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## Veterans Day events

RBC | Events are planned by the Veterans of Foreign Wars chapters in Rangely and Meeker on Monday, which is Veterans Day.

In Meeker, there will be a public observance of Veterans Day at the Rio Blanco County Courthouse at 11:45 a.m. That will be followed by lunch at Barone Middle School at 12:45 p.m., and that will be followed by an assembly at the school. These events are being sponsored by the Meeker Chamber of Commerce.

In Rangely, all veterans and their families are invited to a noon barbecue at the Elks Lodge, 633 East Main St. The event is sponsored by Alliance Energy.



## Tax issues voted down, school board members chosen

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**RBC |** Tuesday was a bad day for those backing any kind of tax increase as Amendment 66 at the state level and Ballot Issue 3A in Meeker failed to carry a majority of voters. In addition, the Meeker and Rangely school districts picked their new school board members for four-year terms.

Rio Blanco County Clerk and

Recorder Nancy R. Amick said Tuesday, before the election voting was complete, that this election had the best turnout in more than 20 years.

Amendment 66, which would have meant an increased income tax and which would have revamped the method with which the state funds its schools, went down to a nearly 2-1 failure statewide and roughly a 5-1 defeat in Rio Blanco County.

Meeker voters, meanwhile, turned

down a property tax increase to bring in more funds to Meeker School District RE-1 by a vote of 642 in favor and 705 against.

Also in Meeker, voters selected four persons to the Meeker School District Board of Trustees. Seven candidates ran for four seats in that election and the top four vote-getters were:

Bud Ridings with 856 votes, incumbent Bill deVergie was returned to office with 743 votes, Dan J. Chinn

won election with 719 votes and Todd Shults won the final seat with 668 votes.

Those candidates who came up short were: Kristen Eskelson with 572 votes, George Henderson with 412 votes and Carly Thompson with 346 votes.

In Rangely, five candidates ran for two open seats. Winning vote-getters were Samuel Tolley with 531 votes and Annette Webber with 344 votes.

Those who failed to garner enough votes for the board seats were: Nathaniel Polley with 231 votes, Owen C. Robertson with 129 votes and Amelia K. Swenson with 92 votes.

In statewide issues, Amendment 66, Rio Blanco County voters cast 332 votes in favor and 1,790 against. Statewide, the issue was voted down by roughly a 2-1 margin.

Proposition AA, which passed statewide to impose marijuana sales

taxes, was approved by Rio Blanco County voters by a 1,222-861 margin.

There were 4,398 registered voters in the county for the election, Amick said. In the Meeker district, 1,360 voters cast ballots for a 53.04 percent turnout; in the Rangely district, 778 voters cast their ballots for a turnout of 42.51 percent. Overall, there were 2,141 ballots cast in Rio Blanco County for an overall turnout of 48.68 percent.

## Family Dollar set for Meeker opening later in November

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**MEEKER |** The new Family Dollar outlet in Meeker will be open to the public on Nov. 21.

The store, located at 184 Market St. in Meeker, is opening on schedule, Family Dollar public relations manager Bryn R. Winburn told the Herald Times.

Family Dollar is the owner of the store as the corporation does not offer franchises. There are currently more than 8,000 Family Dollar outlets in 46 states.

Winburn said that Family Dollar is not a true "dollar store" where everything in the outlet is \$1 or less.

"Family Dollar is a discount retailer that carries national name brands and quality private brands," he said. "At Family Dollar, shoppers will find a wide variety of health and beauty, household, pet and seasonal items as well as an expanded assortment of

refrigerated and frozen goods. Plus, Family Dollar offers clothing and apparel for men, women and children.

"This store will represent the best that Family Dollar has to offer in our expanded assortment as well as new layout," Winburn said. "We are excited to open this new store and give our neighbors in the area a great reason to shop with us for the things they need and use every day."

Due to privacy issues and to avoid employee staffing problems, Winburn said, "Unfortunately, I am unable to release the names of our team members at this store."

The Meeker store front has for weeks directed potential employees to sign up through the company website at [www.familydollar.com](http://www.familydollar.com).

"We are still accepting applications for employment at our Meeker store, and I would invite anyone interested in going to the Internet site and filling out an online application," Winburn said.

## PUMPKIN, EATS, TREATS ...



SEAN McMAHON  
**This young gent captured the hearts of the ladies young and old on the county courthouse lawn as he showed off his costume, which included a kissing booth, during the costume contest on Halloween afternoon. At least 300 adults and children took part in the Halloween trick or treating and costume contest/parade as downtown merchants and other groups handed out treats in the ERBM Recreation District/Meeker businesses-sponsored event.**

## 'Alice' a success with Children's Theater

By HEATHER ZADRA  
*Special to the Herald Times*

**RANGELY |** Fifty-four Rangely elementary, middle and high school students performed Missoula Children's Theater's "Alice in Wonderland" on Friday night, bringing approximately 300 people to the Rangely Junior-Senior High School auditorium.

The Montana-based traveling theater company, which has visited Rangely annually since resident Annette Webber brought the company back to town several years ago, drew 68 children to auditions last week with 54 children completing a rigorous schedule, including line and song memorization, blocking, a full dress rehearsal and a community-wide performance in just five days.

This year, the usual schedule was cut even shorter due to Halloween, which meant children only practiced half as long as usual on Thursday.

"Scheduling can be difficult because we always have to work around conflicts with hunting and sports," coordinator Ann Urie said. "This year, it went really well even though it was during Halloween. The auditorium was still almost to full capacity."

The play drew from elements of Lewis Carroll's traditional "Alice in Wonderland" story, from the trademark White Rabbit and domineering Queen of Hearts to a raucous Mad Hatter. But, like most Missoula productions, this "Alice"



Rangely Junior High School seventh-grader Raelynn Norman as Alice, and the White Rabbit, portrayed by Missoula Children's Theater actor/director Ethan Park, consider the nonsense of others not knowing who you are and not always being sure yourself.

HEATHER ZADRA

took on a life all its own.

The grinning Cheshire Cat showed up where the audience least expected him, partly because he was played by three children: sixth-grader Cia Buxton, fifth-grader Catrina Reeves and fourth-grader Ryann Claybaugh.

Songs written for the production, including one played by a rappin' wildflower troupe, explored the nature of nonsense and discovering one's identity in the midst of it. And Alice herself, played by sixth-grader Audrye Patch, seventh-grader Raelynn Norman and freshman McKenzie Webber,

struggled to identify who she had become in the topsy-turvy, nonsensical world.

But nonsense, as the White Rabbit and Norman sang in a duet, is part of what makes Wonderland so wonderful. And while some audience members said some lines were difficult to hear, prompting Urie and Webber to want to seek future funding for a RJSHS microphone system, the audience seemed to think the premise worked.

"I thought the idea behind 'Alice' was cute," said Wendi Gillard, whose freshman daughter, Rebecca, played the Queen of Hearts. "I thought the Cheshire Cat was really creative. And it was neat how they did the big, small and medium Alices. I think it gave more kids more opportunities."

Bringing in Missoula Children's Theater each year costs approximately \$3,100, Urie said, with admission fees covering about half of the expense and the Western Rio Blanco Metropolitan Recreation and Park District donating some of the remaining cost.

The Human Resource Council purchased the water and snacks sold at the event.

## Watch out for game on county roads

*Special to the Herald Times*

**RBC |** Wildlife may not have to wrestle with changing the time on their microwave oven, but the weather and human clock changes can pose some challenges for animals moving to lower elevations in advance of the coming winter.

Colorado Parks and Wildlife is reminding drivers that with dusk arriving earlier, the chances increase for collisions with deer and elk on Colorado's roads. In fact, Highway 13 between Rifle and Craig through Meeker is the No. 1 road in Colorado for accidents involving collisions between vehicles and wildlife.

"November is a dangerous month for motorists and wildlife," said Colorado Parks and Wildlife Watchable Wildlife Coordinator

John Koshak. "Commuters will be driving at dusk when visibility is poor and when wildlife is most active."

Koshak noted that along with reduced visibility for drivers, deer are also more vulnerable because November is the peak of the mating season, resulting in more mobile, easily distracted animals, he said. He also cautioned drivers to be aware that deer and elk often travel in herds.

"If you see one animal on the road, generally there's another one coming," Koshak said.

During the fall months, large groups of deer and elk will move from high-altitude summer range into low-elevation valleys, where they can more-readily find food to survive the winter. Those lower val-

leys are also where many roads and communities are found, increasing the likelihood of human-wildlife conflicts such as vehicle collisions.

If an animal is hit, wildlife officials advise drivers to report the incident to law enforcement and call 911 if there are any human injuries.

While some collisions may be unavoidable, motorists can reduce the likelihood of an accident by taking the following precautions:

■ Slow down. Driving more slowly increases reaction time and reduces the chance of a collision.

■ Stay alert while driving at dusk and dawn. This is when many of Colorado's wildlife species are the most active and are likely to be crossing roadways.

■ ahead and watch for movement along roadsides.

■ When driving at night, watch for shining eyes reflecting in headlights.

■ Always look and be prepared for more than one animal.

■ obey traffic signs and watch for wildlife warning signs.

Colorado Parks and Wildlife requires that people who wish to salvage road kill apply for a roadkill permit within 48 hours.

Wildlife-related accidents can happen anywhere in Colorado including city streets; however, drivers should be especially cautious when traveling through forests and agricultural land, as well as the following "high-risk" areas: Highway 13, Rifle to Meeker and on to Craig; Highway 82, Glenwood Springs to Aspen; and Highway 9, Silverthorne to Kremmling.

## WEATHER



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## BRIEFS

## Sign up for Meeker's Parade of Lights

**MEEKER** | Preparations are under way for the Second Annual Parade of Lights, which will be held on Dec. 6 at 5:30 p.m. in downtown Meeker.

The event, which is being sponsored by the Meeker Chamber of Commerce, will feature a tree-lighting ceremony, the Meeker Elementary School Choir, the VFW Color Guard and then the parade, which will be followed by a fireworks display.

This year's theme is "Merry Meeker Lights."

If individuals or groups would like to enter a float in the parade, they are asked to call the Meeker Chamber of Commerce at 970-878-5510.

## New birthing option in Grand Junction

**RBC** | Women in Rio Blanco County and northwest Colorado now have a third birthing option available to them with the opening of the free-standing birth center, Bloomin' Babies Birth Center, LLC in Grand Junction.

According to the center, studies have shown that midwife-led birth center care decreases costs to women and the U.S. health care system without affecting quality of care.

The public is invited to an open house scheduled on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., when they can tour the birth center and learn more about birth center births.

For more information call 970-549-1711 or visit the website [www.bloominbabiesbirthcenter.com](http://www.bloominbabiesbirthcenter.com)

## WREA helps clean up storm branches

**RBC** | The early winter storm on Oct. 3 left branches laying in yards and along area streets. White River Electric Association asked Rio Blanco County to join in its clean-up of remaining downed tree limbs along Meeker's streets on Monday and Tuesday.

## Kids benefit from early signup as 4-H members

By HEATHER ZADRA

Special to the Herald Times

**RBC** | Although most 4-H clubs won't begin project work until next year, enrolling your child in 4-H now comes with some benefits.

Once children sign up with 4-H — a new enrollment period, which began last month, allows new participants to create a profile at [colorado.4honline.com](http://colorado.4honline.com) — they can attend community council meetings, participate in community service and fun kid-centered activities, and keep up on happenings via newsletter and email.

And they can do all of it before official clubs kick off between January and March.

Rio Blanco County 4-H extension agent Dessa Watson said that while many people think of 4-H culminating at the summer's county fair or fall's 4-H achievement night, there's plenty to keep kids active throughout the year, whether they're re-enrolling or signing up for the first time.

"Once you join, you're in the 4-H loop," Watson said. "Lots of things happen outside of your 4-H club area. For example, the council might plan a craft tomorrow after school that's open to everybody. We offer trips, local activities, regional and even statewide opportunities that happen all year long."

In addition to the more well-known livestock projects, Rangely and Meeker 4-H offer clubs in gun and archery shooting sports, scrapbooking, cake decorating, horseback riding and dog obedience. Other Meeker clubs focus on gardening, leather-crafting, visual arts and photography as well as robotics. Both towns offer a Cloverbud Club for

children ages five through eight.

Colorado currently has more than 200 state-approved projects, Watson said, and although Rio Blanco County offers several of them, plenty of opportunities still exist for new leaders to share a hobby, craft or personal interest with 4-H youth.

"If there's something that you'd like to do with kids, we can work it out," Watson said. "You don't necessarily have to know everything about how to do it. If you want to learn with young kids who are enthusiastic, we'll provide the information to help figure it out."

Watson added that many of the crafts or skills a potential leader might teach children, from singing to rock climbing to painting, could be adjusted to fit a state-approved project category.

To enroll, parents create a family profile and add individual children to it at [colorado.4honline.com](http://colorado.4honline.com) (immunization record information can be bypassed temporarily).

Right now, Watson said, the \$25 enrollment fee per child cannot be paid online but should be dropped off at Meeker's 4-H office at the Rio Blanco County Fairgrounds (or sent to P.O. Box 270) or at the 4-H office in Rangely's County Annex Building. Children ages eight (by Jan. 1, 2014) through 18 are eligible for all clubs while 5- to 8-year-olds can join the Cloverbuds Club.

"What we really hope to give the kids is a sense of belonging," Watson said. "4-H activities bring everybody involved in the program a little closer together. It really becomes like a family."

To sign up, obtain more information, contact Jayda Lewis at 878-9495 in Rangely or Watson at 878-9490 in Meeker.

## NEW ARRIVAL ...



COURTESY PHOTO  
**Trey Merritt and his parents, DeLayne and Michael Merritt, welcome a new addition to their family. Ivy Raye Merritt was born Oct. 24, 2013 at 9:39 a.m. She weighed seven pounds and 7-1/2 ounces and measured 19-1/2 inches. Ivy is the granddaughter of Paula and Rob Kracht of Meeker and Lee Ann and Van Merritt of Parachute. Her great-grandmother is Jeannie Reeves of Collbran. Ivy is the namesake of her great-grandparents Iva Kracht, Billy Ray Frein and Ray Reeves.**

DON'T FORGET TO TELL THIS OLD CUB SCOUT HAPPY BIRTHDAY ON NOVEMBER 7TH!

## HANDING OUT TREATS ...



Several residents of the Walbridge Wing at Pioneers Medical Center gathered downtown in the old Meeker Drug building to help distribute treats to the children taking part in the ERBM Recreation Center/Meeker businesses-sponsored Halloween party along Main Street in Meeker on Thursday. Several hundred children from infant to teenagers took part in the festivities and several booths representing businesses or organizations handed out treats.

SEAN McMAHON

## Permits for multi-day river trips through Dinosaur Monument available online

Special to the Herald Times

**DINOSAUR** | Changes are coming to the river permit lottery at Dinosaur National Monument.

Starting with the 2014 season, if you want to participate in the lottery for a high season permit to take a multi-day float trip on the Yampa or Green rivers, you can apply online through Recreation.gov for your permit. This change is part of an effort to better serve visitors and to go "green" by incorporating a paperless online system.

From Dec. 1 through Jan. 31, applicants can apply online instead of filling out a form and mailing it in with a check to the monument's river office. Through the online system, applicants can also pay using a credit or debit card.

Recreation.gov does require each applicant to register and create a profile with their unique email address and a password so that they can

## No new info on shooting

**RANGELY** | Rangely police say they have concluded the investigation of the alleged shooting of one man by another on Oct. 19 in Rangely and have turned over the information to the office of District Attorney Ian Fowler.

Anthony Mazzola of the District Attorney's Office said Wednesday that attorneys in that office have not yet had time to go over the investigation information and that public information should be available next week.

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process payments.

Previously, a potential river user could file only one application for only one possible launch date on one river. For the 2014 season, applicants can still file only one application, but they may choose up to four possible launch date/river choices on the application. The Yampa and Green rivers are still combined in one drawing system.

"This quadruples the number of launches you can ask for," stated Kelly Kager, Dinosaur National Monument's river office manager.

"That's a real plus for putting the lottery online. You also won't have to

write a check or rummage around for

a stamp.

"A similar lottery has been run successfully online for the Four Rivers in Idaho for several years," Kager said. "With the new system, we anticipate that we will be able to let people know the lottery results much faster. Lottery applicants will receive a notification by email."

During the open period, applications can be submitted online any time of day, and the fee remains the same as previous years at \$15 per application.

Permit fees are also the same as last year: \$185 for a multi-day permit and \$20 for a single day permit.

The Dinosaur National Monument lottery for 2014 permits opens Dec. 1

at [www.recreation.gov](http://www.recreation.gov) and closes on January 31. This year, only the lottery application process is moving online.

Dinosaur National Monument's River Office will continue the processing of all permits for successful lottery applicants. Reservations for the pre/post season launches or one-day permits in Dinosaur National Monument will be also processed through the river office beginning March 1 at 8 a.m. Mountain Standard Time, as they have been in the past.

For more information, go to [www.nps.gov/dino](http://www.nps.gov/dino) or call the Dinosaur National Monument river office at 970-374-2468 Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to noon.

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# Six MHS seniors have military duty in their future

By CALVIN SHEPHERD  
Special to the Herald Times

**MEEKER** | Six students in Meeker High School's 2014 senior class have already made up their minds that their future will involve the military and serving America through various branches of the Armed Forces.

The six future graduates headed toward military service of some kind after their graduation from MHS include Emilee Kohls, Kenny Kohls, Jordan Smith, JC Henderson, Torrie Gerloff and Kelly Denny.

Two-thirds of a set of triplets, Kenny Kohls and Emilee Kohls have already enlisted in the United States Marine Corps. The siblings will be departing after graduation, and they will report on July 7 to the Marine recruiting substation in Denver.

"(I want to) do my part," Kenny Kohls said, explaining why he joined the military. "It sounds cheesy but I always wanted to do something that would change the world."

Emilee said that she joined the Marine Corps for the challenge.

Kenny will be in the infantry with the Marines whereas Emilee will be in motor transportation.

"It's a whole new lifestyle," Kenny explained when describing the training he has already started with the Marines.

He also said he is learning a lot more respect of others with the required "yes sirs" and "no ma'am's."

The siblings actually began their training in June and do it as often as once a month.

JC Henderson said he has dreamed of flying above the stars since he was a child.

## Udall, senators push for rural broadband

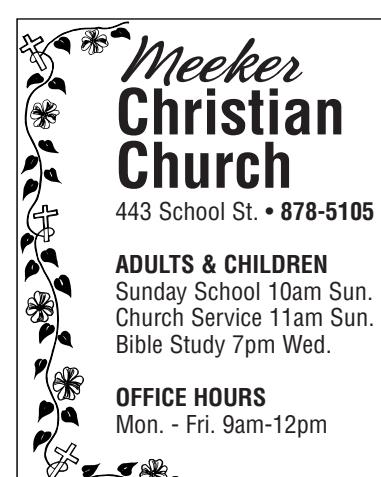
Special to the Herald Times

**RBC** | Mark Udall, a staunch advocate for rural Coloradans, joined a bipartisan coalition of senators calling on the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to do more to encourage rural telecommunications companies to upgrade phone and Internet service in rural areas in Colorado and across the country.

With too many communities in rural America lacking up-to-date phone and internet service, Udall and the group of senators asked the FCC to reform its Universal Service Fund (USF). The fund, previously reformed in 2011, supports new investments by telecom carriers in hard-to-reach areas.

However, recent reforms left the amount of support that telecom companies receive too unpredictable, discouraging some carriers from making needed investments in rural parts of the country.

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## SERVICE BOUND ...

Six members of the Meeker High School Class of 2014 have already committed to enter the military following spring graduation. From left to right are Jordan Smith, Kelly Denny, JC Henderson, Kenny Kohls and Emilee Kohls. Torrie Gerloff is not pictured.

CALVIN SHEPHERD

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## FROM MY WINDOW...

## Veterans must be remembered; AT&amp;T tower a mystery

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**N**ot enough can be said, though a lot has been said this past year in Rio Blanco County with the dedication of the Rio Blanco County Veterans Memorial.

Those who have served in the military in the United States, whether or not they gave up their lives, have certainly played the major role in ensuring that this country has grown to be 237 years old.

From the war for independence from the British up to the current battles in Afghanistan and Iraq, and with many minor skirmishes around the globe during those 237 years, many men and women have given their

hearts, their body parts and often their lives to protect us back home from problems around the world and, at times, domestically, and each of these "involvements" have led to making this nation stronger, safer and more powerful.

Our veterans have served at home and our veterans have served in all nooks, crannies and major battlefields on this planet. Often it was to advance U.S. interests; often it was to protect the people in other nations.

Always, it was to make the earth a better place for all.

I am not going to go on and on regarding our veterans, although volumes have been written and more volumes have yet to be written.

Suffice it to say that these United

States still make up the strongest nation on this globe and that the people of this nation, those long gone and those to come, are most grateful for the efforts of our veterans.

On Monday, which is Veterans Day, we again thank you, and we salute you!



concerned about increasing the number of ballots returned than it is about letting the most informed voters cast their ballots.

If most people are like me, and I would bet they are, if they get something in the mail that needs to be returned, they give it a quick read, vote on the issue and return to the mail.

Or, they decide they will read about it later and decide then about how to vote. However, the ballot is often lost or forgotten and the vote doesn't get cast at all.

It seems to me that while turnout is usually quite low, those who vote in person at least give a real darn about the outcome and are probably more educated about an issue than those folks who send their ballots in early.

During an election build-up, usually more facts about a ballot issue surface and that gives us regular voters more time to make an informed decision.

When it comes to races like the school board races in Meeker and Rangely, more time means chances are better that information comes out that really defines who the candidates are and what they stand for.

I feel that way too often — and particularly in small counties like Rio Blanco — a voter knows one or two candidates so their name automatically gets a voter endorsement without having a clue what the candidate wants to accomplish, whether a candidate has realistic ideas or whether their reasons for running for office are honest or carry an agenda.

Personally, I would like to see this country and state go back to voting at the polling booth. At least that way I know that whoever votes in the elections really gives a darn.



For a couple of months now, I have been trying to find out what is going on with the new AT&T phone tower located south and west of Meeker on Joe Conrado's property across the river toward the golf course.

To make a long story short, no one seems to know, or, if they do, they aren't talking.

Apparently, Mercury Towers contracted with AT&T to build the tower, which would reportedly allow 4G coverage in the area for its local phone and computer users.

Mercury may have subcontracted with Tower Engineering Professionals to build the towers, which were completed a couple of months ago after a glitch along the way that caused Rio Blanco County to issue a "stop work" order. It seems one of the two structures at the site was completed before it had been inspected.

That "stop work" order was taken care of in less than two weeks and the tower was reportedly ready to go.

Still no AT&T tower in operation although Conrado said another similar tower on his property near Craig is in operation.

Working extensively in the last week to find out what is going on, I found out that Conrado hasn't been informed of what is going on with the Meeker tower, I have found that Mercury Towers in California will not return phone calls and neither will Nicholas Constantin with Tower Engineering Professionals. Meanwhile, no one seems to know who to call with AT&T to find out from them directly.

Be patient! This has now become a bit of an obsession with me to find out what is going on, and as soon as I know, you will know too.



The election results are not known as I write this column on Tuesday, but I would like to offer congratulations to the winners of the Rangely and Meeker school board elections, which wrapped up on Tuesday.

Here is also hoping that at least Initiative 3A passed in Meeker and that the school district will be receiving some much-needed funding in the near future.

Hooray for all of you who voted!

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Scott Meszaros, Town Administrator  
Russell Overton, Public Works Superintendent

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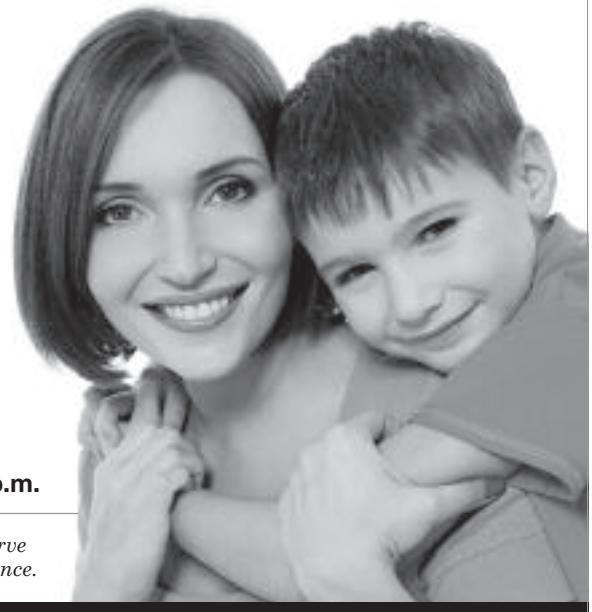
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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Let's not forget veterans on Veterans Day

*Dear Editor:*

Vernon J. Baker, an African American who received the Medal of Honor for his heroic service in Italy during World War II, died this past July. His picture is displayed in the Pentagon.

Beneath the picture are his eloquent and deeply moving words about war and war's impact on the lives of those who serve.

Baker wrote: "War is the most regrettable proving ground. Those who launch it and those who seek to create heroes from it should remember war's legacy. You have to be there to appreciate its horrors — and die to forget them."

There are many veterans in our country today who know first-hand the truth of Baker's words. Veterans of World War II, Korea, Vietnam and now the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, are living their war's legacy.

For many, the legacy is one of

pride for having served and helped to preserve freedom for ourselves and win it for others. For some, the legacy includes unhealed wounds of the body, mind or spirit; living with addictions, broken relationships, dreams that haunt their nights, feelings of shame or guilt because of what they did, or deep grief because of what and whom they lost.

Although we hate war and may disagree about the justification for particular wars, we are morally obligated to recognize the sacrifices of those who have served on our behalf and to care for them in return.

We also have a moral obligation as Christians and citizens to demand of our leaders that no wars be entered into unless the cause is clearly just.

Today we hear words that were not often uttered a generation ago: "Thank you for your service."

Although these words will never go far enough to bring healing for some wounds, it is at least a way to acknowledge what veterans have given to us and to our nation.

So, this Veterans Day we say to our veterans, "Thank you for your service — and may the peace of God be with you."

*Capt. John F. Gundlach  
(27 years Navy chaplain)  
Meeker*

### People thankful for Meeker hospitality

*Dear Editor:*

We just arrived back from Meeker, Colo., after our 20-plus years of hunting in your county. I felt it necessary to write and thank the members of your town for their great hospitality.

We are both senior citizens and feel so thankful that we are still able to hunt. In our earlier years, we camped, cooked our meals and struggled to take care of our own meat.

However, we now enjoy the wonderful accommodations at the White River Inn (we have been staying with LD Grove for almost 17 years).

With arthritis taking a toll on both

our bodies, it is so helpful to be able to return from the field to a clean, comfortable room and be able to take a nice warm shower to rejuvenate our bodies after climbing the hillsides after elk.

We then found the perfect place to have our evening meals. Kris and Henry Arcolisse and their wonderful staff made us feel so welcome (almost as if we were family) each evening as we arrived at Ma Famiglia for "supper." Note: We still have not met Mr. Arcolisse, but if the quality of his meals are any indication of his talents, we know he, too, is someone special.

Finally, we can't say enough about how our meat has been processed by H and H Processing. We met the Halandras family the first year they began processing wild game. Having spent many of my working years as a chef and baker for several ranches and resorts, I am very particular about how our meat is handled.

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I just opened the first package from this year's hunt and, again, we were looking at clean meat that looks like it came out of a high-class meat market. While we did not get to see John this year, we had nice visits with both Tawny and Regas. They too made us feel like part of their family.

Thanks to everyone who made our trip so nice. Now, if someone could arrange with the One Up Above to bring a little snow in during the second rifle season so that more elk would be drawn down a little lower, it would be perfect.

We did get a nice cow elk, and she is resting well in our freezer.

*Bobbi and Jim Futterer  
Fort Collins*

### Thank you to the Walbridge Wing

*Dear Editor:*

Thank you all the staff members of the Walbridge Wing at Pioneers Medical Center in Meeker. The doctors and nurses who gave care to Merle Brenton gave so much great care.

Also, a big thanks goes to those who helped during this time of grieving with food, cards, calls and anything else I might have forgotten.

*The Moomey, Brenton, McKay,  
Snyder and Hagin families.*

### Septemberfest a big success due to many

*Dear Editor:*

This year's Septemberfest was a huge success because of all the volunteer help and donations that were received.

Friday evening started off with a magician sponsored by Napa Auto Parts (Brad and Michelle Casto) with the auditorium filled with numerous families and individuals who all seemed to enjoy the magic tricks and performance. Thank you Napa Auto Parts. This is a true family event that definitely enhances the Septemberfest theme!

Saturday started with approximately 50 people running in the annu-

al Fast Flat & Free 5K run/walk hosted by the recreation and park district staff. Roger Polley (owner of Rangely True Value) also lined several individuals up for a tour of the old Uintah Railroad. This event lasts the whole day and this writer hopes that sometime in the future he can go on this free tour that is very informational and well done! Thank you Roger Polley and family for your passion for history and the tour itself!

Next, the Rangely Police Department hosted its annual Bike Rally, in which the police department inspected bikes, led participants through an obstacle course and ended the event by giving away several new bikes and free bike helmets for all who needed them. The Bike Rally was followed up by the recreation and park district setting up the inflatables for all to enjoy.

The first annual bench press con-

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## VETERANS: Day came about slowly

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resulted in the signing of Public Law 510 on May 13, 1938. But because states also had to legalize holidays, VFW prevailed upon governors to proclaim Nov. 11-19 as Veterans Week. That same year, at least 20 states set aside this week for special observance.

In the aftermath of two major wars — World War II and the Korean War — it became clear that Nov. 11 must become an all-encompassing holiday.

Initiated by Raymond Weeks, a member of VFW Post No. 668 in Birmingham, Ala., and spearheaded in Congress by Rep. Edwin K. Rees (R-Kan.), the name was officially changed to Veterans Day on June 1, 1954.

In 14 short years, however, the significance of Nov. 11 was ignored when Congress pushed through the Monday holiday law placing the day

in October, beginning three years later. This ignited a seven-year battle that galvanized all veterans into action.

After years of lobbying at the grassroots level, 46 states had restored Veterans Day to Nov. 11.

Congress got the message, passing P.L. 94-97 to return the holiday to its rightful place on the calendar starting in 1978. The power of a strong and united veterans' voice had been demonstrated once again.

Today, Veterans Day no longer draws large crowds except at a few key locations. But that does not diminish its importance.

Remembering and respecting the service of America's more than 22 million living veterans should be society's obligation. Although veterans as a percentage of the general population are rapidly dwindling, the numbers broken down by wartime era still remain impressive.

The largest number of living vets

by far hail from the Vietnam era at 7.4 million. Afghanistan/Iraq comes in second at a distant 2.5 million. Korea counts 2.3 million. The 1991 Persian Gulf War is not far behind with 2.2 million. World War II trails behind with 1.7 million.

Keep in mind that these figures reflect the totals who wore a uniform during the respective eras, not those who actually served in war zones.

Whatever the numbers, the VFW takes great pride in leading the fight to legally recognize and preserve the integrity of Nov. 11 during the 20th century.

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



■ Dr. J.D.  
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**I**N the beginning God . . . (Gen. 1:1). The Bible begins with God, not with philosophical inferences, logical arguments, or scientific evidences for His existence.

First, we note God's identity in the single word **God**. As we each have a signature that we put on important documents, God has signed His name on this document called the Bible. And just so there would be no question as to this identity, He signs this document with His name more than 2,600 times, 32 of which occur in Genesis 1 alone.

So what is His name? While He actually has *many* names in the OT, this one is primary, His signature. It is the Hebrew **Elōhiym**. Probably derived from both a root that means the "Strong One" and another that denotes fear (which therefore creates the idea of reverence), **Elōhiym** means: *the Strong One who is to be feared and revered because of who He is*. This is the name of the One and Only True God. It identifies Him as Creator (Gen. 1:1; 5:1), King (Ps. 47:7), Judge (Ps. 50:6), Lord (Ps. 86:12), and Savior (Hosea 13:4). And as noted yesterday, it is only the fool who denies or doubts this God of the universe.

Second, consider God's self-existence. Since He was there **in the beginning**, it is a self-evident truth that He was there **before** the beginning. Think of it! There was a time—although time didn't even exist—when there was nothing, absolutely nothing. We, of course, cannot comprehend "nothing" because for us everything is something, and no thing is "nothing." Since we are created beings, we are part of space-time and therefore cannot comprehend existence

apart from space-time. For us to speak of (or even think about) "eternity" is itself a time reference (as in "time without end"). We, therefore, cannot say, "God has always been," or, "God is timeless," or even "God is eternal"—all time references. Rather, the best we can do is say: *God Is*. He exists in an ever present *now* (ah, but that too is about time). What does God say of Himself, in fact? "I AM THAT I AM" (Ex. 3:14). *Hāyāh* ("I AM") is a simple verb meaning "to be or exist" and therefore emphasizes God's self-existence and unchangeableness.

Third, ponder also God's triune nature. Because of the ending **-iym**, *Elōhiym* is plural. While plural doesn't in itself mean "trinity," this seems a clear allusion to the Trinity. While this doctrine is not as prevalent in the OT as in the NT, it is noticeably there. The three persons of the Godhead, in fact, are seen in the first three chapters of Genesis: 1:1 and 2 allude to two members of the Trinity ("the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters"), and 3:15 points directly to the Son who would come in the flesh (Jn. 1:14).

Take some time today to meditate on the fact that *God Is* and then how that applies to His working in the universe and in you.

**Scriptures for Study:** Who was "in the beginning" according to John 1:1-3?

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test was held in Elks Park and run by Rangely police officer Chris Clayton, Camilla Kennedy and Kirstin Cushman and the WRBM Recreation and Park District staff.

The chili cook-off, which used to be a huge event, wasn't the case this year, so we will be working on that for next year. And the CNCC Rodeo golf tournament was held in the morning and ending the day was the fourth annual Rock 'n' Bulls 'n' Barrels Rodeo.

Sunday kicked off with the Ice Cream Social at the Rangely Museum and was hosted by the museum board; they had live music and many enjoyed eating ice cream.

After this event was the cardboard boat race, for which we are attempting to get more participants; so help spread the word. On Sunday evening, several people listened to music and enjoyed a free pig roast sponsored by the New Creation Church. To end the day, we had our first Muddy Dip N

Dash obstacle course race followed by the Mud Tug of War; both of the events were a huge success with tons of attendees.

While all of this was going on, Jeff LeBleu and several members of the Rangely Elks Club were burning wood in the fire pit to prepare it for the beef delivered that evening by Jeff Rector and his son, Brian. The beef (2,000 pounds) was then lowered into the fire pit; covered and left overnight to cook.

Labor Day Monday was kicked off by the annual pancake breakfast sponsored by the Rangely Rural Fire Protection District and it had tons of people enjoy the delicious breakfast the firemen prepared. Good job, Rangely Rural Fire Protection District. Your service to this community is very much appreciated.

This was followed by the parade in which Jeff LeBleu was grand marshal. The parade led everyone to Elks Park for a day of activities. There were more than 70 vendors for the Arts and Crafts show this year with

several different items and displays of products for all to enjoy.

To start off the Craft Fair, Clarence Hamilton and his children performed; they were awesome! The car show had several entries this year, and the event was run by Jerry LeBleu. Great job Jerry and friends.

While all of this was going on, the beef was being raised out of the pit and transported to the park. While the food was being served to approximately 1,500 people, give or take a few, the Justin Lane band played their country music while everyone enjoyed a perfect day in the park.

Please help us recognize and thank the following for all of their volunteerism and donations in making this year Septemberfest a huge success. A special thank you goes to the following entities or businesses for their financial donation towards

Monday's meal: Subway of Rangely; WRBM Recreation and Park District Board of Directors and Employees; Rangely District Hospital; Giovanni's; White River Market; Moon Lake

Electric Association; Shell Oil; Chevron; the Town of Rangely; and the Rio Blanco County Board of Commissioners.

The following either donated time or services toward the meal or the weekend. A big thank you to all: Peggy Rector; Jeff-Rebecca and Brian Rector; Rangely Rock Crawlers; Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints; Rangely Napa Auto Parts; CNCC athletic teams and coaches; Duco, Inc.; True Value Hardware; Rangely District Hospital; Nichols Store; Bill Hume; Rangely Police Department; Town of Rangely; Rio Blanco County Board of Commissioners; WRBM Recreation and Park District; Rangely Museum; Rangely Rural Fire Protection District; Jerry Le Bleu; and the Rangely Elks Club.

If I have inadvertently forgotten somebody, I do apologize. Your assistance in making Septemberfest a success is truly appreciated!

Timothy J. Webber  
Executive Director  
WRBM Recreation & Park  
District  
Rangely

I would like to take the opportunity to personally thank Adair Norman and Rebecca Rector for their service to the Rangely School Board.

These two people have dedicated years of their lives to serve the community and students.

I know it hasn't always been easy, and, in fact, it was sometimes downright painful. But their service and dedication is greatly appreciated.

They have provided vision, understanding and optimism along with their blood, sweat and tears to the Rangely district. I am eternally grateful for the opportunity to work with them and wish them both all of the best in their future endeavors. Thank you, Adair and Rebecca!

Jennifer Hill  
Rangely

affect everyone living here. The mines and power plants have subcontractors, vendors that supply tools, local car dealerships that provide vehicles, hot-shot companies that bring parts in the next day, etc.

The mines and power plants won't be the only businesses that go shut down. Life as we know it will be catastrophic.

People will be leaving town in droves because there will be few jobs left in our communities. They won't be able to sell their homes because people don't move into communities without good paying jobs.

There will be a trickle-down effect from all of this. It won't be a small trickle either. It will be a raging river that affects all of us.

Our store, The Flower Mine Gift Shop, will go out of business because the mines and power plant employees keep us in business now, along with the mines and the power plants.

Half of our schools will close because the mines and power plants pay most of the taxes to keep them open and running properly.

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## Regional champs: Lady Cowboys advance to state tourney

**By HALLIE BLUNT**  
*Special to the Herald Times*

**RBC** | "I believe in you" is what they were saying on the floor in the Telluride match to get the momentum to change," said Meeker High School volleyball coach Christy Atwood of her team's outstanding comeback in the first match against Telluride. The lady Cowboys set up a regional winning match and earned themselves a trip to the Colorado State Volleyball Championships in Denver this weekend.

When asked who played well Atwood said, "As much as the girls want to play well individually they have been able to work so well as a team. That is the reason we won."

Teamwork has been their focus this year and a combination of competitiveness and heart have made the year successful for the girls and they aren't done yet.

The lady Cowboys will take their momentum to pool play Friday morning, when they begin the tournament against the team they beat Saturday (Ridgeway), then complete pool play against Resurrection Christian, with the No. 1 team from each pool advancing to the semifinals Saturday.

The Meeker girls began their regional championship against Telluride with the match being "one of redemption for us as they were the team that ended our journey last

year," Atwood said. Early in the match the lady Cowboys were not able to get into any kind of rhythm and fell in the first two sets before staging a comeback that excited the crowd and gave them the confidence they needed to win the third set 27-25. Coach Atwood said, "The team got the 'I want to win' look in their eyes and believed in their hearts." They continued to show they were not ready to end their season and won a close fourth game, setting up an intense fifth game.

In the final game, they limited their errors and made good decisions on both sides of the ball. They won the match, and Atwood said, "There was a visible deep breath in the team."

Meeker was one step closer to their goal and one tough team away from a trip over the mountain. They would turn right around and face Ridgeway, and coach Atwood said, "Playing back to back totally worked in our favor. Not only did we have the momentum from the match still stirring in the gym but the benefits from our disciplined training and conditioning program was paying off for us."

The lady Cowboys were up against the top hitter in the state, Katelyn Rutherford, but the tenacious blocking shut the hitter down and Meeker won the first two sets. Ridgeway fought back to win the third set, but once Meeker found its



BECKY HUGHES

**The Meeker High School volleyball team entered the Region C tournament as the No. 2 seed and left as regional champions after defeating Telluride and host Ridgeway on Saturday. The championship advanced the Lady Cowboys to the Colorado State Volleyball Championships in Denver, and Meeker will be in the same pool as Ridgeway and Resurrection Christian, playing Ridgeway first on Friday at 8 a.m. Playing for the regional champs are, in front, Piper Haney, Aly Ridings and Taylor Neilson. Middle, Sydney Hughes, Jamie McLaughlin, Brittany Smith, Paige Jones, Reagan Pearce and Meagan Parker. Back row, coaches Christy Atwood, Janae Stanworth and Keely Winger, Lori Ann Klinglesmith, Maggie Phelan and Jenna Walsh. (Right) Meeker junior Paige Jones spikes the ball over the net against Telluride, with teammates Hughes, Neilson, Haney, Pearce and Ridings backing her up.**



rhythm again in the fourth set, there was no stopping them.

"When we got to 20 the girls simply lifted their game together once again and were able to finish winning 25-18," Atwood said.

Senior Piper Haney had 97 assists on the weekend, with classmate Aly Ridings killing 24 of them. Taylor Neilson 19 and Sydney Hughes led with 36 kills. To prove it was an entire team effort, Reagan Pearce added 13 kills and Paige Jones had 14.

The serving was another strong point as Aly Ridings and Sydney Hughes both were perfect from behind the line. On the defensive side, Reagan Pearce had 30 digs and six blocks, Paige Jones added six blocks, Sydney Hughes had an amazing 81 digs, along with 54 from Ridings, 44 from Haney and 57 from Neilson, 32 from Brittany Smith, Jamie McLaughlin added 18, and Megan Parker had four.

The numbers speak for themselves, and Atwood would like to mention the support players Jenna Walsh, Maggie Phelan and Lori Ann Klinglesmith. They may not have seen the court but they provided great support from the bench and in practice all week. She would also like to thank all the family and friends who made the trip to Ridgeway. Their support was critical to the wins. The team will leave Thursday for the journey over the mountain to the state tournament.

### BMS 7TH GRADE...



BOBBY GUTIERREZ

**More than 40 boys are out for Barone Middle School basketball, including 22 seventh-graders who have played four games already this season. The A-team has won three games and the B-team is currently undefeated. Meeker will host Rangely tonight at 5 p.m. Playing for the seventh-graders this season are, in front, Zach McCann, Codey Follman, Brayden Woodward, Kale Burke, Pake Burke, Luis Villalpando, Alex Murray, Tannen Kennedy, James Amick, Adrian Carabantes and Jared Henderson. In back are Charlie Day, Andy Kracht, Brennan Jensen, Eli Hanks, Hector Ramirez, Gavyn Garr, Miguel Lopez, Leroy Olivas, Jonathan Lopez and Stephen Walsh and coach Matty Garr.**

### BMS 8TH GRADE...



BOBBY GUTIERREZ

**The Barone Middle School boys' basketball program will host Rangely Middle School tonight starting at 5 p.m. The BMS eighth-grade A-team hope to improve its current 2-2 record. Playing for the eighth-graders are, in back, Ruben Paez, Dayton Willey, Valentin Rosas, Codee Woodward, Eli Newman, Doak Mantle, Zach Dinwiddie, Jerrick Garza, Logan Hughes and coach Mike Dinwiddie. In front, Garrett Frantz, Chris Strate, Noah Mayerle, Trapper Merrifield, Uri Goedert, Jacob Pelloni, Cooper Meszaros, Dayton Nielsen, Hunter Olstad and Marcos Gonzalez.**

### RHS ALL-CONFERENCE...



**Panther seniors Cameron Enterline and Ryan Wilcek and juniors Ethan and Colt Allred (above) were named to the first-team All-Conference team for their outstanding play this season. Senior Wes Goddard and sophomore Kaulan Brady were honorably mentioned (right).**



### AAU GIRLS' BASKETBALL...



**Meeker volunteer coach Karen Dinwiddie breaks a huddle of her fifth- and sixth-grade girls' basketball team, which played two games Saturday in the Meeker Elementary School gymnasium. The team split games with two different Rifle teams and is currently 2-1 this season.**



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### FIRST TEAM, ALL-CONFERENCE 8-MAN FOOTBALL TEAM Rangely High School

Panther seniors Cameron Enterline and Ryan Wilcek and juniors Colt and Ethan Allred were named to the first-team all-conference team for their outstanding play this season and a second playoff berth.



### MHS VOLLEYBALL TEAM Meeker High School

The Meeker High School volleyball team was the only No. 2 seed in the eight regional tournaments to win a championship and advance to the Colorado State Volleyball Championships in Denver, starting Friday, with a rematch against Ridgeway.



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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Horizons for the Handicapped won't be available. Revenue from these entities keep the programs running.

Our colleges and hospitals will suffer. Schools will suffer. Some of our best teachers and nurses etc. will leave because their spouses work for the coal mines.

There aren't enough jobs in agriculture or the gas and oil industries right now to keep everyone employed. Farmers and ranches in our area supplement their incomes by coming to town for jobs.

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Our coal is shipped to a lot of Third World countries and China. If we shut down coal, we shut down our nation.

I'm all for clean energy, solar energy, recycling and reusing. But I'm not for my husband, family, friends and neighbors losing their jobs and livelihoods.

Wind power is mechanically difficult to operate and store right now. Solar power is very expensive, and don't forget we are still in a recession.

Natural gas is hard to transport and it is found in a limited number of places.

Other countries have converted with a not-so-great success rate. There are a lot of bugs to be worked out. They have blackouts because other energy sources are not reliable at this time.

Why shut down these good-paying jobs while we are still in a recession? This will affect everyone in the United States.

Coal keeps our families fed and it keeps our lights on!

Shirley Balleck  
Craig

## RANGELY JR./SR. HIGH HONOR ROLL

Special to the Herald Times

**RANGELY I** Rangely Junior High School has released its first quarter honor roll for the 2013-14 school year as well as those students who had perfect attendance through the first quarter.

Straight A's:

Sixth Grade: Yolanda Allen, Tiffany Holmes, Jayleen Kenney, Dylan LeBleu and Justin Rusher.

Seventh Grade: Kassidee Brown, Samantha Lapp, Paityn Myers, Phalan Osborn, Kayla Packer, Alanna Wiley and Alexis Wiley.

Eighth Grade: Katelyn Brown, Kaylee Mecham and Patrick Scoggins

A-B Honor Roll

Sixth Grade: Morgan Anderson, Venecia Buxton, Ethan Byers, Tylus Coombs, Dalton Dembowski, Jordan Fiscus, Del Garner, Susan Gillard, Hunter Harvey, Dakota Henson, Olivia Jarvis, Marcos Mercado, Audrye Patch, Zoey Peck, Moriah Vaughn, Dilly Wagner, Katelyn

Willis and Cari Wilson.

Seventh Grade: Tyson Bailey, Calvin Bishop, Riley Boydston, Makenna Cochran, KC Mercado, Marlene Miller, Grady Nielsen, Cory Parker, Aspen Rhea, Skylar Thacker, Marshall Webber and Kaylale Wyman.

Eighth Grade: Trevor Austin, Kassidi Brannan, Kobe Broome, Sarah Connor, Doug Denison, Klare Denny, Halie Elam, Austin Ficken, Elsie Flores, Venessa Hamilton, Grace Kenney, Linsley Morillim Miekkka Peck, Jonathan Pennell, Joshua Polley, Aireann Schrick and Tasha Teal.

Perfect Attendance

Sixth Grade: Ethan Byers, Del Garner, Jayleen Kenney, Marcos Mercado, Dilly Wagner and Cari Wilson.

Seventh Grade: Calvin Bishop, Kassidee Brown, Trenton Files, Britny Godfrey, Timber Godfrey, Twila Jackson, Skylar Thacker and Alanna Wiley.

Eighth Grade: Kory Boe, Kobe Broome, Elizabeth Byers, Austin Ficken, Elsie Flores, Grace Kenney and Patrick Scoggins



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## RANGELY PANTHERS

## GO PANTHERS!

RHS Volleyball

11/8-9 @ State Tournament - Denver

RHS Mens' &amp;

Ladies' Basketball

12/5-7 @ Meeker [Shootout Ladies] - TBA

12/12-14 @ Meeker [Shootout Men] - TBA

12/13-14 @ Duschesne Turney [Ladies]

RHS Wrestling

12/7 @ Mesa Duals @ CMU

12/14 @ SoRoCo Invitational

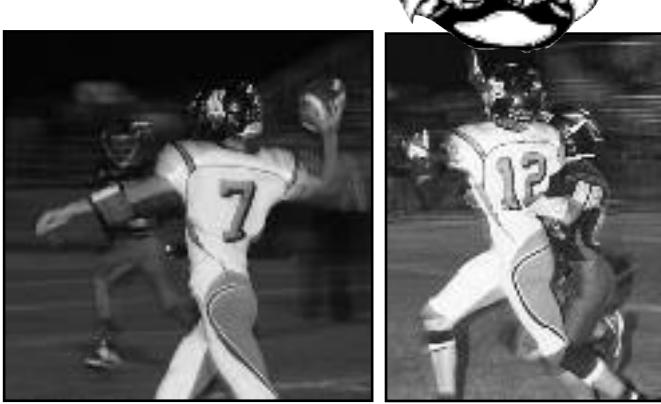
12/19 @ Altamont/Duschesne Triangular

RMS Boys Basketball

11/7 @ Meeker - 9am

11/9 @ HOME vs. Steamboat - 9am

11/23 @ HOME - District Tournament



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## MEEKER COWBOYS

## MHS VOLLEYBALL

11/8-9 @ State Tournament - Denver

## MHS LADY'S BASKETBALL

12/5-7 @ HOME Cowboy Shootout

12/10 @ Olathe (JV, V) - 4, 5:30pm

## MHS MEN'S BASKETBALL

12/10 @ Olathe (JV, V) - 4, 7pm

12/12-14 @ HOME Cowboy Shootout

## MHS WRESTLING

12/7 @ CMU Duals (V) - Grand Junction

12/7 @ Montrose JV Tournament

12/14 @ Delta Tournament (V)

## BMS BOYS' BASKETBALL

11/7 @ HOME vs. Rangely - 4:30pm

11/9 @ HOME vs. Craig - 9am



## GOOD LUCK @ STATE LADY COWBOYS!

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## SIGN DAMAGE ...



Over the weekend, probably Sunday night, vandals attacked the Rangely Town Hall administrative office sign with large rocks, possibly attempting to hit the electronic message center. In the process, the vandals put a few dents in the black and green metal backdrop, broke out some of the lettering and the Rangely logo was shattered. Estimates to repair the sign and for the sign company to travel to Rangely for repairs could run around \$1,000, Town Manager Peter Brixius said.

## RJSHS REC DAY...

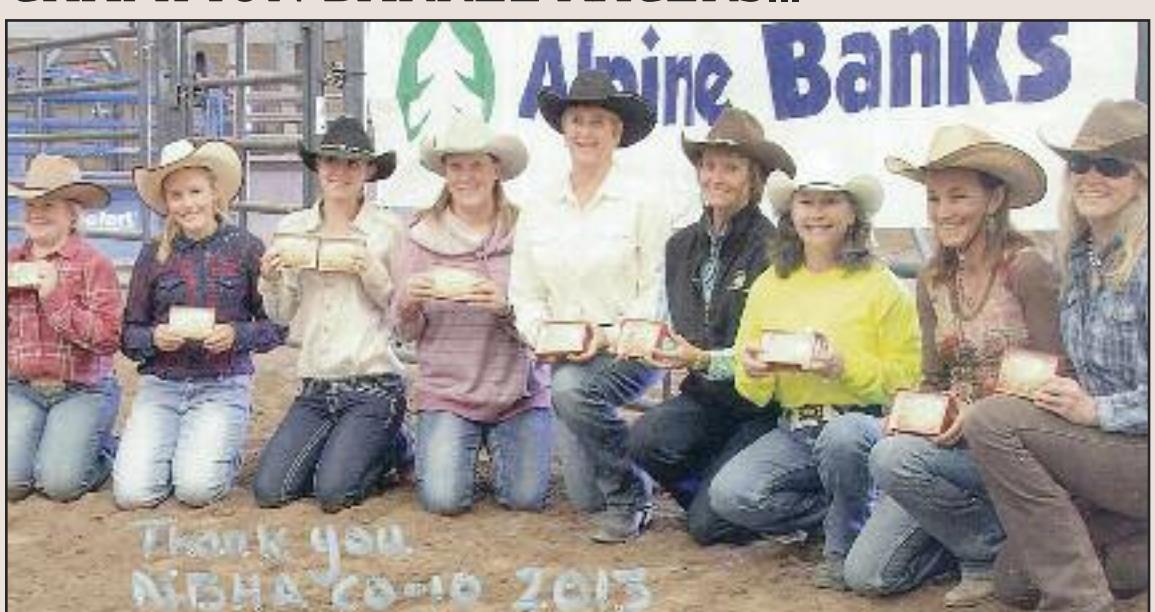


COURTESY PHOTO

On Oct. 23, some of the students at Rangely Junior High School got to participate in a half day of fun at the Western Rio Blanco Recreational Center. Many students swam while others played in the game room or played racket ball. This day was for the students who get good grades, have good behavior and exhibit great attitudes. Several teachers came and joined in the fun with the students. When the students got back from the rec center, they had the choice to play dodge ball, watch "Duck Dynasty" and/or play basketball. A special thank you to the rec center for hosting more than 80 kids. Thanks also to Positive Behavior Incentive System coordinator and teacher Stephanie Kahler and RJHS vice principal Marian Neitenbach for putting all this together, and a special thank you to all of the Rangely Junior/Senior High School staff for putting up with us on a daily basis. Thank you, and keep up the good work!

Written by seventh grader Phalon Osborn

## CHAMPION BARREL RACERS...



COURTESY PHOTO

These are the 2013 National Barrel Horse Association Colorado District 10 Finals Champions with their buckles. The finals were held in Eagle in early October. From left to right are Lauren Urista of Meeker; Tye Wedhorn of Parachute, Syndey Surin of Silt, Monica Smith of Parachute, Mary Satterfield of Parachute, Kathy Arnold of Carbondale, Mary Anderson of Parachute, Alicia Samuelson of Yampa and Nancy Porter of Steamboat Springs.

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**Sen. Udall seeks Colo., D.C. interns**

RBC | Sen. Mark Udall's regional offices throughout Colorado and in Washington, D.C., are accepting internship applications from undergraduate students and recent graduates for the spring. The internship program offers students the opportunity for public service and to learn hands-on about constituent services and the legislative process. State interns will assist state staff as they help constituents resolve issues with federal agencies like the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, the U.S. State Department and the Social Security Administration. State interns also meet with local partners and help to represent the senator at community outreach events. Interns in the Washington, D.C., office will attend committee hearings and briefings, compose memos for legislative staff, answer phones, research legislative issues, help with press outreach, lead Capitol tours and participate in congressional events. The deadline to apply is Nov. 15 for Washington, D.C. and Nov. 30 for Colorado. Those who are interested can apply at [markudall.senate.gov/students](http://markudall.senate.gov/students). Internships are available on either a full-time or part-time basis. This is an unpaid position, although college credit may be arranged through your school. If you have any questions regarding the internship program, please email [COInternships@markudall.senate.gov](mailto:COInternships@markudall.senate.gov) for the state program and [DCInternships@markudall.senate.gov](mailto:DCInternships@markudall.senate.gov) for the D.C. program.

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## THE MEEKER CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

## CHAMBER HAPPENINGS

**"PLATES FOR NON-PROFITS"**

Ma Famiglia and The United Methodist Church

Monday November 18th at Ma Famiglia



Support our local restaurants and non-profit groups! Once a month a local restaurant will host "Plates for Non-Profits". A portion of their sales that day will go to a local non-profit organization!

The Chamber of Commerce will also host a raffle on that day, giving the patrons a chance to win items like tickets to a local event or chamber bucks! Look out for the monthly notices around town advertising the event each month.

The first event will be at Ma Famiglia, Monday November 18th to support the United Methodist Church. Their programs include The Giving Tree, Christmas Child, Food Bank and The Backpack Program.

**SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY - THE DAY WE ALL SHOP SMALL**  
**November 30th**

Small Business Saturday is a day dedicated to supporting small businesses across the country. Founded by American Express in 2010, this day is celebrated every year on the Saturday after Thanksgiving. Show your Support and Shop Local.



## BUSINESS HAPPENINGS

**THE GIVING SEASON**

The United Methodist Church has many community outreach programs aimed at gift giving this season. These include The Giving Tree, Christmas Child, The Food Bank, and The Back Pack Program. If you would like information on how you can participate in these programs please call (970) 878-5904.

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## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

More details about these November events can be found on our Community Calendar on our website [www.meekerchamber.com](http://www.meekerchamber.com)



Please visit our website to add your own public event!  
Items in bold are sponsored by the Meeker Chamber of Commerce.  
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|--------|--|--------|---|
| Nov 9  | Marvine Yurt Celebration                         | Nov 26 | 'Active Adult' Gentlemen's Club - ERBM  |
| Nov 11 | Veterans Day Celebration                         | Nov 27 | 'Active Adult' Game Day - Cards and Coffee - ERBM                             |
| Nov 13 | 'Active Adult' Game Day -Cards and Coffee - ERBM | Nov 27 | Range Call Meeting  |
| Nov 13 | Chamber of Commerce Board Meeting                | Nov 30 | Meeker Celebrates Small Business Saturday                                     |
| Nov 18 | 'Plates for Non-Profits' at Ma Famiglia          | Dec 6  | Tree Lighting & Parade of Lights  |
| Nov 19 | Town Council                                     | Dec 8  | Little Points of Light Home Tour - Sponsored by Horizons Specialized Services |
| Nov 19 | 'Active Adult' Gentlemen's Club - ERBM           | Nov 26 | Historical Society Board Meeting  |
|        |  |        |   |

## UPCOMING EVENTS

## VETERANS DAY CELEBRATION

November 11, 2013, 11:45am Courthouse lawn

Join the Meeker VFW Post 5843, the Ladies Auxiliary, and the community in celebrating the service of all U.S. military veterans. The Chamber of Commerce Board and the United Methodist Church will be providing a chili lunch and desserts at the Barone Middle School at 12:45 following the ceremony.

In November 1919, President Wilson proclaimed November 11 as Armistice Day: "Armistice Day will be filled with solemn pride in the heroism of those who died in the country's service and with gratitude for the victory, both because of the thing from which it has freed us and because of the opportunity it has given America to show her sympathy with peace and justice in the councils of the nations..."



## TREE LIGHTING AND PARADE OF LIGHTS

December 6, 2013, 5:30pm, Downtown Meeker



Join the community in watching the spruce trees on the Courthouse lawn light up this season, sponsored by Pioneers Healthcare Foundation. After the tree lighting, listen to the Elementary School Choir and watch the VFW Color Guard and the second annual Parade of Lights! This year's theme is "Merry Meeker Lights". Anyone may enter a float, so if you are interested please contact the Chamber of Commerce to fill out the form (970) 878-5510.

## LITTLE POINTS OF LIGHT HOME TOUR

December 8, 2013, 5-8pm,

Join Horizons Specialized Services and tour the Meeker homes decorated for the season. After this self-guided tour enjoy warm drinks, desserts by Ma Famiglia and door prizes at Wendell's Wondrous Things. Purchase tickets early at Wendell's (594 Main) or Horizons office (685 Main) \$12 each or two for \$20. Purchase tickets that night at the first home on the tour 1143 Michael Circle.

## OBITUARIES

### Michael Patrick Steele

Sept. 3, 1946 ~ Nov. 2, 2013

Michael Patrick Steele, born Sept. 3, 1946, in Daly City, Calif., to David and Thelma Steele, passed away suddenly at his home in Meeker, Colo., on Nov. 2, 2013. Mr. Steele had just celebrated his 67th birthday. His father and a sister, Bonnie, preceded him in death.

Mike was graduated from Jefferson High School in 1964 in Daly City. From there, he joined the U.S. Navy and enjoyed visiting and touring various ports around the world. In 1968, he joined Mante Scale Co., out of San Francisco, later opening and managing an office in Sacramento.

As technology changed and scales became computerized, he moved to Reno, Nev. In the 1980s, he started working for Kennecott Gold out of Fallon, Nev., later moving to Meeker with Kennecott at ColoWyo Coal. He was a heavy equipment operator while there, retiring in 2010.

One of Mike's favorite part-time jobs was a role player at Colorado Northwestern Community College in Rangely, helping train new U.S. Forest Service recruits.

He also loved gliding and soaring up with the eagles, his favorite airport to glide from was in Minden, Nev.

In 2004, Mike met and, in 2006,

married Leila McPherson Kehmeier from Cedaredge. They enjoyed lots of laughter and adventures for the past 7-1/2 years.

Michael is survived by: his wife, Leila; a son, Matt (Jestina) Steele of San Jose, Calif.; stepchildren Derek (Dash) Kehmeier of Cedaredge, Colo., Chris (Leslie) Kehmeier of Golden, Colo., and Colyn (Jess) Wiening of Bozeman, Mont.; brothers Gordon (Virginia) Steele of Pasadena, Texas, Mike Ceconi and Joe (Kim) Ceconi, of San Jose, Calif.; sisters, Cindy (John) Reedy of Mantiqua, Calif., Tracy Urbina, (Eddie) of San Jose, Calif., Kelly (Roger) Thorne of



Sacramento, Calif., Sherry Shea of Bakersfield, Calif., and Kerry (Kerry) Fitzpatrick of Yuba City, Calif.; six granddaughters; and many nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held at The Church at Meeker, 1287 Market St. at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 9, 2013.

Donations may be made in Mike's name to the Meeker Public Library or the Meeker Food Bank.

### Merle Evelyn Snyder Brenton

May 10, 1919 ~ Oct. 19, 2013

Merle Evelyn Snyder Brenton was the youngest daughter of Parker Lindley and Grace Minnie Shugart Snyder. She was born in Independence, Montgomery County, Kan., on May 10, 1919. She passed away on Oct. 19, 2013, at the age of 103 years, five months and nine days.

Merle went to school in Independence until she was 12-years-old. Her mother got sick, and her doctor advised that the family move West, slowly. The family moved to Rifle, Colo., and then on to the Dudley Place on Piceance Creek, where she and her nephew, Jim McKay, rode horses to the Rock School five days a week.

While Merle and her family lived on Piceance Creek, her uncle Ralph Shugart came for a visit. Before he

went back to Columbus, Ohio, he talked Merle's family into letting her return with him, so he could put her in a finishing school.

While Merle was living in Ohio, her folks bought and ran the Rio Blanco Store and Post Office, (her Mom being the post mistress) at Rio Blanco, Colo. Merle's sister, May, and brother-in-law Don McKay ran the hotel at Rio Blanco, which was across the road from the store.

Merle got very sick while in Ohio and came home to be with her family.

She attended school at the Rock School, Rifle High and Meeker High until her father passed away in 1932. Merle quit school in her junior year of high school at the time of her father's death to help her mother with the Rio Blanco Store and Post Office.

On July 5, 1934, she married the "love of her life," Everett J. Brenton. They celebrated 44 years of marriage. They had two children, Goldia Marie Brenton (Moomey) and Everett Frank Brenton.

Everett and Merle made their home in Rio Blanco most of their lives. In her 103 years she saw many changes, from horse and buggy, to men walking on the moon, automobiles, electricity, television, computers and so many more items.

Merle leaves to mourn her passing one daughter, Goldia, and her husband, Jerry Moomey; eight grandchildren, Carl and Kelly Moomey, Theresa Moomey, Judy Simon, Jere (Toby) and Time Hagin, Rusty and Ann Moomey, Darrell and Peggy Moomey and Karen and Eddie Elliott,



Merle Brenton

preceded in death by her parents, P.L. and Grace M. Snyder; three brothers, Clarence, Darrell (Kelly) and Norvel; one sister, Halley May; her beloved husband, Everett James "Ev"; and her son, Everett Frank Brenton; and almost all her friends.

Funeral services took place from the Christian Church on Oct. 28, 2013, at 11 a.m. Interment took place in Highland Cemetery in Meeker, Colo.

### Jack L. Caswell

Nov. 28, 1925 ~ Oct. 24, 2013

Jack L. Caswell was born Nov. 28, 1925, in North Hollywood, Calif., the son of Perry and Susan (Brown) Caswell. He was raised and attended school in Southern California.

Jack served in the United States Navy during World War II.

He married Christene Turner on April 5, 1947, in California, and

they became the parents of three children. They made their home in Southern California, moving to Eagle Point, Ore., in 1968 and then to Rangely in 1995.

Jack worked as an architectural sheet metal worker for many years before retiring in Rangely.

Jack died on Thursday, Oct. 24, 2013, at Rangely District Hospital

following a lengthy illness. He was 87.

Jack is survived by his daughters, Debbie Karschner of Rangely, Colo., and Cheryl Slaymaker of Duchesne, Utah; his son, Mike Caswell of Paulsbo, Wash.; his grandchildren, Heidi Yardley, Duke Karschner, Shaelyn Gilbert, Seth Gilbert, Jesse Caswell and Jared

Caswell; and his brother, Don Caswell of Grass Valley, Calif.

Jack was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Christene; his brothers, Lee and Bill; his granddaughter, Jade Perry; and his grandson, Christopher Karschner.

Cremation has taken place. Memorial services will be held at a later date in Oregon.

# Christmastfest

## Tuesday, December 10th

**SCAVENGER HUNT** You will hop on your sleigh at the Rec Center and venture down to Candy Land looking for clues on where the sweets have gone. Begins Tuesday morning and concludes Friday by noon! Prizes to the first five gumdrops to come back with all the clues.

**LIGHT UP RANGELY** contact Rec Center for more information on how to participate.

## Friday, December 13th

**GINGERBREAD MAN DECORATING** 10-10:45 am at the Rec Center

**SHOPPING IN CANDY LAND** 6-8 pm

**CANDY LAND SLEIGH RIDES**

**CANDY LAND CAROLING**

## Saturday, December 14th

**BREAKFAST WITH SANTA** 8-10 am (At Blue Mountain Inn and Suites)

All the below activities are at CNCC in the Colorado Room

**SNOWFLAKE BABY CONTEST** 2 pm

Age groups: 0-18 months, 19 months- 3 years, 4 years-5 years

**VENDORS** 12-5 pm

**GINGERBREAD MAN JUDGING** 1 pm

**SENIOR KING AND QUEEN CROWNING** 1:30 pm

**PARADE OF LIGHTS** 6pm (Starts at Stanolind ends at CNCC)

**CHILI DINNER** 7:30 pm

**DANCE RECITAL** 7:30 pm

## CRAFTINESS ...



SEAN MCMAHON PHOTOS

Mother Anne and daughter Kolbi Franklin took part in the Meeker Crafts and Gift Show on Friday and Saturday at the Rio Blanco Fairgrounds in Meeker. The Franklins had a display of Christmas wreaths and decorations and were one of approximately 30 booths at the fair, which featured a wide variety of holiday and seasonal gifts.



There were roughly 30 exhibitors taking part in the annual Meeker Crafts and Gift Show on Friday and Saturday at the county fairgrounds in Meeker. Among the shoppers was Carol Parr, left, of Meeker, who was checking out the hand-made cards for all occasions, pendants and a variety of other small goods.

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## COUNTY-WIDE DONATIONS...



Chris Archuleta, right, a graduate of Meeker schools and a representative of Chevron, presented a check worth \$15,000 to Iris Franklin, left, the president of the Meeker School District Board of Education, on Tuesday night. Archuleta said Chevron's only stipulation for the check is that the school has to use the money for educational materials with emphasis on math and science.



COURTESY PHOTO

Safety Specialist Ross Aire of Chevron presented a donation check in the amount of \$5,000 to the Rangely Elks Lodge #1907. The donation will go towards the Christmas basket program for the needy families of Rangely and Dinosaur. Pictured are Ross Aire of Chevron and PER of the Elks, Jeff LeBleu PER, Don Reed ER, Tink Wilson PER, and Cody Reed Lecturing Knight.



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**NOTICE OF BUDGET**  
Notice is hereby given that a proposed budget has been submitted to the Rangely Regional Library District Board of Trustees for the ensuing year of 2014; a copy of such proposed budget has been filed at the Library, 109 E. Main Street, Rangely, Colorado, where same is open for public inspection. Such budget will be considered at the regularly scheduled board meeting of the Rangely Regional Library District to be held at Rangely Regional Library, 109 E. Main Street, Rangely, Colorado on Monday, November 11, 2013 at 5:00 p.m.

Any interested elector of such Rangely Regional Library District may inspect the budget and file or register any objections thereto at any time prior to the final adoption of the budget.

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**NOTICE OF BUDGET**  
Notice is hereby given that a proposed budget has been submitted to the Rangely Rural Fire Protection District, Board of Directors for the ensuing year of 2014; a copy of such proposed budget is on file at Linda Gordon/Budget Officer, 215 Hillcrest Avenue, Rangely, CO where same is open for public inspection; such proposed budget will be considered at the regularly scheduled board meeting of the Rangely Rural Fire Protection District to be held at the Fire Hall, 115 Nichols Street, Rangely, CO on Monday, November 18, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. Any interested elector of such Rangely Rural Fire Protection District may inspect the proposed budget and file or register any objections thereto at any time prior to the final adoption of the budget.

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**NOTICE OF BUDGET**  
Notice is hereby given that a proposed budget has been submitted to the Western Rio Blanco and Metropolitan Recreation and Park District, where same is open for public inspection; such proposed budget will be considered at the regular meeting of the Board of Directors to be held at the Recreation Center Multi-Purpose Room, 611 S. Stanolind Avenue, Rangely CO, on November 12, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

Any interested elector of such Western Rio Blanco Metropolitan Recreation & Park District may inspect the proposed budget and file or register any objections thereto at any time prior to the final adoption of the budget.

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**RIO BLANCO COUNTY  
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING**  
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 200 MAIN  
ST. MEEKER, COLORADO 81641

November 14, 2013 - 7:00 P.M.

The tentative agenda is as follows:

1. Roll Call  
2. Additions/Changes to Agenda  
3. Approval of Minutes: October 10, 2013 and October 24, 2013

4. New Business:

a. **Special Use Permit (SUP) 13-6** – Hunter Ridge Water and Gas Facilities, applicant is requesting a SUP for three permanent facilities associated with the Big Jimmy Unit owned by Encana Oil & Gas Inc. Section 18, T3S, R9EW and Section 4 and 5, T3S, R9TW. 6th PM. The proposed facilities are Hunter Creek C.S., Hunter Creek Water Facility, County Line CS, and associated pipelines.

5. Discussion of Work in Development (Plan, Processes, Standards, etc.) and/or Administrative Matters

6. Old Business

7. Adjourn

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MEEKER SANITATION DISTRICT

November 13, 2013

REGULAR BOARD MEETING at 7:00 PM

The Regular Board Meeting of the Meeker Sanitation

District will be held at the Meeker Sanitation District Office, 265 8th Street, Meeker, Colorado

1. Call to order

2. Additions or Changes to the Agenda

3. Approval of Minutes

4. Public Comments

5. New Business

A. Property & Liability Insurance

6. Old Business

A. Disinfection Upgrade Progress

B. Sewer Back Up Procedures, Review and Update

C. SDA Conference Report

D. Plant Report

E. Budget Review

F. Development East of Town, Review of Plans

7. Attorney

8. Board

A. Delinquent Accounts

B. Property Liens on Delinquent Accounts

C. Approve Current Bills

D. Executive Session for Personnel Matters

9. Recess

This agenda is subject to change without further notice.

Agenda is posted at the office of the Meeker Sanitation District, 265 8th Street.

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### Public Notice

Notice of Transfer of Funds within the 2013 Budget adopted by the Yellow Jacket Water Conservancy District and Notice of Proposed 2014 Budget for the Yellow Jacket Water Conservancy District

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Directors of the Yellow Jacket Water Conservancy District will hold a hearing to consider transferring funds appropriated in its 2013 Budget, adopted on December 6, 2012. Immediately following said hearing, the Yellow Jacket Water Conservancy District will hold a hearing on its proposed 2014 budget on November 26, 2013, beginning at 3:00 p.m., at the Rio Blanco County Administration Building, 200 Main Street, Meeker, CO. Copies of the proposed budget are available for inspection at the Rio Blanco County Clerk and Recorder, 555 Main Street, Meeker, CO and the office of the Moffat County Clerk and Recorder, 221 Victory Way, Suite 200, or by contacting Scott Grosscup at Balcomb & Green, P.C., 970-945-6546 or sgrosscup@balcombgreen.com. Any interested person within the District may at any time prior to the final adoption of the budget, file or register his or her objections and/or comments for Board consideration at the address written above.

Please limit your comments to three minutes per member or five minutes per group. The public comment time is not for questions and answers. It is your time to express your views.

### LEGAL NOTICES

RANGELY JUNIOR COLLEGE DISTRICT

Board of Trustees

Regular Session

Johnson Banquet Room

Monday, November 11, 2013  
9:00 a.m.  
AGENDA

1.0 Call Meeting to Order

1.1 Changes to the Agenda

2.0 Consideration of Previous Minutes

2.1 Approval of the Monday, October 14, 2013 RJCD Regular Session Meeting Minutes

3.0 Action/Discussion Items

3.1 Business

- Swearing in of new Board members and election of officers

3.2 New Business

a. Resolution 2013-07 new signatures on all accounts at Colorado Trust

b. Resolution 2013-08 New signatures on all accounts at FNBR

c. Resolution 2013-09 Set mill levies for certification of mill levies due December 15, 2013

4.0 CNCC College Report - Russell George

5.0 Payment of RJCD Bills - Linda Gordon

6.0 Other

7.0 Adjournment

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### Board of County Commissioners

Tuesday, November 12, 2013

Meeker, Colorado

Tentative Board Agenda

Items of routine and non-controversial nature are placed on the consent agenda.

Any Commissioner or member of the audience may request an item be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately on the regular agenda prior to action being taken by the Board on the Consent Agenda.

**Public Comment:** Any member of the public may address the Board on matters which are within the jurisdiction of the Board. If you are addressing the Board regarding a matter listed on the Agenda, you are requested to make your comments when the Board takes that matter. Please limit your comments to three minutes per member or five minutes per group. The public comment time is not for questions and answers. It is your time to express your views.

11:00 a.m. Call to order:

- Pledge of Allegiance

- Changes to the November 12, 2013 Tentative Agenda

- Approval of the November 12, 2013 Agenda

### CONSENT AGENDA:

- Minutes of the October 28, 2013, Board meeting

- Motor Vehicle Publication List for October 2013

- Treasury Publication List for October 2013

- Financial Management Report for October 2013

- Financial Transactions for DHS for October 2013

- OHV Wagon Wheel Trail Pilot Program Invoice

- CCITF and CDGF awards for 2014

- Overton Recycling Modification Order #1-increased amount of \$10,845.90

- Colorado Department of Revenue authority for Rio Blanco County's Sales and Use Tax Administrator to administer Sales Tax and Lodging Tax for all of Rio Blanco County.

- Brad Neat Stock Drive Easement

### BUSINESS AGENDA:

- General:

- Contracts/Agreements/Grants:

### Public Giving Meeting 6:50 p.m.

### AGENDA

### RANGELY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

### (TOWN COUNCIL)

### Regular Meeting of November 12, 2013

\*\*\*\*\* 7:00 P.M. \*\*\*\*\*

### Council Chambers - Municipal Building

1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call

**LEGAL NOTICES**

- Public Hearing Resolution 2013-07 Supplemental Budget Transfer from the Housing Assistance Fund to the Economic/RDA Fund

- Public Hearing Resolution 5171-02 2013 Supplemental Budget reflecting additional revenues and expenditures in the Water Fund for the purpose of Phase II Water Plant project commencing.

- Public Hearing replat of Lot 1, Dragon Wash subdivision, in S2, T1N, R102W in the Wilmeth Minor Subdivision

- Public Hearing variance request Accessory Structure to be built at 743 E. Rangeley Avenue.

9. Committee/Board Meetings

- RBC Economic Development Stakeholder Meeting 10/28/13.

10. Supervisor Reports - See Attached

11. Report from Officers

- Town Manager Update

12. New Business

- Discussion and action to approve Liquor License renewal Mexican House

- Discussion and action to approve Liquor License renewal Rangeley Lodge #1907

- Discussion and action to approve Special Event Permit Rangeley Lodge Charity Ball

- Discussion and action to approve Liquor License renewal Nichols Store

- Discussion and action to approve Resolution 2013-05 Municipal Election Mail Ballot Plan for the election on April 1, 2014

- Discussion and action to approve Resolution 2013-06 Revised Budget 2013 General Fund

- Discussion and action to approve Resolution 2013-07 Supplemental Budget Transfer from the Housing Assistance Fund to the Economic/RDA Fund

- Discussion and action to approve Resolution 5171-02 2013 Supplemental Budget reflecting additional revenues and expenditures in the Water Fund for the purpose of Phase II Water Plant project commencing.

- Discussion and action to approve September 2013 Financial Recap.

- Discussion and action to approve October 2013 Check Register.

- Discussion and action to approve replat of Lot 1, Dragon Wash subdivision, in S2, T1N, R102W in the Wilmeth Minor Subdivision

- Discussion and action to approve variance request Accessory Structure to be built at 743 Rangeley Avenue.

- Discussion and action to approve purchase of Vehicle for the Gas Department from 2013 capital funds not to exceed \$30,000.00

- Discussion and action to approve the quote for chipping the trees located beside the WRB Park and Rec District

- Discussion and action to appoint a representative from the Town of Rangeley to an Economic Development Advisory board for Rio Blanco County.

13. Informational Items

- Bike Rally Thank You letter

- WWTF Certification Change

- AGNC Technical Assistance Grant \$5,000.00

- CIRSA Quarterly PC Claim Report

- Quarterly 2013 Sales book

- RBC Economic Development Stakeholder Meeting 11/18

14. Scheduled Announcement - Local Board meetings - November 2013

- Rangeley School District board meeting is scheduled for Nov. 19, 2013 at 6:15 p.m.

- Rangeley District Library regular meeting Nov 18, 2013 at 5:00 p.m.

- Rangeley District Hospital board meeting will be cancelled for November 2013.

- Rural Fire Protection Dist board meeting is scheduled for Nov 18, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

- Western Rio Blanco Park & Recreation District meeting Nov 11, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

- Rio Blanco Water Conservancy Dist board meeting is scheduled for Nov 27, 2013

- Rangeley Chamber of Commerce board meeting is scheduled for Nov 21, 2013 at 12:00

15. Adjournment

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Alcoholics Anonymous**

Mon. 8 p.m., Weds. 7 p.m., Fri. 7 p.m. St. James Church - enter from back parking lot, meetings are downstairs in Richards Hall, 4th & Park, Meeker 878-4158 • 878-5919 • 878-5636 Alanon Thurs. 7 p.m. 878-5655

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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.

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

THE GIRL Scout Troop is missing a canopy from the Fall Festival. If you have any information, please call Kacey's Closet. (970) 878-0909.

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.

**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.

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

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.

**For XC Skiing & Snowshoeing See:**  
White River Nordic Council at Facebook For Grooming Reports, Events & Info

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

**MEEKER STREAKER MONTHLY SCHEDULE NOVEMBER 2013**  
NOTE: Please call 878-9368 in advance to set up all medical appointment rides. Activities are subject to change. Bus available on dates noted below.

Nov 1, Bus in town

Nov 3, Am Bus

Nov 4, Bus in town

Nov 5, Bus in town, VOTE

Nov 6, Bus in town

Nov 7, Bus in town, Grand Junction

Nov 8, Bus in town

Nov 10, AM Bus

Nov 11, Bus in town, Veterans Day

Nov 12, Bus in town, Foot Clinic

Nov 13, Bus in town

Nov 14, Bus in town, Rifle

Nov 15, Bus in town

Nov 17, AM Bus

Nov 18, Bus in town

Nov 19, Bus in town

Nov 20, Bus in town

Nov 21, Bus in town, Grand Jct. Medical

Nov 22, Bus in town

Nov 24, AM Bus

Nov 25, Bus in town

Nov 26, Bus in town

Nov 27, Bus in town

Nov 28, No Bus - Happy Thanksgiving

Nov 29, Bus in town

Call Streaker for a ride 878-9368. Reservations for Rec. Center Trips should be made at 878-3403. Chuckwagon 878-5627.

**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 pm pickup.)

\*MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE\*\*  
FRIDAY, November 8: Stuffed peppers, scalloped potatoes, mixed vegetables, pineapple tidbits, and fresh bread.

MONDAY, November 11: CLOSED-Veterans Day

TUESDAY, November 12: Beef barley soup, chef's salad, crackers and canned pears.

WEDNESDAY, November 13: Baked ta-lapia, sauteed squash, tossed salad and apple pie.

FRIDAY, November 15: Chicken cordon bleu, brown rice, asparagus, lemon pudding bar and fresh orange.

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**PISTOL RIVER LEATHER**  
And a voice said unto me, "Smile and be happy. Things could be worse." So I smiled and was happy. And behold, things did indeed get worse! ~ Voice from the Government.

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**AUCTIONS**

AUCTION: SATURDAY, November 16th at 10 a.m. 405 35 Road, Palisade, CO (East of Orchard Mesa). 2 tractors w/ loaders, box blade, blade, Harrow, panels, dog cages, 4 wheeler, 16' enclosed trailer, boat, 1990 Chevy pickup, jointer, band saw and ATV sprayer. 12' commercial raft, 1990 Chevy S-10 4x4 Pickup, saddles and tack, fencing, misc. tools, leather couch, beds, dressers, BBQ, pots and pans, dishes, food, yard art, two kid playsets, basketball hoop, glassware, kids cello, pictures, rock coffee table, antique furniture, anvil, and cast iron decorations. Token slot machine, arrowheads, coins, guns, ammo, platform scale, two long chalkboards, nine Indian style rugs and more. For more info call Steve Claypole, CP Auction Services. (970) 260-5577. See web: [www.cpauction.com](http://www.cpauction.com). "Call me about a sale for you."

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