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BATTLE SITE TOUR**
JULY 3, 10 a.m.
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WATER, WATER, EVERYWHERE ...



BOBBY GUTIERREZ PHOTO

Water poured over Taylor Draw Dam at Kenney Reservoir last Thursday at between 3,000-3,100 cubic feet per second. Significant debris, including whole cottonwood trees, were washed into the reservoir with a combination of heavy rain and runoff last weekend. Rio Blanco Water Conservancy District Manager Alden Vanden Brink said they'll wait to see what "settles out" of the debris and clear the rest, and will need to hire divers to go in and check the dam. Last weekend's weather affected fishing for a couple days, but Vanden Brink expects everything to be back to normal in time for the Jackpot Fishing Derby this Saturday, hosted by the Gone Fishing 4-H Club. The Derby starts at 7:30 a.m. and will raise funds for the 4-H club.

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Lightning 'fries' broadband tower, CR 8 residents without internet

By **NIKI TURNER**
editor@ht1885.com

RBC | Last week's stormy weather proved detrimental to the county's broadband program, as a direct hit to the side of the Pollard tower bypassed the lightning and grounding rod and melted most of the components inside, cutting internet service to 69 residents along County Road 8. The loss of the Pollard tower also affected residents who access the county's broadband network through the Marvine tower, as the Pollard tower "feeds" Marvine.

As of Wednesday, RBC Communications Director Cody Crooks said the towers should be "back to full operational status" by end of day Friday.

CDOT UPDATE ON HWY. 13

Representatives from the Colorado Department of Transportation and the construction firm hired for the latest project on Hwy. 13—Scott Contracting—attended a work session with the county commissioners and county staff Tuesday for introductions to answer any further questions.

Rio Blanco County Road and Bridge Director Dave Morlan welcomed the group and said he felt confident most of the concerns expressed by the public at

the last Meeker meeting had been addressed.

Morlan asked about the planned use of concrete instead of asphalt on the almost five-mile project, which will include acceleration/deceleration lanes at the intersection of Hwy. 13 and County Road 5. Approximately 1,500 feet of CR 5 asphalt will be replaced with concrete, prompting concerns about maintenance.

"Concrete should last a lot longer than asphalt," said Tony Roberts, one of the division managers for Scott Contracting. "If you get ahead of the maintenance it should last 20-25 years." The bid for concrete, which uses local materials and subcontractors,

Clint Moyer, CDOT resident engineer out of Craig, said a recent concrete project north of Craig has been positively received by the public. Concrete is more environmentally friendly, requires less light because it's more reflective than asphalt, and can be as smooth or smoother than asphalt.

As far as concerns about delays and closures, Roberts said, "Per the specification in the bid, we're only allowed on very limited basis to close State Hwy. 13 for two hours. It has to happen, guys. There's some pretty significant box culverts being put in. By the time we put a 250-ton crane

in the middle of the road ... We don't want cars driving by that. At no time will we take all access away. There will be plenty of notice as to when these things are going to take place. We'll make sure if there's a medical emergency we can get people through."

Project updates will be sent to various agencies, including Community Counts and the HT. Sheriff Anthony Mazzola asked for information to be shared via established social media accounts for announcements, last minute changes and updates, etc.

To receive email notifications from Community Counts on road closures, livestock moves, energy activity, etc., email nita@communitycountscolorado.com or call 303-916-4009

PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATE

RBC Public Health is "fully operational two days a week in each location [Meeker and Rangely]," according to Public Health Nurse Alice Harvey.

To date in June, eight children were vaccinated (uninsured or Medicaid patients); 28 blood pressure checks were performed at Chuckwagon; three high risk Women, Infant and Children program participants were served; and six sexual health clients were served (sexual health includes family planning and sexually transmitted infections).

Sober Buddy Shuttle offers safe rides, affordable transportation alternative

By **NIKI TURNER**
Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER | What sprang from a desire to provide a service to others is turning into a business venture for Meeker's Lonnie White, a 2012 transplant from the East Coast.

There aren't a lot of places for single folks to hang out in Meeker besides the bar. White, an electrician by trade with two decades of sobriety under his belt, needed to do "something of service" as part of his sobriety. While socializing and playing pool at Chipper's, White realized people were leaving the bar in their cars, risking their lives or a DUI, or calling friends or family members in the wee hours for a ride home.

"What better way to be of service than to offer rides for free?"

White started offering free rides home, but his passengers often insisted he take a donation.

In 2017, the idea began to evolve. A bar patron commented, "You're a sober buddy who shuttles people around," and the Sober Buddy



CAITLIN WALKER

Lonnie White of Meeker offers shuttle services to meet a variety of needs, including not only rides home when you've had a bit too much to drink, but appointments, grocery runs, rides to work and much more.

Shuttle was born.

Since then, the idea has evolved and expanded. Inspired by the story of Harp Bros. Transportation Services who hauled people and freight to and from Meeker in the late 1800s and early 1900s, White has added more services to a town severely lacking in public transportation options. He now offers rides around Meeker for \$5, and rides out of town

for \$1 a mile (significantly less than most taxi services). He's taken riders to medical appointments, airport drop-offs and pick-ups, on grocery runs, and more. The Meeker Streaker—which provides transportation services for area seniors—has his number for residents whose needs don't fit the Streaker schedule. On the

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

SOBER BUDDY:

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TODAY! ■ **Meeker Summer Rodeo Series** Thursdays at 7 p.m. at RBC Fairgrounds. June 27—FREE ADMISSION SPONSORED BY WREA. July 11, 18, 25; Aug. 1, 8 and 15. \$5 at gate, 12 and under at 65+ free! Nightly raffle.

TODAY! ■ **Gentleman's Group "Geezer Gather"** every Thursday at 9 a.m. at the Meeker Veteran's Community Center. 290 4th Street. Adults 55+, stop by for refreshments and conversation. 970-878-3758.

TODAY! ■ **Warrior at Heart men's prayer group.** Thursdays from 5:45 to 7 a.m. at the Meeker VFW. Non-denominational and non-doctrinal. www.waheart.com

■ **Art On A Kart Master the Masters.** Mark your calendar for the third Thursday of each month for an evening of art and friendship. Canvas, paint, drawing and painting techniques are included. \$30 per person. Call or text Liz Waters 970-274-3794 to confirm or ask questions.

■ **RESCHEDULED MHS Track Clinic** June 28, 10 a.m. to noon at the Bob King Track at MHS. Youth entering K-8th grade are invited to this FREE track clinic. ERBM Recreation & Park District 970-878-3403

■ **Free Swim Friday** Enjoy a free swimming day with the family on Friday, June 28 from 4-6 p.m. at the Rangely Rec Center.

■ **Meeker's Farmers Market** Saturday, June 29, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.

■ **Pageant Practice** Sunday, June 30 at 7 p.m., Monday, July 1 at 7 p.m., Tuesday, July 2 at 8 p.m. Fairgrounds.

■ **Meeker Recreation Center CLOSED July 4.** Join ERBM downtown for the 5K, free concert and Stars-n-Stripes 3-on-3 Basketball tournament. ERBM Recreation & Park District 970-878-3403.

■ **Surf-n-Turf Dinner** Get your tickets now for the WRBM 4th of July surf-n-turf dinner at Cedar Ridges Golf Course Friday, July 5 at 6:30 p.m. \$25 surf-n-turf meal ticket, \$5 kids' hot dog meal ticket. Call or come by the Rangely Rec Center, 970-675-8211. Hurry, tickets go fast.

■ **Rib Cook-Off** Who makes the best ribs? Find out at the rib cook-off Saturday, July 6 at Elks Park in Rangely. Cash prizes awarded for 1st-3rd place. For contest entry details and rules, call 970-675-8211, or check Facebook under Rangely Rec.

■ **Pie Baking Contest** Bring your best fruit or cream pie to the Elks Park Playground Pavilion in Rangely Saturday, July 6 by 11:45 a.m. for a chance to win a cash prize. For contest entry details and rules, call 970-675-8211, or check Facebook under Rangely Rec.

■ **The Meeker Library Book Club** will be reading "Foundation" by Isaac Asimov. We will discuss the book on Monday, July 8 at 1 p.m. All are welcome to join in the fun.

■ **Dance Camp** Learn new moves or brush up on old ones at the Rangely Rec Center Dance Camp for kids July 8-11. \$7 per child. Signup deadline July 5. Ballet for 3-5 year olds, drill team for 6-10 year olds and hip hop for 6-10 year old boys and girls.

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■ **Drop-in Adult Volleyball** Mondays, July 8 through Aug. 12 at 7 p.m. Adults 16 and older are invited to the outdoor adult drop-in volleyball program. Drop-in volleyball at Town Park will run July 8-August 12 on Monday evenings from 7pm-8:30pm. A minimum of four participants must arrive by 7:15pm or the program will be cancelled for the night. ERBM Recreation & Park District

970-878-3403.

■ **Inflatable Pool Party July 12** 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the MRC Pool. Inflatables and games will be out for this pool party for all ages! Normal MRC fees and rules apply. ERBM Recreation & Park District 970-878-3403.

■ **MHS Summer Jam Basketball Clinic** July 16, 10-noon at MES Gym. Free basketball clinic for youth entering K-8th grades. ERBM Recreation & Park District 970-878-3403

■ **Summer Entertainment Series Concert No. 3 Downtown Pavilion July 19, 6 to 8:30 p.m.** Valle Musico, a guitar based band with jazz, classical, Latin, and world fusion musical elements, will be performing at this free summer concert. Downtown will be full of activities with the Farmers Market, a beer garden, cornhole boards, and a bounce house. ERBM Recreation & Park District 970-878-3403

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

■ **Meeker Lions Club** meets every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at 290 Fourth St. New members are always welcome. It's a great way to give back to the community and spend time with a fun group of people.

■ **A Night Under Our Stars** discussion group for those interested in UFOs, spirits and other strange things. Please bring your stories. White River Museum, every 2nd Tuesday evening at 6:30 p.m.

■ **Rangely Community Resource Pantry Winter Hours:** Mondays from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m., Thursdays from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and the first and third Saturday of the month from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

■ **The Rangely Moms Group** meets the first Thursday of each month from 9-11 a.m. at First Baptist Church (207 S. Sunset Ave.) to help connect moms in our community. Any moms who have newborn through elementary aged children are

welcome to join us for food, fellowship and fun. Childcare is provided. The first meeting is free. Subsequent meetings are \$5. Scholarships are available if needed.

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

■ **Gentleman's Group** meeting every Tuesday at 9 a.m. at the Meeker Recreation Center lounge. Adults 55+, stop by for refreshments and conversation. ERBM Recreation & Park District 970-878-3403.

■ **Celebrate Recovery** meetings every Friday from 6 to 8 p.m. at Meeker Assembly, Fourth and Market Street. Meeker Council of Churches.

■ **Game Day** for adults 55+ on Wednesdays at 9 a.m. in the Meeker Recreation Center lounge. Stop by for refreshment, conversation and a game of cards.

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

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

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

■ **Foot Clinic.** Pioneers Hospital Home Health Foot Clinic will be at MVCC on the second Wednesday of each month, to trim toenails of anyone who has trouble with the task. Please call PMC Home Health 970-878-9265 to schedule an appointment. Thank you.

Email events by 5 p.m. Monday to calendar@ht1885.com

occasion homeless individuals need a ride to the next town and the police department is understaffed or overscheduled, they have White's number.

He has two "regulars" who live in Meeker. Their car is broken down and they rely on White for grocery trips. They're on a fixed income and disabled, and White's service is cheaper for them than owning and operating a vehicle would be.

"Helping people get by, that really makes me feel good," White said.

Preventing accidents and injuries from drunk driving remains a big part of what he does, too. Providing a service is part of his own sobriety, but partly because of personal experiences with people who crashed and suffered severe brain injuries or died.

"My job is to make sure they get from Point A to Point B safely," White said. It doesn't matter who they are, or what the circumstances look like, his rides are available to anyone, young or old. If he can prevent one traumatic accident, whether from drunk driving or falling asleep behind the wheel, he's done something good for the community.

"It's about letting people know and changing small town mindsets," White said, acknowledging the tendency to choose independence over safety. On the East Coast public transportation is readily available, easily accessible, and affordable. In Meeker, where there are no public buses, trains, taxis, Ubers or Lyfts, White's Sober Buddy rides provide residents a valuable service, one White hopes to expand in the days ahead.

To request a ride, call or text 970-930-2091, anytime, day or night.

NOTICE OF AERIAL SPRAYING FOR CONTROL OF FLIES AND MOSQUITOES



The Town Board has determined that it is in the public interest to conduct aerial spraying along the river within the Town limits and outlying adjacent areas. Aerial spraying may be conducted within the Town limits just after daybreak or before dusk beginning June 30th through July 3rd, 2019 depending upon weather conditions. Further information is available at Town Hall, 345 Market St., 970-878-5344 or from Coulter Aviation, 970-878-5045.

Although there have been no reported cases of West Nile Virus in Rio Blanco County since 2016, we are still at risk and should take reasonable measures to protect ourselves.

Here are some tips from Public Health:

- * Protect yourself and family by wearing DEET containing insect repellent while outdoors. Free samples at Public Health in Meeker and Rangely.
- * Mosquitoes are most active at dawn or dusk. Aerial spraying at these times can reduce their numbers and nuisance temporarily.
- * Wear long sleeved shirts and long pants outdoors.
- * Repair or replace torn or damaged screens in windows and doors.
- * Protect your property by removing standing water when possible (even in small containers such as birdbaths and wading pools).
- * Use larvicide dunks to kill mosquito larvae in standing water areas around your property and home. Free pellets/dunks available at Public Health offices in Meeker and Rangely.



For more information visit www.FightTheBiteColorado.com

Senior Picnic

Sponsored by the Town of Rangely, Rangely Police Department, Rio Blanco County Sheriff, Rangely Trash Service & Rangely Chamber of Commerce

Join us for summer fun at the annual senior picnic!

Wednesday, July 17, 2019

12 p.m. to 2 p.m.

Elks Park - Rangely

The Senior Picnic is to show appreciation to our community members who have reached or passed the age of 55!

Your meal and table service will be provided. You are welcome to bring a covered dish if you wish, but it's not required!

Music will be provided!

Join us and enjoy a delicious meal, greet old friends and make some new ones!



RANGE CALL NEWS

Deadline today for parade

MEEKER | Anyone can enter the parade—whether you are an individual, an organization, a business, or just have a message! Visit bit.ly/2Nua443 to print and fill out the 2019 July entry. Entry is free! This year's theme is "Roots and Boots."

Calling all past Range Call Queens

MEEKER | The reigning Range Call Royalty Court would like to invite you to join them in the parade this Fourth of July to celebrate their roots! Please contact Karolyn at 970-433-3250 or Leah at 970-948-4392. Please leave a message

Pageant practice

MEEKER | Anyone interested in participating in the Meeker Pageant meet at the Rio Blanco County Fairgrounds for rehearsal Sunday, June 30 and Monday, July 1 at 7 p.m., and Tuesday, July 2 at 8 p.m.

Get your tickets now

MEEKER | This is the last week to purchase VIP, reserved or standing pit tickets for the concerts locally. That option will no longer be available after Friday. Tickets are available at Master Petroleum and the Meeker Chamber. If you bought tickets online, bring your ticket to the first event you attend to get your wristband. Buy tickets online here: <https://bit.ly/2LjcEtj>

Milk Creek tour 10 a.m. July 3

MEEKER | Meet at the White River Museum Wednesday at 10 a.m. for a tour to the Milk Creek Battle Site.

Range Call Special Section July 3

MEEKER | The HT's annual Range Call section will be distributed next Wednesday in the paper. Get your ad in by 5 p.m. Friday, June 28. Call 970-878-4017 Thursday or email ads@ht1885.com.

NEWS BRIEFS

Water Law in a Nutshell June 28

MEEKER | The White River Conservation District is hosting a Water Law in a Nutshell Class on June 28, 2019 from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Fairfield Community Center (200 Main St. Meeker.) All aspects of the law related to water rights and ditch rights as applied in Colorado will be discussed. Subject matter includes the appropriation, perfection, use, limitations, attributes, abandonment, enforcement of various types of water rights, special rules for ground water, public rights in appropriated water, federal and interstate compacts and more. Registration fee: \$35. Registration includes lunch and class materials. See www.whiterivercd.com or call the District's office at 970-878-9838 for more information.

CNCC summer classes for kids K-5

MEEKER | July 10—Tie-Dyed "Lids." Tie-dye a hat and maybe a T-shirt to match: 1-5 p.m. July 15—Who Do You Want To Be? Tooth Camp. Tour the dentist office and learn how to be a tooth doctor from 10-11 a.m. July 16, 17, 18—Coding for Kids. Learn, develop and play with code to increase computer science skills: 10-11 a.m. July 16, 17, 18—Conversational Spanish for Kids. Learn basic Spanish phrases for better communication skills: 11 a.m. to noon. July 22—Who Do You Want To Be: Fire Kids. Visit with Meeker Volunteer Fire Chief at the fire house: 10-11 a.m. Registrations are due July 1 for all July classes. Register online at cncc.edu/communityed, call 878-5227, email iris.franklin@cncc.edu or stop by the CNCC office at 345 Sixth St.

Local conservation meeting July 9

RANGELY | The USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) in Rio Blanco County and the Douglas Creek Conservation District cordially invites the public to attend their Fiscal Year 2019 Local Working Group (LWG) meeting July 9 from 7:30-9 p.m. at the Rangely Fire Training Facility, 2121 East Main, Rangely. The purpose of this annual LWG meeting is to bring together conservation stakeholders to discuss conservation topics and issues, and to set local conservation priorities to help farmers, ranchers and private landowners conserve and manage the natural resources. The meeting also updates attendees on recent conservation efforts and allows for an opportunity to collect public input to help guide future conservation activities. Through regular identification of conservation opportunities, effective Farm Bill investments can continue to benefit Rio Blanco County. Farmers, ranchers, conservationists, and others interested in obtaining Federal technical and financial assistance to improve private lands are invited to participate. For more information, please contact Kendall Smith, district conservationist, at 970-329-3156 or Tristan Nielsen, district manager, at 970-878-9838.

Historical fund workshop July 10

MEEKER | Create the future and honor the past with History Colorado. The History Colorado State Historical Fund wants to help you earn grant money for historic preservation and archaeology projects that matter to you and your community. Attend a free grant workshop at the Mountain Valley Bank meeting room at 400 Main St. in Meeker on Wednesday, July 10 from 3-5 p.m. to learn more about the State Historical Fund program. Go to www.eventleaf.com/SHFMeeker2019 to register or contact Preservation Outreach Coordinator Megan Eflin at hc_shf@state.co.us or 303-866-2887.

SINGIN' IN THE RAIN ...



BOBBY GUTIERREZ PHOTO

Mother Nature was uncooperative for the sixth annual Meekerpalooza festival Saturday, but despite lots of rain and unseasonably cold temperatures, residents and visitors celebrated the first day of summer Meekerpalooza-style—with smiles all around. The first floor of the Hugus Building was opened up for farmers market vendors, while the bands, including The Samples (above) played on through the afternoon.

SIZZLIN' Deals



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- 12 oz. Betty Crocker **CAKE FROSTING** 2 for \$3
- 8.5-15 oz. Keebler **COOKIES** 2 for \$4
- 11-16 oz. Mother's **COOKIES** 2 for \$4
- 23 oz. Arizona **DRINKS** 69¢
- 12 pk. 12 oz. Shasta **SODA** \$2.99
- 6 pk. 500 ml. Propel **FLAVORED WATER** \$3.99
- 6.2-7.75 oz. Betty Crocker **SUDDENLY SALAD** \$1.49
- 6 ct. Sparkle Giant Roll **PAPER TOWELS** \$6.99
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- 13 oz. Sweet P's **ASSORTED BROWNIES** \$3.99

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- 64 oz. Food Club **ORANGE JUICE** \$2.29
- 52 oz. Simply Lemonade or **LIMEADE** \$2.29
- 64 oz. Full Circle **ALMOND MILK** \$2.79
- 8 oz. Food Club Singles **SLICED CHEESE** \$2.19

MEAT

- Boneless Beef **RIBEYE STEAK** \$8.99/lb.
- 16 oz. Bar-S **JUMBO FRANKS** 99¢
- 32 oz. Bar-S Hickory Bacon Swiss **SAUSAGE** \$3.99
- 40 oz. Bar-S **SMOKED SAUSAGE** \$3.99

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- 16 oz. Baby Cut **CARROTS** 99¢
- Honeydew **MELON** 69¢/lb.
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EDITOR'S COLUMN

About those deadlines

By NIKI TURNER
niki@ht1885.com

Sometimes I wonder if we're doing enough, particularly when someone hangs up on me in a snit because we didn't print an article and photos that came in two hours before press time.

There's a difference between deadline and press time.

Deadline is Monday at 5 p.m. (Tuesday at 3 for classifieds and legals).

Between deadline and Tuesday night, Caitlin, our editorial designer, finishes putting all the week's ads together, lays out all the classifieds and legal notices, and designs the rest of the paper.

On Wednesday, armed with strong coffee, we sit down to fill in any gaps, make corrections and changes, and "put the paper to bed" no later than 2 p.m.

We will bend over backward to get in emergency announcements and last minute obituaries on Wednesday if they come in, but regular news and sports stories that come in that close to press time are probably going to have to wait till the next week.

According to the "typical" hierarchy of a small newspaper, we should have at least half a dozen full-time staff members, and that's just in the news department. Each of those editors—news, fea-

tures, sports, opinion, photo/graphics, copy, managing—would have reporters and photographers and columnists reporting to them. From there you move into the business department, the advertising department and the production/design department and distribution.

While I sometimes envy neighboring papers their interchangeable, 24-7 staff as members of corporate conglomerates, I don't want to join them. That is, I don't want to join them right up until someone gets offended because we don't have a reporter at every newsworthy activity and we {gasp!} ask people to submit their own stories and stats and photos.

We—and every other small paper I know—are dependent on passionate coaches and interested parents and teachers and rec district staffers and sports enthusiasts and sometimes even students to provide photos and results and updates. And that's not just for sports...we need information coming in for regular news, too.

Would I love to have a stable of full-time staff reporters covering every event and meeting that

occurs countywide? Absolutely. I'd also like to have the advertising and subscription revenue to pay those reporters a living wage.

So, when we call or email requesting a write-up from an event, or the results from a tournament or a race, it's because we think that information is newsworthy and we're making an effort to get that information into the paper, particularly when there are kids involved. We depend on (and are grateful for) the powers that be who share that information with us in a timely fashion.

To all of you who submit things to the paper for inclusion, thank you. You're helping us tell the story of our communities.



Which brings me back to the topic of deadlines. Next week's paper falls on a national holiday. That means our printer will be taking a well-deserved day off, so we have to publish and distribute the paper a day early. Everything—editorial, display ads, and classifieds—needs to be submitted by end of day Friday (tomorrow). That gives us the weekend to design and lay out next week's paper and Range Call special section and get it to the printer on Tuesday. Please plan accordingly.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Ty Gates for Rio Blanco County Commissioner: A 2020 Vision

Dear Editor:

Hi, my name is Ty Gates and I am running for Rio Blanco County Commissioner, thank you for taking the time to visit my page (<https://www.facebook.com/Ty-Gates-for-RBC-County-Commissioner-2020-400258997373259/>). As a Meeker native, I am deeply rooted and committed to maintaining our county's traditional values and rich history, meanwhile promoting economic resilience and diversity.

I am a strong proponent of fiscal responsibility and leading by example. As Emergency Manager for Rio Blanco County over the past several years, I was able to reduce department spending and maintain a balanced budget while enhancing the security and safety of the county.

Prior to my hire by the county in 2013, I was the head equity trader for a Denver investment firm. My responsibilities included trading for large institutions, as well as public retirement funds where I properly managed and budgeted

significant capital.

I have served on several boards advocating for the best interest of our county and region. My local board involvement includes: Fair Board for the past seven years, Board of Health for the past two years, and Rio Blanco Fire Protection District Fire Board member for the past 18 months.

My regional and state board experience includes: Northwest All Hazards Emergency Management Region Board, where I am serving my second term as vice chair, and Colorado State Homeland Security Advisory Council (HSAC Funding Subcommittee), where I am intimately involved in creating a funding formula for state emergency management grant programs.

I actively represent the best interest of our county, holding true to values that I believe in my heart are the best for the community.

I look forward to visiting with you over the course of the next several months, listening to your thoughts, concerns and hopes for our future, and to discuss ways in which we can work together to maintain a vibrant and thriving county.

Ty Gates
Meeker

GUEST COLUMN: HEADER

Gardening challenges in Colorado

By KAYE SULLIVAN
Special to the HT

MEEKER I Gardening this year seems like the Greek story of Sisyphus continually rolling a rock up hill only to have it constantly descend. Here we are at end of June in Meeker, Colorado, with one third of the summer gone. It has rained endlessly along with nearly frozen nightly temperatures. My plants suffer with these strange conditions and hopefully their endurance is heartier than mine.

Despite the weather, I continue to love the challenge of gardening, coaxing along the vegetable seeds and bedding plants. This year, I'm really stretching and attempting to grow corn and tomatoes, staples of my family's garden when I was growing up in Indiana. Back then, it seemed we just threw seeds in the ground, they grew magnificently and provided fresh vegetables we thrived on year long. Oh, so easy!

But growing anything in Colorado is an entirely different challenge. Last year was so hot and demanded daily watering, I felt like some of my struggling plants and just gave up as the summer got hotter and hotter. This year, totally different.

Our clay-based soil is inhospitable and requires endless



amending. Plants and vegetables need extra loving care—nearly every day. You can grow stuff if you and your plants are "made of the heartier stuff." This is Colorado gardening and you better be up to the challenge if you hope to grow anything.

In our yard, it has been a battle to win back fertile areas. I have been delighted to find a few plants that descend from my mother-in-law, Clare Sullivan, who maintained a lovely yard. Over the years since her death, it deteriorated and required much effort for my husband and me to deconstruct, which is not gardening, just clearing out endless truckloads of dead stuff.

Today, I take huge delight in any little thing that blossoms

and matures. Our ever-ready strawberries are doing just great, the volunteer poppies were stunning, and now the wild yellow roses are ready to bloom. I see pea plants and other seedlings beginning to arise in our new raised beds, so I have hope.

I need to enjoy more what is growing than grousing about what is not. This is my hobby that always gives me joy along with the ups and downs of growing anything. So, like the Greek myth, I will keep "rolling my rock" uphill in my gardens as I hope you will.

In the end, the most fulfilling challenge is not about succeeding like my childhood gardens, but just trying to make our little piece of this earth a bit better.

GUEST COLUMN

Perception is reality

By BRYAN GOLDEN
Special to the HT

RBC I How do you experience your world? Is the glass half full or half empty? Do you observe the worst in a situation or the best? Do you justify identifying only negatives by claiming you are being realistic?

Two people can experience the exact same event and yet have radically different perceptions. Why do some people always escape unscathed regardless of what befalls them while others seem to be problem magnets?

Perception defines reality. Perception is controlled by attitude. You control your attitude. Therefore, you control your reality. Since you have the ability to control your reality, wouldn't you want to make your

reality as ideal as possible?

Yet many people allow their attitude to taint their reality. For every problem do you see a solution or do you find problems in every situation? Perception is your interpretation of the information gathered by your five senses.

Your perception has a cascading effect. Often, it's a self-fulfilling prophecy. What you anticipate frequently happens. This phenomenon may not be explainable scientifically, but it exists and occurs consistently.

People advertise negative perception through their comments. "I'm an accident waiting to happen." "I can never make anything work." "No one ever understands me." "I always get into arguments." "People get the wrong impression of me."

It's just as easy to identify those with a positive perception. "Don't worry, we'll get through this." "There's always a solution." "It's a blessing in disguise." "There's no reason to get upset, this is just a learning experience."

Why do different people have radically diverse perceptions? Perceptual development is influenced by many factors. Examples set by parents have a substantial impact. Also the influences of friends, school and role models make a major impression. A person's own experiences also shape their perception.

A negative perception impedes your progress while a positive one benefits you. Regardless of the circumstances you may encounter, a positive perception enables you to uncover the most beneficial ways to respond.

Your perception also influences the type of situations and people you attract. Like attracts like. A positive perception attracts beneficial

situations and people. Though a positive perception you will discover solutions to life's challenges.

Consider this example. You have an important presentation. Not wanting to be late you leave 45 minutes early. On your way you lose a half-hour in a traffic jam. As traffic starts to move you get a flat tire.

The negative perception approach:

You become stressed and frantic. Rushing to change the tire you rip your shirt and get grease on your clothes. You wind up being 10 minutes late. You charge into the meeting half crazed and disheveled. Your presentation is awful because you can't focus on it.

The positive perception approach:

You know that everything will be OK. You've overcome more challenging problems than a flat tire. You stay relaxed and change the tire without getting dirty. Although you arrive at the meeting 10 minutes late, you stride in with renewed confidence. Your presentation is fantastic and no one cared that you were delayed.

To develop a positive perception, look at every situation as containing a gift or hidden treasure. The only way to uncover the treasure is to believe it's there and you are capable of finding it. Don't stop looking until it's discovered. The treasure exists and you will find it. Once a situation exists you may as well turn it to your advantage. To do otherwise doesn't benefit anyone and is a complete waste.

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OBITUARY

Lee C. Watson

Sept. 22, 1922 ~ June 20, 2019

The gates of heaven opened for Lee C. Watson on June 20, 2019.



Lee Watson

Just like them horses... It is time for him to run.

Services will be held on Saturday, June 29 at 10 a.m. at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Meeker. Interment will follow at Highland Cemetery. Following the service and graveside a celebration of life will be held at the Watson Ranch, 840 County Rd 4 in Meeker.

Born on Sept. 14, 1922, Lee had a fulfilling life of 96 years. A veteran of the United States Army Air Corp, Lee served our country as a 2nd Lieutenant flying twin engine bombers. His love of flying never ended.

Lee married his true love, Eva Dean (Pace) Watson on Sept. 26, 1948.

They began their ranching journey together in Brown's Park, Colorado. Following that first year they resided in Craig,

Colorado from 1949-1957 in a home that Lee built. In 1957 they moved to Meeker where Lee became one of the most well known ranchers raising sheep, cattle and his passion of great horses.

Lee is survived by his loving wife of 70 years Eva Dean (Pace) Watson; five children: Jim (Diana) Watson of Meeker, Colorado; Chris Watson of Thornton, Colorado; Keith (Kim) Watson of Fort Collins, Colorado; Kelly (Joe) Conrado of Meeker, Colorado;

Colleen Watson of Wittmann, Arizona.

He also leaves 11 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren and many loving nieces, nephews and cherished friends.

Lee was very proud of his family and loved the traditional family lamb barbecues, being the first to challenge anyone in a game of horseshoes! Raising great horses... namely race horses was his undeniable passion.

In lieu of flowers, any who wish may make donations to HopeWest—Meeker in care of Grant Mortuary—Meeker.

Community notification meeting regarding a sexually violent predator in the Rangely area

Special to the Herald Times

RANGELY The Rio Blanco County Sheriff's Office will be hosting a community notification meeting in Rangely on July 2, 2019 at 6 p.m. at 402 W. Main Street; the Rangely School District Administration Building in the BOCES gym. Pursuant to Colorado Revised Statutes 16-13-901 through 16-13-905, the meeting is being held to provide information to Rangely area residents' of a Sexually Violent Predator (SVP) who recently relocated to the area. The individual subject of the notification has been convicted of a sex offense that requires law enforcement registration. Further, he or she has been determined to present a high potential to re-offend and is therefore subject to community notification regarding his residence in this

community.

The topic of sex offending will also be presented by a team of professionals involved in the management of offenders in the community. Due to the mature content of the information that will be presented, it is not advisable to bring children to the meeting. However, it is strongly encouraged that information presented at the meeting, deemed to be appropriate, be subsequently reviewed with children afterwards. Children under 16, unaccompanied by an adult, will not be permitted to attend the meeting.

The Rio Blanco County Sheriff's Office has no legal authority to direct where a sex offender may live. Unless court restrictions exist, they are constitutionally free to live wherever they choose. Sex offenders have always lived in our communi-

ties, but they were not always required to notify law enforcement of their residence until registration laws were implemented pursuant to the Jacob Wetterling Act in 1994. Law enforcement may now share that information with members of the community, and in the case of Sexually Violent Predators, law enforcement must actively notify citizens.

The purpose of this notification meeting is to enhance public safety, education and protection. Vigilantism or use of this information to harass, threaten, or intimidate the offender, the offender's significant others or the community notification team is criminal behavior and will not be tolerated.

For questions regarding this meeting please contact the Rio Blanco County Sheriff's Office at 970-878-9600.

FAST FACTS

WHO: RBC Sheriff
WHAT: Community notification meeting to inform residents of a Sexually Violent Predator who recently relocated to the Rangely area
WHEN: Tuesday, July 2, 2019, 6 p.m.
WHERE: BOCES Gym at the Rangely School District Administration Building, 402 W. Main St.

Come tour the Milk Creek Battle Site Tuesday, July 3 at 10 a.m.

By KAYE SULLIVAN
Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER Bring your friends and family to visit one of Meeker's iconic historical sites during the July 4 Range Call celebration. Jay Sullivan will be providing a guided tour that lasts about two hours. Just show up on July 3 at 10 a.m. at the White River Museum where you can you drive your own vehicle or carpool. The tour is free but donations that contribute to site maintenance are always welcome.

Why visit this site?

The Milk Creek Battle Site preserves the longest encounter in the United States between American soldiers and American Indians. Although history often emphasizes the mantra of "western destiny," the reality is that these lands had already been given to the Ute Indians. The saga of the ensuring battle relates some harsh stories of American history from 140 years ago.

This tour will tell you a bit about Nathaniel Meeker for whom the town of Meeker is named. Come hear the full story and then decide if he deserved this naming honor.

Upon entering the overview of the battle site you will be welcomed by a stunning metal gate where Indians are depicted on one side and U.S. cavalry on the other. Here is an outstanding piece of art honoring both sides of this battle. You will also find a beautiful gazebo with benches along with memorials to both Ute Indian warriors and American soldiers.

2019 marks the first year signs are being installed that honor those who died and tell the story of a significant battle between whites and Indians in American western history.

Hopefully you will appreciate all the effort that has gone into preserving this spot of history with more than 30 years of research, fundraising, and constancy of purpose for creating a historical monument. Countless people have contributed time, funding, research, and outreach to preserve this spot of history. Thanks to the Rio Blanco Historical Society and all who contributed to its preservation work.

DEATH NOTICE

Darlene Kinnamon June 22, 2019

Darlene Kinnamon, 65, of Meeker, passed away June 22 at St. Mary's Hospital in Grand Junction, Colorado. Services have not been announced.

MEMORIAL NOTICE

Merlyn Buckmaster Denny

There will be a memorial for Merlyn Buckmaster Denny on July 2, 2019, at 6 p.m. in the meeting room at Rangely District Hospital.

From the family of Shirley Harp

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Lance, Lisa & Family

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Enoch: The Pace of Faith (4)

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

By faith Enoch was translated that he should not see death; and was not found, because God had translated him: for before his translation he had this testimony, that he pleased God. (Heb. 11:5)



Dr. J.D. Watson

The principles we observe in Enoch are, indeed, among the most blessed and encouraging in this entire chapter. We have noted the *requirement*, and the deeper *response*, but there is one more striking truth.

Third, the *result*, which is two-fold. First, we note the *unusual translation*. Both instances of *translated* are the verb *metatithēmi* (*translation* is the feminine form *metathesis*). The root *tithēmi* means to set, place, or lay, and the prefix *meta* here denotes change of place or condition. The full idea, then, is, "To transpose, put in another place and hence to transport, transfer, [or] translate." It also appears in 7:12 for the priesthood being transferred to Christ, which negates any need for a priesthood today. So, in "the twinkling of an eye" (1 Cor. 15:52), God supernaturally transported Enoch from the earthly realm to the heavenly. Think of it! "God, out of an extraordinary grace and favor to [Enoch]," wrote Matthew Poole, "dispensed with the common sentence passed on the human seed in Adam."

Second, we notice the *underlying truth*: **[Enoch] pleased God**. What a staggering statement! **Pleased** is *euaresteō*, another compound word: the root *arēskō*, to please, and the prefix *eu* well. It is one thing to be *pleased*, but quite another to be *well pleased*, that is, to be gratified entirely and completely. Enoch lived in a day of great wickedness, a state that would eventually lead to the Flood. He was a light during those dark days, a light that shined through holy living and faithful proclamation of the Truth. Such faith (and faithfulness), which continued day after day for 300

years, pleased God, for as verse 6 reminds us, "without faith it is impossible to please [*euaresteō*] Him.

The story has been told of the little girl who recounted the story of Enoch as she understood it: "Enoch used to take long walks with God, and one day they went a long way and God said, 'Enoch, you are far from home, and you had better go in with Me,' and he went in with Him." It seems that this story first appeared in Frederick Power's 1902 biography of William Kimbrough Pendleton (1817-1899), President of Bethany College. Power then applied it to Pendleton's death: "So simple was the home-going of the subject of these chronicles; such was his intimacy with God."

Such should be our desire. One day God will translate each of us into His very presence. While some Christians believe in the Rapture (1 Thes. 4:13-18), others' view of future things does not include that. Whichever the case is, however, the underlying truth remains the same. Those who walk with God shall "in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump . . . be changed" (1 Cor. 15:52).

Scriptures for Study: How do the following verses add to our study this week: Psalm 89:48; John 8:51-52?

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

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White River Electric Association (WREA) celebrated the ribbon cutting for its two electric vehicle (EV) charging units on Monday, June 24. The Charge Point Level II and Level III DC Fast Charge units are located at Fifth and Market streets (Bank of the San Juans parking lot) and are open 24 hours a day. Customary charging rates apply. WREA would like to thank Tri-State G&T, Charge Ahead Colorado, the Meeker Chamber, the Town of Meeker and the Bank of the San Juans for all their support on this project. EV customers can charge their vehicle with the use of a Charge Point phone app. Left to right: Kris Deines (Meeker Chamber), Todd Gerloff (WREA), Todd Young (Bank of San Juans), Alan Michalewicz (WREA), Hal Pearce (WREA) and Stephanie Kobald (Meeker Chamber).

COURTESY PHOTO

PreK programs return to school districts, search underway for new BOCES Executive Director

By ROXIE FROMANG
Special to the Herald Times

RBC I Rio Blanco Boards of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) held a meeting Monday, June 17 in Rangely before a packed room at the Early Education Center. Directors present were Kevin Amack, Jason Cox (attending by phone), Samuel Tolley, Bud Ridings, Joyce Key and Dr. Bob Dorsett.

Key spoke about BOCES running the preschool program and said the program should be returned to the school districts due to BOCES current lack of directorship. Rangely School District Superintendent Matt Scoggins expressed concern and requested a year to smoothly transition the program back into the school districts. Rangely does not have anyone qualified to be a preschool director at this time. Finance director Jessica Fortunato reported that they may have a new hire with early education experience who may qualify to be a preschool director coming to Rangely. Tolley said his biggest concern is that Rio Blanco BOCES is the only BOCES program in the state running its own preschool. Dr. Dorsett asked about Meeker being able to run its own preschool and Meeker School District Superintendent Chris Selle confirmed that Meeker has staff in place to run its own preschool program. Key moved to modify the current memorandum of understanding between BOCES and the school districts for the 2019/2020 school year to return the preschool program back to the respective school districts and Cox seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Troy Lange, executive director at the Colorado River BOCES performed an unbiased assessment of the Rio Blanco BOCES organization and presented his findings and recommendations. Lange started by saying that Rio Blanco BOCES is the smallest

in the state but he found the staff to be highly motivated and determined that the children be served. Lange met with more than 60 people individually during his assessment.

“Where do you want to be in five years and what goals do you have to set in order to be strong, vibrant and sustainable for the children in the future?” Lange asked the board.

He recommended hiring an interim director immediately, as trust is currently low and thoughtfulness when speaking about each other—especially in small communities—is of utmost importance. Clear organizational structure and defined relationships between the BOCES director and the school principals was recommended. Formally and informally, Lange said structure and communication needs to improve. He recommended getting ahead of the IEP schedules and considering when it is going to work well for everyone and introducing the BOCES staff in the beginning of the school year. Pairing up with another BOCES was also suggested, as well as evaluating the hiring of special ed teachers and giving that role to the school districts. Having a strategic plan and an annual cycle of looking at the plan would be in BOCES’ best interest. Evaluating the compensation program in order to recruit and retain specialists, clarifying job descriptions and fostering coaching and mentoring for new teachers concluded Lange’s recommendations.

Key moved to go into executive session at 8:15 p.m. and Ridings seconded the motion. Rio Blanco BOCES had several personnel issues to discuss including the resignations of special education teachers Matthew Hunter and Melissa Key. Also on the agenda was an approval of separation agreement and an approval of resignation for Teresa Schott, executive director.

RBC to get \$584,028 in PILT funds this year

Special to the Herald Times

RBC I U.S. Secretary of the Interior David Bernhardt announced that 56 local governments in Colorado are receiving a total of \$39.9 million under the 2019 Payments in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) program. Rio Blanco County will receive \$584,028 this year, a slight increase from 2018’s \$569,036.

“Payments in lieu of taxes are made to local governments to help offset their inability to tax federal property,” Bernhardt said. “These payments are one example of the United States striving to be a good neighbor to local communities. This year’s distribution of \$514 million to more than 1,900 counties will help small towns pay for critical needs like emergency response, public safety, public schools, housing, social services, and infrastruc-

ture.”

PILT payments help local governments carry out such vital services as firefighting and police protection, construction of public schools and roads, and search-and-rescue operations. The payments are made annually for tax-exempt federal lands administered by U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI) agencies including the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), the National Park Service (NPS), the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS), and the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s U.S. Forest Service (USFS) and for federal water projects and some military installations.

Using a statutory formula, the annual PILT payments to local governments are computed based on the number of acres of federal land within each county or jurisdiction and on the population of that county or jurisdiction. The lands include

the national forest and national park systems; lands in the FWS Refuge System; areas managed by the BLM; areas managed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; U.S. Bureau of Reclamation water resource development projects; and others.

Since PILT payments began in 1977, DOI has distributed approximately \$9.2 billion dollars to States and the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

DOI collects more than \$11.9 billion in revenue annually from commercial activities on public lands, such as oil and gas leasing, livestock grazing, and timber harvesting. A portion of these revenues is shared with States and counties. The balance is deposited in the U.S. Treasury, which in turn pays for a broad array of federal activities, including PILT funding.

Individual county payments may vary from year to year as a result of changes in acreage data, which is updated annually by the federal agency administering the land; prior-year Federal revenue sharing payments reported annually by the Governor of each State; and population data, which is updated using information from the U.S. Census Bureau.

Federal revenue sharing payments are made to local governments under programs other than PILT during the previous fiscal year, including payments such as those made under the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act, the Refuge Revenue Sharing Fund, the National Forest Fund, the Taylor Grazing Act, the Mineral Leasing Act, the Federal Power Act, and the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000, as authorized.

Voter registration mailings from non-profit cause confusion

Special to the Herald Times

RBC I Some Rio Blanco County residents may have received a confusing message about their voter registration status in the mail recently, and Clerk and Recorder Boots Campbell wants to make sure they know the material did not come from the county or the State of Colorado.

The mailed packets may say you’re not registered to vote, your mailing address is incorrect, or something in your voter registration needs to be updated. For voters who are registered, and know it, the letters can be a cause for concern.

The Voter Participation Center is a national non-profit organization whose mission, according to their website, “is to increase civic engagement among the Rising American Electorate: unmarried women, people of color and millennials.” Demographically, these groups now comprise the majority of voting-eligible Americans, but are statistically less

likely to be registered to vote. VPC works to increase voter registration using a variety of methods, including the mailings, 130,000 of which were mailed to Colorado addresses in June.

According to Dwight Shellman of the Colorado Secretary of State’s Elections Division, no state agency maintains an official database of eligible—but not registered—voters. VPC uses purchased and/or commercially available mailing lists and compares them to the statewide voter list. VPC does not use the state voter list as the mailing list for its outreach efforts.

“Historically, these and similar mailings by VPC and affiliated organizations have generated many complaints, both in Colorado and elsewhere. We’ve received reports of mail pieces addressed to individuals who moved away from Colorado or died decades ago. We also hear of mailings addressed to people’s pets, and yes, even to deceased people’s deceased pets,” Shellman said in an email. “The bottom line is that VPC is

engaging in conduct protected by the First Amendment, even if its underlying data is bad. No government agency can prohibit VPC from sending these out, and we have no insight into and cannot control the accuracy of the mailing lists it uses.”

What to do if you receive one of these packets:

Check your voter registration status online at <https://www.sos.state.co.us/voter/pages/pub/home.xhtml>. Have you moved recently? Changed political affiliation? Need your ballot mailed to a different address?

If you aren’t registered to vote, you can do so online at the previous address or at the county clerk and recorder’s office, or complete the VPC form.

If you are registered to vote and don’t want to receive further mailings from the VPC, follow the instructions to unsubscribe from VPC’s mailing lists at the bottom of the cover letter. Email the unique code found there to unsubscribe@voterparticipation.org.



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WHEN

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WHERE

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Rangely Area Chamber's Board of Directors questions hospital about mill levy presentation

By **ROXIE FROMANG**
Special to the Herald Times

RBC I Rangely Community Medical Health and Wellness Center (formerly Rangely District Hospital) CEO Nick Goshe and Hospital Board Director Stephen Petersburg gave their presentation about the need for a mill levy increase at the Rangely Area Chamber of Commerce board meeting on June 20.

Currently the hospital provides several services: Rangely Family Medicine clinic, laboratory services, inpatient/skilled nursing stays, the Rangely Pharmacy, physical therapy, radiology services, Eagle Crest Assisted Living (with 14 current residents), an extended care unit for elderly (with 14 current residents), home health, Meals on Wheels, a college clinic, EMS service with critical care, cardiopulmonary services, and an emergency room and trauma services. They also boast visiting specialists like Dr. Morse who treats patients in the specialty clinic and does general surgery consults and specialty procedures like colonoscopies, audiology Specialist Jim Carlson, and Dr. Laws who specializes in cardiology.

Why is a mill levy increase needed?

According to the hospital's presentation, since 2010 rural health facilities have closed at a rate of about one per month. Unfunded Affordable Care Act mandates, such as electronic medical records, take up one-third of the operating budget in Rangely. Private insurance is becoming prohibitively expensive, forcing patients onto payers like Medicaid, which does not pay enough to cover costs. The Rangely Hospital District receives 65% of its funding through Medicare and Medicaid, and is required to comply with those programs' regulations.

Another important source of funding is the mill levy, but those revenues have been cut by more than half since 2010. In 2010 they received \$2.7 million from property tax revenue and that dropped to \$1.2 million in 2018. An additional \$1.4 million dollar loss in income is expected because the government is planning to cut the 340(b) and provider fee programs.

What is the proposed solution to save all of the services and employees at the Rangely Community Medical Health and Wellness Center?

According to their presentation and handouts, a small mill levy increase will allow the Rangely hospital to move forward without a dramatic loss. By voting to increase the mill levy, the monthly cost of property taxes on a \$100,000 home would be \$23.83, an increase of just under \$10 of the current tax rate.

The proposed increase would only last through 2025 when the new facility is completely paid for. In 2025 the levy for the building would drop off and the effective tax rate would end up being slightly lower than it is currently.

What are the ramifications if the mill levy is not increased?

According to the presentation, the Rangely Community Medical Health and Wellness Center has 119 full-time employees, with 150 employees total. Without the mill levy increase, they speculate they will lose 80 full-time employees in addition to services.

Services Petersburg says are not "money makers," like the clinic, pharmacy, Eagle Crest Assisted Living Facility and the Extended Care Unit for the Elderly, are just a few of the current services that will be unfunded and will have to go. Petersburg believes CNCC would move programs to the Craig campus and the population of Rangely would decrease. Small businesses will take the brunt of the tax increase if the mill levy passes, according to Petersburg, but if it doesn't pass those businesses will have fewer customers. "They have the most to lose," he said.

TOUGH QUESTIONS

Chamber board member Andrea Brannan said clearly the hospital saw this coming and asked, "what the hospital administration had done to advocate and

be proactive to help the situation?"

Petersburg said they have put a lot more burden on the employees, and according to presentation materials, nursing, ancillary services and one physician position have not been filled. Cost of living raises have been withheld for four years. Employee retirement matching has been reduced, and employees' contributions for health insurance have increased significantly.

Rangely resident Dusty Moreno asked "how long ago did you rebrand the hospital, including renaming it and buying the new sign out front?"

Goshe responded saying, "It was last year but at the last board meeting Frank Huitt didn't know that we did the retail pharmacy. If we are going to ask voters to vote for this if they don't realize the hospital is a small piece of what the people use after the ER and the inpatient, a big piece is the clinic, the things that aren't reimbursed by the critical access status."

Moreno continued, saying the hospital will not get the vote because "they have such a bad name."

"You sir, when I took a complaint to you, you told me that you did not care because this town could not survive without the mine and the college and the hospital had to be here to have those," Moreno told Goshe. "You do not have my vote."

Goshe responded saying "I have never said I don't care about this community."

Chamber board president Jennifer Barker said, "I understand what you are saying about people taking on more burden, but don't tell me that when I work in the oilfield and every single one of us have taken a hit and some of us wear multiple hats because we only have one or two people in the department, we all have that problem... We have went and done our medical stuff in Vernal for a long time because of s*** that was going on up here and then we decided to come back. My husband was mauled by a mountain lion and we went up here and we had to get in our truck and drive to Vernal because they couldn't care for him up here. So it is a little hard to sell me on you wanting more tax money. You want to tell a coal miner or oil field worker that is trying to support four kids on limited funds now because he's had his hours cut or because he has been laid off, he's lost his house, his vehicles, and you want to try and sell him on this? It's hard to sell when people aren't working at their full capacity that they were three years ago. Oil is not coming back and you talk about who this is going to hurt the most. Who is going to be hit the hardest? The oil field is going to pay the highest taxes. When they start having to do that they are just going to do the very bare minimum that they have to do for government regulation and they are going to take their business to Texas, because that is what they are doing right now. It is cheaper for my company to get the oil out of the ground in Texas than it is to get it out here. So when they start getting double taxed they are the ones that will be hit the hardest. They are going to pack their stuff up and leave. The oil field will say it is not cost effective for us to do business here."

Goshe said, "I honestly hear the frustration and I believe it but I think that as a community we have a choice."

Asked if he had taken a pay cut and when he received his last raise, Goshe said he has not taken a pay cut and his last raise came with his last contract, about four years ago. "I have been here for 10 years, I didn't ask to be the CEO and I have never asked for a raise, not once. But if I go somewhere else I can make more money in this role. I like it here but I think the community has a choice of what services they are going to offer because health care in rural areas like this, they are not going to be here." Chamber Director Connie Billgren commented, "You all had a choice when you did your rebranding a year ago when you knew this was coming down the pipe, why would you go and spend that much money on an electric sign that is not even on Main Street? The only people who see it are the Eagle Crest residents on a daily basis."

Goshe responded, "The 26,000 prescriptions that we fill and the 6,000 clinic visits that come up there a year, there is a lot of traffic that sees that. We cut out a lot of advertising in the paper because that is where we are advertising things now. We are trying to create the awareness of what your taxes are supporting."

Billgren added, "When the community hears that all of the employees got new jackets but you all are struggling, a couple of thousand dollars is still a couple of thousand dollars. You all need to explain why you could spend that money last year and this year you are coming to the voters."

Goshe said "if we don't have recognition for nurses' week and we don't have employee appreciation our turnover will go up."

"If you want the community to back the hospital then you have to make the community believe that you are doing everything you can on your end to handle things and not go out spending willy-nilly and then when the money runs out come and ask us for more," Barker said. "That is the perception of the hospital in this community. They see things and hear things and they think that the hospital is mismanaging funds. I am all for giving more money but not if I am not going to get the service. In my personal opinion when I depended on my hospital up here to handle my husband's medical care, I had to get in a car at 1:30 in the morning and drive to Vernal. If it ends up being that we only have an emergency room up here for the oil field, coal mine and the college, maybe not everyone is OK with that but I'm OK with it because half the time I have to drive to Vernal anyhow."

"When I got to town we didn't have any doctors on contract," Goshe replied. "They were all Locums [visiting doctors]. We had no physical therapy, no retail pharmacy, you can't tell me that it is worse now than it was 10 years ago when I got here, because it's not true. We have been very fortunate because when people from the outside come here—and not just Eide Bailley—they say wow this is really nice, this is nothing like we expected."

Brannan asked if they had looked at going with

a larger university health center out of the front range. Petersburg said, "The only time they are interested is when they can make money out of it and the clinic, the physical therapy, the assisted living, all of those are money losers. What happens with the big hospitals like that is they wait until you're down to an ER and a couple of inpatient beds, where those are money makers, then they will come in and try to get you."

Chamber board member Angie Miller said, "I try very hard to stay in town, going to the grocery store, buying gas here, but blood tests should not cost me an exorbitant amount of money. When I had to have a CT, that took me over a year to pay off up here. I went out of town to Denver and it was a whole different story. Why so much more, why? My copay was \$1,700 from you guys."

Goshe responded by saying, "Your private insurance tells us what they are going to pay us, I can look into your case and find out."

"I have no ill will towards the hospital," Miller continued. "They did great with my mom while she was dying, they went above and beyond. I just want to know why, why the difference in the cost? All within the same year, a month apart, and the same insurance, why was a CT and blood work half the price elsewhere? I would love to give you more money and I have no problem giving you more money, but make it worth it. I want you to explain to us, town-wide, why the price difference?"

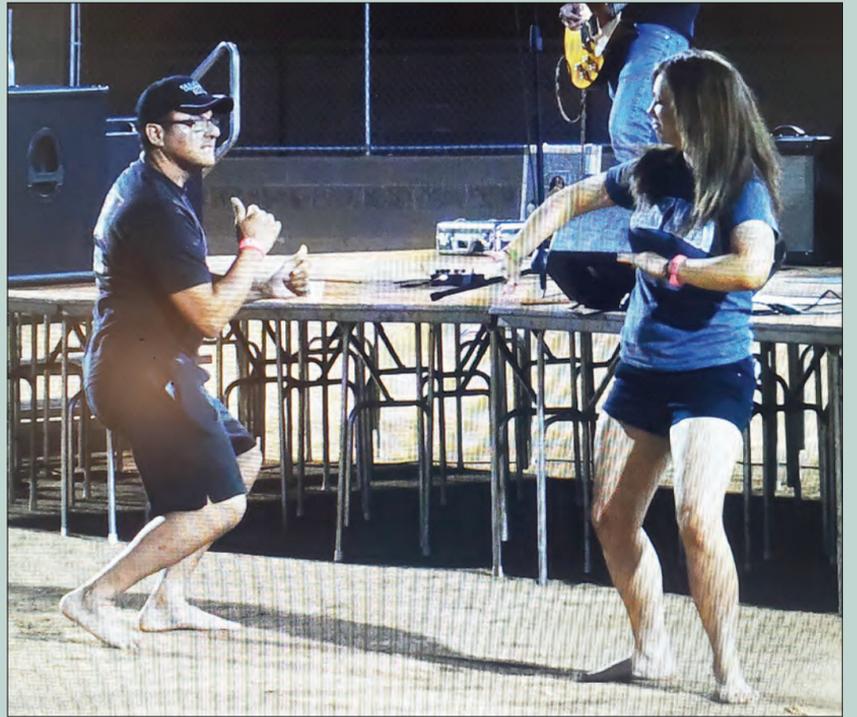
Goshe replied saying, "Medicaid and private insurance also has a rate called contractual adjustment and they tell you what they will pay."

Billgren asked Goshe, "How can we justify paying twice as much?"

"If you want it in your community that is what the cost is going to be," Goshe said.

Petersburg told the group before they ran out of time that they would "chase that and look at some examples," referring to the cost of services at other facilities.

BREWFEST ...



COURTESY PHOTO

Rangely Elks lodge hosted the first annual Brewfest on June 15, complete with a dance-off (above). Members of the lodge would like to thank Western Rio Blanco Metropolitan Parks and Rec for the use of their facility and all the employees' hard work, The Town of Rangely, Jeff Rector and all who came and supported this event. Craft beer was provided by Storm Peak Brewing Co., Yampa Valley Brewing Co., and Grand Adventure Brewing Co. Local band Fiscus and Gravy started the evening with live music followed by New Gene from Denver. Catering the event was Sodexo from Rangely, Taco El-Toro from Rangely, and The Purple People Eaters from Meeker. The money raised will be put into the Elks scholarship programs. Once again thank you to all that contributed to making this a fun event, we can't wait to see everyone next year. The lodge will have comedian night July 27.

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Despite reports, Mind Springs Health not closing doors

Special to the Herald Times

RBC | Mind Springs Health is not “closing down all our doors and ceasing all services,” following a change in the state’s crisis policy, said vice-president Chriss P. Flynn via email Monday, following a story published in several western slope newspapers last week.

In a press release, Mind Springs Health, the leading provider of mental health and addiction treatment on the western slope, stated that they remain committed to “caring for our community with its continuum of outpatient and inpatient services as the State of Colorado changes its crisis services policies.”

The new state-wide crisis system debuts July 1, but that will not change the majority of the services provided by Mind Springs across the state. Mind Springs has provided counseling therapy, treatment and preventative and recovery services since 1972 in outpatient and inpatient settings.

“We look forward to continuing our preventative work to lessen mental health crises, and assisting and coordinating with responders in the community when crises do arise to ensure our fellow Coloradans receive the ongoing services they need to heal and recover,” said Mind Springs Health CEO Sharon Raggio in the press release. “With 12 offices across 10

counties and one of the largest rural psychiatric teams in the country, we believe there has never been a more important time to be dedicated to the mental health of our western slope communities. Our mission is to heal, and we proudly provide our services to everyone who needs them, regardless of diagnosis, age, gender or socioeconomic status. That will never change.”

If you, or someone you know, is in crisis, please call the state-designated toll-free hotline 1-844-493-8255/Text ‘TALK’ to 38255. To connect with mental health or addiction treatment, please contact your local Mind Springs Health office or www.MindSpringsHealth.org

NEW BUSINESS ...



BRETT DEARMAN

NEW BUSINESS PROFILE: TAYLOR ELECTRICAL SERVICES, LLC

J.D. Taylor, owner and operator of Taylor Electrical Services, has worked in the field of residential and commercial electrical services for more than 18 years. After years of working for other large electrical companies, Taylor opened the doors of his own business in January 2018. Along with commercial and residential services, Taylor has extensive irrigation electrical experience as well as solar, wind and conventional generator hookups. Based in Meeker, Taylor Electrical Services is fully mobile. Fast and super friendly, J.D. said he answers all his calls and is willing to take on just about any challenge presented to him. The best way to reach him is by giving him a call at 970-629-0429.

SOLSTICE CELEBRATION ...



ROXIE FROMANG PHOTO

A diverse crowd enjoyed Tank sounds at the 2019 Solstice Festival on Friday, June 21.

CDOT pedestrian improvement project underway in Rangely

Special to the Herald Times

Avenue and Cedar Street
■ CO 64 at Birch Avenue

RANGELY | The Rangely Pedestrian Improvements Project started last Monday, June 17. The project is located on Colorado Highway 64 between Grand and Birch Avenues in the town of Rangely and will provide more accessible curbs and sidewalks for pedestrians.

Crews will be providing pedestrian improvements and storm water rehabilitation. The project is expected to be completed by early August 2019. The contractor selected for this \$512,000 project is KSK, LLC out of Grand Junction.

Specific points of construction are:

- CO 64 between Grand Avenue and White Avenue
- CO 64 at White Avenue
- CO 64 between White

TRAVEL AND ACCESS IMPACTS

No major traffic impacts are expected at this time. The project will be in operation Monday-Friday, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., until June 30. Starting July 1, until the end of the project, operation will take place Monday-Thursday, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

STAY INFORMED

■ Project Hotline: 970-808-9097

■ Email: RangelyPedImprov@gmail.com

■ Travel conditions: COtrip.org

■ Website: <https://www.codot.gov/projects/co-64-rangely-improvements>

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(Left) Girls 10 and under 200 medley relay team: KJ Benson, Kesleigh Kennedy, Addy Thayn and Savannah Skelton. (Center) Boys 10 and under 200 medley relay team: Ashton Hacking, Ethan Hacking, Luke Bishop and Karter Skelton. (Right) Karter Skelton placed first in all his events and won the High Point award for boys six and under at the meet. The Hurricanes will travel to Montrose this weekend.

Hurricanes set personal records at Craig meet

Special to the Herald Times

RANGELY | Father's Day weekend 18 of the Rangely Hurricanes traveled to Craig, Colorado for the 28th annual Craig Sea Sharks Swim Meet. The team as a whole performed very well and had a lot of personal records. First time swimmer Karter Skelton brought home the Boys 6 & Under High Point award. He placed first in all three of his events. The Hurricanes continue to practice hard and work on perfecting their technique.

"We are gearing up for the Montrose Marlin Summer Open this weekend," said coach Bethany Green.

Peyton Armstrong (11-12 boys)
50 freestyle 38.43 1st place
100 freestyle 1:32.32 3rd place
50 backstroke 44.06 3rd place
200 backstroke 3:46.13 2nd place
200 breaststroke 3:47.39 2nd place

KJ Benson (9-10 girls)
50 freestyle 1:23.33 13th place
100 freestyle 3:25.73 12th place
50 backstroke 59.90 5th place
100 backstroke 2:25.31 5th place

Luke Bishop (9-10 boys)
50 freestyle 55.87 8th place
50 backstroke 1:03.07 6th place

Annika Cantrell (13-14 girls)
50 freestyle 41.58 5th place
100 freestyle 1:33.80 5th place
50 backstroke 44.53 3rd place
100 backstroke 1:48.90 3rd place
50 breaststroke 1:57.86 3rd place
100 breaststroke 4:20.49 5th place
100 IM 1:49.89 2nd place

Brent Cantrell (15 & Over boys)
50 freestyle 39.91 3rd place
100 freestyle 1:26.90 2nd place

100 butterfly 2:00.19 1st place

Alivia Green (11-12 girls)
50 freestyle 53.30 10th place
100 freestyle 2:02.04 11th place
50 backstroke 1:07.02 12th place
50 breaststroke 1:17.67 9th place
100 breaststroke 2:49.74 9th place
50 butterfly 1:12.67 7th place
100 IM 2:21.54 5th place

Ashton Hacking (6 & under boys)
25 freestyle 31.38 2nd place
50 freestyle 1:07.91 2nd place

Ethan Hacking (9-10 boys)
50 freestyle 49.14 5th place
50 backstroke 1:02.61 5th place

Kesleigh Kennedy (6 & under girls)
25 freestyle 28.97 2nd place
50 freestyle 1:09.60 2nd place
50 backstroke 1:09.88 1st place
25 breaststroke 40.98 1st place

MacKenzie Manchester (13-14 girls)
50 freestyle 40.57 4th place
50 backstroke 44.71 4th place
100 backstroke 1:48.84 2nd place
50 breaststroke 54.50 5th place

200 breaststroke 4:24.33 2nd place
50 butterfly 46.73 1st place
100 butterfly 2:11.47 2nd place
100 backstroke 1:27.93 3rd place
100 IM 1:44.37 1st place

Macy Morgan (11-12 girls)
50 freestyle 47.22 8th place
100 freestyle 1:44.87 7th place
50 backstroke 53.21 8th place

Chloe Noel (11-12 girls)
50 freestyle 46.90 7th place
100 freestyle 1:46.03 8th place
50 backstroke 49.90 7th place
50 breaststroke 56.28 7th place
100 breaststroke 2:12.75 7th place
200 breaststroke 4:20.49 5th place
100 IM 1:59.68 4th place

Colton Noel (15 & over boys)
50 freestyle 35.49 2nd place
100 freestyle 1:32.17 3rd place
200 freestyle 3:20.55 2nd place
50 backstroke 43.34 2nd place
100 backstroke 1:40.01 3rd place
200 backstroke 3:38.94 1st place
50 breaststroke 40.14 1st place
100 breaststroke 1:31.90 2nd place

Mary Scoggins (15 & over girls)
200 freestyle 2:45.47 2nd place
100 butterfly 2:11.47 2nd place
100 backstroke 1:27.93 3rd place
100 breaststroke 1:40.37 4th place
200 IM 3:15.61 1st place

Timothy Scoggins (15 & over boys)
100 backstroke 1:22.93 2nd place
100 breaststroke 1:35.08 3rd place
100 IM 1:18.20 1st place

Karter Skelton (6 & under boys)
25 freestyle 29.98 1st place
50 backstroke 1:07.40 1st place
50 breaststroke 1:07.20 1st place

Savannah Skelton (7-8 girls)
25 freestyle 29.39 5th place
50 freestyle 1:05.71 3rd place
50 backstroke 1:09.09 1st place
25 breaststroke 43.81 2nd place

Addison Thayn (7-8 girls)
25 freestyle 26.14 2nd place
50 freestyle 58.43 2nd place
50 backstroke 1:12.02 2nd place

Rangely Open tourney results

RANGELY | Twenty-eight golfers endured chilly, unseasonable temperatures Saturday at Cedar Ridges Golf Course in Rangely to compete in the Rangely Open.

1st Flight

■ 1st Gross - Matt Burke, Vernal Utah, 75 Gross
■ 2nd Gross - JC Watt, Meeker 76 Gross
■ 1st Net - Mark Skelton, Rangely, 70 Net
■ 2nd Net - Terry Richardson Rangely, 72 Net

2nd Flight

■ 1st Gross - Mark Litzelman Meeker, 85 Gross
■ 2nd Gross - Scott Bowman Meeker, 86 Gross
■ 1st Net - James Maybury, Rangely, 68 Net
■ 2nd Net - Alvin Halcomb, Rangely, 69 Net

3rd Flight

■ 1st Gross - Tie - Rob Morgan, Rangely and Jack Rich, Fruita, 93 Gross
■ 1st Net - Rick Brady, Rangely 73 Net
■ 2nd Net - Tie - Dave Maybury, Parachute and Larry Ungaro, Rangely, 74 Net.

The next open entry tournament at Cedar Ridges is the 27 Hole Scramble on July 13.

Men's and Ladies' Club members from Meeker and Rangely will compete for the coveted Rio Blanco Cup this Saturday at Cedar Ridges.

BUSTA' MUTTON ...



Meeker Summer Rodeo Series Results Week 3:
Ranch Bronc Riding—
Sheridan Harvey
No. 8 Team Roping—
Chase Kiker and Zane Edinger
Mixed Team Roping—
Chase Kiker and TJ Toon
No. 11 Team Roping—
Cody Edinger and Brett Watson
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Ladies Breakaway—
Catherine Edwards
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Cylee Dunsmore

KIM EKSTROM PHOTO

Ducey's Electric wins MEF Golf Classic

By **BOBBY GUTIERREZ**
Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER | A one-day delay benefited the Meeker Education Foundation with an additional team entered into the annual Golf Classic, played at the Meeker Golf Course last Sunday instead of Saturday.

"The biggest joy was having the sun shine," Mary Strang, president of the MEF said about Sunday's weather. "We had a good group of enthusiastic people."

Thirteen teams made up the championship flight and it was Ducey Electric's team which won the four-person scramble 18-hole tournament with a score of 54. Haselden No. 2 finished second with a score of 57, while team SGM scored a 59.

The Nana Goose team scored 60, and team Elk Creek scored 61. Three teams—Sam's Stars, Enterprise and Haselden No. 1—all scored 62. Hot Shots finished with a 63, Natural Soda turned in 64, Chippers a 66, 68 and team B-T&S.

"We have many loyal and generous donors," Strang said. "All the money generated from this event goes into the grant fund, which goes into the classroom and supports student enrichment opportunities."

Strang serves on the board with Tom Allen, Erik Brown, Stacey Burke, Becky Hughes, Jerry Oldland and Dr. Kellie Turner.

12U SOFTBALL ...



Meeker 12U softball (pictured) placed at the Delta tournament last weekend.

COURTESY PHOTO

ERBM 5K, 10K, half marathon Park to Art race results

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MEEKER I Sixty runners took part in the 2019 Park to Art Run Races hosted by ERBM Recreation & Park District on Saturday, June 22. The race featured a 5K, 10K, and Half Marathon that cruised through downtown Meeker and the Phillip & Dorcas Jensen Memorial Park trail system.

Overall winners in the Half Marathon were Nick Clifforr in the male division with a time of 1:42:26 and Lisa Belmonte in the female division with a time of 2:03:16.

Overall winners in the 10K were Wyatt Mortenson in the male division with a time of 41:30 and Haley Pope in the female division with a time of 1:06:20.

Overall winners in the 5K were Paul McDonald in the male division with a time of 18:50 and Rosalie Mortenson in the female division with a time of 23:51.

Full results can be found at parktoartrunraces.itsyourrace.com.



Nick Clifforr, half marathon male overall winner.



Lisa Belmont, half marathon female overall winner.

5K Age Group Results for Male 12 & Under based on Gun Elapsed time

Place	Bib #	Name	Gun Start	Finish	Gun Elapsed	Age	Gender	Division
1	341	Snowdon Williams	07:58:09.8	08:21:53.3	00:23:43.4	10	M	5K
2	347	Lawson Anderson	07:58:09.8	08:29:19.5	00:31:09.7	8	M	5K
3	338	Brig Williams	07:58:09.8	08:34:30.8	00:36:21.0	7	M	5K
4	357	Haydyn Massey	07:58:09.8	08:39:55.9	00:41:46.1	9	M	5K
5	354	Ollie Thomson	07:58:09.8	08:40:01.6	00:41:51.8	6	M	5K
6	340	Col Williams	07:58:09.8	08:42:50.5	00:44:40.7	8	M	5K
7	337	Ryan Hanberg	07:58:09.8	08:42:54.1	00:44:44.2	9	M	5K
8	353	Liam Thomson	07:58:09.8	08:45:00.3	00:46:50.5	10	M	5K
9	336	Cameron Hanberg	07:58:09.8	08:46:01.8	00:47:52.0	11	M	5K

5K Age Group Results for Male 13-19 based on Gun Elapsed time

Place	Bib #	Name	Gun Start	Finish	Gun Elapsed	Age	Gender	Division
1	346	Kale Johnson	07:58:09.8	08:20:42.2	00:22:32.4	15	M	5K
2	359	Gage Richardson	07:58:09.8	08:24:51.4	00:26:41.6	13	M	5K
3	358	Gabriel Richardson	07:58:09.8	08:24:51.4	00:26:41.6	15	M	5K
4	345	Tommy Anderson	07:58:09.8	08:29:18.8	00:31:09.0	14	M	5K

5K Age Group Results for Male 20-29 based on Gun Elapsed time

Place	Bib #	Name	Gun Start	Finish	Gun Elapsed	Age	Gender	Division
1	335	Paul Mcdonald	07:58:09.8	08:17:00.2	00:18:50.4	20	M	5K
2	355	Tim Maddock	07:58:09.8	08:29:01.2	00:30:51.4	22	M	5K

5K Age Group Results for Male 40-49 based on Gun Elapsed time

Place	Bib #	Name	Gun Start	Finish	Gun Elapsed	Age	Gender	Division
1	334	Kirby Holmes	07:58:09.8	08:43:56.5	00:45:46.7	49	M	5K

5K Age Group Results for Male 50-59 based on Gun Elapsed time

Place	Bib #	Name	Gun Start	Finish	Gun Elapsed	Age	Gender	Division
1	331	Colt Mortenson	07:58:09.8	08:24:06.8	00:25:57.0	50	M	5K

5K Age Group Results for Female 12 & Under based on Gun Elapsed time

Place	Bib #	Name	Gun Start	Finish	Gun Elapsed	Age	Gender	Division
1	343	Emma Bauer	07:58:09.8	08:39:54.5	00:41:44.7	10	F	5K
2	350	Elizabeth George	07:58:09.8	08:45:13.5	00:47:03.7	8	F	5K

5K Age Group Results for Female 13-19 based on Gun Elapsed time

Place	Bib #	Name	Gun Start	Finish	Gun Elapsed	Age	Gender	Division
1	332	Rosalie Mortenson	07:58:09.8	08:22:00.8	00:23:51.0	17	F	5K
2	339	Brynlee Williams	07:58:09.8	08:42:53.8	00:44:44.0	16	F	5K

5K Age Group Results for Female 20-29 based on Gun Elapsed time

Place	Bib #	Name	Gun Start	Finish	Gun Elapsed	Age	Gender	Division
1	330	Kathryn Clifforr	07:58:09.8	08:28:40.1	00:30:30.2	25	F	5K
2	362	Kristara Meike	07:58:09.8	08:31:30.0	00:33:20.2	29	F	5K
3	361	Heather Blanchard	07:58:09.8	08:31:30.3	00:33:20.5	29	F	5K

5K Age Group Results for Female 30-39 based on Gun Elapsed time

Place	Bib #	Name	Gun Start	Finish	Gun Elapsed	Age	Gender	Division
1	356	Anne Lee	07:58:09.8	08:26:33.4	00:28:23.6	30	F	5K
2	360	Sarah Macdonald	07:58:09.8	08:31:30.1	00:33:20.3	30	F	5K
3	352	Carly Thomson	07:58:09.8	08:40:05.2	00:41:55.4	36	F	5K
4	348	Margaret Granzella	07:58:09.8	08:46:05.6	00:47:55.8	33	F	5K

5K Age Group Results for Female 40-49 based on Gun Elapsed time

Place	Bib #	Name	Gun Start	Finish	Gun Elapsed	Age	Gender	Division
1	344	Nila Anderson	07:58:09.8	08:33:55.4	00:35:45.6	49	F	5K
2	351	Carne George	07:58:09.8	08:45:13.5	00:47:03.7	42	F	5K
3	342	Becky Bauer	07:58:09.8	08:48:19.2	00:50:09.4	42	F	5K

5K Age Group Results for Female 60-69 based on Gun Elapsed time

Place	Bib #	Name	Gun Start	Finish	Gun Elapsed	Age	Gender	Division
1	349	Gusti Boiani	07:58:09.8	08:46:06.1	00:47:56.3	63	F	5K

10K Age Group Results for Male 12 & Under based on Gun Elapsed time

Place	Bib #	Name	Gun Start	Finish	Gun Elapsed	Age	Gender	Division
1	149	Gavin Allen	07:30:00.2	09:07:27.1	01:37:26.8	9	M	10K

10K Age Group Results for Male 13-19 based on Gun Elapsed time

Place	Bib #	Name	Gun Start	Finish	Gun Elapsed	Age	Gender	Division
1	152	Wyatt Mortenson	07:30:00.2	08:11:30.7	00:41:30.4	16	M	10K
2	151	Noah Mortenson	07:30:00.2	08:30:09.4	00:53:09.2	14	M	10K

10K Age Group Results for Male 30-39 based on Gun Elapsed time

Place	Bib #	Name	Gun Start	Finish	Gun Elapsed	Age	Gender	Division
1	159	Lukas Trout	07:30:00.2	08:29:35.4	00:59:35.1	31	M	10K
2	161	Weston Wise	07:30:00.2	08:34:05.7	01:04:05.4	32	M	10K
3	157	Greg Hanberg	07:30:00.2	08:46:01.6	01:16:01.4	36	M	10K

10K Age Group Results for Male 40-49 based on Gun Elapsed time

Place	Bib #	Name	Gun Start	Finish	Gun Elapsed	Age	Gender	Division
1	155	Aaron Grimes	07:30:00.2	08:29:24.3	00:59:24.0	42	M	10K

10K Age Group Results for Male 50-59 based on Gun Elapsed time

Place	Bib #	Name	Gun Start	Finish	Gun Elapsed	Age	Gender	Division
1	154	Michael Luedtke	07:30:00.2	08:39:36.8	01:09:36.5	50	M	10K

10K Age Group Results for Male 60-69 based on Gun Elapsed time

Place	Bib #	Name	Gun Start	Finish	Gun Elapsed	Age	Gender	Division
1	150	Gary Oba	07:30:00.2	08:37:46.2	01:07:45.9	63	M	10K

10K Age Group Results for Male 70-79 based on Gun Elapsed time

Place	Bib #	Name	Gun Start	Finish	Gun Elapsed	Age	Gender	Division
1	146	Tom Burnett	07:30:00.2	08:34:28.7	01:04:28.5	70	M	10K

10K Age Group Results for Female 30-39 based on Gun Elapsed time

Place	Bib #	Name	Gun Start	Finish	Gun Elapsed	Age	Gender	Division
1	162	Haley Pope	07:30:00.2	08:36:20.4	01:06:20.2	30	F	10K
2	158	Megan Hanberg	07:30:00.2	08:37:38.5	01:07:38.3	35	F	10K
3	147	Kirstie Strate	07:30:00.2	08:46:12.8	01:16:12.5	38	F	10K
4	160	Tracy Perfos	07:30:00.2	08:57:07.2	01:27:06.9	39	F	10K

10K Age Group Results for Female 40-49 based on Gun Elapsed time

Place	Bib #	Name	Gun Start	Finish	Gun Elapsed	Age	Gender	Division
1	156	Kris Casey	07:30:00.2	08:46:13.2	01:16:12.9	41	F	10K
2	148	April Allen	07:30:00.2	09:07:30.0	01:37:29.7	46	F	10K

10K Age Group Results for Female 50-59 based on Gun Elapsed time

Place	Bib #	Name	Gun Start	Finish	Gun Elapsed	Age	Gender	Division
1	153	Mary beth Luedtke	07:30:00.2	09:01:21.3	01:31:21.0	51	F	10K

HALF MARATHON Age Group Results for Male 20-29 based on Gun Elapsed time

Place	Bib #	Name	Gun Start	Finish	Gun Elapsed	Age	Gender	Division
1	267	Nick Clifforr	06:59:59.9	08:42:25.8	01:42:25.9	25	M	HALF MARATHON

HALF MARATHON Age Group Results for Male 30-39 based on Gun Elapsed time

Place	Bib #	Name	Gun Start	Finish	Gun Elapsed	Age	Gender	Division
1	262	John Strate	06:59:59.9	08:52:51.8	01:52:51.8	38	M	HALF MARATHON

HALF MARATHON Age Group Results for Male 40-49 based on Gun Elapsed time

Place	Bib #	Name	Gun Start	Finish	Gun Elapsed	Age	Gender	Division
1	254	Robert Kaneski	06:59:59.9	09:14:10.5	02:14:10.6	42	M	HALF MARATHON

HALF MARATHON Age Group Results for Male 50-59 based on Gun Elapsed time

Place	Bib #	Name	Gun Start	Finish	Gun Elapsed	Age	Gender	Division
1	263	Kent Walter	06:59:59.9	09:14:53.6	02:14:53.6	57	M	HALF MARATHON

HALF MARATHON Age Group Results for Female 30-39 based on Gun Elapsed time

Place	Bib #	Name	Gun Start	Finish	Gun Elapsed	Age	Gender	Division
1	265	Ivy Coryell	06:59:59.9	09:19:38.3	02:19:38.4	34	F	HALF MARATHON
2	264	Laura Bishop	06:59:59.9	09:19:45.6	02:19:45.7	39	F	HALF MARATHON

HALF MARATHON Age Group Results for Female 50-59 based on Gun Elapsed time

Place	Bib #	Name	Gun Start	Finish	Gun Elapsed	Age	Gender	Division
1	268	Lisa Belmonte	06:59:59.9	09:03:15.8	02:03:15.8	50	F	HALF MARATHON

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Stay Bear Aware when camping and hiking

Special to the Herald Times

RBC I With warmer weather and melting snowpack, outdoor enthusiasts are enjoying camping and hiking trips in Colorado's many scenic locations. Colorado Parks and Wildlife staff are frequently asked what someone should do if they encounter a bear while out camping or hiking. Whether you are visiting Colorado for a vacation or are a long-time resident, it's important to be aware of how to discourage human-bear encounters and how to avoid potential issues before heading out to live life outside.

First and foremost, when recreating in bear country you should remember that bears are not naturally aggressive toward humans; in fact, most bears are inherently wary of people. Physical encounters between humans and bears remain exceptionally rare.

"Bears are incredibly smart animals, and are more likely than not to just leave the area when they hear humans nearby," says J Wenum, Area Wildlife Manager for CPW in Gunnison. "However, if a bear is accidentally cornered or surprised, or has lost their normal fear of humans, it may react differently."

Interactions generally occur when bears become too comfortable around humans, often because of an easy or reliable food source, such as improperly stored camping supplies. When bears lose their fear of people, it may lead to them causing damage to property such as cars or RVs, or creating conflict with people at campsites or on the trails.

Bear sows are also very protective of their young and may react negatively to people if they believe that their cubs may be in danger.

"People need to understand how to be bear aware while camping and hiking in order to help prevent any issues," said Wenum. "Bears are part of the wild places that make Colorado special, so we ask people to take

some steps to keep them wild. That means keeping a clean campsite and vehicle, using bear boxes or canisters, respecting trail signage and considering carrying an air horn or bear spray in the backcountry."

CAMPING

When camping in bear country, the easiest way to avoid bears is to ensure you have no attractants at your campsite. Whether car camping or hiking into the backcountry, there are actions you can take to minimize your chances of an encounter.

■ **Safely store food:** If it smells good enough to eat, a bear will try to eat it. Store food, beverages and toiletries in airtight containers and place in provided campsite lockers, lock in your trunk or use bear-proof containers stored away from your tent.

■ **Stash your trash:** If a campground provides bear-proof trash receptacles, use them often to keep your campsite clean. If no trash receptacles are available, double bag your trash and lock it in your vehicle, or use a bear-proof container when backpacking.

■ **Keep it clean:** Scrape grill grates after use, clean all dishes and utensils, and ensure you have cleaned up any waste near your site. Never bring food or anything that smells like food—which includes toiletries, sunscreen and even clothes you wear when cooking—into your tent.

■ **Lock it up:** Be sure your car or RV windows are closed and your vehicles are locked whenever you leave your site or before going to sleep at night.

■ **Follow signs (and instincts):** Whether printed signs or natural signs such as tracks or scat, if you have evidence that a bear has been in the area recently, leave and choose another campsite.

If a bear is seen in your camp, try your best to haze it away with loud noises such as yelling, banging pots and pans together or



using your car horn or an air horn. Be sure to notify the campground host and other campers.

HIKING

With their tremendous senses of smell and hearing, bears will usually be aware of your presence well before you are aware of theirs. Their natural instinct will be to leave before you realize they are in the area. However, understanding bear behaviors and being aware of your surroundings will help you avoid unwanted encounters on the trails.

■ **Hike with friends:** Conversation and extra noise will alert bears to your presence and make them more likely to retreat. If your group includes furry friends, keep dogs leashed at all times. Not only will an unleashed dog be more likely to be injured, the instinct to return to its owner

may bring an aggravated bear right back to you.

■ **Stay alert at all times:** Leave your headphones back at your campsite, be extra cautious at dawn and dusk, and pay closer attention to visuals when hiking in an area with noise from running water or heavy winds.

■ **NEVER feed a bear:** Never approach a bear of any size for any reason, especially to feed it. Double bag food and pack out all food waste to avoid encouraging bears to see trails as a food source. Do not think "natural" waste like apple cores or banana peels are okay to leave behind—they are certainly not natural treats for bears.

■ **Respect forage areas:** If your usual trail runs through berry patches, oak brush or other known food sources, be extra

vigilant. Make extra noise by periodically clapping or calling out to alert bears to your presence.

If you've done everything above and still manage to surprise a bear on the trail? Stay calm, stand still and speak to it in a firm tone of voice. The bear will most likely identify you and leave. Never run from a bear!

If the bear does not leave, slowly wave your arms over your head trying to make yourself look big and continue speaking to encourage the bear's exit. If the bear huffs, stomps or pops its jaws, that is a sign that it needs space. Continue facing the bear, slowly back away and keep moving away slowly until the bear is out of sight.

If the bear approaches before you have a chance to try to force its exit, stand your ground.

Yell or throw smaller rocks in the direction of the bear. If the bear gets within 40 feet, utilize bear spray. If a bear attacks, do not play dead—fight back with anything available, including trekking poles, small knives, or even your bare hands.

If you're heading out to enjoy the Colorado outdoors, remember that most human-bear interactions are relatively benign; bear sightings and watching normal bear behaviors from a safe distance are an incredible sight for most outdoor enthusiasts. Staying bear aware on the trails or at your campsite, and keeping respectful distances for photos and viewing, keeps these interactions safe for humans and bears alike. For more information on camping and hiking in bear country, visit cpw.state.co.us.



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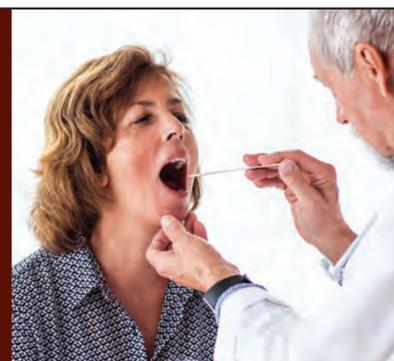


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FAST FACTS

WHO: White River Conservation District
WHAT: Fiscal Year 2019 Local Working Group meeting
WHEN: Wednesday, July 10, 7:30 to 9 p.m.
WHERE: Kilowatt Korner, 233 6th St., Meeker

Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER | The USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) in Rio Blanco County and the White River Conservation District cordially invites the public to attend their Fiscal Year 2019 Local Working Group (LWG) meeting July 10, from 7:30-9 p.m.

The purpose of this annual LWG meeting is to bring together conservation stakeholders to discuss conservation topics and issues, and to set local conservation priorities to help farmers, ranchers and private landowners conserve and manage the natural resources.

The meeting also updates attendees on recent conservation efforts and allows for an opportunity to collect public input to help guide future conservation activities. Through regular identification of conservation opportunities, effective Farm Bill investments can continue to benefit Rio Blanco County. Farmers, ranchers, conservationists, and others interested in obtaining Federal technical and financial assistance to improve private lands are invited to participate.

For more information, please contact Kendall Smith, district conservationist, at 970-329-3156 or Tristan Nielsen, district manager, at 970-878-9838.

New law amends Colorado Clean Indoor Act to ban vaping indoors

Special to the Herald Times

RBC | Starting Monday, July 1, vaping will be prohibited indoors in most public places. The new law aligns smoking and vaping by adding vaping to the Colorado Clean Indoor Air Act, which already prohibited smoking indoors in most public places.

The change comes as Colorado high school students are found to vape twice as much as the national average. Evidence shows that strong smoke-free policies reduce the

likelihood that young people will start smoking.

The new law also increases the distance from public entrances where people can smoke or vape from 15 to 25 feet. Studies show to completely avoid exposing others to secondhand smoke in an outdoor area, a person who is smoking may have to move as far away as 25 feet. According to statewide surveys, outside the doorway to a building is the most common place Coloradans report "having to put up with" secondhand smoke.

"We all deserve clean air

to breathe without having to worry about secondhand smoke or breathing in vape chemicals. It makes sense to align the law for e-cigarettes with traditional cigarettes," said Jill Hunsaker Ryan, executive director of the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment.

The new law will help protect customers and service industry employees at restaurants and bars, for example, from the cancer-causing chemicals, heavy metals and nicotine that are in the vapor that comes from vape devices.

Thelen named to Fort Lewis College Dean's List

MEEKER | Nishiko Thelen, of Meeker, Colorado, was named to Fort Lewis College's Dean's List for the spring 2019 semester. Thelen's major is business administration. To be eligible for Dean's List, a student must carry a semester GPA of 3.6 or better in no fewer than 15 credit hours of graded college level work and have completed all work for which they are registered by the end of the semester

Nieslanik earns spot on President's List at Gonzaga U

MEEKER | Samuel Nieslanik of Meeker has earned placement on the Gonzaga University President's List for spring semester 2019. Students must earn a 3.85 to 4.0 grade-point average to be listed.

Phelan named to Dean's List at Black Hills State University

MEEKER | Jacob Phelan, business administration major, has been named to the Dean's List at Black Hills State University in Spearfish, South Dakota. Students must earn a 3.5 or higher GPA to be listed.

Rangely School District offers survey regarding kindergarten cut-off date

Special to the Herald Times

RANGELY | Rangely School District Re-4 is reviewing the cut-off date for kindergarten and would like your input. Currently, to enter kindergarten, a student must be 5-years-old on or before Aug. 15 of the school year.

Why consider the move? There is research indicating that the youngest kindergartners are about five times more likely to be retained, or held back, compared to the older students (Hurst, Nathan,

University of Missouri, March 2014). There is also research completed by Kelly Bedard and Elizabeth Dhuy that shows that the youngest in a class are less likely to go on to college. Along with personal experiences and some feedback from our constituent's, the district believes it is reasonable to discuss if an earlier start date would be of value to our students.

Please consider completing the short survey by following the link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FH7288C>

Start dates of other districts.

School	Start Date
Hayden	October 1
Oak Creek	September 1
Parachute	August 15
Glenwood Springs	October 1
Basalt	October 1
Carbondale	October 1
Grand Junction	July 15
Moffat County	August 31

RBC WEEKLY CALL REVIEW

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

June 17-23, 2019

Meeker Dispatch Center administered 327 phone calls last week including nine 911 calls, 45 calls for Meeker Police Department (MPD) and placed 89 outgoing calls. A total of 163 calls for service were created, 84 for the Sheriff's Office, 56 for MPD and 11 assists with Rangely Police Department (RPD). (Please note the department breakdown of calls may reflect a different number because of incidents with multiple agency responses).

The Sheriff's Office conducted 19 traffic stops, issued three citations and one arrest. MPD had six stops and issued one citation.

Other calls for the Sheriff's Office included 17 agency assists, one 911 hang up, three civil papers served, four animal calls, seven citizen

assists, two motorist assists, two property, four suspicious incidents, four attempts for sexual offender address verification, two traffic complaints, five traffic hazards, three warrant arrests and one each: alarm, DUI, fraud, VIN inspection.

Meeker Police Department calls included four agency assists, six animal calls, 16 business checks, two fraud, three motorist assists, five suspicious incidents, seven vin inspections and one each: 911 hangup, alarm, domestic violence, funeral escort, theft, traffic complaint and warrant arrest.

There were two calls for Meeker Fire and Rescue, standby call for a traffic pursuit and one medical transport.

There were four assists with Colorado State Patrol.

Rio Blanco Detention facility booked in eight, five by the Sheriff's Office and three by RPD. Five inmates were released. Deputies conducted two transports to or from another facility and currently there are 16 inmates in the facility.

Two traffic crashes were reported in the county, one involving car/deer. One DUI arrest.

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At Sea and Shore



seashore

1 five vast _____ link across the planet, covering about 71% of Earth's surface

2 tidal pools are home to many _____ things: seaweed, seastars, snails, crabs, etc.

3 tide _____ are rocky; some may be seen separately at low tide

4 a _____ beach is one that is natural, untouched by people

5 energy from strong winds on the surface of the ocean causes _____ to form

6 _____ have explored only about 5% of the world's oceans

7 the ocean is mostly made up of _____, but there are many elements: sodium, chlorine, magnesium, calcium and more

8 tides are the result of the gravity of the _____ pushing and pulling the ocean

9 the ocean is Earth's largest habitat, with _____ such as whales, sharks, sea lions

10 coastline; where the land meets the ocean

11 a _____ resort is a place built for people to have fun and be active

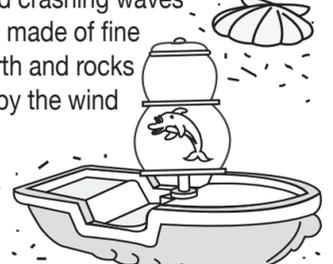
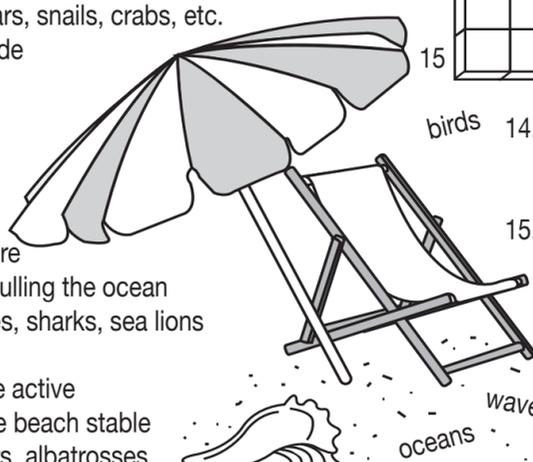
12 grasses and bushes anchor the sand _____ and keep the beach stable

13 many kinds of _____ live by the ocean: seagulls, sandpipers, albatrosses

14 beaches change shape due to constant erosion by the steady force of coastal _____ and crashing waves

15 _____ is made of fine grains of earth and rocks worn down by the wind

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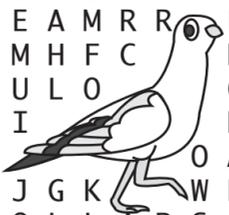
What Is Seen at the Seashore?

People bring shovels

clams and pails to dig and collect items from the seashore. Find and circle the items below that you can see at the shore.

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- sand
- foam
- rocks
- coral
- algae
- seagull
- snails
- jellies
- pelican
- tide pool
- sea stars
- seaweed
- seahorse
- lobsters
- mussels
- mollusks
- driftwood
- beach plums
- sandpiper
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Party If you help the cranky crab find his way to the cheerful clam party, he'll soon be 'as happy as a clam!'

What Is Seen at Sea?

What would sailors sailing on a ship at sea see? Mostly the sky and sea! Sometimes, the crew would be able to see these things:

- sky
- sun
- ships
- stars
- moon
- waves
- land
- buoys
- reefs
- sharks
- whales
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 - Sugar Ray Robinson's punch
 - Concert units
 - Water-resistant wool cloth
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 - Bay window
 - Wafting pleasantness
 - Between Big and Wolf
 - Halle or Chuck
 - *Face-to-face
 - *Feeling of familiarity
 - A pop
 - Cremation pile
 - *Geographic cape in French
 - Indira Gandhi's dress
 - Like an echo
 - Away from wind
 - Threads
 - Small drum
 - Do like buffaloes
 - *Peter, Peter Pumpkin ___
 - Kind of pool
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 - Facts and figures
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 - a.k.a. The Islamic State
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 - Perfect houseplant spot
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 - *___-faire
 - Southern chicken stew
 - Tire measurement
 - Branch of Islam
 - Discombobulate
 - Summer color
 - Worry or cause anxiety
 - Back talk
 - Be in a cast
 - Arm cast holder

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- Serb or Croat
- Famous Amos
- Tumults
- Chart anew
- Butcher, baker and candlestick maker
- *#6 Across, pl.
- *Pie ___ Mode
- Fussy old woman
- ___ code
- Type of nuclear missile
- Paddington Bear's homeland
- *"Rocky" star
- Express disapproval
- Extremely angry
- Poetic "before"
- Cindy Brady's do, sing.
- *___ blanche
- Luau greeting
- Lively
- Yellow brick one
- Ugly old witches
- Obelus, pl.
- Not Doric nor Corinthian
- *Crème de la ___
- Flightless birds
- Series of reps, pl.
- Yogurt-based dip
- Slip-up in pool
- National Institute of Health
- Talks back
- Former Greek coins
- Run-of-the-mill
- Musical finale
- Jar covers
- Bodily disorders
- Laundry room fire hazard
- Opposing prefix
- Involved in a secret
- Sound of passing bullet
- *Faux one
- *Cul-de-___

**The Meeker Herald
125 years ago**

A band of gypsies are camped at the edge of town, and they are ever on the alert for stray shekels. Besides telling fortunes (for which they ask from \$2 to \$20) they are ready to match horses with any and all comers.

A word to intending horse-racers: Don't go jockeying and wear out the patience of the crowd by unnecessary delays. Get your money up; start 'em off and be done with it.

A son-in-law of J.H. Bloodworth has been circulating a petition in this section the past week for a pardon for "Blood" and his son William, who were sent over the road from here in September, 1891, for 20 years. It caused a protest to be circulated, also.

**The Meeker Herald
100 years ago**

The Weather Man made several feeble attempts to furnish us with some needed rain during

the week.

The Beaver Oil company, drilling on the White River Oil and Gas company ground at White River, struck a gas gusher in well No. 2 Thursday. Particular of the strike have not yet reached town.

**The Meeker Herald
50 years ago**

While parade float entries are coming in in good shape, Chuck Miller, Range Call parade chairman, said this week he is in desperate need of individuals to dress the part of mountain men, trappers, etc., to help make the parade a success.

The W/R Veterinary Clinic recently completed on the eastern outskirts of Meeker, owned and operated by Drs. Bert White and Gary Rupp in partnership, is now ready for service to the area.

**The Meeker Herald
25 years ago**

This year's Meeker Range Call promises to provide every

bit of excitement as it always has in the past, with one exception—the Range Call Rodeo is turning out to be the biggest rodeo in the state during the July 4th weekend. As of Tuesday, there were 238 competitors entered in the rodeo.

Rio Blanco County Commissioners on Monday banned any and all open fires within unincorporated areas of the county due to extremely dry conditions.

According to a federal study released last week by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the Flat Tops Wilderness Area was listed as one of seven large, connected regions of western Colorado that have enough elk and deer to support the reintroduction of the gray wolf.

**Rangely Times
50 years ago**

A model of the proposed new library building for Rangely is on display at the Public Library.

The average man's idea of a good sermon is one that goes over his head and hits a neighbor.

Miss Pat Kenney, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Kenney,

is preparing to go to Rhodesia to serve in the new Chidamoyo Christian Mission Hospital near Karoi, Rhodesia.

**Rangely Times
25 years ago**

Weather conditions have been ripe for fires—very dry (no measurable precipitation for well over a month), very hot and, at times, very windy. There have been several fires in the area, but one burning this last week, having consumed 1,250 acres as of Tuesday morning, was the largest in the state. The fire is nine miles east of Rangely in the Cathedral Bluffs area—3.2 miles south of Highway 64 on County Road 122.

The Rangely Town Council has selected William H. Lewis to be the new Town Manager of Rangely.

Despite a snowpack which is only moderately below average, very dry spring conditions have caused river run-off conditions to peak approximately one month earlier than normal. If dry weather conditions persist, stream flows will rapidly drop and result in river calls at least a month earlier than normal.

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FOURTH OF JULY PROGRAM

J. N. NEAL, Manager J. E. OLDLAND, L. P. CREGGHE, Finance Committee
S. P. WEAR, Starter of Races
9 A. M.

Children's Sports, under the direction of Chautauqua Management

Obstacle and Relay Races RANGE RIFLES Obstacle race, 1st \$15.00 2nd \$5.00 3rd \$2.50 Relay race, 1st \$50.00 2nd \$20.00 3rd \$10.00 Three horses to be roped out of corral	Mule and Slow Horse Race DAILY RIFLES Mule, 1st \$20.00 2nd \$7.50 3rd \$2.50 Horse, 1st \$15.00 2nd \$5.00 3rd \$2.50
Roping Contest RANGE RIFLES 1st \$100.00 2nd \$35.00 3rd \$15.00 Entrance \$5.00	Slow Auto Race in High Gear 1st \$15.00 2nd \$5.00 3rd \$2.50
BARBECUE 1 P. M. Bucking Contest DAILY RIFLES Best rider, 1st \$50.00 2nd \$20.00 3rd \$5.00 Worst horse, 25.00 10.00 5.00	Cow Horse Race for ones that caught calves in roping contest DAILY RIFLES 1st \$50.00 2nd \$15.00 3rd \$5.00 -entrance, \$5.00 -entrance, \$1.00 FREE FOR ALL 8 P. M. Chautauqua Program DANCE—EVENINGS, 3rd and 4th OLYVE B. STEPHENSON, COO.

It is the aim of the management to make this FOURTH one of the most enjoyable in the history of Meeker

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1919 Fourth of July events schedule from the Meeker Herald.

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RIO BLANCO COUNTY CR 5 STOCKPASS 5 REPLACEMENT PROJECT REQUEST FOR BID

Rio Blanco County is seeking a qualified contractor to replace a sub-standard bridge with an 8' x 8' concrete box culvert (pre-cast), remove 52 lin. ft. of culvert, install 59 lin. ft. of 36" drainage pipe, re-align 1,256 feet of roadway, place 1,736 tons ABC Class 6, and place 1,217 tons of Hot Mix Asphalt. Construction specifications will follow the "2017 Colorado Department of Transportation's Standard Specifications for Road & Bridge Construction". Project Special Revisions and Standard Provisions applicable to this project are included with the Bid Package. A State of Colorado DOLA Energy Impact Assistance Grant is funding 50% of the project costs.

BID DOCUMENTS: Bid Documents shall be available on June 27, 2019 on-line at www.govbids.com/scripts/co1/public/home1.asp, or on the county's website at www.rbc.us on the Business/Purchasing/Bid Postings page.

BIDDER QUALIFICATIONS: Vendors must be listed on the most current CDOT Pre-qualified Contractor Listing. Bidder must also be listed as a Business in Good Standing on the State of Colorado Secretary of State Business Listing.

MANDATORY PRE-BID MEETING: Bidders must attend the mandatory pre-bid meeting: July 8, 2019 at 10:00 A.M. at the Rio Blanco County Road & Bridge Dept., 570 Second Street, Meeker.

PROJECT ENGINEER AND QUESTIONS: Van Pilaud, County Engineer, (970) 878-9590, Fax (970) 878-3396. All Bidders are advised to examine the site and become familiar with all conditions. Any questions regarding this Project are to be directed in writing to Van Pilaud before 5:00 P.M. on July 11, 2019 at the above address or fax number.

WORK SCHEDULE: Project shall be complete by October 31, 2019.

BID SUBMITTALS: Bidder shall submit sealed bids for this project which shall include all information required by the contract documents. Bids shall have Bidder's name and address and "SEALED BID - 2019 CR 5 SP 5 REPLACEMENT PROJECT" printed on the outside. Each bid must include a certified check or cashier's check in the amount of not less than five percent (5%) of the total bid, made payable to Rio Blanco County, or by a bid bond in like amount executed by a surety company.

Mailed bids are due no later than 4:00 P.M. on Monday, July 15, 2019. Do not depend on overnight delivery. Mailing Address: Rio Blanco County Commissioners, Attn: Vicky Edwards, P.O. Box 599, Meeker, CO 81641.

Hand delivered bids will be accepted from 8:00 A.M. to 10:45 A.M. on July 16, 2019. Hand-delivery address: Rio Blanco County Commissioners, 17497 Hwy. 64 - Rangely Annex Board Room, Rangely, CO 81648.

BID OPENING
Bids shall be opened and read in public at 11:15 A.M. on July 16, 2019 at the Rio Blanco County Rangely Annex, Rangely, CO. Bids submitted after 10:45 A.M. will be returned not opened. Bids submitted and opened shall not be withdrawn for 30 days thereafter.

BID AWARD:
Construction efficiency and timely completion are major considerations for the award of this project. A realistic construction schedule is required to be submitted with bid. A bar chart showing the salient features as set forth in the specifications is acceptable.

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

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C.R.S. 8-17-101 states "whenever any public works project financed in whole or in part by funds of the state, counties, school districts, or municipalities of the state of Colorado are undertaken in this state, Colorado labor shall be employed to perform at least eighty percent of the work. The governmental body financing a public works project shall waive the eighty percent requirement if there is reasonable evidence to demonstrate insufficient Colorado labor to perform the work of the project and if compliance with this article would create an undue burden that would substantially prevent a project from proceeding to completion".

BID AWARD
The Rio Blanco County Board of County Commissioners reserve the right to reject any or all bids; to waive any informalities in bids; and to accept the bid that, in the opinion of the Board, is in the best interest of the County of Rio Blanco, State of Colorado.

RIO BLANCO COUNTY
Dated: June 24, 2019
By: Jeff Rector, Chairman
Published: June 27 and July 4, 2019
Rio Blanco Herald Times

TOWN OF MEEKER BOARD OF TRUSTEES Tuesday, July 2, 2019 7:00 P.M. Board Meeting

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PUBLIC NOTICES

Town Hall 345 Market Street, Meeker, CO

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Approval of the Agenda
- V. Approval of the Previous Minutes
- VI. Approval of Monthly Disbursements
- VII. Public Participation

This is an opportunity for Citizens to bring comments and questions to the Board of Trustees not being addressed in the Regular Meeting Agenda. In consideration of other regularly scheduled agenda items, comments will be limited to 3 minutes or less. Citizens are asked to approach the podium state their name and address for the record.

VIII. New Business
Request from Meeker Fire and Rescue Dept. for annual fireworks donation.
Renewal of Hotel Restaurant Liquor License, M and M Inc., dba Meeker Cafe, 534 Main Street, Meeker, Colo.

Renewal of Fermented Malt Beverage Off Premise License, Fey's Business Ventures Inc., dba Gofers Foods of Meeker, 812 Market St., Meeker, Colo. Bid opening and award 1989 Caterpillar Loader, Chamber Update.

IX. Mayor's Remarks
X. Town Manager's Report
XI. Other Board Business
XII. Executive Session pursuant to C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(b) to receive legal advice on specific legal questions.

XIII. Adjournment
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COLUMBINE PARK ADVISORY BOARD Minutes June 3, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 4:01PM by Chair, Jay McLaughlin.

Board Members Present: Jay McLaughlin, Diane Sizemore, Kerri Knight, Susie Berardi.

Rio Blanco County Representatives: Eric Jaquez, Mark Litzelman
CNCC Representatives: Kaley McLean

Announcements:
I. Deadline for Lease Agreements and Policies and Procedures—August 1, 2019
II. Luke Scott's hours at the Park are M-F from 8:00AM-3:00PM

a. Contact phone number will be posted at the Park Entrance, Administration Office, Red Barn, and Quonset

III. Maintenance/Repair requests should be made via Work Order submissions, Work Order Forms will be located at the Columbine Park Maintenance Office.

Updates:
I. Patched-and-Filled Parking Lot
II. Conducted 'Burn'
III. Relocated Stockpile east of lower arena

Old Business:
I. Policies and Procedures Draft Review
A. Eric requested revision of current draft completed by July 3 then presented to County Commissioners July 9

B. Discussion Points
i. County will supervise a walk-through tour with new boarders at which time boarder will a) submit Cognias, Health Certificate, and Contact Information; b) sign lease agreement

ii. Boarders may initiate boarding application online
County will be creating and maintaining a web page for Columbine Park.

iii. Stalls will be tagged with identification of horse and owner
iv. CNCC Equine Program will 'rent' multiple stalls as one entity; however, boarders assume responsibility for their horses and Park use

v. Solid Round Pens may be locked with Use by Permission, Contact Luke Scott Columbine Park Maintenance Tech. at 970-756-0817 to schedule the use of the Round Pens.

vi. Boarders are prohibited from watering, feeding, and/or boarding horses in Exercise and Turn-out Pens with enforcement under discussion

vii. Signs with Policies will be posted at Red Barn, Quonset, and Sheds

ii. Policies and Procedure Enforcement
A. Three-Strike Violation Process in discussion
III. Columbine Park Facilities Review

A. Discussion Points
i. Covered arena sand will be replaced with new sand
ii. Exercise and Turn-out pens will be graded and filled with new sand

iii. Manure disposal site will be determined
iv. Eric will provide Template for stall signage
v. Site survey analysis for water in turn-out areas is in process

vi. Free-range boarding still in discussion
vii. Hay storage still in discussion
viii. Trailer-parking still in discussion
ix. Stall mats to be laid as an on-going project

New Business
I. Suggested removal of lower outside arena with discussion to continue
Next Meeting Agenda
I. July meeting will discuss and approve Columbine Park Policy and Procedure Draft for presentation to County Commissioners

PUBLIC NOTICES

Next Meeting: Monday, July 1, 4:00PM at the Columbine Park Administration Office
Respectfully Submitted,
Susie Berardi
Secretary
Published: June 27, 2019
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RIO BLANCO COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION RIO BLANCO COUNTY COURTHOUSE 555 MAIN STREET, P.O. BOX 599 MEEKER, CO 81641 970-878-9431

COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PUBLIC NOTICE: Notice is hereby given that by appointment, on July 31, 2019, the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado will sit as the Board of Equalization in the Commissioner's Hearing Room, located on the 3rd floor of the Rio Blanco Historic Courthouse, 555 Main Street, Meeker, Colorado, and by videoconferencing at the Western Annex Building, 17467 Hwy 64, in Rangely, CO. The Board will hear appeals from determinations by the Assessor. Petitions for appeal from determinations of the Rio Blanco County Assessor may be filed pursuant to Chapter 39, Article 8, C.R.S.
Dated this 27th day of June, 2019
Published: June 27, 2019
Rio Blanco Herald Times

PUBLIC NOTICE INVITATION TO BID

Used 1989 Caterpillar Loader
Notice is hereby given that the Town of Meeker is selling a used 1989 Caterpillar Loader with 10,123 hours, complete with one set of forks, a bucket, tires are at 50% tread. A minimum bid of \$5,000 is required. Loader may be viewed by calling Russell at 970-942-7555. Loader will be sold as is/where is, with no warranty expressed or implied. The bid will be awarded to the highest bidder.

Sealed bid proposals will be accepted at Town Hall, 345 Market Street, Meeker, CO until Tuesday, July 2, 2019 at 4:00 p.m., proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud at the Town Board meeting at 7:00 p.m. July 2nd. The bid proposal must be placed in an envelope, securely sealed and labeled "Town of Meeker Caterpillar Loader Bid".

The Town reserves the right to reject or accept any and all bids; to change, add, or amend the specifications; to waive any informalities; and the right to disregard all nonconforming or conditional bids or counter proposals. Each proposal shall be reviewed and considered consistent with the provisions of the Town of Meeker Purchasing Policy. Contact Lisa Cook, Town Administrator, 970-878-5344 for additional information.

Published: June 20th and 27th, 2019
Rio Blanco Herald Times

NOTICE OF HEARING BY PUBLICATION TO INTERESTED PERSONS AND OWNERS BY DESCENT OR SUCCESSION PURSUANT TO § 15-12-1303, C.R.S.

In the Matter of the Determination of Heirs or Devises or Both and of Interests in Property of: Evelyn M. Bassier a/k/a Pat Evelyn M. Bassier, Deceased

Rio Blanco County District Court
Case No. 2019PR030008
To all interested persons and owners by descent or succession:

Gail P. Morris, Douglas C. Bassler, Kevin E. Bassler, and Kelly J. Harrington
A petition has been filed alleging that the above decedent died leaving the following property:

Property: Severed Mineral Rights Account #N5500861, Rio Blanco County, Colorado
The hearing on the petition will be held at the following time and location or at a later date to which the hearing may be continued:

Date: September 6, 2019, Time: 9:00 am, Courtroom or Division: B
Address: 455 Main St., Meeker, CO 81641
the hearing will take approximately 15 minutes.

Note:
You must answer the petition on or before the hearing date and time specified above.

Within the time required for answering the petition, all objections to the petition must be in writing, filed with the court and served on the petitioner and any required filing fee must be paid.

The hearing shall be limited to the petition, the objections timely filed and the parties answering the petition in a timely manner. If the petition is not answered and no objections are filed, the court may enter a decree without a hearing.

Karen L. Brady, Atty. Reg. #18324
Law Offices of Karen Brady, P.C.
5400 Ward Road V-170
Arvada, CO 80002
Phone Number: (303) 420-2863

E-mail: info@coloradolegacyplanning.com
FAX Number: (303) 424-2599
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PERSONALS

Thanks Darold, Solveig, family, friends and neighbors for a marvelous 80th birthday party!



PUBLIC NOTICES

WHITE RIVER ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION, INC. 2019 BOARD OF DIRECTOR ELECTIONS Petitions for Nomination of Director Candidate Now Available

Please be advised that Petitions for Nomination of Director Candidates for the White River Electric Association, Inc. Board of Directors will be available for prospective candidates beginning June 20, 2019.

Prospective candidates may obtain Petitions for Nomination of Director Candidate at the WREA headquarters, 233 6th Street in Meeker, Colorado during regular business hours, Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Petitions are also available on-line at www.wrea.org. At the September 11, 2019 WREA Annual Meeting, one director from the Town of Meeker, and two directors from the Rural District will be elected for three-year terms. Completed Petitions must be signed by 15 qualified WREA members and returned to WREA no later than July 26, 2019 at 4:30 p.m. Members may vote in the election of directors by mailed ballot or in person at the Annual Meeting, September 11, 2019 at the Fairfield Center in Meeker, Colorado. Please call WREA at 970-878-5041 for more information or with any questions.

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Pursuant to the Rules and Regulation of the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board published August 1980, and pursuant to the Colorado Surface Coal Mining Reclamation Act 34-33-101, et seq., notice is hereby given of the filing of an application for Phase I through III Bond Release of a portion of the Colowyo Mine site. The application pertains to the existing Colowyo Coal Mine, Permit No. C-1981-019, Colowyo Coal Company L.P., 5731 State Highway No. 13, Meeker, Colorado 81641, filed with the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (CDRMS), Colorado Department of Natural Resources, 1313 Sherman Street, Room 215, Denver, Colorado 80203, and approved by the Division on August 14, 2018 (latest Permit Renewal). The Colowyo Mine is located approximately 28 miles south of Craig, Colorado.

The Phase I and II bond release areas being applied for were reclaimed from 2011 through 2014 and total approximately 3.3 acres and 83.3 acres respectively. The Phase III area being applied for are permanent structures and total approximately 5.2 acres. All areas being applied for are shown on Maps 1 and 2 within the application. The status of the reclaimed areas is consistent with the requirements of the approved reclamation plan, which includes backfill and grading to the approved post-mine topography, variable topsoil replacement depths, and vegetative establishment supporting the post-mine land use. Listed below is a general legal description of these areas:

Phase I Area
Township 3 North, Range 93 West of the 6th P.M.
Section 15 - NW ¼ SW ¼

Phase II Areas
Township 3 North, Range 93 West of the 6th P.M.
Section 10 - SW ¼ S ¼
Section 15 - NW ¼
Section 16 - SW ¼ S ¼, NE ¼ SE ¼
Section 17 - N ¼
Section 20 - NE ¼
Section 21 - NW ¼

Phase III Areas
Township 3 North, Range 93 West of the 6th P.M.
Section 2 - SE ¼ SE ¼
Section 11 - All
Colowyo currently holds a self-bond (Bond No. SB-010) in the amount of \$108,025,721.00. With this application, Colowyo will be requesting relinquishment of 60% of the bond held for the Phase I area, and 25% of the base bond held for the Phase II parcels, and 100% of the bond held for the Phase III areas applied for under this application.

A copy of the bond release application is on file at the Moffat County Clerk and Recorder's Office located in the Moffat County Courthouse, 221 West Victory Way, Craig, Colorado 81625, and the Rio Blanco County Clerk and Recorder's Office located in Rio Blanco County Courthouse, 555 Main Street, Meeker, Colorado 81641. Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference concerning this bond release application should be addressed to the Colorado Division of Reclamation Mining and Safety, Colorado Department of Natural Resources, 1313 Sherman Street, Room 215, Denver, Colorado 80203.

Comments must be filed within thirty (30) days from the last date of this publication, or within thirty (30) days of the completed inspection by the CDRMS, whichever is later.
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Rangely Food Bank is open on Saturdays from 12:00-2:00 p.m. at 204 E. Rio Blanco. To donate, please call 970-620-2407.

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

AA & Al-Anon Meetings - Rangely Alcoholics Anonymous - Open meetings Tues & Thurs, 7 p.m., 115 Kennedy Dr., St. Timothy's Episcopal Church, Rangely.

Al-Anon meets Monday, 8:15 p.m., 207 S. Sunset, 1st Baptist Church, Rangely. Al-Anon info call 970-629-5064 or 970-629-2970.

Women's NA/AA meetings, Monday 1:30 p.m., St. Timothy's.

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.

New Eden Pregnancy Care Services - pregnancy tests, emergency supplies, guidance by trained volunteers, classes on pregnancy and child care, post-abortion support, referrals. Meeker: Thursdays, Noon to 5 p.m., 345 Main Street, Meeker. Email: newedenpcs@gmail.com or (970)878-5117
Rangely: Mondays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Thursdays, 1 p.m. to 7 p.m., 219 Sunset Avenue Rangely. Email: newedenrangely@gmail.com or (970) 675-2300. All services are confidential.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

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

SAFEHOUSE

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

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

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

The Rangely Moms Group gives pregnant women and mothers of newborns through elementary school-aged children time to take a break, join in discussions and crafts, and build relationships with other moms. We meet the first Thursday of each month from September through May, from 9-11 a.m. at First Baptist Church ((207 S Sunset). Join us! For more information, call Britt Campos at 801-589-4803.

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY

COMMUTE TO WORK - 25 SECONDS FROM MY BEDROOM TO MY OFFICE. WOW! I MAKE \$\$ RECORDED INFORMATION
1-800-303-9112 6/20-7/4

CARS

2002 Gray Chevy pickup, 4x4, shortbed, tonneau cover, leather interior, power seats, 97,000 miles. \$5,000. 970-878-3190
6/20-6/27

COMBINED NOTICE - MAILING

CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 19-06
To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust: On April 10, 2019, the undersigned Public Trustee caused the Notice of Election and Demand relating to the Deed of Trust described below to be recorded in the County of Rio Blanco records.

Original Grantor(s): James L Brannan
Original Beneficiary(ies): Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Amcar Mortgage Co. Ltd. dba Major Mortgage Co.
Current Holder of Evidence of Debt: PennyMac Loan Services, LLC
Date of Deed of Trust: June 26, 2013
County of Recording: Rio Blanco
Recording Date of Deed of Trust: June 28, 2013
Recording Information (Reception No. and/or Book/Page No.): 306598
Original Principal Amount: \$130,102.00
Outstanding Principal Balance: 102,881.19

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 2 MESA VISTA EAST MINOR SUBDIVISION ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF FILED NOVEMBER 19, 1979 AS RECEPTION NO. 193057 TOWN OF RANGELY, COLORADO
Also known by street and number as: 246 E Rangely Ave, Rangely, CO 81648.

THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ALL OF THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY ENCUMBERED BY THE LIEN OF THE DEED OF TRUST.

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

HEREFORE, Notice is Hereby Given that I will at public auction, at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, 08/07/2019, at Office of the Public Trustee, Rio Blanco County Courthouse, 555 Main Street, Meeker CO 81641, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property and all interest of the said Grantor(s), Grantor(s)' heirs and assigns therein, for the purpose of paying the indebtedness provided in said Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, plus attorneys' fees, the expenses of sale and other items allowed by law, and will issue to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law.

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

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

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

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

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

Colorado Attorney General
1300 Broadway, 10th Floor
Denver, Colorado 80203
(800) 222-4444
www.coloradotoattorneygeneral.gov

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Glock 43, 9mm, pistol with 2 magazines in original box with everything. "Plus 1" extender on both mags, Mint condition. \$400. 970-404-1238

HOMES: MEEKER

108+ acres, log home, 4 BDR/1.75 BA, cistern, barn, shop, set up for horses/cows, 4 miles west of town. Call for info. 970-756-0718 6/27-7/25

HUNTING

Browning compound bow with sights, 12 arrows, 2 quivers, 2 stabilizers, 2 mechanical releases and hard case. \$350. 970-404-1238

LOST & FOUND

Found at Touch a Truck Event - kids truck & kids pair of sunglasses. Call 970-878-5162 and identify. 6/13-6/27

MISCELLANEOUS

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

RENTALS: MEEKER

Thanks Darold, Solveig, family, friends and neighbors for a marvelous 80th birthday party! 6/27

RENTALS: MEEKER

Garfield Street/3 BR townhouse 1.5 bath, W & D. Kitchen appliances. \$750/month, \$750 security deposit, 6 month lease. One updated unit \$800/month. 970-878-5858

Storage units for rent in Meeker. Rocky Mountain Storage
1251 Market St.
10x10 \$50 per mo
5x10 \$40 per mo
970-878-3700

3+2 BDR/3BA house, 2 car garage, large rec room, available July 1st. 1085 Laurie Cir., NS NP 303-657-9050

2 BDR/1 BA duplex, large open floor plan, new kitchen, washer/dryer, fenced yard, no smoking. \$700 mo. Contact Karla @ 720-352-3520

Mobile home and RV spaces available in Meeker for rent. First two months free with longterm lease. 970-220-2150

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RENTALS: MEEKER

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

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Rental; Room to rent, all utilities and use of full house. Washer/dryer, share with one other person. Short or long term for right person, you mess, you clean. No pets, no smoking. One car parking. \$375 mo., second room available on request also \$375 mo. Available July. 970-620-0917

AVAILABLE NOW: Beautiful retail space downtown at 6th and Main in the historic Hugus Building. Call 970-878-4138 for details.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- Accountant/Accounting Technician
- Caseworker
- Facilities Services Worker, Rangely
- Landfill Operator
- Patrol Deputy
- Public Health Nurse
- Relief 911 Dispatcher
- Relief Control Room Specialist
- Relief Radino Driver, Rangely
- Temporary R&B Laborer, Rangely
- Temporary Weed Control Assistant

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

RENTALS: RANGELY

Rangely Duplex for Rent 1 or 2 bedroom duplex -Newly remodeled & landscaped. Please contact Rodney 970-462-6538 or Dan 970-462-6858.

SILVER SAGE RV PARK RV
314 E. Main Street.
RV Spaces for rent.
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 - Certified Nursing Assistant - Home Health
 - RN - Home Health

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

- Occupational Therapist
 - Physical Therapist
 - LPN or RN - LTC
 - MLT or MLS - Laboratory
 - LPN or RN - LTC - Nights
- FULL-TIME: (eligible for benefits):**
- RN - Acute/ED
 - Cook
 - Radiology/CT/US Tech
 - Surgical Services Director
 - Medical Laboratory Director
 - Laundry Tech
 - Food Service Tech
 - CRT or RRT - Cardiopulmonary
 - Quality Manager
 - Patient Access Rep - ED
 - Patient Access Rep - Clinic

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

Pioneers Medical Center
Phone: (970) 878-9547 Fax: (970) 878-9245
100 Pioneers Medical Center Dr., Meeker, CO 81641
Eastern Rio Blanco County Health Service District

WANTED

Cleaning out your freezer? Finicky little white dog needs old venison or beef for dog food. Freezer burned ok. No sausage, pork or chicken. Call, text or drop off at the newspaper office. 970-948-9547.

YARD SALES

MEEKER: 815 East Market St 6/28 & 6/30, 7:30 - ?
By High Rise Tree Trimming up the dirt road. Clothes steamer, saddle, patio set, snowblower, lots of misc. 6/27

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MARKETING COORDINATOR**

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**TOWN OF RANGELY
ADMINISTRATIVE ACCOUNTING CLERK**

The Town of Rangely has an immediate opening for the Admin Assistant/Accounting Clerk. Essential Functions include but are not limited to maintaining confidentiality of all Town Manager office business, strong skills in Microsoft Word and Excel. Duties include but are not limited to secretarial duties including transcription, correspondence, memorandums and directives; Arrange and maintain Town Manager schedule, receptionist duties and any other tasks as the office deems necessary for the effective and efficient operation of the administrative office. Accounting duties include Accounts Payable, Utility Billing and Payroll. This position will be a temporary part time position that will be considered for full time with benefits at the end of a three month probationary period. Pay will depend on experience. To apply submit a completed application to the Town of Rangely at 209 E Main Street, Rangely Colorado 81648. Applications may be obtained from the personnel department or are available on our website at www.rangely.com. Position is Open until filled. The Town of Rangely is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Job Type: Full-time

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brookseeley.com
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NMLS # 514883

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RESIDENTIAL
235 Water St. - Really clean and cute well maintained home with garage, greenhouse, hot tub, new storage shed, large lot, RV parking, in excellent condition. \$179,900! **SOLD!**
1254 Sunridge Ave., Rangely - Nice 3BD/2BA home in La Mesa. Large lot & hot tub. \$175,000!
752 2nd St. - 4BD/2.75BA Close to schools, Rec. Center and Fairgrounds. \$219,000!
767 12th St. - 2BD/1.5BA, townhouse, well kept. \$68,000.

RURAL RESIDENTIAL
1083 Boulder Dr., Craig - Wilderness Ranches cabin, turkey. PRICE REDUCED to \$162,000!

VACANT LAND
NEW! 1417 Silver Sage Road - 2 nice lots with views. \$45,000.
NEW! 1176 Main St. - Nice vacant corner lot with water and sewer taps. \$28,500!

NEW! Vacant lot - Adjoining 1176 Main St. \$23,500
NEW! Vacant land in Craig, CO with surrounding nice views!
- 11 AC. with well, electricity & storage shed. \$60,000
- 8 AC. with electricity pole. \$31,000
- 8 AC. parcel with good building sites. \$27,000.
Above listings are approx. 7 miles from Craig, CO
Two 5ac. lots, Strawberry Patch Rd. - Ponds, fence & electricity. \$56,500 ea.
32 lots, Sanderson Hills - Numerous lots with great building sites. \$30,000/ea.

COMMERCIAL
975 Market St. - Commercial Property located with prime corner location on Highway 13 \$220,000. **REDUCED!**

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879 7th St. CABIN NO. 2 **45 E. Park Ave. 35 ACRE LOT** **9 E. Main St. NEW COMMERCIAL**

1947 CR 12 **688 Meath Dr.** **646 Main St.**

FOR SALE IN MEEKER 688 Meath Dr. - 35ac Lot w/ No HOA.....\$80,000
TBD CR 15 - 2BD/2BA 390±ac Ranch.\$895,000 1983 CR 12 - Vacant Lot.....\$30,000
879 7th St. - 6BD/3BA 3,692 SF.....\$575,000 975 6th St. - 1 Acre Lot.....\$30,000
10278 CR 8 - 3BD/3BA Home.....**SOLD**

FOR SALE IN RANGELY
1947 CR 12 - 3BD 1BA 940 SF Cabin.....\$260,000 258 E. Main St. - Commercial/Res.....\$240,000
1959 CR 12 - 3BD/1BA 816 SF Cabin.....\$260,000 315 & 317 N Grand Ave. - Duplex.....\$140,000
260 Little Rancho Dr.....**SALE PENDING**
1042 Park Ave. - 3BD/1BA 2,340 SF....\$204,000
9 E. Main - 2BD/1BA 2,208 SF Home....\$185,000
1128 Main - 2BD/1BA 1,209 SF.....\$175,000
45 E. Park - 3BD/1BA 1,164 SF.....\$165,000
646 Main - 1,890 SF Building/Office....\$127,000
925 7th St. - 2BD/1BA 2,737 SF Home....\$99,400
1269 Park Ave.....**SALE PENDING**

RANCH PROPERTY
No HOA or Covenants
390± Acres with Home
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BROOKS REALTY

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(970)878-5858

785 11TH ST.
1996 manufactured home, 1,636 SF, 3BD/2BA and open living/dining room. Large kitchen.
Priced to move! \$115,000.

830 CLEVELAND ST.
Lg. covered front porch w/ 5 BDR, nice office, 2.75 BA, lg. open kitchen. Plenty of room for everyone!
\$307,000

- ◆ 485 1st St. - 1.5BA/3BD home. Corner lot, deck, basement. \$248,000 **SALE PENDING!**
- ◆ 791 11th St. - Recently remodeled 4BD/2 full BA home with large lower level family room. More than ample storage. Owner offering creative financing! \$173,000
- ◆ 1040 Main St. - Apartment opportunity! Seven, 2BD/1BA units & one bachelor/studio unit w/ 3/4BA & kitchenette! Good rental history! \$425,000
- ◆ 740 11th Street - All new floors, 3 BD 1.5 BA \$102,500 **SOLD!**
- ◆ 2002 Mobile Home - Located in trailer park. No land included. 2 B D/ 1 full BA. Great starter home! **PRICE REDUCED! \$24,500.**

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HOMES IN MEEKER ...

- * NEW 395 6th St. - Residential/Commercial corner lot near post office. 2 story, 4 BDR, 2 BA, beautiful hard wood floors, basement. Previously used as offices, retail and residential. Great location. **\$255,000.**
- *1123 Park Ave. - Nice 2007 singlewide manufactured home on 1 full lot. 2 BR, 2 BA. Furnished. **REDUCED!** \$115,000

RANCHES - RURAL RESIDENTIAL - HUNTING PROPERTIES...

- *92 CR 59- 5 acres 10 miles up Buford/New Castle Road. Home sites. Borders Forest. \$175,000.
- *2101 Meath Dr. - 35 acres in Little Beaver Estates 8 miles east of Meeker. Good pasture. Great views. \$89,900.
- *1751 Bright Water Lane - 39 Acres with White River, irrigated hay meadow, and great home sites. 5,000 sq ft barn with power, septic & cistern. Borders BLM. 14 miles west of Hwy 64. Great hunting area. \$375,000.
- *2 Large Multi-family Lots in Sanderson Hills, near Rec Center. Zoned MFR-A. \$140,000 for both, or sold separately.
- *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. **REDUCED!** \$400,000.
- *100 acres- 29 miles east of Meeker, surrounded by Nat'l Forest, covered with Aspens. \$1,395,000.00.
- *TBD CR 13- 35 Acres, 4.5 miles south of town. Fenced, borders BLM on 2 sides. \$189,000. **SOLD!**

RAW LAND AND HOMESITES ...

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*2101 Meath Dr. - 35 acres in Little Beaver Estates 8 miles east of Meeker. Good pasture. Great views. \$89,900.
*1751 Bright Water Lane - 39 Acres with White River, irrigated hay meadow, and great home sites. 5,000 sq ft barn with power, septic & cistern. Borders BLM. 14 miles west of Hwy 64. Great hunting area. \$375,000.
*2 Large Multi-family Lots in Sanderson Hills, near Rec Center. Zoned MFR-A. \$140,000 for both, or sold separately.
*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. **REDUCED!** \$400,000.
*100 acres- 29 miles east of Meeker, surrounded by Nat'l Forest, covered with Aspens. \$1,395,000.00.
*TBD CR 13- 35 Acres, 4.5 miles south of town. Fenced, borders BLM on 2 sides. \$189,000. **SOLD!**

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2604 Rd. 53 - 1,951 Acre Hunting Paradise	\$3,850,000	295 Park St. -	SOLD
NEW 40 +/- Unencumbered Acres - 1,449' Riverfront on CR 8	\$3,000,000	795 Pine St. - Large 5BD/3BA, Garage, Tranquil Yard	REDUCED \$228,000
2204 Rd. 7 - 618 Acres, 2 Homes, Shop, Grazing Permit	REDUCED to \$1,900,000	1080 Hill St.	SALE PENDING
Elk Creek Ranch Lot - World Class Private Fishing & Amenities	\$1,300,000	283 9th St.	SOLD
1168 Rd. 63 - 506± Acres, Custom Log Home & Shop	\$1,170,000	3915 CR 10 - 3.1 acres	\$219,000
134 Road 102, Rangely	SALE PENDING	345 Cleveland St. - 2.28 Acres, Potential for 12 Building Lots	\$216,000
28902 CR 8 - Beautiful views, 2BD, 2BA, 3,336 SQFT	\$997,000	NEW 567 12th St. - Updated exterior, attached garage, 4BD/2BA	\$210,000
Elk Mountain Inn - 21 Room Motel, Bar & Restaurant, Courtyard	\$975,000	112 Main St. - Historic Brick Home, Cottage, Corner Lot	\$207,000
Road 77 - 318.61 acres w/ industrial well & cabin	\$660,000	760 5th St. - 2-BD/2BA, attached garage, shed, views! PRICE REDUCED	\$199,000
431 E. Market - Shop and 22+/- acres	\$640,000	711 Cleveland St.	SALE PENDING
915 Market St. - Great business opportunity with income property	\$405,000	1280 Cleveland St. - Large deck, updated kitchen, 3BD/2BA	\$193,000
585 Cleveland St. - 3.806 SQFT, fully remodeled, beautiful landscaping	\$397,000	1106 Mark Cir. - Attached garage, quiet neighborhood, 3BD/2BA	\$178,000
6+/- acres - County Road 17	\$389,000	109 Market St. - 0.5 Acre HWY Commercial Lot	\$175,000
43523 Hwy. 13 - 4.18 acres	\$387,000	1299 CR 10 - 4.52 acres	\$175,000
6291 Rd. 7 - Spacious 3+BD/3BA home on 10+ Acres	\$365,000	1140 Cleveland St. - Updated duplex, income property	\$167,000
29+/- acres - 30 miles up County Road 8	\$349,000	1105 & 1107 Market St. - Large Commercial Lot	\$149,000
NEW 1350 Sage Ridge Rd.	SALE PENDING	1259 Garfield St.	SALE PENDING
1029 Jill Dr.	SOLD	304 4th St. - 4,437 SQFT Downtown Commercial Office Space	\$139,000
TBD E. Market St. - 7.46 Acres, Multi-Use Opportunity	\$249,000	Yoleta Ln. east of CRAIG - 40± Acres	\$69,000
		2 Sage Hills Lots - Build your dream home!	\$59,000
		Ridge Estates - 22 rural residential lots	Ranging from \$45,000 to \$160,000