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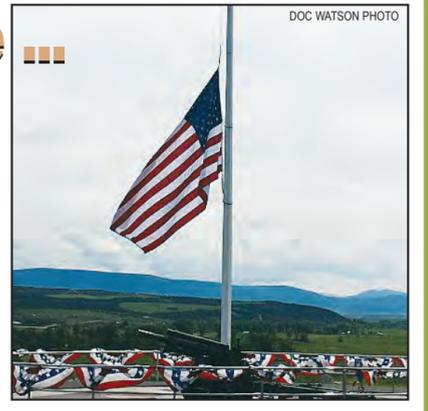
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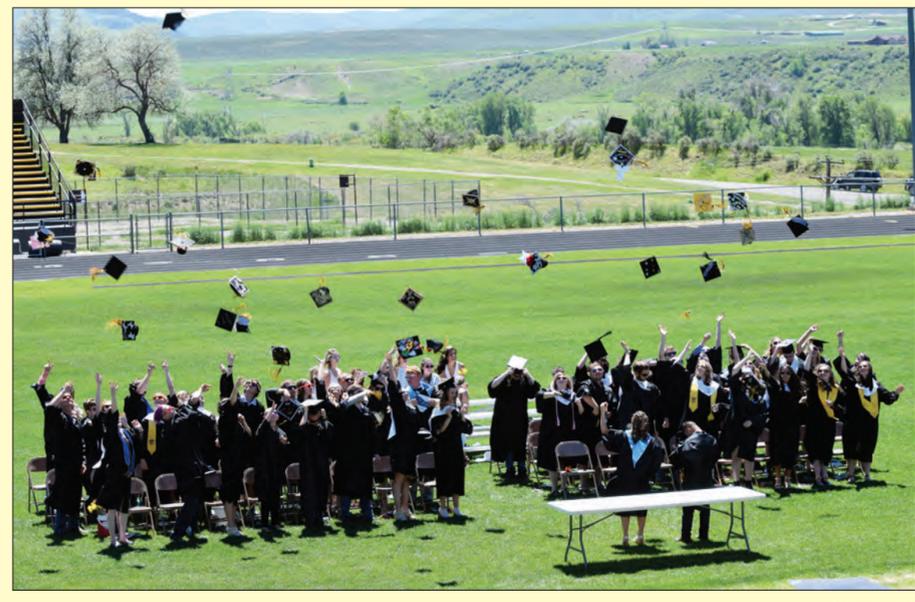
Mike Hoke Gary Moyer

Two candidates are vying to be the Republican candidate for county commissioner in November.

See how they stack up on the issues:

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**KIDS
THESE
DAYS ...**



(TOP) Valentin Rosas paused for a selfie with school board member Dr. Bob Dorsett after Rosas received his diploma.
(MIDDLE) The MHS Class of 2018 tossed their hats into the sky, officially ending a ceremony full of puns, jokes and antics. See **PAGE 9A** for more info.
(BOTTOM) Cooper Meszaros "dabbed" on the way to receiving his official ticket to adulthood.

GO FISH

Kenney Reservoir's annual Fishing Derby offers free fishing and \$2500 in cash and prizes

By **JEN HILL**
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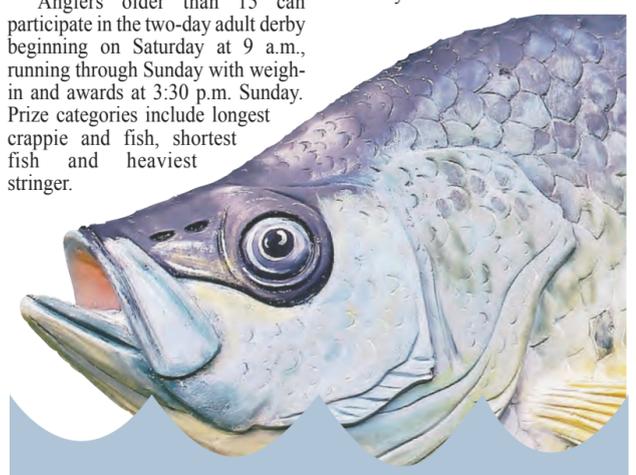
RANGELY 1 This weekend the Rio Blanco Water Conservancy District is hosting their annual Fishing Derby at Kenney Reservoir as part of Colorado's statewide Free Fishing Weekend. The weekend includes free camping and boating at Kenney Reservoir from Friday, June 1 through Sunday, June 3 and more than \$2,500 in cash and prizes.

YOUTH DERBY Those 15 years old and younger can participate in the Youth Derby on Saturday, June 2, from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Prizes will be offered for the longest trout and crappie and longest fish. The weigh-in and awards will take place at 1:30 p.m.

TEEN/FAMILY DERBY Anglers older than 15 can participate in the two-day adult derby beginning on Saturday at 9 a.m., running through Sunday with weigh-in and awards at 3:30 p.m. Sunday. Prize categories include longest crappie and fish, shortest fish and heaviest stringer.

GETTING REGISTERED Registration for the derbies will begin at 8:30 a.m. Saturday with a mandatory meeting for all participants at 8:45 a.m. Rules and registration forms can be found at rioblancocowd.org or the Chamber of Commerce office.

COLORADO FREE FISHING WEEKEND Unlicensed fishing is offered across the state for the weekend, with Colorado Parks and Wildlife not requiring anglers of any age to purchase a fishing license. All other state fishing regulations are, however, still enforced. According to CPW the goal of the program is to increase interest in fishing, which they say is a major economic driver for the state, adding more than \$1.9 billion each year to Colorado's economy.



WHAT: RBC Water Conservancy District's Annual Fishing Derby
WHERE: Kenney Reservoir
WHEN: June 1-3, 2018
See **PAGE 7A** for more details

Meekerpalooza moves downtown with new events and free entry Saturday

By **PAIGE JONES**
Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER 1 Any Saturday is a good Saturday when you are surrounded by art and music, and this year's Meekerpalooza is going to be unlike any other. The sixth annual event has been relocated to the downtown plaza for better accessibility, and now offers free entry to the public and a summer barbecue style.

For the last five years, Meeker has enjoyed Meekerpalooza as one of the first festivals of the summer season. A collaboration between the Meeker Arts and Cultural Council (MACC), ERBM

Recreation and Park District, Pioneers Health Foundation and the Meeker Farmers Market, this year's Meekerpalooza will combine old favorites with new fun.

PARK TO ART RACES The ERBM Park to Art 5K, 10K and half marathon races start bright and early at 7 a.m. downtown. To register online visit parktoartraces.itsyourrace.com or stop by the Meeker Recreation Center. You can also register on race day beginning at 6:15 a.m. The races feature a variety of terrain, but start and end downtown. See **PAGE 4A** for more details

PIONEERS

HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION BREAKFAST

From 8-11 a.m. the Pioneers Healthcare Foundation healthy breakfast will take place. Proceeds from the breakfast will be put toward new healthcare equipment. The breakfast is \$10 per person and includes ham and egg sliders, yogurt parfaits and French toast kabobs. See **PAGE 2A** for details.

MEEKER FARMER'S MARKET

The first farmers market of the summer will line Main Street from 8 a.m. to noon, featuring local produce, honey, caramel corn, fresh flowers, art,

gifts and more.

LIVE MUSIC

Starting at noon and ending at 5 p.m., Meekerpalooza will host three of Colorado's hottest bluegrass bands: Colorado's Buffalo Commons, Meadow Mountain and Head for the Hills.

CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT

Test your aim by participating in the first cornhole tournament at Meekerpalooza. Entry fee is \$20 per couple and winners take half the entry fee pot.

FOOD AND DRINK

No festival is complete without delicious food and

drink. This year, enjoy Colorado-crafted beer from Living the Dream Brewery out of Littleton, Colo., and delicious food provided by a variety of vendors.

FOR THE KIDS

There's something for everyone at Meekerpalooza! Youngsters can enjoy mini-lesson pony rides at the petting barn from the Baseline Barnyard or make flower crowns at the kid zone. Materials (and ponies) provided.

Kick off the summer festival season this Saturday in downtown Meeker!

WHAT: Sixth annual Meekerpalooza Festival
WHERE: Downtown Plaza, Meeker, Colo.
WHEN: June 2, 2018

New this year!
Cornhole Tournament Cash Prize!

WEATHER



Saturday: 80s/40s Sunny



Sunday: 80s/50s Partly Cloudy



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HONOR AND REMEMBER ...



Meeker's VFW Honor Guard (Post 5843) offered a 21-gun salute at the Meeker Cemetery in honor of those who have given the ultimate price in their service for our country.



Meeker's VFW Honor Guard (Post 5843) was present for the Wreath Ceremony held each year on the park bridge.



Jake Lewis, Vice Commander of the VFW, held the memorial wreath during the ceremony at Fifth Street bridge and later dropped the wreath into the White River along with veteran Tom Kilduff (not pictured) to honor those lost.

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VFW Post Chaplain Anthony Mazzola (right) led the gathering in prayer, Legion Commander Mike Brennan (center) read about the founding of Memorial Day, and VFW Post Commander Rob Baughman (left) recounted three solemn stories of American heroes: Frank Luke (a WWI fighter pilot who shot down 18 German planes before being struck down and the first airman to receive the Medal of Honor); Sharon Lane (the only army nurse in Vietnam to be killed by direct enemy fire when her evac hospital was struck by a salvo of 122mm rockets fired by the Viet Cong on June 8, 1969); and the four Marines killed in a helicopter crash on April 4 during a routine training mission.



Hundreds of flags and thousands of flowers decorated the graves at Meeker Highland Cemetery for Memorial Day.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- TODAY!** Colorado Rockies Skills Challenge May 31, 10 a.m. at Paintbrush Park. Boys and girls ages 6-13 as of Dec. 31, 2018 are invited to this free competition! Test your skills in base running, throwing and hitting. Forms available at the Meeker Recreation Center and online at www.ERBMrec.com. ERBM Recreation & Park District 970-878-3403/31
- **Let's Go Bananas!** WRBM trip to Bananas in Grand Junction June 1. \$25/person (includes lunch.) Register by May 30. 970-675-8211.
- **Alpine West Realty Grand Opening** June 1, 1 p.m. to 2 p.m., 643 Main Street, Meeker.
- **Sign up for WRBM Summer Activities** including T-Ball, Wee Ball, Kids Dance Fitness, Kids Spin and Swim Lessons. Register by June 1. 970-675-8211.
- **Park to Art Races & Meekerpalooza**, Downtown Plaza. Join us for the Park to Art Races, Meekerpalooza and more! ERBM Recreation & Park District 970-878-3403.
- **Channel Bob Ross**, no experience necessary! Painting class at WRBM June 2 for those 15+. \$50/person + \$5 for canvas. Leave with a completed oil painting! 970-675-8211.
- **Glenwood Caverns WRBM** trip June 8. Ziplining, laser tag, and a great time! Please pack a lunch. \$40/person (6+ years.) Register by June 5. 970-675-8211.
- **Youth Fishing Day**, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Lake Avery. Drop a line and reel in a big one! Join ERBM and CPW for a day of fun at Lake Avery. ERBM Recreation & Park District 970-878-3403.
- **Cowboy Basketball Clinic**, 10 a.m. to noon at the MHS Gym. FREE Basketball clinic for youth entering K-eighth grade. ERBM Recreation & Park District 970-878-3403.
- **Father's Day Craft** at Rangely Rec Center June 15, 10-11 a.m. Ages 6 and up, \$10 each. Register by June 11. WRBM Recreation & Park District 970-675-8211.
- **Glow Pool Party** at Rangely Rec Center June 15, 7-9 p.m. Ages 6 and up, \$5 each. Register by June 12. WRBM Recreation & Park District 970-675-8211.
- **Weekly Wanderers** Fridays from 9 to 10:30 a.m. All ages are invited to Sanderson Hills park during the month of June to get moving and take a walk in the park under the direction of an ERBM staff member. ERBM Recreation & Park District 970-878-
- 3403.
- **The Meeker Library Book Club** meets at 1 p.m. the second Monday of each month (excluding holidays). The next meeting will be June 11. All interested readers are welcome. Stop by the Meeker Library for details.
- **Tootsie Care Day** at 290 Fourth St., June 16 from 12-3 p.m. Open to anyone 74 and under who has trouble with toenail trimming. Donations go the VFW and Auxiliary Scholarship fund.
- **The Rangely Moms Group** meets the first Thursday of each month from 9-11 a.m. at First Baptist Church (207 S. Sunset Ave.) to help connect moms in our community. Any moms who have newborn through elementary aged children are welcome to join us for food, fellowship and fun. Childcare is provided. The first meeting is free. Subsequent meetings are \$5. Scholarships are available if needed.
- **Real-Tea Roundtable**. Join real estate expert Suzan Pelloni for helpful hints on buying and selling property. The first Wednesday of the month at 7:30 a.m. at Wendell's.
- **Adult drop-in sports:** **Dodgeball** Mondays at 7:30 p.m. in the MES gym. For 18 and older. **Volleyball** Tuesdays from 7:30-9 p.m. in the MES gym. **Basketball** Wednesdays from 7:30-9 p.m. in the MES gym. **Pool Volleyball** Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. at the MRC pool. Call 878-3403 for details.
- **Storytime at the Rangely Regional Library** Tuesdays at 10 a.m.
- **Quilting Group**. Tuesdays from 1-9 p.m. at the Meeker Public Library. All are welcome. Come during hours that fit your schedule. Bring your sewing machine and project. Making quilts for the Walbridge Wing and hospice care.
- **Gentleman's Group** meeting every Tuesday at 9 a.m. at the Meeker Recreation Center and each Thursday at 9 a.m. at the VFW, 290 4th St. in Meeker.
- **Game Day** for adults 50-plus on Wednesdays at 9 a.m. in the Meeker Recreation Center lounge. Call 878-3403 or visit www.ermrec.com.
- **Children's Story Hour** Wednesdays at 10 a.m. at the Meeker Public Library.
- **Free Community Dinner** every Thursday at 5:30 p.m. at St. James' Episcopal Church—Richards' Hall, Fourth and Park.

Send event info to calendar@theheraldtimes.com by 5 p.m. Monday.

Comments on Buffalo Horn land exchange due June 6

By REED KELLEY
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RBC I BLM held a public meeting May 23 regarding the proposed land exchange between the Buffalo Horn Ranch (BHR) and federal public lands managed by the Bureau of Land Management involving thousands of acres in Rio Blanco County and some in Moffat County. BLM issued a preliminary environmental assessment on May 8, selecting a revised version of the original proposal as their preferred alternative, with a comment deadline of June 6.

More than 40 people attended the May 23 meeting, only about six of whom were BLM employees. Many were owners, managers and employees of Strawberry Creek ranch properties—the epicenter of the

proposed land exchanges, as well as local hunters and outdoor enthusiasts.

In 2011, BLM proposed a Buffalo Horn Land Exchange involving 6,645 acres of private land in six parcels for 7,629 acres of federal land in 18 parcels, the latter generally in the upper Strawberry Creek area. By the end of 2016, the proposal had morphed into exchanging three private parcels comprising 4,036 acres for 16 parcels of BLM comprising 3,806 acres.

After receiving overwhelmingly negative public comments in early 2017, nearly 52 opposed to 2 in favor, and a challenge from an oil and gas company which had a master surface use agreement already in place on a large private parcel, BLM began reconfiguring their proposal with BHR.

Some concern exists that these

negotiations which have been occurring over the last year or more have been going on without much public awareness. Local ranchers and public land users have told the *Herald Times* that due to all the opposition, they had been under the impression the whole idea was dead.

A little more than three weeks ago, however, BLM issued its Preliminary Environmental Assessment (EA) of the Buffalo Horn Land Exchange, proposing as their preferred Alternative B the exchange of 14 parcels, comprising 2,815 acres, of federal ground in the Upper Strawberry Creek and Price Creek area for one parcel of 1,835 acres of BHR land sandwiched between the Windy Gulch and Black Mountain BLM Wilderness Study Areas, just north of Highway 64, about 10 miles

west of Meeker.

The EA stresses that the purpose of a land exchange proposal like this one “is to improve public access, consolidate land ownership and improve public land management while minimizing public trespass on adjacent private lands.” BLM concluded, in the EA, that Alternative B best meets the purpose and need for a land exchange.

Other alternatives considered by BLM were some proposed public access agreements in the Upper Strawberry Creek area involving Cave and Goff Camp Gulch BLM areas off County Road 7 (Strawberry Creek Road), access off County Road 7 in the Price Creek area, and road access across BHR to BLM land west of

► See **BLM**, Page 10A

Pioneers Healthcare Foundation

BREAKFAST

Saturday, June 2 • 8:00am - 11:00am
Downtown Meeker • \$10/person

Join the Pioneers Medical Foundation during the Farmer's Market and after the Park to Art Races for breakfast. The Foundation will host breakfast with a

variety of choices:

- Ham & Egg Sliders
 - Yogurt Parfaits
 - French Toast Kabobs
- \$10/Person

Proceeds will support the purchase of healthcare equipment such as EKG Machines, Ventilators, and an Infusion System at Meeker's Pioneers Medical Center.

Make a Day of it in Downtown Meeker

- Farmer's Market
 - Park to Art Races (5K, 10K & Half Marathon)
- Register: parktoartrunraces.itsyourrace.com
- Meekerpalooza
 - Live Music & Beer Garden
 - Vendors & Games



Pioneers Healthcare Foundation is a 501c3 organization focused on enhancing access to local healthcare services for the residents of Meeker and the surrounding areas

NEWS BRIEFS

Red Cross Home Fire Campaign tomorrow

RANGELY | The Home Fire Campaign is a Red Cross program with the goal to reduce injuries and fatalities in home fires by 25 percent. This is done by teams of volunteers visiting homes to check smoke alarms for functionality, installing new smoke alarms where needed and providing basic fire safety education to residents. Come to the Rangely Chamber of Commerce at 255 E. Main, Suite A, between 9:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. on Friday, June 1, to be placed on the list for home smoke alarm installations. You will then be scheduled with a Red Cross volunteer and have up to three free smoke alarms installed.

An evening of solo voice and bassoon

RANGELY | Vocalist Odeya Nini and bassoonist Archie Carey come together at The TANK Saturday, June 2 at 8 p.m. in an evening of shared solos. Suggested donation \$10.

CNCC Cottage Food Training June 5

MEEKER | Anyone operating a food business from home kitchens and/or food vendors participating in Farmer's Markets and other summer venues will benefit from this training. The training covers basic food safety, foods permissible in Colorado's Cottage Food Act, ingredient labeling and disclaimer requirements, and special considerations for food preparation at high altitude. Completion of this training satisfies the state's food safety training for cottage food sellers and certifies participants for three years. This training will be held from 10-noon on Tuesday, June 5, at CNCC Meeker Center, 345 Sixth St. Pre-registration is required to plan for class materials. For further information, call 878-5227 to get on a class list, or stop by the CNCC Meeker Center at 345 Sixth St. on Tuesday or Wednesday to complete registrations. Registrations may be mailed to CNCC, PO Box 1542, faxed to 878-4145 or emailed to iris.franklin@cncc.edu.

Wagon Wheel meeting June 6

MEEKER | The Wagon Wheel OHV Club next monthly meeting will be Wednesday, June 6, beginning at 7 p.m. in the Kilowatt Korner (corner of Sixth and Market in Meeker). Current members will be able to renew their membership that evening. All OHV riders are invited to attend and hopefully join to support motorized recreation.

Nominate Meeker's Citizen of the Year

MEEKER | Each year the Meeker Chamber of Commerce honors an outstanding person (or couple) that has made a significant contribution to our community. Every citizen in Meeker and its surrounding area is eligible for this award without regard to race, creed, or gender, except the officers and directors of the Meeker Chamber of Commerce. Nominations are due June 8. Citizen criteria and the nomination guidelines are available at <http://meekerchamber.com/2018/05/23/nominate-for-citizen-of-the-year-2018/>. The award will be presented Friday, June 29 during the annual Business and Community Appreciation Dinner downtown.

Women's Cast 'n' Blast in Kremmling

RBC | Women interested in learning the basics of fly fishing and how to handle and shoot a shotgun safely are invited to a women-only "Cast 'n' Blast" clinic in Kremmling, Sunday, June 10, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Designed for novices 18 and older, no experience or equipment is required. Participants should dress for the elements and bring all necessary supplies, including water, insect repellent and sunscreen. Lunch, snacks and drinks will be provided. The class fee is \$20 and pre-registration is required. Call Colorado Parks and Wildlife's Hot Sulphur Springs office at 970-725-6200 to register. Space is limited and the seminar is expected to fill quickly.

Participants are reminded that the class is not a Hunter Education course, which is required to purchase a hunting license. To find a Hunter Education course, visit the CPW website, or call your local Colorado Parks and Wildlife office.

Enter the Fourth of July parade

MEEKER | Anyone can enter the parade, whether you are an individual, an organization, a business or just have a message. Stop by the Meeker Chamber of Commerce or visit meekerchamber.com to get an entry form and return it to the Chamber by June 28.

Promote your biz at the OHV Rendezvous

MEEKER | More than 200 people will be coming to Meeker to ride out trails, dine at our restaurants, shop at our stores and stay at our lodging. For more information contact the Meeker Chamber at 970-878-5510 or go to <http://www.wagonwheeltrails.org/>.



TREASURE HUNTER ...

Parkview Elementary fifth grader Emmeree Wagner found a Morgan silver dollar during the annual fifth grade treasure hunt at Parkview on May 17. The silver dollar was one of several hidden for the treasure hunt a few years back that wasn't found.

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EDITOR'S COLUMN...

Do we give a **** about our reputation?

By **NIKI TURNER**
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Channeling a little Joan Jett there, but it's a question to consider.

Twenty-plus years ago one of my Glenwood friends was in an airplane on her way home from a church convention in Oklahoma. She struck up a conversation with her seat mate. Somehow the conversation came around to the fact that my husband and I were about to start a church in Meeker. She was told, "Oh, that's a hard place. They eat pastors for lunch up there." (She only shared that information after we'd relocated and bought a house. So encouraging.)

Years later, post-churching, I had my mouth cranked open in a dentist's chair in Glenwood. It's a little weird to have a dentist look at your bite and say, "Is so-and-so your dad?" Apparently I inherited some unique jaw structures from my dad, like the inability to bite all the way through a bologna sandwich. The dentist asked where I was living. I told him I'd been in Meeker. His response? "That's a clique-y little town. Gotta know someone or have the right last name to be accepted there."

It's been a long time since I thought of those conversations, but in the last week I've heard some of those same remarks resurface: it's hard to make friends here, it's hard to fit in, etc.

That's not the kind of reputation

any community wants to have, but is it accurate? I don't think so, at least not when you dig under the surface.

Here are some possible explanations for how Meeker gets categorized as a social "hard" place:

1) It's possible we have an unusually high percentage of reclusive hermits (introverts) in our population. It's hard to make friends with introverts, because all the typical friending behaviors and activities make introverts uncomfortable. Introverts, contrary to popular belief, are not antisocial, they just need "alone time" to recharge their batteries, whereas extroverts are rejuvenated by social contact. Our rural locale makes us appealing to introverts.

2) Perhaps those who've been here for generations are so traumatized by the constant in-and-out traffic associated with our boom-bust cycles they're wary to make connections with newcomers. I can relate to this, especially as an introvert myself. It's exceedingly difficult to pour energy into relationships that end abruptly when your "friend" suddenly moves away because of a transfer or a need to find work.

3) Maybe we're all just painfully set in our ways and too comfortable and content with our lives to open

our doors and/or hearts to anyone else (see reasons No. 1 and No. 2.).

You can say "ouch" or "oh me." Do we deserve a cliquy, hard-to-get-to-know reputation? If we do, is that what we want?

One of the factors we considered in our return to Meeker was the support and spirit of community we found here. For example, when my oldest son turned his elbow upside down and inside out (literally) while snowboarding and required emergency surgery, I had other moms showing up at my door with casseroles, just out of kindness, not because we were close friends or attended the same church, or even because their kids were friends with my kids. They were just being nice, and that kind of thing doesn't happen everywhere.

Everyone's experience is different, of course, and our experiences tend to define our reality. But when I'm still hearing people say Meeker is a hard place to make friends, we need to ask ourselves, are we actively welcoming newcomers? Are we making room at the table for folks who don't have multiple generations of county history? Are we willing to take the risk to make new friends, to welcome new people into our comfortable, established social circles? And newcomers, are you taking steps to reach out and get involved? One of the fastest ways to find yourself included is to put your hand to the plow as a volunteer for a community group or event, of which we have plenty.

MILLENNIAL MUSINGS

Don't make me 'mom lecture' you

By **CAITLIN WALKER**
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Caitlin Walker

RBC I was a bit of an odd kid. (Nothing has changed, if you're wondering.)

When I was around 4, we went to a hardware store to pick up a few things, and I was instantly enamored, but not with the power tools, the wall of paint chips, or the shiny bright array of light fixtures, like a regular kid. I was obsessed with the rubber O-rings. Black, tiny, stretchy, right at my eye level from the shopping cart, and the coolest thing ever.

I had no idea what they were for, but I had to have them.

I waited patiently. When mom turned away to deal with one of my brothers, I snatched a handful and stuffed them in my corduroy jumper pocket.

My poker face has always been terrible, though, and mom's sixth sense was on point. We were loading up the minivan when she discovered my transgression (as moms always do.) I was lectured six ways to Sunday and marched right back inside by the straps of my jumper to return the 50 cents in O-rings I'd stolen and make a personal apology to the store clerk. I was officially scared straight.

Fast forward about 20 years, and I'm now the exhausted mother dragging three small children through a store. I have a newborn in a baby carrier and two toddlers taking off their shoes and throwing them out of the bastard offspring of a shopping cart and Cozy Coupe play

car, legitimately one of the worst inventions on the entire planet.

We've made it through the hellfire of grocery shopping, and while I'm busy checking out, my little notice all the delicious candy sitting right outside the window of their tiny car. Unbeknownst to me, the toddlers both grab Baby Bottle Pop candies.

We make it to the car, I strap in the fussy newborn, unload the groceries and realize the toddlers are suspiciously quiet. I discover them wrestling with the candy wrappers, and history repeats itself. Lecture them six ways to Sunday, unload the baby and march them right back inside to return the unopened candy and formally apologize. Another generation officially scared straight.

The universe has a delightful sense of humor, doesn't it?

Five years later, the subject of stealing has returned to my life. While picking up paper returns a few weeks ago, we discovered someone took not one, two or even five papers from the rack at the Meeker post office, but 20, two thirds of the papers we dropped there, without paying for them.

I've been counting quarters for the paper off and on since I was 15. Newspaper theft has always been an issue, but this one is a whopper. The newspaper isn't exactly a cash cow. We operate on a shoestring. By the time we've gathered editorial material, designed the paper, printed it, picked it up from Gypsum, packaged and distributed it, not to mention all the administrative work that facilitates this, that one dollar we charge has worn very, very thin.

My first thought? Wire the racks to record a "mom lecture" every single time someone opens them.

More recently, this past weekend, in fact, I escaped from my full-time mom gig to take photos of Meeker

High School's graduation ceremony. I've always hated mucking up photos with a watermark, so when I put them up (after a combined seven hours of work taking them, sorting them, editing them and uploading them) on Smugmug (a site we pay to host our photos) I decided against the watermark. In less than 10 minutes, they had been screenshot and scattered across social media.

It's 99 cents to download a digital high res file, and you can do whatever you want with it. But apparently, that price is too high. So now it's ruined for everyone, including me, and I'll have watermarks on my work. I don't like them either, but lesson learned.

It's basic application of the golden rule. You don't like being stolen from, do you? Then do unto others as you would have them do unto you.

On a larger scale, if nothing has value, society won't function correctly. That's why stealing is illegal.

Things that cost pennies still have value to the businesses who sell them and the people who create those products, whether it's rubber O-rings or \$2 worth of candy, a photo someone else took while you were enjoying the moment (as you well should!), \$20 in newspapers, a car, a wallet or an identity. They are all tiny cogs in the vast machine that makes coexistence with our fellow humans possible.

If we all just take what we want and to hell with the consequences, we'll be bashing each other over the head with clubs in a matter of weeks. We're already pretty close to this with the current state of things, let's not make it worse.

Gray issues are everywhere these days, but this one, like our newspaper, is black and white. Stealing is wrong.



Park^{to}Art

SATURDAY, JUNE 2

5K, 10K, AND HALF MARATHON RACES

Runners, take your mark! This race features a variety of terrains on the Phillip & Dorcas Jensen Memorial Park trail system. All participants start and end the race downtown at the Meekerpalooza Music Festival. Admission into the festival is free. Race entry fee includes a T-shirt, bag, and Meeker Chamber Bucks to use at the festival. The award ceremony will take place at 11:45am at the Downtown Plaza stage. An optional breakfast pass can be purchased for an additional \$10; proceeds from the breakfast go directly to Pioneers Medical Foundation.

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Course maps are available on www.ERBMrec.com and at Guest Services at the Meeker Recreation Center. On-site registration available starting at 6:15am on June 2 at the Downtown Plaza. Bib number must be picked up at least 30 minutes prior to race start time at the Downtown Plaza registration tent.

5K Information		10K Information		Half Marathon Information	
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Ma Famiglia making changes

Dear Editor:

As a member of the Meeker business community for 13 years, we have continually strived to provide the best value, quality and consistency in service and product.

As we move forward, we are faced with serious challenges regarding staffing and product procurement. With these important challenges ahead of us, in able to continue to provide you with the best possible service and meals, we must make some necessary changes to our menu, staffing and possible hours of operations.

We will do our best to keep you informed of these changes as we incrementally establish them. We ask for your patience and continued support as we move forward.

We always welcome your comments, suggestions and questions.

Henry and Kris Arcolesse
Ma Famiglia Restaurant

Merrifield grateful for scholarships

Dear Editor:

I would like to thank the White River Electric Association, Meeker Sportsman's Club, Pioneer's Healthcare Foundation, V.F.W. Post 5843 and Auxiliary, Freeman Fairfield Trust, Richard G. Lyttle fund (Fairfield Scholarship Committee), Meeker High School Football Team/MHS Top Hand Scholarship committee, and Rio Blanco Ranch for awarding me scholarships to help with college expenses. I am very grateful for these scholarships and promise to put them to good use as I work to obtain my degree. Thank you so much for supporting me in pursuing my goals.

Sincerely,
Trapper Merrifield
MHS Senior Class of 2018

Edinger discusses land exchange

Dear Editor:

I am writing this letter to inform the public that there is a land exchange being discussed in our area. It is a potential exchange between the BLM and Buffalo Horn Ranch. There has been a lot of misinformation or false rumors swirling around so I thought I would try to clear the facts up a little. Many folks that I have talked

to are in favor of the exchange for the following reasons.

The heart of the exchange is a 1,835 acre private parcel and a 1,759 acre BLM parcel. There are some smaller parcels that can be used to even out the value as this exchange will be based on appraised value rather than acreage amounts. The link at the end of this paragraph will allow you to see a map of all the parcels and a large amount of information about the exchange, including the BLM Environmental Assessment that outlines a couple different options. The link is go.usa.gov/xnw2y

As a brief overview, the main objective of this exchange is to allow both parties to better manage their parcels and provide much greater public access to the Windy Gulch and Black Mountain study areas. It is estimated that acquiring the private parcel in between these two study areas will open up some 20,000 plus acres for increased access for many outdoor activities such as hunting, hiking and camping, etc. This area is only about 10 miles west of Meeker, thus making it an easy to get to destination when time is a concern.

The BLM parcel is extremely difficult to get to, with a 6-10 mile hike around private property from two access points. The difficulty in access and steep terrain provide little benefit to the public. This parcel borders Buffalo Horn Ranch. That is why they are willing to exchange these two parcels.

Although there was a public notice two weeks ago, I wanted to again remind the public that public input is being requested so that everyone can have a voice in determining the best direction for the proposed exchange. The BLM is taking public comments on this exchange through June 6. Whether you are in favor of the exchange or have some concerns please email your comment so it can be considered. The BLM has requested that you be detailed in your comments so they can properly gauge interest or address concerns. Also, if you have any questions or concerns please feel free to call the contacts below.

BLM: Heather Sauls at 970-878-3800, or Buffalo Horn Ranch: Grant Edinger at 970-878-5450.

Sincerely,
Grant Edinger
Buffalo Horn Ranch Manager

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Leonard Thompson

Meeker resident Leonard Funston Thompson, Jr. died on Sunday, May 20, 2018, at Pioneers Medical Center in Meeker. He was 69. Leonard Funston Thompson, Jr. was the first-born son of Leonard F. Thompson, Sr. and Willie May Green Thompson on Sept. 27, 1948, in Houston, Texas. Leonard attended schools in the Houston area graduating from Spring Branch High School followed by four years at Texas A&M College in College Station, Texas earning a Bachelor of Science degree in marine transportation. During college summer breaks he traveled the world on the Texas Clipper with the United States Navy Merchant Marines. He formally enlisted in the Merchant Marines in 1971, and received his honorable discharge in 1983. In 1982 Leonard received his license from the United States Coast Guard to operate or navigate passenger carrying vessels in the Gulf of Mexico.

Leonard first married in 1973 to Rai Kelso and was blessed with two lovely daughters, Margaret and Martha. Living in Galveston, Texas, Leonard built on his Texas A&M education with

OBITUARIES

Leonard F. Thompson, Jr.

Sept. 27, 1948 ~ May 20, 2018

experiences gained through career choices such as bridge construction and the ready mix concrete industry. Ultimately, he became an entrepreneur owning a variety of businesses including medical durable supplies, corporate janitorial service, machinist and metal fabrication and welding.

For 25 years Leonard came to Colorado to hunt at a ranch on the Williams Fork near Hamilton. His first marriage had ended and several years later he was introduced to his current wife, Betsie Fritzlan. In 1997/1998 Leonard moved his entire business to the White River near Meeker, Colo. Leonard and Betsie were united in their life partnership on July 24, 1998, and in typical Leonard fashion, he lovingly embraced his two stepchildren, Chad and Renee, as his own. Leonard and Betsie filled 20 years together with love, laughter, hard work and fun times with family and friends. Leonard loved to hunt, camp, fish, ride the trails, and operate anything with a motor. However, his true passion was milling, fabricating and welding metal. He had an excellent mind and marked each project with his brand of excellence.

Leonard was famous for his Texas style smoked brisket and, as many can attest, his colorful sayings. Leonard possessed a big, kind Texan heart that didn't know a stranger and was always ready to lend a helping hand. He was

considered a mentor to many. He will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him.

Leonard was preceded in death by his parents, son-in-law Travis White, sister-in-law Beverly Fritzlan Bloch, and nephew Gene Scritchfield. He is survived by his wife, Betsie Fritzlan Thompson; daughters Margaret (Josh) Moerbe, Martha (Travis) White; stepson Chad (Jeannette) Shepherd; stepdaughter Renee (Brandon) Briscoe; sister Tina Thompson (Roger) Naumann; brother Barry (Leigh) Thompson; mother-in-law Arlene Fritzlan; sisters-in-law Mona Avey and Sandie Fritzlan; 12 grandchildren: Abby, Lucy, McKenna, Kinley, Calvin, Caitlyn, Peyton, Brooklyn, Porter, Mariah, Brianna and Amber; and a host of nieces and nephews.

Leonard greeted each day thanking God for granting him the gift of life and for the privilege to live and prosper in a country he loved, the United States of America.

A celebration of life gathering to honor Leonard will be hosted at the Thompson residence, 12896 County Road 8, Meeker, Colo., on Sunday, June 17, 1 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Leonard's memory to the Leonard Thompson Technical Trade Scholarship Fund at Mountain Valley Bank in Meeker.

Joyce Van Haren Stoddard

Sept. 22, 1934 ~ April 15, 2018



Joyce Stoddard

Joyce Stoddard, a woman of strength, independence, character and intelligence, recently passed away. Joyce was born and raised in San Francisco, and enjoyed many summers both as a child and mother at her parent's cabin on the Russian River. In Meeker, she very much enjoyed the ranching lifestyle with the love of her life, David Stoddard, and continued her pharmacy career at Jirak's Corner Drug. After David passed away far too young, she continued to own the ranch for another 10 years until she moved to Grand Junction, where she not only continued with pharmacy, but obtained her Doctorate of Pharmacology. She also found

time to volunteer with the Grand Junction Police Department, local senior citizen groups, and traveled the world. She was preceded in death by David, her brother Myron, and her parents Myron and Marie Van Haren. Joyce is survived by her children, Leslie Kancilia of Mineral Wells, Texas; Steve Coley of Glenwood Springs, Colo.; and Carol Douglas of Arden,

N.C.; seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. A gathering in remembrance will be held in the park by where she lived for many years, 422 1/2 Prospector Point in Grand Junction, 5 p.m. on Tuesday, June 5, 2018. All are welcome to remember and celebrate Joyce's life, and please bring a chair as seating is limited. Steve can be reached for any questions at coley970@gmail.com or 970-456-3596.

OBITUARY POLICY

The Rio Blanco Herald Times chooses not to charge a publication fee for obituaries or death notices with a local connection to the county. It is our opinion that publishing obituaries is a matter of public record and part of our responsibility as a newspaper to maintain a living record of our local history. If you need to submit an obituary or death notice, please stop by the office or email editor@theheraldtimes.com

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'Auditing' Christianity

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

But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves. (Jas. 1:22)



Dr. J.D. Watson

BEFORE leaving the principles of the last few installments, let's ponder one more thought. I taught computer science, and a few Bible courses, at Colorado Mountain College in Rifle for 16 years. At the beginning of each semester, students had to choose a grading option for the course. The "Letter Grade" option, of course, required them to do all the assigned work. In contrast, "Pass/Fail" meant they would do the work but would receive only a "P" or "F" at the end of the course, an easier option some chose if they did not plan on perusing a college degree. The "Audit" option, however, meant they could take the course only for whatever they wanted to get out of it and that no work was required of them.

That well illustrates James' very pointed statement in our text. **Hearers** translates a fascinating Greek word (*akroatēs*), which was used of people who sat and listened to a singer or speaker simply for the pleasure of doing so with no responsibility attached. In other words, they "audited" the performance.

It is tragic, indeed, that there are some (if not many) in churches today who are simply "auditing" Christianity. Some shop around for a church that will entertain them and give them what they want. Others might actually be in a church that preaches the Truth, but they take little interest in it. They have no desire to obey it or implement it in their lives. As we have noted, such a persistent attitude indicates that such people are not true Christians, rather pretenders. Such people think they belong to God—perhaps because they made some vague, nebulous "profession" of faith at some point in their lives—when in reality they are not true believers.

What does James say about such auditors? He bluntly declares they are "deceiving [them]selves." **Deceiving** (*paralogizomai*) means to reason alongside of, that is, to reason incorrectly, often including the idea of deliberate false reasoning for the purpose of deception. So, those who profess to be Christians but then hear the Word of God and persistently choose to disobey it, deliberately deceive themselves into believing they are true Christians when they are not.

I recently came across an old Scottish expression that struck me profoundly. It speaks of such false Christians as "sermon tasters who never tasted the grace of God." I was immediately reminded of big stores that offer free samples of food. Many "do church" the same way. They wander and browse, pick a sample or two, and then move on to the next attraction. They might even comment, "Mmm, that's pretty good," but nothing changes. They taste a little of God's goodness, but they are not transformed by His grace.

My Dear Christian Friend, let us each pray for our own continued commitment to God's Truth and solemnly warn those who only profess Christ but do not possess Him.

Scriptures for Study: What do the following verses say about deception? Galatians 6:3, 7; 2 Timothy 3:13?

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

THE RACE IS ON



Mike Hoke

Please provide a brief bio and local history.

I moved to Meeker 41 years ago and worked at the Colowyo mine. I retired after 31 years at the mine. When the school was having problems obtaining drivers I decided to come out of complete retirement to drive a school bus. We raised our children here and they all graduated from the Meeker schools. Now half our children still live here as well as five of our 13 grandchildren. After a couple of years in Meeker I became an EMT and served on the Meeker Ambulance Service as well as out at Colowyo. I also served on the Town of Meeker Planning Commission for several years and was vice chair for the last couple years when I served on the commission. I was elected to the Meeker Sanitation District Board of Directors in 2009 and have served as the chairman for the last four years. I was elected to the Pioneers Medical Center Board of Directors in 2010 and served as board president for two of those eight years. With my position as president of the PMC Board I also served on the Pioneers Healthcare Foundation and the Freeman Fairfield Trust. With my service on these different boards I gained a lot of knowledge and experience that I believe definitely qualifies me for the position of county commissioner.

What kind of Republican do you consider yourself,

from a party standpoint? (i.e. fiscally conservative, centrist, moderate, etc.)

I consider myself a fiscal conservative who believes in smaller government and in letting the people have a greater voice in the decisions that have to be made. I also believe you must take care of your employees and community needs, but at the same time you have to be fiscally responsible.

What decisions has the BOCC made in the last 5 years with which you disagree? What would you have done differently given the information you had available to you at the time?

One of the biggest mistakes made was the underestimation of the broadband and having to continue it at a cost of \$14 million. I do not have all the facts but it seems oversight on the installer appeared fairly lax. They seemed to hop all over town with no clear plan or direction. That had to eat up time and money. The justice center was a project I feel should have been done with more input from those employees who knew the needs of their departments and the long term consequences of a flat roof in snow country should have been seriously considered. Having just finished the hospital project not too long ago, I recognize there are two things that need to be done right the first time: the foundation and roof. A pitched roof will shed snow, ice and water and will last much longer than a flat roof. They are a little more expensive, but will payoff in the long run.

What are the greatest challenges currently facing the county and how do you think we can address those challenges to the benefit of all?

The economy and jobs are by far our greatest concerns. Although there is a plan in place to help local entrepreneurs with work spaces, I believe we can expand that help with those that might have ideas that are non-competing with some expanded services and limited financial grants. We have to do more to encourage other businesses and small manufacturing to come into our communities to utilize the infrastructure we already have. Also, we need to approach the present administration to help expedite the Wolf Creek dam project and try to complete the OHV trail between Rangely and Meeker.

In your opinion, where should economic development be focusing its efforts and why?

We should be focusing on the infrastructure we presently have and what the college can do to help train employees of small industrial companies that may want to come here as well as local entrepreneurship. Meeker and Rangely each have their own unique attributes and resources that need to be utilized and advertised. We have a lot to offer and we need to get the word out. It is a fact that people are leaving big urban areas for smaller communities because they are tired of the crime and congestion they have to deal with on a daily basis. I believe it is possible to add to our community without compromising

our quality of life.

What's your position on transparency in government and how do you think it could be improved for RBC?

I am a very strong advocate of transparency in government or any taxpayer based organization. I also believe that the board consent agenda should not be used to hide important information from the public.

What industry is the most important industry for the county to support?

Agriculture and energy (oil, gas and coal) hold an equal value of importance in this county. We also need to recognize the economic contributions of Natural Soda, our federal government entities, and outdoor recreation.

What potential conflicts of interest or challenges completing your term could you see arising if you were elected?

I cannot foresee any conflicts of interest since I do not have a personal agenda. The major challenges would be educating myself on current projects and initiatives and making informed decisions.

Anything else you'd like to share that's not mentioned here?

Rio Blanco County does not have a strategic development plan at this time making decisions for the future more complicated. I believe this needs to be done before any new major projects are started.



Gary Moyer

Please provide a brief bio and local history.

I grew up near Meeker where my family operated a logging and sawmill business. I graduated from Meeker High School and then completed a Bachelor of Science degree in forest products at the University of Minnesota. Since returning to Rio Blanco County, my wife Betty Lou and I raised three children while owning and operating a small business for the last 35 years. From 1983 to 1995 I owned and managed Moyer Lumber, a retail building materials business. In 1989 I started a wholesale tree farm that produces and distributes nursery grown trees throughout Colorado and surrounding states. Betty Lou has worked as a nurse for Pioneers Medical Center for more than 30 years and continues to manage Pioneers Medical Center Home Health. My oldest daughter Kelly works as the director of institutional effectiveness at CNCC in Rangely, and her husband, Matt operates the wholesale tree farm they recently purchased from my wife and me. I'm continuing to assist with the farm as needed. Our first grandchild was born a couple months ago and is the sixth generation of our family in Rio Blanco County. Jessica, my middle daughter, works at Family Dollar and Jamie, our youngest daughter, works at Mountain Valley Bank, both in Meeker.

I have served our community by representing the landowner and being a strong advocate for the

citizens of Rio Blanco County (RBC) at the local, state and national levels through the following volunteer activities:

- Mid 1980s – Vice President of the Meeker Chamber of Commerce
- 2006-Present – Board Member on the White River Conservation District
- 2008-2011- President
- 2012-Present – Vice President
- 2006-Present – Board member Upper Colorado Plant Material Center
- Served in all officer positions
- 2009-2017 Colorado Association of Conservation Districts (CACD)
- 2009-2017– North Platte, White and Yampa Watershed Representative on the CACD Board of Directors
- 2010-2011 – CACD Vice President
- 2012-2015 – CACD President
- 2011-Present – National Association of Conservation Districts (NACD)
- 2011-2014 – Colorado Delegate on NACD Board of Directors
- 2011-2014 – NACD South West Region (CO, WY, UT, NV, AZ, NM) Chairman
- 2015-Present – NACD Executive Board Member, representing the South West Region
- 2015-Present – Chairman of the NACD Natural Resource Policy Committee

My background has proven that I am knowledgeable and experienced with not only hearing the concerns of the public, but then putting them into action.

I have effectively and professionally communicated the

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White River Community Association

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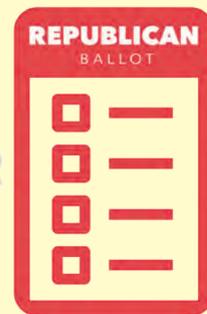
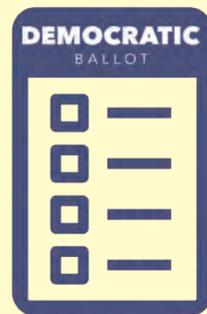
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concerns and ideas of the citizens of RBC by speaking and testifying before state and national elected officials. Many of these concerns are related to natural resource topics such as oil and gas, rangeland health, forest health and water rights. These experiences, combined with 35 years of owning and managing small businesses in RBC has provided me with the opportunity to listen and understand the concerns and ideas of the county residents. I have been vested in Rio Blanco County my entire life and look forward to serving in this new capacity.

What kind of Republican do you consider yourself, from a party standpoint? (i.e. fiscally conservative, centrist, moderate, etc.)

I am a strong conservative and believe in a limited role of government. I support minimal regulations and a free market economy.

What decisions has the BOCC made in the last 5 years with which you disagree? What would you have done differently given the information you had available to you at the time?

It is not productive to second guess decisions that have already been made, but as we move forward I believe it is critical for us to manage the county with a common sense, conservative fiscal policy. It is also important that we have continued strong representation by knowledgeable and qualified people at every opportunity. For example, the appointed representatives for affiliated organizations like Club 20 or the Resource Advisory Council should be a true reflection of the majority of the people of the county. As 75 percent of the land in Rio Blanco County is federally owned, the county should always play the lead role in representing the concerns and interests of its citizens, promoting a multiple use approach. This representation should be consistent with the majority of the values, customs and cultures of the area.

What are the greatest challenges currently facing the county and how do you think we can address those challenges to the benefit of all?

The biggest challenge facing Rio Blanco County today is the decline in assessed property valuations. This results in decreased tax revenue that the county and special districts collect, making it challenging to balance the budget and maintain all operations. During the most recent boom, assessed valuations increased but now they are declining. Currently our revenues are approximately the

same as were collected in 2008, prior to the boom, but our spending is still roughly at 2010 levels. We have to get our spending in sync with our revenue. To address this, our revenue should increase through economic growth by taking an "all of the above approach," but especially by promoting multiple use of our resources.

Special districts on the west end of the county are facing more significant shortfalls than those on the east end of the county due to their comparative lack of reserves. I am optimistic that the financially strong special districts on the east end of the county can voluntarily work together for the benefit of the entire community.

In your opinion, where should economic development be focusing its efforts and why?

Economic development's purpose is to promote a higher level of sustained economic activity. As explained in question 3, a multiple use approach to the management of public lands is the driver of much economic activity in Rio Blanco County. By encouraging all uses of the lands, we can help create a higher level of economic activity. Economic development should assist anyone attempting to create or grow an endeavor that will contribute to the economy by minimizing overly burdensome regulations and helping to maneuver through the red tape.

We need to focus on strengthening who we are and what we have, not try to be something we are not. For example, CNCC has a first class aviation flight program in Rangely with other institutions interested in partnering with them to grow the program bringing more students and more employees to the county. We need to consider what the county can do to strengthen existing assets.

What's your position on transparency in government and how do you think it could be improved for RBC?

I strongly believe that any unit of government that uses taxpayer dollars has an obligation to be transparent to the public, since we are the ones funding them. All books should be open, from Rio Blanco County to the special taxing districts. Board members should be available for any questions about the finances or operations to ensure accountability.

What industry is the most important industry for the county to support?

It is not the county's role to be more supportive of one industry over another. We should be supportive and appreciative of all industries as they all contribute to our communities and economies. It is well known that the energy industry pays approximately 85 percent of the property tax in RBC and they deserve our sincere appreciation, but so should every industry from agriculture to recreation and everything in between as each one is vital to our economy. It is not the county's role to pick and choose which industries we are supportive of. We should treat all industries with equal respect and appreciation, offering support for all industries.

What potential conflicts of interest or challenges completing your term could you see arising if you were elected?

I have no immediate family members employed by the county. Should I be elected as county commissioner, I will step down from my position as a board member of the White River Conservation District. Due to the way the White River Conservation District is funded, I believe it would be a

conflict of interest to remain on the board should I be elected so I will resign that position. I foresee no issues or challenges that would prevent me from completing the term as county commissioner.

Anything else you'd like to share that's not mentioned here?

My decision to run for county commissioner was not last minute or spur of the moment, but instead was long thought-out and, well-planned. Prior to making my decision to register with the Secretary of State's office in November, I did my homework. I took the time to visit with many of Rio Blanco County citizens to better understand their concerns and hopes for the county.

Following the discussions I had, I filed my paperwork. This decision was made based on my experience serving on boards, representing Rio Blanco County at the state and federal level, as well as being a local small business owner and county citizen for more than 35 years.

Finally, I would like to add that I am very excited about the opportunity to serve and represent the citizens of Rio Blanco County in this new role. Just like you, I am an honest, hardworking member of the community and am passionate about leading Rio Blanco County into the future. Listening to the concerns and hopes of the citizens, I will do my best to reflect the values, customs and culture of those who elect me. I look forward to continuing to serve the people of Rio Blanco County and would greatly appreciate your support.

AIR FORCE GRAD ...



Meeker High School 2013 graduate, Kaitlyn Dinwiddie, graduated last week with a degree in geospatial science from the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs and was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant. Beginning in July, she will serve as a military trainer in the Air Force Academy Prep School until reporting to Laughlin, Texas, Air Force Base for pilot training in February. Dinwiddie received her first salute from Meeker's Rob Baughman, a former U.S. Army Sergeant and Commander of the Meeker Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #5843.

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Nowadays, you won't hear "Fore!" ring out with every swing, but it's still a great way to alert fellow players to a golf ball gone awry.

'FORE!'

By **TIFFANY JEHOEK**
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MEEKER | Saturday, May 19 was the first of the 2018 golf tournaments held at the Meeker Golf Course. The 27-hole, two-man scramble hosted 28 teams and was dominated by Meeker residents. The tournament was flighted by team handicap with two divisions. Meeker Golf Course is a nine-hole, par 34 course, par 68 on 18, with sand traps, trees and water obstacles, as well as the dreaded ninth hole that is uphill.

The first flight gross was won by Kyle Hooks and Mark Litzelman of Meeker, Colo., with a par of 89. First net in this flight went to Pat and Andy Coryell of Meeker whose handicap was 13 giving them par of 81 on the course.

The second flight included Dean Klinkerman of Fowler, Colo., the only winner who does not hail from Meeker, and Brandon Grasmick of Meeker. Their par was 97. Pat Hughes along with son Logan Hughes took first net with a par of 81 and handicap of 19.

The next tournament, a Ladies Deerfly Tournament, is June 9.



MEEKER GOLF COURSE 2018 TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

June 9: Ladies Deerfly
June 16-17: Two Man Best Ball
June 30-July 1: Rio Blanco Cup
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Yeehaw! Summer Rodeo Series returns to Meeker Thursday, June 7

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

MEEKER | Thursday rodeos are back for another season in Meeker. The Meeker Summer Rodeo Series kicks off at 7 p.m. at the Rio Blanco County Fairgrounds and will continue from June 7 until Aug. 30, with the exception of July 5.

"We are fortunate to bring back a summer-long, weekly event to our community for the second time in history," said Mayor Regas Halandras. Previous participants Cody Edinger, Joe Wood and Travis Anderson were able to use the 2017 rodeos as practice versus the "ropings" that occur in home arenas

and were able to win in Las Vegas, Nev.

Halandras commented that "local youth have been able to try out the different rodeo events and some have used it as a "stepping stone to do more rodeoing."

"We are fortunate to bring back a summer-long, weekly event to our community for the second time in history."

~ Regas Halandras, Mayor

Each Thursday there will be 12 events, beginning with ranch bronc, ending with bull riding and mutton bustin' in the middle; a full list of events can be found on their Facebook page. The primary sponsors for the rodeo are Ariat,

Mountain Valley Bank and Moody Construction and Sons, Inc.. This year the Meeker Arts and Cultural Center has put together an effort for beer sales to support MACC and concession stands on site to support local 4-H, the eighth grade Washington, D.C. trip and FFA.

"The benefit to the local youth groups, and local action groups, inclusion of youth in the rodeo; all comes together making this rodeo series better by making it community-centric," commented Halandras. The first rodeo of the season will be held on June 7.

Participant entry line number is 970-274-3944 on Tuesdays from 6-8 p.m.



BOBBY GUTIERREZ PHOTO

The Meeker Summer Rodeo Series returns June 7 and will continue through August.

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MHS graduates 52 students

By REED KELLEY
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MEEKER I Fifty-two students of the Class of 2018 at Meeker High School's 111th commencement exercises graduated Saturday, and they all walked through the ceremonies, except for Lauren Urista, earlier voted the "Most Dependable" by faculty and staff. She was off in Utah at a rodeo. Junior Savana May sang the Star Spangled Banner. High School Principal Amy Chinn welcomed everyone and Salutatorian Eli Newman gave the initial comments. His remarks centered on "The High Cost of Fear," a senior essay he had written about being afraid to do things and therefore not really finding out who you are or who you could be.

Class President Sierra Williams introduced one of the Class of 2018's favorite middle school teachers, Ms. Kris Casey, for the commencement address. While expressing gratitude for the support the Meeker community had given her, Casey urged graduates to get involved in their communities, wherever they might end up, to serve, to participate and to care.

Counselor Trina Kennedy, as she approached the scholarship awards, lifted the words of Maya Angelou, "You may encounter many defeats, but you must not be defeated. In fact, it may be necessary to encounter those defeats, so you can know who you are, what you can rise from, and how you can come out of it."

She said the Class of 2018 had been through a lot, and "instead of succumbing to life's storms, you have morphed into fearless warriors poised to successfully conquer life's most difficult and challenging waters." Kennedy went on to praise the exceptional humility with which the class had risen, their character and their perseverance. And the

results show in the amount of scholarship support the class has received, she said.

Kennedy reported the total amount of monies awarded from the Meeker community alone was \$79,450. Scholarship awards from colleges, universities, regional, statewide and national entities total another \$1,069,290. When added together, Kennedy said, this is a "record-breaking and unprecedented \$1,242,290 committed now over their time in college." In addition, she stated that the collective concurrent enrollment credits amassed through Colorado Northwestern Community College amount to an approximate value of well above \$267,000.

Kennedy especially credited the following local multiple scholarship donors: Meeker Lions Club, five scholarships this year totaling \$2,500; W.C. Strigel and Co., one \$8,000 award; Rio Blanco Ranch, a new donor, five awards this year totaling \$9,000; White River Electric Association making 18 awards this year totaling \$26,500; the Colorado Masons' Benevolent Fund Association in conjunction with the Rio Blanco Masonic Lodge, seven awards totaling \$35,800; and the Freeman Fairfield Trust, 20 renewable awards that over four years would total \$64,250.

After all the scholarship awards and graduates were presented, the six valedictorians, all female, shared their commencement remarks. Valedictorians were Josie Drussell, Sember Leatham, Alicia Mobley, Mariela Rosas Vieyra, Natalie Simonsen and Sierra Williams.

The annual Meeker tradition of "passing the mantle" has the graduating valedictorians passing their mantles of honor, which look like white superman capes, on to the highest ranked students in the junior class who are Gracie Bradfield, Kale Burke, Pake Burke and Kenzie Turner

ON DISPLAY AT DIA ...



COURTESY PHOTO

If you visit Denver International Airport between now and October, take a stroll through the newest art exhibit at the airport, featuring color photography of Colorado's 26 Scenic and Historic Byways. A photo of the upper White River Valley by Meeker photographer Michelle Cox was one of the images chosen for the exhibit, which is located at the 'Y-Juncture Gallery' past the A-security checkpoint.

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Nine students attend MHS Baccalaureate

By REED KELLEY
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MEEKER I The program for last week's Baccalaureate Service set forth that high school graduation is clearly a time of new beginnings. The service itself offers, "all gathered a time to pray a blessing over the graduates and to send them on their way," reminding them "to seek guidance from the Lord as they start down a new path."

Baccalaureate for the Meeker High School Class of 2018 May 24 was presented by the Meeker Council of Churches. Meeker Assembly of God Pastor Aaron Zielinske, in one of his last acts for the community, led the service with his greeting and invocation. Zielinske and his family have moved, this week, to Georgia. Todd Bellamy, Zielinske's successor at the Meeker Assembly, observed the service.

Chris Reidinger, associate pastor at New Creation Church, read from Proverbs 3:1-18 and 1 Timothy 4:12, including, "happy is the man that findeth wisdom and the man that getteth understanding," and "letting no man despise thy youth, being an example of charity in spirit and purity in faith."

An all-female praise band from The Church at Meeker celebrated several songs. Several instrumental and voice renditions were performed by Trina Cox,

Brooke Ford, Harmony Cox, Julianne Belland and Lacey Ford.

Pastor Issac Cowger, who described himself as the newcomer among the participating clergy, gave the Baccalaureate address. Cowger ministers at the Emmanuel Baptist Church. He spoke to the importance of believing—in one's self, that "you can do it" when it comes to challenges in your life, and that one is never alone. And, the next important step, investing in one's self and one's future. Both of these, if pursued, will lead to growth, he said, which is more Godlike than maintaining a status quo or non-learning lifestyle. Cowger connected this back to having a belief in God.

The Church at Meeker's Pastor Rich Ford gave the benediction. Nine of the Class of 2018's 52 graduated attended the service along with various family and friends, specifically Taylor Dodds, Abbey Morgan, Jacob Pelloni, Doak Mantle, Zack Dinwiddie, Macy Collins, Shelby Steele, Abbie Powell and Jordan Goodwin.

According to Cowger, who has taken on the leadership of the Meeker Council of Churches with Zielinske's leaving, the churches in the Council at this point are the four mentioned above plus the Meeker Christ Reformed Church, Pastor Eric Conn. Reidinger expressed some dismay to the *Herald Times*, along with several others, that only nine students were in attendance and said he didn't know why that had happened.

OFFICIALLY HISTORIC ...



COURTESY PHOTO

After three years of work by local community members, Meeker's National Register Historic District is officially listed on the United States Department of the Interior National Park Service Register of Historic Places as of April 13, 2018.

SUMMER FUN!

By JULIE HART & CAITLIN WALKER
Special to the Herald Times

RBC I School is officially out, and if you've got kids at home, you've probably heard "I'm bored" a thousand times already. Take back summer fun (and your sanity) with family friendly events and activities in and around Rio Blanco County.

RANGELY

- Fishing Derby at Kenney Reservoir, June 2
- Petroglyphs and pictographs, Cañon Pintado
- Dinosaur National Monument
- Seaplanes land at Kenney Reservoir, July 14
- 4th of July fireworks at Kenney Reservoir
- Storytime, themed, at the library Tuesday, 10 a.m., all ages
- Libraries Rock! reading program with end-of-program carnival
- Elks Park Playground

CNCC College for Kids activities (call 675-3227 to sign up)

- Junior Pilots, June 22, ages 6-12
- Kids Outdoor Leadership, June 26, 28, 29, ages 6-12
- Beginner Horse, June 27, ages 5-12
- Art Camp, June 19, 21, ages 6-12

WRBM Recreation & Park District activities (call 675-8211 to sign up)

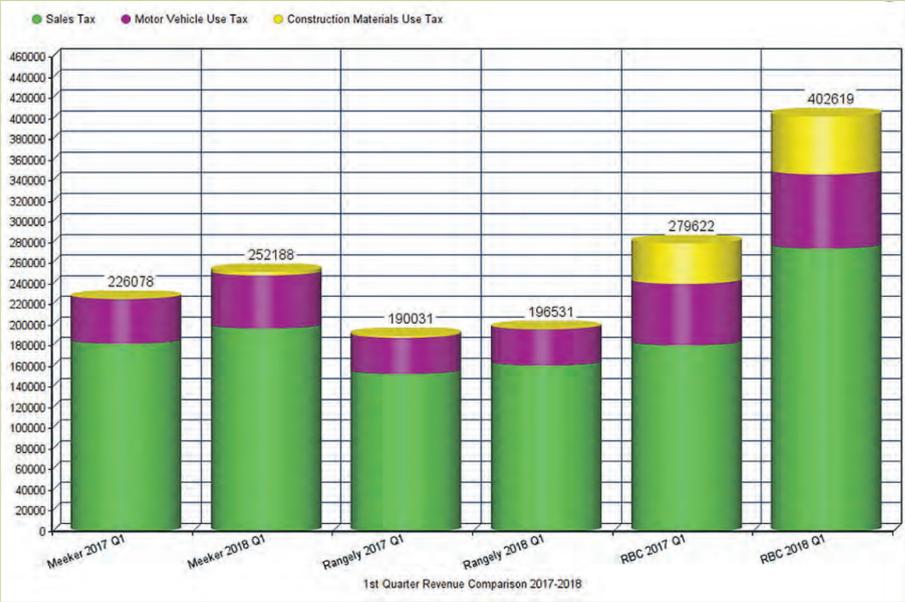
- Glow Pool Party, June 15, 7-9 (6+)
- Kids Cooking, June 20, 11 am - 1 pm (6+)
- Free Swim Friday, June 22, 5 - 7 pm (all ages)
- T-Ball, Tuesday and Thursday, June 4-28, 6-6:45 pm (4-6)
- Father's Day Craft, June 15, 10-11 am (6+)
- Kids Dance Fitness, Monday and Wednesdays, beginning June 4, 2-3 pm (8+)
- Kids Spin, Tuesday and Thursday, beginning June 5, 2-2:45
- Wee Ball, Monday and Thursdays, June 4-28 (ages 2-4)
- Let's Go Bananas, June 1, 9:30 am - 4:30 pm (6+)
- Bob Ross painting, June 2, 9:30 am (15+)
- Swim Lessons, June 4-14, Monday-Thursdays (6 mos +)

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- Meekerpalooza at the Downtown Plaza June 2
- Meeker Summer Rodeo Series, Thursdays at 7 p.m., June 7-Aug. 30
- Story time at Meeker Public Library, Wednesdays at 10 a.m.
- Summer Reading Program - Meeker Public Library for all ages with prizes!
- ERBM Recreation and Park District activities (call 878-3403 to sign up)
- Sanderson Hills, Paintbrush and Town Park
- Youth Fishing Day at Lake Avery June
- Princess Dance Camp
- Tiny Toes
- Swim Lessons
- Range Call Kids' Events at the Ranch Rodeo
- 4th of July Parade, 5K, 3-on-3 basketball shootout and fireworks
- Youthfest July 21 - bouncehouse, waterslide and more at Meeker Rec Center
- Inflatable Pool Party Aug. 17
- Summer Drama Camp (3rd grade and up) Aug. 6-10
- Youth Soccer
- Junior golf (5-18)
- Rafting trip for teens (6th-10th graders)
- Youth Mountain Biking, Nature Walk, Hiking Trip (8-17)
- MHS free Sports Clinics (K-8th)



BY THE NUMBERS ...



Despite what small business owners have said was a "painful" first quarter, sales and use tax numbers indicate a modest increase in sales and use tax revenue for all three county entities compared to the same period in 2017. Sales and use tax dollars are an indicator of the state of the economy and a vital factor in local government budgets. These figures are unaudited and subject to change, according to sales and use tax administrator Debbie Morlan.

RBC WEEKLY CALL REVIEW

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

May 21-27, 2018
The dispatch center processed 518 phone calls this last week, receiving 21 911 calls, answered 67 calls for Meeker Police Department (MPD) and placed 133 outgoing phone calls. A total of 198 calls for service were created, 114 for the Sheriff's Office, 84 for MPD and six calls for Meeker Fire and Rescue. (Please note the department breakdown of calls reflects a different number because of incidents with multiple agency response). There were two automobile crashes, one

involving a deer.

The Sheriff's Office conducted 13 traffic stops issuing four citations and MPD had 21 stops issuing two citations. Highway 13 south had 22 traffic stops issuing five citations.

Other calls for the Sheriff's Office included 17 agency assists, one 911 misdial, two alarms, 13 animal calls, two attended deaths, two citizen assists, two disturbances, two domestic violence, two motorist assists, seven suspicious incidents, three traffic complaints, two traffic hazards and one each: civil papers served, restraining order violation, sex assault, traffic accident, VIN inspection and warrant arrest.

MPD calls included nine agency assists, nine animal calls, one attended death, six business checks, five citizen assists, two civil, two disturbances, two harassment, four motorist assists,

six suspicious incidents, two traffic complaints, two VIN inspections and one each: domestic violence, juvenile problem, property, restraining order violation, theft and traffic accident.

There were 18 calls for Meeker Fire and Rescue seven ambulance requests, two alarms, four medical transports, two assists with law enforcement and three fires.

There were two assists with Colorado State Patrol.

Rio Blanco Detentions facility booked in nine and released six. The Sheriff's Office arrested six individuals, Colorado State Patrol with one and Rangely PD two. The jail is currently housing 14 inmates. There were two inmate transports to or from another facility.

There were no DUI arrests.

ERBM honors outgoing directors

Baughman, Chinn and Strate sworn in



(Left) From left, retiring directors Drew Varland, Zach Clatterbaugh and Kris Arcolesse were honored for their many years of ERBM board service. (Right) Rob Baughman, one of three newly elected members, was sworn in at the May 29 meeting.

By CAITLIN WALKER
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MEEKER Tuesday's meeting of Eastern Rio Blanco Metropolitan (ERBM) Recreation and Park District was a busy one. After regular business, outgoing directors Zach Clatterbaugh, Drew Varland and Kris Arcolesse were honored for their many years of service.

Newly elected members were then sworn in and officers were elected. Director Kent Walter was appointed president, director Travis Mobley was appointed vice president, and new directors Rob Baughman and John Strate were appointed secretary and treasurer, respectively.

Superintendent of Meeker schools Chris Selle then gave a short presentation on the master plan for replacing aging infrastructure, offering to answer any questions and

accept feedback.

Following, the newly minted board went into their first executive session, coming out with an updated resolution to their policy for request for public record with changes to paragraphs two and eight.

Next up, the board approved a resolution to create a programming committee and appointed new director Dan Chinn. He will meet with staff on a regular basis to discuss current programming and obtain feedback.

Finishing up new business, directors Strate and Walter were appointed to the investment committee and director Baughman to the safety and wellness committee.

The conversation then segued into approval of the 2018 Employee Compensation Analysis. Director Walter stated he would recuse himself from the decision as his spouse is an employee of the district, but presented

concerns that increases to pay ranges would cause budget trouble looking at the "big picture." After discussion, the board tabled the issue and moved on to discussing changes to the employee benefits package. Executive Director Sean VonRoenn and Human Resources Administrator Cathy Kiser laid out several options. The board decided to accept their recommended plan, which will require a "buy in" for dependents. The chosen plan has potential cost savings of more than \$150,000.

Then it was back to the compensation analysis decision. The board ultimately decided to raise the minimum to proposed 2018 rates but leave the maximum amount alone. "We are doing what we can to keep our costs down but we're trying to be competitive," Walter said.

The next meeting is scheduled for June 19.

BLM: Buffalo horn meeting draws a crowd

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the Strawberry Creek drainage. BHR declined these possibilities as well as the addition of some private parcels in the Ted Gulch area that would have increased public benefit.

Heather Sauls, Planning and Environmental Coordinator for the White River Field Office of BLM, led the May 23 presentation with a Powerpoint about the land exchange process and history of BHR proposals.

Sauls explained there may be a need to adjust and re-configure the parcels under consideration in order to balance actual appraised values. In making the proposal, BLM had preliminary value estimates from 2015 but the actual appraisal phase doesn't happen until after the comment period. The EA explains that appraisals should be done as close to closing as possible to reflect current land values.

Among the interesting facts revealed by Sauls were that in 2016, Payment in Lieu of Taxes accrued to Moffat and Rio Blanco Counties, paid by the federal government, amounted to \$0.36 to \$0.45 per acre. Private property taxes for the private parcels under consideration paid \$0.12 to \$0.19 per acre.

Tentative conclusions, according to Sauls, are that the acquisition by

the public of the parcel between the Windy Gulch and Black Mountain Wilderness Study Areas would improve year-round public access to those areas; would create additional public recreation opportunities there; would facilitate disposal of small, isolated BLM parcels with limited or no public access; and would cut recreational opportunities in the Pine Tree Gulch and Rattlesnake Hill State Trust Land sections in Moffat County by only 10 percent.

Questions abound, however, about the loss of public pieces in the Upper Strawberry and Price Creek areas both with regard to public opportunities and use of those areas now and afterward by private hunting operations and grazing permittees.

Sauls and Field Office Manager Kent Walter strongly emphasized the importance of getting comments to them by June 6 as previous comments were all directed toward the now abandoned Alternative A. Furthermore, Sauls' presentation urged substantive comments in order to be effective. Substantive comments question, on some reasonable basis, the accuracy of EA information or conclusions and assumptions used, and present new information as well as reasonable alternatives. Both said public comment is critical in

determining whether the exchange is a benefit to the public, or not.

Strawberry Creek rancher Lyle McKee said after the meeting that he has difficulty understanding why, on some of the scattered BLM pieces that are under consideration in their proposal, couldn't be offered for sale to other adjacent landowners. He said, "It seems patently unfair that those parcels would be made available only to one operation. It seems like the little guy is being pushed aside in favor of a big outfit."

McKee also wonders why it's fair that BLM and BHR have been working on the revised proposal for well over a year, without public scrutiny, and now the public, including other public land operators, were given only 30 days, now down to less than a week, to respond. Plus, McKee figures the public should have another opportunity to comment when actual appraised values are released.

Sauls urged interested individuals to call or email her with any questions. She can be contacted at 970-878-3855 or hsauls@blm.gov. At the meeting's end, BHR manager Grant Edinger also urged anyone call him with questions at 970-878-4633. The BLM EA with maps and much additional information can be viewed at <https://go.usa.gov/xnW2y>.

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The Meeker Herald
— 100 years ago

Henry A. Wilson of Powell Park has started the work of erecting a handsome residence on his ranch.

As will be seen in this week's Herald, "The Birth of a Nation" will be presented to the Meeker public on June 7th and 8th. Of necessity, the price of admission is double that of the usual big production. People have traveled miles to see "The Birth of a Nation" so Meeker is fortunate in a chance to see this wonderful photoplay at the comparative light cost of \$1 per head.

Mrs. Ed Fairfield expects to leave next Monday for Mayo's hospital to undergo an operation. Her relatives and many friends here hope to see her home again in due season in good health.

The Meeker Herald — 50 years ago

Ted Stewart, MHS graduating senior, tied for first place in the 440 and placed third in the 220 in the state track meet in Boulder last Saturday. He scored all eight points for Meeker.

It's with a smile and word of thanks that Cindy Nieslanik, junior with the highest scholastic rating, received the passing of the mantle from Phil Jensen and Check Bewley at the commencement program Tuesday evening.

The Meeker Herald — 25 years ago

A freak storm barreled through the White River Valley on Wednesday, May 26, toppling several stately old trees, tearing off roofs, hurling debris and briefly disrupting power and phone service.

The Rangely Times — 50 years ago

Cecil E. Lollar announced recently that he will be setting up a law practice here in Rangely in the near future. In addition to the practice of law, Lollar will be teaching on a part-time basis at the college.

Rangely College has announced the awarding of degrees to 25 students.

The Bank of Rangely celebrated its fifth anniversary.

The Rangely Times — 25 years ago

Glendon Berrett, 15, son of Mark and Pam Berrett, and Matthew Crookston, 17, son of Clark and Brenda Crookston, received the Eagle Scout award.

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- "Saved by the ____"
- Guilty, e.g.
- Looking at
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- Lady's wrap
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- Accustom
 - River in Spain
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 - Evoke emotion
 - 2016 animated musical
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 - Lettuce units
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 - Small one in a large machine
 - Per person
 - Peace of mind
 - Os in XOXO
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 - Away from harbor
 - Biblical twin
 - Final notice
 - "Food ____ as in distance"
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 - "____ a soul"
 - Game outcome
- DOWN

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- Do as directed
- Relinquish
- Capital of Algeria
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- Archeologist's find
- "The Omnivore's Dilemma" author
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- Lazybones
- ____-to-table, farm-to-table alternative
- And others, for short
- Search blindly
- Cross to bear
- Duck-like divers
- Holy Wednesday
- a.k.a. Dr. Robert Bruce Banner
- It's between Ohio and Ontario
- Research facil.
- Oral cavity
- Snooped
- "Summertime" of Porgy and Bess, e.g.
- POTUS' West one
- Private theater box
- Computer message
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- Astringent drug
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- I-resembling supports
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- Daytime moth
- Aqua-lung
- "One who runs the show"
- George or Louis to Kate and William
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- Alleviate
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Safety tips for people with low vision

Special to the Herald Times

RBC I To help people with low vision perform everyday tasks more easily while reducing their risk of falls and other injuries, the American Foundation for the Blind offers several useful tips:

- Keep rooms well lit.** Good overall lighting is a must for safety.
- Use task lighting** to make everyday activities easier.
- Use night lights** in bedrooms, hallways, bathrooms, and the kitchen to make it easier for people with low vision to navigate in the dark.
- Make stairways safer** by placing a brightly colored strip of tape along the edge of each step.
- Make door frames and light switches easier to see** by painting them a color that contrasts with the walls around them.
- Cut light-colored**

items on a dark cutting board and dark items on a light cutting board. [Some companies now sell cutting boards that are white on one side and black on the other.]

7. Place plates and food service items on place mats that are a contrasting color.

8. Use pill organizers with raised markings or talking labels to help prevent serious medication mishaps.

9. Eliminate clutter—dispose of unnecessary items, put things away as soon as you have finished using them, and always return them to the same place.

10. Reposition television sets so that neither sunlight nor lamplight shines directly on the screen.

Free Meeker Low Vision Workshop: June 20, 2018 Meeker Public Library – 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

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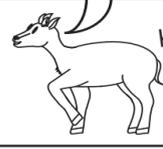
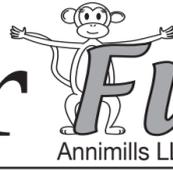
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Let's Go To Camp!



This summer, lots of us will be going to camp. In my area we have a great Parks and Rec department that offers a day camp for two weeks. I'm planning to go there to play sports and go hiking. Glade, my little brother, chose an overnight adventure camp and can't wait to try out ropes courses, kayaking and mini biking! Check out some camp choices near you. Don't forget that you can have fun camping right at home too. All it takes is a tent in the backyard or a sheet covering the couch and chair in a living room. Don't forget the flashlights, comics and maybe a brother, sister or a good friend to share the fun.

Read the clues to fill in the puzzle with some kinds of camps:

1. card tricks; how to pull a rabbit out of a hat
2. rocketry, robotics, computer programming
3. juggle, clown and even walk on a wire
4. skateboarding, rollerblading, BMX biking
5. white water rafting, rock climbing, mountain biking
6. care for livestock: chickens, pigs, cows; harvest crops
7. play paintball, search for clues and use neat gadgets
8. learn to play instruments or sing rock n' roll
9. learn discipline and self defense moves
10. safety first, then rip around the dirt track
11. windsurfing, boating, waterskiing and wakeboarding
12. one of many kinds of faith-based camp with stories, songs and prayers
13. hip hop, jazz, tap, ballroom, ballet
14. observe plant life, hike through the woods, learn about survival
15. move and speak on stage performing plays or songs



science, nature, magic, circus, mini bike, Bible, adventure, watersports, martial arts, rock star, secret agent, theater, farm, extreme sports, dance, I love campers... er, I mean camping. I might buzz by later for a little bite. bzzzzz

Forest packed all of these items for overnight camp. 1. Can you find and circle the words in bold print?

- so ___ ks
- shirts**
- soa ___
- shorts**
- co ___ b
- whistle**
- jeans**
- raincoat**
- swim ___ ing goggles
- sleeping bag**
- water bottle
- baseball ___ ap
- sunglasses**
- swim suit**
- bl ___ nket
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- under ___ lothes
- sunscreen**
- writing pa ___ er
- envelopes
- toothbrush**
- tooth ___ aste
- hiking shoes
- small games
- ja ___ ket
- towels**
- pillows**
- sheets
- camera
- sweater**
- flashlight**
- sta ___ ps



32 Things to Bring to Camp!

2. When you are done circling the items in bold print, spell more camp items by filling in the blanks with letters from the word **CAMP**.

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I love going to camp! I play, learn new skills and make new friends. I have so much fun playing sports.



The People At Camp!

What is the most important thing about camping? The people - they make camp exciting! Who are they? **Match each person at camp to his or her description:**

1. cook
 2. coach
 3. counselor
 4. swim instructor
 5. groundskeeper
 6. nurse
 7. bus driver
 8. campers
 9. director
 10. naturalist
- A. leads children in sport activities
B. sets menus, prepares meals and snacks
C. leads children in activities, answers questions
D. in charge of keeping the camp beautiful
E. teaches water safety, swimming skills
- A. helps when you're not feeling well
B. join in the activities and fun
C. head of camp, runs programs, greets campers
D. teaches about the world around us
E. in charge of getting us to camp



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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF HEARING IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF: JEREMY DAVID MUXLOW FOR THE ADOPTION OF A CHILD
Case Number 18JA1
To: Jared Cole McQuarty.
Pursuant to §19-5-208, C.R.S., you are hereby notified that the above-named Petitioner has filed in this Court a verified Petition seeking to adopt a child. If applicable, an Affidavit of Abandonment has been filed alleging that you have abandoned the child for a period of one year or more and/or have failed without cause to provide reasonable support for the child for one year or more.
You are further notified that if you fail to appear for said hearing, the Court may terminate your parental rights and grant the adoption as sought by the Petitioner.
Dated: April 11, 2018
Angela M. Roff, #33501
Law Office of Angela Roff, PC
817 Colorado Ave., Ste 206
Glenwood Springs, CO 81601
Tel: 970-928-0970
Fax: 970-928-0944
Published: May 17, 24, 31 and June 7 & 14, 2018
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MEEKER CEMETERY DISTRICT BOARD MEETING AGENDA
June 7th, 2018 @ 7pm
BOARD ROOM 265 County Road
Meeker Highland Cemetery

1. Call to Order
2. Additions or changes to Agenda
3. Approval of May 10th Minutes
4. Public Input
5. OLD BUSINESS
6. NEW BUSINESS
- A. Memorial Day recap
- B. Section markers
- C. Dog policy review
- D. Workshop Topics & Schedule Date
- E. Manager Report
- F. Office Manager Report
7. Present & Approve Bills & Deeds
8. Open Board Discussions
9. Adjourn

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PUBLIC NOTICE
A public hearing has been scheduled for June 5, 2018 at 7:00 pm at the Meeker Town Hall, 345 Market Street, to consider a Special Events License request by the Meeker Arts & Cultural Council to be used at 700 Sulphur Crk Rd, Fairgrounds Grandstands, Meeker, CO 81641 for; Meeker Annual Thursday Night June 7 thru August 30, 2018 (13 Thursday nights) 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm
Information or questions please call Town Hall 970-878-5344.
§ Kathleen Sizemore
Liquor Clerk
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TOWN OF MEEKER BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Tuesday June 5, 2018
7:00 P.M. Regular Scheduled Board Meeting
345 Market Street, Meeker, CO

- I. Call to Order
 - A. Pledge of Allegiance
 - B. Roll Call
- II. Approval of the Agenda
- III. Approval of the Previous Minutes
- IV. Approval of Monthly Disbursements
- V. Public Participation
This is an opportunity for Citizens to bring comments and questions to the Board of Trustees not being addressed in the Regular Meeting Agenda. In consideration of other regularly scheduled agenda items, comments will be limited to 3 minutes or less. Citizens are asked to approach the podium state their name and address for the record.
- VI. Public Hearings
 1. Request for renewal of liquor or 3.2 Beer License for Fey's Business Ventures, Inc. dba "Gofers Foods of Meeker" located at 812 Market Street
 2. Request(s) from the Meeker Arts & Cultural Council for special event Liquor Permit(s); 700 Sulphur Creek Road (RBC Fairgrounds-Grandstands; (13 nights) Thursdays from June 7, 2018 through August 30, 2018 (5pm to 9pm)
 3. Request from the Meeker Lions Club for special event Liquor Permit; Main Street Between 5th and 6th, alternate 200 Main Street. June 29th, 2018 from 4pm to 11pm, for the Annual Chamber Dinner
4. Town Water Project Phase II Bid- Olsson Associates
- VII. New Business:
 1. Rocky Mountain Youth Corps- Mr. Mark Wertheimer, Associate Director
 2. TVI, Investments, Public Investing Presentation- Mr. Chris Bateman
 3. Mosquito Program Information- Mrs. Julie Drake, RBC Health Director
- VIII. Mayor's remarks
- IX. Town Manager's Report
- X. Town Attorney's Report
- XI. Other Board Business
- XII. Adjournment
Workshop: 2018 Town Business Grant Selections
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PUBLIC NOTICES

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS ANNOUNCEMENT
Meeker School District RE-1 is seeking proposals to extend concrete at the Barone Middle School playground area. Proposals will be accepted until 4:00 p.m. on June 14, 2018. For a more detailed scope of work, interested applicants may contact Chris Selle, at chris.selle@meeker.k12.co.us or 970-878-9040.
Publish: May 31, June 7, June 14, 2018
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MEEKER SANITATION DISTRICT
June 6, 2018
REGULAR BOARD MEETING at 7:00 PM
The Regular Board Meeting of the Meeker Sanitation District will be held at the Meeker Sanitation District Office, 265 8th Street, Meeker, Colorado

1. Call to order
2. Additions or Changes to the Agenda
3. Approval of Minutes
4. Public Comments
5. New Business
 - A. Vacant Board Member Position
 - B. Audit Report
6. Old Business
 - A. FEMA - Perimeter Wall and County Hazard Mitigation Plan
 - B. Plant Manager Report
 - C. Office Manager Report
7. Attorney
8. Board
 - A. Reports
 - B. Delinquent Accounts
 - C. Approve Current Bills
9. Adjourn

This agenda is subject to change without further notice.
Agenda is posted at the office of the Meeker Sanitation District.
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ANNOUNCEMENTS
The Rangely Food Bank is open on Saturdays from 12:00-2:00 p.m. at 204 E. Rio Blanco. To donate, please call 970-620-2407.

COMBINED NOTICE - MAILING
CRS §38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 18-04
To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust: On March 12, 2018, the undersigned Public Trustee caused the Notice of Election and Demand relating to the Deed of Trust described below to be recorded in the County of Rio Blanco records.
Original Grantor(s)
Original Beneficiary(ies)
Current Holder of Evidence of Debt

Date of Deed of Trust
County of Recording
Recording Date of Deed of Trust
Recording Information (Reception No. and/or Book/Page No.)
Original Principal Amount
Outstanding Principal Balance
Pursuant to CRS §38-38-101(4)(i), you are hereby notified that the covenants of the deed of trust have been violated as follows: failure to pay principal and interest when due together with all other payments provided for in the evidence of debt secured by the deed of trust and other violations thereof.
THE LIEN FORECLOSED MAY NOT BE A FIRST LIEN.
LOT 40-41, BLOCK 3, REPLAT NO. 2 OF THE REPLAT OF LA MESA P.U.D. AS PLATTED AND RECORDED ON JULY 23, 2007 AS RECEPTION NO. 289325, COUNTY OF RIO BLANCO, STATE OF COLORADO.
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THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ALL OF THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY ENCUMBERED BY THE LIEN OF THE DEED OF TRUST.

NOTICE OF SALE
The current holder of the Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, described herein, has filed Notice of Election and Demand for sale as provided by law and in said Deed of Trust.
THEREFORE, Notice is Hereby Given that I will at public auction, at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, 07/11/2018, at Office of the Public Trustee, Rio Blanco County Courthouse, 555 Main Street, Meeker CO 81641, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property and all interest of the said Grantor(s), Grantor(s)' heirs and assigns therein, for the purpose of paying the indebtedness provided in said Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, plus attorneys' fees, the expenses of sale and other items allowed by law, and will issue to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law.
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- A NOTICE OF INTENT TO CURE FILED PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-38-104 SHALL BE FILED WITH THE PUBLIC TRUSTEE AT LATEST 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;
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- IF THE BORROWER BELIEVES THAT A LENDER OR SERVICER HAS VIOLATED THE REQUIREMENTS FOR A SINGLE POINT OF CONTACT IN SECTION 38-38-103.1 OR THE PROHIBITION ON DUAL TRACKING IN SECTION 38-38-103.2, THE BORROWER MAY FILE A COMPLAINT WITH THE COLORADO ATTORNEY GENERAL, THE FEDERAL CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION BUREAU (CFPB), OR BOTH. THE FILING OF A COMPLAINT WILL NOT STOP THE FORECLOSURE PROCESS.

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DATE: 03/13/2018
Karen Arnold, Public Trustee in and for the County of Rio Blanco, State of Colorado
By: Karen Arnold, Public Trustee
The name, address, business telephone number and bar registration number of the attorney(s) representing the legal holder of the indebtedness is:
Alison L. Berry #34531 David R. Doughty #40042 Elizabeth S. Marcus #16092
Lynn M. Janeway #15592 Nicholas H. Santarelli #46592 Sheila J. Finn #36637
Janeway Law Firm 9800 S. Meridian, Suite 400, Englewood, CO 80134 (303) 706-9990
Attorney File # 18-018046
The Attorney above is acting as a debt collector and is attempting to collect a debt. Any information provided may be used for that purpose.
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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.
Women's NA/AA meetings, Monday 1:30 p.m., St. Timothy's.

Meeker Housing Authority Board of Directors meets the 2nd Thursday of the month at 9:00 a.m. at The Pines, 875 Water St., Meeker.

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

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.

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MEEKER STREAKER MONTHLY SCHEDULE
June 2018
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6/14 - No Bus in town/Rife trip
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The VFW, American Legion, and their Auxiliaries will meet the second Thursday of each month at 5:30 PM at 290 4th St. For further information call (970) 878-5326.

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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.

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

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The Church at Meeker has moved!!
Come join us in celebration this Sunday, June 3rd as we dedicate our new building located at 1032 Jennifer Dr. Worship service starts at 10:30 am followed by a BBQ and some family fun. This will also be the new location for Transformed Youth Group (grades 6-12) meeting Sunday nights 5-7pm. For any questions please call Pastor Rich Ford at (970) 942-3243
5/31

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.

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2018 Drinking Water Quality Report

For Calendar Year 2017

RANGELY TOWN OF 2018 Drinking Water Quality Report
For Calendar Year 2017

Public Water System ID: CO0152666

Esta es información importante. Si no la pueden leer, necesitan que alguien se la traduzca.

We are pleased to present to you this year's water quality report. Our constant goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. Please contact DONALD REED at 970-589-4450 with any questions or for public participation opportunities that may affect water quality.

General Information

All drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791) or by visiting <http://water.epa.gov/drink/contaminants>.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment prescribes regulations limiting the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. The Food and Drug Administration regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water that must provide the same protection for public health.

Lead in Drinking Water

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems (especially for pregnant women and young children). It is possible that lead levels at your home may be higher than other homes in the community as a result of materials used in your home's plumbing. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. Additional information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791) or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

Source Water Assessment and Protection (SWAP)

The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment has provided us with a Source Water Assessment Report for our water supply. For general information or to obtain a copy of the report please visit www.colorado.gov/cdphe/ccr. The report is located under "Guidance: Source Water Assessment Reports". Search the table using 152666, RANGELY TOWN OF, or by contacting DONALD REED at 970-589-4450. The Source Water Assessment Report provides a screening-level evaluation of potential contamination that *could* occur. It *does not* mean that the contamination *has or will* occur. We can use this information to evaluate the need to improve our current water treatment capabilities and prepare for future contamination threats. This can help us ensure that quality finished water is delivered to your homes. In addition, the source water assessment results provide a starting point for developing a source water protection plan. Potential sources of contamination in our source water area are listed on the next page.

Please contact us to learn more about what you can do to help protect your drinking water sources, any questions about the Drinking Water Quality Report, to learn more about our system, or to attend scheduled public meetings. We want you, our valued customers, to be informed about the services we provide and the quality water we deliver to you every day.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immunocompromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV-AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk of infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. For more information about contaminants and potential health effects, or to receive a copy of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and microbiological contaminants call the EPA Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (1-800-426-4791).

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

- **Microbial contaminants:** viruses and bacteria that may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.
- **Inorganic contaminants:** salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.
- **Pesticides and herbicides:** may come from a variety of sources, such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff, and residential uses.
- **Radioactive contaminants:** can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.
- **Organic chemical contaminants:** including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are byproducts of industrial processes and petroleum production, and also may come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems.

Our Water Sources

Source	Source Type	Water Type	Potential Source(s) of Contamination ^[SP1]
WHITE RIVER	Intake	Surface Water	

Terms and Abbreviations

- **Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL)** – The highest level of a contaminant allowed in drinking water.
- **Treatment Technique (TT)** – A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.
- **Health-Based** – A violation of either a MCL or TT.
- **Non-Health-Based** – A violation that is not a MCL or TT.
- **Action Level (AL)** – The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment and other regulatory requirements.
- **Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL)** – The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.
- **Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG)** – The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.
- **Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG)** – The level of a drinking water disinfectant, below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.
- **Violation (No Abbreviation)** – Failure to meet a Colorado Primary Drinking Water Regulation.
- **Formal Enforcement Action (No Abbreviation)** – Escalated action taken by the State (due to the risk to public health, or number or severity of violations) to bring a non-compliant water system back into compliance.
- **Variance and Exemptions (V/E)** – Department permission not to meet a MCL or treatment technique under certain conditions.
- **Gross Alpha (No Abbreviation)** – Gross alpha particle activity compliance value. It includes radium-226, but excludes radon 222, and uranium.
- **Picocuries per liter (pCi/L)** – Measure of the radioactivity in water.
- **Nephelometric Turbidity Unit (NTU)** – Measure of the clarity or cloudiness of water. Turbidity in excess of 5 NTU is just noticeable to the typical person.
- **Compliance Value (No Abbreviation)** – Single or calculated value used to determine if regulatory contaminant level (e.g. MCL) is met. Examples of calculated values are the 90th Percentile, Running Annual Average (RAA) and Locational Running Annual Average (LRAA).
- **Average (x-bar)** – Typical value.
- **Range (R)** – Lowest value to the highest value.
- **Sample Size (n)** – Number or count of values (i.e. number of water samples collected).
- **Parts per million = Milligrams per liter (ppm = mg/L)** – One part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.
- **Parts per billion = Micrograms per liter (ppb = ug/L)** – One part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000.
- **Not Applicable (N/A)** – Does not apply or not available.
- **Level 1 Assessment** – A study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system.
- **Level 2 Assessment** – A very detailed study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why an E. coli MCL violation has occurred and/or why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system on multiple occasions.

Detected Contaminants

RANGELY TOWN OF routinely monitors for contaminants in your drinking water according to Federal and State laws. The following table(s) show all detections found in the period of January 1 to December 31, 2017 unless otherwise noted. The State of Colorado requires us to monitor for certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants are not expected to vary significantly from year to year, or the system is not considered vulnerable to this type of contamination. Therefore, some of our data, though representative, may be more than one year old. Violations and Formal Enforcement Actions, if any, are reported in the next section of this report.

Note: Only detected contaminants sampled within the last 5 years appear in this report. If no tables appear in this section then no contaminants were detected in the last round of monitoring.

Disinfectants Sampled in the Distribution System						
TT Requirement: At least 95% of samples per period (month or quarter) must be at least 0.2 ppm <u>OR</u> If sample size is less than 40 no more than 1 sample is below 0.2 ppm Typical Sources: Water additive used to control microbes						
Disinfectant Name	Time Period	Results	Number of Samples Below Level	Sample Size	TT Violation	MRDL
Chlorine	December, 2017	Lowest period percentage of samples meeting TT requirement: 100%	0	2	No	4.0 ppm

Lead and Copper Sampled in the Distribution System								
Contaminant Name	Time Period	90 th Percentile	Sample Size	Unit of Measure	90 th Percentile AL	Sample Sites Above AL	90 th Percentile AL Exceedance	Typical Sources
Copper	06/27/2017 to 06/27/2017	0.12	14	ppm	1.3	0	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits
Lead	06/27/2017 to 06/27/2017	1.3	14	ppb	15	0	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits

Disinfection Byproducts Sampled in the Distribution System										
Name	Year	Average	Range Low – High	Sample Size	Unit of Measure	MCL	MCLG	Highest Compliance Value	MCL Violation	Typical Sources
Total Haloacetic Acids (HAA5)	2017	35.58	25.9 to 52.5	4	ppb	60	N/A		No	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM)	2017	55.53	33.3 to 77.4	4	ppb	80	N/A		No	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection

Total Organic Carbon (Disinfection Byproducts Precursor) Removal Ratio of Raw and Finished Water								
Contaminant Name	Year	Average	Range Low – High	Sample Size	Unit of Measure	TT Minimum Ratio	TT Violation	Typical Sources
Total Organic Carbon Ratio	2017	1.32	-1.59 to 2.14	12	Ratio	1.00	No	Naturally present in the environment

*If minimum ratio not met and no violation identified then the system achieved compliance using alternative criteria.

Disinfectants Sampled at the Entry Point to the Distribution System						
Contaminant Name	Year	Number of Samples Above or Below Level	Sample Size	TT/MRDL Requirement	TT/MRDL Violation	Typical Sources
Chlorine/Chloramine	2017	0	1333	TT = No more than 4 hours with a sample below 0.2 MG/L	No	Water additive used to control microbes

Summary of Turbidity Sampled at the Entry Point to the Distribution System					
Contaminant Name	Sample Date	Level Found	TT Requirement	TT Violation	Typical Sources
Turbidity	Date/Month: Sep	Highest single measurement: 0.29 NTU	Maximum 1 NTU for any single measurement	No	Soil Runoff
Turbidity	Month: Oct	Lowest monthly percentage of samples meeting TT requirement for our technology: 99 %	In any month, at least 95% of samples must be less than 0.3 NTU	No	Soil Runoff

Radionuclides Sampled at the Entry Point to the Distribution System									
Contaminant Name	Year	Average	Range Low – High	Sample Size	Unit of Measure	MCL	MCLG	MCL Violation	Typical Sources
Gross Alpha	2017	1.33	1.33 to 1.33	1	pCi/L	15	0	No	Erosion of natural deposits
Combined Uranium	2017	1.3	1.3 to 1.3	1	ppb	30	0	No	Erosion of natural deposits

Inorganic Contaminants Sampled at the Entry Point to the Distribution System									
Contaminant Name	Year	Average	Range Low – High	Sample Size	Unit of Measure	MCL	MCLG	MCL Violation	Typical Sources
Barium	2014	0.04	0.04 to 0.04	1	ppm	2	2	No	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits
Fluoride	2017	0.19	0.12 to 0.39	9	ppm	4	4	No	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
Nitrate	2017	0.2	0.2 to 0.2	1	ppm	10	10	No	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits
Selenium	2014	0.83	0.83 to 0.83	1	ppb	50	50	No	Discharge from petroleum and metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits; discharge from mines

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1440 Mountain View Rd. - SOLD!
1316 Sage Ridge Rd. - UNDER CONTRACT!
1163 Rd. 53 - 4BD/3BA Cabin in Morapos Creek. \$395,000
NEW 500 Rd. 47 - New Home on 35+ Acres. \$392,000
210 School St. - 4BD/2.25BA, Garage, Private Yard. \$359,900
8617 Rd. 8 - 4BD/2BA Log Home on 2.85 acres. \$359,000
564 7th St. - UNDER CONTRACT!
TBD E Market - UNDER CONTRACT!
345 Cleveland St. - 2.28 Acres, Potential for 12 Building Lots. \$216,000
1164 Hill St. - 3BD/2BA, Central Air, Garage, Fenced Yard. \$212,000
NEW 560 5th St. - Conveniently located 5+BD/3BA Home & Shop. \$199,000
109 Market - 0.5 Acre HWY Commercial Lot. \$199,000
NEW 754 Market St. - UNDER CONTRACT!
NEW 217 Rd. 75 - 4BD/1BA Vacation Cabin on Papoose Creek. \$169,000
NEW 487 7th St. - 2+BD/1BA, Phenomenal Yard. \$166,000
1140 Cleveland St. - 100% Remodeled 2BD/2BA Duplex. REDUCED \$159,000
1105 & 1107 Market St. - Large Commercial Lot. \$149,000
NEW 823 9th St. - 2BD/1BA Home w/ Garage. \$149,000
870 Water St. - UNDER CONTRACT!
1058 Sage Ct. - UNDER CONTRACT!
Yoleta Lane - East of Craig, 40 Acres. \$77,000
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RESIDENTIAL

NEW! 1254 Sunridge Ave., Rangely - Nice 3BD/2BA home in La Mesa. Large lot & hot tub. \$180,000.
NEW! 752 2nd St. - 4BD/2.75BA Close to schools, Rec. Center and Fairgrounds. \$259,900.
NEW! 1170 Cleveland St. - 3BD/2BA Large family home w/ full basement. \$159,900.
NEW! 825 3rd St. - 4BD/2BA, excellent starter or family home. \$165,000.
482 12th St. - 2BD/1.5BA, townhouse. \$47,500.
780 5th St. - 4BD/2BA, 2 separate living spaces. \$158,000.
880 Main St. - 4BD/2BA, oversized lot w/ sm. cabin off the alley. \$155,000.
1010 Hill St. - 2BD/1BA, corner lot w/ sm. cabin off the St. \$139,000. PRICE REDUCED to \$109,900!
873 Market St. - 3BD/1BA, utility shed, alley access. \$119,000.
893 Market St. - 2BD/1BA, corner lot, alley access. \$127,000.
855 5TH St. - 5BD/2BA, new roof, siding, windows & flooring. \$200,000.
767 12th St. - 2BD/1.5BA, townhouse, well kept. \$68,000. REDUCED!

RURAL RESIDENTIAL

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

RANCH PROPERTY

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

VACANT LAND

NEW! Tokawana Refuge on Harvey Gap Rd., Silt, CO - 26.69+ acres w/ water rights, well, electricity, wildlife, meadow view & trees. On a paved road. Secluded yet accessible. Harvey Gap Park is minutes away. Borders BLM. \$415,800.
1031 CR 36 - 5ac. w/ electricity & well. \$54,500.
Two 5ac. lots, Strawberry Patch Rd. - Ponds, fence & electricity. \$56,500 ea.
35 lots, Sanderson Hills - Great building sites. \$29,000 ea. or \$25,000 ea. in packages of five.
459 Cross L Dr. - Great building site, 3ac. corner lot. \$69,500.
50ac. lot Off Hwy. 13 - Near mile marker 24, views. \$55,000.
2 lots, Silver Sage Rd. - Two building sites. \$45,000 for both.

COMMERCIAL

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

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