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Busy weekend ...

It has been a busy time to be a photographer, but in today's edition we offer three half pages of photos, and that doesn't even count the state track meet, for which we will have a photo page next week featuring Meeker and Rangely athletes. This week, we take a look at a Meeker-area branding on a local ranch, the Pioneers Healthcare Foundation's gala "Forks & Flavors" event to raise funds for a new 3-D mammography machine, and wrap up with the Class of 2016 commencement exercises for Rangely High School's 19 graduates. Please see pages 6A and 7A for these events as well as pages saluting the Rangely graduates on Pages 10A and 11A.



Meeker grants help local businesses improve properties

By REED KELLEY
Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER I The Town of Meeker is continuing the town grant program aimed at encouraging and helping town businesses succeed and enhance their building and business site appearances.

Town Manager Scott Meszaros said, "The town council's goal with these grants is to help improve the community's appearance which, in turn, provides for an improved business image as a whole."

The grant program has two tracks—site enhancement and economic development. The latter is intended for capital investments that will create additional jobs, create new amenities for the town, create a

regional draw to the town center or other commercial area, and otherwise diversify Meeker's economic base.

At the last meeting, town trustees approved \$49,039 in grants to nine businesses. The council's annual budget for these grants is \$50,000. The deadline was May 6 for this year's round.

The board said "yes" to every applicant, one way or another. To spread the available dollars, they also, by and large, gave each applying business half of the amount each business is putting up themselves for their project.

The applicants and the amount they received were as follows: the Hugus Building, \$3,600; Ma Famiglia, \$7,799; Meeker Auto Parts, \$1,690; Northwest Auto, \$2,150;

Prescriptions Salon, \$9,500; Restored Grace, \$3,000; Rocky Mountain Hair Benders, \$3,500; Turquoise Gypsy, \$2,200; Wendll's for site enhancement, \$8,100; and Wendll's for economic development, \$7,500.

Newly elected trustee Wendy Gutierrez is the owner of Wendll's along with Bobby Gutierrez, but she excused herself for the discussion and the vote on the project proposals.

The Hugus Building plans are to re-do their window trim, using the original almond color and repair patches of their brick mortar.

Ma Famiglia is creating a fresher look and making their outside area more comfortable. Plans include maintenance-free benches, decorative groundcover, touching up sig-

nage and replacing their old wooden fence with vinyl.

Meeker Auto Parts is painting the sides of the building and the gutters as well as their storage shed. Northwest Auto is landscaping with large permanent planters containing small trees, shrubs and flowers; rearranging part of the lot and adding planters; and repairing the street gutters along their pre-owned vehicle lot.

Prescriptions Salon is replacing old glass tile façade with Calcutta marble as well as replacing windows and doors with more attractive and energy-efficient models.

Restored Grace is hoping to improve their "curb appeal" with new signs; safety, security and display lighting; adding a small fence,

planter boxes, a flagpole and permanent yard art.

Rocky Mountain Hair Benders is adding a window box with flowers, modeled after the Vernal, Utah, petunias; placing three cement flower boxes on the sidewalk; and adding matching paint.

Turquoise Gypsy Boutique is adding three copper planters and a bench plus re-painting its façade.

Wendll's, for site improvement, is adding Americans with Disabilities Act-compliant handrails and a front entrance wheelchair lift—work they started with a town grant last year, along with new lighted signage and replacement windows.

For economic development, Wendll's is pursuing new equipment and a complete kitchen electrical

upgrade. Gutierrez, co-owner, reminded the board that they are actually operating five businesses at their site: Wendll's shipping (FedEx and UPS service), Canyon Cleaners liaison, the coffee shop, the FoneZone at Wendll's Union Wireless and their gift shop. Gutierrez suggested that they are facilitating the existence of these businesses that would not otherwise be able to stand alone.

In other business, the council reappointed Michelle Schaeffer to the Meeker Housing Authority Board. Schaeffer is currently chairman of the board, which also includes Robert Barr, Edy George, Patti Hoke and Melinda Parker.

Stacey Kincher is the director of the housing authority.

House act puts grouse close to ESA

Special to the Herald Times

RBC I On May 18, the U.S. House of Representatives passed the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA). I this "must-pass" legislation that funds America's military readiness was language that would force the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and U.S. Forest Service (USFS) to abandon successful sage-grouse conservation plans.

These federal plans resulted from years of collaboration and millions of taxpayer dollars that successfully kept the sage grouse off the Endangered Species Act list.

"Sportsmen across the country are very disappointed with the House's action to play politics with our national defense by inserting unrelated and detrimental language about sage-grouse conservation into the bill," said Whit Fosburgh, president and CEO of the Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership. "If language contained in the House bill were to become law, it would throw into question decades of statutory precedent, scores of environmental laws and the subsequent legal decisions around those laws."

"This legislation is a Trojan horse for transferring public lands to the states and stands to have lasting repercussions beyond curtailing con-

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Meeker holds Memorial Day events Monday

MEEKER I The VFW, American Legion, and their Auxiliaries would like to invite everyone to attend the Memorial Day ceremony at the Fifth Street Bridge on Monday, May 30 at 10 a.m.

Then please follow us up to the cemetery for another ceremony honoring our veterans.

PASSING THROUGH...



Not your usual scenery in Rio Blanco County could be seen Sunday afternoon on a runover pond just north of Highway 64 at mile marker 28. Enjoying the partly sunny sky were two pelicans and bald eagle, which seemed to be waiting out the strong winds.

Legislature says no to rural citizens seeking local drug purchases

By REED KELLEY
Special to the Herald Times

RBC I Right now, your insurance company can require you to go through the mail to obtain your prescription medications. This past legislative session, the Colorado State Legislature failed to pass a measure that would have prohibited the requirement for mail order prescriptions.

Now, Meeker business owners Cassie McGuire and Diana Jones will have to wait at least a year before the state could prohibit insurers or their benefit managers from forcing pharmacy customers to use mail-order for their prescription drug

refills. The Colorado State Senate Finance Committee killed the pharmacy choice bill on a 3-2 party-line vote the last week of the session. Had House Bill 1361 become law this summer, as McGuire and Jones had hoped, health insurers would no longer be able to refuse coverage of regular prescription drug refill orders if they weren't mail-ordered. Only some insurers are currently doing so.

The bill would have required that Colorado prescription customers be able to choose their own source of medications, thus the nickname "Pharmacy Choice."

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Cattledog handlers can also learn from their canine partners

By MAYM CUNNINGHAM
Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER I It's all about the dogs—working border collies that is—in Meeker. From June 15-19, 140 of North America's best working cattledogs will gather to match themselves against each other, 200 yearling cows and Meeker's famous trial field as they compete for a national title.

This trial represents the culmination of a year's worth of qualifying trials as these dogs and their handlers travel from 19 states and provinces in Canada to compete at the National Cattledog Association (NCA) National Finals in Meeker.

When Juan Reyes steps out on the cattledog trial field in Meeker in June, he brings a mindset that embraces a philosophy of low-stress cattle handling. Employing what he's learned from watching his border collies over the years, this Cuban immigrant represents an American success story and bears witness to the cattleman's role in promoting stewardship of livestock and resources. A founding member of the National Cattledog Association, Juan will compete with three dogs in Meeker.

The 2016 NCA National Finals will showcase North America's finest

cattledogs and their handlers competing in five different classes on two fields for five days.

Preferring to work with dogs, Juan speaks of his border collies as his working partners on the ranch and in his feedlot. Finding it less complicated and more efficient to work with cattledogs, Juan breeds and trains his dogs to meet the demands of his livestock operation. Low-stress, humane livestock management is practical, economical and a necessary part of animal husbandry—and puts one's best foot forward with public perception.

Juan's story began in 1962, when, as an 11-year-old with his two older sisters, he arrived at a Cuban refugee camp in Florida. A single suitcase to his name, knowing no English and lonely for his parents that were unable to leave Cuba, Juan and his sisters endured horrible living conditions until they were moved with 70 other children to St. John's Academy of the Catholic Church in Colfax, Wash.

Life improved for the Reyes children as they adapted to the American culture, learned to speak English and three years later were joined by their parents. Owners of a nearby farm, Roy and Carol McDonald, welcomed young Juan into their lives and ultimately gave his father a job. It was



there his love of agriculture and livestock was born and ultimately charted Juan's destiny.

Having been graduated from Colfax High School, Juan attended Eastern Washington State for a year. While helping a friend move to the University of Wyoming, Juan fell in love with the Cowboy State, and has been there ever since.

Upon getting his degree from the University of Wyoming, Juan worked

construction, railroad, guiding and cowboy jobs. He married college sweetheart Joni Sharp in 1977, starting their agricultural enterprise with 20 mixed cows and 12 purebred black angus of Joni's.

Those angus cows are the foundation of the 1,200-head cow herd they own today.

The MR Angus Ranch was initiated as a partnership with friends in 1978. Juan and Joni eventually bought

Wyoming's Juan Reyes is one of the 140 handlers from the United States and Canada who will be in Meeker from June 15-19 to compete in the 2016 National Cattledog Association's National Finals. Last year's one-day trial event has bloomed into a five-day national finals this year as Meeker's reputation with sheepdog trials led to the cattledog event.

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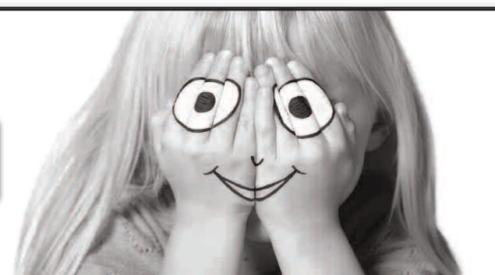
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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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

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

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

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

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

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

■ **The Meeker Library Book Club** meets at 1 p.m. the second Monday of each month (excluding

holidays). The next meeting will be June 13. We will be discussing "Circling the Sun" by Paula McLain. All interested readers are welcome. Stop by the Meeker Library for details.

■ **Free legal clinic at Meeker Public Library** Tuesday, June 7 from 2-3:30 p.m. A free legal clinic for parties who have no attorney. By computer link, volunteer attorneys will answer questions, help fill out forms, and explain the process and procedure for all areas of civil litigation, including family law, property law, probate law, collections, appeals, landlord-tenant law, small claims, veterans issues, and civil protection orders. Please contact the Meeker Public Library at 970-878-5911 to be added to the sign-up sheet.

■ **The 5th annual Plein Air Meeker 2016 art competition** is coming soon. Join us as an artist, patron, buyer or observer. Known for its wide-ranging landscapes, high mountains, low desert, rivers and rocks; all readily accessible within 30 minutes of Meeker. Painters will have 15 days (June 15-30) to paint, culminating in an auction and art show with awards. The event will be held in collaboration with the 4th of July celebration and Range Call event. Contact the Meeker Chamber of Commerce for more information at meekerchamber.com or call 970-878-5510.

GRAND OPENING SATURDAY ...



Bud Striegel, owner of the newly opened Rangely Automotive Museum, put employee Kelsey Peters in the passenger seat of this 1907 Indian Tri-car Sunday, one of the many motorcycles and automobiles on display at the museum. The museum will hold its grand opening May 28. The museum is open on Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays at the intersection of Stanolind and Highway 64.

SEAN MCMAHON

Rio Blanco jobless rate continues to increase

By **SEAN MCMAHON**
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RBC | December and January saw solid drops in the Rio Blanco County jobless rate, but a sharp increase in the unemployment between January and February, which saw a .07 percent increase in the county, continued to rise another half percent in March.

The good news is that March's 5.9 percent unemployment rate is still below the jobless rate in the county for March 2015, when 6.3 percent of the available workforce was unemployed in Rio Blanco County.

In March this year, there were 2,770 residents in the available workforce in Rio Blanco County and there were 2,607 who were employed. That leaves 163 on the unemployment roles for the 5.9 percent jobless.

In February this year, there were 2,807 residents in the available county workforce, there were 2,655 who were

employed and 152 who were unemployed to make the jobless rate 5.4 percent.

In March 2015, there were 2,811 in the available county workforce and of those residents, there were 2,634 who held jobs. That left 177 on the county unemployment list for a 6.3 unemployment rate.

Between March 2015 and March this year, there was a decrease of 41 persons in the available workforce, a decrease of 27 persons who were working and 14 fewer people who were on the unemployment list.

Statewide, the overall Colorado unemployment rate was up very slightly in March over February, rising .02 percent from a low 3.3 percent to 3.5 percent. Both figures are considerably lower this year compared to state figures in March of 2015, when the Colorado unemployment rate was more than a full percent higher at 4.6 percent.

In March this year, there were

2,874,645 in the available state workforce, of those, 2,773,807 were employed and there were 100,838 who were on unemployment for the 3.5 percent rate.

In February of 2016, there were 2,869,557 in the available workforce and 2,774,305 who held jobs. That left 95,252 residents who were unemployed for a rate of 3.3 percent.

In comparison, in March of 2015, there were 2,815,057 residents in the state's available workforce while 2,685,599 held onto jobs and 129,458 were listed as jobless. That accounted for the higher unemployment rate of 4.6 percent, more than 1 percent higher than this year in March.

This year in March, there were 59,588 fewer residents in the available workforce, there were 88,208 fewer who were working and 28,620 fewer on unemployment.

Colorado has 64 counties, and there were only two counties in the state with higher unemployment rates

than Rio Blanco County's 5.9 percent. The county with the highest unemployment rate in the state is Huerfano (Walsenberg) with a 7.3 percent rate and Montezuma (Cortez) with a 6.3 percent unemployment rate. Rio Blanco and Mesa (Grand Junction) counties are tied for No. 3 highest at 5.9 percent. Rounding out the five state counties with the highest jobless rates are Fremont (Canon City) and Costilla (San Luis) counties, tied at 5.7 percent.

The Colorado county with the best outlook in March was Summit (Breckenridge) County with a 1.8 percent jobless rate, followed by Baca (Springfield) County with a 1.9 percent unemployment rate. Rounding out the top five counties in the state with the lowest unemployment rate are San Miguel (Telluride) third with 2.2 percent and a tie for fourth between Phillips (Holyoke), Washington (Akron) and Kiowa (Eads) counties at 2.3 percent.

ATTENTION MHS SENIOR PARENTS:

Next week (June 2) the Rio Blanco Herald Times is publishing graduation greetings from senior parents, relatives and friends.

The cost for these greetings are \$28 each and must be prepaid.

You must have your greeting phoned in to 970.878.4017 or emailed to caitlin@theheraldtimes.com by NOON on MONDAY, MAY 30

ATTENTION!

Mosquito Abatement – Aerial Spraying

Possible: May 28, 29 or 30th

The Town is considering spraying one of the 3 days during Memorial Day Weekend. It's still very early this year and we are hoping to coordinate with the Pest Control District. If we are unable to spray it will be early JUNE for the next scheduled date.

Mr. Bill Ekstrom, Rio Blanco County Extension Agent, has indicated that spraying is required for public health reasons. The chemical being used is approved for mosquito and fly control at the maximum allowable rate listed on the label and applied in accordance with label instructions.

This notification will be the only notification received. We will not be able to provide the exact time when the aerial spraying will occur as suitable timing and weather conditions are difficult to predict.

Residents who for health reasons need to know the day of spraying can be contacted by phone the day before spraying is scheduled. Town staff will be providing this contact service as soon as we are aware of the date of spraying. Contact the Town of Rangely at your earliest convenience so your name can be added to a list of contacts.

Thank you for your help and cooperation as the Town works to remediate a pest and health hazard within our community.

For more information please contact Town Hall at 675-8476.

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- GAME DAYS & TIMES DETERMINED BY NUMBER OF TEAMS IN THE LEAGUE. (I.E. TEAMS MAY NOT PLAY BOTH NIGHTS OR ALL 3 GAME TIMES.)
- REGISTRATION BEGINS MAY 16. REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS JUNE 3.

FOR INFORMATION OR TO SIGN UP YOUR TEAM
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101 Ute Road, Meeker, CO
www.MeekerRecDistrict.com

Can food hubs help to boost Colorado's rural farming economies?

By **LYNDESEY GILPIN**
Special to the Herald Times

RBC | Dan Hobbs farms 30 acres of land east of Pueblo, Colo. For years, he spent weekends traveling hours to farmers markets to sell his produce, always losing a day in the fields and returning home with leftover vegetables that didn't sell.

Other farmers in the area were facing the same issues, so a local farmer-networking group called the Arkansas Valley Organic Growers decided they had to find a better way to support local food.

In 2013, they leased out Excelsior Middle School in nearby Boone, which had sat vacant for two decades. Their idea was to use the building as a community food hub: Local farmers pay a fee to the organization to bring their food to the school building, where it's sold wholesale at an affordable price for consumers.

That way, the hub can compete with chain grocery stores. Instead of traveling to markets every week and advertising their own products, farmers store their surplus in freezers there and workers at the hub are responsible for marketing, selling and distributing the food to customers, hospitals and schools in Pueblo and across the region.

The Excelsior Farmers Exchange now has a chile roaster, seed storage area and a full commercial kitchen so members can process and prepare food, which allows them an opportunity to expand their product lines. And Hobbs, one of the first farmers to sell there, only has to drive five miles to drop off his produce. To yield a larger amount of crops, he now grows a smaller variety and sells for less than he did at markets, but he crunched the numbers, and working with the hub is already paying off.

Nationally, the demand for local food is far outpacing the supply farmers can provide. As the general public becomes more aware of how distant we are from the farmers who grow what we eat, more organizations are emphasizing local food production as a means to support rural economies. But much of the increased access has been in urban areas; food hubs are one way for rural communities to have access to local food, too.

To make it work, however, farmers have to shift growing practices and cooperate with local organizations, and governments may need to provide the physical infrastructure if local organizations can't afford to lease on their own, like the Arkansas Valley Organic Growers did.

Currently, there are at least 16 food hubs in the works or already functioning across Wyoming, New Mexico and Colorado. The Valley Roots Food Hub in the San Luis Valley, for example, has an online market for meats, eggs and produce. They deliver and offer pickup at small distribution centers in

Saguache, Salida and Alamosa.

The La Montanita food co-op, which has been running community-supported agriculture programs for 40 years, now brings together dozens of local vendors in a hub and distributes produce across northern New Mexico.

"A lot of small farms in our region have really been innovators, pioneers and early adopters of things, but they lack volume of production and scale," Hobbs says.

To help these rural food systems grow, the Department of Agriculture is putting more resources into food hub funding and research, building on older local food initiatives.

In the 1990s, it tracked farmers market development, which increased in the 2000s with the agency's "Know Your Farmer, Know Your Food" initiative. By 2008, Congress had provided more than \$10 million to fund direct farmer-to-consumer sales like agri-tourism and food cooperatives; and in 2014, amendments to the Farm Bill focused more on local food promotion, aggregation and distribution. From 2009 to 2015, the department put about \$1 billion into 40,000 local food infrastructure projects across the country.

Still, even though the department increasingly spends money on these types of programs, it pales in comparison to how much money they provide for large-scale or industrial farming.

"The USDA needs to represent all of agriculture," says John Fisk, director of the Wallace Center, a non-profit that does regional food development and works with the USDA on some local food initiatives. "Is [this] a large investment compared to commodity agriculture or other areas?" he asked. "No. But it's a start."

To measure the impact of these local food systems, Colorado State University researchers helped the department develop a toolkit to assess the economic effects of local food systems, with guidelines for finance planning, marketing and public-private partnerships.

The government also funded 10 food hubs across the country that will serve as case studies over the next three years to build out a baseline dataset about the effects food hubs have on rural economies and how they work best. In addition to the fundraising, coordination and planning efforts they require within communities, they also need to meet certain federal or state standards to be

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FORUM ...

The second Republican-sponsored forum for the four Rio Blanco County candidates for county commissioner was held Monday night at the CSU Extension Office Building at the county fairgrounds in Meeker. From left to right, candidates Si Woodruff, Jeff Eskelson, Jeff Rector and John Hill made opening statements, fielded questions from the Republican organizers and then took questions from the audience, which was about 50 people strong. Questions were asked on a wide variety of subjects, and the forum story will be included in next week's edition of the *Herald Times*.

SEAN MCMAHON

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FROM MY WINDOW...

RHS grads receive sage advice from commencement speaker

By SEAN McMAHON
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It is always enjoyable to attend a high school or college graduation as it is easy to spot those who are really happy those 12 years in high school, 14 years in a junior college and 16 years at a four-year college or university are over and now only a memory in the past.

Such was the case on Sunday afternoon at Rangely High School, when Salutatorian Echo Campbell and Valedictorian Courtney Bell gave their speeches to their fellow classmates in the Class of 2016.

Both speeches were relatively short, to the point and stressed the theme that after high school it is up to the student to become whatever they can and want to be. Very sage advice.

But it was baseball/softball coach Paul Fortunato who the RHS senior class wanted to hear from and who they chose as their commencement speaker.

It was Fortunato who brought all that was said on Sunday afternoon to the level of reality and focus reiterating that there are no limits to what a young person can do after high school.

Most importantly, Fortunato told the seniors they are now in the real world and that they have to "keep it real" and take responsibility from now on. As the saying goes, they are the rulers of their own destiny.

Fortunato said it is now time to put away the video games and cell phones. It is time to turn off the television and learn how to be "social" in this new world.

The world of video games and texting and talking constantly on the phone should be darned near over. It is time to grow up, people.

Meet people. Talk to them. Interact with the opposite sex. Get out of town. Make new friends and realize the importance of handling life as an adult.

You may be the best in your

school at playing video games, but that isn't likely a skill that will land you in a hot seat on the stock exchange or in a nice new desk in your own office.

You may be the fastest texter on your block, but chances are that won't be a skill that lands you a good job, helps you with your homework, or that gets what needs to be done, done.

Develop your people skills. Prove you can get along and work with others.

Prove somehow that you can think or work out problems on your own or be a useful partner on a team.

Those are the talents that make you a wise person, a good friend, a useful co-worker and a valuable employee.

Those people skills will carry you a lot farther than burying your head into a book full time or watching TV or playing video games. These people skills are what will make you a well-rounded person, able to speak to and with anyone on any number of subjects and help you understand what it is that makes a person a valuable member of the community.

Who do you admire? Pick five people you know who stand out as pretty good folks or humans of interest.

Ask yourself what it is about those people that draw you to them. Why do they appeal to you? Could it be they are interesting or interested in the same things you are? Could it be that they are always there to lend a hand? Could it be they often have the answer to the question you want answered?

Then ask what it is you can do to make yourself into that kind of person. How can you help? What can you add to society?

There are so many doors open after high school and after college to the person who has a direction and a purpose that the world is truly an endless aisle of choices.

And when it comes to being a

physicist, a hotel maid, a dealer in Las Vegas, a fireman, a chef, a mechanic, a hunting guide, a farmer or rancher, a TV repairman, a computer or IT expert or even a garbage truck driver, do what you need to do to become the best darned garbage truck driver in the business.

That's what life is all about. Doing what you want to do and doing it well. Do that, graduates, and you will have learned the secret to success and a happy and fulfilled future.



One is never too old to learn something new—and surprising.

When you live in the West, it is easy to become infatuated with wildlife.

They run in all sizes from the badger to the moose, they are widely varied in how they get from one place to another such as walk, crawl, swim or fly and they come in all forms of edible from an elk steak that melts in your mouth to various reptiles or rodents that aren't so appetizing.

I feel fortunate to have seen majestic moose, elk, deer, bighorn sheep and even mountain goats and bears in this real world outside of a zoo, all the way down to the wild ptarmigan, a relatively small bird that inhabits the higher altitudes in Colorado.

Certainly I have seen badgers, antelope, sage grouse, partridge, quail, wild turkeys, small and large owls and small and large raptors from the larger bald and golden eagles down to kestrels and smaller birds, foxes, wolves and even was fortunate when I was about 14 to help on an expedition to capture a young peregrine falcon from a fairly large nest on the side of a sheer cliff for use at



the U.S. Air Force Academy.

The only Colorado native wildlife I have not seen in the wild is a mountain lion. I saw the elusive puma or cougar in the Cheyenne Mountain Zoo when I was growing up in Colorado Springs and I saw a recently shot lion when I was sports/outdoor editor at a newspaper in Riverton, Wyo.

But the two critters I really want to see and have not seen since returning to Colorado over the past three-plus years are the mountain lion and the black bear.

I know both of the critters are around here. I know many people who have seen both on more than one occasion. But I know as much time as I spend up in the mountains around here and around Colorado that the day will come—hopefully soon—when I once again see the wild bear or, for the first time, that I see that elusive mountain lion in the wild.

But I will say I was surprised on Sunday to be driving between Meeker and Rangely, at mile marker 28, which is just a couple miles east of Kenney Reservoir, where I spotted what I thought was an uncommon sight.

Many times and many locations in the West have afforded me the opportunity to see bald and golden eagles. Always thrilling, but no big deal.

But I don't think that it was more than 20 yards away from the eagle that I saw two pelicans land on an open flat that was filled with fairly shallow water—but enough for them to swim in.

So, I was fairly thrilled to see the pelicans, many of which I have seen before all over the world but usually near a salt-water shoreline. Nope, this was in an open fresh-water-filled field in the heart of Rio Blanco County.

I have seen the herons, the cranes and other semi-aquatic large birds on their migratory paths, but I had not

seen pelicans in Colorado. I thought that was pretty neat and that I was probably one of the few folks in Colorado who had ever seen pelicans in the state.

I am writing this column on Monday afternoon and in the middle of writing about the pelicans—not five minutes ago—I received a phone call from a woman who said she just saw about 40 pelicans on the big pond opposite the Kum & Go just south of Meeker and just north of the intersection of highways 13 and 64.

Well, I am still thrilled that I saw the pelicans in Rio Blanco County. I apparently just learned I am not necessarily one of a few who were so lucky.

I guess I just learned that one is never too old to learn something.

But I am still looking forward to my first live bear or mountain lion sighting here in Rio Blanco County. At least I know they are here.



Roughly 50 people showed up Monday night for the forum involving the four county commissioner candidates at the exhibition hall at the Rio Blanco County Fairgrounds in Meeker and roughly 30 people showed up last week in Rangely for the forum there.

There were very few differences between most of the four Republican candidates' answers, with the exception that challenger Si Woodruff was the candidate who was most cautious regarding major expenditures by the county.

If I were to generalize what the different candidates stood for, I would state that if you like where the county is headed and if you like the way and the pace the current commissioners are doing their thing, then you ought to vote for incumbents Jeff Eskelson and Jon Hill.

If you don't like the direction the commissioners are going and are not thrilled to death with how they are getting there and think there needs to be more financial restraint, then the challengers, Si Woodruff and Jeff Rector, might be the way to go.

The most important thing about the rapidly approaching election is that you get out and vote and make your voice heard.

This is going to be a very important election for Rio Blanco County and will set the course for the next four or more years.

Learn the more subtle differences in the candidates and pick those who are moving the way you want to see them move. You are going to have to live with it for the next four years.

OHV club to meet Wednesday

MEEKER The public is invited to enjoy a root beer float and join the Wagon Wheel OHV Club meeting on Wednesday at 7 p.m. at Meeker Drug.

Whether you ride an ATV, side by side, motorcycle or full-size 4x4, the club is your local voice for the motorized sport. It is vital that riders in the Meeker area be proactive in promoting the sport and stay active to assist with keeping access, trails and roads open.

The club is a partner with the town of Meeker, the county, the U.S. Forest Service, the BLM, the Meeker Chamber of Commerce and other entities. OHV riders add greatly to the local economy.

For more information about the club and its mission, contact Alvin Jones, Dave Murry, Peggy Kilduff, Diana Jones, Troy Hilkey or Dan Ilgen.



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A LOOK AT THE WEST

To better educate next generation, reinvent the classroom

By **DICK RESCH**

Special to the Herald Times

RBC I Quick! Pop quiz! More education funding plus smaller class sizes equals better test scores, right?

Wrong. Foreign students outperform Americans on numerous tests: literacy, math, technological knowledge, even everyday skills.

That is despite the fact that the United States spends more than \$15,000 a year to educate each student from kindergarten through college—\$6,000 more than the average for other economically advanced coun-

tries. American schools also reduced average class sizes by over 13 percent between 2000 and 2010; classes are smaller here than in other similarly situated countries.

American schools don't need more money. They need to ditch their 20th-century teaching methods.

Research shows that games, technology and practical applications speak to them. Schools need to respond by redesigning classrooms to allow teachers to put these methods to work.

Take video games. They're not just ways to avoid doing homework.

They're teaching tools.

A University of Southern California study found that fifth-graders who played an iPad math game about fractions for 20 minutes a day for five days boosted test scores by 15 percent. Computer scientists at the University of California San Diego recently used a video game to teach 8-12 year olds how to code. In seven days, the students learned to write commands in the Java coding language.

Simply swapping out textbooks for tablets, which enable students to swipe through content as they would

in a game can boost academic performance. At one California middle school, 20 percent more students scored "proficient" or "advanced" in Algebra I comprehension when they read from iPads instead of conventional textbooks.

Teachers can also enhance students' skills by simulating real-world events—known as "virtual learning."

For instance, instead of watching a nurse administer medication or oxygen to a patient, nursing students at New York University practice their skills on Human Patient Simulators. These robots have pulses and respond

realistically to stimuli. Students can practice responding to medical emergencies without putting real patients at risk.

Simulators dramatically improve students' performance. Residents in a general surgery program saw their speed go up 97 percent and the efficiency of motion increase 59 percent after using simulators.

Project-based learning doesn't just teach the "what." It teaches the "how" as in how to work together and solve problems. These skills are in high demand in the workplace.

Consider the case of a class of 10th-grade students studying World War II. One group was given a problem-based learning assignment to advise President Truman how to end the war, which forced them to actively research the issues to formulate recommendations. The other group received traditional lectures.

The problem-based learning students exhibited greater knowledge of the subject matter than those who studied it passively via lectures, according to a study from the non-profit Buck Institute for Education.

To deploy these newer teaching methods, schools must redesign classrooms so that teachers and students seamlessly transition from one task or learning tactic to the next.

Games and virtual learning make frequent use of technology, so students need quick access to computers and tablets. Instead of stationary computers on desks, teachers could stow tech devices in mobile storage units until students need them.

At Michigan State University's Design Center, students already utilize such dual-purpose furniture. They tuck their urban design projects into storage units, which convert into workspaces when opened.

Teachers also need to be able to mold learning environments for each lesson. If they want to break students into small teams for project-based learning, they should be able to reconfigure lightweight, mobile tables.

Schools must adopt more effective teaching methods and give teachers flexible classrooms that make such tactics feasible. Doing so will help ensure that American students can ace whatever pop quizzes come their way.

Dick Resch is CEO of Green Bay, Wisc.-based manufacturer KI (www.ki.com).

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Not all can vote on commissioners

Dear Editor:

In your paper two weeks ago, a front page article announced that the County Republican Party was hosting two county commissioner candidate forums for the four Republican candidates in the two districts (West End and East End) up for election this year—one in Rangely and one in Meeker.

I am very glad they planned these forums, but there is a misleading statement in the article, that "all county voters will vote in both districts." This is not correct.

Under Colorado law, Democrats are not able to vote in a Republican primary, even if there are no unaffiliated or Democratic candidates in the running.

Furthermore, anyone registered as unaffiliated can only vote in the June 28 Republican primary if they are willing to register as a Republican before or on the day of the election, and to remain a registered Republican until they purposely reregister otherwise.

A person can change their affiliation after the state officially closes the

election—approximately three weeks later. Until then, the system won't allow any changes, according to Rio Blanco County Clerk Boots Campbell.

Not that I necessarily recommend it, but any registered voter affiliated with the Democratic Party has through May 27 to change or withdraw their party affiliation in order to be eligible to vote in the June 28 primary.

As stated above, if such a voter registered as an unaffiliated voter, then that voter would have until June 28 to register as a Republican and vote in the primary.

Under current election rules, more than 1 million active Colorado voters—those "unaffiliated" with a party—are excluded from taxpayer-financed primary elections.

Further, by leaving this group out, hyper-partisan candidates are more likely to be the choices for the general election.

According to the Greater Denver Chamber of Commerce, the state's registered voter affiliation ratio is: Unaffiliated: 35 percent; Republican: 33 percent; and Democrat: 31 percent.

Unaffiliated voters not being allowed to participate in Colorado primaries was a subject of intense consideration in the just-completed 2016 legislative session.

In the end, the Legislature did not reach any agreement.

A group named Let Colorado Vote, however, is working to put a related measure on the ballot this fall. The group has stated that while "law-makers may not agree on the issue of increasing participation in primary elections, we expect regular Coloradans to overwhelmingly support the idea when given the choice this fall."

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Spiritual Devotion: Level 1

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AND a great multitude followed Him, because they saw his miracles which he did . . . (Jn. 6:2). Our thoughts last time lead us to another. Have you ever noticed the various levels of spiritual devotion illustrated in the NT? We observe, in fact, at least five such levels from the most superficial to the more sentimental to the truly steadfast.

First, there is the level of *curiosity*, which we again see in the feeding of the 5,000. The multitudes followed Jesus not because of the *man* He personified, not because of the *message* He proclaimed, but first because of the *miracles* He performed and ultimately only because of the *meals* He provided. Does this not sound familiar? Do we not see this in abundance today?

(1) We see them *seeking* (vv. 22–40). At first, it seems the people were sincere in their "seeking Jesus" (v. 24). After all, the Greek here (*zēteō*) means "look for, strive to find" (cf. Matt. 7:7–8). But actions have attitudes behind them, and Jesus knew their real motive: "Ye seek me, not because ye saw the miracles, but because ye did eat of the loaves, and were filled" (v. 26).

Today's so-called seekers are exactly the same. They view Christianity as the Ultimate Give-Away Program and God as the Heavenly Genie. This is made all the worse by false teachers who propagate this false notion of prosperity. While such teaching is more prominent in our day, it is not new, as our text demonstrates. Charles Spurgeon faced it in his day, writing, "It is anti-Christian and unholy for any Christian to live with the object of accumulating wealth." A. W. Tozer echoed by calling such

things "religious racketeering, pure and simple!"

(2) We see them *skeptical* (vv. 41–51). Jesus used the phrase "came down from heaven" five times in this chapter (vv. 38, 41, 42, 51, 58), and every time the Jews recognized it as a claim of deity. But in their hardened skepticism, they "murmured" against Him (v. 41). The Greek is *gogguzō*, an onomatopoeic word that mimics the low muttering sound of complaint. The curiosity seeker is a born skeptic and his complaints against Truth will come quickly and audibly.

(3) We see them *striving* (vv. 52–59). Completely missing the point our Lord was making about His being the spiritual Bread of Life, the people argued about what He meant. This, too, is typical of curiosity seekers, each arguing his own opinion, his own interpretation, his own theology.

(4) We see them *stumbling* (vv. 60–70). The Greek behind "offend" in verse 61 is *skandalizō*, to scandalize or stumble. Everything Jesus taught offended the Jews simply because the Truth offends. Such is always the case with those who follow Jesus just out of curiosity. And so it is that we are to love Him not for the gifts He can give us but the glory we can give Him.

Scriptures for Study: What do the following verses tell us about "seekers": Luke 9:57–62; Romans 16:17–18; Philippians 2:21? You are invited to worship with us at Grace Bible Church (on the corner of 3rd and Garfield) at 10:30 A.M. each Lord's Day, where the ministry is the expository preaching of God's Word. Please visit our website (www.TheScriptureAlone.com), where you will find many resources for Christian growth, including messages in MP3 media files.

Branding of the calves is ranchers' rite of spring



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Ed Heil, right, watches as brother Dale Heil continues the branding of the calf on the Heil Ranch, located west of Meeker. It takes the use of three branding irons to brand the calves, which also makes it a tough job that the calves aren't happy with. The Heils run black angus, red angus, herefords and black baldies on the ranch, which is in excess of 400 acres with a lease of more than 1,000 other acres.



Ed Heil, center, administers vaccine to the calf as helper Lynn Rissel, far right, looks on. The vaccine provides a variety of protections against problems with the calves, including pink eye.



Dale Heil tries to squeeze his arms between the bars to gain access to the calf's scrotum, which has a small rubber band placed between the testicles and the base. Over a short period of time, the testicles, due to a lack of blood, atrophy and fall off, eliminating the need to use a knife to cut out the testicles.



Roughly 23 calves needed to be branded on Friday morning and afternoon at the Heil Ranch, located west of Meeker along Highway 64. All the cow and calf separating and getting the calves into the right pens and the cows turned out to pasture was all done on foot. Involved in the real work of the day were Dale Heil, Ed Heil, Lynn Rissel and Terry Anderson.



Lynn Rissel, left, watches as Dale Heil, right, tags the calf's ear while Ed Heil, center, administers vaccine to the calf.

MEDICATIONS: Legislature sides with mail-order pharmaceutical companies

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HB 1361 passed the House on April 14, on a 34-31 mixed-party vote. It passed the Senate State Affairs Committee on a 4-1 vote on April 25, thanks to Sen. Jerry Sonnenberg, R-Sterling, being both the vice chairman of that committee and a prime sponsor of the bill.

Senate President Bill Cadman, R-Colorado Springs, required that the bill be sent to a second committee - Senate Finance - if it passed out of State Affairs.

That means the bill had garnered 40 votes out of the 75 cast on it, but was killed by one of the three Republican members of the Senate Finance Committee since if that one person had voted for the bill, it would have made it safely out of that committee. The committee members are Republicans Chairman Tim Neville of Littleton, Vice Chairman Owen Hill of Colorado Springs and Chris

Holbert of Douglas County, plus Democrats Mike Johnston of Denver and Andy Kerr of Lakewood.

On May 5, the committee listened to more than an hour of testimony on the bill. Eight witnesses signed up to speak in favor of the bill and two signed up against it. It was the first bill up in a list of 16 the committee was to deal with that day.

The legislative session ended May 11.

Prime Senate sponsor Sonnenberg introduced the bill to the committee. He was brief in the interest of time. He stressed how important it is for rural Coloradans to have access to pharmaceuticals and he said that requires the presence of local pharmacies. He acknowledged that some argue that mail-order prescriptions are less expensive and said he liked free markets, but that in general we know health care is not a free market and there is "a need for government to implement some influence in

this situation."

It is not OK, Sonnenberg argued, for government to allow large businesses to drive out small, private businesses from our communities, especially in small towns where there are no other options, by mandating what should be personal decisions.

He described incidences in his large northeastern Colorado district of folks without local pharmacies having to drive long distances. He suggested local pharmacies would be forced out if they don't have the continuing prescription drug-refill business.

Sonnenberg chose to have the opponents of the bill testify first.

Lobbyist Patrick Boyle said he represented Express Scripts, the nation's largest pharmacy benefits manager (PBM), serving 85 million Americans for insurance companies, government agencies, union trusts and other entities. It also administers the Tri-Star Program (military insur-

ance) and has saved the Department of Defense more than \$16 million as military retirees are obliged to use mail order, Boyle said. Express Scripts strongly opposes HB 1361, he said, because it is a pre-emptive attack on the very model of companies like his.

PBMs are third-party administrators of prescription drug programs for commercial (private) health plans, self-insured employer plans, Medicare Part D plans, the federal employees' health program, and state government employee plans.

"The bill would prevent PBMs from providing the incentives we build into our service," Boyle argued, adding that in supporting the bill legislators would be violating the intent of Senate Bill 27, passed earlier in the session and which directs the State Department of Health Care and Human Services to encourage the use of mail order.

Boyle said mail-order and deliv-

ery costs are a lot less for his company because it has that 85 million customer buying power. Boyle added that mail-order delivery is a lot safer, too, because there are a lot fewer dispensing errors. He told the committee members they had a choice, either vote to protect this business model or vote to bend the cost curve up for prescription drugs, even for rural areas.

Sen. Johnston expressed agreement with the goal of reducing costs, but asked if the language of the bill doesn't seem to say a PBM couldn't still offer incentives without mandating volume (90 day supplies) or mail-order.

Johnston could not see that the bill would create any onerous restrictions on their contracts or business model.

Boyle responded that the purchase of pharmaceuticals was very complicated and there is tremendous variability due to differences in purchasing power and other arrange-

ments.

Dan O'Connell of the Colorado Association of Commerce and Industry (CACI), which he also referred to as the Colorado Chamber of Commerce, expressed CACI's "strong opposition" to the bill, which he described as legislative interference with the contracting necessary for businesses, like insurance companies and their benefit managers, to sustain their business models.

"Every Colorado business should be able to choose," he said, claiming that "the bill would dictate who a company can do business with." O'Connell added that HB 1361 would ensure folks would be less able to participate in cost-saving plans.

Responding to a question from Sen. Johnston, O'Connell asked just how deeply into this matter of contract details the senators really wanted to get? He argued that "the Legislature should simply allow businesses that have the experience and the expertise, the freedom to set forth competitive prices and related contracts. It's the industry experts who

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PHF's 'Forks & Flavors' fundraiser to benefit new mammogram machine



Professional dealers from Grand Junction kept the for-fun gamblers in line Saturday evening during the casino night portion of the Forks & Flavors Pioneers Healthcare Foundation annual fundraiser event. The dinner and fun were held at the Fairfield Center in downtown Meeker, and entertainment was provided by the Matt Holliday Band and casino night, which included the opportunity for one to brush up on the rules of craps, seen above.



The Pioneers Healthcare Foundation presented five scholarships Saturday at their annual Forks & Flavors gala dinner fundraiser to raise funds for a 3-D mammography machine. Scholarship recipients are, from left to right: Karen Dinwiddie, Catherine Eliassen for daughter Anna Eliassen, Faith Patterson, Meghan Gerloff and Taylor Nielsen.



One of the fund-raising events Saturday night at the Pioneers Healthcare Foundation's Forks & Flavors fundraiser was a silent auction of donated goods and expensive gift baskets. Above, attendees at the dinner/dance/casino night take a look at the silent auction items, writing down their bids as they proceed around the Fairfield Center lobby. A couple thousand dollars was raised through the auction as part of the event to raise funds for a new 3-D mammography machine.



After the Forks & Flavors dinner held as part of the Pioneers Healthcare Foundation fundraiser event was casino night, when those in attendance could either stay in the main room at the Fairfield Center and dance or go out to the lobby and partake in some fun casino games. One such game was blackjack or "21" as seen above.



Cindy Welle, center, and Trina Zagar-Brown, right, watch as Dick Welle tries his luck at bra pong, one of the games at the Forks & Flavors fundraiser event for a new 3-D mammography machine for Pioneers Medical Center. The idea is to bounce a ping pong ball off the table and into one of the cups of one of bras against the wall. It is not an easy feat, as most of those who tried the game found out.



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As we get farther into spring, the skies from a distance may appear as though Rio Blanco County is awash with fire and smoke. The reality is a lot of the county's farm and ranch land is being burned on purpose to eliminate wild grasses that could lead to large-scale fires. Above, this controlled burn is taking place south of Highway 64 about eight miles west of Meeker.

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DRUGS: 27 other states have passed the legislation

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are in the best position to determine the thousands of policies needed."

The pro side of the bill was very well represented by citizens and independent pharmacy owners.

Terry Newland was there with her husband from Basalt testifying about their problems, involving insulin, through mail order. She had run an experiment with her own mailbox the day before, early May in Basalt, recording temperatures of 79 degrees rising to over 104 degrees by afternoon. Insulin is supposed to be kept at 36 to 46 degrees, she said.

How can mail-order always be safer? She urged the committee to prevent these kinds of unsafe situations and further monopolization by passing the bill.

Small town pharmacy practitioners from Eads, Rocky Ford and elsewhere testified to their experiences. All disagreed with the previous testimony that the bill would increase

pharmaceutical costs. They also disagreed about safety, indicating that personal contact with a local pharmacy is critical to the continuity of care and medication therapy management offered by person to person connection at pharmacies vs. the mail.

They also identified the conflict-of-interest aspects of insurers and PMBs owning their own distribution houses, so of course they want to be able to direct drug purchases there.

Another woman, present with her husband from southeast Colorado, testified how their insurance company led them to believe they would fully cover prescription purchases at their local pharmacy and then sent them letters within a month requiring volume and mail-order use, taking away their ability to choose their local drug store. She reported that they discovered their local druggist was able to beat the mail-order price for five drugs by \$300 over three months. She too urged the committee to stop these monopolistic actions by passing the

bill.

Tony Gagliardi of the Colorado State National Federation of Independent Businesses, representing 7,000 small business owners and speaking for the Rocky Mountain Food Industry, Colorado Retail Council, the deputy director of the American Red Cross of Colorado and the Colorado Union of Taxpayers, registered support for the bill as a cost-containment measure, stressed the importance of local pharmacies in establishing personal health relationships and adherence to treatment regimes. Richard Orf, representing the Associated Governments of Northwest Colorado, stated that AGNC supports the bill, and he mentioned the importance of stand-alone pharmacies like Meeker's.

The bill's second prime sponsor in the Senate, Linda Newell, D-Littleton, summed up the reasons to support the bill by addressing the three primary issues: industry contracts; cost-containment; and safety.

The important contract issue is that consumers be allowed to access prescription drugs where and how they choose, she said.

The argument that costs will rise if people don't take advantage of volume and mail-order supply is a myth, Newell said, adding that the 27 other states that have passed this legislation have not seen cost increases. And concerns about safety, she said, definitely come down on not forcing mail delivery of drugs.

It was apparent the bill would die on a party-line vote, but Sen. Hill indicated he wanted to try to find compromise amendments so the committee agreed to lay the bill over to the end of their agenda, which came the next morning.

At that time, Hill reported he had not been able to find a fix, but that he needed to make the issue a priority for next year. A motion to move the bill to the Senate Floor failed 2-3 on the party-line vote, which was reversed to postpone the bill indefinitely.



Your Annual Meeting Invitation

On behalf of the Board of Directors, management, staff and employees of Moon Lake Electric Association, Inc., it gives me great pleasure to invite you to attend this year's Annual Meeting. At the meeting we will present the 2015 Annual Report, which contains information about the overall condition of your cooperative. We appreciate the opportunity to serve you and to help our communities thrive and prosper. Through your trust and support, Moon Lake has been able to continue its growth and success, even in an uncertain economy.

We hope you and your family will be able to attend this year's Annual Meeting of Members, scheduled for Thursday, June 2nd, in the Operations Building located behind our Headquarters Office at 800 West Highway 40 in Roosevelt.

Meal & Business Report - A meal will be served from 5:00 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. The Business portion of the meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m. and members will have the opportunity to hear a report of Moon Lake's activities and ask any questions or comments on issues of concern.

Director Elections - District Director Nominating Meetings were held this year in District 4, 5, and 7. In District 5, Jeffery Henderson and Dana Shepard are vying for the Board seat. Ballots were mailed to members living in District 5 on May 4th, and they can vote by mail or by attending the June 2nd Annual Meeting and voting in person between 5:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.



Brad J. Casto
Board President

The Cooperative Bylaws state that in the event the nominating process results in only one nominee for the position of Director, such nominee shall be deemed elected by the members of the District, without the necessity of an election at an Annual or Special Meeting of the Members. As a result, Incumbent Directors Tommy Olsen (District 4) and Brad Casto (District 7) were the only nominees from their Districts and they will continue their service for another 3-year term.

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GROUSE: Decision expected to come this week

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servation efforts in sagebrush country," he said.

Opponents of the 2015 conservation victory would rather see state-developed plans implemented instead. While many of the 11 Western state plans are good, some do not fully address threats to sage-grouse and need to be complimented by federal plans.

"Success for the greater sage-grouse was achieved in 2015 through the combination of strong conservation plans on federal public lands, coupled with state conservation plans and voluntary efforts from private landowners," said Steve Williams, president of the Wildlife

Management Institute. "Future success depends heavily on immediate and consistent implementation of all these combined efforts."

"We are disappointed to see this effort by the House to snatch defeat from the jaws of a victory that has already been achieved," said Howard Vincent, president and CEO of Pheasants Forever/Quail Forever. "The 11 Western states, federal agencies and private landowners must continue with their unprecedented efforts to conserve and manage sage-grouse."

Sportsmen's organizations continue to communicate to lawmakers that the best thing they can do for sage-grouse is ensure that adequate funding goes toward implementation

of federal plans, that necessary resources go to the states and that private lands conservation continues.

Undoing those conservation plans might be the best way to ensure a listing, (which is) bad news for just about everyone.

The Senate is expected to consider the NDAA, which currently does not include the detrimental sage-grouse provisions, sometime this week.

"This issue has no link to military readiness and it's simply playing politics to suggest otherwise," Fosburgh said. "Our community looks forward to working with the Senate to ensure that these provisions to undermine sage-grouse conservation are kept out of their version of the legislation."

HUBS: Encouraging people to buy locally grown

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able to scale up their operations.

For instance, the Wallace Center is working with the USDA to develop a program for hubs to attain food safety certification so they can access larger markets.

After three years, the Excelsior Farmers Exchange has encouraged Pueblo residents to buy more food

locally and helped farmers reach new customers in the region. But food hubs can't solve all of a community's food challenges—and they shouldn't try to.

To stay in business, it's important to choose a goal, says Becca Jablonski, an agricultural economist at CSU. That could be improving profitability for small and mid-scale producers, supporting beginning

farmers who want to break into regional markets or enhancing food access for low-income populations.

"Food hubs can take many forms," she says. "And they should, depending on what the community needs."

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It seems like all the wildlife in Rio Blanco County can be found hanging out on County Road 8 on the way east toward the Flat Tops Wilderness Area and Trappers Lake, but this large herd of deer, about 35 in all, were spotted along County Road 4, north and east of Meeker. The herd was enjoying the sunny weather and the sprouts of fresh grasses coming up in a valley field.

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The Rangely High School Class of 2016 was graduated Sunday, May 22 at 2 p.m. in the Rangely High School gymnasium.



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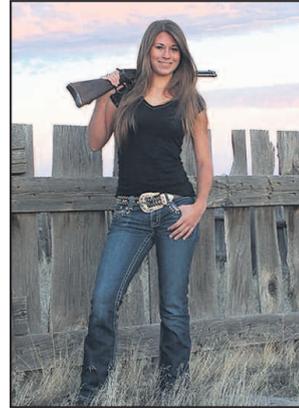
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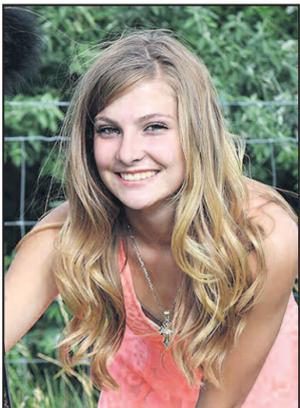
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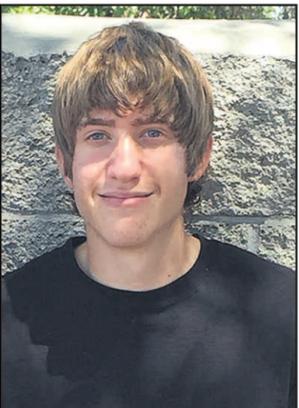
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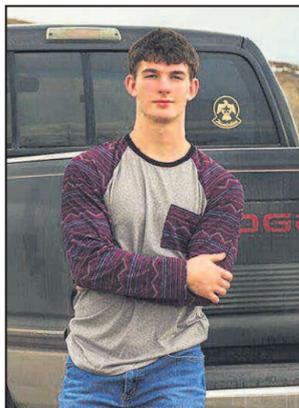
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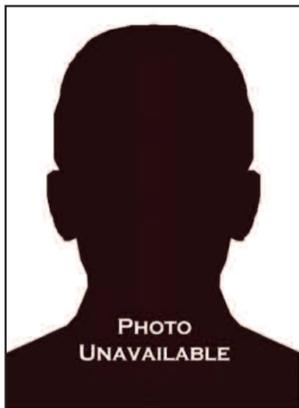
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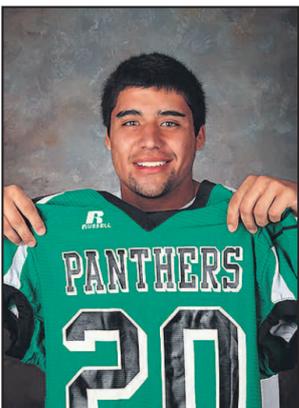
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Rangely High School Class of 2016 graduates 19 students



There were 19 students in the Rangely High School Class of 2016, and they were presented with their diplomas at the school's commencement exercise on Sunday afternoon.

A nearly full house met the Rangely High School Class of 2016 on Sunday afternoon in the Rangely High School gymnasium. The event was emceed by RHS Principal Dr. K.D. Bryant and included scholarships and academic/athletic awards being handed out.



Richard Brooks, left, and Kevin Amack, right, presented the Masonic Lodge scholarship to Courtney Bell on Sunday afternoon for \$28,000, which breaks down to \$7,000 per year for four years to a four-year college of her choice in Colorado. Each year, the Masonic Lodge is one of the largest donors for scholarships in Meeker and Rangely.



Rangely High School baseball/softball coach Paul Fortunato was chosen by the graduating Class of 2016 as their commencement speaker of choice on Sunday afternoon. Fortunato told the students it is time to move on and to be themselves as they decide what comes next—minus cell phones, video games and television and to pursue whatever course is needed to get where they want and where they will be happy with their job and their life.



Rangely High School Athletic Director Crandal Mergelman, left, and Counselor Dixie Fielder, right, look on as 2016 Salutatorian Echo Campbell addresses her classmates during commencement exercises on Sunday afternoon in the Rangely High School gymnasium. Valedictorian was Courtney Bell and the student-chosen keynote speaker was Paul Fortunato, who is also the Panther baseball and football coach.

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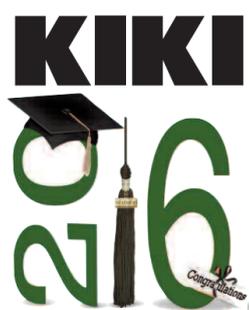
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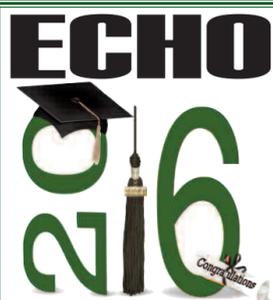


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CHRIS SELLE

Rangely tracksters finish 12th among 40 teams at state track meet

By **BETH SCOGGINS**
Special to the Herald Times

RANGELY I Five Rangely High School track and field athletes competed at the Colorado State Track Meet on Thursday, Friday and Saturday at Jeffco Stadium in Lakewood and a number of Panther thinclads scored points for RHS.

Panther senior Kaulan Brady started the meet off on Thursday

with the long jump competition. Brady turned in a leap of 19-11.5. He was able to make it into finals and placed eighth overall. While he was jumping, he was also running the 100-meter dash. In the 100, he ran an 11.92, placing 14th. On Saturday, in the high jump, Brady placed fourth with a height of 6-0.

Junior Troy Allred also long jumped. He was able to turn in a personal best with a jump of 19-6,

which placed him 13th overall. Then on Friday, he was in the triple jump, in which he turned in a leap of 37-10.75, good enough for 16th place.

For Rangely's girls, sophomore Katelyn Brown was the lone contender at state and she competed well in the triple jump. She was able to make the finals and able to get a good jump of 34-2, enough for sixth place.

Sophomore Brennan Noyes triple jumped as well as high jumped. In the triple jump, he was able to soar a distance of 39-1.25, finishing in 11th place. His high jump tied his personal best of 6-5, which put him in an impressive and lofty second place.

"Our jumpers all did a great job; it is fun to see them compete at this level and raise to the occasion," Panther head track coach Beth

Scoggins said.

Patrick Scoggins, a sophomore at RHS, competed in the 200-meter dash and the 400-meter dash as well as the 800-meter run. He just missed finals in the 200 dash, running a 23.67 and placing 13th overall. He was able to make finals in the 400 dash with a new personal best of 50.49; and in the state finals on Saturday he placed fifth with a time of 50.81.

On Friday, Scoggins ran the 800, placing sixth and recording a new personal best of 2:00.89.

The four boys competing for the Rangely squad were able to place 12th as a team out of 40 teams at the state competition.

"I am proud of each and every one of the athletes; they worked hard during the season and it paid off," coach Scoggins said.



SEAN MCMAHON

Rangely High School Athletic Director Crandal Mergelman, back right, announced the top senior athletes on Saturday evening during the 2016 RHS Commencement Exercise. Winners of the awards were Courtney Bell, left, and Cristo "Kiki" Ruiz.



TRUDI BURRI

Four Meeker High School baseball players were honored by the Northwest League for their play this season. From left, sophomore Logan Hughes, junior Ty Gibson and sophomore Doak Mantle were named to the first-team all-conference team, and Cowboy senior Nick Burri was honorably mentioned.

Several Meeker tracksters place at what coach calls 'good state meet'

By **BOBBY GUTIERREZ**
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MEEKER I "We had a great state meet this year, both the boys' and girls' teams had numerous personal bests and every girls' relay made the finals," Meeker track coach John Strate said.

One of the girls' relay teams set a new Meeker High School record at the 2016 Colorado State Track and Field Championships, held in Jefferson County Stadium in Denver Thursday through Saturday.

The Cowboys also qualified several individuals, including juniors Maggie Phelan, Austin Russell and Caleb Bradford, who each won medals.

The top 18 times and distances qualify for the "Big Show," where all Colorado schools, from all classifications compete, and coach Strate said the girls' 800-meter medley relay "started the whole thing off well."

Madi Russell, Sierra Williams, Loran Casias and Maggie Phelan qualified in the 15th spot of the 2A 800-meter medley event and they took two seconds off their best time in the preliminaries and qualified for the finals with a time of 1:57.

"Maggie ran her best split of the year in the 400 (meter) leg of the medley, with a 61," coach Strate said of Phelan and the medley team, which finished ninth.

The 4x400-meter relay team ran to a personal best, taking more than six

seconds off their qualifying time to set a new school record at 4:15 and claim a sixth-place spot on the podium at the state meet. Running on the school record-setting team were Phelan, Williams, Gracie Bradfield and Julia Eskelson.

The girls' 4x200-meter relay team, consisting of Russell, Williams, Bradfield and Loran Casias, entered the state meet at the 11th seed.

"They ran a season best by more than two seconds with their time of 1:49 and finished in fourth place," coach Strate said.

The girls' 4x100-meter relay team also ran a season best (51.93) at the state meet, putting them on the podium in eighth place. Russell, Casias, Bradfield and Peyton Burke were the Cowboy sprinters used to make up the 4x100 relay team.

Phelan also got on the podium with a "fantastic performance," according to her coach, with a personal best (33-7") in the triple jump.

"Maggie hit her season best on the last jump of the finals to secure her podium spot," coach Strate said. "It was great to see her at her best when the pressure was on."

Meeker freshman throwers Sydnie Main and Megan Shelton along with junior hurdler Peyton Burke did not make the podium but gained valuable state experience.

"Peyton hit one hurdle that made the difference in an incredibly tight race," coach Strate said. "Megan and Sydnie gained valuable experience as

freshmen at the state meet. They both have a bright future and will be key components to our team next year."

Members of the Meeker boys' team also recorded personal bests and earned state medals.

Cowboy juniors Austin Russell and Caleb Bradford stood on the state podium, Russell by running and Bradford by throwing.

Russell cut 20 seconds off his personal best in the 3,200-meter run and finished the two-mile run in 10:08, earning him an eighth-place finish. Bradford tied his personal best (129') and made the last spot on the podium in the discus.

"Caleb added 30 feet to his best throws throughout the season," coach Strate said. "It should be fun seeing what he can do next year."

Junior Cole Brown missed the finals by one spot in the long jump and he was on the 4x400-meter relay team with Russell, Josh Cochran and Gavin Garr.

"Although the boys' 4x800-meter and 4x400-meter relays missed the finals, they ran well," Coach Strate said. The 4x800-meter team took 10 seconds off their best time and narrowly missed the podium." That team was made up of Russell, Cochran, Tannen Kennedy and Marshal Pool.

Coach Strate also commented on Meeker's only senior qualifier, Marshal Pool.

"Marshal has been so dedicated, his hard work and leadership will be missed," Strate said.



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RHS State Track Athletes Rangely High School Track

From left, Kaulan Brady, Troy Allred, Patrick Scoggin, Brennan Noyes and Katelyn Brown, all members of the Rangely High School track and field team competed in the Colorado State Track and Field Championships in Denver on Thursday, Friday and Saturday. These five athletes garnered quite a few points for the Panthers as the team finished 12th out of 40 teams in the meet.



Relay Teams Meeker High School Track

It was a "great state meet," Meeker High School Track Coach Chris Strate said of the Cowboy team's performance at Jefferson County Stadium in the Denver metropolitan area Thursday through Saturday. And while there were several personal bests turned in, it was the performances by the various boys' and girls relay teams that stood out for the Cowboys as the boys and girls placed in nearly every relay team there was.



LEAH BOHLANDER

Eastern Rio Blanco Metropolitan (ERBM) Recreation & Park District hosted the annual Major League Baseball Pitch, Hit, & Run competition on Friday, May 20 at Paintbrush Park Ball Fields. All-around champions included Jonan VonRoenn in the Baseball 7/8 division, Dayton Ridgeway in the baseball 9/10 division, Brady Potez in the baseball 13/14 division, and Rayna VonRoenn in the softball 9/10 division. All participants were, from left, Rylin Braaten, Rayna VonRoenn, Thomas Paul Curry, Brady Potez and Jonathan Cardile. Kneeling from left to right are: Jonan VonRoenn, Dayton Ridgeway and Gabriel Cardile.

NOTE TO HERALD TIMES READERS

Due to an abundance of photos in this week's edition of the *Herald Times*, we will have a full page of photos from the state track meet in next week's edition.

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Business leaders' lunch June 3

MEEKER The next Meeker Business Leaders Luncheon will be held June 3 and will focus on helping employees to improve their work.

The luncheon will be held from 1 to 2 p.m. at Hollidays, and the Colorado Workforce Center from Steamboat Springs will present "Top 10 Tools for Employees," focusing on tools that are either free or that actually pay the employers and how a business can find and keep great employees.

Those top 10 tools include: an innovative industries grant, on-the-job training program, work opportunity tax credits, technology training, Colorado First/existing industry training grant, labor market information (local wage ranges), a federal bonding program, basic skills training and testing, job postings and pre-employment skills testing.

These business leaders' luncheons are open to anyone interested in networking with other business leaders, owners and managers to discuss important issues that affect Meeker's business community.

Lunch will be off the menu at Hollidays, so those interested are requested to RSVP to the sponsoring Meeker Chamber of Commerce at 970-878-5510 by 5 p.m. on Tuesday. Also, if you have ideas for future meeting topics, please let the chamber know.

DOGS: Ranch relies on border collies to manage livestock

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ally searching for an easier, simpler way to work livestock.

"It was too stressful for man and the livestock" Juan said as he reflected on the earlier days. He and a friend went to Canada and spent four days with Bud Williams, a well-known cattle-handling expert from Alberta, Canada, where he, for many years, has practiced and taught low stress methods for moving and managing cattle. A comment that Williams made stuck with Juan—that much of what he knows he had learned from a border collie.

It so happened that Juan had been given a border collie (Griz). Admittedly not knowing anything

about dogs, Juan began to watch Griz, how he naturally and easily gathered stock. Together they formed an understanding and relationship, Juan learning the instinctive working ways of the border collie and Griz figuring out what Juan wanted done. They sorted cattle in feedlots, pulled sick ones quietly from the pens and managed the cows on the range. Livestock handling on the MR Ranch became more efficient and less stressful.

Around this time, Juan met well-respected stockdog breeders and trainers Jim Chant of Wyoming and Red Oliver of Texas, both of whom had a big impact on Juan and his work with the border collies. They soon became Juan's mentors and friends.

Through Red and Jim, Juan entered and won his first cattledog trial in Fort Collins, Colo.

Juan breeds most of his own dogs, searching out new bloodlines and watching other dogs at trials. Most of his females go back to his original Griz dog that was out of Wisp, a Scottish import.

His Red dog is another strong bloodline that "perpetuates his genes better than any dog I've owned," says Juan of the great dog he got from Red Oliver.

Juan typically will send his young dogs out to be started by other trainers and let them have 30 to 40. From there, he takes the dogs back, training them on the ranch, learning and developing as they work. Getting the job done on the ranch takes priority over winning a trial, and Juan wants it this way.

These dogs need to be able to

gather cattle from long distances and, under Juan's direction, work them through the rugged Wyoming terrain. The dogs also must be adept at helping Juan work and sort cattle through various feedlot situations.

He usually has eight good working dogs ready to go on the ranch at all times, typically using four at once, depending on the job.

Juan's contributions to the cattledog industry go farther than producing good dogs. Using his dogs to demonstrate efficient, low-stress livestock handling, Juan gives seminars and demonstrations around the country.

He and Jim Chant put together the Wyoming Cattledog Trial Series and ran the National Western Stockshow Cattledog Trial and Sale. Following Jim's death, Juan, along with fellow handlers Bob Wagner, Jeff Mundorf, Jimmy Walker and Tim Gifford founded the National Cattledog Association.

The organization was founded in part to help educate ranchers and livestock producers as to the value of well-trained cattledogs for humane, low-stress cattle handling.

Juan served as president for two years and was instrumental in bringing the NCA National Cattledog Finals to Colorado. He's now stepped back to let others take the lead and lends his support to the organization in other ways.

For Juan it is all about what you can accomplish on the ranch with these dogs. Stressing stockmanship and safety for man and the livestock, he uses the responsible intelligent

border collie to get the job done. They've worked for him in close quarters and out on the range and fit his needs on the ranch. Partners of sorts, the collies help the Reyes family manage livestock operations of a feedlot and registered angus business that markets rugged angus cattle that are genetically equipped to thrive in severe weather and high altitudes.

A testimony to the opportunities this country offers, Juan smiles when he says, "My success is due to the United States of America and its forefathers, who created a country and government that people like me and others can succeed."

You can watch Reyes and other handlers compete in Meeker from June 15-19 at the Meeker Classic NCA National Cattledog Finals. Set on the Ute Park trial field that's hosted the Meeker Classic Sheepdog Trials for 30 years, this competition offers a unique opportunity to see North America's finest cattledogs compete for the national title in open, nursery, intermediate, intermediate horseback and open horseback classes.

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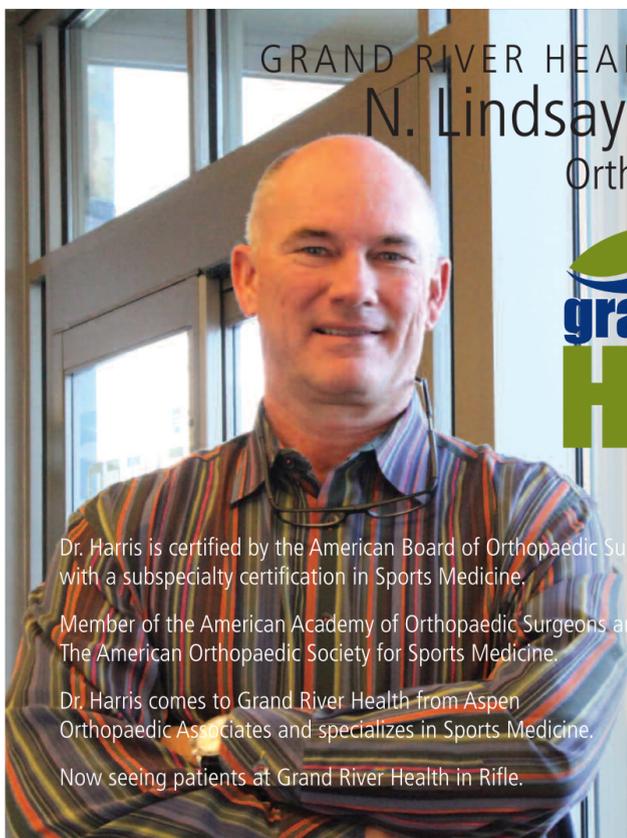


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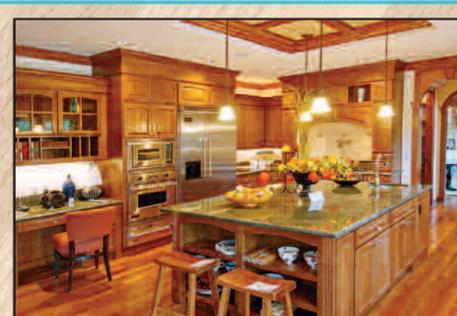
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A LOOK AT THE NATION

Even those who know Congress best are shaking their heads

By **LEE H. HAMILTON**
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RBC I I had the good fortune last week to spend some time in Washington, D.C. with about a dozen former members of Congress. As you'd expect, we got to talking about the current Congress. Very quickly it turned out that the same question was troubling all of us: Why is it held in such low public esteem?

We represented both parties and a variety of eras and had a range of experience under our belts. But we all found ourselves chagrined by what we've been witnessing.

You have to understand that most former members of Congress believe deeply in the value of the institution for American representative government. We might take opposite sides of particular policy debates, but on one

point we all agree: we want the institution itself to succeed and thrive. These days, it's doing neither.

For starters, we were hard-pressed to come up with any real accomplishments for this Congress.

It did pass a revision to No Child Left Behind and a controversial expansion of cyber-surveillance capabilities - which it slipped into a must-pass budget bill. It also took the entirely uncontroversial step of broadening sanctions on North Korea. But that's pretty much it.

In the country at large, people are fretting about control of our borders, stagnant wages, college expenses, the cost of health care, the opioid addiction crisis, the spread of ISIS, the strengthening effects of climate change. The administration is trying to keep the Zika virus from gaining a foothold in this country, and congress-

sional inaction has already caused Puerto Rico to default on one set of obligations, with a much bigger default looming—and doomed airline passengers to longer and longer waits as the TSA struggles. Yet on Capitol Hill, no one seems particularly concerned. Instead, its members left town to campaign.

This may be unfair, but I can't help but think about my first year in Congress. We enacted 810 bills, including the passage of Medicare and Medicaid, the Voting Rights Act of 1965, the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, the Water Quality Act, and setting up the Departments of Transportation and of Housing and Urban Development. Not every year was like that, but the contrast is inescapable. Among the group of people I was with last week—people who watch Congress closely—there was

unanimity: this will go out as one of the least productive years in congressional history.

Worse, members show little interest in making Congress more productive.

Our little group all remembered times when we or our colleagues pushed reform efforts to make the institution work better—and were struck that current members aren't doing so. Most Americans belong to some group or another that's trying to accomplish change for the better and improve itself at the same time. Why would Congress be an outlier? But it is.

Some of the observations we shared last week are old hat. Congress is excessively partisan, with too many of its members highly distrustful of the other party and inclined to blame it for Capitol Hill's ailments.

As an institution, it seems incapable of ridding itself of the bad habits it's gotten into: the reliance on omnibus bills and continuing resolutions; timidity in the face of presidential power; a marked reluctance to use the levers of congressional authority—especially control of the federal budget—to prod or check executive action.

Yet none of us believe this is irreversible. We are all convinced that strong leadership in Congress could make an immense difference. In the past, effective legislators on both sides of the aisle, as committee chairs and as caucus leaders—have left behind them a legacy of great accomplishment.

Democrat Emanuel Celler of New York and Republican William McCullough of Ohio joined forces to craft the Civil Rights Act of 1964;

Democrat Wilbur Mills of Arkansas and Republican John Byrnes of Wisconsin together helped shape Medicare.

I won't waste your time with a list of consummate legislators who were able to get things done. The point is simple: it may be a different time and legislative environment from 50 years ago, but strong leadership can make Congress work. On that, my former colleagues and I, Republicans and Democrats, found ourselves in full agreement.

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OBITUARIES

Shirley Louise Robertson Englert Wix

April 9, 1935~May 24, 2016

Shirley Louise Robertson was born April 9, 1935, to George Andrew and Myrtle Ida (Woodard) Robertson in their home at the back of her father's barber shop in Simla, Colo.

The family moved to San Francisco, where they spent the next several years in the Napa Valley area. They later returned to Ramah, where they worked together at the family dairy.

Shirley loved the country life. She fondly remembers playing taps on her trumpet while riding her horse bareback.

Shirley was graduated from Ramah High School and married her high school sweetheart, Thaddeus Joseph Englert. They had four children: two sets of twins, Cathy and Mark; and Lori and Lois.

Shirley and Thad raised their family in multiple towns, including Ramah, Colo., Ames, Iowa, and on the Western Slope of Colorado as Thad continued his education and Shirley pursued her Realtor's license.

Shirley was passionate about flower gardening, a skill nurtured and developed by her mother and grandmother. She enjoyed fishing, cross stitch, reading, golfing and, in her words, "would like to have been able to paint." Others think she was a true artist.

Shirley was an avid arrowhead hunter and spent many pleasurable hours searching for "sign." She later married Clark Wix. They were restaurateurs, enjoyed traveling the world together and played a mean hand of gin.



Shirley Wix

In later life, they became snowbirds, spending summers in their beloved White River Valley home and winters in warmer climates including Southern Utah, California and, especially, Florence, Ariz. She never met a challenge she wouldn't take on, a rock she couldn't move or a project that was too big. Shirley always said her children and their families were the joy of her life and she felt very blessed.

Shirley was preceded in death by: her husband, Clark; her parents, George and Myrtle; and her brother,

Leonard.

She is survived by: her brothers, Lionel (Yvonne) Robertson, Lyle Robertson; her children, Cathy (Brit) Smith, Mark (Janine) Englert, Lori (William) Robinson and Lois (Greg) Griffin; and her grandchildren, Jessi (Bo) Hodgman, Nattie (Craig) Ebert, Marc Schultz Smith, Cody and Kaitlyn Englert, Patrick and Sarah Griffin; and great-grandchildren, Scarlett and Stella Hodgman.

Funeral services for Shirley are scheduled at the Meeker Holy Family Catholic Church at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, May 31, 2016.

The family would like to thank Father Jason and the Alter and Rosary Women of Holy Family Parish, Applegate Hospice and Serenity Funeral Home of St. George, Utah.

Melba Clara (Moore) Dennemeyer

Jan. 17, 1925~April 11, 2016



Melba Clara (Moore) Dennemeyer

Park, Redlands, San Bernardino, Poway and, finally, Escondido, all in California.

Melba had three sons: David, Dale and Keith.

She passed away at home peacefully with family members present.

She is survived by: sons David, Dale and Keith Dennemeyer; sister Barbra Crawford; cousins James and Donna Crawford, Patsy (Crawford) Schwartz and John Wilson; grandchildren Tommor Dennemeyer, Ruby Sousa and Alayha Aquarian; and great grandchildren Sophia Souza and Trevin Dennemeyer.

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April 29 2016

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VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
CO SECRETARY OF STATE, MC-PRCH SVCS, \$80.00
KISER, PETE, MC-PRCH SVCS, \$1,420.00
DESIGN WERKES, VC-PRCH SVCS, \$1,420.00
ALL STATE COMMUNICATIONS, PRCH SVCS, \$1,201.10
ALSCO, PRCH SVCS, \$1,057.56
SYNCB/AMAZON, SPLYS, \$2,478.44
ATMOS ENERGY, UTIL, \$1,481.70
BETTER CITY, ECON DEV, \$22,700.00
BOY-KO SUPPLY, SPLYS, \$2,426.68
CBI, PRCH SVCS, \$330.00
CENTURYLINK, PRCH SVCS, \$756.52
CENTURYLINK-LAND LINES, PRCH SVCS, \$320.64
CHAPPELL, CLINT (PLAN COMM), PLAN COMM, \$100.00
CO CNTY TREASURERS ASSOC, PRCH SVCS, \$225.00
COLORADO, STATE OF, PRCH SVCS, \$663.63
COOK, TORRIE, PRCH SVCS, \$45.36
CREDIT UNION OF CO, PRCH SVCS, \$10,988.10
CO STATE UNIVERSITY, PRCH SVCS, \$25.50
DAY, TRAVIS, PRCH SVCS, \$100.00
DISTRICT ATTORNEY, OFFICE OF, PRCH SVCS, \$19,702.75
EASTERN RIO BLANCO REC, PRCH SVCS, \$135.00
EVANS CONSOLES, SPLYS, \$1,884.00
EXTREME POWER SPORTS, SAR, \$2,376.00
FIRST ADVANTAGE OCC HEALTH, PRCH SVCS, \$147.04
GALL'S, UNIF/CLOTH, \$820.96
GARFIELD CNTY 4-H SHOOT SPRTS, IG 4-H, \$540.00
GARFIELD COUNTY CLERK, SPLYS, \$64.00
GARNER, MIKE, PRCH SVCS, \$25.00
GIOVANNI'S, PRCH SVCS, \$103.17
GIS COLORADO, PRCH SVCS, \$25.00
GRAYBAR, SPLYS, \$426.21
GREDIG, CALEY, IG 4-H, \$150.00
HART INTERCIVIC, PRCH SVCS, \$1,980.00
HILL, LOGAN D., PLAN COMM, \$50.00
HOPKINS, OAKLEY, PLAN COMM, \$100.00
HOWARD TECHNOLOGY, SPLYS, \$156.00
HYPERTEC USA, SPLYS, \$6,215.78
IDENTITY GRAPHICS, SPLYS, \$402.00
INTERNL CODE COUNCIL, PRCH SVCS, \$135.00
JANKE, PAUL, RENT/LEASE, \$2,775.00
KINSO, UNIF/CLOTH, \$439.93
LOGIC TREE IT, PRCH SVCS, \$1,359.00
LOVE, VIRGINIA L., PLAN COMM, \$100.00
MA FAMILIA, PRCH SVCS, \$37.00
MASSEY, LANNIE, PRCH SVCS, \$299.16
MEEKER AIRPORT - CONTRACT, CNTRCT SVCS, \$3,500.00
MEEKER CHAMBER OF COMM, PRCH SVCS, \$1,324.51
MEEKER GENERAL MERC, SPLYS, \$135.00
MEEKER SANITATION DIST, UTIL, \$563.00
MEEKER, TOWN OF, UTIL, \$271.85
MEXICAN HOUSE RSTRNT, PRCH SVCS, \$100.00
MOFFATT COUNTY EXTENSION, PRCH SVCS, \$45.00
MOON LAKE ELECTRIC, UTIL, \$2,256.79

LEGAL NOTICES

NATIONAL 4-H COUNCIL, IG 4-H, \$158.75
NICHOLS STORE, FOOD SPLYS, \$399.00
NORTH LINE GIS, PRCH SVCS, \$605.00
ORION PLANNING GROUP, CNTRCT SVCS, \$1,519.30
PATHOLOGY GROUP, PRCH SVCS, \$1,150.00
PCM-G, SPLYS, \$1,172.79
PHIL VAUGHAN CNSTRCTN, CNTRCT SVCS, \$4,442.74
PHIL VAUGHAN CNSTRCTN, CNTRCT SVCS, \$1,932.18
PHIL VAUGHAN CNSTRCTN, CNTRCT SVCS, \$5,243.70
PHIL VAUGHAN CNSTRCTN, CNTRCT SVCS, \$202.50
PITNEY BOWES RESERVE, PRCH SVCS, \$692.88
QUILL CORP, SPLYS, \$205.53
RANGELY, TOWN OF, UTIL, \$4,564.74
RANGELY TRUE VALUE, SPLYS, \$122.36
RESPOND FIRST AID SYST, SPLYS, \$89.14
RIFLE LOCK & SAFE, RPR/MTNC, \$158.75
RIO BLANCO HERALD TIMES, PRCH SVCS, \$538.84
SAMUELSON TRUE VALUE, SPLYS, \$68.29
SHI INTERNATIONAL, PRCH SVCS, \$942.72
SIDWELL COMPANY, PRCH SVCS, \$525.00
SIMPLEX GRINNELL, PRCH SVCS, \$420.00
SINCLAIR, SHIRLEY, PRCH SVCS, \$57.78
SMITH, CARLEY, TRVL, \$334.06
SPECTRUM SOUND DESIGN, PRCH SVCS, \$836.00
STAPLES ADVANTAGE, SPLYS, \$836.97
STORM'S SPECIALTY SERV, RENT/LEASE, \$390.00
STRATA NETWORKS, UTIL, \$1,081.76
SUPERIOR LAMP, SPLYS, \$643.79
THYSSENKRUPP ELEVATOR, PRCH SVCS, \$1,561.22
TRITON ENVIRONMENTAL, RPR/MTNC, \$2,655.90
TROPHY CASE, THE, IG 4-H, \$32.00
TYLER TECH, INC.-DALLAS, PRCH SVCS, \$5,217.03
UNION TELEPHONE CO, PRCH SVCS, \$1,223.25
USGS, WTR STUDY, \$19,223.00
USIC LOCATING SERVICES, PRCH SVCS, \$211.04
UTILITY NOTIFICATION CENTER, PRCH SVCS, \$14.30
VALLEY HARDWARE, SPLYS, \$595.36
VALUE WEST, PRCH SVCS, \$2,740.00
VOIANCE LANGUAGE SERVICE, PRCH SVCS, \$50.00
WATT'S, FOOD SPLYS, \$1,397.79
WEATHERFORD ELECTRIC, PRCH SVCS, \$2,302.61
WENDILL'S, PRCH SVCS, \$22.22
WESTERN SLOPE INFO SYSTEM, PRCH SVCS, \$75.00
WHITE RIVER DIST, PRCH SVCS, \$42.50
WHITE RIVER ELECTRIC, UTIL, \$12,483.33
WINKLER, TIMOTHY W., PLAN COMM, \$100.00
WYATT'S SPORTS CENTER, FIREARM SPLY, \$64.00
YAMPA VALLEY DATA PARTNERS, ECON DVLP, \$2,500.00
RANGELY, TOWN OF, ECON DVLP, \$6,500.00
US TREASURY DEPT, FED W/H, \$37,097.41
US TREASURY DEPT, FICA W/H, \$53,499.94
CO DEPT OF REVENUE, STATE W/H, \$11,759.92
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, \$42,680.17

LEGAL NOTICES

COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, \$112,435.15
CO DEPT OF REVENUE, WAGE ASGNMT, \$120.24
CO DEPT OF REVENUE, WAGE ASGNMT, \$5,79
FAMILY SUPPORT REGISTRY, WAGE ASGNMT, \$284.00
FAMILY SUPPORT REGISTRY, WAGE ASGNMT, \$388.00
FAMILY SUPPORT REGISTRY, WAGE ASGNMT, \$680.06
GENERAL FUND TOTAL, \$440,920.18
FUND: ROAD & BRIDGE
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
MEEKER, TOWN OF, MC-RB APPORT, \$8,306.20
RANGELY, TOWN OF, MC-RB APPORT, \$7,566.57
ALSCO, PRCH SVCS, \$119.02
CENTURYLINK, PRCH SVCS, \$108.19
CO STATE TREAS/DEPT OF LABOR, UNEMPLYMT, \$3,732.00
CREDIT UNION OF CO, PRCH SVCS, \$428.28
DIVISION OF RECLAM,MINING, PRCH SVCS, \$969.00
FRONTIER PAVING, OVRLY, \$102,756.51
G.A. WESTERN CONSTRUCT, CR 0 BRDG, \$60,021.62
GMCO CORP, DUST CNTRL, \$72,064.86
HDR, CR 73 BRDG, \$21,387.64
J.J. KELLER & ASSOC, SUBSCRIPT, \$275.00
MEEKER AUTO PARTS, SPLYS, \$39.60
MEEKER GENERAL MERC, MTRL, \$155.00
MEEKER SAND & GRAVEL, INTRST EXP, \$15.91
OFFICE DEPOT, SPLYS, \$49.83
PITNEY BOWES RESERVE, PRCH SVCS, \$29.29
RANGELY TRUE VALUE, SPLYS, \$24.93
RESPOND FIRST AID SYST, SPLYS, \$53.77
RIO BLANCO HERALD TIMES, PRCH SVCS, \$98.70
SAMUELSON TRUE VALUE, SPLYS, \$69.10
TRITON ENVIRONMENTAL, CLVTR, \$329.92
UNION TELEPHONE CO, PRCH SVCS, \$376.11
VALLEY HARDWARE, SPLYS, \$12.47
WATTS', SPLYS, \$164.14
WHITE RIVER DIST, SPLYS, \$58.75
WHITE RIVER ELECTRIC, UTIL, \$159.90
US TREASURY DEPT, FED W/H, \$14,960.57
US TREASURY DEPT, FICA W/H, \$22,219.41
CO DEPT OF REVENUE, STATE W/H, \$5,051.00
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, \$18,573.75
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, \$52,551.73
CO DEPT OF REVENUE, WAGE ASGNMT, \$168.00
ROAD & BRIDGE FUND TOTAL, \$392,896.77
FUND: PUBLIC HEALTH
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
CENTER FOR DISEASE DET, PRCH SVCS, \$160.00
GLOBALSTAR USA, PRCH SVCS, \$56.45
MOORE MEDICAL, SPLYS, \$379.77
PIONEERS MEDICAL CENTER, PRCH SVCS, \$350.00
RANGELY FAMILY MEDICINE, PRCH SVCS, \$50.00
STAPLES ADVANTAGE, SPLYS, \$52.15
WHITE RIVER DIST, PRCH SVCS, \$21.25
US TREASURY DEPT, FED W/H, \$2,063.10
US TREASURY DEPT, FICA W/H, \$2,956.69
CO DEPT OF REVENUE, STATE W/H, \$659.89
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, \$1,932.88

LEGAL NOTICES

COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, \$3,815.43
PUBLIC HEALTH FUND TOTAL, \$12,497.61
FUND: DEPT OF HUMAN SERVICES
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
CREDIT UNION OF CO, CNTY EXP, \$179.00
PITNEY BOWES RESERVE, CNTY EXP, \$4.18
DHS ACCOUNTS PAYABLE, \$6,985.69
US TREASURY DEPT, FED W/H, \$3,911.63
US TREASURY DEPT, FICA W/H, \$5,789.12
CO DEPT OF REVENUE, STATE W/H, \$1,364.62
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, \$5,348.12
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, \$16,013.59
HUMAN SERVICES FUND TOTAL, \$39,595.95
FUND: CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
CENTURYLINK, JSTC CNTR, \$21,023.10
DUCY'S ELECTRIC, BRDBND IMP, \$3,003.53
FCI CONSTRUCTORS, JSTC CNTR, \$33,234.73
FCI CONSTRUCTORS, JSTC CNTR, \$702,973.80
GRAND JUNCTION PIPE & SPLY, MKR FGND, \$3,518.18
GRAYWOLVES TELECOM, BRDBND IMP, \$1,328.50
HDR ENGINEERING, OHV TRAIL, \$251.61
REILLY JOHNSON ARCHITECT, JSTC CNTR, \$39,457.21
SAGE TELECOMMUNICATION, BRDBND IMP, \$97,456.50
SCHMUESER GORDON MEYER, MKR FGND, \$52,100.00
WHITE RIVER ELECTRIC, JSTC CNTR, \$166.16
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND TOTAL, \$954,513.32
FUND: USE TAX
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
ALL TEMP SERVICES, PRCH SVCS, \$406.01
BARNY, DEBRA, PRCH SVCS, \$40.00
CENTURYLINK, PRCH SVCS, \$155.03
CNCC, CNTRCT SVCS, \$1,000.00
CO ASSN/NUTRITION SERVERS, PRCH SVCS, \$100.00
DUCY'S ELECTRIC, PRCH SVCS, \$964.25
HENDERSHOTT, MELAINE R, PRCH SVCS, \$400.00
MOON LAKE ELECTRIC, UTIL, \$849.75
PITNEY BOWES RESERVE, PRCH SVCS, \$10.29
RANGELY, TOWN OF, UTIL, \$294.71
RANGELY TRUE VALUE, SPLYS, \$24.76
REDI SERVICES, PRCH SVCS, \$104.00
RICHARDSON, SHONA, PRCH SVCS, \$40.00
RIO BLANCO HERALD TIMES, PRCH SVCS, \$25.00
STAPLES ADVANTAGE, SPLYS, \$61.99
U.S. FOODS, FOOD SPLYS, \$4,572.57
WASHBURN, MARY, PRCH SVCS, \$30.00
WATT'S, FOOD SPLYS, \$678.45
WHITE RIVER MARKET, FOOD SPLYS, \$301.96
WILLIAMS, TAMRA, PRCH SVCS, \$40.00
US TREASURY DEPT, FED W/H, \$1,753.60
US TREASURY DEPT, FICA W/H, \$2,724.25
CO DEPT OF REVENUE, STATE W/H, \$618.45
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, \$2,035.78
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, \$4,734.33
USE TAX FUND TOTAL, \$21,841.20
FUND: IMPACT FEE
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
HDR, CR 5 CRDR, \$18,061.54
HDR, CR 5 CRDR, \$929.20
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\$172,685.70
IMPACT FEE FUND TOTAL, \$191,676.44
FUND: SOLID WASTE
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
AMERICAN SCALE, PRCH SVCS, \$800.00
CAROLINA SOFTWARE, PRCH SVCS, \$300.00
PITNEY BOWES RESERVE, PRCH SVCS, \$16.62
RIO BLANCO HERALD TIMES, PRCH SVCS, \$109.00
SAMUELSON TRUE VALUE, SPLYS, \$104.95
SOUDER, MILLER & ASSOC, CLSR/PST CLSR, \$10,473.08
UNION TELEPHONE CO, PRCH SVCS, \$53.78
WHITE RIVER DIST, PRCH SVCS, \$15.00
WHITE RIVER ELECTRIC, UTIL, \$563.02
US TREASURY DEPT, FED W/H, \$952.29
US TREASURY DEPT, FICA W/H, \$1,577.16
CO DEPT OF REVENUE, STATE W/H, \$338.00
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, \$812.48
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, \$3,533.40
A-1 COLLECTION AGENCY, WAGE ASGNMT, \$319.41
CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES, WAGE ASGNMT, \$400.00
SOLID WASTE FUND TOTAL, \$20,368.19
FUND: WEED & PEST
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
CREDIT UNION OF CO, SPLYS, \$145.12
RIO BLANCO HERALD TIMES, PRCH SVCS, \$62.94
VAN DIEST SUPPLY, CHEM USED, \$39,722.40
US TREASURY DEPT, FED W/H, \$437.31
US TREASURY DEPT, FICA W/H, \$729.30
CO DEPT OF REVENUE, STATE W/H, \$159.00
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, \$572.00
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, \$843.15
WEED & PEST FUND TOTAL, \$42,671.22
FUND: FAIRFIELD
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
ATMOS ENERGY, UTIL, \$531.13
BOY-KO SUPPLY, SPLYS, \$4.18
CRITTERS R US, PRCH SVCS, \$150.00
MARATHON SYSTEMS, SPLYS, \$900.80
MEEKER SANITATION DIST, UTIL, \$35.00
MEEKER, TOWN OF, UTIL, \$588.00
RESPOND FIRST AID SYST, SPLYS, \$42.12
SAMUELSON TRUE VALUE, SPLYS, \$3.49
SPECTRUM SOUND DESIGN, PRCH SVCS, \$1,191.00
VALLEY HARDWARE, SPLYS, \$166.55
WALTERS, ZACHARY, PRCH SVCS, \$400.00
WEATHERFORD ELECTRIC, PRCH SVCS, \$646.63
WHITE RIVER ELECTRIC, UTIL, \$1,551.91
US TREASURY DEPT, FED W/H, \$408.08
US TREASURY DEPT, FICA W/H, \$806.86
CO DEPT OF REVENUE, STATE W/H, \$159.12
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, \$602.03
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, \$2,634.02
FAMILY SUPPORT REGISTRY, WAGE ASGNMT, \$19.94
FAIRFIELD FUND TOTAL, \$10,840.86
FUND: CNTRL SERVICES
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
ALL COPY PRODUCTS, CNTRCT SVCS, \$235.95
CENTURYLINK, PRCH SVCS, \$164.84
CENTURYLINK (LONG DIST), PRCH SVCS, \$354.49
FASTTRACK COMMUNICATIONS, PRCH SVCS, \$665.87

LEGAL NOTICES

PAUL D. MILLER CPA, PROF SVCS, \$11,000.00
PITNEY BOWES, RENT/LEASE EQUIP, \$117.69
PITNEY BOWES RESERVE, PRCH SVCS, \$88.77
ROCKY MTN COMPETITIVE SOLN, SPLYS, \$2,480.00
STRATA NETWORKS, INTERNET, \$3,506.05
WHITE RIVER ELECTRIC, INTERNET, \$99.98
CENTRAL SERVICES FUND TOTAL, \$18,713.64
FUND: FLEET
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
AIRGAS INTERMOUNTAIN, SPLYS, \$298.70
ATMOS ENERGY, UTIL, \$520.72
BEST DEAL SPRINGS, SPLYS, \$32.40
COLUMBINE FORD, PRTS/ACC, \$520.53
CREDIT UNION OF CO, PRCH SVCS, \$835.74
GCR TIRES & SERVICE, TIRES, \$2,786.80
GILBARCO, PRCH SVCS, \$396.76
HONNEN EQUIPMENT, PRTS/ACC, \$5,469.19
JACKSON GROUP PETERBILT, PRTS/ACC, \$961.70
KIMBALL MIDWEST, SPLYS, \$674.33
LACAL EQUIPMENT, PRTS/ACC, \$62.26
LEACH'S INDUSTRIAL SRVC, SPLYS, \$41.40
MASTER PETROLEUM, SPLYS, \$43.07
MCGUIRE AUTO PARTS, PRTS/ACC, \$2,577.63
WAGNER EQUIPMENT, PRTS/ACC, \$1,011.37
MEEKER COLLISION, RPR/MTNC, \$701.50
MHC KENWORTH-GJ, PRTS/ACC, \$174.99
MOON LAKE ELECTRIC, UTIL, \$99.68
NIELSEN, KENT, SPLYS, \$94.97
OFFICE DEPOT, SPLYS, \$26.43
PROFESSIONAL TOUCH, PRCH SVCS, \$79.95
RANGELY AUTO PARTS, PRTS/ACC, \$2,165.09
RANGELY TRUE VALUE, PRTS/ACC, \$28.06
SAMUELSON TRUE VALUE, SPLYS, \$11.77
WAGNER EQUIPMENT, PRTS/ACC, \$3,462.07
WEAR PARTS & EQUIP, PRTS/ACC, \$1,245.90
WESTERN IMPLEMENT, PRTS/ACC, \$14.10
WESTFALL O'DELL TRUCK, PRTS/ACC, \$105.24
WHITE RIVER ELECTRIC, UTIL, \$615.23
XCEL ENERGY, UTIL, \$184.85
US TREASURY DEPT, FED W/H, \$3,419.94
US TREASURY DEPT, FICA W/H, \$5,439.15
CO DEPT OF REVENUE, STATE W/H, \$1,153.00
GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, \$4,762.67
COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, \$12,220.14
FLEET FUND TOTAL, \$52,237.33

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of Bluford Halcomb also known as Blu Halcomb, Deceased, Case Number 2016 PR 30005 All persons having claims against the above-named estate are required to present them to the Personal Representative or to: District Court of Rio Blanco County, Colorado at PO Box 1150, 455 Main St., Meeker, CO 81641, on or before September 23, 2016, or the claims may be forever barred. Ronnie Dale Halcomb, Personal Representative c/o Mark R. Luff Elder & Phillips, P.C. 562 White Avenue Grand Junction, CO 81501 Publish: May 12, May 19, and May 26, 2016 Rio Blanco Herald Times

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LEGAL NOTICES

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
ANNOUNCEMENT

Meeker School District RE-1 is seeking proposals for the following work at the Meeker High School Auditorium:
•Removal of current wiring for stage lighting equipment and lighting control system •Installation of new steel conduit and wiring for lighting equipment and a new lighting control system.
Proposals will be accepted until 4:00 p.m. on May 31, 2016. For a more detailed scope of work, interested applicants may contact Chris Selle, at chris.selle@meeker.k12.co.us or 970-878-9040. Publish: May 12, 19, 26, 2016
Rio Blanco Herald Times

INVITATION TO BID
MAINTENANCE SHOP

CLOSING BID DATE - June 6, 2016

The Meeker Sanitation District will be accepting sealed bids for the maintenance shop.
The bid specs will be available Monday, May 2, 2016, at the plant of the Meeker Sanitation District, 1150 Market Street, Meeker, Colorado. Plant hours are from 8:00 am to 4:30pm, Monday through Thursday. Please call Plant Manager Kurt Nielsen at the Plant 970-878-5345 to schedule a time to review the specs for the project.
All price proposals shall be submitted in a sealed envelope and designated on the envelope as "Meeker Sanitation District Maintenance".
Bids must be received in the office by 4:00 PM on Monday June 6, 2016.
Mail to: Meeker Sanitation District, PO Box 417, Meeker, CO 81641 OR drop by: 265 8th Street, Meeker, CO 81641.
Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the Regular Board Meeting on June 8, 2016 at 7:00 PM.
The Meeker Sanitation District reserves the right to reject any an all bids and waive any and all informalities, and the right to disregard all non conforming or conditional bids or counter proposals.
The final award shall be subject to the District's review of all submitted price proposals, including specifications and prices.
Published: April 28, May 5, 12, 19, 26 and June 2, 2016
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TOWN OF MEEKER
PUBLIC NOTICE

MEEKER MUNICIPAL CODE SECTIONS 8.20.104 AND 8.20.105 REQUIRES THAT OWNERS OF LAND WITHIN THE TOWN OR ANY AGENT IN CHARGE OF SUCH PROPERTY ARE REQUIRED TO CUT AND REMOVE THE WEEDS, BRUSH, INCLUDING WEEDS THAT HAVE GROWN ALONG ALLEYS AND IN THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY ADJACENT TO SUCH PROPERTY. A WRITTEN NOTICE MAY BE SERVED UPON THE OWNER OR AGENT AND IF NOT COMPLIED WITH BETWEEN THE 10TH AND 20TH DAYS OF JUNE AND BETWEEN THE 1ST AND 10TH DAYS OF AUGUST, THE OWNER MAY BE CITED AND REQUIRED TO APPEAR IN MUNICIPAL COURT OR THE TOWN WILL CUT THE WEEDS AND ASSESS A TAX LIEN AGAINST THE PROPERTY IN WHICH THE WEEDS AND BRUSH HAVE BEEN REMOVED.
ATTEST:
SCOTT MESZAROS, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR
Published: May 26, June 2 & June 9, 2016
Rio Blanco Herald Times

Notification of Public Hearing

Before the Rangely Town Council on June 14th at 7:15 P.M. at the Town of Rangely Council Meeting The Rangely Town Council will hold a Public Hearing to consider The Winkler Minor Subdivision being an amended Plat in Section 32, T2N, R101W and Section 5, T1N, R101W of the 6th P.M., Town of Rangely, Rio Blanco County, CO on the recommendation of the Rangely Planning and Zoning review.
The Winkler Minor Subdivision plat can be viewed at the Main Office of the Town of Rangely at 209 E. Main Street in Rangely, Colorado. The Public is invited to attend the Public Hearing and provide written or verbal comment on the proposed Winkler Minor Subdivision.
By: /s/Lisa Piering
Lisa Piering Clerk/Treasurer
Publish: May 26th, June 2nd and June 9th, 2016
Rio Blanco Herald Times

Notification of Public Hearing

Before the Rangely Planning and Zoning Commission on June 9, 2016 at 7:30 P.M. at the Town of Rangely Administrative Conference Room
The Rangely Planning and Zoning Commission will hold a Public Hearing to consider The Winkler Minor Subdivision being an amended Plat in Section 32, T2N, R101W and Section 5, T1N, R101W of the 6th P.M., Town of Rangely, Rio Blanco County, CO. The Winkler Minor Subdivision plat can be viewed at the Main Office of the Town of Rangely at 209 E. Main Street in Rangely, Colorado. The Public is invited to attend the Public Hearing and provide written or verbal comment on the proposed Winkler Minor Subdivision.
By: /s/Lisa Piering
Lisa Piering Clerk/Treasurer
Publish: May 26th, June 2, 2016
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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN,
PARTICULARLY TO THE CONSTITUENTS OF
THE WHITE RIVER AND DOUGLAS CREEK
CONSERVATION DISTRICTS

0 day comment period from May 28, 2016 thru June 6, 2016.
Comments can be submitted in person to the District Office located at 351 7th Street in Meeker, or email to whiterivercd@gmail.com by 5:00 PM on June 6, 2016.
The Land and Resource Use Plan will be formally adopted at the monthly scheduled board meeting for each District. See schedule below. An electronic copy of the Plan can be found at www.RioBlancoLUP.com. Hard copies can be requested by contacting the District's office at 970-878-5628 Ext. 101.
Douglas Creek Conservation District:
Wednesday June 8, 2016 @ 6 PM
Rio Blanco Water Conservancy Building, Rangely, CO
White River Conservation District:
Monday, June 13, 2016 @ 7 PM Halandras Building, 351 7th St, Meeker, CO
Published: May 26, 2016
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LEGAL NOTICES

TOWN OF DINOSAUR
DISBURSEMENTS FOR MAY 2016

Gross Salaries, \$7,371.19
PERA, Monthly Contributions, \$1,596.84
Colorado Dept of Revenue,CWV, \$206.00
IRS, FWT/Med, \$803.76
Centurylink, Phone, fax, internet", \$267.72
Moon Lake Electric, Electricity, \$1,001.88
Rangely Trash Service, Trash Service,\$82.00
Mesa County Health Dept ,Water test,\$20.00
Caselle Inc, Support, \$251.00
Prater's Plumbing & Heating, Heater repairs, \$80.00
Zions, Paint, lumber shed, court book, \$312.33
LR Gateway Services LLC, Gas, Diesel, \$284.87
Sands Law Office LLC, Professional services, \$206.00
Digital-Ally, Mirror repair, \$395.00
Colorado CPA Services PC, Audit, \$1,650.00
Pinnacol Assurance, Workers Comp, \$529.00
Office Depot, Microsoft office, paper, tape, protector sheets, \$285.96
Rangely True Value, Paint, \$42.98
Rio Blanco Herald Times, Disbursements, \$39.36
Rangely Auto Parts, Brake pads, \$87.87
B. Ormsbee, Battery, oil change, \$104.30
Mansfield Printing Incorporated, Receipt books, \$179.50
TOTAL ACCOUNTS PAYABLE, \$15,797.56
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NOTICE OF NOTICE OF ADOPTION

On May 23, the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado, approved the following resolution during its Public Hearing:
RESOLUTION: 2016-15
A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF RIO BLANCO COUNTY, COLORADO, ADOPTING THE 2016 LAND USE REGULATION, AMENDING THE RIO BLANCO COUNTY LAND USE RESOLUTION OF 2001, AS AMENDED, THE RIO BLANCO COUNTY ZONING MAP OF 2010, AS AMENDED, AND THE EXISTING 1041 REGULATIONS. (AREAS AND ACTIVITIES OF STATE INTEREST)
The 2016 Rio Blanco County Land Use Regulation adopted on May 23, 2016, will be effective as of July 1, 2016. Copies of the 2016 Rio Blanco County Land Use Regulation are available on the Rio Blanco County Government website at <http://www.rbc.us/186Board-of-County-Comissioners>, and at the following physical locations:
Rio Blanco County Administration Building
200 Main Street, Building and Planning Department
Meeker, Colorado 81641

Rio Blanco County Clerk and Recorder
1032 Jennifer Drive
Meeker, Colorado 81641

Rio Blanco County Clerk and Recorder - Rangely
County Annex Building
17497 Hwy 64
Rangely, Colorado 81648

For more information contact the Rio Blanco County Planning Office 200 Main Street
Meeker, Colorado 81641
PHONE: 970-878-9450
BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF RIO BLANCO COUNTY
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Board of County Commissioners
Special Meeting
Tuesday, May 31, 2016
Rio Blanco County Justice Center
455 Main Street, Courtroom A
Meeker, Colorado 81641

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.

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 Call to order:
•Pledge of Allegiance
•Changes or additions to the May 31, 2016, Board Agenda
•Approval of the May 31, 2016 Agenda
Consent agenda for May 31, 2016
•Consent 1_ Consideration of the Board Minutes of May 23, 2016
•Consent 2_Agreement for Services between the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado and Ducey's Electrical Inc. for the Rio Blanco County 2016 Meeker Plaza Audio Installation Project in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.
•Consent 3_Lease Agreement between the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado and Mountain Valley Bank for records storage space located at 304 4th Street in an amount of \$500.00 per month for a period of ten months.
General Business:
•Business 1_
Bids Opening:
•Bid Opening 1_
Bid Award:
•Bid Award 1_2016 Aerial Imagery Project.
•Bid Award 2_RBC's Broadband Primary Tower Construction Project.

MOU's Contracts and Agreements:
•MCA 1_Agreement for Services between the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado and a company to be determined for the 2016 Rio Blanco County Aerial Imagery Project.
•MCA 2_Agreement for Services between the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado and a company to be determined for the Rio Blanco County Broad Band Primary Tower Project.
Resolutions:
•Resolution 1_
Other Business:
Adjourn
The agenda is provided for informational purposes only; all times are approximate. Agenda items will normally be considered in the order they appear on the agenda. However, the Board may alter the Agenda, take breaks during the meeting, work through the noon hour and even continue an item for a future meeting date. The Board, while in session, may consider other items that are brought before it. Scheduled items may be continued if the Board is unable to complete the Agenda as scheduled.

LEGAL NOTICES

The next regular Board meeting is tentatively scheduled for June 13, 2016, 11:00 a.m., in Meeker at the Rio Blanco County Justice Center, Courtroom A, 455 Main Street in Meeker. Please check the County's website for information at: <http://www.rbc.us/departments/commissioners>. If you need special accommodations please call 970-878-9573 in advance of the meeting so that reasonable accommodations may be made.
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

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

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

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

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

AA & Al-Anon Meetings - Rangely

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

Rangely Victim Services

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

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

MEEKER HOUSING AUTHORITY Board of Directors meets the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 2:30 p.m. at The Pines, 875 Water St., Meeker.

Veterans Service Offices

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

SAFEHOUSE

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

THE RANGELY Moms Group gives pregnant women and mothers of newborns through elementary school-aged children time to take a break, join in discussions and crafts, and build relationships with other moms. We meet the first Thursday of each month from September through May, from 9-11 a.m. at Grace Baptist Church (144 S. Stanolid Ave.). Join us! For more information, call Heather Zadra at (970) 629-9937.

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

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

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

RADINO & CHUCKWAGON

Please call before 9:00 a.m. day of meal 878-5627 or 675-8112
Senior Citizen Nutrition Program
Meals served at noon. Reservations appreciated. Suggested Donation Over 60 - \$2.50. Under 60 - Guest Fee \$7. (Did you know? Homebound trays can be ordered for over 60, suggested donation \$2.50 - 12:10 p.m. pickup.)
Friday, May 27: Chili dog w/ bun, onions, cheese, 5 bean salad, fresh orange, banana, chocolate chip cookie
Monday, May 30: Closed Memorial Day
Tuesday, May 31: Pork roast, apple dressing, green beans, w/caramelized onions, melon, birthday cake ***MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE**
Milk, Tea and Coffee are offered with all meals. Menu subject to change.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Alcoholics Anonymous

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

MOTORCADE:
MISCELLANEOUS

TRAILERS, HITCHES, flatbeds, toolboxes, trailer service and truck accessories. We are a "one stop shop" truck and trailer outfitter. B&W gooseneck hitches \$597 installed. Pine Country Trailer Sales, Grand Junction. 1-800-287-6532.

MOTOR: MOTORCYCLES

2007 Harley Davidson Electra Glide Ultra Classic. (970)942-8245.

WANTED

The Town of Dinosaur, City of Craig and Moffat County are seeking applicants for the Moffat County Local Marketing District (MCLMD) Board of Directors. There will be 7 directors appointed. The MCLMD is a non-profit organization and its purpose is to promote economic and business development and support the general business climate within Moffat County. Applicants should have considerable for-profit experience and a skill set that can efficiently evaluate risk and identify market opportunities. Applicants must be a resident or own property within Moffat County. MCLMD By-Laws and application forms may be obtained at Dinosaur Town Hall, 317 Stegosaurus Fwy., Dinosaur, CO 81610, the City Clerk Office, Craig City Hall, 300 W. 4th, Craig, CO 81625, or the Commissioners Office, Moffat County Courthouse, Suite 130, 221 W. Victory Way, Craig, CO 81625. Applications may also be obtained at www.ci.craig.co.us/departments/human_resources or www.colorado.gov/moffatcounty/. Resumes must accompany applications. Deadline for submitting applications is June 27, 2016. Applications must be submitted to the Commissioner Office, Moffat County Courthouse, Suite 130, 221 W. Victory Way, Craig, CO 81625 or email them to emiller@moffatcounty.net

WANTED: Would like to provide in home care service/cna. 970-620-0917

MISCELLANEOUS

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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.

LAWN & GARDEN

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

LOST & FOUND

Misplaced Verizon cell phone. Call 760-524-6176 or Contact Kay @ Rangely Camper Park.

YARD SALES

MEEKER: Huge Moving the Hell out of Meeker Sale, Friday, May 27 & Saturday, May 28, 8:00 am to 1:00 PM, 1400 Flag Creek Drive, 1st house past the Golf Course.

Community Yard Sale & Flea Market
Have too much stuff? Need a space to sell your creations? Saturday, June 11th, 8 a.m.-2 p.m., 272 Market St. Restored Grace. Call (970)878-9813 or(970)629-9215 to reserve a spot. \$10 fee.

HELP WANTED: GENERAL

Maintenance Person Wanted

Facility Handy Man/Maintenance Worker
Meeker Housing Authority seeks a full-time/part-time worker to perform general handy man/maintenance work. If you wish to apply, please stop by: 875 Water St. for an employment application. Please fee free to contact us at (970)878-5536 if you have any questions about the position. Closing date: 6/2/16

Recreation Assistant

The ERBM Recreation & Park District is seeking applications for part time non-benefitted, year round recreation assistant, who could work up to 24 hours per week, and seasonal non-benefitted recreation assistant, who could work up to 40 hours per week from June to October. Salary range \$10.21-15.38/hr. Duties include, but are not limited to: assist in the development, coordination, and implementation of District programs and special events, collaborating with other recreation staff, administrative staff, and community partners to accomplish tasks. Requirements include, but are not limited to: applicant must be 15 years of age or older, be available to work early morning, evening, split and/or weekend shifts. A completed ERBM Recreation & Park District job application is required for consideration and should be returned to ERBM Recreation & Park District, Attn: Human Resources, 101 Ute Rd, Meeker, CO 81641. Applications are available at the Meeker Recreation Center and online, www.MeekerRecDistrict.com. Complete job description is available upon request and online. Applications will be accepted through Friday, June 3, 2016.

COMBINED NOTICE - AMENDED - MAILING

CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 16-04

To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust: On March 3, 2016, the undersigned Public Trustee caused the Notice of Election and Demand relating to the Deed of Trust described below to be recorded in the County of Rio Blanco records.
Original Grantor(s) Harold L Sexton
Original Beneficiary(ies) Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for AMCAP Mortgage Ltd. DBA Major Mortgage Co.
Current Holder of Evidence of Debt PennyMac Loan Services, LLC
Date of Deed of Trust March 22, 2013
County of Recording Rio Blanco
Recording Date of Deed of Trust March 27, 2013
Recording Information (Reception No. and/or Book/Page No.) 306001 Book: n/a Page:
Original Principal Amount \$192,346.00
Outstanding Principal Balance \$183,216.10

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 20 HILLCREST SUBDIVISION ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF FILED SEPTEMBER 3, 1974 AS RECEPTION NO. 162563 TOWN OF RANGELY, COLORADO
Also known by street and number as: 221 Hillcrest Circle, Rangely, CO 81648.
THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ALL OF THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY ENCUMBERED BY THE LIEN OF THE DEED OF TRUST.

NOTICE OF SALE

THEREFORE, Notice Is Hereby Given that I will at public auction, at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, 07/13/2016, at Office of the Public Trustee, Temporary Office, 1032 Jennifer Drive, Meeker CO 81641, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property and all interest of the said Grantor(s), Grantor(s)' heirs and assigns therein, for the purpose of paying the indebtedness provided in said Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, plus attorneys' fees, the expenses of sale and other items allowed by law, and will issue to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law.
Amended First Publication 5/19/2016
Amended Last Publication 6/16/2016
Name of Publication Rio Blanco Herald Times

NOTICE OF RIGHTS

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

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

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

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

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

Colorado Attorney General 1300 Broadway, 10th Floor Denver, Colorado 80203 (800) 222-4444 www.coloradoattorneygeneral.gov	Federal Consumer Financial Protection Bureau P.O. Box 4503 Iowa City, Iowa 52244 (855) 411-2372 www.consumerfinance.gov
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DATE: 05/12/2016
Karen Arnold, Public Trustee in and for the County of Rio Blanco, State of Colorado
By: Karen Arnold, Public Trustee
The name, address, business telephone number and bar registration number of the attorney(s) representing the legal holder of the indebtedness is:
David W. Drake #43315 Scott T. Toebben #19011
Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C. 216 16th Street, Suite 1210, DENVER, CO 80202 (720) 259-6710
Attorney File # 16CO00049-1
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.

COMBINED NOTICE - MAILING

CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 16-03

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

Pursuant to CRS §38-38-101(4)(i), you are hereby notified that the covenants of the deed of trust have been violated as follows: failure to pay principal and interest when due together with all other payments provided for in the evidence of debt secured by the deed of trust and other violations thereof.
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THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE COUNTY OF RIO BLANCO, COLORADO LOTS 8 AND 9 SAGE PARK SUBDIVISION ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF FILED SEPTEMBER 14, 1979 AS RECEPTION NO. 190476, TOWN OF MEEKER
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THEREFORE, Notice Is Hereby Given that I will at public auction, at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, 06/22/2016, at Office of the Public Trustee, Temporary Office 1032 Jennifer Drive, Meeker CO 81641, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property and all interest of the said Grantor(s), Grantor(s)' heirs and assigns therein, for the purpose of paying the indebtedness provided in said Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, plus attorneys' fees, the expenses of sale and other items allowed by law, and will issue to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law.
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DATE: 02/25/2016
Karen Arnold, Public Trustee in and for the County of Rio Blanco, State of Colorado
By: Karen Arnold, Public Trustee
The name, address, business telephone number and bar registration number of the attorney(s) representing the legal holder of the indebtedness is:
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For a full job description and the application procedure, please visit our website at: www.cncc.edu/human-resources/employment-opportunities-2/ First review of applications will begin July 15th. CNCC is an Equal Opportunity Employer.



Residence Life Coordinator/Financial Assistant

Colorado Northwestern Community College, Rangely Campus, is seeking a full-time Residence Life Coordinator/Financial Assistant. Minimum requirements include a Bachelor's degree in a related field from an accredited College or University, experience in Residence Life and prior leadership experience. The successful applicant will have a dramatic impact on student success, and will enhance a culture of excellence in our Student Affairs Division. This is a live-in 12 month position with full benefits. For a complete job description and instructions for submission of an application, please visit the CNCC website at www.cncc.edu/human-resources/employment-opportunities-2/ CNCC is an Equal Opportunity Employer First review of applications will begin immediately.



Residence Life Coordinator/Outdoor Recreation Program Assistant

Colorado Northwestern Community College, Rangely Campus, is seeking a full-time Residence Life Coordinator/Outdoor Recreation Program Assistant. Minimum requirements include a Bachelor's degree in a related field from an accredited College or University, experience in Residence Life and prior leadership experience. The position requires a strong commitment to diversity and inclusion. This is a live-in 12 month position with full benefits. For a complete job description and instructions for submission of an application, please visit the CNCC website at www.cncc.edu/human-resources/employment-opportunities-2/ CNCC is an Equal Opportunity Employer First review of applications will begin immediately.

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CNCC Student Life Coordinator, Craig Campus

Colorado Northwestern Community College is seeking a full time Student Life Coordinator for the Craig Campus. Successful applicants will demonstrate a strong ability to organize and facilitate student housing, activities and athletic eligibility. Minimum requirements include a Bachelors degree in a related field from an accredited College or University. Experience as a Resident Advisor, Academic Advisor, and prior leadership experience is preferred. Applicants will be expected to handle a variety of situations and work with a diverse group of people. Review of applications will begin immediately. CNCC is an equal opportunity employer. For a full job description and the application procedure, please visit our website at: www.cncc.edu/human-resources/employment-opportunities-2/ CNCC is an Equal Opportunity Employer



Instructor of Science: Oceanography Emphasis

Colorado Northwestern Community College, Rangely, is seeking a full-time Physical Science Instructor. This position will teach a variety of physical science courses including oceanography, physics, and at least one of the following: geology, paleontology, developmental math, and or SCUBA. Master Degree in a related discipline required. Preferred candidates will have a PhD in a physical science and at least 18 graduate hours supporting another needed discipline with three years of teaching experience in higher education, and be capable of teaching SCUBA or obtaining SCUBA instructor credentials. First review of applications will begin immediately. CNCC is an equal opportunity employer. For a complete job description, and instructions for applying, please visit www.cncc.edu/human-resources/employment-opportunities-2/ SCIENCE: OCEANOGRAPHY EMPHASIS SECTION I Background Information: Faculty member will teach a variety of physical science courses with the ability to ground/advance the Oceanography option within the Associate of Science degree program. Course load may include teaching geology, paleontology, developmental math and SCUBA courses. DEPARTMENT: Arts and Sciences DIVISION: Instruction CLASSIFICATION TITLE: Faculty (1.0 FTE) SCHEDULED WORK HOURS: 8 am to 5 pm TOTAL SCHEDULED HOURS PER WEEK: 40 CAMPUS LOCATION: Rangely WORK TELEPHONE NO.: TITLE OF SUPERVISOR: Chair of Arts and Sciences, Rangely Campus SICK LEAVE: 10 hours per month PERSONAL LEAVE: 16 hours per year SECTION II Summary of Major Functions: Teach a fulltime load in the Arts and Sciences Program in physical sciences, oceanography, and other needed courses. Responsible for teaching, guiding, monitoring and evaluating student learning. SECTION III Primary Duties: 1. Teach a full-time load or equivalent. 2. Instruct in areas including, but not limited to, oceanography, physical sciences, developmental math, and SCUBA. 3. Meet all scheduled classes and be fully prepared for each class meeting. 4. Evaluate students work in a thorough and equitable manner. 5. Conduct, and assist with the coordination of place based learning activities related to oceanography, other courses taught, and the department. 6. Keep informed of current educational trends, both in general and in one own specific field. 7. Understand the student group being served and work toward improving students skills. 8. Actively engage in the CNCC assessment of student learning initiatives and complete assigned assessment activities. 9. Participate in departmental meetings including

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curriculum development and review, as well as staffing for students of concern. 10. Keep accurate records, maintain course syllabi, and post grades according to College schedules. 11. Assist with new student orientation. 12. Serve as an Academic Advisor for students seeking an Associate of Science Degree with articulations or transfer agreements in oceanography, marine sciences or other related fields. 13. Report to appropriate personnel problems involving students needing special academic or personal assistance. 14. Schedule, post, and meet five (5) to ten (10) office hours each week. 15. Attend all meetings and trainings appropriate to the assigned position. 16. Actively serve on additional College committees as appropriate and necessary. 17. Adhere to the community college philosophy and the policies/procedures of CCCS and CNCC. 18. Accept assignments in evening programs, and student-life activities when appropriate. 19. Participate in the annual Honors Banquet. 20. Participate in the annual Commencement exercises. 21. Perform other duties as assigned by the Rangely Chair of Arts and Sciences and/or the Rangely Campus Dean of Instruction. SECTION IV Secondary Duties: 1. Utilize the resources of northwestern Colorado and CNCC to enhance student learning. 2. Tutor students in the gateway center at least two hours per week. SECTION V Important & essential knowledge, skills & abilities: 1. Knowledge and ability to teach within required disciplines. 2. Computer literate, especially with a variety of classroom technology. 3. Good oral and written communication skills. 4. Ability to work with confidential matters. 5. Good interpersonal skills. 6. Good organizational skills. SECTION VI Degrees, Licenses, Certificates or Registration: Minimum or Required: Master degree from an accredited college or university in marine sciences or closely related field with graduate hours supporting another discipline. Preferred: PhD in Marine sciences or physical sciences and at least 18 graduate hours supporting another needed discipline. Three years minimum of teaching experience in higher education in one or more of the desired disciplines. SECTION VII Equipment/Machine Operation: Knowledge of the following equipment/machines is necessary in the performance of the duties of this position. Minimum or Required: Computer and related software Valid driver license and ability to drive vehicles up to 15 passengers.

HELP WANTED: GENERAL

SUPERVISES THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS: Workstudy lab technician DATE OF UPDATE: 4/8/2016 PERSON CURRENTLY HOLDING POSITION: Ellis Thompson-Ellis



SOCCER COACH- Combined Head Men's and Women's

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1154 Mimi Cr. - Ideal 3BD/2BA two story home in a quiet cul-de-sac with custom finishes \$229,000

NEW 560 5th St. - Spacious 2,992 SQFT home with 5BD/3.25BA, ideal for a large family. In addition, enjoy the sizable 1,200 SQFT heated shop, with ample workspace and storage. \$200,000

855 5th St. - Wonderful view over town from this 5BD/2BA home. New roof, siding, windows and flooring. \$200,000

1326 Sage Ridge Rd. - Large family home comprising of 4BD/3BA, office, full basement and excellent back yard with fabulous mountain views. \$199,000

NEW 974 Main St. - Glorious yard with garden and privacy. Lovely 2BD/1.75BA home, detached garage and cottage. \$184,000

545 3rd St. - Ideal location, smart use of space, tastefully remodeled 3BD/2BA. \$159,000

1060 Park Street - Spacious 4BD/2BA single family home or can also be a 2BD/2BA duplex. Great space, natural light, updated appliances and utilities. \$158,000

754 Market St. - Perfectly remodeled BD/1BA, large lot, barn and storage space. \$155,000

117 6th St. - Completely remodeled duplex, fully furnished, sleeps 12 people, within walking distance of downtown. \$135,000

1112 Park Ave. - Fresh paint, new carpet, super cute 2BD, 1BA, plus den. Fenced yard, off street parking. \$129,000

1013 Hill St. - 2BD/2BA home with huge yard, family room, and extra room in the basement. Some remodeling, including floors. \$122,900

NEW 767 12th St. - Two-story, 2BD/1.5BA Townhouse, well-kept and tastefully remodeled. Great fenced area for children or pets. \$70,000

NEW 945 & 975 Cleveland St. - Two older homes, great lot space and potential. \$69,000

RURAL RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES

- NEW 2036 RBC Rd. 43.** - Seclusion close to town! 70 acres, 4BD/3.25BA large home, guest house, beautiful apple orchard. \$785,000
- 3900 RBC RD. 10.** - 42.35 Acres in the South Fork of the White River. Log home, workshop, garage, corrals, spring water, Forest Service access. Privacy and views that can't be matched! \$749,000
- NEW 1972 RBC Rd. 36.** - Well kept 16+ acres with over 6,500 SQFT in shop space. Hay sheds, spring water, 2,160 SQFT home and cabin. \$589,000
- NEW 1400 Flag Creek Dr.** - Stunning 4BD/2.5BA home moments from town. Pole barn, acreage and outstanding views. \$495,000
- 945 RBC Rd. 14.** - Sensational, beautiful 5BD/3BA log cabin with pristine setting. Creek & pond. The ultimate privacy in the White River National Forest. \$475,000
- NEW 64280 Hwy 64.** - 16.99 acres, joins the BLM and the White River. Beautiful setting with trees, extremely well-kept 5 BD, 2BA home with an attached 46'x30' garage & other outbuildings. Nice floor plan, like new! \$399,500

- 269 RBC Rd. 57.** - Get out of town and into this 3BD/2BA home with over 1,100 sqft in garages alone, plus 1.37 pretty acres! Price reduced: \$329,000
- 1601 White River Rd.** - Brand new 3BD/2BA home w/ attached garage. 3.22 acres just south of the golf course. Price reduced: \$298,000
- 402 Sandstone Dr.** - 10 country acres with a custom stick-built 3BD/2BA home with roping & riding arena, tack shed, carport, pasture, pond & views. Located about 4 miles from Meeker. \$298,000
- NEW 8505 RBC Rd. 8.** - Lovely up river home on 1.76 acres. Nice views, fenced yard and year round access. \$289,000
- 346 N. Cross L Dr.** - Adorable 3BD/2BA stucco home on 3 acres. Includes tractor, blade & mower. Only minutes from town, miles of views. \$279,000
- 378 RBC Rd. 40.** - Log cabin on 3 acres with spring. Located about 20 minutes drive east of Meeker. \$119,000
- 210 RBC Rd. 75.** - Papoose Creek Cabin - Forest service leased land, your rustic cabin to enjoy! \$65,000

VACANT LAND

- 41 Vacant Lots** - Sanderson Hills Subdivision. Located on the northwest side of the subdivision. \$250,000 for all OWNER FINANCING
- 15,000 SQFT Lot at 6th & Water St.** - Mixed zoning, cleared, READY FOR YOUR NEW BUILDING! \$120,000
- 5 Acres BUCKSKIN VALLEY SUBDIVISION** - This is one of the best 5 acre parcels in the Meeker area with exceptional views, trees, rock outcroppings, central water system and the country lifestyle. Time to build! \$84,995
- 459 Cross L Dr.** - 3 acres in Cross L Estates, good building location on corner lot. \$80,000
- 50 Acres FOURTEEN MILE SUBDIVISION** - Enjoy open space and wonderful views! \$67,500

Ridge Estates Vacant Lots - Moments from town, great views, reasonable covenants! SPRING SALE, prices starting at \$65,000

688 Meath Dr. - 35 acre lot in Little Beaver Estates, cleared building pad. Will consider all offers! \$65,000

6.79 Acres in Cross L Estates - Irrigated meadow with great hay production, nice lot, domestic water, electricity and views. \$59,000

2.25 Acres off Hwy. 13, north of Meeker - Nice building location, close to town! \$45,000

2 Lots on Silver Sage Rd. - Sage Hills. \$45,000 for both.

2 Beautiful Lots in Sage Hills - Gentle sloping and panoramic views of the surrounding mountains. \$30,000 each.

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

COMMERCIAL PROPERTY

680 Water St. - Playa del Rio Apartments sits on 4 lots, feature 19 apartment units, 17 storage units, off street parking and park area. Buy before the market booms! \$875,000

BE YOUR OWN BOSS - Thriving Ma Famiglia restaurant, business offered at \$475,000.

1107 Market St. - Commercial corner lot on Highway 13. Perfectly cleared and ready for a new business! \$199,000

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HOMES IN MEEKER ...

- *657 Cleveland - Historic brick 2 story, updated 4 BR, 2 BA lg lot, trees, great location. \$249,000.
- *900 Main St - 3BR, 1.5 BA, log home w/attached 2 car garage. Updated and spotless. \$179,000 REDUCED!
- *725 Cedar St - 5 BR, 2-1/2 BA. Beautiful one of a kind home, good views, updated high end kitchen, huge family room, outdoor entertaining area, 2 fireplaces, garage, on 3 lots, great neighborhood. \$319,000.
- *826 2nd St - 3 BR, 2.5 BA, 2,064 sq ft bi-level home near schools. Fenced yard, trees. \$160,000 REDUCED!
- *1331 Sage Ridge Rd - Immaculate 2 story, 3 BR, 2.5 BA, garage, RV carport. \$299,500 SALE PENDING!
- *1111 Wall St - 3 BR, 2 BA one level home. Laminate floors, lg master suite, storage shed. \$126,000 REDUCED!
- *112 Main St - 3 BR, 2 BA historic home with a 426 sq. ft. cottage. Updated, large corner lot. \$219,000.
- *1023 Jill Dr - 4 BR, 3 bath home on a large lot, near schools and ree center. Good views. \$126,000 SOLD!
- *969 Garfield - Lg lot, 3 BR, 2 BA, 2,656 sq ft home, basement, garage, mature trees. \$170,000 SOLD!

RANCHES — RURAL RESIDENTIAL — HUNTING PROPERTIES...

- *NEW 439 Agency Dr - Beautiful 2 story log home, 4 BR, 3 BA, walk-out basement, big deck, on 6 irrigated acres, 1 mile south of town. Attached garage, plus a 30x40 horse barn, trees and wonderful views. \$485,000.
- *NEW 6500 CR 7 - 2 Acres NW of Meeker. 2,592 sq ft updated home, 4 BR, 2 BA, fireplace, well. \$275,000.
- *44 Agency Dr - 4 BR, 3.5 BA, 2 story log home w/attached 2 car garage, basement, sun room with hot tub, decks, close to town. 5 irrigated acres, horse barn & corrals. Trees & views. \$335,000 SALE PENDING!
- *510 Meadow Lane - 3 BR, 2.5 BA home on 6.9 acres. Private location west of Meeker, large attached garage, wrap around covered porch, pond, hot tub, great views. \$375,000 REDUCED - SELLER MOTIVATED!
- *3105 CR 8 - 42 Acres, great views, 2,304 sq ft, 3 BR, 2 BA log home, decks, new well. \$400,000.
- *1120 S. Little Rancho Dr - 30 Acres bordering BLM land. Very private, end of the road. Newer log home, 3 BR, 2 BA, decks, Barn, pond, water well, fenced for livestock, good hunting, views. \$955,000.
- *686 Rimrock Dr - 5.5 acres, captivating location, 3BR, 2 BA 1 story log home. Amazing pond, irrigation water, beautifully landscaped, RV hookup, great views, garage, and shed. Zip line! \$409,000.
- *1260 CR 119 - 5 Acres, 1 mile S. of town, near golf course. Updated 4 BR, 2 BA home with basement, garage, decks. Awesome views. Irrigated hay & pasture. Lg shop with horse stalls. \$419,000.
- *CR 8 - 88 Acres just east of Meeker. Hunting, dry land pasture, development potential. \$425,000 REDUCED!
- *29100 CR 8 - 12 Acres with River & fishing. Nice 1,252 sq ft 3 BR, 2 BA cabin, borders BLM. \$795,000.
- *366 N. Cross L Dr. - 4 BR, 2 BA home on 3 irrigated acres. Great location. SOLD! \$244,900.

BUSINESS & INVESTMENT ...

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

RAW LAND AND HOMESITES ...

- *5807 CR 7 - Vacant 20 acre parcel, 9 mi. North, on Strawberry Creek. Good home site & views! \$75,000.
- *CR 8 - 88 Acres just east of Meeker. Hunting, dry land pasture, development potential. \$425,000 REDUCED!
- *359 Love Lane - 5 acres, Cross L Estates. Lot 13, great home property, well. \$100,000.
- *River Property - 19.6 Acres 12 miles west. Irrigated hay, good home sites, river. \$145,000.
- *Little Beaver Estates - Lot 4, 35 acres, fenced, pond, loafing shed, great home site. \$64,900 SALE PENDING!
- *Little Beaver Estates - 35 acre lot bordering DOW hunting land. Lot 11 - \$95,000.
- *Little Beaver Estates 35 acre lot bordering Division of Wildlife public land. Lot 14. \$93,000 REDUCED!
- *Little Beaver Estates Lot 13 - 35 acre lot bordering Division of Wildlife public land. \$98,000 REDUCED!
- *100 acres 29 miles east of Meeker, surrounded by Nat Forest. Covered with Aspens. \$1,395,000.00.
- *Several nice building lots on Mimi Circle and Michael Circle. Reduced to \$19,900 each.
- *71 Acres on CR 15, 11 miles NE. Private homesites, water, good hunting, borders public land. \$205,000. SOLD!

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