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Home of Tom and Lori Farris

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1,000 shakes ...

Bill Mitchem mixes the 1,000th milk shake this summer at the BedRock Depot at Dinosaur, called an "oasis" and a favorite by travelers along Highway 40. Read more on Page 3A.



Resident survey: Not all happy with county operations

By SEAN McMAHON
Special to the Herald Times

Part Two of Two

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the second of a two-part series that looks at the Rio Blanco County-commissioned resident-satisfaction survey that measures resident satisfaction with the county government and its services. The first part examined the findings of those who did the survey, looking at areas where the county rated at or above 50 percent satisfaction. Part II

is a closer look at some of the positive and negative responses that surfaced through the survey.

RBC I In a survey of county residents undertaken by the Rio Blanco County Board of Commissioners and then-County Administrator Kimberly Bullen in June, folks who live in the county are relatively happy overall with county government operations. It is in dealing with certain departments that the glow begins to flicker.

Not everyone was happy with how the county government is run or with

some other dealings within the county, many of which have little or nothing to do with the actual county government itself.

According to the ETC Institute of Olathe, Kan., the company that conducted the independent survey, the company "administered a community survey for Rio Blanco County during April through June of 2013. The survey is part of the county's ongoing efforts to improve the quality of county services provided."

The six-page survey was mailed to a random sample of households in Rio

Blanco County. Approximately two weeks after the mailings, residents who received the survey were contacted by phone, ETC states. Those who indicated they had not returned the survey were given the option of completing by phone.

"A total of 592 households completed the survey; the results for the random sample of 592 households have a precision of at least a +/- (plus or minus) 3.8 percent at the 95 percent level of confidence," ETC states. "There were no statistically significant differences in the results of the survey

based on phone versus mail."

The percentage of "don't know" responses have been excluded from most of the graphs in this report to facilitate valid comparisons between county services, ETC explains.

The actual report, available to the public at the Rio Blanco County Clerk's Office, contains: a summary of the methodology for administering the survey and major findings; charts showing the overall results for most questions; tables that show the results for all questions on the survey; and a copy of the actual survey.

Sixty-six percent of the residents surveyed who had an opinion rating the overall quality of life in Rio Blanco County as "excellent" or "good;" 28 percent rated the quality of life as "average" and only 7 percent rated the quality of life as either "poor" or "very poor."

When asked to rate specific aspects of living in the county, 75 percent rated the county as "excellent" or "good" as a place to raise a family and

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Fair will open Monday: events now under way

By SEAN McMAHON
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RBC I The annual Rio Blanco County Fair, which offers animal lovers many chances to get close to domesticated animals, officially opens Monday, but there are a number of fair events that occur prior.

While county residents and visitors will have all the time they need to see cattle, goats, sheep, pigs, rabbits and poultry, the team roping Friday at 6 p.m. and the horse show and all-around competition beginning Saturday at 8:30 a.m. open the spectator events for the fair.

"Many events actually take place before the start of the fair because so many of the kids are in multiple events," said Kim Ekstrom. "We can't fit all the events into four days, so we have to start early."

Some of the earlier events included the fashion review clinic, the 4-H cake decorating contest and the 4-H county shoot-off.

The first major shows to kick off the fair will be the dog show in the 4-H building at 9 a.m. on Monday.

On Tuesday, there are no special events as vendor-booth construction and bedding in of the animals are the order of the day.

Wednesday will see the rabbit and poultry classes with rabbit classes starting at 10 a.m., followed immediately by the poultry classes. Also on Wednesday, at 1 p.m., are the supreme sheep and goat award interviews, all taking place in the 4-H building. The afternoon will be busy with animal weigh-ins until 5 p.m., when the 4-H Pork Barbecue will be held — the public is invited.

On Thursday, notable activities include swine 4-H/FFA showmanship classes at 8:30 a.m., goat 4-H/FFA showmanship classes followed by market classes and open classes, all beginning at 1 p.m.; and the swine open show followed immediately by 4-H/FFA market classes, all beginning at 6 p.m.

Showmanship classes have the judges taking a look at the kids' handling and presentation of their animals and less at the animals. The marketing, breeding and open stock classes have the judges looking more at the animals than the presenters.

Also on Thursday, the exhibit halls open from 6 to 9 p.m. so visitors can view all the displays and entries; also at 6 p.m., all baked goods not in the auction are released

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An aerial view of the East Tschuddi fire in Rio Blanco County.

BLM PHOTO

Firefighters gaining on fires

By SEAN McMAHON
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RBC I Firefighters had made progress as of Wednesday in battling the Citadel and East Tschuddi fires in Moffat and Rio Blanco counties, respectively. The fires were continuing to grow slowly, but containment has increased.

Minimal fire activity occurred at the fire sites on Tuesday as crews worked to keep them within their respective planning areas. Air resources supporting the fire crews include one heavy, one medium, and two light helicopters.

Stage 1 Fire Restrictions are currently in place

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Meeker teens long for more things to do around town after sun sets

By CALVIN SHEPHERD
Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER I Summer in Meeker is not known for being a hotbed of activity for local teenagers. It seems they have the choice of finding some innocent fun or breaking the rules.

Meeker Recreation and Park District Executive Director Michael Weinbrecht said that teenagers are very important to Recreation District activities, but that the teens are the most difficult age group to accommodate with activities. The teens are not able to be involved in activities for most of the year.

During the school year, high school and even middle school students spend a majority of their time studying and playing school-sponsored sports.

Even during the summer, high school athletes wake themselves up at 6 a.m. for a workout at the school.

In addition to these workouts,

many athletes also attend summer practices for their sport of choice. Summer sports are very common and almost every team practices during the summer.

Summer also brings 4-H activities.

Ricky Jeffery and Chevy Mohr, both upcoming seniors, spent the Fourth of July selling bracelets for their Outdoor Adventure Club, which spends the summer doing things like hiking.

Kids of all ages also raise sheep, pigs, chickens, rabbits and steers to sell at the Rio Blanco County Fair through their Future Farmers of America (FFA) and 4-H clubs. With the fair approaching, those teens are also working hard to prepare their animals.

"I enjoy spending time with animals," says Dannon Bolton, also an upcoming senior, who is doing her last year raising steers.

"It teaches values," said County

Commission Chairman Shawn Bolton, Dannon's father.

Weinbrecht has already added many bike trails and full-day hikes to the list of activities with the help of the BLM and Colorado Parks and Wildlife.

Upcoming sophomores, including Nick Burri, Sam Lange, Jacob Henderson, Noah Overton and Cole and Cody Purcell take full advantage of the bike trails.

"You do jumps, go fast and there is a wall ride," Burri said, expressing his excitement for the trails.

Weinbrecht really wants to see more night activities for teenagers.

He discussed the possibility of bringing more teen-based movies to the "Movies Under the Stars," which is a long-standing event in the park. The idea is to keep teenagers involved in Meeker instead of going to Rifle to view movies.

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Rangely, county, feds crack down on roadside dumping

By HEATHER ZADRA
Special to the Herald Times

RANGELY I A baby jumper frames a pile of rotting roof shingles. Discarded Christmas décor lies scattered among decaying air mattresses and long-dead branches. Office chairs and sofas jut from the clutter in awkward angles like some bizarre rendition of feng shui.

A wooden sign that once marked the entrance to Pinyon Circle sits haphazardly among the trash, proclaiming it "The Ridges."

It isn't a landfill. It's one of several illegal dump sites in and around Rangely, and local officials want to ramp up efforts to clean the sites and ticket offenders.

In a work session on July 15, the Rio Blanco County commissioners and representatives from the County Road and Bridge Department, Rio Blanco County Sheriff's Office, Bureau of Land Management and the Town of Rangely made initial plans to unite in that effort.

"We just need to systematically go (clean it up) and enforce it," Sheriff Si Woodruff said. "We're all

the same. We're going to do something until we get caught. And when we get caught or our friends get caught, we quit."

Officials at Monday's session supported that sentiment cautiously, pointing out that the local trash transfer station, a free annual dump coupon and a legal tree dump within town limits give residents reasonable ways to get rid of trash legally.

"Awareness, I think, is a big (factor)," Rangely Town Manager Peter Brixius said. "Get the awareness out there, keep it in front of people, let them know what some of the penalties are and let them know why it's important to work together on some of these things."

But given even nominal awareness of existing services and dump fines as high as \$1,000 or more per offense, some believe the problem is just getting worse. Sites range from several offshoots of County Road 23, Dragon Road, to the shooting range near County Road 1 toward Blue Mountain and sites north of Rangely toward Chase

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ILLEGAL DUMPING ...



HEATHER ZADRA

A jumble of discarded furniture, appliances and trash approximately a quarter-mile from the Rangely city limits off Dragon Road is one of dozens of illegal dump sites in the area. Town and county entities have pledged to work with the Bureau of Land Management to clean up the dump sites. A camera system scheduled to be fully installed by next summer will help identify dumpers and assist the Rio Blanco County Sheriff's Office and the Bureau of Land Management in ticketing those who break the law.

WEATHER



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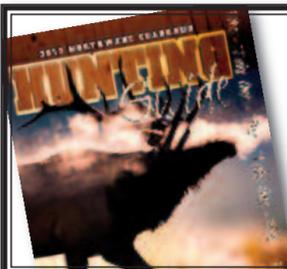
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BRIEFS

Monument holds night sky viewing

DINOSAUR | Dinosaur National Monument is excited about the kick-off of its summer's night sky program.

From now through August and into September, the sky-gazing and informational program will be held every Wednesday and Saturday, beginning at 9:45 p.m. at the south end of Split Mountain Campground in the national monument. Park officials say more days may be added when an additional astronomy volunteer arrives in a couple weeks.

The public can park outside of the gate so there is very little interference from headlights. Someone from the monument will be at the gate to greet folks and give them red cellophane for their flashlights and point them in the right direction.

There will be a bit of constellation identification, a couple of stories and then the rest of the evening will be more free-form as folks look through the telescopes.

Weather permitting, astronomy experts will answer more questions and tell more constellation stories, wrapping up the evening's presentation by 10:45 p.m.

For more information, call 435-781-7700 or visit nps.gov/dino.

Counties pushing night seatbelts

RBC | The Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT), Colorado State Patrol and law enforcement agencies in 11 counties support the Click It or Ticket campaign to save lives by increasing seat belt use at night.

Increased enforcement will take place between 6 p.m. and 6 a.m. from now through Sunday in Adams, Arapahoe, Boulder, Broomfield, Denver, Douglas, El Paso, Jefferson, Larimer, Mesa, Pueblo and Weld counties.

"Regular seat belt use is the single most effective way to prevent serious injuries and save people from dying," said Darrell Lingk, director of the Office of Transportation Safety at CDOT.

In 2012, 83 drivers and passengers were killed in crashes between 6 p.m. and 5:59 a.m. who weren't wearing their seat belts compared to 76 people in the daytime.

TRAINING ON NEW FIRE TRUCKS ...



HEATHER ZADRA

Two trainers from Castle Rock's Max Fire Apparatus worked with approximately 14 volunteer Rangely Rural Fire Protection District firefighters last week to learn the nuances of the new Rosenbauer pump and ladder trucks delivered from Sioux Falls, S.D., last spring.

HOME OF:
Tom and Lori Farris

MEEKER | After 50 years and five days of marriage and 36 years of living in Meeker, one can probably assume that Tom and Lori Farris are in both for the long haul.

Lori was born in Glendale, Calif., and Tom was born in Cheyenne, Wyo. In 1977 — 36 years ago — the Farris decided to make Meeker their home.

The duo gathered with friends and family on Saturday at Circle Park in Meeker to officially celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with a potluck dinner.

Tom and Lori moved to Meeker in 1977, when Tom joined Colowyo Coal. Lori became a mail carrier, then she was copy handler at the *Herald Times*, where she did copy editing, page paste-up, labeling for mailed subscriptions and just about everything one can do at a newspaper.

The Farris have two children, both of whom were in attendance Saturday for the couple's anniversary. Daughter Jonalie (David) Comeau lives in Lovell, Maine, and she is a stay-at-home mother with seven children. Son Robert, or Bob, Farris lives in Rifle.

As far as community involvement, Lori rode for several years with the Meeker Drill Team, having retired from that in the past year.

Tom, who was in the U.S. Navy, and Lori also used to enjoy bowling when there was a bowling alley in Meeker, but her interests remain with her horses, and she still does a bit of trail riding. Tom used to do a lot of hunting and fishing.

Lori said the most memorable trip of her life was a two-day mule trip into the Grand Canyon.

"This was an incredible, memorable trip, and I even remember finding a scorpion in my tent the night we were at the bottom of the canyon," she said. "It was a wonderful, scenic trip and just a lot of fun."

Lori said she and Tim love the small-town atmosphere of Meeker.

"I guess I am not a big-city girl at all," she said. "I truly like Meeker and the people. When we retired, we realized there was no other place we wanted to go."

RIO BLANCO COUNTY

College honor roll for county students

Special to the *Herald Times*

RBC | Miguel Pinela at WWCC

Western Wyoming Community College in Rock Springs has announced that Miguel Pinela of Meeker, Colo., has been named to the President's Honor Roll for the Spring 2013 semester.

This honor is accorded to full-time students who complete a minimum of 12 credit hours with a letter grade and a GPA of 4.0.

Lindzey A. Patterson at Wyoming

Lindzey A. Patterson of Meekers is one of 104 students from Colorado on the 2013 spring semester's President's Honor Roll at the University of Wyoming in Laramie.

The President's Honor Roll consists of regularly enrolled undergraduates who earned a 4.0 ("A") GPA. To be eligible, students must have

been enrolled for a minimum of 12 credit hours taken for letter grades.

Stacy Fitzgibbons at Wyoming

Stacy Fitzgibbons of Meeker, Colo., is one of the 313 students from Colorado on the University of Wyoming's 2013 spring semester academic Dean's Honor Roll.

The honor roll consists of regularly enrolled undergraduates above freshman standing who earned a 3.4 or better grade point average. They must also have been enrolled a minimum of 12 credit hours per semester.

Aubrey Walsh at UNC

Aubrey Walsh of Meeker has been named to the Dean's List of Distinction at the University of Northern Colorado in Greeley.

Walsh was named to the Dean's Honor Roll, which is reserved for those students who have a grade point average between 3.75 and 4.0 for the 2012 academic year at UNC.

RBC FIRES: Units gaining on blazes

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for Moffat and Rio Blanco counties, as well as BLM managed lands in those counties.

The Citadel Fire, in Moffat County about 40 miles northwest of

Meeker, had burned 2,009 acres as of Wednesday. The lightning-caused fire, which started Sunday, is reportedly 25 percent contained.

The East Tschuddi Fire, burning in Rio Blanco County about 20 miles northwest of Meeker, has

reportedly burned up to 438 acres, a decrease in the amount of land originally reported on Tuesday.

The lightning-caused fire, which started Saturday, is reportedly 35 percent contained as of Wednesday morning.

Special to the *Herald Times*

RBC | The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Wyoming State Office and the Western Area Power Administration (WAPA) is seeking public input on the TransWest Express Transmission Project Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS).

The public has until Sept. 30 to review and comment on the DEIS. The notice of availability of the document was published in the Federal Register on July 3, 2013, which started the 90-day comment period.

TransWest Express, LLC is proposing the TransWest Express

Transmission Project, a 725-mile long extra-high voltage (EHV) direct current (DC) transmission line extending from south-central Wyoming to southern Nevada.

The project is intended to provide the transmission infrastructure and capacity necessary to deliver up to approximately 3,000 megawatts of electric power from renewable energy resources in south-central Wyoming to a substation hub in southern Nevada.

The BLM and WAPA are co-lead federal agencies for the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) process for this project, and are working with cooperating agencies

in Wyoming, Colorado, Utah and Nevada.

Members of the public, government agencies and Tribes are encouraged to provide comment on the DEIS during the 90-day public comment period.

The BLM and WAPA will host public meetings in the proposed project area during the public comment period, which will be announced at least 15 days prior to the meeting through local news media and the BLM website.

The DEIS is available for downloading the BLM's project website at: www.blm.gov/wy/st/en/info/NEPA/documents/hdd/transwest.ht

ml and WAPA's project website at: go.usa.gov/YCeC. Comments can be submitted to the BLM and WAPA during the public meetings, by email: TransWest_WYMail@blm.gov or by mail to: TransWest Express Project, Bureau of Land Management, P.O. Box 20678, Cheyenne, WY 82003.

In Fiscal Year 2012, activities on public lands generated \$4.6 billion in revenue, much of which was shared with the states where the activities occurred. In addition, public lands contributed more than \$112 billion to the U.S. economy and helped support more than 500,000 jobs.

KIDS:

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"To be honest, being a teenager in Meeker is a little rough...." said upcoming senior Ohana Mataia of Meeker High School, "...only because there's not much to do and when there's not much to do, trouble starts to stir."

Games like "Car Tag" and "Ding-Dong Ditch" pop up.

"Car Tag" involves driving through town at top speeds trying to catch up to another car. Once the vehicle is stopped, runners bail out of the car and slap the side of the other car to avoid being "it."

"Ding-Dong Ditch" is used specifically to hide from law enforcement simply because of the thrill. Late at night kids run to doors, ring the bell at least 10 times and take off running. This process is repeated until the cops are called and it often continues until the teens are caught.

It is no secret that teens easily lose interest in even the newest activities that Meeker can offer.

This was evident when the new pool opened. The pool was crowded with teens for months, but eventually it becomes another "dull" aspect of teen life in Meeker.

"There is nothing they can really do," John Mac Sheridan said when discussing what could be added to Meeker that he would enjoy.

Although teenagers cover the town when the sun goes down, they often cannot be found in the daylight.

"It's just hard to have fun around town when there is nothing to do," said upcoming senior Chevy Mohr.

"It would be nice if some businesses would just stay open later," Mataia said, "or if they added a drive-in theater."

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BedRock Depot marks 10 years as Highway 40 oasis

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

DINOSAUR I To drivers in a hurry to consume the arid stretch of highway between Craig and Vernal, the small shop along Highway 40 is a blur of color, a punctuation mark of flags and awnings amidst beige and sage.

To those with a more leisurely mindset and a moment to linger, the BedRock Depot, billed as "The Place to Stop in Dinosaur, Colorado," offers quality coffee, ice cream and sandwiches while embodying a word that echoes through its guest book like a mantra: Oasis.

The Depot, originally envisioned by Blue Mountain resident Leona Hemmerich and Rangelyite Bill Mitchem as an ice cream/coffee shop and photography studio, came to life when the friends, who worked together at Dinosaur's Colorado Welcome Center, saw a need for travelers making the trek along Highway 40 farther into Colorado or west into Utah.

"We saw so many people coming through who wanted some refreshment, and there just weren't a lot of places to get that around here," Mitchem said. "It was a pretty altruistic endeavor. It's been fun."

But while "oasis" eventually captured the Depot's singular character, creating that environment felt, at times, like a desert journey. In 2003, Hemmerich and Mitchem, along with spouses Robert and Martha, bought the building that once housed the Dina Freeze and a gift shop named The Ugly Coyote. Renovating the building to suit their needs meant substantial work at the outset, loads of help from family members and more upgrades in subsequent years.

"We had to saw out trenches in the cement floor to put in drains for plumbing; it was totally re-plumbed," Mitchem said. "A lot of electrical work was done. There was no insulation in the ceilings, so we had to cut out a strip of ceiling and blow in insulation."

"The cement floor was off level, so Robert put in some wood strips and covered it with a beautiful hardwood hickory," he said. "It just was an awful lot of work."

In the fall of 2003, when the store opened briefly before its grand opening in May 2004, the Mitchems and Hemmerichs knew the work was worth it, even when their initial vision for the shop evolved into something quite different.

"When we started this, part of what we wanted to do never happened," Hemmerich said. "We were going to do a (photography) studio. But the gift shop took off in a big way that we never planned. That was due to a consultant who told us how we needed to be set up."

That consultant, Judy Walden, teaches businesses how to offer customers an experience connected to an area's distinctive cultural offerings.

Walden said that BedRock Depot needed to provide food and inventory that relayed the unique character and heritage of the high desert. She also urged Hemmerich and Mitchem to carry high-quality gifts and food products.

So, in 2005, Hemmerich and Mitchem added the gift shop and expanded their food options. Travelers had been stopping in for shakes or coffee but were often hungry for more.

When Robert first suggested adding sandwiches to the menu, Leona flatly rejected the idea.

"I did not want to do sandwiches; I didn't dream of doing sandwiches," Hemmerich said. "I was pulled into that kicking and screaming. Yet it's one of our biggest draws."

"Enough people came in and said, 'We would like to eat first,'" she said. "They didn't really feel like driving somewhere else to eat and then coming back."

Soon the Depot was offering not only cold sandwiches but hot sandwiches as well, with specialties like the BedRock Reuben, which has a cranberry/elk sausage option, or the Allosaurus Delight, a chicken/apple sausage creation with eggplant and roasted red peppers. The decision to refrain from putting burgers and fries on the menu let them focus on other fresh, homemade options.

So did "Trading Up," the book Walden sent shortly after her visit. The book argued for higher-quality products to draw customers in and inspired Hemmerich and Mitchem to apply the philosophy to food.

Soon, BedRock Depot was using fresh vegetables and sauerkraut on their homemade sandwich rolls (Leona makes up to seven dozen rolls per week), offering bottled drinks made with cane sugar and concocting several flavors of ice cream using fresh cream from Grand Junction and, whenever possible, local fruit. It also began selling inventory like handmade Peruvian jewelry, dinosaur-themed souvenirs and creations reminiscent of the shop's desert backdrop.

"Once we went that direction, we knew we didn't want it to be a trinket shop where people came to look for your standard souvenirs," Hemmerich said. "It's funny because I collect thimbles. But I don't sell thimbles."

BedRock Depot's customer base is also broader than the corner of northwest Colorado it occupies. "Locals," according to Hemmerich, include a few customers from Dinosaur and Rangely, while the majority of visitors come from Vernal. Several people stop in each year who call home towns that range from Steamboat Springs to Park City.

"We may see them only a few times a year, but they stop here as long as we're open," Hemmerich said. "So it's kind of a strange local, but if they're regular, I consider them local."

Working at the Colorado Welcome Center taught Mitchem and Hemmerich that national and international visitors would also be part of the drop-in crowd. Most passersby come from the East and West coasts, particularly California, Germany and Switzerland, and northern climes like Denmark and Norway.

Strangely, there's only one U.S. state Hemmerich can't recall ever having a visitor from.

"I don't know that I've had anybody tell me they're from North Dakota," she said. "It doesn't mean I haven't, but of those I've asked, I think that's the one state I haven't heard."

For the last three summers, Mitchem and Hemmerich have also housed and employed international students from the Summer Work and Travel Program. College students from Russia, Lithuania and Siberia, so far, work in the U.S. for approximate-

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BEDROCK DEPOT ...

The BedRock Depot celebrates its official 10th anniversary this summer. Owners Leona Hemmerich and Bill Mitchem have built the shop's reputation on quality gift shop items and food offerings, among them fresh vegetables, homemade rolls and hand-dipped ice cream.

HEATHER ZADRA





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The Toni Simmons Family



FROM MY WINDOW...

As county fair unwinds, so do childhood memories

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The Rio Blanco County Fair is already under way unofficially, but kicks into full gear in an official way on Monday. There's still that part of me that looks toward the county fair — having grown up with the El Paso County Fair, the Boulder County Fair and the Colorado State Fair in Pueblo.

There are great memories of past fairs, including one time way back in the 1960s, when I went to the Colorado State Fair with my Dad to take in an afternoon rodeo performance.

I can remember — still quite vividly — the massive bull clearing the rodeo ring, and outside fence and wreaking holy terror on the cars in the parking lot for about an hour before they were able to sedate the monster and move him back inside a holding pen back by the chutes.

It is a shame that Rio Blanco County doesn't offer a carnival and midway with numerous food booths, as that was always one of the biggest draws for this kid. There were funnel cakes and Mexican fry bread and lamb kabobs at the small fairs and every conceivable type of

fried food available at the state fair. But it was still the animals at the fair that were the biggest draw.

I had spent plenty of time around horses and cows while growing up, so they were no big deal.

But it was fun to get close to goats, pigs, sheep/lambs, chickens and rabbits. My favorite of all these were the lop-eared rabbits and the breeds of rabbit that were just huge.

It was also great to see the mammoth-sized bulls being led via rope by some person weighing 150 pounds. I used to think how easy it would be for those bulls to drag their handlers to the next county.

I have seen goats climb up onto ledges and find holes in show barns and I have seen goats eat some pretty strange stuff.

I grew up in the city but spent a lot of time on horseback at family friends' ranches. But I never really got close to sheep or goats or even chickens and rabbits. They still offer a special "flash" back to the fairs I attended as a child.

I have heard incredible stories of what goats in particular are capable of. Sheep are really a pretty docile animal and really don't cause a lot of excitement — unless it is time to sink my teeth into a good leg of

lamb or lamb burger — or a newly found cut available only at that "big box store," where you can find lamb breast. Yep, that is the name of the cut.

It is relatively inexpensive and is very fatty. But if you really want to know what lamb tastes like before restaurants ruin it with rosemary or some other seasoning, then the lamb breast cannot be beat.

And you can bet two of the food events I will be seeking out are the Rio Blanco County Woolgrowers' Lamb Kabob Lunch on Friday (Aug. 2) from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and the Lions Club Barbecue, sponsored by the First National Bank of the Rockies, from 3:30 to 5 p.m. on Saturday (Aug. 3) under the grandstands.

There are some other non-animal-related events on the schedule that look like they will be fun to take in.

Rio Blanco County's Got Talent, following the beef show on the evening of Aug. 2, the Pet Rock Contest at 10 a.m. on Aug. 3 offers



participants a lot of leeway in creating some pretty unique and attractive works of art, and the car and motorcycle show, from noon to 3 p.m. on Aug. 3 is usually a highlight if there are as many fans of motorized conveyances in this county as I suspect there are.

Two more animal-related events I am aiming for are the Dog Star Competition at 1 p.m. on Monday and the Little Buckaroo Rodeo on Aug. 3, after the rabbit chase and the round robin livestock presentations. Both should be quite a kick.

I am still recovering from the long hours put in during Range Call, but I am looking forward to taking in the Rio Blanco County Fair — to build some more great memories.

I believe I still have room for a more giggles and fun memories to hold me for a few more years.



It looks like the fire season is not yet over.

As I write this on Monday afternoon, The Citadel Fire was located south of Maybell just over the Moffat County line, about 40 miles northwest of Meeker. That fire had burned 1,600 acres as of Monday

and was being taken quite seriously. As of Monday, there were no injuries but three structures were threatened.

In Rio Blanco County, there were two blazes — the East Tschuddi and Dillon fires.

The East Tschuddi fire was reported as of Monday to have grown to 652 acres in a location about 20 miles northwest of Meeker. There have been no injuries and one building is threatened.

The Dillon Fire, located about 20 miles southwest of Rangely, was reported as burning slowly, having consumed only two acres by Monday morning. There were no reported injuries and no structures were threatened.

Thank God for the fire crews that keep appearing in Rio Blanco County and in other areas of Northwestern Colorado. These firefighters are daily performing what we already know from this year to be an always-dangerous and a sometimes-fatal service to residents of this state.

It may indeed be a long summer — even if we continue to have a variety of small fires. Heaven forbid that we have a formidable fire close to residents and higher-populated areas.

Like those firefighters we have honored from the Twin Towers in New York, to the 19 firefighters lost earlier this summer in Arizona to any more firefighters we may lose in this country before the summer is out — good luck, thank you, and God bless! You are appreciated.



There are a couple of small things I would do to help make the

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Herald Times more useful as a community newspaper. They will both work to enhance the paper and establish the fact that we want to announce events before they take place instead of always following up after they occur.

The second think I would love to see is an increase in the number of letters to the editor.

The first can easily be accomplished by sending an email or a flyer to sean@theheraldtimes.com at least two to three weeks before the event. Remember that we print on Wednesday afternoon and the newspaper hits the street early on Thursday.

If you have a press release or an email, please send the release or information by Friday before the week you want it in the paper, but it must be in our hands by 5 p.m. on Monday, prior to the Thursday publication date.

If whatever you want printed is not in my hands by 5 p.m. on Monday, there is a good chance it won't see publication until the next week. This allows us just Tuesday morning to continue gathering "timely" news for the publication.

The same deadlines are enforced for letters to the editor, but for such a county filled with opinions, few folks seem willing to stand up for what they believe.

I understand that. But very little is going to change if no one speaks out or speaks their mind regarding what they like, what they dislike or what they are observing. It is through the free exchange of ideas, proposals, criticisms and testimonials that changes come about.

And if you want to see Meeker or Rangely stay "the way they've always been," then write that too.

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RIO BLANCO COUNTY DAYS GONE BY

The Meeker Herald — 100 years ago

Two of Charley Thompson's boys were out hunting Saturday at their ranch on Sulpher Creek, north of town, and in some unaccountable manner the youngest got a 22-calibre bullet direct in one of his eyes. He was immediately brought in and medical aid summoned. The probing for the bullet was not very satisfactory, and the doctors advised his prompt removal to a Denver hospital, where an eye specialist could be consulted. Mr. Thompson at once took an auto for Rifle and connected with the afternoon train.

There is exceeding joy in the household of Augustus G. Merritt. On July 21, a 9-pound son made his debut onto this world's stage, and, as this is the first, the aforesaid joy is easily accounted for. Child and mother doing well, so Dr. Hubbard reports.

William Kaisner brought the first freight auto truck into Meeker last Monday, and it excited more than ordinary interest. Mr. Kaisner has successfully handled similar trucks in California and Nevada, and knows just what is needed to transport freight between Meeker and railway points.

The Meeker Herald — 50 years ago

The Meeker fire siren sounded at a little after 10:30 a.m. Wednesday morning. The rural department was called to the Hermine Dunham ranch on upper Coal Creek. A brush fire had gotten out of hand and was threatening the wheat fields on the ranch.

The Meeker Lions Club will celebrate its 40th anniversary on Tuesday evening of next week. The Meeker club was started in June of 1923, but since June is the month of the state and national conventions, it is impossible to get one of the national officers as a speaker.

At the Boy Scout camp at

Chapman Reservoir last week, three Meeker scouts were honored by receiving the Order of the Arrow, which is the National Scout Honor camping brotherhood. The boys who were tapped for the honor were Walt Winkler Jr., Jim McKean and Chuck Bewley.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Steele will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary on Saturday of this week, July 27.

Miss Shirley Marie Coleman became the bride of Garry Dean Lippard at a family church wedding that which took place Thursday evening. The wedding was held in the Meeker LDS church with Bishop Grant Neilsen officiating at the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Coleman were their attendants.

The Meeker Herald — 25 years ago

It was the accident everybody hoped they'd never live to see, and never wanted to happen again. A 12-year-old Ogden, Utah, girl visiting relatives here this summer became Meeker's first victim from a fire in almost 22 years this past weekend. Tina Marie Atwood passed away of complications from burns she received from a fire apparently triggered while playing with matches Saturday evening shortly after 6 p.m.

Facing perhaps its most critical financial dilemma to date, supporters of Pioneers Hospital received the answer they were looking for Monday as the county commissioners voted to continue their support of the facility.

Saturday July 2, close friends and relatives gathered at Faith Baptist Church in Meeker to attend the wedding of Joyce Anderson and Carleton Posey.

Meeker's Lenny Klinglesmith continued to distinguish himself as one of Colorado's best high school

wrestlers as he recently took third place honors at the National High School Wrestling Championships in Cedar Falls, Iowa, last week.

Meeker firemen were called to Gus and Christine Halandras' home last Friday morning and found a houseful of smoke before locating a burning blanket. "Apparently, a light in the closet got turned on which was right next to the blanket that started it," said Halandras of the fire which destroyed the designer blanket but caused no other property damage besides a lengthy cleanup.

Rangely Times — 50 years ago

Craig W. Davidson has been appointed field representative for the University of Colorado, Bureau of Class Instruction, with headquarters in Grand Junction.

The opening of Rangely's swimming pool last Saturday was a tremendous success as more than 400 swimmers took advantage of the free swimming offered.

A Red Cross Swim Program will begin next week on Tuesday and continue for four weeks, ending on Aug. 24. The program is free and available to everyone in Rangely.

On July 16, at a staff meeting held at Dinosaur National Monument, a \$200 cash award was presented to Mrs. Joy T. Armijo by Superintendent Earl M. Semingsen. Mrs. Armijo received this superior performance award based on outstanding performance in her job as secretary to the superintendent. Also at this staff meeting, Superintendent Semingsen presented administrative assistant John W. Powers a 20-year Length of Service emblem.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Dotson are the proud parents of a new baby

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Note planned changes for SH13

Dear Editor:

I attended the informational meeting regarding the future modernization of State Highway 13 from Rifle to Rio Blanco on July 16. Counting my wife and two staff members from CDOT, six of us were there.

Apparently, little notice was given out regarding the meeting. I got mine from an email, but how many people do? Not many, I guess.

Few people recognize the long-term importance of SH13.

This highway happens to be the only logical highway corridor connecting I-70 in Colorado with I-80 in Wyoming between Salt Lake City in Utah and Denver in Colorado.

We will eventually get a government administration that recognizes the importance of energy development, so, by the time this segment is built, people may be clamoring for a four-lane facility.

Perhaps the "sleeping giant - oil shale" will awaken before this segment of SH13 will be modernized, adding to the urgency of providing a vital transportation link.

Funding has been provided for design and some right-of-way acquisition.

Money for any actual construction is probably many years off. Estimated cost for the 12 miles being studied is at least \$70 million.

I found the proposed design to be, at best, unimaginative, consisting of widening the present highway, adding shoulders, but not improving bad stretches of curvature sufficiently.

A highway of this importance (for

safety) should incorporate a design speed of at least 70 mph.

Construction north of Rifle, if the CDOT plan is followed, will result in traffic stoppages backing traffic down Railroad Avenue into the heart of the city and as far as old SH6, west of Rifle.

An answer to this is moving the new alignment to the west side of Government Creek, from about Milepost 2 to Milepost 7.

Many opportunities for commenting on design, as it is developed, will be afforded in the future. Everyone with a stake in SH13 should stay tuned in.

Dick Prosenice
Meeker

Move forward to improve state roads

Dear Editor:

A recent report ranked Colorado's rural and urban interstate conditions 47th and 33rd in the nation respectively. Whether you're from Meeker or from Denver, poor transportation conditions are a problem.

Fully investing in our state's transportation system is a shared responsibility, and we must work together if we're to succeed.

In the near future, Colorado could face a ballot measure asking voters to invest more in transportation.

Educating and persuading residents will be a challenging process that will take a statewide coalition of determined people. We'll need to be united behind a vision that promises a better future for us all.

What does a future with modern transportation options offer?
A report by American Road &

Transportation Builder's Association calculated that "money invested in transportation construction industry employment and purchases generates \$354 billion in annual U.S. economic activity."

Greater investment in Colorado can have long-term economic and community benefits.

To get there we'll need an open, honest discussion. Public officials and the Colorado Department of Transportation will rely on community feedback.

Identifying our priority projects will provide us with credibility when making the case for more funding.

During the process, it's important to remember that we're all in this together. It's not easy balancing the needs of diverse communities.

At times we may disagree, but we can't sacrifice our overarching goal of fulfilling our mission of a safe, efficient and reliable multi-modal transportation system for Colorado's citizens. We can overcome our differences and create a better future for our families if we stand by our mission.

We must move forward, push for change and unite behind a common duty to make Colorado better for its residents.

If we're willing to go the distance together, we're capable of building a 21st century system that provides us with mobility, freedom and economic rewards.

Let's be considerate of each other's needs and understand that we're stronger with a united voice.

Melissa Osse
Executive Director
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WINDOW: Good hunting

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But it really pays off for a community to speak out.

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The start of hunting season in Northwestern Colorado is a mere month away, and the indicators out there now are shaping up for a series of great seasons.

I have been speaking with the area wildlife managers from all parts of Northwestern Colorado, from Grand Junction to Glenwood Springs and Aspen, from Hot Springs to Granby, to Steamboat Springs and all along the Wyoming

and Utah lines and they are optimistic of a good season ahead for most critters.

While deer are down generally across the state, numbers and licenses are up in a few areas around here. All managers are reporting large numbers of large elk, bears seem to be running rampant, antelope are numerous in the lower grasslands and, while permits are few in number, the numbers and forage are there for sheep, goats and mountain lions in this corner of the state.

So, whatever your prey of choice is, 2013 may be remembered for, as one wildlife manager said, "The best hunting season in years and perhaps in the next few years to come."

We want to thank everyone for the cards, prayers, calls and flowers during our recent loss.



Thank you, Don & Linda Bosick

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The Doomed Ship

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On a cold April night in the North Atlantic, the massive ship, which was on her maiden voyage from Britain to New York, struck an iceberg and went to the bottom. Tragically, there were not enough lifeboats for the hundreds of souls on board.

You are probably thinking, "Oh, yes, you're talking about the *Titanic*." Actually, the above refers to the fictional ship *Titan*, which appeared in the novella, *Futility, or the Wreck of the Titan*, written by Morgan Robertson 14 years (1898) before the *Titanic* disaster.

The parallels between the two ships, in fact, are almost "spooky." Both had triple screws (propellers), both were described as "unsinkable," both struck an iceberg on the starboard side, and both sank 460 miles away from Newfoundland. Their size was also very close, the *Titanic* at 882 feet and the *Titan* at 800. The "lifeboat issue" was also uncanny: the *Titanic* carried only 16 lifeboats, plus four Engelhardt folding lifeboats (less than half the number required for her passenger and crew capacity of 3,000), and the *Titan* carried 24 lifeboats (less than half needed for her 3,000 capacity). Finally, while the way they went down was a little different—the *Titanic* went bow first and the *Titan* capsized before she sank—the number of souls lost was virtually the same: 2,200 perishing with the *Titanic* and 2,500 with the *Titan*.

Far more significant, however, are the pointed parallels between the *Titanic* and the biblical plan of salvation.

First, just as those luxury liner passengers had no idea of what was about to happen, most people today "sail" along aboard the ship of this world completely oblivious to the doom that is ahead. They enjoy the pleasures of their voyage—they "take their ease, eat, drink, and [are] merry" (Lk. 12:19; note 16–21)—but never for a moment think there is an iceberg looming in their path. Also, just as the North Atlantic was as smooth as glass that night, making the iceberg far more difficult to spot, many today are lulled into complacency.

Second, in the same vein, it's interesting that many of the *Titanic* passengers trusted in the "unsinkable" theory right up to the end. They simply refused to believe that she could sink. As a result, in fact, several lifeboats were only half full. Likewise, many today have their own self-assurance, their own self-confidence that all is well.

Third, only the *Titanic* passengers who realized the lonely, icy doom that was ahead looked to the lifeboats. And so it is with Jesus Christ. As Scripture declares Him to be the only *Life* (Jn. 1:4; 14:6), in our analogy He is the

only *Lifeboat*.

Fourth, as the *Titanic* struck the iceberg that condemned to darkness and death every soul who did not make it into a lifeboat, God's Moral Law (the Ten Commandments) is a spiritual "iceberg." It is this iceberg that bounces along the hull of this world, punching holes in it and flooding it with judgment. This Moral Law, in fact, was written in the hearts of men and women everywhere (Rom. 2:15), demonstrating that every person knows in their heart (i.e., their mind and conscience) not to lie, steal, murder, or violate the other moral commands. What is the function of the Law? "By the law is the knowledge of sin" (Rom. 3:20). It exposes our sin and need for forgiveness in Jesus Christ, who died for sinners on the Cross.

So critical are God's moral laws that they are restated several times in the New Testament: having no other gods (Ex. 20:3; Deut. 5:7; Acts 5:29); making no idols or images (Ex. 20:4–6; Deut. 5:8–10; Acts 17:29–31; 1 Cor. 8:4–6; 10:14; Col. 3:5; 1 Jn. 5:21); not profaning God's name (Ex. 20:7; Deut. 5:11; Jas. 5:12); honoring one's father and mother (Ex. 20:12; Deut. 5:16; Eph. 6:1–3; Col. 3:20); not murdering (Ex. 20:13; Deut. 5:17; Rom. 13:9, 10; Jas. 2:11); not committing adultery (Ex. 20:14; Deut. 5:19; Rom. 13:9, 10; 1 Cor. 6:9; Heb. 13:4; James 2:11); not stealing (Ex. 20:15; Deut. 5:19; Rom. 13:9, 10; Eph. 4:28); not lying (Ex. 20:16; Deut. 5:20; Eph. 4:25, 31; Col. 3:9; Tit. 3:2); not coveting (Ex. 20:17; Deut. 5:21; Rom. 7:7; 13:9; Eph. 5:3–5; Heb. 13:5 Jas. 4:1–3).

Have you ever told a lie, even a little one? Have you ever stolen something, even something tiny? Have you ever used God's name as a curse word, even something seemingly insignificant as the popular OMG? We can ask such questions for each of God's moral standards. On the other hand, even if you could "keep the whole law, and yet offend in [only] one point," you are still "guilty of all" of it (Jas. 2:10).

And so it is, those who "stay with the ship" are doomed, "for the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness" (Rom. 1:18). Therefore, "it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment" (Heb. 9:27), and "the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death" (Rev. 21:8).

My Dear Friend, as the ship of this world is going down bow first, repent of your sin and run to the Lifeboat, for only He is "the way, the truth, and the life" (Jn. 14:6).

FCCLA GOLD...



Three Meeker High School students — incoming sophomore Jenna Walsh and incoming seniors Piper Haney and Aly Ridings — traveled to Nashville, Tenn., to compete in the National Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) competition after earning top gold at the state competition in Denver in April. The girls and chaperones Becky Ridings and Viney Bowman traveled to Nashville on July 6. Walsh competed in entrepreneurship by herself and won first place gold out of the entire Western U.S. Haney and Ridings, competing in chapter showcase manual, also won gold medals. The group enjoyed the Grand Ol' Opry, stayed at the Gaylord Opryland Hotel, enjoyed a beach party at Nashville shores and many other activities. The FCCLA focuses on leadership, community service and teaches its members how to properly present themselves in business situations. This is the third year Haney and Ridings have earned top gold at the state competition and gone on to nationals.

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CAR MUSEUM IN RANGELY ...



HEATHER ZADRA

Work on the so-called "Peacock Building" site in Rangely is well under way as owner Bud Striegel waits for project completion for his new car museum, which he hopes will be complete in the next two or three months.

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FAIR: Animals are the star attractions

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to the entrants and the indoor silent auction begins.

On Friday (Aug. 2) from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., the exhibit halls are open for viewing. At 9 a.m. are the sheep 4-H/FFA showmanship classes followed by the 4-H/FFA breeding classes. From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. is the Rio Blanco County Woolgrowers' Lamb Kabob Lunch; then at 12:30 is the open sheep show and orphan lambs. The beef 4-H/FFA showmanship classes begin at 6 p.m. followed by the breeding, market, open and dairy-open.

Wrapping up Friday activities and following the 6 p.m. beef show is the Rio Blanco County's Got Talent show.

There are also a number of events open to everyone, starting with the dog star competition on Monday at 1 p.m. Others include: the sheep lead on Aug. 2 at 3 p.m.; the Rio Blanco County's Got Talent show on Aug. 2 (no exact time given but it will follow the beef 4-H/FFA show beginning at 6 p.m.); the pet rock contest at 10 a.m. on Aug. 3 in the parking lot; the Little Buckaroo Rodeo on Aug. 3, (no exact time

given, but it will follow the rabbit chase and round robin in the indoor arena beginning at 12:30 p.m.; and the car and motorcycle Show from noon to 3 p.m. on the fairgrounds track on Aug. 3.

Saturday will see the exhibit halls open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.. At 10 a.m. is the 4-H/FFA round robin in which the contestants each must show beef, pork, sheep and goats regardless of their specialty; also at 10 a.m. is the Pet Rock Contest, which will be held in the parking lot.

At 12:30 p.m. is the rabbit chase, when the kids are turned loose in the outdoor arena and the kids get to keep the rabbits they catch. Following this event is the Little Buckaroo Rodeo, always a crowd favorite featuring young kids from around Rio Blanco County.

From 11 a.m. to noon is the car show check-in, followed from noon to 3 p.m. with the annual car show, which will be held on the fairgrounds track.

At 3 p.m. will be the 4-H rocket launch at Paintbrush Park, and that leads up to the last major events of the fair — the pre-sale awards/activities at 5:15 p.m. in the indoor arena, then the 4-H/FFA junior livestock

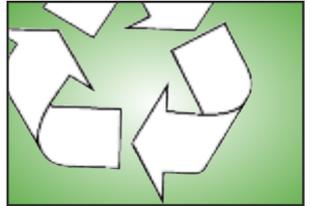
sale — the main event of the fair — when many of the award-winning animals from the fair will be auctioned off to the public.

According to Clint Shults, a volunteer leader with 4-H for 21 years, the auction of last year's grand champion brought in more than \$12,000, eclipsing the previous fair record of roughly \$7,200.

Also from 6 to 8 p.m. on Saturday, the fair releases the premiums and the indoor exhibits.

The fairgrounds will reopen at 7 a.m. on Aug. 4 so participants can remove all their exhibits and animals from the fairgrounds.

For the 4-H, the Rio Blanco County Fair is the end of the season, Shults said, unless the 4-Hers want to go on to exhibit at the Colorado State Fair in Pueblo, later this summer.



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SURVEY: A blend of good and bad

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72 percent rated the county as an "excellent" or "good" place to live overall.

The items that residents felt were most important for county government to focus on over the next two years, based on the percentage of residents who felt the item was "very important" or "important" were: 83 percent said the county should create a community where individuals and families have opportunities to be self-sufficient; 79 percent state that the county should promote a variety of industries that promote a healthy economy; and 78 percent felt the county should plan the infrastructure to maintain quality of life in the face of growth.

On the other side of the question, regarding how the county is currently managing growth, 46 percent said "poorly," 37 percent said "average," 14 percent said "good" and 3 percent said "excellent."

Regarding the overall quality of services provided, results were: 22 percent said "poor," 41 percent said "average," 31 percent said "good" and 6 percent responded with "excellent."

Roughly 75 percent of respondents rated Rio Blanco County as an excellent or good place to raise a family and 72 percent rated it as a excellent or good place to live. However, 55 percent said they felt that Rio Blanco is a poor to average place to work and 58 percent said it is either a poor or average place to retire.

Rating various conditions within the county, 50 percent said the overall image of their community was rated 50 percent as excellent or good with 50 percent saying average or poor.

Regarding the appearance of their community, 44 percent responded "excellent or good" while 56 percent state "average" or "poor."

Regarding job opportunities, only 14 percent rated the county as "excellent or average" (only 2 percent said "excellent") while 85 percent rated the county as "average" or "poor" (49 percent rated the county as "poor").

Satisfaction with various county services ranged from the top with the county's local election services ranked tops with 76 percent saying those services have been "excellent" to "good;" and county motor vehicle office services were No. 2 with 61 percent rating the services as "excellent" or "good." The lower end of the survey saw 69 percent of respondents rating opportunities for public involvement in decisions as 69 percent "poor" or "average;" and 69 percent rated "poor" to "average" the county government's efforts to keep residents informed.

Of the 17 county officials named by department, six were rated by 50 percent of the respondents as "very satisfied" or "satisfied." Those top ratings were County Clerk & Recorder at 73 percent, County Sheriff at 66 percent, County Treasurer at 59 percent, County Surveyor at 53 percent, 52 percent for the County Coroner and 50 percent for the County Assessor.

The bottom six in regard to resident satisfaction with county officials are noted here by those who responded with "dissatisfied" or "average:" 70 percent for the county IT Department personnel; 68 percent of the county GIS Department personnel; 67 percent with the county Budget & Finance Department personnel, 65 percent of the County Sales and Use Tax

Administrator personnel, 65 percent of the County Human Resources Department personnel and 64 percent of those in the County Attorney's Office.

The department with the highest "dissatisfied" rating is the County Commissioners' Office with a "dissatisfied" rating of 24 percent, followed by the County Attorney's Office at 23 percent, 22 percent for the county Sales & Use Tax Administrator's Office and 21 percent for the county Budget & Finance Department personnel.

Regarding satisfaction with other county services, only two of nine questions pulled more than 50 percent of the "very satisfied" or "satisfied" responses. Ease of travel as a motorist on county roads, 59 percent agreed; off-highway vehicle (OHV) trails drew an approval rating of 56 percent.

The bottom five categories regarding satisfaction with county services are: How well the county is planning/managing growth had a dissatisfied or neutral rating by 81 percent (44 percent were dissatisfied) of respondents; on public transportation, 79 percent were dissatisfied or neutral; on availability of affordable housing, 72 percent were dissatisfied or neutral; code enforcement issues saw 72 percent dissatisfied or neutral; and condition of major roads pulled "dissatisfied" or "neutral" on 53 percent of the responses.

The number of years that survey respondents have lived in Rio Blanco County are: 5 years or less - 20 percent; six to 10 years - 11 percent; 11 to 15 years - 10 percent; 16 to 20 years - 9 percent; more than 20 years - 49 percent.

OBITUARIES

Vern Rose

Sept. 11, 1943 ~ July 20, 2013



Vern Rose

Vern Rose, 69, of Rangely, Colo., passed away unexpectedly at the Rangely District Hospital on July 20, 2013. He was born in Telluride, Colo., on Sept. 11, 1943, to Troy J. and Ione Rose.

Vern attended school in Telluride and Egnar, Colo. He married Irene Koppenhafer on June 12, 1965. Together they moved to Rangely from Monticello, Utah, in 1970.

Vern worked in the oilfield industry until his retirement in 2010.

Vern loved his family. He followed his children and grandchildren all over the state to watch their sporting events. He enjoyed rock hunting, camping and four-wheeling.

Vern and Irene's home was always open to anyone. They were willing to take in a stray kid anytime. Rusty and Brad were two of the many that crashed at their house when they needed a hug, a meal or to be yelled at by Vern.

Vern loved kids — his or yours;

it didn't matter as he loved them all.

He is survived: by his wife, Irene Rose of Rangely; sons: Mike Neptune of Carly, Nevada, TeeJay (Staci) Rose of Olathe, Colo., Claude (Kayla) Rose of Rangely, Dusti (Kathy) Rose of Rangely and Koby (Rachael) Rose of Grand Junction, Colo.; a brother, Harold (Sandra) Rose of Chapel Hill, N.C.; numerous nieces and nephews and grandchildren: Kyra Neptune, Troy Rose, Trent Rose, Nicole (Chris Prince) Justus, Logan Justus, Lane Rose, McKenzie Rose, Delaney Rose, Devon Rose and Blade Rose; and great-grandchildren Kayden and Caleb.

Vern was preceded in death by his parents and his sisters, Joyce Woodward and Marlene Rabideau.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, July 25 at 1 p.m. at the Rangely High School Auditorium with a viewing one hour prior to the services. Burial will be in the Rangely City Cemetery under the care and direction of the Blackburn Mortuary.

DEPOT: Celebrating 10th anniversary

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ly three months, then travel the country for another month. All have stayed at the Mitchems' home in Rangely as part of their employment contract.

While most students expect to pay rent during their time in the United States, BedRock Depot employees do light work around the house instead, like the shop's laundry.

"We've enjoyed having them here," said Bill's wife, Martha. "It works out real well. We provide a car for them to drive. You get acquainted with people from other cultures and

learn something a little different. ...Our student this year, Aliiya, enjoys being here very much. She likes all the open spaces."

Ten years into BedRock Depot's adventure, a visitor log marks the passing-through of lives that, after a time of rest and refreshment, move on to the next leg, the next stop and the next journey. Many of those lives carry impressions that last beyond the oasis itself:

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Bill Mitchem, who will turn 84 this year, fancies himself an ice cream shop retiree once business wraps up in October, returning to BedRock Depot as a customer or to help make the occasional tub of ice cream.

Leona Hemmerich envisions a business that might, or might not, one day undergo an expansion or even operate year around.

"Assuming things are going strong, I think it will continue to grow," she said. "I think we're offering what people want, and we want to continue that. It's something different and it's something good."

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Young gun wins annual Licshke golf tournament

By **BOBBY GUTIERREZ**
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MEEKER I The difference in years between the youngest and oldest golfer in the Lischke Tournament was greater than the total number of golfers entered and it was the young guns who won in the end.

Of the 35 golfers who entered the tournament more than a dozen were not old enough to legally buy alcohol in the clubhouse and the best golfer just turned 18.

Kyler Smith, a 2013 graduate of Rifle High School, shot a two-over par on the first 18 and was one-stroke ahead of Meeker club champion J.C. Watt and Hunter Emerson, a recent graduate of Fruita Monument High School, after the first day of the two-day event. The leader after the first

day was Roland Gauthier, a veteran golfer from Glenwood Springs, who shot an even par 68, matching him with the other leaders; Smith, Watt and Emerson on the second day.

Smith shined, taking three shots off for a one-under par 67 to finish with the best gross score (137) in the championship flight, five shots ahead of Watt, who as always, was consistent, shooting a 71 both days.

Emerson added seven shots and tied for the third best net score with another veteran golfer from Glenwood Springs, Mark Barlau. Gauthier did have a good day Sunday, adding 22 shots and finishing out of the money.

"They were good golfers," Watt said of Smith and Emerson. "I felt bad for Roland, I've had days like that.

There was also a tie for the best

net score in championship flight as Meeker's Trey Morris, Jacob Smith and Jim Houg of Rifle all finished with a net score of 129.

Roger Gauthier won the second flight with a gross score of 158, Gauthier took the lead the first day and although he added eight shots Sunday, he beat Meeker's Larin Crase by three strokes. Third place money was split three ways between Irv Griffin, Clint Chappel and Ted Relihan.

Randy Hall finished with the best net score (126) in the second flight, one shot ahead of Billy Stewart and three shots ahead of Mike Walker.

Griffin welcomed the younger competition saying, "I was proud of the young guys, it shows we have someone to replace us in the future and I'm glad they are taking an interest in golf.



BOBBY GUTIERREZ

Kyler Smith, a recent graduate of Rifle High School, is pictured teeing off No. 1 at Meeker Golf Course. He won the two-day Lischke Memorial tournament in Meeker and will return Monday to play in his final Junior Golf Tournament on Meeker's course. Smith, who recently turned 18, started golfing in the Meeker Junior Golf Tournament when he was 13 and he has won it every year since.

Golfers wanted: Pozorski Memorial tourney Sat.

By **BOBBY GUTIERREZ**
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RBC I Both golf courses in Rio Blanco County will host tournaments Saturday and all junior golfers are invited to the Meeker Golf Course for the annual Junior Golf Tournament

Monday, July 29.

The first annual Kacey Pozorski Memorial Golf Tournament will be played Saturday in Meeker in a four-person scramble format. Proceeds from the tournament will benefit Avery Michels, currently recovering from brain surgery. Golfers and

guests can buy Mulligans and attend the lunch after the 18-hole tournament, which starts at 9 a.m.

"The community was there for Kacey's family and we want to give back in our own way, through a golf tournament to benefit a local child and their family," Tim Nelson, grand-

father to the tournament's namesake and one of the organizers said.

Nelson said there is still room for more teams to sign up by calling him at 970-249-6222 or the Meeker Golf Course at 878-5642.

The tournament in Rangely at Cedar Ridges Golf Course is also

open for registration. Course manager Chris Hejl said more than 30 teams have signed up to play 27-holes and more teams can be added by calling him at 675-8403.

Hejl said the first nine holes are played in a scramble format, followed by best-ball format on the sec-

ond nine and alternate shot after the final turn.

All golfers ages 6-18 are invited to play in the annual Junior Golf Tournament at the Meeker Golf Course on Monday, July 29. Call Jim Cook at 878-5642 to register. The tournament starts at 9 a.m.

RANGELY DRAG RACERS...



COURTESY PHOTO

Rangely racers recently competed at the Western Conference Finals at Bandimere Speedway in Morrison, Colo. With kids age 8 to 17 from 15 different states competing, this is the toughest race of the year. Dylan LeBleu finished as a runner-up in the 10-year-old division, losing to a California racer in the finals on a break out. Whitney Rusher raced for her first time this year at the finals in the 8- and 9-year-old division and her brother Justin Rusher raced in the 11-year-old division. There were 12 racers from Western Colorado Dragway competing for the track and Western Colorado Dragway won the spirit award again this year.

Incoming CNCC rodeo members do great

By **SEAN McMAHON**
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RANGELY I "Things just keep getting better for our CNCC (Colorado Northwestern Community College) rodeo team members," head coach Jed Moore said Monday.

Several incoming CNCC freshmen competed at the National High School Finals Rodeo in Rock Springs, Wyo., this past weekend, including bareback rider Dax Koskie from Cortez, Colo.; team roper/tie-down roper Brody Adams of St. George, Utah; and Carly Hibbs of Prineville, Ore.

Adams led the charge with a national championship in team rop-

ing, a top-20 finish in the tie-down roping and a Reserve National All-Around title.

Adams will be rejoining last year's roping partner, Clay Crozier, at CNCC this fall.

Carly Hibbs stepped up against a field of more than 120 goat-tying specialists and finished 11th in the nation. Hibbs and her twin sister, Courtney, will be helping the CNCC women's team make waves this year.

Koskie placed in the first round of competition but was bucked off in the second round, eliminating him from a final round appearance. He will be one of four Colorado freshmen joining the team this fall, Moore said.

SOFTBALL ...



BOBBY GUTIERREZ

Billy Estes, possibly the oldest softball player in Rio Blanco County, pitched two more winning games in Meeker against Shepherds and Pioneers Medical Center at Paintbrush Park. Estes is the team captain for the defending champions, Rangely True Value Hardware. Games are played Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at Paintbrush Park.

HURRICANES ...



MATT SCOGGINS

The Rangely Hurricanes took 18 swimmers to the Western Slope League meet in Grand Junction, and, according to their coach, "The kids all improved and did a great job." Kenzie Varner, Nora Gianinetti, Riley Reeves and Laurie Ward, pictured above, placed third in the 100 free relay. The 8-and-under boys' team finished second in the 100 medley and Corbin Lucero won a silver medal in the 50 free at the WSL meet. Patrick Scoggins now has six qualifying times for the Junior Olympics and returned with six WSL medals. Andrew Scoggins also qualified to swim in the Junior Olympic meet Friday and eight Hurricanes will swim in the Summer Club State Championships held in Canon City in two weeks.



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DYLAN LEBLEU
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LeBleu finished as a runner up in the 10-and under age division in the Western Conference Finals at Bandimere Speedway in Morrison, Colorado.

CAITLYN SHEPHERD
Meeker, Colorado

Shepherd defended the state title she won in the Colorado State Archery Association Field Championships last year by winning the 15-18 year old division again this year at the event held at Sedalia Combine Bowman Archery Range.



DAYS GONE BY: Rangely power site

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boy born July 2. The little fellow's name is Kevin Lee Dotson.

Rangely Times — 40 years ago

Rangely will be the site for a power plant capable of producing one million kilowatts, according to a special issue on Western coal resources in Coal Age magazine.

Only one person turned in a petition to be a candidate for a member of the board of the Rangely District Hospital by the deadline last week. Jack Piper turned in a petition for one of the two positions to be filled so legal counsel for the hospital advised the

board that an election was not necessary. Instead Piper will be named as one of the board members and a vacancy declared for the other board member position to be filled by the board whose terms expire this year.

The section of Colorado 139 from the junction on Highway 64 east of Rangely to the Rio Blanco County line will be taken over by the State on September 1, according to county commissioner Harry Peacock.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Collins announce the birth of a son Kent Layne at 12:06 a.m. in St. Mary's Hospital in Grand Junction.

Rangely Times — 30 years ago

Rangely District Hospital announces the arrival of Douglas I. Schumacher, M.D., on August 1. Schumacher specializes in general practice and obstetrics.

Commissioner Tim Schultz and Kenneth Kenney joined Herman Hilkey in the official groundbreaking of the senior center in Rangely on Thursday.

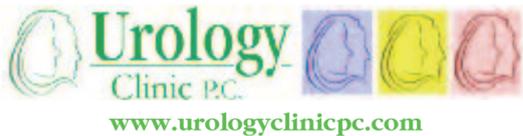
Pamela Sue Sills and David Alan Chambers were united in marriage in a double-ring ceremony June 18 at 2 p.m. in Central United Methodist Church Memorial Chapel in Fayetteville, Ark. Parents of the couple were Dr. and Mrs. Oren A. Sills, Jr., of Fayetteville, Ark., and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Chambers, Jr., of Rangely, Colo.

Mrs. Penny Black of Pinedale, Wyo., and Scott Leech of Rangely are proud to announce their son's engagement to a British national.



COURTESY PHOTO

The Town of Rangely honored Roger and Lois Pittman of 125 W. South St. for winning The Golden Spade Award for June 2013 for the town's most beautiful yard. The Pittmans have lived in Rangely since 1986. They have been married 32 years, and Lois enjoys quilting and Roger enjoys hunting along with keeping a beautiful yard. When asked what they like about living in Rangely, Lois said, "It is the people, the people are great!" The town would also like to thank the businesses that sponsor the Golden Spade and make it a success: Professional Touch Auto and Towing, NAPA Auto Parts, Rangely True Value Hardware, White River Market, Stewart Welding, Rangely Conoco, Giovanni's Italian Restaurant, Rangely Liquor, Pinyon Tree Liquors, Jade Lion Restaurant, Sweetbriar Boutique, Main Street Coffee House, Park Street Grill, Rangely Trash Service, Clarks Auto, J.J.'s Tire and Auto, Nichols Feed and the So Much More Store.



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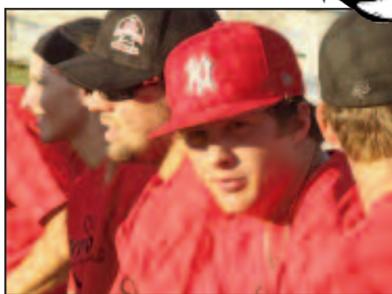
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Cedar Ridges Golf Course

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- Aug. 31 ~ Rodeo Scramble

For summer activities, call the Rangely Recreation Center at 675-8211 or visit www.westernrioblanco.org for a list of activities!



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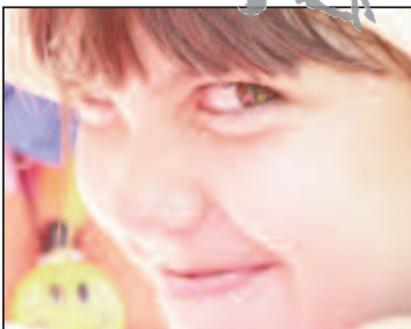
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- What You Want vs. PMC - 7:15
- Shepherd's vs. Natural Soda
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- What You Want vs. WREA
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- PMC vs. Shepherd's



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Plein Air Art comes to Meeker on Aug. 15-23

Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER Meeker will host the second annual Plein Air Art Competition in late August this year. This competition draws artists from around Colorado who will paint "en plein air" within a 50 mile radius of downtown Meeker, creating spectacular paintings from our picturesque surroundings.

"En plein air" is a French phrase that means "in the open air" and is used to describe the act of painting outdoors. Working in natural light to complete a painting on location has inspired many artists.

Schedule of events:

Paint-out dates will be Aug. 12-23. All entries must be turned in by noon on Aug. 23. The art exhibit will be held at the Upstairs Gallery.

There will be a Purchase Patron Champagne Social and Artists' Reception from 6 to 7 p.m. that evening. Following the Purchase Patron Social, the public is invited to view the art exhibit and participate in the Artist Meet and Greet Session from 7 to 9 p.m. During this time, a silent auction for all entries will begin.

The silent auction will open on Aug. 24 from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. There also will be a quick-draw contest from 10 a.m. to noon at Circle Park, where the public is welcome to come and watch the artists at work. Quick-draw art will be up for silent auction from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m.

This year's judge, Bev Lee, will be holding a free painting demonstration at Circle Park from 1 to 2 p.m. Lee will also have a display of her artwork at the exhibit.

Award winners and silent auction winners will be awarded at 2:30 p.m. at The Upstairs Gallery.

The Meeker Chamber of Commerce is seeking businesses and individuals who would like to become purchase patrons for the event. Purchase patrons agree to spend \$250 on artwork submitted by Plein Air Meeker 2013 artists.

With this, purchase patrons get the opportunity to attend a special champagne social and artists reception, preview and purchase artwork prior to the exhibit opening up to the public and the silent auction, have a purchase patron ribbon placed on artwork purchased, build a Meeker-inspired art collection and have their logo and/or name on the Plein Air Meeker 2013 event page at www.MeekerChamber.com.

The Meeker Chamber of Commerce would like to encourage everyone to attend this unique art exhibit and silent auction. This is a great way to build a one-of-a-kind art collection inspired by Meeker and view captivating pieces of artwork.

For more information about the event or to become a purchase patron or an artist in the event, contact the Meeker Chamber of Commerce at 970-878-5510.

DUMPS: Public asked to report illegal dumping

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Draw. Other popular dump areas exist along the Highway 139 corridor and the Deserado Mine Road.

"We would go on walks and say, 'Oh, my gosh, here's a whole bedroom set,'" said Rangely resident Aurora Chumacero, who has been walking and driving the trails around Rangely with her husband, Juan, for nearly two decades. "This past year, we noticed that every trail we would take, there would be box springs, refrigerators, washers, you name it."

In the last three years, the Chumaceros said, the amount of trash near county roads and on public lands has increased noticeably, especially with large objects that won't soon decompose.

"What gets us thinking about it is when people get rid of tires, furniture, appliances," Juan Chumacero said. "Those things are never going to move. They're going to be there for centuries."

While some blame the increase in illegal dumping on Rangely's landfill being closed several years ago, others, like former county commissioner Ken Parsons, say that the dumping was as serious a problem two decades ago as it is today.

Which may be why residents and leaders alike are asking for a permanent fix to a long-term problem.

"I think there are a lot of people who feel the same way we do," Rangely Mayor Frank Huitt said.

"This is our home. Let's make it respectable."

Woodruff said it would surprise most people to learn who dumps and the reasons given for doing it.

"There will be people well known in the community doing it; there'll be poor people doing it," he said in an interview prior to the work session. "There will always be a reason they couldn't take it somewhere else. We used to publish the names of dumpers in the newspaper."

Bureau of Land Management law enforcement ranger Don Miller said he has collaborated with the sheriff's office and the Town of Rangely to cite individual offenders before. A substantial cleanup effort, he said, would involve identifying and prioritizing top sites, then using town and county equipment and labor as efficiently as possible to minimize disruption to workers' existing projects.

Brixius and Road and Bridge Supervisor Dave Morlan pledged help in the effort.

"Let us know what site you're looking at," Brixius told Miller. "Pick a day, maybe form a small group of county, federal and local officials and see if we can organize some volunteers, get them out to the site, and bring some equipment out there. I don't think this has to be a big budgetary thing. We can pick away at it, pick out a few sites a year, and clean it up."

Colorado's Northwest District BLM public affairs specialist Chris

Joyner said that, although some sites may require an assessment to determine whether hazardous materials or historically valuable artifacts exist, that process should remain local and be relatively quick.

"It would be very disappointing if it took too long," he said. "(BLM outdoor recreation planner) Aaron Grimes could make many of those decisions, and, at some sites, we may already know what's there.... We want to make sure people who have an interest to go out and clean up can get it done."

While addressing the problem may be more complex than a trash pickup day or local campaign, Joyner added that residents watching for and reporting illegal dumping are a key part of the solution.

"It's a very small minority that's doing this," Joyner said. "It's not the majority of people enjoying public lands. And the best way to help us, to help keep our public lands clean, is to report the people dumping."

This week, the BLM took the next step in the cleanup process. Grimes contacted town and county officials to set up a time to identify and prioritize key cleanup sites. Meanwhile, others are moving forward with their own cleanup efforts, like Huitt, who plans to remove trash from the Blue Mountain shooting range in the near future.

Woodruff said the other piece of the puzzle is an approximately 22-unit, \$250,000 camera system that will record vehicles coming into and out of primary entrance and exit

points around Rangely, Meeker and Piceance Creek, including key dumping areas like Dragon Road.

If a pilot program for the high-resolution cameras set to launch next month goes smoothly, Rio Blanco County Director of Information Technology Tyson Edwards said that camera placement will progress throughout this year and be complete by next summer.

"The end result is these cameras could be used for a wide variety of purposes," Edwards said. "It's not for automated license plate scanning or having somebody watching all the time. It's useful when we get a report of something happening or have a reason to suspect something is going on. Then we can pull the video up, much like we do building security."

"The camera system, for lack of words, that's just deadly," Woodruff said. "If Si drives out of town with a truckload of branches and a truckload of trash, and an hour later comes back and his truck is empty, Si just bought himself a \$1,000 ticket. Besides the fact that any judge would demand restitution that you will clean it up and then some."

As the Chumaceros head out each day to follow a beloved trail or enjoy a familiar vista, they hope future generations will inherit a legacy of care and stewardship rather than neglect and misuse.

"I don't want those young people to go out there and see all the trash," Juan Chumacero said. "If they do, they'll learn to do the same."

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LEGAL NOTICES

RIO BLANCO COUNTY NOTICE OF FINAL CONTRACTOR SETTLEMENT
2013 RIO BLANCO COUNTY ROAD 24 OVERLAY PROJECT

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 12th day of August, 2013 at Meeker, Colorado, final settlement will be authorized by the Rio Blanco County Board of County Commissioners with Oldcastle SW Group, Inc., dba United Companies of Mesa County of 2273 River Road, Grand Junction, CO 81505 for all work done by said CONTRACTOR on the project known as 2013 Rio Blanco County Road 24 Overlay Project.

- 1) Any person, co-partnership, association, or corporation who has an unpaid claim against the said project may at any time, up to and including the date specified in item 2 below, file a VERIFIED STATEMENT of the amount due and unpaid on account of such claims.
- 2) All such claims shall be filed with Van Pilaud, County Engineer, Rio Blanco County Road & Bridge Department, 570 2nd Street, Meeker, Colorado 81641 on or before August 8, 2013.
- 3) Failure on the part of a creditor to file such a statement will relieve Rio Blanco County from any and all liability for such claim.

Dated at Meeker, Colorado this 15th day of July, 2013.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF RIO BLANCO COUNTY
BY SHAWN J. BOLTON, CHAIRMAN
Publish: July 18 and 25, 2013

LEGAL NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given of the filing of a Technical Revision 99 to the Colowyo Coal Mine, Mining Permit No. C-81-019, by the Colowyo Coal Company L.P., 5731 State Highway 13, Meeker, CO. 81641, with the Colorado Division Reclamation Mining and Safety, Colorado Department of Natural Resources, 1313 Sherman Street, Room 215, Denver, Colorado 80203. This change updates the design and volume of the East Taylor out of pit spoil pile.

All of the areas to be affected by this Technical Revision are owned by Colowyo Coal Company L.P., the State of Colorado and the Bureau of Land Management and are located approximately 28 miles south of Craig, Colorado, west of Colorado State Highway 13 and east of Moffat County Road 51.

The affected area can be located on U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle map Nos. N4015-W10745/7.5 (Axial, Colorado) and N4007.5-W10745/7.5 (Nine-mile Gap, Colorado) and is more particularly described as follows:

All or portions of Sections 2-5, 7-11, 14-22, and 28-30 of Township 3 North, Range 93 West and all or portions of Sections 13, 15, 16, 21-24, 26-28, and 32-34 of Township 4 North, Range 93 West of the 6th P.M., Moffat County and Rio Blanco County, Colorado.

A precise description of the Permit Boundary can be found in Volume 2A, Exhibit 1, Item 12 of the permit document and is included herein by reference.

A copy of the application for the Technical Revision is on file at the Moffat

LEGAL NOTICES

County Clerk and Recorder's Office in the Moffat County Courthouse located at 221 West Victory Way, Craig, Colorado, 81625 and the Rio Blanco County Clerk and Recorder's Office in the Rio Blanco Courthouse located at 555 Main Street #303, Meeker, CO, 8164. Questions concerning this TR should be directed to Tony Tennyson, Senior Engineer - Environmental, Colowyo Coal Co. L.P. at (970) 824-1232.

Any person having an interest concerning this Technical Revision has the right to provide written comments or objections concerning this Technical Revision to the Colorado Division Reclamation Mining and Safety at the address noted above. Comments to the Division must be made within 10 days after the publication of this notice.

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Notice to Creditors

Estate of Doris Flea Dennis, aka Doris DeLong Dennis, Doris Davis DeLong Dennis, Doris David DeLong, Doris D. DeLong, Doris De Long and Doris DeLong, Deceased, Case Number 013 PR 30,005. All persons having claims against the above-named estate are required to present them to the Personal Representative or to District Court of Rio Blanco, County, Colorado at PO Box 1150, 555 Main St., Meeker, CO 81641, on or before November 29, 2013, or the claims may be forever barred.

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REQUEST FOR RFP'S REBID

Rio Blanco County is rebidding and soliciting RFP's for the Rio Blanco County Wagon Wheel OHV Trail Educational Kiosks Project. Rio Blanco County intends to construct 12 educational kiosks to be installed along the Wagon Wheel OHV Trail System in Rio Blanco County, Colorado. Owner is seeking turnkey bid/proposals. The project is scheduled to begin August 15, 2013 and be completed no later than November 15, 2013. Further information containing General Terms and Conditions of the Request for Proposals, Scope of Work and Schedule, Contractor Minimum Qualifications, Bid Form, etc. and Exhibit A Scope of Work is located on the County website at www.co.rio-blanco.co.us/announcements. All RFP/bid documents must be received no later than 11:00 a.m., August 12, 2013, to Board of County Commissioners, County Administration Building, 200 Main Street, P.O. Box 1, Meeker, Colorado 81641 and

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MEEKER SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1 Board of Education Workshop
Tuesday, July 30, 2013
Central Office -- 555 Garfield Street
6:00 p.m.

Policy Overhaul Project Workshop
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Board of Education Regular Meeting
Tuesday, July 30, 2013
Central Office -- 555 Garfield Street
Following Policy Workshop

Pledge of Allegiance: Mrs. Bradfield will lead the Pledge of Allegiance
Action: Approval of Agenda
Action: Approval of the Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting July 10, 2013
Action: Quarterly Financial Report
Action: Concurrent Enrollment - Experimental HS Class Addition: CCR-092 College Reading and Comprehension. Duration: one school year.
Public Input:
Discussion: Legislative Advocacy Processes
Discussion/Action: Mill Levy Override Information:
Other:
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AA & Al-Anon Meetings - Rangely
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Al-Anon meets Monday, 8:15 pm, 207 S. Sunset, 1st Baptist Church, Rangely. Al-Anon info call 970-629-5064 or 970-629-2970.

FOOD BANK of the Rockies mobile pantry truck will be in Rio Blanco County providing Food assistance to community member. Scheduled Dates for 2013 are: July 27, August 1, and September 26. The Food Bank will be at the Meeker Fairgrounds from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

RANGELY ROCKCRAWLING & 4 Wheel Drive group in Rangely meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month at the Rio Blanco Water Users Building on Hwy. 64 at 7 p.m.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Alcoholics Anonymous
Mon. 8 pm, Weds. 7 pm, Fri. 7 pm
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

Rangely Victim Services
An open door for the protection and care of abused and battered persons. Non-emergency call 629-5729 or 629-0709. Emergencies call 911. Providing assistance for victims of violent crimes.

NEW EDEN Pregnancy Care Services - pregnancy tests, emergency supplies, guidance by trained volunteers, classes on pregnancy and child care, post-abortion support, referrals. Mondays and Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., 345 Main Street, Meeker. Email: newedenpcs@gmail.com or (970)878-5117. All services are confidential.

MOMS GROUP meeting, open to anyone with a child 0-5 years, Grace Baptist Church, Rangely, first Thursday of every month, 8:45 a.m. to 11 a.m. Info. call Heather Zadra (970)629-9937

MEEKER HOUSING Authority Board of Directors meets the 2nd Thursday of the month at 9:30 a.m. at The Pines, 875 Water St., Meeker.

BRESNAN CABLE television customers - If you are not receiving a television channel station you normally get, 3 people must report it before it's considered an outage. Call the service number on your bill to report.

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PISTOL RIVER LEATHER
Good luck to everyone at the Horse Show.
If your knees hurt too much, your stirrups are too short. If your tail end hurts too much, your stirrups are too long. If they both hurt, your stirrups are just right.
785 Park Avenue • 878-4346
www.pistolriverleather.com

PLEIN AIR painting. Friday evenings 6 p.m. at the pullout before K-T on County Road 8. Come paint with us. No instruction.

JAK'S PRODUCE
Fresh veggies, fruit & Palisade peaches!
Friday afternoon July 26 11 a.m. to 6 p.m
Saturday, July 27, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.
on 7th Street between Market & Water Streets • Meeker
More info. (970)216-9650

RADINO & CHUCKWAGON
Please call before 9:00 a.m. day of meal
878-5627 or 675-8112
Senior Citizen Nutrition Program
Meals served at noon.
Reservations appreciated.
Suggested Donation Over 60 - \$2.50. Under 60 - Guest Fee \$7.
(Did you know? Homebound trays can be ordered for over 60, suggested donation \$2.50 - 12:10 p.m. pickup.)
****MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE****
FRIDAY, July 26: Broccoli, rice, cheddar cheese casserole, peas and carrots, tossed salad, peanut butter cookies.
MONDAY, July 29: Cheese ravioli with tomato basil sauce, Italian vegetables, tossed salad, cream puffs
TUESDAY, July 30: Sloppy Joe with bun, mixed vegetables, mandarin orange spinach salad, banana pudding.
WEDNESDAY, July 31: Lemon baked tilapia, roasted potato, spinach salad, creamy coleslaw, honey bran muffin, banana.
FRIDAY, August 2: Spaghetti meat sauce, tossed salad, oatmeal raisin cookie, fresh fruit.

VFW POST 5843 and Ladies Auxiliary monthly meetings are now held at Kilowatt Korner in Meeker: VFW Post 5843 - 6:30 p.m. 2nd Monday. Ladies Auxiliary - 5:00 p.m., 2nd Monday.

RIO BLANCO Fire Protection District is looking for proposals to replace four 5'x10' bay windows. For more information, call (970)878-3443.

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

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

MEEKER CAT Coalition accepting cat food or monetary donations for spay/neuter and health care. Donations may be left at The Vet Clinic in Meeker or call 878-3560 or 878-4429 for more information.



LEGAL NOTICES

RIO BLANCO COUNTY
2013 Pavement Marking Paint Project
REQUEST FOR BID
PROJECT NAME, LOCATION AND GENERAL SCOPE OF WORK
2013Rio Blanco County Pavement Marking Paint Project. Work for Rio Blanco County includes providing and installing approx. 5,684 Gallons of Pavement Marking Paint with Beads on approx. 124.67 miles of various county roads.
AGREEMENT DOCUMENTS
Rio Blanco County Agreement Documents shall be available on July 18, 2013 at the Rio Blanco County Road and Bridge Dept. 570 2nd Street, Meeker, Colorado 81641, or on-line at www.govbids.com/scripts/co1/public/home1.asp, or on the county's website at www.co.rio-blanco.co.us on the Public Announcements page.
PROJECT SUPERINTENDENT AND QUESTIONS
Clint Chappell, Road & Bridge Coordinator, (970) 878-9590, Fax (970) 878-3396. Mailing address: Rio Blanco County Road and Bridge Dept., 570 Second Street, Meeker, CO 81641. All vendors must examine the sites and become familiar with all site conditions. Any questions regarding the project are to be directed in writing to Clint Chappell before Tuesday, July 30, 2013 at 4:00 P.M. at the above address or fax number.
WORK SCHEDULE
The Project shall start on or after August 19, 2013 and shall be complete by September 27, 2013.
BID SUBMITTAL
Vendor shall submit a sealed bid for this project which shall include all information required by the Agreement documents. Bids shall have Vendor's name and address and "Sealed Bid for 2013 Pavement Marking Paint Project" written on the sealed envelope. Each bid must be accompanied by 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, Colorado, or by a Bid Bond in like amount executed by a Surety Company. Color or hand-deliver to the Rio Blanco County Board of County Commissioners, at P.O. Box i, 200 Main Street, Meeker, CO 81641 before Thursday, August 8, 2013 at 4:00 P.M., OR, Hand-deliver to the Rio Blanco County Board of County Commissioners, at P.O. Box i, 200 Main Street, Meeker, CO 81641 until 11:00 A.M. on Monday, August 12, 2013. No bids shall be received Friday, August 9 through Sunday, August 11.
BID OPENING
Bids shall be opened and read in public at 11:15 A.M. on August 12, 2013 at the Commissioners' Meeting Room at 200 Main Street in Meeker. Bids submitted after 11:00 A.M. shall be returned unopened. Bids submitted and opened shall not be withdrawn for 30 days thereafter.
BID PREFERENCE
C.R.S. 8-19-101, et seq. shall be observed on all construction contracts on public projects. The law states that when a construction contract for a public project is to be awarded to a bidder, a resident bidder shall be allowed preference against a nonresident bidder from another state equal to the preference given or required by the state in which the nonresident bidder is a resident.
BID AWARD
The Rio Blanco County Board of County Commissioners reserve the right to reject any or all bids; to waive any informalities in bids; and to accept the bid that, in the opinion of the Board, is in the best interest of the County of Rio Blanco, State of Colorado. The County also reserves the right to negotiate changes in project specifications with successful Vendor. If the Agreement is to be awarded, Owner will give the Successful Vendor a Notice of Award within thirty days after the day of the Bid opening.
RIO BLANCO COUNTY
Dated: July 15, 2013
By: Shawn J. Bolton, Chairman
Publish: July 18 & 25, 2013
Rio Blanco Herald Times

AUCTIONS

COUNTRY ESTATE Auction Saturday July 27, 10 a.m. 26105 RCR 37B Hayden Colorado. (24 miles south of Hayden) 3 bulldozers, 4 John Deere Tractors 4020 W/ cab and loader-2 A's and 1 B, 2 pickups with snowplows, farm attachments and equipment, 1969 Buick, Swather, 9 guns, ammo, Bear traps, hand and power tools, saddles and tack, upright piano, antique furniture, collectables, horse drawn potato digger, modern household furniture, appliances, living room and bedroom furniture, unpacked boxes, 3 campers and more. Estate of E.F. McSweeney for more information call Steve Claypoole, CP Auction Service. (970)260-5577. See web www.cpauction.com "call me about a sale for you."

FARM & RANCH

FORD 8-N Tractor for sale. (970)878-0546 in the evenings.

ALFALFA AND grass mix \$7 a bale. Call (970)675-8759.

FOR SALE

CLEAN COUCH AND LOVESEAT. \$150 for set. Round marble top end table \$40. Beautiful wood and bamboo TV cabinet \$60. Call (970)878-5618.

BOWFLEX ULTIMATE WEIGHT MACHINE. \$500 or best offer. Browning Gun Safe \$800. Call (970)629-9977. Leave a message and we will return your call.

FREEBIES

FREE: TWO TV Set. One is 19 inch one the other 31 inch both are color. Both are older models but work fine. (970)878-5754. Come pick them up.

GUNS

FOR SALE: A GLOCK 23 pistol. Browning A-bolt (RMEF) 338. New in box. (970) 878-5618

KELLEY'S GUNSMITHING
Would like to buy quality guns and optics
878-4582

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LEGAL NOTICES

COMBINED NOTICE - MAILING
CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 13-07

To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust:
On April 22, 2013, 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) David Bray
Original Beneficiary(ies) Countrywide Home Loans, Inc.
Current Holder of Evidence of Debt Bank of America, N.A.
Date of Deed of Trust April 15, 2004
County of Recording Rio Blanco
Recording Date of Deed of Trust April 20, 2004
Recording Information (Reception Number) 278324
Original Principal Amount \$79,380.00
Outstanding Principal Balance \$59,054.84

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.

The property to be foreclosed is:
Exhibit A
A parcel of land being a part of Lots 5 and 6 Block A Mesa Subdivision Town of Rangely, County of Rio Blanco, State of Colorado, being more particularly described as follows:
Beginning at the Northwest Corner of said Lot 5; thence East 28.08 feet; thence South 144.19 feet; thence South 81'27" West, 113.04 feet; thence North 161 feet; thence East 83.7 feet to the true point of beginning.
Also known by street and number as: 242 Crest St, Rangely, CO 81648-3017.
THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ALL OF THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY ENCUMBERED BY THE LIEN OF THE DEED OF TRUST.

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

THEREFORE, Notice Is Hereby Given that I will at public auction, at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, 08/21/2013, 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.
First Publication 6/27/2013
Last Publication 7/25/2013
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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 AND/OR YOU MAY HAVE THE RIGHT TO CURE A DEFAULT UNDER THE DEED OF TRUST BEING FORECLOSED. A COPY OF CERTAIN 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;
• 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;
• A NOTICE OF INTENT TO REDEEM FILED PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-38-302 SHALL BE FILED WITH THE PUBLIC TRUSTEE NO MORE THAN EIGHT (8) BUSINESS DAYS AFTER THE SALE; DATE: 04/22/2013
Karen Arnold, Public Trustee in and for the County of Rio Blanco, State of Colorado
/s/ Karen Arnold, Public Trustee
By: Karen Arnold, Public Trustee
The name, address, business telephone number and bar registration number of the attorney(s) representing the legal holder of the indebtedness is:
Caren Jacobs Castle #11790, Barbara A. Bader #10394, Christa Kilk #29855, Deanna L. Westfall #23449, Deanne R. Stodden #33214, Jennifer C. Rogers #34682, Katharine E. Fisher #39230, Kimberly L. Martinez #40351, Elizabeth S. Marcus #16092, Britney Beall-Eder #34935, Christopher T. Groen #39976, The Castle Law Group, LLC 999 18TH ST., #2201, DENVER, CO 80202 (303) 865-1400
The Attorney above is acting as a debt collector and is attempting to collect a debt. Any information provided may be used for that purpose.
Attorney File # 13-02628
(c)Public Trustees' Association of Colorado Revised 9/2012

LEGAL NOTICES

COMBINED NOTICE - MAILING
CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 13-06

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On April 22, 2013, 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) THOMAS A. RUE
Original Beneficiary(ies) ACADEMY BANK, N.A.
Current Holder of Evidence of Debt ACADEMY BANK, N.A.
Date of Deed of Trust November 02, 2007
County of Recording Rio Blanco
Recording Date of Deed of Trust November 08, 2007
Recording Information (Reception Number) 290500
Original Principal Amount \$1,520,000.00
Outstanding Principal Balance \$1,946,194.81 (amount secured by deed of trust limited to \$1,520,000.00)

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The property to be foreclosed is:
Exhibit A
Legal Description
Located in RIO BLANCO County, State of Colorado.
A portion of Lot 1, Block 4, of Sagewood West Subdivision, Phase 1, Town of Rangely, Colorado, according to the Final Plat thereof filed July 12, 1982 as Document No. 207248 and being more particularly described as follows.
Beginning at a point which lies South 89 degrees 52'14" West, 17.00 feet from Southeast Corner of Sagewood West Subdivision; thence South 89 degrees 52'14" West, 431.56 feet; thence North 10 degrees 22'00" East, 416.50 feet; thence North 89 degrees 40'13" east, 357.58 feet; thence South 00 degrees 08'04" West, 410.78 feet to the point of beginning.
The property to be foreclosed is:
Also known by street and number as: 131 RIVER ROAD, RANGELY, CO 81648.
THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ALL OF THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY ENCUMBERED BY THE LIEN OF THE DEED OF TRUST.

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• DATE: 04/22/2013
Karen Arnold, Public Trustee in and for the County of Rio Blanco, State of Colorado
/s/ Karen Arnold
By: Karen Arnold, Public Trustee
The name, address, business telephone number and bar registration number of the attorney(s) representing the legal holder of the indebtedness is:
Sheri L. Kelly-Rabolt #27501
Markus Williams Young & Zimmermann LLC 1700 Lincoln Street, Suite 4000, Denver, CO 80203 (303) 830-0800
The Attorney above is acting as a debt collector and is attempting to collect a debt. Any information provided may be used for that purpose.
Attorney File # 10861.036
(c)Public Trustees' Association of Colorado Revised 9/2012.

HUNTING

ELK AND Deer Antler Wanted. Call (208)206-1939 for prices and local pick-up schedule.

LOST & FOUND

FOUND: ONE stuffed animal horse. Call with details and you can have him. (970)878-5830.

LOST: FISHPOND fishing pack with 4 boxes of flies and digital camera on Saturday, June 22, near boat ramp at River Camp RV Park or boat ramp 8 miles downstream.

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.

PERSONALS

IT'S GETTING hot and you want something cool to wear. Did you know pants can be made into shorts and long sleeve shirts can be made into cool short sleeve tops. Call The Seamstress 878-3193.

PETS

SCHNAUZER PUPPIES. Exotic colors, mature 8-13 pounds. Do not shed. \$500-\$700. Call (970)675-8759.

WANTED

WANTED: ELK and Deer land owner tags. Any season. Call Dave (435)586-8257.

YARD SALES

MEEKER: 901 9th St. Friday July 26, 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturday July 27 from 8 a.m. to noon. Oak entertainment center, patio furniture set, desk, women's clothes, and lots more.

DINOSAUR: ESTATE Sale at 402 E. Main. (Miner's Cafe) July 26 and 27 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

ESTATE SALE: Crafts, kitchen appliances, dishes, bedding, Christmas stuff, knick knacks, and much more. Saturday and Sunday August 3rd and 4th from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. 303 Cedar Street, Meeker CO.

MEEKER YARD SALE 485 Pine St. Friday and Saturday, July 26 and 27, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Come one! Come All! Too large a sale to list everything. Lots of things for all.

YARD SALES

MEEKER YARD SALE 890 5th St. Saturday, July 27, 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Wire wrapped pendants, jewelry, cards, etc.

MEEKER YARD SALE 795 Pine St. Friday, July 26, noon to 4:00 p.m. and Saturday, July 27, 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Appliances, furniture, tools, school items, books, games, toys, videos, CD's, electronics, household items, clothes, lots of miscellaneous, great bargains.

MEEKER: 1035 Garfield, Saturday July 27 from 7:30 a.m. to ? Trampoline, kids clothes, adult fine clothes, portable A/C, and lots of miscellaneous.

MEEKER: LARGE multi-family coldasack. 1162 Biffel Circle. Friday July 26 and Saturday July 27 from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m.

MEEKER: 738 5th St. Saturday July 27, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Collectables, depression glass, furniture, plants and much more.

RIFLE: **STARTS TODAY ANNUAL MULTI-FAMILY** yard sale. 1251 West 3rd. Go up the Elks hill, look for balloons and signs. Household items. designer clothes, antiques, bbq grills, books...too much to list. 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Thursday and Friday, and Saturday 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Rain or shine.

HELP WANTED: FULL TIME

County Planner: Located in the beautiful White River Valley in Northwest Colorado Rio Blanco County Government has an immediate need for a planner. This diverse county is approximately 80% Federal/State land and is supported by agriculture, oil and gas development, and tourism. Position performs specialized planning duties including, but not limited to, subdivision of lands, rezoning, interpretation of comprehensive plan and ordinances and the county master plan. Position requires a degree in planning or a closely related field and 2/4 years of planning experience. Salary: \$45,000-\$50,000 DOQ. Full benefit package including health, dental and vision. Submit completed county application and resume to Rio Blanco County Human Resource Department, P.O. Box 1, Meeker, CO 81641. 970-878-9570 Applications may be downloaded from the County Website at www.co.rio-blanco.co.us/personnel. Applications due July 31, 2013. EOE, Announcement #1319

Life-changing opportunities to make money while giving back! Horizons is seeking direct care staff for individuals with developmental disabilities. Age 21 or over, Colorado Driver's License required. EOE. Call Amanda Barnett 970-879-2065 x111 for details.

HELP WANTED: FULL TIME

CHAMBER OF Commerce Director
The Rangely Chamber of Commerce is currently seeking a 20-30 hr week Chamber Director. Duties include promote membership, develop and coordinate promotional activities, report to RACC Board, data entry, and website. Must have strong written and verbal communication skills, strong computer skills, knowledge of Quickbooks, EXCEL and Word. Please fax cover letter and resume to 970-675-2271 or mail to Rangely Chamber, 209 E Main Rangely CO 81648

EXPERIENCED WELL service rig operator. Good pay and steady work. Must pass drug test. Call (435)828-3915.

GONZO, LLC is looking for experienced PUMP OPERATORS with a background in pumping and handling of oil field production water & by-products as well as mechanical knowledge of pump operations. DRUG TEST AND CLEAN MVR IS REQUIRED PRIOR TO EMPLOYMENT. FAX RESUME WITH CURRENT MVR TO (970)283-5557 or e-mail HR@gonzo970.com NO PHONE CALLS WILL BE ACCEPTED. EOE.

Maintenance Worker: Position performs a variety of skilled tasks at the apprentice level in all phases of construction, maintenance, and operation of Public Works activities. Applicant must be able to pass physical and have a current CDL with the ability to pass the A test. Ability to operate heavy construction equipment is a plus. The Town of Rangely offers an excellent benefit package which includes pension plan, Medical, Dental, Life and Short Term Disability. Benefits include Vacation, Holiday and Sick Leave. To apply submit a completed application to the Town of Rangely at 209 E Main Street, Rangely Colorado 81648. Applications may be obtained at the Town of Rangely and are also available at our website (www.rangely.com) Position is Open until filled. EOE

RIO BLANCO BOCES is currently seeking a full time Para-educator in our Rangely Junior Senior High School for the 2013-2014 school year. Please send all applications to Rio Blanco BOCES 402 W. Main Street, STE #219 Rangely, CO 81648. For more information please contact us at (970) 675-2064 or tschott@rangelyk12.org

HELP WANTED: GENERAL

THE WESTERN Rio Blanco Rec and Park District has an opening for a child care provider. This is a morning position Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. For more information call (970)675-8211 or come by and pick up an application.



Full-time and Part-time Teller
First National Bank of the Rockies - Meeker. We are looking for customer service oriented individuals with cash handling experience for these positions. Banking experience is a plus. Full benefits for full-time position. Additional pay and some benefits for part-time position. Send your resume to patir@fnbrockies.com. EEO/AA.

NORTHWEST AUTO Sales & Services is seeking an internet sales manager/assistant sales person. We are looking for an internet savvy, detail oriented, people person. Must be familiar with internet websites, and social media. Must be proficient with MS office, possess strong verbal and written communication skills, and be a fast learner. Automobile, advertising and graphic design experience is preferred but not required. Part time position could become full-time position. Come by Northwest Auto to pick up an application, or send resume via email or fax.

MA FAMILIA Restaurant is looking for reliable individuals for kitchen positions to include: Delivery, dish, prep, expeditor and cook. Mostly evenings with some days. Apply in person at 410 Market Street.

Be part of our community of positive people making a difference and...
BECOME A SUBSTITUTE TEACHER!

Substitute Teaching is a fulfilling job for anyone. Men and Women alike who are looking for a chance to express their creativity can become a substitute teacher. Reasons to become a Substitute Teacher:
* Anyone who is looking to become a future teacher can "preview" the whole teaching field
* Retired teachers make excellent substitutes
* It's a great way to earn a second income
* It's great for people looking to train the minds of tomorrow
* Substitutes can be influential to students
* Helping others (teachers) is rewarding.
* Flexible work hours
* Substitute teaching can be fun!
* College degree is not required
* Background check/fingerprinting is required
How to become a substitute teacher
Visit the Rangely School District Central Office at 402 W Main to fill out a Background consent form, Finger printing card and further instructions for the online Educator Licensing Application.

HELP WANTED: GENERAL

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS NEEDED AT MEEKER SCHOOL DISTRICT
Substitute Teachers must have a current Colorado Teacher license or be eligible for a Colorado Substitute Authorization license. Call the Meeker School District Administration Office for information regarding requirements for a substitute authorization or go to www.cde.state.co.us and check Educator Licensing. Contact: Meeker School District Re-1 555 Garfield Meeker, Colorado 81641 Telephone: 970-878-9040 E-mail: admin@meeker.k12.co.us Website: www.meeker.k12.co.us Meeker School District is an Equal Opportunity Employer

BROTHERS CUSTOM Processing: Full and Part Time position. Pick up an application at the store. 101 E. Market, Meeker.

MEEKER SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1
Vacancy Notice:
Food Service Department
Substitute for regular food service employees
Applications may be picked up and returned to the School Administration Office, 555 Garfield Street, Meeker, CO. (970) 878-9040
E-mail: admin@meeker.k12.co.us
Website: www.meeker.k12.co.us

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- 2257 C.R. 6 - New home on 23 acres, great views \$309,000
- 73209 Hwy 64 - New Listing, 11.2 acres, home, outbldgs \$297,500
- 566 Rimrock Dr - Fully furnished home on 5 acres, good water \$270,000
- 1343 Sage Ridge Rd - New 3bdrm home, full basement \$219,000
- 866 Cleveland St - cute 3+ bedroom home, quiet street \$199,000
- 569 Larry Lane - beautiful 2+ bedroom home, corner lot, etc. \$189,000
- 560 5th Street - Home with rental potential and large metal shop \$185,000
- 1368 Robert Street - 4 bdrms, 2 baths, quiet location, 1 car garage \$175,000
- 1246 Cleveland Street - Tri-level home, clean, move in ready \$173,900
- 517 Park Avenue - COMMERCIAL PROPERTY, PRIME location \$170,000
- 1217 Main Street - Great starter home, 15000 SF corner lot \$149,500
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HOMES IN MEEKER ...

- *NEW 917 4th St - Beautiful 5 BR, 3 BA home on 2 quiet, private lots. Basement, garage, trees. \$279,000
- *NEW 974 Main St - 1BR, 1 BA cottage. Super cute and clean, covered porch, nice yard, carport. \$90,000
- *NEW 973 Pinyon St. - 4 BR, 2BA bi-level home on corner lot, fenced yard, garage. \$139,000
- *NEW 830 Water St - 3BR, 2BA one level home, fenced corner lot, Garage, Move in ready. \$175,900
- *NEW 787 12th St - 3BR, 2 BA home on 2+ lots, barn, garage, \$169,000 - **POSSIBLE LEASE OPTION**
- *NEW 585 Cleveland St - 3BR 3BA home like no other in the heart of Meeker, attention to detail in every area! Private fenced back yard, shop, big car port, trees. **SCHEDULE A SHOWING. \$449,000**
- *NEW 601 Pine St - Lg corner lot in N. Meeker with a 1 bedroom log home, storage shed, trees. \$69,000
- *NEW 145 5th St - Near downtown, 2+ BR, 1BA log home, large deck, heated garage with shop area \$149,000 **REDUCED**
- *1069 Pinyon St - Lg lot with a nice 3 BR, 2 BA bi-level home, big new Trex deck, awesome views. \$145,000
- *970 9th St. - 4 BR 3-1/2BA two story log home, large lot, carport. \$175,000
- *939 Park Ave. - 4BR, 4BA home. Updated kitchen, granite countertops, new S.S. appliances, new flooring, new jetted bathtub, new deck, attached garage and a huge heated shop. \$234,900 **REDUCED!**
- *11 East Main St - 3 to 4 bedroom log home, 1.75 baths, living & family rooms, oak floors. **REDUCED \$193,500**
- *562 Larry Lane - Corner lot, 1 level, 3 BR 2BA, fenced yard, garage, deck. \$149,000 **MAKE AN OFFER!**
- *643 12th St - 4 BR, 2 BA bi-level home. Garage, carport, fenced back yard. \$140,000.
- *375 Pine St. - 5 BR, 3 BA home, big corner lot, fenced yard, garage, trees. \$280,000. **SOLD!**
- *711 Cleveland - large corner lot, 3 BR, 2BA home, nicely remodeled, 1 level, garage. \$179,900 **SOLD!**

RANCHES — RURAL RESIDENTIAL — HUNTING PROPERTIES...

- *NEW 950 CR 14 - Mountain cabin 26 miles up river. 2 BR, 1 BA with great views, in the woods. \$289,000.
- *NEW 12916 County Rd. 8 - Great vacation home, amazing river views, 35 acres, 4 BR, 1 BA, garage, outbuildings, private park like setting. \$400,000
- *1337 Meath Dr - 35 acres 9 miles east with a nice 3 BR, 2 BA home, pastures, views. \$265,000.
- *13245 CR 8 - 5 acres 14 miles up-river, well, trees, nice 3 BR, 2 BA home, decks, garage, shop, attached garage
- *444 Agency Dr - 4 BR 3-1/2 BA log home, over 3,500 sq. ft. on 5 acres, barn, irrigated pasture, fenced, near golf course. What a deal! \$369,000
- *4637 CR 8 - 77 irrigated acres, 2 story home, barns, shop, sheds, hay pastures, good water. \$690,000.
- *850 County Rd. 10-32 acres with 2 log homes, 2 wells, 2 septic systems, 2 electric meters, shop, garage, fenced, pond. Near the river, Lake Avery, and great hunting. **\$695,000 REDUCED**
- *River Property - CR 12 - 5+ acres 28 miles up river, with 2 BR, 1 BA cabin, good well, fish pond. \$295,000
- *510 Meadow Lane - 6.92 acres with 2,332 sq. ft. 2 story home, 3 BR, 2 1/2 BA Private river setting, pond, hot tub, gazebo, Great horse property! **REDUCED \$399,900**
- *2000 County Rd - 19.6 Forest Service cabin on Ute Creek, 1BR, 1BA, \$85,000
- *710 Shaman Tr. - 3+ BR, 4BA, Custom built 4,534 sq ft home on 5 acres, great views, garage. \$448,000
- *24530 County Rd. 8 - A-frame cabin on small acreage, up-river, vacation home, views! \$169,000
- *40 Acres up South Fork - Lots of trees, water, 4 BR, 2 BA lodge, Nat. Forest access. **HUNTING. \$585,000.**
- *13051 CR 8 - 52 Acres, 14 miles up river, 2 living quarters buildings, garage, hunting. \$435,000.

BUSINESS & INVESTMENT ...

- *109 Market St - 3+ lots on the corner of 1st & Market. Great location. \$350,000
- *Rifle, CO - 9 vacant lots near City Hall & new theater, excellent investment opportunity. \$1,800,000
- *Rio Blanco Store - Great potential, 3/4 acre on Hwy 13, 3,000 sq ft store, café, living quarters. **Reduced \$130,000**
- *Silt, CO - 15 Acre River Front Commercial - 1-70 frontage road, just off of Silt exit, next to Holiday Inn Express. Excellent visibility & access. Utilities to boundary. Water rights. \$950,000.
- *304 4th St. Commercial building on corner lot downtown, great office space, 4,437 sq. ft. \$220,000
- *265 6th St - 3,208 sq ft commercial building, downtown, Make an offer. \$50,000 **SOLD!**

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- *NEW 860 Shaman Trail - 5.5 acre lot just east of Meeker, Ute Terrace Sub., town water, awesome views. \$80,000
- *Ridge Estates - 2 to 9 acre lots. Community well, irrigation water to each site. Prices reduced, additional discount available. Prices starting from \$75,600, 1 mile south of town.
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