

# Herald Times



## Father's Day Sunday ...

It takes a special man to accept and embrace the responsibility that goes along with being there to raise the children and take them on their voyage from infancy to adulthood. Fathers are a special breed if they live up to their intended purpose helping raise and nurture the other members of the family. To these special men, we at the *Herald Times* wish you a happy Father's Day.



## Big changes in store for many NW Colorado insurance carriers

Special to the Herald Times

**RBC** | The Colorado Division of Insurance (DOI), part of the Department of Regulatory Agencies (DORA), on Monday released the preliminary information for proposed health plans and premiums for 2017, including several agencies dropping plans for next year.

The DOI confirmed that four insurance companies either will not offer or will significantly cut back individual plans (non-employer) next year. A new entrant into the Colorado market will sell plans in the individual market, and a number of companies currently offering individual plans are seeking significant premium increases for their 2017 individual plans.

"As we prepare for the fourth open enrollment of the Affordable Care Act, it's worth noting that we're still in the stabilization phase," said Colorado Insurance Commissioner Marguerite Salazar. "Companies are still figuring it out where to sell, how to sell, how to price, which is why we're seeing some companies pull back on individual plans or requesting significant increases while still other companies are coming into the market."

Some companies have done a better job of figuring out how to operate in this new environment and compete for people's business, while others must step back and re-evaluate their approach."

Rocky Mountain Health Plans / Anthem

PPO: As noted in a May 13 release, UnitedHealthcare and Humana Insurance will not offer individual plans in 2017, which impacts approximately 20,000 consumers in Colorado (UnitedHealthcare-10,549; Humana-9,914).

In addition, Rocky Mountain Health Plans (RMHP) determined that it will reduce individual plan offerings for 2017, offering individual plans only in Mesa County, only via its Monument Health affiliate. Approximately 10,000 people currently enrolled in an individual RMHP plan will have to find another plan for 2017.

In addition, Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield decided it will not offer its PPO (Preferred Provider Organization) individual

plans for 2017, which impacts 62,310 people. However, Anthem will continue to offer HMO (Health Maintenance Organization) individual plans statewide, and these plans will be available to all consumers affected by the PPO decision.

All of these companies will continue to offer their small and large group plans for employers.

Rocky Mountain Health Plans has been a key player in the mountain areas and Western Slope, and its departure from the individual market will leave many areas with only one on-exchange insurance company—Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield's HMO division—for individual plans.

"I'd rather these companies continued in

the individual market," Salazar said. "But in the larger picture, what's taking place is a market correction; the free market is at work. And it is important to recognize that this is a market correction taking place on a national scale, not just in Colorado. While it was good initially to have so many companies offering so many individual plans, this could be an indication that there were too many options for the market to support."

"It's also important to highlight that we are not seeing this market correction in the small group market," she said. "In many ways, that market seems to be stable."

Around 92,000 people with individual

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## Kristin Steele faces two felonies in Rangely case

By JENNIFER HILL  
Special to the Herald Times

**RANGELY** | Former Rangely Area Chamber of Commerce Director Kristin Steele, who resigned her position in April, has been formally charged for theft and computer crimes.

On Friday, Steele was charged with Class 4 felony theft and computer crimes.

Steele stands accused of stealing just more than \$30,000 from the Rangely chamber.

Class four felonies carry a presumptive sentence of two years minimum to eight years maximum imprisonment and/or probation.

According to Sherry Caloia, 9th Judicial District district attorney, a plea deal will not be considered unless all of the money has been repaid to the chamber.

Steele had been with the chamber since January 2014, and also served as a Rangely Town Trustee who did not seek re-election this year after having been appointed to the position.

Chamber Board President Lisa Piering, who is also the Rangely town treasurer, said the chamber board is unwilling to answer questions or make a statement at this time.

The chamber is partially taxpayer funded, receiving \$15,000 from Rangely for 2016, and various grants from several sources in addition to membership dues and fundraisers.

Steele told the *Herald Times* on Tuesday afternoon she had repaid all funds, but the paper was unable to confirm that before press time.

## Town of Meeker OKs Ute Park ballfield project

By CAITLIN WALKER  
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**MEEKER** | Representatives from the Eastern Rio Blanco Metropolitan Recreation & Park District (ERBM) asked the Town of Meeker Board of Trustees for a formal motion to support the Ute Park ballfield project at the town council meeting June 7.

The Town of Meeker owns Ute Park and has been in talks with the

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## NATIONAL CATTLEDOG TRIALS UNDERWAY...



The inaugural five-day Meeker Classic National Cattledog Association Cattledog Trials began bright and early on Wednesday morning, and the first team to begin the scoring action was Steve Wight of Bancroft, Idaho, and his well-known partner Levi, seen above steering his three cows toward the No. 5 gate. Wight and Levi earned 60 points on their run, the first in five days of competition featuring roughly 145 dogs in five classes with the championships on Sunday at Ute Park, just west of the Meeker town limits. Grandstands, vendors of all types, art, pottery, classes and demonstrations are all a part of the event.

SEAN MCMAHON

## Ronald A. Granger named new president of CNCC campuses

Special to the Herald Times

**RBC** | Ronald A. Granger has been appointed president of Colorado Northwestern Community College (CNCC) by Dr. Nancy McCallin, president of the Colorado Community College System (CCCS).

Granger will assume the presidency on Aug. 8, 2016, McCallin said.

Russell George will be retiring from CNCC on June 30, after serving as president for five years and devoting almost 25 years of public service to the people of Colorado as a state legislator, Speaker of the House of Representatives, director of the Colorado Division of Wildlife, and executive director of the Colorado Department of Natural Resources and the Colorado Department of Transportation.

"I am very pleased that Mr. Granger has accepted the presidency of Colorado Northwestern Community College," McCallin said. "I am confident that he will be a great fit for CNCC and northwestern Colorado. We look forward to working with him and welcome him to the college and the system."

"CNCC has some great things



COURTESY PHOTO

Ronald A. Granger

happening, has outstanding programs and has a very dedicated staff and faculty," Granger said. "My family and I are excited to be a part of such an innovative college. We look forward to getting to know the people at both campuses and in the communities."

Granger was selected as the result of a nationwide search.

Community members, students and staff had the opportunity to meet

Granger during public forums and receptions in Rangely and Craig on May 3 and May 4.

Granger is currently the vice president of Administrative Services at Central Wyoming College in Riverton, Wyo., a position he has held since 2012.

Previously, Granger served as vice president of Finance at Crowder College, in Neosho, Mo. Granger attained that position after having served numerous roles at the college, including adjunct instructor, professor of business, division chair and dean.

Granger served on the Missouri Governor's Task Force for Workforce Development and worked with the Wyoming State Legislature to create a new funding formula for the community colleges in that state. Among the many skills he brings to the college is a strong background in campus development, having raised funds for and completed several major construction projects during his career.

Granger has served on a number of community boards and organizations, including Habitat for Humanity, emergency response teams, youth

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## Rangely girl, age 8, will compete at the National Braille Challenge in L.A.

By HEATHER ZADRA  
Special to the Herald Times

**RANGELY** | Sometimes, when a place is familiar enough, she navigates it by feel.

Like the Rangely Recreation Center, where she took swimming lessons from Miss Camilla and Miss Natalie. Or True Value, where Uncle Rodger and Aunt Debbie work. She's been attending Storytime at the Rangely Library since she was a toddler, greeting Aunt Becky and Miss Amorette with hugs and a grin.

That's why sometimes, when people who have seen her around town for years learn that 8-year-old Hayden Roswell is blind, they can't believe it.

"She seems so comfortable getting around," they say, shaking their heads. "You'd never know she can't see."

You'd never know she could do lots of things, and then the granddaughter of Rangely residents Terry and Christy Lancaster does them. She rides a scooter and a bike. She reads Harry Potter, unabridged. She introduces herself to strangers and makes them her friends.

Lately, she's outscored all competitors in Colorado's Braille Challenge—in her division, she is ranked seventh in the United States and Canada—and is headed to the National Braille Challenge in Los Angeles, Calif., later this month.



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Hayden Roswell

Roswell, who attends Pear Park Elementary School in Grand Junction, feels the support of the community she has known since birth.

"The whole thing is exciting," she said. "I love that I'm able to go and that people started making donations to help me with it."

A successful GoFundMe campaign, private donations, many of them from Rangely, school fundraisers and sales of mom Laurel Kellogg's top-notch baked goods have made the

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SEAN MCMAHON

There is a new family of sandhill cranes in Rio Blanco County. This mom, dad and two young cranes were spotted Saturday afternoon along County Road 36, south of Meeker. Several sightings of sandhill cranes have been noted this spring, particularly in eastern Rio Blanco County.

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■ **Ultimate Frisbee Open Gym** 7 p.m. Thursdays at 6th Street Field. Adult Open Gym is free for all 18 and older. Visit meekerrecdistrict.com or call 878-3403 for more information.

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

■ **Flag Football Open Gym** begins June 18 and will occur on Saturdays at 10 a.m. at the 6th Street Field, weather permitting, through Aug. 27. Visit meekerrecdistrict.com or call 878-3403 for more information

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

■ **Children's Story Hour**

Wednesdays at 10 a.m. at the Meeker Public Library.

■ **The Meeker Library Book Club** meets at 1 p.m. the second Monday of each month (excluding holidays). The next meeting will be July 11. We will be discussing "Swamplandia" by Karen Russell. All interested readers are welcome. Stop by the Meeker Library for details.

■ **The 5th annual Plein Air Meeker 2016 art competition** is underway. Join us as an artist, patron, buyer or observer. Painters will have 15 days (June 15-30) to paint, culminating in an auction and art show with awards. The event will be held in collaboration with the 4th of July celebration and Range Call event. Contact the Meeker Chamber of Commerce for more information at meekerchamber.com or call 970-878-5510.

■ **Bee Colony Ecology** presentation by Dr. Bob Dorsett at the Meeker Public Library Thursday, June 23 at 7 p.m. 490 Main St. Call 878-5911 for more information.

## NEW BUSINESS OPENS ...



A ribbon cutting was held Friday for **Country Raised**, a new store located at 275 6th St. in Meeker, owned by Makala Barton. The store specializes in farmhouse-style décor, classic style toys, Colorado-made chocolates and unique gifts. Present at the ribbon cutting were, from left to right, JoAnn Goss-Gardner of the chamber, Meeker Chamber Executive Director Stephanie Kobald, Alex Plumb, Katelin Cook representing Rio Blanco County, owner Makala Barton, Brett Barton, Brinley Barton, Bryce Barton, Ellene Meece of the Rio Blanco County Historical Society, Kandis Tomlinson, Easton and Berlynn Tomlinson, Trudy Burri of the chamber, Cortny Tucker and Dawsyn Tucker. **Country Raised** is open Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. The phone number is 970-220-2046.

SEAN MCMAHON

## GRANGER: Brings experience

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basketball team, Rotary, and the Joplin, Mo., Tornado Relief Committee.

He received his bachelor of sci-

ence degree in Business Education from Missouri Southern State University and his masters of science degree in Educational Administration from Missouri State University.

## WREA holds photo contest

**MEEKER** | Attention photographers, the White River Electric Association is beginning its annual photo contest.

This is a chance to showcase your photography on the cover of the 71st annual meeting report and poster.

Prizes will be awarded to first-, second- and third-place and the photos must be taken within the White River Electric Association's service territory.

Contestants can stop by the WREA temporary offices on Market Street to pick up entries. All entries must be submitted by June 30.

## VFW set to begin counseling services in Meeker

Special to the Herald Times

**RBC** | The Meeker Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Legion and VFW Auxiliary have partnered with the Grand Junction Veterans Center to provide counseling at the Meeker Veterans Community Center, 290 4th St., every other Tuesday from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m.

Dea Bridge met with the veterans' organizations Monday evening to be introduced as the new counselor for the Grand Junction Vet Center. She is the newest member of the Grand Junction Vet Center. An Army veteran, she is a master-level rehabilitation counseling therapist who provides counseling services for mental health and can connect veterans to additional resources for housing, VA benefits, substance issues and other types of support for challenges that

veterans face.

The primary, but not exclusive, focus for Vet Center staff is on combat veterans and any veteran who has been exposed to military sexual trauma.

Growing up in Missouri, Bridge joined the U.S. Army (1982-1986) shortly after graduating from high school. Her military occupational specialty was a wire systems installer/operator (a.k.a. "Cable Dog") and she was initially stationed at White Sands Missile Range, N.M., followed by Frankfurt, Germany, with the 3rd Armored Division. She remained in Germany after leaving military service, working for the Department of Defense, until moving to Fort Richardson in Anchorage, Alaska, with her son and military spouse. In 1993, they relocated to Grand Junction, Colo., where she has

spent the majority of the past 23 years.

After obtaining a bachelor of science degree in human resources in 1998 from Colorado Christian University (CCU) and her Professional Human Resources Certification (PHR), Bridge re-enlisted in the military, joining the Colorado National Guard in 2007. In May 2016, she graduated with honors from Colorado Christian University with a master of arts degree in counseling. She is also a National Certified Counselor. She is currently working to obtain the clinical hours necessary to complete the requirements for professional counselor licensure in the state of Colorado.

Bridge's education and experience spans a variety of civilian organizations including school systems, the medical field, criminal justice settings and various county and federal agen-

cies. She is a member of the Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR) and has written multiple articles promoting the employment of veterans. Bridge has been married for more than 25 years, and her husband and son are also veterans of the U.S. Army, and she is proud to continue serving the military community.

June is PTSD Awareness Month. No matter what you may be experiencing, there is support for getting your life on a better track. Many veterans have found the strength to reach out and make the connection.

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# Plein air artists out and about within county

Special to the Herald Times

**MEEKER** I The Plein Air Meeker 2016 art competition has returned this year, and paint out is now underway through June 30.

During paint out, which began Wednesday, fans can keep an eye open for artists painting outside, almost anywhere throughout Rio Blanco County.

The finished paintings will be available to view and purchase at the Meeker Public Library at the close of the paint out. Pre-event purchasing privileges will be available to patrons only on July 1.

The public Plein Air Art Show and Auction will be open July 2 through July 4. All are welcome.

For those who aren't familiar with the term "plein air," a plein air painting is loosely defined as a "painting completed in the field."

The term "plein air" derives from the French term "en plein air," which translates "in the open air." It has been actively practiced for the last 150 years and came to prominence with the Impressionist movement.

Plein air's popularity followed on the tails of the westward expansion in America. Many familiar names are associated with plein air art such as Thomas Moran, John Singer Sargent,

Vincent Van Gogh and Claude Monet, to name a few.

Painting plein air in a natural setting is very different from working from a photograph or in a studio. An artist has about 90 minutes to two hours on a sunny day before the light changes.

Sometimes to finish a piece they have to wait for the same time/conditions another day or year.

Plein air painting forces one to make quick decisions about composition, color and finishing. These pieces also tend to express the true feel of a place more completely.

The immediacy of painting amidst the heat, cold, gnats, wind or rain translates into the work and sometimes interesting challenges arise. Plein air provides a more accurate knowledge of color, atmosphere and sometime wildlife.

There has been a resurgence in plein air painting in recent years. Many painters travel to different locations from the East Coast to the West Coast and to Europe to paint.

It is not uncommon to see painters working off the side of the road all around Rio Blanco County

Please keep your eyes open when traveling throughout the county, and welcome these talented visitors to the area.



# INDUCTED ...

Meeker High School Scholastic Chapter National Honor Society President Nick Burri leads the induction of 17 new students as NHS members. He is assisted here in the opening ceremony, by Vice President Maggie Phelan and members Meghan Smith, Madeline Amack and T.J. Shelton.

REED KELLEY

# Tipton on huge gas find

Special to the Herald Times

**RBC** I Congressman Scott Tipton (R-CO) issued the following statement in response to Thursday's announcement by the United States Geological Survey (USGS) that the Mancos Shale deposit in the Piceance Basin has the potential to be the second largest natural gas deposit in the United States.

According to the USGS, the undiscovered technically recoverable resources in the Mancos deposit include a mean estimate of 66 trillion cubic feet of natural gas, up from 2002-2003 estimates of 1.6 trillion cubic feet.

"The potential of this find for Western Colorado's economy and for our national energy security is tremendous," Tipton said. "Utilizing this resource can become a reality by getting commonsense projects like the Jordan Cove pipeline off the ground, increasing U.S. natural gas exports and establishing a true all-of-the-above domestic energy policy through responsible production.

"This is an incredible opportunity to create jobs and economic growth in

one of the regions hit hardest by the economic downturn. In order to capitalize on it, it's imperative that our nation's elected representatives work to advance a responsible all-of-the-above energy policy that embraces both renewable energy technologies and traditional resources—including natural gas and coal."

"Merely paying lip service to it, as Congressional Democrats and the administration continue to do, won't get the job done and will continue to squander opportunities for economic growth," he said.

Tipton is working with his colleagues in the Colorado, Wyoming and Utah delegations to pressure the administration to allow the Jordan Cove Pipeline to move forward.

Once completed, the pipeline could transport natural gas produced in Western Colorado and other states to the West Coast for export.

Tipton has also introduced The Planning for American Energy Act (H.R. 459), which would establish a true all-of-the-above domestic energy plan, and has voted to remove hurdles to increased exports of American natural gas.

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FROM MY WINDOW...

Volunteers make the county go 'round; Meekerpalooza a success

By SEAN McMAHON  
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There's always the Rio Blanco County Fair, Range Call and the Meeker Classic Sheepdog Trials. Those are the big multi-day events that fall on the summer calendar in Rio Blanco County. Then there is Rangely's Septemberfest, which runs a couple of days in late summer.

By all rights, there is no sound reason why these events work in Rio Blanco County. There are a lot of square miles here, but not a lot of people.

There are also a number of one-day events here, just looking at Saturday's Meekerpalooza and now, this week's inaugural five-day Meeker National Cattle Dog Association Finals and the upcoming

July 4 events in Rangely.

People in this county are being pulled in all directions by work, social obligations, family events, etc.

But you know what? Volunteers seem to crawl out of the woodwork, jump out from behind trees, lay down their fishing poles, forget about going camping for a couple days and just plain realize the importance of volunteering at various events, whichever end of the county an event is.

From big events like the County Fair to the little events, each and every one of them requires volunteers.

The Rio Blanco County Fair,



Range Call, the Meeker Sheepdog Classic, Rangely's Septemberfest and now the cattledog trials are most likely the five biggest "fun" events of the summer, and scads of volunteers are needed for each. "Scads" can be defined as probably more than 100 volunteers each day for multiple days.

The volunteers are the organizers, security, traffic directors, parking organizers, etc., and they help the judges, keep track of the livestock and farm animals, take tickets, volunteer in booths, clean up after the livestock, prepare food and beverages of all types, clean up after the humans, set up tents, take down tents, keep score at events, they are timers running events, sing The Star Spangled Banner, set off fireworks, make certain the fireworks don't set the forest

afire, give demonstrations, make root beer floats and deal with those who become inebriated or get out of hand.

Volunteers tend to the fairgrounds, clean up Ute Park and the downtown areas when events are held there. They make certain that livestock showers have access to water for their small animals and livestock. They act in the recreation of the Meeker Massacre and the Meeker Bank Robbery.

They guide where the cars park at Septemberfest in Rangely and make certain to provide water for the obstacle course up by the old Parkview school. They put on free barbecues in Elks Park, monitor the large number of events held. They plan the parade routes in both towns, they help organize who leads the parade and who follows in what order and they answer questions for curious out-of-town visitors.

They do an immense amount of work at each one of these events.

This column is dedicated to those people because the great events we have at both ends of Rio Blanco County truly depend on these people and would be real failures if those friends, neighbors and other residents didn't jump up and volunteer.

The residents and organizers in this county cannot say or do enough to show all you volunteers all the gratitude that is felt toward you around here, and a large amount of "quality of life" is owed to you.

It has become a catch phrase in regard to the military who serve our country, but I don't think it is a big stretch to extend a "Thank you for your service" to those hundreds or even thousands of volunteers in Rio Blanco County who volunteer for any given event all the way up to those, it seems, who volunteer for every event.

We just had another fun but exhausting weekend in Meeker with Meekerpalooza from noon until 9 p.m. on Saturday at Ute Park.

Ute Park continues to be a spectacular venue for Meekerpalooza, which drew probably several times the number of people this year than it drew two years ago, when it was held at Circle Park, across the river from Meeker Town Park. It's a good bet that at least as many if not more folks attended on Saturday than last year as well, when it was held at Ute

Park for the first time.

Meekerpalooza was a complete success.

The number of family, children, adults and vendors were all an improvement over the past, but it was the real fun the children had doing so many different things that made the obvious difference.

There were plenty of things going on all day to keep the kids busy, and the music was enjoyable and not too tough to listen to for the adults, particularly the music provided by Brad Fitch and the Tropic Cowboy Band from mostly Boulder, which played as a John Denver tribute band for its 90-minute set. The audience was singing along with every song the group played.

In addition to the Fitch band, there was a highly eclectic variety of music from blue grass to country, and everything in between. If you didn't like one band, you can bet that you would probably like what was next. It was well planned and well received.

The food choices were sparse but what was there was good and equally diverse with meatball and pulled pork sandwiches, hot dogs, hamburgers, brats, a wide variety of Mexican food, snow cones, kettle corn and beverages of all sizes, tastes and calorie counts.

Ute Park really does offer a great landscape that wraps around 360 degrees.

The view is beautiful and even those who were worrying about the rain coming in made several vocalizations about how beautiful it was, offering more room, was more scenic and actually afforded more parking.

Is it a good thing for downtown Meeker's retail stores? No.

But the addition of the 10K run, the flea market and the farmers' market at least pulled those people down to the downtown, and that brought some of the people back downtown from two years ago and previously, when the entire event was held on the courthouse lawn.

I want to see the entire event continue to grow, but I think it is a wonderful idea to hold it all on one day.

With Rangely's Septemberfest, the Range Call in Meeker, the Rio Blanco County Fair and the Meeker Sheepdog Classic and now the cattledog trials, I would say there are enough multiple-day events and not many more weekend days to put

them on.

I must admit as well that I enjoyed last year's inaugural performance of the Meeker National Cattledog Finals. It is quite similar to September's sheepdog classic yet quite different in its own right.

In the cattledog event, the premise of sending the dog on medium-length run to gather up three yearlings—instead of 10 sheep—and then bringing them back to one pen, via four previous stations hits me as a little easier on the dogs and the handlers than the sheep are.

On the other hand, we all know cows aren't the brightest bulbs in the box, and to get even three of those large critters to do what you want is a tough task just in the size difference between the sheep and the cows.

A small dog is not going to intimidate a cow. I saw that last year, when one of the cows double kicked backward and barely missed sending the border collie into Garfield County.

The major difference is that the cow handlers have to bring the cows in through a much-more-intricate route. The cattle battle is a shorter duration and for those with a shorter attention span, it might be more enjoyable.

The dog and sheep events are great for spectators provided the weather is good, and they are distinctly different.

I know the hope was with the organizers to raise enough interest with the last year's cattledog event to ponder making it an annual event. It obviously lit that spark.

Good luck to all—and God bless the volunteers.

'Tis that time of year again when we honor what is often the head of the family and the male figure of the family that often leads the family to where it will end up in life.

It takes a single physical act to be a dad, but it takes so much more to be a father in the fullest definition of the position—being there when and as needed to nurture the family members through to a successful life in which the kids know the difference between right and wrong.

To those living up to their responsibilities, we wish you a very happy Father's Day.

# Fairfield Scholarships

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- Renewal request must be received (not postmarked) by 5 p.m., Thursday, July 7, 2016.

Please mail all Fairfield Scholarship correspondence to:

The Fairfield Scholarship Selection Committee,  
P.O. Box 2302, Meeker, CO 81641.

If you wish, you may also hand-deliver your renewal requests to:  
Bank of the San Juans, 504 Main St., Meeker, CO 81641

**The Fairfield Scholarship Selection Committee**  
P.O. Box 2302, Meeker, CO 81641

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### MSD works to rebuild lost programs

Dear Editor:

This is to inform constituents of the Meeker School District about recent decisions made by their school

board.

As our superintendent, Chris Selle, has presented in his articles to the Herald-Times, the Meeker School District is planning to rebuild education programs that have been lost in recent years, strengthen others and compensate staff for the recent past pay freeze. In order to fund these endeavors, the board has decided to tap district reserve funds on a scale of about \$700,000 deficit spending each year for the next two years. Those monies will provide for full-day kindergarten, an additional fifth-grade teacher, a credit recovery program at the high school and step salary increases earned by our teachers.

Some of the funds also will be allocated for additional costs related to cooperative services and retirement benefits. These represent only a few of the unmet needs facing educators in our district.

Other costs also essential to provide basic educational services, must be postponed. Given the current state of school financing, the board believes this deficit spending is required just to provide the minimum educational foundational for students presently enrolled and to retain highly qualified staff.

Colorado ranks among states at

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the very bottom of education funding. Because of restrictions imposed by state law, there is little prospect that funding will increase in the foreseeable future. At the same time, the state and federal governments have imposed unfunded mandates related to No Child Left Behind and its successor legislation requiring considerable extra time, effort and cost for school districts everywhere.

The Meeker School District presently has about \$4.2 million in reserve. Projected revenues for the next school year total about \$5.8 million and projected expenses are about \$6.5 million. Given requirements to maintain a minimum cash reserve, the district would be able to spend down its reserves at the proposed rate for at most three or four school years, assuming present projections.

District staff and programs were cut to the bone in previous years because of budget shortfalls, and staff have made extraordinary efforts to meet student needs. Staff and administration are reviewing curriculum and facilities to provide further direction on which to base spending decisions.

The board recognizes that optimal early childhood education is essential to later success and that our primary and secondary students deserve the best possible instruction and resources to provide the skills they need as citizens and to compete in our rapidly changing economy. We will make every effort to meet those needs.

Details of the budget proposal are available on the district web site and in the district office. The board meets on the first and third Tuesdays each month except July, and public input is welcome.

Tom Allen, Kevin Amack, Bill deVergie, Bob Dorsett, Bud Ridings, Todd Shults, and David Smith

Members

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Jon Hill for county commissioner

Dear Editor:

Rio Blanco County is in a precarious position. We have lost a tremendous amount of revenue mainly due to the decline of the oil/gas related industries. Not only do the employees directly employed by this industry suffer, the effects trickle down to almost every household in the county in one way or another. This is why

the Rio Blanco County county commissioner's election is so critical to our area this year.

I have known the two candidates for District 2 (Rangely) for as long as I can remember and consider both long-term friends. This is what makes voting in a small community so difficult. Which friend to vote for becomes a tough situation and it takes a lot of effort to cast your vote with the county's best interest in mind. I hope after this letter, I will still be considered friends with both.

Although I believe that both men would represent the county to the best of their ability, I would like to point a few differences that have helped me in deciding who the best candidate would be.

Theodore Roosevelt's famous quote: "Speak softly and carry a big stick; and you will go far" perfectly describes Jon Hill. Although he is quiet by nature, the many accomplishments he has been involved with have proven that this is not a drawback but an asset. His connections that reach far beyond our county will prove to be more and more important as we head into a different economic climate.

Before becoming a county commissioner, Jon has served on the board of directors of the Uintah Cattlemen's Association and the Colorado Cattlemen's Association and was president of the Uintah Cattlemen's Association; was on the board of directors and was president of the Rio Blanco Stockgrowers; served on the Rio Blanco County Planning Commission; served on the BLM's Northwest Resource Advisory Council; and was the first chairman of the Columbine Park Board, in which he presented the proposal for pari-mutual betting to the Colorado Racing Commission and took care of the legal details in order for the county to be approved to allow betting at the horse races.

Since being elected as District 2 county commissioner, he has not only performed the regular duties of a commissioner, but he has taken on these additional positions that have a huge, positive impact on our county:

He has also served as chairman of the board on the Yampa-White-Green Roundtable throughout the writing of the Colorado State Water Plan and is still on the board.

He represented Rio Blanco County on the Penstemon Conservation Team, saving this sensitive species plant, which grows best in oil shale, from having detrimental impacts on the oil/gas industry in our county.

He represents the county on cultural resources travel management plans in the White River Resource Area and the Little Snake Resource Area; the National Associations of Counties, Western Interstate Region meetings, Colorado Counties, Inc., The Associated Governments of NW Colorado, and Club 20 and is still a member of the Colorado Cattlemen's Federal Land Committee.

He, along with the other current commissioners, have had the foresight to add the fiber optic to our communities, and that will benefit nearly everyone and may even possibly bring much-needed revenue to the county. Under their watchful eyes, the county reserves are back to an optimal level.

Jon has brought a unique set of experiences to the county, all of which prove that he is dedicated to going above and beyond to represent all people on both ends of the county. His strong pursuit of so many items that have a direct impact on keeping our county strong is something we should be very mindful of when casting our votes.

Please consider voting for Jon Hill and help to keep our county moving in the right direction.

Teri Wilczek  
Rangely

Commissioners, emergency manager involved behind the scenes

Dear Editor:

I would like to take this opportunity to inform the citizens of Rio

Blanco County of some behind-the-scenes work that your commissioners and your County Emergency Manager Ty Gates have been involved in the past year and half.

First, the statute for emergency management lies within the commissioner prevue. In January 2015, they hired Ty Gates to manage the program.

The commissioners, upon my suggestion, allowed Gates to attend the state's Emergency Management Academy. This is a training academy filled with classes and practical work to enable emergency managers to develop emergency plans for the "Whole Community." This takes an enormous amount of commitment of time over six months.

Gates returned to the county ready to go to work. He has completely updated the Emergency Operations Plan in preparation for the county commissioners' approval and signature. He has developed a part of that plan to bring the appropriate folks from across the various disciplines and governmental agencies to come together in an Incident Command Post (ICP) and or an Emergency Operations Center (EOC) when needed to manage the various incidents and share information to

allow the proper timely decision to be made.

Gates has also taken on updating the Pre-disaster Hazard Mitigation Plan (PDM). This involves a large group of folks across the county analyzing hazards that might be able to be mitigated prior to a disaster occurring, therefore protecting citizens and infrastructure and saving tax dollars.

Gates has taken the lead in using a county-wide identification badge and credentialing system that was purchased using a regional Homeland Security Grant to put an ID on all individuals who respond to incidents within your county. This is for the safety of the responders.

Gates came to the top assisting the sheriff and first responders with an aircraft accident using all of the various systems he had learned in the academy and other classes. He has assisted with the development of the Annual Operating Plan for Wildfire as well as pulling a very large group of responders to an exercise this spring in working through various issues that rise.

He is now a part of a planning group to bring an Incident

Management Team to your county next spring in the management of a very large incident as an exercise.

And just this last week Gates attended the state Wildfire Academy in Gunnison and was successful in his first step in becoming a Plan Section Chief on the North West Incident Management Team.

I want to thank the current Rio Blanco Board of County Commissioners and Sheriff Anthony Mazzola for all of their involvement, leadership and support of Gates and the program he is developing. I can't over emphasize enough how this will make a difference in Rio Blanco County when the need arises.

Chuck Vale  
Regional Field Manager  
Colorado Department of Safety  
and Office of Emergency  
Management

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Thank you

We deeply appreciate all of your expressions of sympathy from family and friends. Food, phone calls, house visits, cards, flowers, memorial contributions, thoughts and prayers during our time of sorrow.

It was a long journey and we would like to thank Dr. Turner, HopeWest Meeker, Jen Phelan—Hospice Nurse, Christy and Carol—mom's in home daytime care givers since last October, Sonny and Kris—mom's neighbors who were always there for her over the years. Each of you hold a very special place in our hearts and also made it possible for mom to pass away at home, which was her final request.

Thanks to Uncle Ace for playing countless games of four handed pitch while mom still had a clear mind to play—these memories will be cherished forever.

The families of Erika "Oma" Flaherty

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Spiritual Devotion: Level 4

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



Dr. J.D. Watson

AND he took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee . . . (Matt. 26:37). While *curiosity* reflects a mere pretense, *concern* the potential of faithfulness, and *constancy* the possibility of continued service, there is yet another more promising level of spiritual devotion.

Fourth, there is the level of *communion*. It is interesting, indeed, that all the disciples had the same Lord, the same training, the same opportunities, but for some reason three of them—Peter, James, and John—were chosen to be what has been called "the inner circle." They were, for example, the only ones present at three major events: the resurrection of Jairus' twelve year old daughter (Matt. 9:18–25), the transfiguration (17:1–9), and in the Garden of Gethsemane (26:36–45). It is the latter scene we again visit.

(1) We see the *fellowship* of the group (v. 37). The presence of the word *with* (*meta*) again demonstrates the ongoing communion these disciples had with the Lord. This closeness is even more strongly indicated at Jesus' transfiguration, when "Jesus taketh Peter, James, and John his brother, and bringeth them up into an high mountain apart" (Matt. 17:1). In the Greek, the definite article ("the") appears before the name "Peter," but not before the other two, which binds all three men together as a unit. As Mark and Luke both point out, in fact, no one else was allowed to accompany the Lord (Mk. 5:37; Lk. 8:51).

We, too, have such fellowship with Christ. Jesus promised that on the Day of Pentecost we would be in Him and He in us (Jn. 14:20). Paul builds upon this in His analogy that every believer is a member of Christ's

body, with no member superior to any other (1 Cor. 12:12–27). Oh, what communion we have in Him!

(2) We mark the *failure* of the disciples (vv. 38–44). As we recall, because of the disciples' inattentiveness and indifference, they fell asleep and could not even keep "watch" for an hour as our Lord struggled with what awaited Him. This again challenges us to vigilance in our Christian walk, for true love is ever alert.

(3) We note the *fate* of the Savior (vv. 45–46). As Puritan Matthew Henry observes, our Lord speaks ironically here, saying in effect, "Now sleep if you can, sleep if you dare; I would not disturb you if Judas and his band of men would not." Rather, as the betrayer approaches, Jesus then challenges, "Rise [from sleep], let us be going." The time of our Lord's death had arrived.

So it is once again, we see weakness even at this level of devotion. Here were our Lord's closest followers, yet they vacillated. Vance Havner once observed, "Judas betrayed the Lord with a kiss, not a slap. Our Master is betrayed more often with a show of affection than any other way." And even His true disciples were not without guilt. They had not yet reached the highest level of devotion.

**Scriptures for Study:** Read 1 Corinthians 12:12–27. What observations can you make concerning the Body of Christ?

You are invited to worship with us at Grace Bible Church (on the corner of 3rd and Garfield) at 10:30 A.M. each Lord's Day, where the ministry is the expository preaching of God's Word. Please visit our website ([www.TheScriptureAlone.com](http://www.TheScriptureAlone.com)), where you will find many resources for Christian growth, including messages in MP3 media files.

# Meeker School District deals with budget and mission statements

By REED KELLEY  
Special to the Herald Times

**MEEKER** I The Meeker Board of Education (BOE) budget is expected to be approved later this month with a variety of changes proposed.

Preliminary discussions in May led to the board approving the establishment of a full-day kindergarten, an additional fifth grade class, a credit recovery paraprofessional, a step increase for teachers plus a step for step losses due to budget cuts, and retirement fund increases per the state Public Employees Retirement

Association.

The current projected 2016-2017 budget deficit is nearly \$700,000.

At the June 7 meeting, the board approved a bid for new lighting wiring in the high school auditorium. In addition, communications with the community, the high school's concurrent enrollment agreement with CNCC, tweaks to the budget, the football field and track rehabilitation project, district accreditation and curriculum change procedures were discussed.

The board's next regular meeting, when the budget is expected to be approved for submission to the state,

is 7 p.m. on June 21. Also scheduled for June 21 are final policy changes, including the school district mission, staff involvement in decision making, purpose and composition of the employee council, staff leave, professional staff recruiting and hiring, concurrent enrollment, early completion and graduation.

Proposed policy statements on the schools' purpose are as follows.

Overall vision statement: "Excellence in All We Do."

Overall mission statement: "It is the mission of the Meeker School District to seek the highest possible

level of success for each student. The district will provide a safe environment in which students learn those skills necessary to become well-informed citizens and contributing members of society."

The Board of Education's mission statement: "It is the mission of the Meeker School Board, with careful stewardship of community resources, to provide the best possible personnel, curriculum and facilities that will give students maximum opportunities to learn."

In recent meetings, the board has accepted several resignations and named new hires. The resignations have come from: Shelly Baker, first grade; Larisa Merrell, MHS math;

Heather Burke, BMS track; Kay Bivens, MES librarian; Greg Chintala, MHS basketball coach; Makeysha Slauch, bus driver; Megan Cowles, second grade; and Shey Musgrave, MES paraprofessional.

New hires or reassignments have included: Marty Casey, MHS head track coach; Brittany Shubnell and Greg Chintala as assistant MHS track coaches; Zach Clatterbaugh, MHS track volunteer; Gary and Laurie Zellers, MHS drama co-sponsors; Brian Conrado, part-time grounds; Kitti Piloni, certified substitute; Jamie Rodgers, MHS girls basketball head coach; Shane Phelan, MHS football head coach; Janae Stanworth, MHS volleyball head coach; Marty Casey,

MHS cross country head coach; Briana Williams, MHS girls softball head coach; JC Watt, MHS wrestling head coach; Klark Kindler, MHS boys basketball head coach; Becky Ridings, cheer head coach; Boadachia, second grade; Diane Ewing, MHS math; Cody Smith, MES physical education; Denee Chintala, MHS ag education; Ann Franklin, MES library paraprofessional; Kaila Sandquist, MES classroom paraprofessional; Haley Kracht, MHS credit recovery paraprofessional; Brittany Bennett, substitute teacher; Andrea Urista, temporary classified substitute, and Jackie Meyer and Thomas "Obie" Deming, kindergarten teachers.

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### Now is the time to eliminate invading weeds in RBC

Dear Editor:

Whitetop, hoary cress, is blossoming now and can be seen just west of the Colorado Division of Parks and Wildlife and north of the intersection of highways 13 and 8.

I have been impressed with Rio Blanco County's beautiful, weed-free lands.

A heads-up, however, that whitetop is now advancing into Powell Park and is 50 feet from a big ditch.

Also, the whitetop across from

CDOT has blown up since past years.

Whitetop is on the B List of Colorado Dept. of Agriculture's categorization of noxious weeds plants whose continued spread should be stopped. It will be very sad for me to see whitetop overtaking the land in 10 years.

Please advocate to the county commissioners and other affected property owners for it to be stopped, while you can.

Susan Sammons  
Meeker

### We should choose a plant-based diet

Dear Editor:

Have you ever stopped and wondered why society deems it proper to kill and eat a pig, but abusing a dog or cat is considered animal cruelty? Or why we wear leather, the skin of an animal, but think wearing fur is cruel? This is, unfortunately, the very sad reality we live in today.

Take a moment and think about what you had for dinner last night. Did you give a second thought to what form of life it was before ending up on your plate? Chances are, probably not. Why? Because we are not emotionally connected to our food.

Over 56 billion farmed animals (excluding fish and sea creatures) die each year at the hands of man

("Animal Equality: Food", 2015). With the United States consuming more meat per capita than any other nation worldwide (265 pounds per person annually as of 2009) it's becoming very apparent that the need for reform is now ("12 States That Kill The Most Animals", 2015)!

The good news is that many people today are taking the time to realize the horrors of these industries and are indeed choosing to take a stand.

Many of the major and feared diseases taking over our country today, heart disease, cancer and more, can be prevented and even reversed simply by adopting a plant-based diet ("Plant-Based Diets", 2016).

And with the many plant-based meat and cheese options and vegan eateries today, people can feel good about their meal options and their taste buds can too!

For more information on how to become involved for the animals and tips on transitioning to a more compassionate lifestyle, check out The Humane League Denver on Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/humaneleagueDEN/>).

There are so many ways to help, and it starts with us! Be that voice for the voiceless and know that no animals were harmed in the making of you.

Aubrey Montgomery  
Commerce City, Colo.

# ATTENTION!

## Mosquito Abatement – Aerial Spraying

June 17, 18 & 19, 2016

Dear Residents of Rangely:

The Town will be spraying for mosquitos, weather-permitting, on June 17, 18, or 19.



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

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

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

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

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



## Jon D. Hill for County Commissioner



I have enjoyed serving as your County Commissioner from District 2 for the last 3+ years. The ballots are out and the Rio Blanco County Commissioner races will be decided on June 28th. As you fill yours out ask the following question. Is the county moving in the right direction? During my term Rio Blanco County has received both Statewide and National recognition for our Broadband Project. The current Board members all have good working relationships with our Legislators, Governor, Congressman, and Senators.

I have traveled the extra mile to testify on bills, and Federal planning/regulatory hearings. As Chairman of the Yampa-White Green Roundtable I was involved in the writing of the State Water Plan, and am the only sitting Commissioner or Commissioner Candidate with a knowledge of water and water rights and it's importance to the residents of the White River Valley. I also have a lifetime of experience on Range, Oil & Gas, Travel Management, and Endangered Species.

I understand the fiscal responsibilities of the office. It is not an option to be frivolous with the Taxpayers Dollar. You must budget operations first, then you can plan repairs and projects, with amenities such as employee raises or economic development projects considered if there is still funds available. The County Reserves are in good shape and the County Capital Improvement Trust Fund is at the highest level in it's history.

I will always be willing to travel any time to any meeting the future and economic well being of Rio Blanco County is in question. In this day and age you cannot afford to stay home and expect it to go away.

I believe I have and will continue to do a good job for the County and I ask for your vote on June 28, 2016. Please exercise your right to vote.

Thank you for allowing me to serve you,  
Jon D. Hill

# Meekerpalooza and other fun events on a Saturday afternoon



The Brad Fitch Tropic Cowboy Band entertained the crowd on Saturday in Ute Park as part of Meekerpalooza. The John Denver tribute band, whose members are mostly from Boulder and Estes Park, kept the audience singing along as they played Denver's songs throughout their performance.

SEAN McMAHON PHOTOS



The inaugural ERBM Recreation and Park District Metal Art Competition was held during Meekerpalooza on Saturday, and the top three winners as well as other entries were quite impressive. Kyle Stewart of Rangely came away with top honors for his piece titled "Fly Fishing," seen far left; Stewart also placed second with his "The Fly" piece, seen right; and Aaron Weston of Meeker placed third with his "Gone Fishing" sculpture, in center. The People's Choice Award was also awarded to Stewart's "Fly Fishing" piece. The sculptures are now on display at Meeker Town Park.



One of the booths at Meekerpalooza on Saturday featured wood carving, and these cute looking bears were the work of Joe Wanal of Craig, where he owns Rocky Mountain Carvers.



The kids always enjoy having their faces painted and those at Meekerpalooza were no exception. On hand with her paints and brushes was Leslie Hackaday of Leslie's Funny Faces.



Sena Zellers, center, was keeping an eye on things and helping kids stay busy in the Kids' Art Zone, which was sponsored by the Meeker Arts and Cultural Council (MACC), during Meekerpalooza Saturday.



Another of the activities in the Kids' Art Zone at Meekerpalooza was the rock painting booth, sponsored by the MACC. The kids were fun to watch as they would paint a rock a solid color then start using their imaginations to turn out some highly colorful pieces.



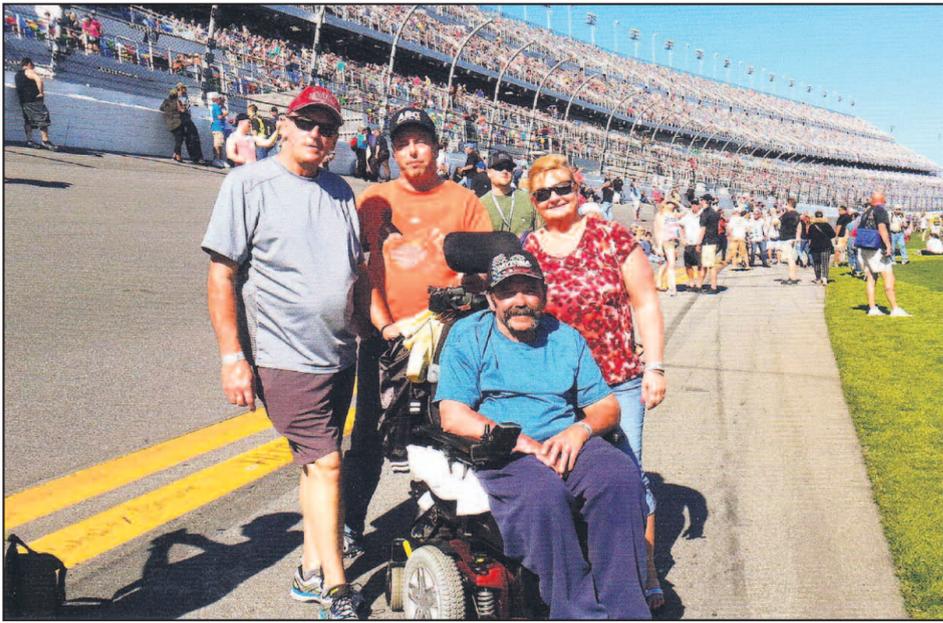
The weather on Saturday was nearly perfect with a light breeze most of the time keeping the high heat down so folks could sit, talk, eat and listen to music. Every once in a while strong gusts would take over, but they didn't last long.



A good crowd was still taking part at the flea market late Saturday morning just off of Market Street. The flea market was sponsored by Restored Grace, which specializes in antiques, furniture and home furnishings.



At the intersection of Fifth and Main streets on Saturday was the first farmers market of the year. As well as local produce, there were also out-of-town producers taking part in the market, which will be held once a month, with the next event July 23.



IRENE KILBANE  
Mike Worrall, Mitch Cochran, Rangely's Don Worrall and Leigh Worrall can be seen here on the Daytona 500 raceway prior to this year's Daytona 500, held in February. The trip to the Daytona 500 was the culmination of a lot of hard work, lots of friends and a dream Don Worrall thought he would never see fulfilled.

## Don Worrall has dream come true with trip to Daytona 500

By HEATHER ZADRA  
Special to the Herald Times

**RANGELY I** They wouldn't do it again. But they were thankful to have experienced it once.

Spending \$125 each is a hefty price to take a Sharpie to a chunk of asphalt. But this wasn't just any piece of blacktop. This was the starting line of the Daytona International Speedway, home to the most prestigious race on the NASCAR circuit—the Daytona 500—and the genesis of a man's dream.

Rangely resident Don Worrall and his nurse, Irene Kilbane, heard the call to sign the starting line from their handicap-accessible section overlooking the Speedway's fourth turn. The day was cloudless, the anticipation palpable as racegoers milled around before the start of the Sprint Cup later that morning.

The friends looked at each other and smiled.

"We have to do it," Kilbane said. They paid the fee, Worrall maneuvering his power chair through the crowd and making his way down to the starting line. The marker cost extra. It didn't matter.

"DON," he wrote in bold capitals, then added "2016" below it.

Worrall had given up hope of attending the Daytona 500 several years ago, when an aggressive form of Multiple Sclerosis had drained strength from his arms and legs as methodically as a child sucking milk through a straw.

A resident in Rangely District Hospital's Long-Term Care Unit for the last 3 1/2 years, Worrall had found a certain peace in his lot, from good neighbors to competent staff. Plus, he got to watch the NASCAR races every Sunday from the comfort of his room.

When Rangely District Hospital registered nurse-turned-friend Irene Kilbane learned of Worrall's dream last fall, she refused the easy answer—that it couldn't be done—and did it anyway. In a matter of days, approximately 50 supporters had raised \$5,000 for the trip via a GoFundMe campaign, mail-in checks and drop-in donations. Across the hospital, staff, nurses, doctors and aides offered advice and helped with trip logistics.

After months of planning and waiting, it was finally time.

On Feb. 19, Worrall, Kilbane and Worrall's cousin, Mitch Cochran, left for Daytona from Denver. Worrall's brother, Mike, and sister-in-law, Leigh, picked up the new arrivals and took them for a traditional cruise down Daytona Beach, where the city's heart for racing had begun.

For the next two days, the group watched Friday's truck races and Saturday's Xfinity Cup races from the shade of a friend's 40-foot Winnebago parked near the Speedway's second turn.

The thrill of watching the races simultaneously through a fence and on a flat-screen TV wouldn't compare with what was to come. Sunday Feb. 21 dawned sunny and clear. Once Worrall and Kilbane survived signing the starting line - the slanted speedway caused Worrall to slip precariously from his chair, leading Mike Worrall to joke that his brother had nearly become a speed bump at Daytona—the group gathered up on the stadium's third tier. The track spread out gleaming and bright before them as cars lined up and drivers stretched, awaiting introductions.

"This was Mike's third time in Daytona," Worrall said. "I asked him, if you could pick out any seat in Daytona, where would it be? He said, 'Right here.' We had the best seats in the house."

Like the race itself, everything preceding it felt full-throttle, from the opening prayer to the National Anthem to the five Blue Angels screaming overhead in formation before splitting off into oblivion. Drivers paired up into starting positions, then cruised the track once before the green flag launched a deafening volley of revved engines and wild cheering.

"With the sound of the cars and the people in the stands, you couldn't hear anything," Worrall said.

"It was electrifying," Kilbane added.

In the first moments, 40 tightly packed cars floated past them in a matter of a second, a single organism of sound leaving the pungent scent of burnt rubber in its wake. As drivers jockeyed for position, paused for pit stops or crashed out, a kind of rhythm

established itself.

For the next three-and-a-half hours, the group watched, mesmerized.

"When Dale (Earnhardt) Jr. got in the lead, the crowd went crazy," Worrall said. "I knew the whole time I've been watching he's the most popular driver on the track, but you never hear that on TV. We did at the track there. The whole crowd erupted."

Crash outs by Earnhardt, Jr. and Danica Patrick, the two drivers Worrall and Kilbane were rooting for, respectively, left both drivers out of race contention although theirs were among relatively few incidents throughout the day.

Joe Gibbs Racing's Denny Hamlin clinched his first Daytona victory, edging out teammate Martin Truex, Jr. by 0.011 of a second.

Worrall can pick out moments he would like to have seen more of—an Earnhardt win among them.

"Sure, you want to see crashes," he said. "But you don't want to see anybody get hurt. And was I glad Hamlin won? No, I wasn't glad he won. He was driving a Toyota. But Denny Hamlin's been in the race a long time."

Now, more than three months later, Worrall and Kilbane sit in adjacent chairs, rifling through photographs and good-naturedly interrupting each other. They recall wandering around the infield after the race, bemused at the partygoers and gawking at million-dollar motorhomes. Without hesitation, Worrall ranks the Daytona 500 among the top few experiences of his life.

His answer to how he got there is equally unequivocal.

"The big person in that whole deal right there is Irene," he said, pointing at her and grinning. "Everything started with her. She came to other people with the right questions. Without Irene, none of this happens."

"And people's generosity in all this? It's just unbelievable," he said. "I have a cousin from Iowa I haven't seen since I was a kid who sent money. People just came into the hospital to donate. And the hospital folks who helped put this together...it's really something."

## CNCC Rodeo Team sends 7 to nationals; ESPN will televise

By SEAN McMAHON  
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**RANGELY I** The Colorado Northwestern Community College Rodeo Team has seven students competing this week at the College National Finals Rodeo in Casper, Wyo., this week.

Those qualified for the rodeo are six men and one woman, who will be competing for individual national titles and the men's team, which will be competing for a team title as well.

The CNF Rodeo began on Sunday and will run through the finals on Saturday, and leading the Spartan cowboys and cowgirl is head coach Jed Moore.

Each contestant will compete in three rounds of competition during the week, and that will be followed

on Saturday with the championship round, in which the top 12 in each event will compete for the national and team titles. The championship round will begin at 7 p.m.

"If you are planning to attend the rodeo, make a big neon sign supporting your favorite CNCC cowboy or cowgirl," Moore said. "The CNFR will be broadcast on ESPEN, and they love the rowdy sign-waving fans."

The dates and times for each contestant are:

Teasha Moody, Goat Tying: Monday, June 13, Slack-second contestant; Tuesday, June 14, Slack-55th contestant; and Wednesday, June 15, 7 p.m. - ninth contestant.

JD Slagowski and Johnny Pavkov, Team Roping: Monday, June 13, slack-16th team; Tuesday, June 14, slack-35th team; Thursday, June 16, 7 p.m. - tenth team.

Brody Adams and Clay Crozier, Team Roping: Monday, June 13, slack-26th team; Tuesday, June 14, slack-25th team; Tuesday, June 14, 7 p.m. - 11th team

Rhett Nielson, Bull Riding: Sunday, June 12, 1 p.m. - first section; Tuesday, June 14, slack-first section; Friday, June 17, 7 p.m.

Nick Chew, Saddle Bronc: Sunday, June 12, 1 p.m. - first section; Monday, June 13, slack-second section; Tuesday, June 14, 7 p.m.

Colton Onyett, Bareback: Sunday, June 12, 4 p.m. - third section; Tuesday, June 14, slack-second section; Friday, June 17, 7 p.m.

The internet link to tickets is: [ev9.eventue.net/cgi-bin/ncommerce3/SEGetEventList?groupCode=R&linkID=cec&shopperContext=&caller=&appCode=&RSRC=CNFR&RDAT=41012](http://ev9.eventue.net/cgi-bin/ncommerce3/SEGetEventList?groupCode=R&linkID=cec&shopperContext=&caller=&appCode=&RSRC=CNFR&RDAT=41012)

The internet link to all CNFR events during the week is: [cnfr.com/schedule/](http://cnfr.com/schedule/)



MICHELLE COX  
Thirteen-year-old Wyatt Mortenson from Craig was the overall fastest of 20 runners in the inaugural Park to Art 10K hosted by the Eastern Rio Blanco Metropolitan Recreation and Park District with a time of 45.54.

## Craig runner wins 10K race

Special to the Herald Times

**MEEKER I** The first annual Park to Art 10K race was held on Saturday and included 20 participants.

Coming away with the overall win was 13 year-old Wyatt Mortenson of Craig, who posted a time of 45.54.

The Park to Art 10K Race, hosted by Eastern Rio Blanco Metropolitan (ERBM) Recreation & Park District, incorporated trail and road running through the

Phillip & Dorcas Jensen Memorial Park trails and the city streets of Meeker to Ute Park. The finish, at Meekerpalooza, also gave runners a chance to visit the vendors, listen to the concerts and have a great afternoon at the event.

Participants received an event T-shirt, a drawstring backpack, free admission to Meekerpalooza, \$10 in Chamber bucks to use at Meekerpalooza, and a finisher medal.

| Results:                             | 1st-Noah Mortenson, 45.54 | 2nd-Joe Rose, 47.20 | 3rd-Kent Walter, 48.03 | 4th-Elsa Garcia, 1:22.18 | 5th-Heather Franklin, 1:07.53 | 6th-Ivy Coryell, 1:07.43 | 7th-Kendra Ward, 53.37 | 8th-Tracy Perfers, 54.39 | 9th-Heather Burke, 1:17.54 | 10th-Heather Burke, 1:17.54 | 11th-Heather Burke, 1:17.54 | 12th-Heather Burke, 1:17.54 | 13th-Heather Burke, 1:17.54 | 14th-Heather Burke, 1:17.54 | 15th-Heather Burke, 1:17.54 | 16th-Heather Burke, 1:17.54 | 17th-Heather Burke, 1:17.54 | 18th-Heather Burke, 1:17.54 | 19th-Heather Burke, 1:17.54 | 20th-Heather Burke, 1:17.54 |
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| <b>Overall Male</b>                  | 56.40                     |                     |                        |                          |                               |                          |                        |                          |                            |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |
| <b>1st-Wyatt Mortenson, 45.54</b>    |                           |                     |                        |                          |                               |                          |                        |                          |                            |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |
| <b>13-19</b>                         |                           |                     |                        |                          |                               |                          |                        |                          |                            |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |
| <b>Wyatt Mortenson, 45.54</b>        |                           |                     |                        |                          |                               |                          |                        |                          |                            |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |
| <b>Female 20-29</b>                  |                           |                     |                        |                          |                               |                          |                        |                          |                            |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |
| <b>1st-Ana Moreno, 1:22.19</b>       |                           |                     |                        |                          |                               |                          |                        |                          |                            |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |
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| <b>1st-Kendra Ward, 53.37</b>        |                           |                     |                        |                          |                               |                          |                        |                          |                            |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |
| <b>2nd-Tracy Perfers, 54.39</b>      |                           |                     |                        |                          |                               |                          |                        |                          |                            |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |
| <b>3rd-Ivy Coryell, 1:07.43</b>      |                           |                     |                        |                          |                               |                          |                        |                          |                            |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |
| <b>12 &amp; Under</b>                |                           |                     |                        |                          |                               |                          |                        |                          |                            |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |
| <b>Female 30-39</b>                  |                           |                     |                        |                          |                               |                          |                        |                          |                            |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |
| <b>1st-Kendra Ward, 53.37</b>        |                           |                     |                        |                          |                               |                          |                        |                          |                            |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |
| <b>2nd-Tracy Perfers, 54.39</b>      |                           |                     |                        |                          |                               |                          |                        |                          |                            |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |
| <b>Female 40-49</b>                  |                           |                     |                        |                          |                               |                          |                        |                          |                            |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |
| <b>1st-Heather Franklin, 1:07.53</b> |                           |                     |                        |                          |                               |                          |                        |                          |                            |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |
| <b>2nd-Stacey Burke, 1:17.53</b>     |                           |                     |                        |                          |                               |                          |                        |                          |                            |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |
| <b>3rd-Heather Burke, 1:17.54</b>    |                           |                     |                        |                          |                               |                          |                        |                          |                            |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |
| <b>Male 50-59</b>                    |                           |                     |                        |                          |                               |                          |                        |                          |                            |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |
| <b>1st-Chad Trout, 53.20</b>         |                           |                     |                        |                          |                               |                          |                        |                          |                            |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |
| <b>Female 50-59</b>                  |                           |                     |                        |                          |                               |                          |                        |                          |                            |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |
| <b>1st-Kim Dungan, 1:19.46</b>       |                           |                     |                        |                          |                               |                          |                        |                          |                            |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |
| <b>2nd-Teresa Hale, 1:19.47</b>      |                           |                     |                        |                          |                               |                          |                        |                          |                            |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |
| <b>Male 50-59</b>                    |                           |                     |                        |                          |                               |                          |                        |                          |                            |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |
| <b>1st-Kent Walter, 48.03</b>        |                           |                     |                        |                          |                               |                          |                        |                          |                            |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |
| <b>2nd-Karl Maser, 48.54</b>         |                           |                     |                        |                          |                               |                          |                        |                          |                            |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |
| <b>Male 60-plus</b>                  |                           |                     |                        |                          |                               |                          |                        |                          |                            |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |
| <b>1st-Al Trout, 1:06.11</b>         |                           |                     |                        |                          |                               |                          |                        |                          |                            |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |                             |

## Blunt, Shults shine at Ladies' Deerfly

By BOBBY GUTIERREZ  
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**MEEKER I** The annual Ladies' Deerfly Golf Tournament did not have a large field but the competition was tough, especially in the second flight, where local golfers Hallie Blunt and Sally Lou Shults won the title.

"Sally Lou has a strong back and she used it to carry me around," teammate Hallie Blunt said after the tournament.

Blunt and Shults shot a 36 on the first nine holes of the 18-hole tournament, and so did locals Jill Massey and Danielle Feola, as well as Glenwood Springs golfers Dorene Roy and Joni Bates, but it was Blunt and Shults who turned around and shot 39 on the back nine to win by three strokes.

Roy and Bates finished with the best net score (52) in the field of five teams in the second flight. Feola won the longest drive contest and Bates won a gift certificate for being closest

to the pin. The tournament featured golfers from Meeker, Craig, Glenwood Springs and Rifle and in the championship flight of six teams, it was Rifle golfers who won most of the prizes.

Kenda Spaulding and Britt Choate of Rifle trailed Marge Fleming and Gigi Herzke by two shots after the first nine, but they came back to shoot a one-over-par 35

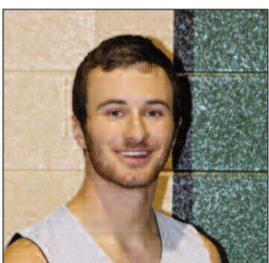
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### Kaulan Brady Rangely High School Baseball/Track

Kaulan Brady has been a stalwart athlete for Rangely High School during much of the past year, excelling at baseball and track. Brady was the lone senior for the Panthers on the baseball and track teams this past spring.



### Casey Turner, Jacob Pelloni, Hunter Garcia, Caleb Bradford and Tannen Kennedy Meeker High School Wrestling

Long after the end of wrestling season and well into summer break, five members of the Meeker state champion wrestling team are using their summer to hone their wrestling skills. Turner, Pelloni, Kennedy, Bradford and Garcia just returned from a wrestling camp in Paonia, where, Coach Carl Padilla said, "We had a great camp."

## BATTER UP...



BOBBY GUTIERREZ

The 2016 Coed Softball season, sponsored by the Eastern Rio Blanco Metropolitan Recreation and Park District, started Monday with games played on both Paintbrush Park fields. The league consists of six teams with games being played Mondays and Wednesdays, on both fields. The first game starts at 6:30 p.m.

## GOLF: Local women invited to club

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on the back nine to win by one shot. Flemming and Hertzke finished with the best net score (54) in the championship flight while Craig's Amanda Back had the longest drive

and Julia Conrad, also of Rifle, won the closest to the pin contest. "It was such a pretty day for the tournament," Peggy Back, president of the Meeker Ladies Club said. It is the Meeker Ladies Club that hosts the tournament, and all the pro-

ceeds from the tourney go back into the clubhouse or the grounds, Back said. Back wants to invite local women to join the fun, as the Ladies Club plays every Monday at 5:45 p.m.



COURTESY PHOTO

The defending state champion Meeker Cowboys sent five wrestlers to Paonia for a wrestling camp, and according to high school assistant coach Carl Padilla, "We had a great camp; the kids wrestled well." Attending the camp were Casey Turner, Jacob Pelloni, Caleb Bradford, with Tannen Kennedy on his back and Hunter Garcia. Several Cowboys will attend another camp this week in Gunnison.

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# 'Climb Out of the Darkness' event Saturday aids mental health

By **HEATHER ZADRA**  
Special to the Herald Times

**RANGELY I** Climb Out of the Darkness®, the world's largest event raising awareness of maternal mental health disorders, will hold a regional Climb in Rangely on Saturday.

Survivors of postpartum depression (PPD), anxiety, OCD and psychosis from all over the world—dubbed Warrior Moms—climb, hike or walk together to symbolize their collective rise out of the darkness as well as to raise funds for Postpartum Progress, a nonprofit organization and online community of support resources for women around the

world.

Britny Campos, the Warrior Mom ambassador for Rangely, has personal reasons for organizing the local climb.

"The year after (daughter) Harper was born was one of the hardest, if not the hardest year of my life," she said. "I struggled with postpartum rage, depression and anxiety, to name a few. Getting the help I needed in our small town was extremely hard, and if I had not received that help, I quite possibly could have lost my life. This event shows other struggling moms that they aren't alone. There is hope."

All moms, families and friends are invited to participate in the climb, which begins at 9 a.m. at the water

tank south of Rangely on South White Avenue (look for the tank's mural of mesas and an eagle). Participants will walk to the Elks Park playground gazebo, where families can continue to visit and share in the collective strength of hope.

Campos knows how powerful that kind of sharing can be.

"My first climb last June was something that helped me on my road to recovery," she said. "I was able to be encouraged by other moms who have gone before me and to show that I was trying to get better."

Participants may register prior to the event at [www.crowdrise.com/britnycampos-cotd2016](http://www.crowdrise.com/britnycampos-cotd2016) or the morning

of the climb at the starting line.

"Since founding Postpartum Progress in 2004, I continue to be in awe of how many lives we've touched and how many advancements we have made in awareness about these health issues," said Katherine Stone, founder of Postpartum Progress. "Each and every one of our Warrior Moms is an inspiration. This climb event lets us celebrate them—and empower them—while reaching out to new moms who may be suffering. Every single day we are one step closer to erasing the stigma associated with postpartum depression and anxiety disorders. It's these powerful women who are making a difference."

This is the fourth annual Climb Out of the Darkness®, always held around the longest day of the year to shine the most possible light on maternal mental illness.

In 2015, more than 2,500 participants joined climbs in 45 states and five countries around the world, up from 200 participants in the inaugural 2013 climb.

The 2016 goal is to raise more than \$300,000 to support Postpartum Progress; as of June 6, \$221,709 has been raised. Team Colorado—Rangely has currently raised \$250, and while the climb's registration is free, participants are encouraged to donate to the cause. Sponsorships

from local businesses are also being accepted.

Funds raised from this event will allow the organization to create new educational materials to be used by obstetricians, pediatricians and others as well as new materials to help educate the media on the public health impact of postpartum depression and related illnesses on mothers and children.

To learn more about Climb Out of the Darkness®, visit [www.postpartumprogress.org/climb-out-of-the-darkness/](http://www.postpartumprogress.org/climb-out-of-the-darkness/) or contact Campos at 801-589-4803 or [piratebertny@gmail.com](mailto:piratebertny@gmail.com) or co-coordinator Wendi Gillard at 970-620-8669.

## Work underway on Coal Creek School renovation

By **JANET CLARK**  
Special to the Herald Times

**MEEKER I** Coal Creek School, the oldest school in Rio Blanco County still standing on its original location, is being restored by MM-Eight Construction to its original 1882 exterior appearance.

On May 19, after 124 years in darkness, the foundation was excavated by T&M Contracting, exposing the various size stones it had been firmly resting on. A crew from Mountain West Masonry and Stone arrived to clean and re-mortar the stones. After the foundation was waterproofed, a drainage system was installed and the area was graded to slope away from the structure.

The next painstaking process involves removing the non-original stucco from the exterior walls, the stones cleaned and the walls repainted. The roof structure will be repaired to meet present building codes and re-roofed with cedar shingles.

The gable ends and trim will be repaired or replaced to match the original appearance of the building recorded in early photos and *Meeker Herald* articles printed during construction.

Being on the National Register of Historic Places and Colorado State



Work is now underway to renovate Coal Creek School, the oldest school in Rio Blanco County still standing in its original location. Being on the National Register of Historic Places and Colorado State Register of Historic Properties requires specialized expertise in historic restoration for completing Phase I.

Register of Historic Properties requires specialized expertise in historic restoration for completing Phase I, although local contractors are being utilized by MM-Eight Construction as much as possible.

Phase I will be paid for by a State Historical Fund grant and donations and grants from various local and

area businesses, organizations and private individuals.

As soon as the exterior is completed this summer, the restoration of the interior will begin.

At this time, about 25 percent of the amount needed to complete the interior has been raised.

Fund raisers, grants, volunteers and the donations of time, materials and supplies are needed to complete this project by the fall of 2017.

The group's vision will hopefully be realized as Coal Creek School becomes an educational interpretive

center for school children, the community and tourists to enjoy for another 125 years.

The first fundraiser to restore the interior of Coal Creek School will be at the Cattle Dog Trials this weekend.

The Rural School Project will be selling root beer floats at the Rio Blanco County Historical Society booth through Sunday. Please stop by to see the progress being made to preserve the history of the Rio Blanco County's rural schools and/or to volunteer to help the group achieve its goal.

## ARROW OF LIGHT ...



Rangely Cub Scout Ashton Cardin recently received his Arrow of Light award with Rangely Cub Scout Pack No. 191. The Arrow of Light is the highest award one can earn in Cub Scouts. Ashton is pictured here with his parents, Cherise and Don Cardin.

## FIELD: Motion passed 5-2

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ERBM since a feasibility study was conducted last summer.

Kent Walter, vice president of ERBM's board, said "We're looking for the town to get some skin in the game—having a strong partnership with the town would be very advantageous."

The district has already spent about \$30,000 on the concept plan, but before moving forward with a \$300,000 investment for more detailed studies and designs, wanted to formalize the dialogue that has taken place during the past year.

Meeker Trustee Travis Day expressed concern regarding the lack of public input on a project of this magnitude. It carries an estimated cost of \$3 million.

Meeker Town Administrator Scott Meszaros stated that public input and an ordinance period would happen after the formal motion, and he said, "The motion does nothing more than express support for the concept in its current form."

Sean VonRoenn, the ERBM's executive director, added, "We're willing to comply with whatever the town's code and process is."

The motion passed 5-2, with trustees Rodney Gerloff, Wendy Gutierrez, Scott Creecy, Danny Conrado and Mayor Regas Halandras in favor and Day and Trustee Melissa Kindall voting against.

Other business included approving May accounts payable, waiving a \$64,000 water main tap fee for the football field at Starbuck Stadium, renewal of Meeker Cafe's liquor license, approval of a contract with Cultural Resource Historians LLC for continued work on the designation of parts of Meeker as a National Historic District, and a service agreement with Olsson Associates for preliminary analysis and design of water system improvements to the electrical/supervisory control and data acquisition (SCADA) transmission line and well field development.

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The Districts will be providing a BBQ rib dinner with side dishes and desserts courtesy of the Rio Blanco County Cattlewomen.

Come meet the Board of Supervisors and enjoy some good food, good conversation, and a tour of the Plant Center!!

For more information please contact the District Office at:  
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The weather couldn't have been much better for the annual Buford School annual fish fry, which was held Saturday at the school, located along County Road 17, about 22 miles east of Meeker. Saturday's crowd just kept on coming for the two hours of the white fish dinner, and the incredibly vast array of side dishes and desserts showed that the women of the area do know how to throw a great feed.

SEAN MCMAHON



Well in excess of 200 persons lined up Saturday from just 4 to 6 p.m. to take part in the White River Community Association's annual fish fry to benefit the upkeep and new projects at the Buford School. The crowd Saturday was believed to be the largest ever as people just kept arriving and getting in line for the endless white fish, potatoes and other fixings and some of the most extensive and varied selections of dessert cakes, pies, cookies, brownies and other items to be seen for miles around.

SEAN MCMAHON

## ROSWELL: High score prompted invite

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trip possible. Along with sister Gracie, Kellogg and another friend, Roswell, will travel to Los Angeles for the June 18 event. Completing the group is Angela Sims, a visual impairment teacher who has worked with Roswell for more than five years.

"For students willing to participate, the Challenge really shows them how their hard work benefits them," Sims said. "It's one of those things that allows them to shine and see the result of the hard work they've put in."

Even more important, Sims said, is the message kids get from people who know and love them the most, whether it's caretakers, relatives or friends.

"Anytime you have a community of support, that's a key factor in success," Sims said. "It doesn't matter what teachers tell them at school. If their support system, whether it's grandparents, parents or siblings, doesn't communicate the same thing - that they can do things - the kids won't do it."

Hayden's family has treated her the same as any other kid since the day she was born, so that support system has played a huge role in where she is

right now."

Christy Lancaster recalls times when that equality meant moments of panic for her, like when Gracie encouraged Hayden to jump off the recreation center diving board at 4 years old.

"She about gave Grannie a heart attack," Lancaster said, laughing. "But I think that's why she's so very independent—because they have always just treated her independently."

For Roswell, who was born blind, being comfortable with her abilities is accompanied by some amazement at how far she's come. She was shocked to learn she had scored highest in the state challenge's reading, spelling and comprehension tests.

Not all children who placed first in the Apprentice Division in their states were invited to the National Braille Challenge, Sims said. Roswell's high score across both the U.S. and Canada prompted her invitation.

Kellogg said Hayden's assumption that she can do anything other

kids can—in this case, more—factors into successes like this one.

"Hayden is amazing," Kellogg said. "She doesn't let anything hold her back."

Sims believes that when people closest to them convey the same attitude, kids benefit from it, regardless of their abilities.

"If they have a really strong support system, if people believe and give them a chance, kids can do amazing things," Sims said. "With Hayden, when people get to know her and talk to her, they know she can do anything she puts her mind to."

## Commissioner Jon Hill attends national conference to address Western issues

Special to the Herald Times

**RBC |** Rio Blanco County Commissioner Jon Hill joined 500 county officials at the National Association of Counties' (NACo) Western Interstate Region (WIR) conference in Jackson Hole, Wyo., from May 25-27.

In partnership with Teton County and the Wyoming County Commissioners Association, the conference brought together nationally renowned experts, state and federal policy leaders and county officials from across the country.

With critical legislative and regulatory issues being debated in the nation's capital, county leaders discussed issues particularly important to Western communities, including: ensuring certainty in federal county payments through the Payments in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) and Secure Rural Schools (SRS) programs; new regulations proposed by the Bureau of Land Management that could substantially affect counties containing federal public lands; and strengthening local infrastructure.

"It is unique, but we can learn from one another to address the challenges counties and residents face; it's also important for Rio Blanco County to have a role in shaping key federal policies that affect us every day," said Hill. "Much of the information presented at the conference will help our efforts at home."

WIR President Gordon Cruickshank, Valley County, Idaho, commission chair, said, "Western county leaders work every day to pursue opportunities aimed at improving the quality of life for our residents. The issues facing Western counties are as diverse as the Western landscape itself. The WIR Conference focused on strengthening public and private sector partnerships to achieve results for our residents."

The conference brought together national experts, state and federal policy leaders and county officials from across the country. Featured speakers included Wyoming Gov. Matt Mead, U.S. Interior Department Deputy

Secretary Michael Connor, U.S. Bureau of Land Management Director Neil Kornze and Grand Teton National Park Superintendent David Vela.

Educational workshops focused on priority issues including: Responding to active shooter incidents; Addressing local road safety; Managing public lands; Maintaining cybersecurity; Creating fire-adapted communities; Fostering economic development, and Leveraging technology to expand access to health services.

Commissioner Hill stated "I had the opportunity to speak with Neil Kornze, the director of the Bureau of Land Management, on range issues in Rio Blanco County. I also testified in a listening session on BLM Planning 2.0. This is a plan in progress that appears to diminish the role that local government has in BLM planning. My testimony stated that the residents of Rio Blanco County should have the first input into any federal plan, also that the plan itself did not recognize

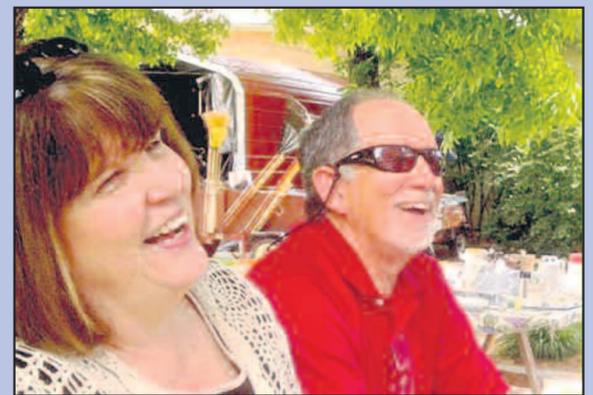
the BLM's responsibility to local governments as dictated by the Federal Land Management Policy Act, and lastly that writing the handbook first appeared to be pre-decisional."

WIR serves as the counties' advocate for public policy issues affecting the West. WIR is affiliated with the NACo and is dedicated to the promotion of Western interests within NACo. These interests include public lands issues such as land use and conservation, community stability and economic development and the promotion of the traditional Western way of life.

WIR's membership consists of the state associations of counties in 15 Western states: Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington and Wyoming.

WIR serves as a valuable resource for exchanging information about Western county governments for NACo, Congress, the Administration and to county officials nationwide.

## 30TH ANNIVERSARY ...



COURTESY PHOTO

The congregation of Grace Bible Church in Meeker celebrated 30 years of service to the Lord by Pastor JD "Doc" Watson and wife, Debbie, on Sunday. Pastor Watson began his ministry at the church in 1986 and continues to faithfully exposit God's Word every Sunday and Wednesday. He has also authored a number of publications through Sola Scriptura Ministries.

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# INSURANCE: Biggest changes for individual policy holders

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plans from UnitedHealthcare, Humana Insurance, RMHP and Anthem will need to find other coverage for 2017 during open enrollment, which runs Nov. 1 through Jan. 31, 2017. This represents approximately 20 percent of the 450,000 Coloradans who get their insurance through the individual market, either through the state exchange, Connect for Health Colorado, or off the exchange. Those 450,000 consumers with plans in the individual market represents approximately 7.7 percent of Coloradans.

At least 51 percent of people in Colorado, around 2.8 million, continue to get their health insurance through an employer.

As other companies work to readjust, a new entrant into the Colorado market, Bright Health Plans, will sell individual plans both on and off the exchange.

"Where others have experienced challenges, Bright sees opportunity with what they believe is an innovative approach," Salazar said. "They are focusing on efficient delivery of quality care through a healthcare partner. This echoes what RMHP is doing through its Monument Health program and what UnitedHealthcare is doing in other states with its subsidiary, Harken Health. It seems that what the market needs is innovation rather than the old operating model."

For the individual market in 2017, many companies have requested significant premium increases. The companies review what they paid out for health claims to doctors, hospitals and other providers this year in order to set appropriate premiums for next year that will allow them to pay claims and remain in business.

"In general, the companies have indicated that the people enrolled in individual plans have used more healthcare services and with greater frequency than anticipated," Salazar said. "While the DOI will evaluate information provided by the companies to determine if their requested premium increases are correct, all of us in the industry must tackle the more pressing question of what is driving the increased health costs in the individual market that lead to higher premiums."

In the small group market, companies are requesting single-digit increases or even decreases.

"We should not lose site of the positive news in the small group market, even while we work to gain an understanding of what's happening in the individual market," Salazar said.

The DOI recognizes there are forces at work in Colorado, and particularly in the individual market in certain areas of the state, that make it challenging for insurance companies to offer individual plans, as well as for many consumers

to afford them. The DOI has started a study that looks at the underlying costs of healthcare. The DOI is also available as a resource for consumers.

House Bill 1336, passed this past legislative session, directs the DOI to study the feasibility of moving the state to a single geographic rating area. The bill also directs the DOI to study how healthcare costs impact premiums, which will provide greater insight into how the Colorado individual market functions.

Throughout this process, the Division of Insurance is ready and available to help answer consumer questions regarding their health insurance plans or their future options. Contact the Division of Insurance at 303-894-7490 or 800-930-3745 (outside the Denver metro area) or via email at [DORA\\_insurance@state.co.us](mailto:DORA_insurance@state.co.us).

During the summer, DOI staff will examine each plan to make sure it complies with the Affordable Care Act (ACA) and state laws.

The DOI does not set insurance premiums, but will review what the companies submitted to determine if requested increases or decreases are justified.

The DOI checks to make sure the premiums are sufficient for the company to continue to pay its members' claims.

The DOI verifies whether the plans meet the metal tier coverage levels: bronze (an average of

60 percent of medical expenses paid by the plan), silver (70 percent), gold (80 percent) and platinum (90 percent).

The DOI also reviews the benefits and the plans' networks of healthcare providers to make sure that they meet state and federal requirements.

The filings from the companies are available for review on DOI's Health Insurance Filings page. During the review period, Colorado consumers can submit public comments on the filings, which will be reviewed and considered by the DOI. The DOI encourages consumers to submit comments no later than July 6 so they can be included as part of the review of the filings.

Tips on filing an online comment: When viewing the filings online, there will be a section for comments within each filing. Click on the "Add" link in the "Comments" column of the filing of interest. The user will be prompted to enter his/her name, city and state of residence, email address, and the comment.

After DOI completes its review and analysis in late September / early October, it will notify carriers and Connect for Health Colorado of the approved plans for 2017. At that time, the DOI will also provide summary information and analysis regarding the carriers and plans for 2017.

## Sign up now for Meeker's Fourth of July parade

**MEEKER** | The Meeker Chamber of Commerce is signing up entries for the annual 2016 Meeker Fourth of July Parade, which will begin at 10 a.m. on the Fourth.

Anyone can take part in the parade, which is open to individuals, organizations, businesses, vehicles, horse riders, motorcycle and bicycle riders, pets or pull carts such as wagons.

The parade participants will gather on Main Street, starting at 7th and Main, and concluding at 4th and Main streets.

All entries must be turned into the Meeker Chamber of Commerce, 710 Market St. by June 30, and there is no entry fee. For more information, call the chamber at 970-878-0271 or email: [joann@meekerchamber.com](mailto:joann@meekerchamber.com).

## RECOGNITION...



After much work, diligence and service, Savannah Nielsen, the daughter of Mayor Joseph and Leslie Nielsen of Rangely, received her Young Womanhood Recognition Award from The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. This award is equivalent to the sacrifice, time and hard work of The Eagle Scout Award in the Boys Scouts of America.

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# Business expert to speak in Meeker and Rangely

Special to the Herald Times

**RBC** | Business and community leaders looking to revitalize their community and strengthen their businesses won't want to miss an upcoming seminar titled "Once Optional, Now Required: The New Rules of Small Business Success" by Jon Schallert in Meeker and Rangely.

Schallert is an internationally recognized speaker and business expert specializing in teaching businesses and communities to turn themselves into "Consumer Destinations." Schallert will be speaking at the Rangely Automotive Museum, 128 Stanolind Ave., on June 28 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. with lunch provided. He will also be speaking at the Freeman E. Fairfield Center, 200 Main St. in Meeker on June 29 from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. with breakfast provided.

Rio Blanco County, Town of Rangely, Town of Meeker, Meeker Chamber of Commerce, Rangely Chamber of Commerce, Mountain Valley Bank, Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association Inc. and Colowyo Coal Co. are excited to bring Schallert to speak in Northwest Colorado. Recently, 12 business owners from Rio Blanco County attended his Destination BootCamp in Longmont ([jonschallert.com/bootcamp/](http://jonschallert.com/bootcamp/)).

The Destination BootCamp is an intense training for business owners who want to accelerate their learning curve, receive in-depth instruction, strategies and specific tactics to become a dominant "Destination Business"

that can pull consumers past their competitors.

In 1996, Schallert left his successful career at Hallmark Cards and started his consulting firm, The Schallert Group, Inc. He began speaking to small business owners in cities, downtowns and communities (both rural and urban) around the country. In his first year, he spoke in 87 different towns and cities, and in each place, Jon would consult with 10-15 small business owners in their stores, restaurants and offices.

After years of maintaining this schedule, annually conducting thousands of on-site consultations and studying the most successful small business owners, he developed the proprietary "14-step Destination Business" process that he teaches today.

Some of Schallert's corporate consulting clients include Kellogg's, KitchenAid, Bank of America, Denver International Airport, Jiffy Lube, Ace Hardware, Anheuser Busch, Kichler Lighting and Hunter Douglas, to name a few. His insights are frequently seen in national publications such as *The Wall Street Journal*, *The Washington Post*, *USA Today* and *Entrepreneur Magazine*.

Tickets to attend this seminar are offered through the Meeker and Rangely Chambers of Commerce. Chamber members can purchase event tickets for \$15; non-chamber members for \$20. Contact the Meeker Chamber of Commerce at 970-878-5510 or Rangely Chamber of Commerce at 970-675-5290 for more details or to register.

# Range Call celebration rapidly approaching

By HALLIE BLUNT

Special to the Herald Times

**MEEKER** | The calendar is set for this year's Range Call Celebration and it will be a fun-filled four days featuring Blackhawk and Ned LeDoux in concert.

The weekend will kick off with the re-enactment of the Pageant at dusk on Friday, July 1.

Individuals interested in participating in the pageant are invited to join the practices, which will be June 27 and 28 at 7:30 p.m. and June 30 at 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, July 2 will see vendors and fun downtown for the whole family to enjoy.

The afternoon and evening activi-

ties are all at the Meeker Fairgrounds beginning with a hypnotist at 2 p.m., a Colorado Professional Rodeo Association (CPRA) rodeo at 3 p.m. and the Ned LeDoux concert starting at 7 p.m., followed by BlackHawk and a barn dance to follow.

For Sunday, July 3, the vendors, bouncy houses, live music, a hypnotist and fun children's attractions like zip lines will be going on downtown all morning and into the late afternoon.

The CPRA night rodeo will begin at 6 p.m. with a barn dance to follow.

Monday, July 4 will be another action-packed day beginning with the 5K run and walk race, and the Meeker Fourth of July Parade set to begin at 10 a.m.

After the parade, the 3-on-3 Main

Street Madness basketball competition will begin at 11:45 a.m. Also going on will be the Plein Air Art Auction and the Rio Blanco Historical Society will stage its Meeker bank robbery re-enactment at 1 p.m.

The Ranch Rodeo Calcutta begins at the fairgrounds at 2 p.m., with the rodeo scheduled for 3 p.m.

The weekend celebration will conclude with the fireworks show at dusk.

Range Call is filled with activities for all ages and interests. For more information, you can check Meeker Range Call out on Facebook or visit the website at [meekerrangecall.com](http://meekerrangecall.com).

Wristband tickets are available now at Wendll's, Meeker Drugs, the Meeker Chamber of Commerce and The Turquoise Gypsy Boutique.

# Meeker girl earns OSU scholarship

Special to the Herald Times

**MEEKER** | Taylor Neilson of Meeker, a student now at Oklahoma State University, was honored by OSU at the recent College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources Scholarships and Awards Banquet.

The scholarship recipients were officially recognized during the banquet where CASNR presented approximately \$600,000 in scholarships and awards to more than 300 students. These scholarships and awards are part of more than \$1.4 million presented to OSU students by the college and its academic departments for the 2016-2017 academic year.

Neilson is the recipient of the \$750 Clark and Dorothy King Endowed Scholarship. She is a sophomore majoring in animal science.

A 2014 graduate of Meeker High School, she is the daughter of Paul and Renae Neilson.

"It is an honor to work with the bright students in CASNR and to showcase their talent through scholarships," said Thomas G. Coon, dean for the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources.

"We deeply appreciate the contributions of our loyal and true alumni and friends. Their generous

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| Original Beneficiary(ies)                                  | Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for AMCAP Mortgage Ltd. DBA Major Mortgage Co. |
| Current Holder of Evidence of Debt                         | PennyMac Loan Services, LLC   |
| Date of Deed of Trust                                      | March 22, 2013  |
| County of Recording  | Rio Blanco  |
| Recording Date of Deed of Trust                            | March 27, 2013  |
| Recording Information (Reception No. and/or Book/Page No.) | 306001 Book: n/a Page:  |
| Original Principal Amount                                  | \$192,346.00  |
| Outstanding Principal Balance                              | \$183,216.10  |

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

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

**NOTICE OF SALE**

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

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| Amended First Publication | 5/19/2016               |
| Amended Last Publication  | 6/16/2016               |
| Name of Publication       | Rio Blanco Herald Times |

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

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

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

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

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DATE: 05/12/2016  
Karen Arnold, Public Trustee in and for the County of Rio Blanco, State of Colorado  
By: Karen Arnold, Public Trustee  
The name, address, business telephone number and bar registration number of the attorney(s) representing the legal holder of the indebtedness is:  
David W. Drake #43315 Scott D. Toebben #19011  
Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C. 216 16th Street, Suite 1210, DENVER, CO 80202 (720) 259-6710  
Attorney File # 16CO00049-1  
The Attorney above is acting as a debt collector and is attempting to collect a debt. Any information provided may be used for that purpose.

**COMBINED NOTICE - MAILING  
CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 16-06**

To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust: On April 7, 2016, the undersigned Public Trustee caused the Notice of Election and Demand relating to the Deed of Trust described below to be recorded in the County of Rio Blanco records.

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| Original Grantor(s)  | Stephen Rowlett and Aimee Rowlett  |
| Original Beneficiary(ies)                                  | Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., acting solely as nominee for Countrywide Home Loans, Inc. dba America's Wholesale Lender |
| Current Holder of Evidence of Debt                         | LSF9 Master Participation Trust  |
| Date of Deed of Trust                                      | June 14, 2007  |
| County of Recording  | Rio Blanco   |
| Recording Date of Deed of Trust                            | June 15, 2007  |
| Recording Information (Reception No. and/or Book/Page No.) | 288908   |
| Original Principal Amount                                  | \$417,000.00   |
| Outstanding Principal Balance                              | \$254,818.56   |

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 43, BLOCK 3 OF SAGE HILLS RESUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF FILED APRIL 1, 1998 AS RECEPTION NO. 261792, TOWN OF MEEKER, COLORADO.**  
Also known by street and number as: 1312 Sage Ridge Road, Meeker, CO 81641.  
**THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ALL OF THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY ENCUMBERED BY THE LIEN OF THE DEED OF TRUST.**

**NOTICE OF SALE**

THEREFORE, Notice Is Hereby Given that I will at public auction, at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, 08/10/2016, at Office of the Public Trustee, Temporary Office, 1032 Jennifer Drive, Meeker CO 81641, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property and all interest of the said Grantor(s), Grantor(s)' heirs and assigns therein, for the purpose of paying the indebtedness provided in said Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, plus attorneys' fees, the expenses of sale and other items allowed by law, and will issue to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law.

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| First Publication   | 6/16/2016               |
| Last Publication    | 7/14/2016               |
| Name of Publication | Rio Blanco Herald Times |

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

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

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DATE: 04/08/2016  
Karen Arnold, Public Trustee in and for the County of Rio Blanco, State of Colorado  
By: Karen Arnold, Public Trustee  
The name, address, business telephone number and bar registration number of the attorney(s) representing the legal holder of the indebtedness is:  
Lisa Cancanon #42043 Monica Kadras #34904  
Barrett Frappier & Weisserman, LLP 1199 Bannock Street, Denver, CO 80204 (303) 350-3711  
Attorney File # 3125.100140  
The Attorney above is acting as a debt collector and is attempting to collect a debt. Any information provided may be used for that purpose.

**LEGAL NOTICES**

**TOWN OF RANGELY  
Check Register  
16-May**

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| VENDOR AMOUNT                           | DESCRIPTION                   |
| A NUVIEW AUTO GLASS,                    | \$199.00, Expenses            |
| AFFORDABLE FIRE PROTECTION,             | \$245.00, Expenses            |
| AFLAC,                                  | \$315.43, Payroll deduction   |
| AIR LIQUIDE AMERICA SPECIALTY GAS, LLC, | \$37.80, Expenses             |
| ALL COPY PRODUCTS INC.,                 | \$783.03, Expenses            |
| ASHLEY VALLEY VETERINARY CLINIC, PC,    | \$156.00, Expenses            |
| BACK TO HEALTH CHIROPRACTIC OF RANGELY, | \$515.00, Services            |
| BOY-KO SUPPLY CO,                       | \$470.28, Expenses            |
| BRADY, ANN,                             | \$100.00, Council Stipend     |
| CADY, BILL,                             | \$249.02, Expenses            |
| CASELLE, INC,                           | \$869.33, Software Support    |
| CENT, \$34004.52, Health Ins            |                               |
| CENTURYLINK,                            | \$4054.10, Communication      |
| CHAMBERLIN ARCHITECTS,                  | \$16000.00, Services          |
| CHIEF/LAW ENFORCEMENT SUPPLY,           | \$71.09, Expenses             |
| CLUB 20,                                | \$50.00, Training             |
| CO DEPT OF PUBLIC HELTH & ENV,          | \$115.00, Services            |
| COLORADO BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION,       | \$330.00, Services            |
| COLORADO CPA SERVICES, PC,              | \$250.00, Services            |
| COUNTRYSIDE VETERINARY CLINIC,          | \$60.00, Expenses             |
| DAN E. WILSON, ATTORNEY AT LAW LLC,     | \$1234.54, Services           |
| DILLON, MICHAEL,                        | \$150.00, Uniforms            |
| DIRECTV,                                | \$368.75, WRV Television      |
| DUCEY'S ELECTRIC,                       | \$757.40, Expenses            |
| ETTEN, JORDAN,                          | \$187.00, Expenses            |
| FAMILY SUPPORT REGISTRY,                | \$373.80, Payroll deduction   |
| FIDELITY ADVISOR FUNDS,                 | \$28461.63, Payroll deduction |
| FIRST BANKCARD,                         | \$2970.60, Expenses           |
| FPPA,                                   | \$727.24, PD Insurance        |
| FRESH EXPRESS CLEANING,                 | \$56.25, Expenses             |
| GALLS LLC,                              | \$284.24, Uniforms            |
| GET YOUR STITCH ON,                     | \$84.00, Uniforms             |
| GRAINGER,                               | \$108.96, Expenses            |
| GRAND JUNCTION PIPE & SUPPLY,           | \$4321.38, Expenses           |
| GREAT AMERICAN LEASING COMPANY,         | \$386.06, Lease               |
| HACH,                                   | \$1889.77, Expenses           |
| HACKING, TYSON,                         | \$100.00, Council Stipend     |
| HATCH, LISA,                            | \$100.00, Expenses            |

**COMBINED NOTICE - MAILING  
CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 16-07**

To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust: On April 8, 2016, the undersigned Public Trustee caused the Notice of Election and Demand relating to the Deed of Trust described below to be recorded in the County of Rio Blanco records.

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| Original Grantor(s)  | Kenneth R. Sheley and Sheryl K. Sheley  |
| Original Beneficiary(ies)                                  | Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. acting solely as nominee for Advanced Financial Services, Inc. |
| Current Holder of Evidence of Debt                         | Embrace Home Loans, Inc.  |
| Date of Deed of Trust                                      | June 01, 2009   |
| County of Recording  | Rio Blanco  |
| Recording Date of Deed of Trust                            | June 12, 2009   |
| Recording Information (Reception No. and/or Book/Page No.) | 296024  |
| Original Principal Amount                                  | \$99,715.00   |
| Outstanding Principal Balance                              | \$99,791.63   |

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**THE LAND REFERRED TO HEREIN BELOW IS SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF RIO BLANCO, STATE OF COLORADO IN DEED BOOK 524, AT PAGE 318, AND IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:**

**A PARCEL OF LAND LYING IN H.E. 177 (HOMESTEAD ENTRY 177 (LYING IN SECTION 1, TOWNSHIP 1 NORTH, RANGE 102 WEST OF THE 6TH P.M., TOWN OF RANGELY, STATE OF COLORADO, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:**

**BEGINNING AT A POINT 1360.4 FEET WEST OF AND 469 FEET SOUTH OF CORNER NO.1 OF SAID H.E. 177;  
THENCE SOUTH, 100 FEET;  
THENCE WEST, 38 FEET;  
THENCE SOUTH, 10 FEET;  
THENCE WEST, 124 FEET;  
THENCE NORTH, 10 FEET;  
THENCE EAST, 100 FEET;  
THENCE NORTH, 100 FEET;  
THENCE EAST, 62 FEET TO THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING.  
AND KNOWN BY STEET AND NUMBER AS 244 SOUTH BIRCH, P.O. BOX 281, RANGELY, COLORADO 81648**

Also known by street and number as: 244 S Birch Ave, Rangely, CO 81648.  
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| First Publication   | 6/16/2016               |
| Last Publication    | 7/14/2016               |
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DATE: 04/08/2016  
Karen Arnold, Public Trustee in and for the County of Rio Blanco, State of Colorado  
By: Karen Arnold, Public Trustee  
The name, address, business telephone number and bar registration number of the attorney(s) representing the legal holder of the indebtedness is:  
MARCELO G. ROJAS #46396 SUSAN HENDRICK #33196  
Klatt, Odekirk, Augustine, Sayer, Treinen & Rastede, P.C. 9745 EAST HAMPDEN AVE., SUITE 400, DENVER, CO 80231 (303) 353-2965  
Attorney File # 160086  
The Attorney above is acting as a debt collector and is attempting to collect a debt. Any information provided may be used for that purpose.

**LEGAL NOTICES**

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| HIRERIGHT, INC.,                        | \$210.81, Services            |
| ITRON, INC.,                            | \$999.77, Expenses            |
| KEY, ANDREW J.                          | \$100, Council Stipend        |
| LIFELOC TECHNOLOGIES,                   | \$207.65, Expenses            |
| MAIL SERVICES,                          | \$838.93, Services            |
| MASTER PETROLEUM CO, INC.,              | \$328.00, Expenses            |
| MESA COUNTY HEALTH DEPT REG LABORATORY, | \$20.00, Expenses             |
| METROPOLITAN COMPOUNDS, INC.,           | \$449.00, Expenses            |
| MOON LAKE ELECTRIC,                     | \$11950.76, Electricity       |
| MOUNTAIN STATES PIPE & SUPPLY,          | \$4303.52, Expenses           |
| MOUNTAIN WEST SECURITY LLC,             | \$20.00, Expenses             |
| NATIONAL INDUSTRIAL & SAFETY SUPPLY,    | \$135.20, Expenses            |
| NETWORKS UNLIMITED,                     | \$1867.30, Support            |
| NICHOLS STORE,                          | \$60.50, Expenses             |
| NIELSEN, JOSEPH,                        | \$150.00, Council Stipend     |
| ORKIN PEST CONTROL,                     | \$50.00, Services             |
| PERKINS MOTOR CITY DODGE,               | \$91118.00, Expenses          |
| PIERING, LISA,                          | \$40.00, Expenses             |
| PINNACOL ASSURANCE,                     | \$5246.41, Insurance          |
| PIPELINE TESTING CONSORTIUM,            | \$935.00, Services            |
| PITNEY BOWES INC.,                      | \$340.54, Expenses            |
| PITNEY BOWES POSTAGE BY PHONE,          | \$1000.00, Expenses           |
| PROFESSIONAL TOUCH,                     | \$680.56, Services            |
| Q.C. TESTING, INC.,                     | \$980.00, Expenses            |
| QUALITY CARPET & FURNISHINGS,           | \$1044.26, Services           |
| QUILL,                                  | \$443.42, Expenses            |
| RANGELY AUTO PARTS,                     | \$3334.31, Expenses           |
| RANGELY COMMUNITY GARDENS,              | \$500.00, Expenses            |
| RANGELY HARDWARE,                       | \$4579.76, Expenses           |
| RANGELY SCHOOL FOUNDATION,              | \$12973.47, Sales Tax Funding |
| RANGELY TRASH SERVICE,                  | \$778.00, Services            |
| RANGELY, TOWN OF,                       | \$4189.73, Utilities          |
| RAY ALLEN MANUFACTURING,                | \$170.12, Expenses            |
| RIO BLANCO COUNTY,                      | \$21.53, Services             |
| RIO BLANCO HERALD TIMES,                | \$116.02, Expenses            |
| ROBIE, TREY,                            | \$100.00, Council Stipend     |
| SAM'S CLUB/GEICR,                       | \$708.88, Expenses            |
| SCHMEUSER GORDON MEYER, INC.,           | \$1645.50, Services           |
| SENERGY BUILDERS,                       | \$5082.20, Housing Rental Fee |
| SERVICE MASTER CLEAN,                   | \$253.40, Services            |
| SGS ACCUTEST INC.,                      | \$883.50, Chemicals           |
| SHAFFER, ANDREW,                        | \$100.00, Council Stipend     |

**LEGAL NOTICES**

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| SHELEY, NANCY,                          | \$137.48, Utility Clearing |
| STULTZ, JOSEPH,                         | \$50.00, Uniforms          |
| SIMPLIFILE, LLC,                        | \$18.00, Services          |
| STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY RC,          | \$616.86, Life Insurance   |
| STEWART WELDING & MACHINE, INC.,        | \$170.19, Expenses         |
| STRATA NETWORKS,                        | \$500.00, Services         |
| SUMMIT ENERGY,                          | \$17212.11, Gas            |
| Transmission/Transport SUPERCIRCUITS,   | \$289.54, Expenses         |
| TRANSSION RISK & ALTERNATIVE,           | \$55.00, Services          |
| TRANSWEST TRUCK TRAILER RV,             | \$3233.81, Services        |
| UNCC,                                   | \$120.12, Services         |
| URIE ROCK COMPANY,                      | \$1338.05, Expenses        |
| URIE TRUCKING CO,                       | \$700.00, Expenses         |
| VAN DIEST SUPPLY COMPANY,               | \$1574.60, Expenses        |
| VERIZON WIRELESS,                       | \$1245.99, Cell Service    |
| VERNAL PET CLINIC & WELLNESS CENTER,    | \$1063.70, Expenses        |
| VERNAL WINNELSON CO,                    | \$974.52, Expenses         |
| WALTER ENVIRONMENTAL,                   | \$4513.73, Services        |
| WEX BANK,                               | \$2699.81, Fuel            |
| WHITE RIVER MARKET,                     | \$348.66, Supplies         |
| WILCZEK, KAREN,                         | \$300.00, Judge Fee        |
| WILLIS, JON,                            | \$127.20, Training         |
| WISS, JANNEY, ELSTNER ASSOCIATES, INC., | \$1125.00, Expenses        |
| WRB REC & PARK DISTRICT,                | \$146.75, Expenses         |
| \$299,253.39                            |                            |
| Published: June 16, 2016                |                            |
| Rio Blanco Herald Times                 |                            |

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

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

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.

**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.

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

**COMBINED NOTICE - MAILING  
CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 16-05**

To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust: On March 29, 2016, the undersigned Public Trustee caused the Notice of Election and Demand relating to the Deed of Trust described below to be recorded in the County of Rio Blanco records.

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| Original Grantor(s)  | Angela S. Brister and Tommy L. Brister |
| Original Beneficiary(ies)                                  | Wells Fargo Financial Colorado, Inc.   |
| Current Holder of Evidence of Debt                         | Wells Fargo Financial Colorado, Inc.   |
| Date of Deed of Trust                                      | May 18, 2007                           |
| County of Recording  | Rio Blanco                             |
| Recording Date of Deed of Trust                            | May 24, 2007                           |
| Recording Information (Reception No. and/or Book/Page No.) | 288747                                 |
| Original Principal Amount                                  | \$194,897.00                           |
| Outstanding Principal Balance                              | \$192,046.58                           |

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**MEEKER STREAKER  
MONTHLY SCHEDULE  
JUNE, 2016**

NOTE: Please call 878-9368 in advance to set up all medical appointments  
rides. Activities are subject to change. Bus available on dates noted below.  
6/16 GR JCT Medical Bus in Town  
6/17 Bus in Town  
6/18 No Bus  
6/19 AM Bus  
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6/30 Bus in Town  
Due to Daylight Savings Time, please schedule out-of-town medical appointments before 2:00 PM. Call Streaker for a ride 878-9368. Reservations for Rec. Center Trips should be made at 878-3403. Chuckwagon 878-5627. Please call in advance for a ride to medical appointments- (970)878-9368. For Rangely dental appointments, please call (970)675-3250.

**Alcoholics Anonymous**

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

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



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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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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.

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

**ELDER CARE SERVICES**

Would like to provide in-home care service, Colorado certified CNA, to include light housekeeping. (970)620-0917.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

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

**AUCTIONS**

Auction: Moving & Estate Auction, Saturday June 25th at 10:00 a.m. 2368 S. 1500 E. in Vernal, UT Tractors & Equipment, Vehicles, Trucks, Trailers, Campers, ATVs, Tools, Guns, Tack, Household Items, Antiques & Collectibles, and much more. We will also be taking consignments for this auction. For more information please call ZJ Auction Service, Inc. 435-789-7424 www.zjauction.com

Auction, Saturday, June 18, 10:00 A.M., 303 Main Street, Rangely, Colorado. 1912-1925-1956-1951-1997 vehicles of all kinds, cars, pickups, caddy limo, tow truck, trucks, boat, flatbed and semi van trailers, scrap iron, semi parts, tools, motors, pumps, tires, water hose, guns, ammo, and more. Estate of Paul McCracken by Steve CP Auction and Company. Call Steve Claypoole, CP Auction Service (970)260-5577 See web www.cpauction.com "Call me about a sale for you"

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**AUCTIONS**

**Moving Country Auction**, Saturday, June 25th, 10:00 AM, 696 County Rd 22, Craig, CO (5 miles North of Craig) 35 HP tractor w/loader, fodder solutions seed to feed machine, 3 pt attachments, 330 T posts, JD riding mower, saddles & tack, feeders, scrap pipe, stock tanks, gelding, 3 registered miniature Hereford bulls, cattle chute, flatbed & 4 horse trailers, fuel tank on stand, hand & power tools, very nice clean household furniture of all kinds, very nice western art, tables & chairs, leather couch set, beds all clean, patio furniture, single livestock scale, Donna & Bill Shue moving. Very clean items.

**Estate Auction**, Sunday, June 26th, 10:00 AM, 1947 Wheatridge Dr., Craig, CO (3 miles South of Craig) Suburban, Chevy S-10, Chevy Deluxe, hand & power tools, wood planes, hand drills, lots of electric wire, cinder blocks, torch set, welder, riding mower, 9 rifles, 2 pistols, 50 knives, fishing poles, etc., saddle, tack, tires & rims, scrap iron. Lots of antiques & collectibles of all kinds, cook stove, cast iron, tools, fishing poles, traps, yard art, 50 Tonka toys, 2 coat of arms, marbles, etc. Huge & large John Wayne & Dale Emhart collections. Estate of Jon Jon Hall. For more info call Steve Claypoole, CP Auction Service, 970-260-5577. See web www.cpauction.com "Call us about a sale for you"

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**YARD SALES**

MEEKER: 852 9th St., Sat., 6/18, 8 AM-12 PM

MEEKER: 444 Agency Dr., Moving Sale, Sat., 6/18, 8 AM - 1 PM. Everything and more.

MEEKER: 1035 Garfield, Sat., 6/18, 8 AM-? Our house to your house. Children items, furniture, good quality clothes, U bag, and much more.

**HELP WANTED: GENERAL**

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

in general and in one own specific field. 7. Understand the student group being served and work toward improving students skills. 8. Actively engage in the CNCC assessment of student learning initiatives and complete assigned assessment activities. 9. Participate in departmental meetings including curriculum development and review, as well as staffing for students of concern. 10. Keep accurate records, maintain course syllabi, and post grades according to College schedules. 11. Assist with new student orientation. 12. Serve as an Academic Advisor for students seeking an Associate of Science Degree with articulations or transfer agreements in oceanography, marine sciences or other related fields. 13. Report to appropriate personnel problems involving students needing special academic or personal assistance. 14. Schedule, post, and meet five (5) to ten (10) office hours each week. 15. Attend all meetings and trainings appropriate to the assigned position. 16. Actively serve on additional College committees as appropriate and necessary. 17. Adhere to the community college philosophy and the policies/procedures of CCCS and CNCC. 18. Accept assignments in evening programs, and student-life activities when appropriate. 19. Participate in the annual Honors Banquet. 20. Participate in the annual Commencement exercises. 21. Perform other duties as assigned by the Rangely Chair of Arts and Sciences and/or the Rangely Campus Dean of Instruction. SECTION IV Secondary Duties: 1. Utilize the resources of northwestern Colorado and CNCC to enhance student learning. 2. Tutor students in the gateway center at least two hours per week. SECTION V Important & essential knowledge, skills & abilities: 1. Knowledge and ability to teach within required disciplines. 2. Computer literate, especially with a variety of classroom technology. 3. Good oral and written communication skills. 4. Ability to work with confidential matters. 5. Good interpersonal skills. 6. Good organizational skills. SECTION VI Degrees, Licenses, Certificates or Registration: Minimum or Required: Master degree from an accredited college or university in marine sciences or closely related field with graduate hours supporting another discipline.

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**Pioneers Medical Center**  
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Eastern Rio Blanco County Health Service District



**Employment Opportunities**

**Meeker Elementary School**

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**HELP WANTED: GENERAL**

Preferred:  
PhD in Marine sciences or physical sciences and at least 18 graduate hours supporting another needed discipline. Three years minimum of teaching experience in higher education in one or more of the desired disciplines.  
SECTION VII Equipment/Machine Operation:  
Knowledge of the following equipment/machines is necessary in the performance of the duties of this position.  
Minimum or Required:  
Computer and related software  
Valid driver license and ability to drive vehicles up to 15 passengers.  
SUPERVISES THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS:  
Workstudy lab technician  
DATE OF UPDATE: 4/8/2016  
PERSON CURRENTLY HOLDING POSITION: Ellis Thompson-Ellis

**CNCC Adjunct Instructors needed on the Rangely Campus:**

Colorado Northwestern Community College, Rangely Campus, is seeking a full-time instructor to teach appropriate courses in the National Park Service S.L.E.T.P. Academy, Bachelor's Degree from an accredited college or university, ability to obtain Federal Law Enforcement Training Center certifications as required, current valid driver's license, and ability to earn a Colorado Career and Technical Education Certificate required. Preferred candidates will have a Master's Degree; current FLETC Instructor training certifications in any of the following: Basic Tactics, Arrest Techniques, Firearms, Driver Training, and PEB; and teaching experience in crime scene investigation, victims awareness, special/abnormal populations and community policing.  
For a full job description and the application procedure, please visit our website at: [www.cncc.edu/human-resources/employment-opportunities-2/](http://www.cncc.edu/human-resources/employment-opportunities-2/) First review of applications will begin July 15th.  
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**Full-Time & Part-Time Customer Service Representative Meeker**  
We are looking for a professional individual with strong customer service skills and cash handling experience to join our team. Banking experience is a plus. Excellent benefits. Apply online at [www.glaicierbankcorp.com](http://www.glaicierbankcorp.com). Bank of the San Juans is an Equal Opportunity Employer.



Auto Technician needed, pay based on experience, send resume to [office@nwautogmc.net](mailto:office@nwautogmc.net) or call 970-878-5026 for more information

**CNCC Student Life Coordinator, Craig Campus**

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

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All aspects of auto sales. Pay commensurate with experience. Email resumes/references to [office@nwautogmc.net](mailto:office@nwautogmc.net) or call (970)878 5026 for more information.

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

**Aviation Technology Instructor**  
Colorado Northwestern Community College, Rangely Campus, is seeking a full-time instructor in the Aviation Technology Program. Minimum requirements include on, including ALL REQUIREMENTS, and the application procedure, please visit our website at: [www.cncc.edu/human-resources/employment-opportunities-2/](http://www.cncc.edu/human-resources/employment-opportunities-2/) Review of applications will begin immediately. CNCC is an Equal Opportunity employer.

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

**MOTORCADE: MISCELLANEOUS**

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**WANTED**

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



**RE: RENTALS: MEEKER**

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**RE: HOMES: MEEKER**

**FSBO: 4BDR/2BA,** 2000 sq ft. Nice location. Auto sprinkler, all appl & extras. 871 10th St. \$230,000. 970-629-0151

**1307 Sage Ridge Rd,** 1756 sf, 3 bed, 2 bath, log home. Great yard, gardens, views. Many updates. 970-878-9968. [www.zillow.com](http://www.zillow.com)

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**RE: HOMES: RANGELY**

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| 110 S. White Ave.<br><b>\$129,900</b><br>Charming Newer Home<br>2 Beds & 2 Baths      | 622 E. Rio Blanco Ave.<br><b>\$124,000</b><br>Terrific Ranch Home<br>3 Beds & 1 Bath | 2 Duplexes on S. White<br><b>\$110,000 each</b><br>2 beds & 1 bath each         |

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- 642 Cleveland - 2996 SF, 5 bdrm home, large corner lot ..... \$225,000
- 939 Strawberry Patch, 12.4 acres, 3bd,2ba home, 2 car garage ..... \$199,900
- 1361 Robert St. - 4bd, 2 ba, very motivated. .... \$193,000
- 450 Garfield Street - Cute 2 bedroom home close to downtown (Pending) ..... \$125,000
- 1036 Park Ave. - Cute 1+bdm, 1 bath, garage, great starter home ..... \$85,000
- Vacant Cabin Site - 5 acres, up river on County Road 14 ..... \$85,000

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**815 Sulphur Creek Meeker, Colorado**  
**\$212,000**  
Great opportunity to own this impeccably kept home, super clean and ready to move into. Recently remodeled Master Bath with seek high-end finishes and many other upgrades throughout, large dining area, 3 BD, 2 BA home located in the center of everything, walking distance to town, schools and Rec Center. Beautiful yard and fun deck - come take a look!

- 1247 Garfield St. - Cute 3BD, 1 bath ranch-style home w/ one care garage. Great starter home, large fenced backyard, big apple tree & two storage outbuildings. \$140,000
- 824 2nd St. - 15,000 SF lot, 3 BD 1 3/4 bath home with large deck & great views, also has walk out basement to the back yard, fully fenced yard. \$160,000
- 970 9th St. - Quiet neighborhood with huge 18,750 SF lot, 4 bedrooms 3 Bath home, with all kinds of potential to make it exactly like you want! Fireplaces in living room and master bedroom. Metal roof. \$155,000
- 1886 RBC Rd. 8 - New windows throughout, 3 BD, 2-1/2 BA home, 6.8 acres with 2000 SF White River frontage, large deck and spectacular views. One of a kind property! \$350,000
- 71622 Hwy. 64 - Perfect property! All recently remodeled, 3 BD, 2 BA home, close to town with great park-like setting. Just shy of 1 acre. \$299,000
- 1083 Laurie Cir. - Cute 3 BD, 1-3/4 BA, two-car garage, clean & open kitchen with newer appliances & fresh paint. Small yard & borders new soccer field. Price reduced! \$109,000
- 744 Market St. - Lots of possibilities, 3BD, 1 bath home 1176 sf, nice 2 car detached garage with extra parking. Oversized lot is 6,625 sf! Priced to sell! \$88,000. Sale Pending!

**MEXICAN RESTAURANT & APARTMENT:** 302 W. Main St. - 3912 SF, fully functional, built in 1946 and has a banquet room in addition to the 2 BD, 1 BA apartment with 880 SF, built in 1950. \$250,000

- 315 & 317 N. Grand Ave. - Duplex: Attractively renovated. Each unit has 1,200 SF, 2 BD, 2 BA, WD hook-up, carport for each side. Priced to Sell! \$139,500 Excellent income property.
- NICE! 607 Lake St. - 3 BD 2 BA custom built home on a quiet corner lot. \$115,000
- 1411 La Mesa Cir. - Beautiful, well maintained home, 4 BD, 3 BA home. SOLD!

**346 N Cross L Dr.**

Nestled on a quiet private road close to town, this custom built 3BD/2BA home on 3 acres has a 1610 SF open floor plan and is conducive to outdoor entertaining. Fenced for privacy and pipe fencing for your animals. Shed, outbuildings, horses allowed, RV parking, Tractor and attachments included. Price Reduced: \$274,000

**RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY**

585 Cleveland St. - Picturesque 3,806 SQFT home in downtown Meeker. Beautifully landscaped private yard. \$389,000

756 Hill St. - Perfectly maintained 3BD/2BA log home with DREAM 4+ car garage! \$310,000

NEW 959 Garfield St. - Wonderfully kept 4BD/2.5BA home, detached garage, workshop and lots of storage. \$265,000. OPEN HOUSE, JUNE 16th, 10AM-1PM

NEW 1104 Jeannette Cr. - Custom built 3BD/1.75BA home, great open floor plan with fabulous White River Valley views, within walking distance of Recreation District. Price Reduced: \$230,000

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

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

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

560 5th St. - Spacious 2,992 SQFT home with 5BD/3.25BA, ideal for a large family. In addition, enjoy the sizable 1,200 SQFT heated shop, with ample workspace and storage. Price Reduced: \$190,000

NEW 973 Main St. - Glorious yard with garden and privacy. Lovely 2BD/1.75BA home, detached garage and cottage. \$184,000

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**64280 Highway 64**

16.99 acres with White River frontage, BLM access, lush grass, trees and a lovely 5BD/2BA home plus a 30'x46' attached insulated garage with three overhead and three walk-in doors. Pastures and outbuildings. Great views, well-maintained property. Horses allowed, RV parking. \$399,500

1601 White River Rd. - Brand new 3BD/2BA home w/ attached garage. 3.22 acres just south of the golf course. Price Reduced: \$319,500

269 RBC Rd. 57 - Get out of town and into this 3BD/2BA home with over 1,100 sqft in garages alone, plus 1.37 pretty acres! Price Reduced: \$319,130

402 Sandstone Dr. - 10+ acre with a custom slick-built 3BD/2BA home with roping & riding arena, tack shed, carport, pasture, pond & views. Located about 4 miles from Meeker. \$298,000

NEW 8505 RBC Rd. 8 - Lovely up river home on 1.76 acres. Nice views, fenced yard and year round access. \$289,000

346 N. Cross L Dr. - Adorable 3BD/2BA stucco home on 3 acres. Only minutes from town, mills & views. Price Reduced: \$274,000

378 RBC Rd. 40 - Log cabin on 3 acres with spring. Located about 20 minutes drive east of Meeker. \$119,000

210 RBC Rd. 75 - Papoose Creek Cabin - Forest service leased land, your rustic cabin to enjoy! \$65,000

**VACANT LAND**

41 Vacant Lots - Sanderson Hills Subdivision. Located on the northwest side of the subdivision. \$250,000 for all OWNER FINANCING

15,000 SQFT Lot at 6th & Water St. - Mixed zoning, cleared, READY FOR YOUR NEW BUILDING! \$120,000

5 Acres BUCKSKIN VALLEY SUBDIVISION - This is one of the best 5 acre parcels in the Meeker area with exceptional views, trees, rock outcroppings, central water system and the country lifestyle. Time to build! \$84,995

459 Cross L Dr. - 3 acres in Cross L Estates, good building location on corner lot. \$80,000

50 Acres FOURTEEN MILE SUBDIVISION - Enjoy open space and wonderful views! \$67,500

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**COMMERCIAL PROPERTY**

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

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

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

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**HOMES IN MEEKER ...**

- \*657 Cleveland- Historic brick 2 story, updated 4 BR, 2 BA, lg lot, trees, great location. \$229,000 REDUCED!
- \*900 Main St - 3BR, 1.5 BA, log home w/attached 2 car garage. Updated and spotless. \$179,000 REDUCED!
- \*725 Cedar St - 5 BR, 2-1/2 BA, Beautiful one of a kind home, good views, updated high end kitchen, huge family room, outdoor entertaining area, 2 fireplaces, garage, on 3 lots, great neighborhood. \$299,500 REDUCED!
- \*826 2nd St- 3 BR, 2.5 BA, 2,084 sq ft bi-level home near schools. Fenced yard, trees. \$160,000 SALE PENDING!
- \*1111 Wall St- 3 BR, 2 BA one level home. Laminated floors, lg master suite, storage shed. \$128,000 REDUCED!
- \*1331 Sage Ridge Rd- Immaculate 2 story, 3 BR, 2.5 BA, garage, RV carport. \$239,500 SOLD!

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

- \*NEW 439 Agency Dr- Beautiful 2 story log home, 4 BR, 3 BA, walk-out basement, big deck, on 6 irrigated acres, 1 mile south of town. Attached garage, plus a 30x40 horse barn, trees and wonderful views. \$485,000.
- \*NEW 6500 CR 7- 2 Acres NW of Meeker. 2,592 sq ft updated home, 4 BR, 2 BA, fireplace, well. \$275,000.
- \*444 Agency Dr- 4 BR, 3.5 BA, 2 story log home w/attached 2 car garage, basement, sun room with hot tub, decks, close to town. 5 irrigated acres, horse barn & corals. Trees & views. \$335,000 SALE PENDING!
- \*510 Meadow Lane- 3BR, 2.5 BA home on 6.9 acres. Private location west of Meeker, large attached garage, wrap around covered porch, pond, hot tub, great views. \$365,000 REDUCED—SELLER MOTIVATED!
- \*3315 CR 8- 42 Acres, great views, 2,304 sq ft, 3 BR, 2 BA log home, decks, new well. \$400,000 SALE PENDING!
- \*1020 S. Little Rancho Dr- 80 Acres bordering BLM land. Very private, end of the road. Newer log home, 3 BR, 2 BA, decks. Barn, pond, water well, fenced for livestock, good hunting, views. \$595,000.
- \*686 Rimmrock Dr- 5.5 acres, captivating location, 3BR, 2 BA 1 story log home. Amazing pond, irrigation water, beautifully landscaped, RV hook-up, great views, garage, and shed. Zip line! \$409,000.
- \*1260 CR 119- Ute Creek Cabin - Forest Service lease land, 2 room log cabin, 3/4 bath. \$75,000.
- \*293 Agency Dr. - 5 acres, 1 mile S. of town, near golf course. Updated 4 BR, 2 BA home with basement, garage, decks. Awesome views. Irrigated hay & pasture. Lg shop with horse stalls. \$419,000.
- \*CR 8 - 88 Acres just east of Meeker. Hunting, dry land pasture, development potential. \$425,000 REDUCED!
- \*29100 CR 8- 12 Acres with River & fishing. Nice 1,252 sq ft 3 BR, 2 BA cabin, borders BLM. \$795,000.

**BUSINESS & INVESTMENT ...**

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

**RAW LAND AND HOMESITES ...**

- \*5807 CR 7 - Vacant 20 acre parcel, 9 mi. North, on Strawberry Creek. Good home site & views! \$75,000.
- \*CR 8 - 88 Acres just east of Meeker. Hunting, dry land pasture, development potential. \$425,000 REDUCED!
- \*359 Love Lane-5 acres, Cross L Estates. Lot 13, great home property, well, \$100,000.
- \*River Property-19.6 Acres 12 miles west. Irrigated hay, good home sites, river. \$145,000.
- \*Little Beaver Estates- Lot 4, 35 acres, fenced, pond, loafing shed, great home site. \$64,900 SALE PENDING!
- \*Little Beaver Estates- 35 acre lot bordering DOW hunting land. Lot 11- \$95,000.
- \*Little Beaver Estates 35 acre lot bordering Division of Wildlife public land, Lot 14. \$93,000 REDUCED!
- \*Little Beaver Estates Lot 13 - 35 acre lot bordering Division of Wildlife public land, \$89,000 REDUCED!
- \*100 acres 29 miles east of Meeker, surrounded by Nat'l Forest, covered with Aspens. \$1,395,000.000.
- \*Several nice building lots on Mimi Circle and Michael Circle. Reduced to \$19,900 each.

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