application, including a 500-word essay, CPW selected Oliver Holmes (10) from Meeker, Cooper Arnold (10) from Meeker, Casey Brink (12) from Meeker, Reed Goedert (12) from Meeker, Ainsley Selle (12) from Meeker and Reilly Seward (12) from Gunnison.

Prior to the hunt, each novice participated in a half-day orientation learning about the safe use of firearms, turkey biology and hunting tactics. Once in the field, they practiced scouting, tracking and how to spot

the telltale signs of turkey activity.

For sponsoring CPW's youth outreach program and for allowing access to their private lands, Franklin expressed appreciation and thanks to several local landowners, including the Jensen Family Ranch, Rocky and Sparky Pappas, Clark White River Ranch, Seven Lakes Lodge, M/R - K/K and Miller Creek Ranches, Mike Fritzler, Pete Swenson, Slash EV Ranch, Scott Casto, Jim Goff, LK Ranch, Lonnie and Todd Shults, James Ritchie, Chad and Eleanor Carter.

In addition, CPW credited three local citizens, Travis Flaherty, Tom Hazelton and Dusty Allen for volunteering their time and

equipment, advising three of the young hunters and supporting CPW's Hunter Outreach Program.

"We are very grateful we have solid partners that believe in what we are doing," said Franklin. "They are actively involved in helping instill a love of the outdoors and hunting in our future generation, and that benefits everyone."

Landowners or volunteers interested in supporting CPW's youth hunting programs in Northwest Colorado are encouraged to call Colorado Parks and Wildlife's Meeker office at 970-878-6090.

For more information about hunting in Colorado, visit the CPW website.

RANGELY COUNCIL:

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that followed Rangely Mayor Andy Shaffer provided a letter to McCallin in support of President Granger and his work at CNCC.

"Since President Granger came to Rangely, we have seen new zeal and heartfelt devotion to establishing CNCC's programs and innovative, quality education opportunities." The letter continued on to say, "We have been playing close attention since President Granger arrived and we want to commend his leadership and thank him for his eager involvement in our community."

■ TOWN UPDATES

Council member Andy Key updated the board on what's going on with the Associated Governments of Northwest Colorado. Key said the Dinosaur National Monument Welcome Center visits are up from this time last year. AGNC recently decided to support the Fair District Initiative. In previous discussions the council was concerned that the rules which regulate gifting to public officials would not apply to judges appointed in the redistricting process. The initiative has since added in

language to hold those judges to the same standard.

Don Reed with the utilities department said they are looking into developing the capability to complete state-mandated water testing in-house to "save a great deal of money." Reed also addressed questions about his department considering the use of chemicals to help with the White River algae problem. According to Reed, the company ATS would like to see Rangely participate in a pilot program to study their new chemicals which may treat the algae and reduce all total organic carbon in the water. Town Manager Peter Brixius said the Meeker Town Council would like to hold a joint meeting on June 14. He also said the town is working on an intergovernmental agreement with the county building department to share building inspectors.

The council approved a resolution increasing the town's participation level in the Main Street Program. The new level will provide more access to grant funding and specialized support services.

The board unanimously approved appointing Keely Winger to the RDA/RDC boards.

RBC DAYS GONE BY

The Meeker Herald — 100 years ago

■ The press is not all powerful, but it is a power to be reckoned with. For the past few weeks the Herald has been urging taxpayers in the Meeker school district to wake up and take an interest in the school election of last Monday; and the result was a good outpouring of citizens interested in better school privileges for Meeker. Continue to be interested in school matters.

■ P.F. Welsh, a Meeker pioneer and for many years a resident of this place, but who, for several years past, has been prominently identified with the wonderful oil development of Wyoming, spent a few days in town latter part of last week.

The Meeker Herald — 50 years ago

■ Fire destroyed a barn, a grainery, 300 tons of baled hay, 60 tons of feed concentrate and a pickup and damaged a house at the B.P. Franklin Hereford ranch east of Meeker late Saturday. In addition, five registered bulls were killed.

■ Phillip A. Jensen, Jr. who will graduate with highest honors in his class of 54 at Meeker High School has accepted an appointment to the U.S. Military Academy at West Point.

The Meeker Herald — 25 years ago

■ Meeker senior Jim Michels finished fourth in the state track tournament with a time of 16.04 in the 110-meter finals.

Rangely Times — 50 years ago

■ Governor John Love presented Colorado State Patrolman James Johnson the 1968 Governor's trophy for making the high score in the State Patrol FBI Practical Pistol Course.

■ Bernard Yaeger, mayor of Rangely, is a man with a rather enviable title. He is a "Man with 40,000 Sweethearts." It's official, too. At a meeting of the Theta Epsilon Zeta chapter of Epsilon Sigma Alpha, Yaeger received a colorful wall plaque proclaiming him to have just such a following of admirers.

Rangely Times — 25 years ago

■ Roxie Long's friends are all headed to Nashville, one is even in a Bellamy Brothers video called "Hard, Hard Way." Amy Walsh, niece of James and Vicki Claybaugh, appears in the audience.

Don't lose sight of

Glaucoma

Information for people at risk

1 What is glaucoma?

Glaucoma is a group of diseases that can harm the optic nerve and cause vision loss or blindness. The optic nerve is a bundle of nerves that carry messages from the eye to the brain. The most common form of glaucoma is primary open-angle, which this informational flyer is about.

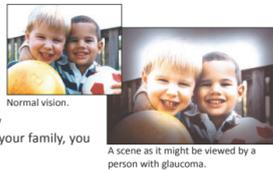


2 What causes glaucoma?

At the front of the eye, there is a small space where clear fluid flows in and out. This clear fluid feeds nearby eye tissue. When the clear fluid flows too slowly, it creates pressure on the optic nerve. This pressure can harm the optic nerve and cause glaucoma and vision loss.

3 Who is most likely to get glaucoma?

Anyone can get glaucoma, but some people have a higher chance of getting it. People who have a higher chance are African Americans over the age of 40 and anyone over the age of 60 (especially Mexican Americans). If glaucoma runs in your family, you also have a higher chance of getting it.



4 What are the symptoms of glaucoma?

In its early stages, many times there are no symptoms or pain. As glaucoma gets worse, you may slowly lose your side vision. If it remains untreated, you may miss objects to the side and out of the corner of your eye. It is like looking through a tunnel. Over time, straight-ahead vision may decrease until no vision remains.

5 How do you know if you have glaucoma?

An eye care professional can tell if you have glaucoma by giving you a comprehensive dilated eye exam. During the exam, drops are placed in your eyes to widen, or dilate, the pupils. Then a special lens is used to look at the optic nerve for damage. After the exam, your close-up vision may be blurry for a period of hours. You may also have a visual field test to check for changes in your side vision.

6 How can glaucoma be treated?

Glaucoma cannot be cured, but it can be treated to keep it from getting worse. Catching it early is key to protecting your vision. Eye drops and medicine can help your eyes make less fluid or can help drain the fluid from the eye properly. Laser surgery can also make it easier for fluid to leave the eye. Regular surgery can make a new space where the fluid can drain.

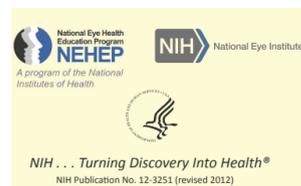
7 What can you do to protect your vision?

Get a comprehensive dilated eye exam at least once every two years. This is more important if you are African American over age 40; are over age 60, especially if you are Mexican American; or have a family history of glaucoma. Finding and treating glaucoma early can help keep the disease from getting worse and reduce your risk of vision loss.

Medicare will help pay for an annual dilated eye exam for some people at high risk for glaucoma. This includes people with diabetes, people with a family history of glaucoma, and African Americans age 50 and older.

For more information, visit <http://nei.nih.gov/glaucoma>

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Seven members of the Glenwood Art Guild, founded in 1962, traveled to Meeker for a week of plein air painting. For the last 30 years or so, guild members have taking a six-night trip every year to different locations around Colorado and the United States. On Friday they painted at the cemetery, and on Saturday they headed out to the Coal Creek Schoolhouse. Portia Griefenberg of Glenwood Springs works on an oil painting of the schoolhouse from the back of her car. After painting during the day, the group critiques each other's work and socializes. Since 1962, the Glenwood Art Guild, which was responsible for the very popular Glenwood Art Show for many years, has given \$250,000 in scholarships and donations to schools in the Roaring Fork Valley.



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Meeker High School awards students at 2018 assembly

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MEEKER I Attending last week's Meeker High School awards assembly was most rewarding, and even entertaining at times. For example, at the point where Principal Amy Chinn was describing the criteria for the faculty-selected dependability award, she explained that it goes to a senior based on good attendance, punctuality, honesty, dependability, cooperation and sincerity, responsibility, willingness and initiative. Chinn announced the winner this year was Lauren Urista, but guess what? Lauren was absent, reportedly off helping her dad drive the Sombbrero horses in preparation for making it through Maybell on the weekend. Certainly her father would attest to her dependability.

Senior Sierra Williams certainly seemed like the most awarded senior ever. First off, she was awarded the Steve Westhoff \$1,000 scholarship from Schmueser Gordon Meyer engineers. She is one of five among 19 applicants across Western Colorado to win the Westhoff award.

Westhoff was a beloved and inspirational SGM employee who demonstrated a passion and enthusiasm for engineering, creativity and a commitment to service, characteristics SGM found in Williams and her four fellow winners. SGM particularly noted her strong leadership abilities and demonstrated maturity and genuine desire to give back to her community. She plans to study mechanical and electrical engineering at Brigham Young University next fall.

Williams also received recognition as a student of National Merit. The National Merit commendation goes to approximately 34,000 students nationwide who are among the top scorers of more than 1.6 million students taking the Preliminary SAT/National Merit Qualifying Test in 2016.

In addition, Williams received an Advanced Placement (AP) Scholar with Distinction award from the College Board for scoring a 3.5 or better on all AP exams, and 3 or higher on at least five exams. According to MHS principal Amy Chinn, "Williams will

have taken more than 11 AP exams, far more than any other MHS student has ever taken and passed."

Williams and fellow senior Tannen Kennedy were also recognized as U.S. Marine Corps Distinguished Athletes, selected by faculty and staff. These awards go to a boy and girl in any class who display courage, poise, self-confidence, and leadership as high school athletes.

Trapper Merrifield and Sierra Williams won the prestigious Quigg Newton Awards. These awards have been given to one senior boy and one senior girl since 1960. The awardees are selected by the high school staff based on honesty, respect for others, cooperation with fellow students and adults, good attitude toward work and activity assignments, willingness to accept and carry out responsibilities, and efforts to improve themselves and their school.

Newton was a graduate of the Yale Law School. In 1947, Newton became the first native of Denver to become its mayor. He retired as the president of the University of Colorado system in 1962. Previous winners still providing support and leadership in the community include Meeker Board of Education members Laurie Whiteman (Simonsen) and Davey Smith, Principal Amy Joy (Chinn), language arts teacher Kathleen Sullivan (Kelley), district wildlife manager Bailey Franklin, concrete supplier owner/operator and fresh flowers entrepreneur Katie Conrado, CNCC administrator Kelly Moyer (Scott), next week's Honor Society Induction speaker and former elementary school librarian Kay Barney (Bivens), retired lawyer and past president of the RBC historical society Jim Brown, BLM realty specialist Stacey Whitaker (Burke), and those first recipients in 1960, Diane Franklin (Dunham) and Forrest Nelson."

Briana Williams, music instructor, presented Macy Collins with the Meeker Cowboy Musician of the Year award which goes to an upper-class student who is a leader in music and participates in both band and choir. She awarded Shelby Steele the band

parents' scholarship for \$500, raised by the parents, which goes to a senior who has been in the band for four years, has a minimum grade point average of 3.0, and is in the top 25 percent of their class.

For the 11th year, Margie Joy, Pioneers Medical Center (PMC) and the Pioneers Healthcare Foundation (PHF), thanked the assembly for including PMC stating that this was absolutely the best part of her job. She announced Natalie Simonsen and Sember Leatham were the winners of \$500 each, for nursing at the University of Wyoming and pursuit of an MD via Brigham Young University, respectively. Trapper Merrifield received the \$1,500 scholarship for athletic training and physical therapy—having participated in a PT internship at PMC.

White River Rural Electric Association board president Bill Jordan and public affairs coordinator Trina Zagar-Brown presented the rural electric awards. Winners of WREA \$500 one-time awards went to Cooper Meszaros, Elissa Quinteros, Madison Kummer, Jacob Pelloni, Christopher Strate, Taylor Dodds, and Abbey Morgan. Dayton Wiley won the one-time \$1,000 WREA scholarship.

Zach Dinwiddie, Natalie Simonsen, Logan Hughes and Trapper Merrifield were winners of the \$500 renewable WREA awards. Sierra Williams, Elijah Newman, and Mariela Rosas were winners of the \$1,000 renewable WREA awards.

Alicia Mobley and Macy Collins won \$500 one-time WREA and Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association awards. Sember Leatham won the \$1,000 one-time WREA and Basin Electric Power Cooperative award.

John Scott spoke for the Rio Blanco Masonic Lodge No. 80, identifying Gracie Bradford for the Masonic arts and sciences "outstanding junior" award. The winner is selected by the high school faculty based on service, citizenship, and leadership in school and community, good scholastic standing, and active participation in school and community extracurricular activities.

Cassie McGuire presented the Meeker Sportsmen's Club scholarship award of \$800 to Trapper Merrifield. McGuire explained that applicants are asked to write an essay on the importance of the Second Amendment which takes some courage in the current political environment.

Art instructor Ben Quinn announced the Scholastic Art Awards. Those who were chosen to make the very restricted submissions to the Denver Show were Kiyoko Thelen, Mikayla Cardile, and Krissie Luce. Recipient of the fourth Gold Key Award to Meeker was Jennifer Backes-Kincher and her work went on to New York City to be juried. There were over 7000 submissions to the state Scholastic Art show, only about 500 pieces get in and only 120 get Gold Key recognition. Corey Rowles was selected by Adams State University in Alamosa for a Scholastic Art Scholarship. Valentin Rosas was recognized and Riley Pertile noted for her scholarship award by Adams State.

Also receiving special art recognition for the MHS Spring Art Show were freshman Cori Mohr for her block print, sophomore Laura Gomez for her ceramics, Krissie Luce as the junior class standout and Kiyoko Thelen as the senior standout. Overall Grand Champion named was Christopher Strate. Also receiving special art recognition were Cori Mohr for her block print, Laura Gomez for her ceramics, Krissie Luce as the junior class standout and Kiyoko Thelen as the senior standout. Overall Grand Champion named was Christopher Strate.

Principal Chinn spoke for language arts instructor Cheri Robinson in announcing the creative writing awards. Robinson waxed eloquently that, "words can paint joy and passion on paper." Winners of her superior skill in complicated storylines were Lorena Martinez; story images, Kirsten Brown; novel writing, Charles Curry; outdoor life stories, Codee Woodward; story illustrations, Laura Lema Gomez, science fiction stories, Macy Collins; and verbal stories, Reese Harvey.

MHS vocational agriculture instructor Denee Chintala presented the FFA awards. She described FFA as a co-curricular activity in partnership with a national organization that promotes premier leadership, personal growth, and career success. Not only does it focus on the future farmers and ranchers of America, but it promotes the modern agriculturalists who work with beakers, are speakers, and are future job seekers. Strong traditions held for nearly 90 years, all the way from the well-known corduroy blue jackets to the infamous FFA Creed written by E.M. Tiffany, hold sway over many competitive events that provide FFA members with opportu-

nities to expand their knowledge and skill for agriculture and other future careers. The following students, with their awards and specific event, put forth the time and effort to go for gold at State Career Development Events, held April 29-May 1 at the Fort Collins CSU Campus: the Bronze Team in Farm Business Management—Kiersten Dent, Brandon Lozano, Dayton Willey and Codee Woodward; Mary Baylie-Silver-Floriculture; the Silver Team in Milk Spitting—Kenzie Turner-Silver, Kale Burke—Silver, Pake Burke-Bronze; Silver Team in Vet Science—Jeni Kincher-Gold, Emily Beene-Silver, Madison Kindler-Bronze, and Kylee Bradford; Madelyn Medlin-Bronze-Horse Judging; Silver Team in Ag Mechanics—Tevin Pelloni-Gold, Charlie Day-Silver, Jake Shelton, and Colby Shelton; and the Silver Team in Livestock Evaluation—Macy Collins, who will be receiving a scholarship from the Animal Science Department at CSU and was second highest overall in livestock evaluation out of 179 competitors, and Jilly Bumgardner-Silver.

"I believe in the future of agriculture..." These are the words that begin this entrance creed which every Introduction to Agriculture FFA student must memorize, recite, and fully understand. This daunting task is the first step in becoming a true FFA member. This year, the top 10 Meeker students advanced to the local Creed Contest. From there, the top two winners advanced to the district Creed Speaking event in DeBeque in November. Our winners did well: Kirsten Brown-Gold and Marryn Shults-Silver.

Chintala re-emphasized that FFA is not only about cows, plows, and sows, but also about future leaders and developing qualities of guidance. In March, the Meeker FFA Chapter hosted Leadership Development Events for our district and a few of our students competed in events to work on their skills as future networkers in the job field, most especially, Jazzmyn Wakefield-High Individual in Employment Skills and Nick Massey-High Individual in Extemporaneous Speaking.

Students who have gone above and beyond within their supervised agricultural experience (SAE) programs also have the ability to apply for an award area called Proficiencies. Jazy Wakefield competed against other top students in the field of Beef Production across the state. Out of the hundreds of Cattle SAEs, Jazy was within the top 20 in the state and will receive a Bronze medal for her proficiency this June in Pueblo.

Announced by counselor Kennedy, Kenzie Turner was awarded a Medal of Outstanding Achievement in Math and Science by the Colorado School of Mines. The award goes to a member of the junior class with the highest overall achievement in the areas of math and science throughout their high school career. The award includes a one-time \$1000 scholarship to the Colorado School of Mines should the recipient choose to attend Mines after graduation.

CNCC Meeker coordinator, Iris Franklin, was unable to be at this year's assembly. Counselor Kennedy spoke for her, mentioning that MHS has enjoyed a successful partnership with CNCC for more than 25 years, allowing hundreds of Meeker students to earn college credits at no additional cost while attending high school. This arrangement has saved Meeker students many thousands of dollars in higher education costs. Kennedy presented the CNCC Concurrent Enrollment Award which goes to the graduating senior who has

earned the most concurrent enrollment college credits. This year's winner is Josephine Drussell who earned 60 concurrent enrollment credits, saving her approximately \$10,000 in college tuition fees and related costs. She will graduate at the end of the month with credits equivalent to a college junior.

The one-time, \$500 CNCC Concurrent Enrollment Scholarship, awarded to a graduating senior who best participated in MHS's and CNCC's concurrent enrollment program during their time at Meeker and who plans to attend CNCC in the fall, went to Jacob Pelloni, planning to study aviation. Pelloni earned his Associate of Arts Degree from CNCC this past weekend as a result of his concurrent enrollment and online coursework, some of it during summer months.

Kennedy also presented, in Franklin's place, the annual \$500 PEO Chapter BA Vocational Scholarship to a graduating senior girl who is planning to attend an accredited two year college or vocational / technical school. Taylor Dodds, who plans to attend Dodge Community College in Dodge City, KS, studying elementary education and playing collegiate softball, is this year's winner.

The annual Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Seminar held in Denver is designed to help selected sophomores to recognize their leadership talents and apply them to become effective, ethical leaders in their home, school, workplace and community. The MHS staff selects one sophomore boy and one sophomore girl to be awarded the HOBY opportunity. The 2018 HOBY awardees are Brandon Lozano and Julia Dinwiddie. Kolbi Franklin, Jenifer Kincher and Elijah Deming were also selected as alternates and plan to attend the HOBY seminar at their own expense.

This year's Quigg Newton awardees, Sierra Williams and Trapper Merrifield, were the 2016 HOBY award winners.

The school district has put increased emphasis on better attendance the last couple years, so it was some enthusiasm that Principal Chinn shifted her attention to attendance. Indubitably, she was hoping, that at least some of her perfect attendance students had shown up on assembly day. She talks about the importance of attendance, both in school and life, and commended Meeker students overall this year for continuing to do excellent job being in school and learning.

Chinn recognized two students with perfect attendance for the past two years—sophomores Jose Garcia and Madison Kindler. Chinn noted that these two students had not missed any class periods for two years except for excused releases for school sponsored events. Six students have had perfect attendance this school year—Elijah Deming, Ethan Drake, Jose Garcia, Caleb Hall, Madison Kindler and Brandon Lozano. In addition, Shelbi Blazon Lagimoniere, Axel Lezema Rocha, Ryan Phelan and Victor Varela have had perfect attendance this second semester. Chinn believes good attendance is a sign of dedication that foretells success.

Traditionally, the MHS faculty also selects a person for the Unsung Hero Award—the unsung hero being a senior who is most helpful behind the scenes, not getting the recognition they deserve. This year's behind the scenes power winner is Avery Watt.

In closing, for academic letters, Chinn also named all the honor roll students in three categories, 41 in the honors category (3.0 to 3.49 cumulative grade point average), 33 in high

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 MEEKER: MAY 14-17, 2018	 School Lunch	 RANGELY: MAY 14-17, 2018
Chicken Tenders, Rice Pilaf, Fresh Garden Salad, Fruit Cup, Milk	MON. MAY 14	Corn Dog, French Fries, Salad Bar with Fruit, Milk/Water. JR/SR A LA CARTE: Taco Bar
Hamburger, Baked Beans, Fresh Fruit, Milk	TUES. MAY 15	Beef Macaroni, Corn, Hot Dinner Rolls, Salad Bar w/Fruit, Milk/Water. JR/SR A LA CARTE: Italian Meatball Sandwich
CHOICE DAY Hot Ham & Cheese, Steamed Pease, Fresh Fruit, Choice of Chip, Milk	WEDS. MAY 16	BBQ Pork Sandwich, Potato Chips, Salad Bar w/ Fruit, Milk/Water. JR/SR A LA CARTE: Corn Dogs
Waffles/Sausage, Tator Bars, Veggie Sticks, Fruit Juice, Maple Syrup, Milk	THURS. MAY 17	Pepperoni Pizza, Green Beans, Salad Bar w/ Fruit, Milk/Water. JR/SR A LA CARTE: Sloppy Joe Sandwich

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Last weekend 4H members gathered for the Meeker Goat and Sheep Feeder Show where junior members picked up a few pointers from the seniors and got a chance to exhibit their animals while practicing showmanship skills.

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Jacob Sloan, Kirsten Brown and Kolbi Franklin are heading to Atlanta, Ga. They will be competing at the FCLLA National Leadership Conference. The three of them competed earlier at the state conference where Kolbi earned a gold and first place in leadership, Kirsten earned a gold and first place in job interview and Jacob Sloan earned gold and second place in nutrition and wellness. Only the top two placers from each state continue to the national level.

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AWARD ASSEMBLY:

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honors (3.5 to 3.79 GPA), and 48 highest honors (3.8 to 4.0 GPA). The *Herald Times* will post these names at www.theheraldtimes.com when the list is released.

Athletic Director Klark Kindler took to the dais to carry forth on all the athletic awards. As already mentioned, Tannen Kennedy and Sierra Williams were named the U.S. Marine Corps distinguished athletes. Logan Hughes was named the Army Reserve National Scholar Athlete of the Year.

Coach Kindler recognized two students who are going on to be collegiate athletes — Logan Hughes (football, Nebraska Wesleyan University) and Taylor Dodds (softball, Dodge Community College). Kindler stated that only about 1 percent of high school athletes earn a scholarship to play at the collegiate level. He honored Hughes and Dodds for their hard work and dedication.

Kindler also introduced the Academic all-state athletic award winners: Senior all-state winners (3.6 to 4.0 GPA) were Natalie Simonsen, Sierra Williams, Elijah Newman, Logan Hughes, Trapper Merrifield, Christopher Strate and Brittney Adams. Senior honorable mentions (3.2 to 3.59 GPA) were Shelby Steele, Jacob Pelloni, Zachary Dinwiddie, Cooper Meszaros, Eowyn Larson, Taylor Dodds and Avery Watt.

Junior all-state winners (3.6 to 4.0

GPA) were Gracie Bradfield, Kale Burke, Pake Burke, Kenzie Turner, Briar Meszaros, Lila Klingsmith, Megan Shelton, Kasandra Luce, Allison Moon, Ellie Anderson, Kristin Luce, Tannen Kennedy, Michaela Jones, Sydnie Main, Luis Villalpando, Tristan Wille, and Victoria Lasker. Junior honorable mentions (3.2 to 3.59 GPA) were: CJ Wangnild, Kallie McCain, Andrew Kraft, Savana May, Sai Kallepelly, Jorgen Stagg, and Eli Hanks.

The Colorado High School Activities Association three sport athlete boys for 2017-2018 are Kale Burke, Colby Clatterbaugh, Elijah Deming, Garrett Frantz, Braydon Garcia, Kesston Hobbs, Logan Hughes, Tannen Kennedy, Andrew Kracht, Cooper Main, Doak Mantle, Trapper Merrifield, Ashiono Mohr, Jacob Pelloni, Ryan Phelan, Cole Rogers, Tevin Pelloni, Jake Shelton, Carter Strate, Luis Villalpando, Colton Wille, Ridge Williams, Brayden Woodward, Jeremy Woodward, Ashdon Seibert, Christopher Strate and Nick Massey.

Three sport athlete girls for 2017-2018 are Brittney Adams, Kirsten Brown, Julia Dinwiddie, Gracie Bradfield, Makenna Burke, Sarina Goedert, Sierra Gomez, Madison Kindler, Karlee Nielsen, Megan Shelton, Kenzie Turner, Sierra Williams, and Brynlee Williams.

Seniors Frantz, Hughes, Mantle, Merrifield, Strate and Sierra Williams

were recognized as three sports for four years award winners.

Kindler announced that the highest team GPA award, like last year, is the girls basketball team with a 3.76 GPA. Kindler pointed out that the MHS all-sports GPA this year is 3.42 while the non-sports GPA is 2.79. Kindler stated that the school's goal is to support academic success for all students and to provide opportunities for experiences outside the students' comfort zones, taking healthy and appropriate risks in the classroom, fields, and stages while also taking full responsibility for their outcomes.

The girls on this winning GPA high school basketball team were: Brittney Adams, Ellie Anderson, Kelsay Atchley, Bentlee Barry, Aliya Bowdoin, Gracie Bradfield, Kirsten Brown, Matilda Brown, Makenna Burke, Julia Dinwiddie, Sarina Goedert, Sierra Gomez, Madison Kindler, Victoria Lasker, Karlee Nielsen, Riley Pertile, Hailey Scott, Megan Shelton, Marrayn Shults, Kenzie Turner and Sierra Williams.

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- 13. _____ tower
- 14. Holstein sound
- 15. Liable to cry
- 16. Was rebroadcasted
- 17. Pilot's deadline
- 18. Packers QB
- 19. *Where ATMs have instructions in Latin
- 21. Army bathroom
- 23. Surf turf
- 24. "At _____, soldier!"
- 25. Pat
- 28. University head

- 30. Pre-wedding agreement
- 35. Caspian Sea river
- 37. Like the fairy tale duckling
- 39. Pore in a leaf
- 40. Hindu Mr.
- 41. Intrudes
- 43. Month before Nisan
- 44. Perpendicular to the keel
- 46. "Pronto!"
- 47. Highway hauler
- 48. Magazine collection
- 50. Bike maker
- 52. Bro's counterpart
- 53. Start of a conclusion
- 55. Look through a scope
- 57. *Popular all-inclusive location, pl.
- 61. *Where to visit "the happiest place on Earth"
- 65. Yodel's holler

- 66. Crematorium jar
- 68. Dip a _____ the water
- 69. General direction
- 70. Be indisposed
- 71. Jagged
- 72. Trees on Freddy Krueger's street
- 73. Spade for stony ground
- 74. Roller derby turf, pl.

DOWN

- 1. Type of nuclear missile
- 2. Eye layer
- 3. Legal wrong
- 4. *Orient Express, e.g.
- 5. On the same page
- 6. Echoed by the flock
- 7. Chronic drinker
- 8. *Down Under marsupial
- 9. Scorch
- 10. _____ wig or _____ winkle
- 11. *Middle name of Shakespeare's hometown
- 12. Unit of force
- 15. *Taking the _____, or going to Baden-Baden
- 20. Consumed
- 22. Pharaoh's cobra
- 24. Joins the military
- 25. *Location of world's tallest building
- 26. Omani and Yemeni
- 27. "_____ in Toyland"
- 29. *Where to see Taj Mahal
- 31. #17 Across, pl.
- 32. Source of lymphocytes, pl.
- 33. Savory sensation
- 34. *Chunnel ride from London
- 36. *Party in Maui
- 38. *Sydney Harbour is one of

- first to ring in the new one
- 42. Ancient fishing tool
- 45. Modus operandi
- 49. Female pronoun
- 51. In working order
- 54. Run-of-the-mill
- 56. Native New Zealander
- 57. Memory unit
- 58. Nobleman's title
- 59. Throat-clearing sound
- 60. Flipside of pros
- 61. Unrivaled
- 62. *Vegas light
- 63. Floppy storage
- 64. Change for a five
- 67. *Home to Christ the Redeemer

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Happy Mother's Day

Motherly Sayings

Moms love us, care for us and protect us just because we are *theirs*. Mothers are so important that we often use the word "Mother" in our language to mean a thing that is *like* a "Mother"- the **first** thing we know, the **beginning** or even the **best** of something.

Match these "Motherly" sayings to their meanings:

- 1. Mother lode
- 2. Motherland
- 3. Queen Mother
- 4. Mother Tongue
- 5. Motherboard
- 6. Mother Nature
- 7. Necessity is the mother of invention
- 8. Mother of all

- A. connects all parts of a computer
- B. spirit of outdoors, takes care of lands, weather and living things
- C. idea that, when people need things, they design something to help; ex. a washing machine to do laundry
- D. title given to mother of king
- E. home to a group of people who share ways of life; ex. China for the Chinese people
- F. main supply; when miners found gold or silver they would use these two words to talk about the place where gold or silver first came from
- G. the first language someone learns from birth
- H. the biggest and best

On Mother's Day:

- _____ are shared in cards, letters or phone calls.
- we _____ Moms, Grandmothers or even special aunts.
- a _____ may go to church services, on picnics or on walks.
- we may give Mom flowers, a necklace or other small _____.
- we can show we care by making breakfast, framing family photos or by thinking up other _____.
- the second Sunday in _____, we celebrate all that our Moms mean to us.

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- = Modesty
- = Wisdom
- = True Love
- = Beauty
- = Thoughts
- = Happy Again
- = Love

Flower Talk

Dear Mom,

We _____ you very much. Your _____,

_____ and _____

make you the best Mom in the world! A Mom's gift to her kids is her wonderful, _____ . Every _____ time we think of you, we feel _____ . You're always in our _____ .

From the Garden!

Yeah, yeah, I'm **really** good at digging. Last year I helped Mom plant this kind of flower. This spring I'm going to help without being crabby about it.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

PAYROLL ACCOUNTS PAYABLE
TOWN OF MEEKER
4/30/2018 Disbursements

GENERAL FUND
Town of Meeker, Total Payroll, \$47,780.32
M Spangler, Hiring Incentive, \$1,322.21
E Thompson, Hiring Incentive, \$2,644.54
CCOERA, PD Empl. Retirement, \$540.00
Town of Meeker, Federal Withholding, \$123.00
Town of Meeker, State Withholding, \$75.00
Town of Meeker, Medicare Withholding, \$130.50
CCOERA, Employee Retirement - PD, \$3,179.84
CCOERA, Employee Retirement, \$5,985.96
CCOERA, Employee Loan Payments, \$1,004.76
CEBT, Health, Dental, Vision & Life Ins., \$19,342.35
Employee Withholding, Federal Withholding, \$4,310.49
Employee Withholding, State Withholding, \$1,781.58
Employee Withholding, Medicare Withholding, \$1,845.32
Employee Withholding, Social Security Withholding, \$4,575.00
Meeker Human Resource Council, Employee Donation, \$26.50
Standard Insurance Company, Life/AD&D Insurance, \$974.67
Washington National In. Co., Cancer Insurance,

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\$152.54
Petty Cash, Election, \$113.01
Adams, Thelma, Election Judge, \$120.00
All Copy Products, Copier Lease, \$831.22
Ary, Marilyn, Election Judge, \$124.00
Atmos, Gas / Bldg., \$308.17
Atmos, Natural Gas, \$542.05
Blanke, Bernice, Election Judge, \$120.00
CACP, Mem. Renewal / PD, \$187.50
Century Link, Phone Svc., \$433.43
Colo. Dept. of AG, Weed Lic./Squire, \$100.00
Colo. Dept. of AG, Supervise Lic./Kiduff, \$100.00
Eagle River Waste, Trash Svc., \$154.00
ERBM Recreation & Park Dist., Trails / China Wall Partnership Funds, \$10,000.00
Excel Fire Protection, Fire Exting. Serviced, \$1,250.51
Foxz Creative, Web Hosting, \$105.00
Gall's, Uniforms / PD, \$318.00
Herald Times, Legal Publications, \$351.02
Jackson's, Office Supplies, \$52.44
Jean's Printing, Code Enforce.Mailing / CD, \$265.77
Lexipol, Yearly Sub. / PD, \$3,515.00
Mazzola, Cheryl, Election Canvasser, \$20.00
McGuire Auto, Misc. Supplies / Shop, \$560.48
Meeker Auto, Shocks / CD Trk, \$449.98
Meeker Embroidery, Patches / PD, \$37.00

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Mountain Cross Engin., Window Bid / Bldg., \$1,705.00
Mountain Cross Engin., St. Project Engin., \$3,677.59
MVB Visa, Gifts, Holster, Earpiece, \$1,018.26
Networking of the Rockies, 1 yr. Re. Office 365, \$5,500.00
Networking of the Rockies, New Back up Server, \$3,875.00
Networking of The Rockies, Update & Security, \$525.00
Noble, Laurie Atty., MC Judge Svc., Travel, \$405.00
Northwest Auto, Tire Repairs /Loader, \$534.52
ODB, Sprocket for Broom, \$694.89
Olszewski, Massih & Maurer P.C., Legal Fees, \$4,128.00
Overton Recycling, Recycling Svc., \$2,916.67
Pitney Bowes, Postage Meter Rental, \$40.74
Positive Promotions, Red Ribbon Supplies / PD, \$650.29
R & G Associates, Planning Services, \$1,927.50
RBC Fire Dist., Fireworks Donation, \$1,500.00
RBC Fleet, April Fuel, \$1,374.91
RBC Sheriff's Office, 2nd Qtr. Dispatch, \$9,125.00
Rocky Mtn. Reserve, Health Reserve Mo. Claims, \$1,336.18
Rocky Mtn. Reserve, Admin Fee, \$59.95
Strata Networks, Internet, \$89.58

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Union Telephone, Cell Phone Svc., \$474.44
Watt's, Dog Treats / AC, \$49.34
White River Dist., Water Cooler Rental, \$71.25
White River Elec., Electricity, \$1,882.33
Total General Fund: \$159,414.60

WATER FUND
Town of Meeker, Total Payroll, \$12,739.59
CCOERA, Employee Retirement, \$2,484.08
CCOERA, Employee Loans, \$1,245.54
CEBT, Health, Dental, Vision & Life Ins., \$5,891.20
Employee Withholding, Social Security Withholding, \$2,396.34
Employee Withholding, Medicare Withholding, \$560.46
Employee Withholding, Federal Withholding, \$1,465.98
Employee Withholding, State Withholding, \$800.42
Meeker Human Resource Council, Employee Donation, \$18.50
Standard Insurance Company, Life/AD&D Insurance, \$308.76
Washington National Ins. Co., Cancer Insurance, \$155.96
US Postmaster, Water Billing Postage, \$176.89
All Copy, Copier Lease, \$206.14
Atmos, Natural Gas, \$455.31
Century Link, Phone Svc., \$153.15
DPC Ind., Chlorine Cylinder, \$1,345.10
Excel Fire, Fire Exting. Serviced, \$535.93
Foxz Creative, Annual Web Hosting, \$14.98
Herald Times, Legal Publications, \$20.16
Jackson's, Office Supplies, \$17.46
McGuire Auto, Misc. Supplies / Shop, \$382.32
MCHDRL, Water Tests, \$40.00
Meeker Auto, Carwash Parts, Rags, \$197.10
MVB Visa, Phone Svc., Nozzle, \$43.93
Northwest Auto, Tire Repairs / Loader, \$534.52
Olszewski, Massih & Maurer P.C., Legal Fees, \$1,856.00
Pitney Bowes, Postage Meter Rental, \$29.53
RBC Fleet, Fuel, \$329.58
Rocky Mtn. Reserve, Health Reserve Mo. Claims, \$399.12
Rocky Mtn. Reserve, Admin Fee, \$20.05
Strata Networks, Internet, \$17.61
Union Telephone, Cell Phone Svc., \$77.52
UNC, Line Locates, \$240.70
White River Elec., Electricity, \$2,302.40
Total Water Fund: \$37,462.33
Total Both Funds: \$196,876.93
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PUBLIC NOTICE
MEDICAL RECORD DESTRUCTION
PIONEERS MEDICAL CENTER

Eastern Rio Blanco County Health Service District, dba Pioneers Medical Center, formerly known as Pioneers Hospital of Rio Blanco County, The Meeker Family Health Center, and The Walbridge Memorial Convalescent Wing will be destroying Medical Records related to visits and/or test results performed at Pioneers Medical Center in Meeker, Colorado December 31, 2007 and prior. Records selected for destruction will include all records for patients (over 18 years of age at the time of treatment or prior to December 31, 2007.) Additionally, records of minor children at the time of treatment December 31, 2007 and prior who are now 28 years of age or greater are scheduled for destruction. Medical records destruction will begin May 21, 2018. If you wish to have a copy of any of these medical records set to be destroyed please contact the Health Information Management department at (970) 878-9267
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will only require that you provide the income tax return or written proof of non-taxable income. In order to qualify for the program for the month of May, please provide the town with the required information no later than May 20, 2018. If you miss the May deadline you may qualify for a reduction in June if the required information is filed with the Town no later than June 20, 2018. If you have questions or need more information, the Town welcomes your call at 878-5344. Please ask for Kathy or Julie. Thank you.
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Abandoned Bicycle List – Town of Meeker Unclaimed and Lost Property Ordinance 2.45.010

These bicycles have been turned in as lost or found property. They will be available for either claiming or purchase in the near future. If you think one of these belongs to you, please come to the Meeker Police Department, 345 Market Street, Meeker Colorado, with an adult and with proof of ownership.
If you have any questions please call 970-878-4969 and ask for Kathy

- 1-Gray Mongoose MX 7 speed / 20"
- 2-Purple Rally Pretty Lady / 20"
- 3-Tourquoise Mongoose Fling / 20"
- 4-Blu/Grn Huffly Edge / 20"
- 5-Blu/Grn Road Master Ultra / 24"
- 6-Gray Speckled Huffly Stone Mnt / 25"
- 7-Gray Huffly Havoc / 26"
- 8-Blu/Silver Mongoose / 16"
- 9-Blue Diamond Back / 16"
- 10-Silver/Red Schwinn / 20"
- 11-Green Mongoose / 16" – 2"
- 12-Blu/Wht Genesis / 29"
- 13-Dark Blue Schwinn Mesa Runner / 25"
- 14-Purple/Wht Next / 20"

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SENIOR CITIZEN'S WATER RATE REDUCTION PROGRAM

If you live in a household with one family member who is 64 years or older, as shown by a birth certificate, school records, and military discharge documents or other supporting documentation acceptable to the Town of Meeker, you may qualify for a reduced water rate during the months of May through September. Eligible households receive the first 8,000 gallons of water free each month (a savings of \$24.00 per month). Usage over 8,000 gallons per month will be billed at the rate of \$1.55 cents per 1,000 gallons. See attached fee increase schedule.
To qualify for the program, the total gross family income for all residents of the household must be less than one thousand, seven hundred sixty-nine dollars and forty cents per month (\$1769.40) or twenty one thousand, two hundred thirty two dollars and eighty four cents (\$21,232.84) per year as evidenced by the federal income tax return/s for all household members for the year 2017. If you are not required to file an income tax return, please provide copies of all non taxable income received by the household for the year 2017. If you have been previously enrolled in this program, the Town has your proof of age on file and

COMBINED NOTICE - MAILING
CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 18-02

To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust: On February 7, 2018, the undersigned Public Trustee caused the Notice of Election and Demand relating to the Deed of Trust described below to be recorded in the County of Rio Blanco records.

Original Grantor(s)
Original Beneficiary(ies)

Brian Pearce
Mortgage Electronic
Registration Systems, Inc.
as nominee for
Highlands Residential
Mortgage, LTD
JPMorgan Chase Bank,
National Association
September 23, 2011
Rio Blanco
September 28, 2011
302156
\$140,713.00
\$125,709.05

Current Holder of Evidence of Debt

Date of Deed of Trust
County of Recording
Recording Date of Deed of Trust
Recording Information (Reception No. and/or Book/Page No.)
Original Principal Amount
Outstanding Principal Balance

Pursuant to CRS §38-38-101(4)(i), you are hereby notified that the covenants of the deed of trust have been violated as follows: failure to pay principal and interest when due together with all other payments provided for in the evidence of debt secured by the deed of trust and other violations thereof.

THE LIEN FORECLOSED MAY NOT BE A FIRST LIEN.
LOT 68 CALVAT SUBDIVISION TOWN OF RANGELY, COLORADO
Also known by street and number as: 627 Lake Street, Rangely, CO 81648.
THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ALL OF THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY ENCUMBERED BY THE LIEN OF THE DEED OF TRUST.

NOTICE OF SALE

The current holder of the Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, described herein, has filed Notice of Election and Demand for sale as provided by law and in said Deed of Trust.

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

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NOTICE OF RIGHTS

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

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

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

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

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

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DATE: 02/08/2018
Karen Arnold, Public Trustee in and for the County of Rio Blanco, State of Colorado
By: Karen Arnold, Public Trustee

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

Courtney Wright #45482 Eve Grina #43658 Holly Shilliday #24423
Jennifer Cruseturner #44452 Jennifer Rogers #34682
McCarthy & Holthus, LLP 7700 E Arapahoe Road, Suite 230, Centennial, CO 80112 (877) 369-6122
Attorney File # 18-803966

The Attorney above is acting as a debt collector and is attempting to collect a debt. Any information provided may be used for that purpose.
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PUBLIC NOTICE
RIO BLANCO COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

Notice is hereby given that the Rio Blanco County Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to consider the proposed amendments to the Onsite Waste Water Treatment System (OWTS) Regulations. The Planning Commission hearing will be held on May 31, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at the Rio Blanco County Historic Courthouse, 555 Main Street, on the 3rd floor in the Commissioners Hearing Room, Meeker, Colorado.

Rio Blanco County staff recommends the approval of the proposed amendments to the Rio Blanco County Land Use Regulations Article 17. A copy of the proposed amendments to the OWTS Regulations and are available in the Rio Blanco County Planning Division.
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PUBLIC NOTICE
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF RIO BLANCO COUNTY, COLORADO

Notice is hereby given that the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado will hold a public hearing to consider the proposed amendments to the Onsite Waste Water Treatment System (OWTS) Regulations. The hearing will be held on June 18, 2018 at 11:15 a.m. at the Rio Blanco County Annex Building, 17497 Highway 64 Rangely, Colorado.

Rio Blanco County staff recommends the approval of the proposed amendments to the Rio Blanco County Land Use Regulations Article 17. A copy of the proposed amendments to the OWTS Regulations and are available in the Rio Blanco County Planning Division.
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PUBLIC NOTICE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF RIO BLANCO COUNTY, COLORADO

Notice is hereby given that the Commissioner of Rio Blanco County, Colorado will hold a public hearing to consider revisions to the Rio Blanco County Land Use Regulations. Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado hearing will be held on June 18, 2018 at 11:15 a.m. at the Rio Blanco County Annex Building, 17497 Highway 64 Rangely, Colorado.

The Rio Blanco County staff recommends the following proposed amendments to the Rio Blanco County Land Use Regulations in conformance with the process set forth in the Rio Blanco County Land Use Regulations Section 4-208- Land Use Regulations Text Amendment.

The proposed amendments are indicated below in bold typeface. Bold items are proposed additions to the regulations. Bold items with strikethrough are proposed deletions from the regulations.

Article 16- Definitions

Recreational Cabin A structure with no more than 800 square feet of gross floor area including unfinished basements, for living, sleeping, eating or cooking; shall be occupied as a dwelling for no more than 180 days during any calendar year for personal use; not to be used for commercial purposes; other than allowed for ranching operations, the cabin will not be used as a place to house employees; will not be used as a location to receive mail or shipments; will not in any way be used as a residence for tax returns, driver's licenses, vehicle registration, voter registration or other similar documents; will have an Onsite Wastewater Treatment System meeting the requirements of the Rio Blanco County Land Use Regulations, Article 17 permitted, installed, inspected and approved before use and occupancy; will not be sold or transferred to any new owner without written notice stating that the cabin was not inspected nor issued a Certificate of Occupancy under the Rio Blanco County Building Code and is subject to the restrictions and requirements of the original approval; will comply with all State of Colorado Laws pertaining to any installation of electrical, plumbing, fuel gas and mechanical equipment C.R.S. 12-23-104, C.R.S. 12-58-104; even though no building permit or inspections will be required, consider the recommendation of constructing the cabin to meet the requirements of the Rio Blanco County Building Code. One Recreational Cabin is allowed on a Recreational Cabin Parcel per legally, as long as no other dwelling unit is on the Parcel. Recreational Cabins will be required to have a Rio Blanco County assigned address posted at the driveway and on the cabin. Recreational Vehicles are not permitted to be recreational cabins. The Recreational Cabin shall have an access driveway meeting the requirements of the Rio Blanco County Land Use Regulations Section 7-305.A. Driveway Standards.

Recreational Cabin- Permitted by Right "P" in the Agriculture, Rural Residential and Leisure Recreation zone districts. The use is not allowed in all other zone districts.

Add Footnote to Recreational Cabin "A Recreational Cabin requires submittal, and approval of, by Rio Blanco County, an "Application for Building Permit Exempt Recreational Cabin".

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Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado
Rio Blanco County Historic Courthouse
555 Main Street, 3rd Floor Hearing Room
Meeker, Colorado 81641

Tentative Agenda May 14, 2018
Public Comment: Any member of the public may address the Board on matters which are within the jurisdiction of the Board. If you are addressing the Board regarding a matter listed on the Agenda, you are requested to make your comments when the Board takes that matter. Please limit your comments to three minutes per member or five minutes per group. The public comment time is not for questions and answers. It is your time to express your views.

11:00 a.m. Call to order:
•Pledge of Allegiance
•Changes to May 14, 2018 Tentative Agenda

1)
2)
•Move to Approve the May 14, 2018 Agenda including any changes.

CONSENT AGENDA FOR MAY 14, 2018
Items of routine and non-controversial nature are placed on the consent agenda. Any Commissioner or member of the audience may request an item be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately on the regular agenda prior to action being taken by the Board on the Consent Agenda.

•Move to Approve the Below Listed Items of the Consent Agenda.
•Consent 1_ Consideration of the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado Meeting Minutes of April 23, 2018.

•Consent 2a_ Financial Management Report April 2018.

•Consent 2b_ DHS EBT Register and Warrant Registers April 2018.

•Consent 2c_ Motor Vehicle Publication Report April 2018.

•Consent 2d_ Treasurer's Publication List April 2018.

•Consent 2e_ Treasurer's Monthly Report April 2018.

•Consent 3_ Approval of Engagement Letter between the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado and Paul D. Miller to prepare a Solid Waste Disposal Report for presentation to The Department of Public Health and Environment of the State of Colorado.

BUSINESS:
•Business 1_ Discount Service Packages and Special Cases Discussion with Local Access Internet LLC.

•Business 2_ Move to Approve/Deny a Letter from the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado to Dr. Nancy J. McCallin, Colorado Community College System, in support of President Ron Granger at Colorado Northwest Community College.

•Business 3_ Move to Approve/Deny a Letter from the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado to the Colorado Main Street Candidacy Committee, in support of the Rangely Area Chamber of Commerce's efforts to become a Candidate Community for the Colorado Main Street Program.

•Business 4_ Move to Approve/Deny a Letter from the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado to Joy M Clymer and Dale Smith, managers of LAI, providing LAI with a formal notice of violations pursuant of the Non-Exclusive Network Access and Use Agreement.

•Business 5_ Move to Approve/Deny a Letter from the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado to Andrea Stucky, Water Quality Control Division, in support of the Colowyo Coal Company water discharge permit application regarding the Colom Expansion Project.

•Business 6_ Move to Approve/Deny the cancellation of the Agreement for Services between the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado and Noxious Weed Management, executed on March 26, 2018, due to the contract being issued in error.

•Business 7_ Move to Approve/Deny an Agreement for Services between the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado and Rocky Mountain Weed Management, for the 2018 Lower White River Pest Control District Ground Spraying Noxious Weed Control Project, in an amount not to exceed \$7,500.00.

BID OPENINGS:
•Bid Opening 1_ 2018 Rio Blanco County Pavement Marking Paint Project.

•Bid Opening 2_ 2018 Rio Blanco County Weed & Pest Helicopter Bid.

BID AWARDS:
•General Award 1_ None.

MOU's, CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS:
•MCA 1_ Move to Approve/Deny the Cooperative Law Enforcement Agreement between the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado, the Rio Blanco County Sheriff's Office and the USDA, Forest Service White River National Forest for the 2018 Annual Operating and Financial Plan.

•MCA 2_ Move to Approve/Deny Contract Modification No. 1 to an Agreement for Services between the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado and Goedert Construction LLC, for the construction and installation of two additional kiosk structures for the Rio Blanco County Wagon Wheel West OHV Trail Educational Kiosk Project, increasing the not to exceed amount by \$4,484.00, to a total of \$28,266.00.

•MCA 3_ Move to Approve/Deny Contract Modification No. 1 to an Agreement for Services between the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado and Identity Graphics, LLC, for the production of two additional kiosk panels for the Rio Blanco County Wagon Wheel

West OHV Trail Educational Kiosk Project, increasing the not to exceed amount by \$671.00, to a total of \$4,970.00.

•MCA 4_ Move to Approve/Deny Contract Modification No. 2 to an Agreement for Service between the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado and Identity Graphics, LLC, for the production of an additional 700 reflective stickers for the Rio Blanco County Wagon Wheel West OHV Trail Marketing Materials Project, increasing the not to exceed amount by \$1,169.00, to a total of \$8,836.00.

•MCA 5_ Move to Approve/Deny Contract Modification No. 1 to an Agreement for services between the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado and Preston Moeachern dba AM-PM Sweepers and Stripes, LLC for the completion of the County Road 5 Crackfill Project, increasing the not to exceed amount by \$8,100.00 to a total of \$49,680.00, and extend the contract term date from May 11, 2018 to May 25, 2018.

•MCA 6_ Move to Approve/Deny USFS Contract Modification No. 12, between the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado, the State of Colorado, the USDA Forest Service and the White River National Forest, which replaces Modification No. 7, increasing the not to exceed amount by \$5,400.00 to a total of \$40,400.00, extending the completion date from November 30, 2018 to November 30, 2019 and extending the expiration date of the Cooperative Forest Road Agreement No. 14-R0-110231500-029 from June 2, 2019 to October 1, 2020.

•MCA 7_ Move to Approve/Deny the Approval of Task Order Contract - Waiver #154, 19 FHHA 109684, between the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado, for the use and benefit of the Rio Blanco County Department of Public Health and Environment, and the Department of Public Health and Environment, Division of Environmental Health and Sustainability, to provide environmental health services for retail food establishments.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

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Recreational Cabin- Permitted by Right "P" in the Agriculture, Rural Residential and Leisure Recreation zone districts. The use is not allowed in all other zone districts.

Add Footnote to Recreational Cabin "A Recreational Cabin requires submittal, and approval of, by Rio Blanco County, an "Application for Building Permit Exempt Recreational Cabin".

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Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado
Rio Blanco County Historic Courthouse
555 Main Street, 3rd Floor Hearing Room
Meeker, Colorado 81641

Tentative Agenda May 14, 2018
Public Comment: Any member of the public may address the Board on matters which are within the jurisdiction of the Board. If you are addressing the Board regarding a matter listed on the Agenda, you are requested to make your comments when the Board takes that matter. Please limit your comments to three minutes per member or five minutes per group. The public comment time is not for questions and answers. It is your time to express your views.

11:00 a.m. Call to order:
•Pledge of Allegiance
•Changes to May 14, 2018 Tentative Agenda

1)
2)
•Move to Approve the May 14, 2018 Agenda including any changes.

CONSENT AGENDA FOR MAY 14, 2018
Items of routine and non-controversial nature are placed on the consent agenda. Any Commissioner or member of the audience may request an item be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately on the regular agenda prior to action being taken by the Board on the Consent Agenda.

•Move to Approve the Below Listed Items of the Consent Agenda.
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•Consent 2e_ Treasurer's Monthly Report April 2018.

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BUSINESS:
•Business 1_ Discount Service Packages and Special Cases Discussion with Local Access Internet LLC.

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BID OPENINGS:
•Bid Opening 1_ 2018 Rio Blanco County Pavement Marking Paint Project.

•Bid Opening 2_ 2018 Rio Blanco County Weed & Pest Helicopter Bid.

BID AWARDS:
•General Award 1_ None.

MOU's, CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS:
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address, email or fax number.
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BID SUBMITTALS
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Each bid must include a certified check or cashier's check in the amount of not less than five percent (5%) of the total bid, made payable to Rio Blanco County, or by a bid bond in like amount executed by a surety company.
Mailed bids are due no later than 4:00 P.M. on Friday, June 8, 2018. Do not depend on overnight delivery.
Hand delivered bids will be accepted from 8:00 A.M. to 10:45 A.M. on June 11, 2018.
Mailing: RBC Commissioners, P.O. Box 1, 555 Main St. 3rd Floor, Meeker, CO 81641
Hand-delivery address: RBC Commissioners, 555 Main St. 3rd Floor, Meeker, CO 81641

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

BID AWARD
The Rio Blanco County Board of County Commissioners reserve the right to reject any or all bids; to waive any informalities in bids; and to accept the bid that, in the opinion of the Board, is in the best interest of the County of Rio Blanco, State of Colorado. Discrepancies between words and figures will be resolved in favor of words. Discrepancies between the indicated sum of any column of figures and the correct sum thereof will be resolved in favor of the correct sum. Rio Blanco County reserves the right to negotiate a contract with the selected bidder.

RIO BLANCO COUNTY
Dated: May 10, 2018
By: Shawn J. Bolton, Chairman
Publish: May 10 and May 17, 2018
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**MEEKER SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1
Board of Education Work Session**
555 Garfield Street
Meeker, CO 81641
May 14, 2018 - 7:00 p.m.

Work Session:
1. FCCLA National Qualifiers
2. Graduation - May 26 @ 10:00 p.m. - Be at FACS room at 9:30
3. High School Building Project update
4. Bond vs. MLO
5. FY19 Preliminary Budget
6. Items introduced by BOE members

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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 First Baptist Church (207 S Sunset). Join us! For more information, call Britt Campos at 801-589-4803.

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

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

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

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MISCELLANEOUS

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

RENTALS: MEEKER

New house, secluded on a ranch, about 2000 sqft. on three levels. 5 bedrooms, three bathrooms. \$1,500 per month, water, trash, sewer included. Electric heat and forced air wood burning furnace. Call 970-878-4178 ask for Mary K. 5/3-5/31

Available May 7. 2 BDR/1.5 BA townhouse. Fenced yard. No pets. References & deposit required. \$550. 620-0917 5/3-5/31

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

CLEAN REMODELED 2BD apartments, in-house laundry, storage units available, close to shopping and the downtown area & more. \$595 per month. Western Exposures Realty LLC (970) 321-2777

Available June 1, 3 BDR, 1 BA, large kitchen, washer & dryer included. \$850 per month plus \$850 deposit. NP, NS. 1085 Main Street, Meeker. 801-560-9021 5/10-6/7

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

Rural house for rent. 30 miles east of Meeker on County Rd 8. Cozy 3 bedroom. \$700 per month. Deposit and references required. Call 970-274-6850 5/3-5/31

RECYCLE THIS NEWSPAPER

MEEKER SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1

Employment Opportunities

Meeker High School
• 2 Assistant Volleyball Coaches

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

RENTALS: MEEKER

STORAGE DEPOT 10x25 unit. 878-4808.

RENTALS: RANGELY

2 BDR , full bath, washer/dryer, utilities not included, no smoking/no pets, fenced yard. 308 South White Ave, Rangely. \$450 deposit/\$450 per month. 970-261-5634.

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

Rangely Duplex for Rent 1 or 2 bedroom duplex -Newly remodeled & landscaped. Please contact Rodney 970-462-6538 or Dan 970-462-8858.

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

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS Volunteer Opportunities

If you are interested in serving on one or more of the following Boards, please complete an Application for Board or Commission and return to: HR, PO Box i, Meeker, CO 81641 or hr@rbc.us. 970-878-9570. The Application can be found at the rbc.us website under Government, Boards & Commissions.

- Board of Health
- Columbine Park Board
- Planning Commission
- Weed Management Board

RENTALS: RANGELY

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

WANTED

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

YARD SALES

Rio Blanco County's Furniture and Fixture Giveaway!
May 19th-20th at the Fairfield Center in the East parking lot. Open to the public, bring your own help and vehicles to haul furniture. Whatever is left after the 19th will be taken to the landfill. Mostly office furniture.
5/10-5/17

Moving sale: Saturday, May 12, 8 a.m., 1440 Mountain View Road in Sage Hills, Meeker.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- Administrative Assistant/Help Desk Clerk
- Facilities Worker, Meeker
- Fairgrounds Laborer
- Patrol Deputy, Rangely
- Relief Dispatcher
- Temporary Laborer
- Weed Control Assistant

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

coloradopress ASSOCIATION NETWORK

To place a 25-word COSCAN Network ad in 91 Colorado newspapers for only \$300, contact your local newspaper or call Colorado Press Association Network at 303-571-5117.

WANTED

Cash for Mineral Rights
Free, no-risk, cash offer. Contact us with the details:
Call: 720-988-5617
Write: Minerals, PO BOX 3668, Littleton, CO 80161
Email: opportunity@ecmresourcesinc.com

WANTED

ATTENTION COLORADO
Antler owners.
Petska Fur buying Antler/Finished Fur. All grades, no lot too large/small. Fair grading, competitive prices. www.petskafur.net "antler routes", 308-750-0700

Colorado Press Association Network

Buy a 25-word statewide classified line ad in newspapers across the state of Colorado for just \$300 per week. Ask about our frequency discounts!
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PIONEERS MEDICAL CENTER
A community oriented medical center with high patient standards, is hiring for the following positions:

PRN:

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

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

- Occupational Therapist
- Medical Laboratory MLT or MLS

FULL-TIME: (eligible for benefits):

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- Certified Nursing Assistant - Nights - LTC
- LPN or RN - Wing LTC
- Dishwasher
- Environmental Services Tech

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

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RECREATION & PARK DISTRICT Meeker, Colorado

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Full Time Positions

Recreation Coordinator (Athletics/Fitness)
- Benefits
Administrative Services Supervisor
- Benefits
- Two years supervisory experience
- Two years experience in department field

For details and an application, go to www.ERBMRec.com or 101 Ute Road, Meeker CO. 970-878-7417
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Laurie J. Brooks
Owner/Broker

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

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Real-Tea Roundtable

June 6th
7:30 a.m., Wendll's

NEW Ridge Estates Subdivision - Full 26 Lot Package. \$999,000
Moosehead Lodge, Rangely - Cabins, Lodge, B&B, TURN KEY. \$899,000
1440 Mountain View Rd. - UNDER CONTRACT!
NEW 1316 Sage Ridge Rd. - 5BD/3BA, Phenomenal Views! \$419,000
1163 Rd. 53 - 4BD/3BA Cabin in Morapos Creek. \$395,000
NEW 210 School St. - 4BD/2.25BA, Garage, Private Yard. \$359,900
8617 Rd. 8 - 4BD/2BA Log Home on 2.85 acres. \$359,000
564 7th St. - UNDER CONTRACT!
TBD E. Market. - UNDER CONTRACT!
345 Cleveland St. - 2.28 Acres, Potential for 12 Building Lots. \$216,000
1164 Hill St. - 3BD/2BA, Central Air, Garage, Fenced Yard. \$212,000
NEW 109 Market - 0.5 Acre HWY Commercial Lot. \$199,000
NEW 217 Rd. 75 - 4BD/1BA Vacation Cabin on Papoose Creek. \$169,000
1140 Cleveland St. - 100% Remodeled 2BD/2BA Duplex. REDUCED \$159,000
1105 & 1107 Market St. - Large Commercial Lot. \$149,900
870 Water St. - UNDER CONTRACT!
1058 Sage Ct. - UNDER CONTRACT!
Yoleta Lane - East of Craig, 40 Acres. \$77,000
NEW Ridge Estates - Rural Residential Lots Starting at \$45,000.
NEW Sage Ridge Rd. - Vacant Lot, Valley Views. \$35,000.

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HOMES IN MEEKER ...

- *885 Garfield- 2 corner lots, big fenced back yard with garden, 3,476 sq ft brick home, attached garage, 6 BR, 3 BA, beautiful kitchen, full basement with a family room, 2 fireplaces, lots of storage. \$285,000.
- *760 3rd St.- 3BR, 2-1/2 BA Well-built home, great neighborhood. Hardwood floors, fireplace, Lg fenced landscaped yard, sprinkler system, covered patio, attached garage, storage shed, great views. REDUCED! \$239,000.
- *780 11th St.- 3 BR, 2 BA freshly upgraded bi-level home. Fenced back yard, storage shed. REDUCED! \$189,900.
- *871 10th St.- 4 BR, 2 BA home. Family room, living room, fireplace, garage, shed. REDUCED! \$219,000.
- *223 Main St.- Full quarter block near downtown. Beautiful 3 BR, 2 BA home. Plus three 1 BR, 1 BA fully equipped rental cabins, big garage, storage sheds, lots of trees and space. REDUCED! \$349,000.
- *112 Main St.- Historic 2 story, 3 BR brick home on large corner lot plus a small cottage for Mom. REDUCED! \$209,000.
- *125 Main St.- Impeccable 5 BR, 2.5 BA, 2 story home, 3 car garage, beautiful yard. \$319,000. SOLD!

RANCHES — RURAL RESIDENTIAL — HUNTING PROPERTIES...

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

RAW LAND AND HOMESITES ...

- *NEW 210 Meath Dr.- 35 acres in Little Beaver Estates 8 miles east of Meeker. Good pasture. Great views. \$89,900.
- *NEW TBD CR 13- 35 Acres, 4.5 miles south of town. Fenced, borders BLM on 2 sides, good homesites. \$189,000.
- *1751 Bright Water Lane- 39 Acres with White River, irrigated hay meadow, and great home sites. 5,000 sq ft barn with power, septic & cistern. Borders BLM. 14 miles west of Hwy 64. Great hunting area. \$375,000.
- *5 Acres 16 miles up CR 8. Great views overlooking the river and surrounding mountains. Across the Hwy from Sleepy Cat. Borders DOW Oak Ridge hunting land. Community well water available & power. \$175,000.
- *3 Large Multi-Family Lots in Sanderson Hills, near Rec Center. Zoned MFR-A. \$180,000 for all 3, or sold separately.
- *12924 CR 8- 5 Acres with river, great fishing. Vacant land, good building site, 13 miles upriver, awesome views. \$149,000.
- *8432 CR 15- 7.5 Acres, 10 miles NE of Meeker. Great home site with a creek flowing through with great fishing, water well, pasture. \$175,000.
- *8432 CR 15- 18 Acres, 10 miles NE of Meeker. Great home site with a creek flowing through, great fishing and hunting, good pasture. \$185,000.
- *5807 CR 7- Vacant 20 acre parcel, 9 mi. North, on Strawberry Creek. Good home site & views! \$75,000.
- *CR 8- 88 Acres just east of Meeker. Hunting, dry land pasture, development potential. \$400,000. REDUCED!
- *100 acres- 29 miles east of Meeker, surrounded by Nat'l Forest, covered with Aspens. \$1,395,000.00.
- *TBD Meadow Lane- 33 acres west of town. Pole barn, hay production. \$90,000. SOLD!
- *CR 14- 5 Acres with river access. Heavily treed, water rights. \$68,000. SOLD!
- *Little Beaver Estates- 35 acre lot bordering DOW hunting land. Lot 11- \$95,000. SOLD!

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RESIDENTIAL

NEW! 752 2nd St. - 4BD/2.75BA Close to schools. \$259,900.
NEW! 1170 Cleveland St. - 3BD/2BA Large family home w/ full basement. \$159,900.
NEW! 825 3rd St. - 4BD/2BA, excellent starter or family home. \$165,000.
482 12th St. - 2BD/1.5BA, townhouse. \$47,500.
780 5th St. - 4BD/2BA, 2 separate living spaces. \$158,000.
880 Main St. - 4BD/2BA, oversized lot w/ sm. cabin off the alley. \$155,000.
1010 Hill St. - 2BD/1BA, corner lot w/ sm. cabin off the St. \$139,000. PRICE REDUCED to \$109,900!
873 Market St. - 3BD/1BA, utility shed, alley access. \$119,000.
893 Market St. - 2BD/1BA, corner lot, alley access. \$127,000.
959 Garfield St. - 4BD/2.5BA, 1Yr. Home Warranty Av. \$249,900 UNDER CONTRACT!
855 5TH St. - 5BD/2BA, new roof, siding, windows & flooring. \$200,000.
767 12th St. - 2BD/1.5BA, townhouse, well kept. \$68,000. REDUCED!

RURAL RESIDENTIAL

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

RANCH PROPERTY

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

VACANT LAND

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

COMMERCIAL

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

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