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FRIDAY, NOV. 16



FOR HONOR ...



Jack Aitken, Mike Brennan and Rob Baughman demonstrated proper flag etiquette and care to Barone Middle School students and community members at the annual Veterans Day lunch Monday. For more photos, visit www.theheraldtimes.com

What's hiding in your medicine cabinet?

■ Rio Blanco County had the second highest opioid-related overdose death rate in the state in 2016. One way to help? Follow these guidelines when getting rid of old and unused medication.

By NIKI TURNER
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RBC | Check your medicine cabinet, or kitchen cupboard, or wherever you keep your prescriptions. Are you harboring expired, unused or leftover prescriptions or over-the-counter medications? If you are, it's time to take action, for your safety and that of your loved ones.

"If you think opioid addiction can't happen to you and your family in Rio Blanco County, you are wrong," said RBC Public Health Nurse Janelle Borchard via email. "Having unused or leftover medication sitting in your medicine cabinet for a rainy day is potentially putting anyone at risk that happens to open the cabinet. This could be your child, grandchild or other family member or friend," Borchard said.

According to a recent Colorado survey of former and current heroin users, 70 percent started with prescription opioids (painkillers). Of those, 31.4 percent reported getting them from a friend, and 20 percent got them from a family member or stole them from a family member.

Meeker and Rangely residents have the option of disposing of unused medications at two secure drop boxes, one at Meeker Drugs and one at Rangely District Hospital. The box in Rangely was paid for through a Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment grant Borchard applied for and received.

The medications put in the boxes are transported for incineration at the Hampton/NASA Steam Plant in Hampton, Va. Steam produced at the plant is used as a source of energy at NASA's Langley Research Center.

"Pharmacies, hospitals, sheriff and police department across the country are installing them," Borchard said, partially in hopes that removing old prescriptions from homes will decrease accessibility, and in turn, decrease the future numbers of people addicted to prescription pain medications.

"Our region is one of the highest in the state for opioid-related overdoses," Borchard said. Rio Blanco County, had the second highest overdose death rate of 52.2 per 100,000 in 2016, with three

DO
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DON'T
- flush them
- toss them in the trash
- share them with friends or family members

deaths attributed to overdoses. There's no guarantee that safe disposal of unused medications in secure drop boxes will thwart an addiction or prevent an accidental overdose, but it does guarantee reducing the risk of those events.

With the holidays coming up, and family and friends coming in, now is a good time to clear out those old medications.

■ **DO** take expired, unused or leftover prescriptions to secure drop boxes at Meeker Drugs or Rangely District Hospital.

■ **DON'T** flush them. This sends medications into the water system and can cause problems for aquatic life, and potentially, harm to the water supply.

■ **DON'T** toss them in the trash.

Simply throwing unused prescriptions away is problematic for two reasons: potential harm to the environment and the potential for medications and/or prescription information to be stolen.

■ **DON'T** share them with friends or family members. Keep medication in a locked cabinet and always dispose of unused, expired or leftover medication following the guidelines above.

BRRR!



RENE HARDEN PHOTO
Kay Nickson, 83, was one of several jumpers returning to this year's annual Polar Plunge. Read the full story on Page 6A.

Loitering, POST top town agenda

By JEN HILL
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RANGELY | LOITERING ORDINANCE

Following the receipt of a letter from the Americans for Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) earlier this year, the Rangely Board of Trustees is considering removing all anti-loitering ordinances from the town municipal code. In a letter the ACLU claimed such policies are unconstitutional, violating the First Amendment. At Tuesday's meeting the board held their first reading of the repeal of the ordinance.

SPONSORED POLICE OFFICER TRAINING

The board approved sponsorship of Rangely local Daniel Connor to the Colorado Mesa University (POST) Program for the 2019 spring semester. The contract requires that the town pay for Connor to attend the police training program while paying him an hourly wage. In return Connor will agree to work for the Rangely PD following completion of the program. If Connor chooses to leave the department before five years he will be required to reimburse a portion of those costs, with the total amount dependent on how long he

stayed with the department. The total estimated cost for program completion is around \$22,000, however the amount may be lower if some student loan funds are obtained through the GI Bill as Connor is a member of the U.S. National Guard.

The RPD has been short-staffed for several months following the resignations of two officers.

MANAGER UPDATE

Interim Town Manager Lisa Piering told the board that the town planner attended a USGS monitoring meeting. The town pays around \$4,000 to the USGS for annual river monitoring.

RECYCLING PROGRAM

Earlier this year a concerned citizen approached the board about their desire to see a town recycling program. Following some research Piering told the board that in Meeker the town subsidizes a local business with \$35,000 annually to provide a recycling service. She said she would recommend the town be, "very careful" before starting a new subsidy program. Rangely doesn't currently have any facilities to support a program. "It's not an easy industry to break even in," she said. Councilman Andy Key said, "It might be better to let

the private sector take care of it."

OTHER BUSINESS

The board agreed to purchase a new street sweeper for \$241,566 and lease two photocopiers for \$14,260 for the RPD and Administration Offices. The board will have another discussion about the purchase of the street sweeper and potentially paying cash instead of financing the machine. Councilman Andy Key was concerned about spending more than \$30,000 in interest.

They decided to write off \$43,982 of uncollectible utility billing accounts from 2011-2017. The accounts will be sent to Collection Systems, Inc., for third party receivables. The collections company will take 30 percent of the total amount collected.

Additionally, the liquor license for Nichols Store was renewed without concern.

GRAY AND BLACK MARIJUANA MARKET GRANT FUNDING

The board chose to "opt in" on participation in a grant program funded through the Department of Local Affairs to be used for investigation and prosecution of marijuana-related crimes. The town can seek up to \$6,000 in no-match funding.

WEATHER



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Sunday: 40s/20s Sunny



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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

■ **Elks Hoop Shoot** Nov. 16, 10 a.m. at MHS Gym. Eight to 13 year olds are invited to participate in the Elks Hoop Shoot free throw competition. More details at www.ERBMrec.com. ERBM Recreation & Park District 970-878-3403.

■ **Meeker Recreation Center Holiday Hours:** Meeker Recreation Center and pool will close early at 1 p.m. Nov. 21 and will be closed for the Thanksgiving holiday Nov. 22-23. ERBM Recreation & Park District 970-878-3403.

■ **Meeker Public Library** is hosting a Friday craft class for middle school through high school teens. Each Friday starting Nov. 2 will feature a jewelry making class beginning at 1 p.m. Space is limited to 10 participants. Call or come in to sign up now. 970-878-5911

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

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

■ **Tiny Open Gym** Tuesdays, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the admin gym. Bring your 1 to 4 year olds to this free open gym to burn off some energy. A gym supervisor will be present, but will not lead organized activities. Max three children per parent/caregiver. ERBM Recreation & Park District 970-878-3403.

■ **Rangely Community Resource Pantry** open Mondays from 4 to 6:30 p.m., Thursdays from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and the first and third Saturday of the month from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

■ **The Rangely Moms Group** meets the first Thursday of each month from 9-11 a.m. at First Baptist Church (207 S. Sunset Ave.) to help connect moms in our community. Any moms who have newborn through elementary aged children are welcome to join us for food, fellowship and fun. Childcare is provided. The first meeting is free. Subsequent meetings are \$5. Scholarships are available if needed.

■ **Gentleman's Group** meeting every Tuesday at 9 a.m. at the Meeker Recreation Center lounge. Adults 50+, stop by for refreshments and conversation. ERBM Recreation & Park District 970-878-3403.

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

■ **The Meeker Library Book Club** meets at 1 p.m. the second Monday of each month (excluding holidays). All interested readers are welcome to join in the fun. Stop by the Meeker Library for details.

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

■ **Game Day** for adults 50-plus on Wednesdays at 9 a.m. in the

Meeker Recreation Center lounge. Stop by for refreshment, conversation and a game of cards.

■ **Real-Tea Roundtable.** Join real estate expert Suzan Pelloni for helpful hints on buying and selling property. The first Wednesday of the month at 7:30 a.m. at Wendl's. (No roundtable Nov. 5.)

■ **Adult Open Gym Volleyball** (18+): Tuesday at MES gym. 7:30-9 p.m. Sept. 11-Nov. 27 (excluding Thanksgiving week). ERBM Recreation and Park District. Call 878-3403 for details.

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

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

■ **Tootsie Care Day** has joined with Pioneers Hospital Home Health Foot Clinic. To help reduce confusion, Vicki will be at MVCC on the 2nd Wednesday of each month, to trim toenails of anyone who has trouble with the task. Please call PMC Home Health 970-878-9265 to schedule an appointment. Thank you.

Email your event to calendar@theheraldtimes.com, deadline 5 p.m. Mondays



(Left) MHS junior Nick Massey presented bat facts to fourth and fifth graders at Meeker Elementary School. (Right) Blanco Ranger District employee Aaron Grimes assists with a presentation.

COURTESY PHOTOS

Celebrating 'Bat Week'

Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER The week of Oct. 29 – Nov. 1, 2018, was officially proclaimed “Bat Week” through national proclamations from the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture and the U.S. Secretary of the Interior. The Blanco Ranger District along with Meeker High School (MHS) junior, Nick Massey, celebrated Bat Week by presenting fun and informative facts about bats to kindergarten through fifth grade students at Meeker Elementary School (MES). Ann Franklin, MES librarian, scheduled and hosted the sessions and often assisted with presentations and crafts.

Blanco Ranger District employees Mary Cunningham, Curtis Keetch, Jake Lewis, Sarah Lewis and Aaron Grimes all assisted with various presentations. Sarah Lewis, visitor information services at the Blanco Ranger District, assembled craft kits that included wings and googly eyes as well as more than 260 spray painted toilet paper rolls. The rolls were used as “bat bodies” in a bat building craft session with second and third graders.

Nick Massey presented these fun facts to the fourth and fifth graders at MES to dispel common myths that typically paint these fascinating flyers in a negative light:

■ Bats are the only true flying mammal.

■ Bats can be small like the tiny bumblebee bat, the size of a dime, or very large like the spectacled flying fox from Australia with a 6 foot wingspan.

■ Of the over 1,100 species of bats in the world, only three have a diet of blood.

■ Different types of bats have different diets; while our local bats feast on insects, other bats drink nectar and are pollinators while others are fruit eaters and disperse seeds in their guano.

■ Bat waste, or “guano”, is a prized fertilizer.

■ Bats are sensitive to disturbance while roosting and hibernating.

■ So much more!
Massey completed this activity as part of his agricultural education program that consists of

three integrated parts: classroom instruction, FFA and a Supervised Agricultural Experience or SAE. Massey is involved in the local Future Farmers of America (FFA) program. He became involved in ‘Bat Week’ activities as his Supervised Agricultural Event (SAE) project which he is completing with the United States Forest Service out of the local Blanco Ranger District.

The SAE is a required component of an agricultural education program for every student. Through their involvement in the SAE program, students are able to consider multiple careers and occupations, learn expected workplace behavior, develop specific skills within an industry, and are given opportunities to apply academic and occupational skills in the workplace or a simulated workplace environment. Through these strategies, students learn how to apply what they are learning in the classroom as they prepare to transition into the world of college and career opportunities.

With the conclusion of Bat Week activities, Massey is continuing his SAE at the Blanco Ranger District, summarizing range allotment monitoring data.

Denee Chintala, Meeker High School agricultural department and FFA advisor, said, “It is enjoyable to watch our kids from this program give back to their community through their SAE’s. I love SAE’s because they provide our students with work-based learning opportunities that enrich their previous knowledge and skills through real world experiences. When students find their passion and future career through this program, that’s when this program shows its true benefits and potential for our future students.”

The Blanco Ranger District works in partnership with the Rocky Mountain Youth Corps (RMYC) to recruit and employ youth from home and across the country to gain natural resource experience by working with federal agencies at summer seasonal jobs. These jobs normally consist of trail work in non-motorized areas across the forest. In 2017, the Blanco District piloted the RMYC Community Development Crew (CDC) program.



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In this program, the Forest Service works with Rio Blanco County, the Town of Meeker and RMYC to provide educational opportunities for youth ages 14-16. The program consists of two weeks working in the community, and two weeks working on the forest.

Cunningham worked with the (CDC) in July of this year to build six bat boxes. These boxes were donated to Rio Blanco County and Town of Meeker to be placed in areas that are likely to attract bats to provide additional roosting habitat. As stated earlier, our local bats eat insects as their primary diet, so the more we can do to manage for these fascinating flyers, the fewer mosquitoes we will endure through this natural form of control.

MACC Meeker Arts & Cultural Council and ERBM Recreation & Park District Present:

A Musical Based on the Stories of P.L. Travers and the Walt Disney Film

THURSDAY November 15, 6:30pm
FRIDAY November 16, 6:30pm
SATURDAY November 17, 2:00pm

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Co-created by CAMERON MACKINTOSH
Original Music and Lyrics by RICHARD M. SHERMAN and ROBERT B. SHERMAN
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COUNTY BEAT



By **NIKI TURNER**
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RBC One man's junk is another man's treasure, or so the saying goes. Legally defining "junk" is again before the commissioners, as they tackled complaints about abandoned vehicles on County Road 7 during a workshop Tuesday, Nov. 13.

County residents Pete Kiser and Cathy Smith have submitted complaints about "rubbish, junk and abandoned vehicles" to the commissioners about half a dozen vehicles parked in a field owned by Luke and Starla Pelloni on County Road 7.

According to building inspector Jeff Kummer, the property in question is zoned agricultural, and

what meets code requirements on ag land "depends on what fits the definition."

The Pellonis said they hold the titles on all of the vehicles, which are not abandoned, and said the vehicles are for personal, not commercial use.

"The definition of a junkyard is a collection of cars for commercial use," Starla Pelloni said. "That is our property and we pay taxes on it. I think we should be able to place them on our property where we want."

Asked how many cars constitutes a landfill, RBC Planner Rachel Gates said, "We don't have a set number. It's all based on interpretation."

"For those of us who have tried to improve our property, I think

you owe it to us to uphold the codes," said county resident David Luzmoor. "There is a philosophy in this county that if it's on private property you can do whatever you want."

"Everything is too vague to make a decision on," said Commissioner Shawn Bolton. "Here we are again walking that line of private property rights versus what people think should be happening on someone else's property."

The commissioners agreed that the current Land Use Regulations are "pretty vague" and need to be more clearly defined.

Gates said the process of amending the regulations would take a couple months, but would be a public process, with comments

accepted. Residents who have an interest in the process are encouraged to watch the public notice section of the paper, where hearings and comment periods will be announced.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

RBC Economic Development Coordination Katelin Cook reviewed her department's accomplishments in 2018, including a new business coming to town thanks to "headhunting" by the Better City organization, promotional videos for marketing, three weeks of "Nick's Wild Ride" on the Outdoor Channel marketing Rio Blanco County, and CSU grad students working in Rangely to develop an outdoor recreation master plan.

There are currently 579 active businesses listed under the Colorado Secretary of State's website for Rio Blanco County.

Of those 432 are in Meeker and 137 are in Rangely, which is, according to Cook, consistent with the historic 1:3 ratio.

RBC SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Dispatch fees will remain the same for Meeker's Fire Department, but will increase for the Meeker Police Department. The fire department is "using about half what Meeker PD does."

The Meeker Police Department will owe \$45,000 for the year, compared to \$36,000 for the fire department.

Meeker Fire and Rescue Board President Doug Overton updated the commissioners. "Since we put Luke [Pelloni] in the chief's position, a lot of our problems have gone away. Things are working out and we're really happy with how things are going."

The addition to the fire department is done, with an open house planned next spring.

Meeker Fire is planning a remodel of the current facilities, and has ordered a new ambulance and a new brush truck.

Sheriff Anthony Mazzola said the change in leadership has aided his department "Working with Luke, it's day and night difference."

DA'S OFFICE

Ninth Judicial District District Attorney Jeff Cheney and staff visited the commissioners to request funding for the DA's office in 2019. As part of the district, RBC's share (based on population) is 7.56 percent of the DA's \$3 million budget.

Cheney asked the commissioners to consider authorizing participation in House Bill 17-1221, which addresses the gray/black marijuana market. "It's the moonshine of marijuana," Cheney said.

► See **BOCC**, Page 10A

NEWS BRIEFS

MACC's Mary Poppins, Jr. makes debut

MEEKER Meeker Arts and Cultural Council, ERBM Recreation and Park District and the Center Stage Youth Theatrical Group will present Mary Poppins, Jr. Thursday, Nov. 15 and Friday, Nov. 16 at 6:30 p.m. and Saturday, Nov. 17 at 2 p.m. at the Meeker High School auditorium. \$7 admission, kids K-8 free with a paying high school student or adult.

CNCC seeking community input

RBC CNCC is hosting community outreach events in Craig, Rangely and Meeker. We are seeking program input and feedback to better serve the communities we are located in, and want to make sure your voice is heard. Additionally, we will have materials available for you to take regarding current program offerings. President Ron Granger, new Vice President of Instruction Keith Peterson and CNCC Deans will be in attendance to talk with you and listen to your suggestions. We hope to see you there. For more information, contact Keely Winger, keely.winger@cncc.edu. Craig: Nov. 26—CNCC Craig Campus Room 185 (2801 W. 9th St.); Rangely: Nov. 27—CNCC Rangely Campus Weiss Conference Room (500 Kennedy Dr.); Meeker: Nov. 28—Meeker Public Library, (490 Main St.). There will be three meeting times for each location—7 a.m., Noon and 5:30 p.m.

Enter the Parade of Lights

MEEKER This year the festivities will begin Wednesday, Dec. 5 at 5:30 p.m. with the Courthouse Tree Lighting and Parade of Lights. Enjoy the Christmas choir, hot chocolate and cookies and more. Brought to you by the Chamber of Commerce, Pioneers Healthcare Foundation, White River Electric Assoc., and Horizons Specialized Services.

Holiday Meeker Market Dec. 7-8

MEEKER Stop by to browse items from arts and crafts vendors, commercial and manufacturing vendors, direct sales and home party merchandisers, farmers market and food item vendors, traditional heritage trades, goat milk soaps and candles, health and wellness, woodworking. Friday, Dec. 7 from 12-6 p.m. and Saturday, Dec. 8 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the Hugus Building at Sixth and Main Street in Meeker. Contact the Meeker Chamber for more information: 970-878-5510.

ERBM Employee of the Quarter

MEEKER ERBM's exceptional employee of the third quarter is Brandon Grasmick. Brandon is ERBM's Recreation Coordinator and we couldn't be happier to have him. He is a great example of someone who is fully committed to his job and to the patrons of our ERBM programs. His dedication, positive attitude, and love for sports has made Brandon a valuable asset to not only the recreation department, but to the entire district. Brandon's key roles in the scheduling and coordination of Meeker youth volleyball, Meeker youth basketball, soccer, flag football and both of our race series this summer have made him an adored member of our staff. Brandon is also credited with the overall success of our Golf for Kids program this year. Congratulations, coach Brandon!



Brandon Grasmick



Thank you Rio Blanco County voters for your support. I look forward to serving as your next County Treasurer and Public Trustee.

~Rhonna Waldref

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- 24.2-30 oz. Folgers **COFFEE** **\$6.99**
- 14 oz. Food Club **CRANBERRY SAUCE** **\$1.19**

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- 32 oz. Meadow Gold **EGG NOG** **\$2.19**
- 8 oz. Dairy Pure **WHIPPING CREAM** **\$1.19**
- 8 oz. Food Club **CRESCENT ROLLS** **\$1.99**
- 32 oz. Food Club **SHREDDED CHEESE** **\$5.99**
- 16 ct. Kraft **SLICED CHEESE** **\$2.99**
- 8 oz. Philadelphia **CREAM CHEESE** **\$1.99**
- 32 oz. Western Family Medium Cheddar **CHEESE LOAF** **\$5.99**

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- Fresh **ASPARAGUS** **\$2.29/lb.**
- 10 lbs. Russet **POTATOES** **\$1.89**
- Jalapeno **PEPPERS** **99¢/lb.**
- Juici **APPLES** **\$1.99/lb.**
- 12 oz. Sweet Petite **CARROTS** **2 for \$3**
- Jumbo **YAMS** **99¢/lb.**
- 1 lb. Earthbound **ORGANIC SALADS** **\$4.99**
- Green Seedless **GRAPES** **\$1.69/lb.**
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EDITOR'S COLUMN...

Flaming marshmallows

By NIKI TURNER
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That thought carries over to our county volleyball and football teams, and softball and golf, who all performed spectacularly this season. They may not have brought home state trophies, but their achievements are laudable. I hope each and every athlete among them takes away the sense of accomplishment that comes from hard work, determination and doing the best one can possibly do. If we all purpose to do our best—every game, every match, every week, every day, every task—we can make a difference and change the world around us for the better. That's not just a sports rule... that's a life rule.

For those of you heading into the holiday season without a loved

one for the first time, our thoughts are with you. Here's my noobie's two cents worth: do whatever you need to do to get through. Holidays pass. Life goes on. You might need to try something totally new, or find comfort in tradition. Both are OK. At our house, we'll be moving around the corner that week (bidding a sad farewell to the lovely—but tilted—house we've rented for the last two years).

Next year I think I want to find a shelter for homeless people and spend Thanksgiving serving them dinner. Ethan had a heart for the homeless that I never understood, even on the day he walked down the road with nothing but his backpack to traverse the southwest for three months. I'd love to find the young anthropology major who picked him up near Lake Powell and questioned him for her dissertation, and the family near Durango who took him in and hired him to work their fruit farm for a week (he loved their family-style meals), and the carpool mom

who locked him in her car until she went through a fast food drive-through and bought him dinner.

Since that less-than-fun-parenting experience, I can't pass a homeless person with the same judgmental, self-righteous attitude I had before. The majority of homeless folks Ethan met on his journey were veterans with PTSD and folks suffering from mental illness who fell into the healthcare abyss. Most of them were self-medicating, and the few dollars they got from people to buy a beer made the difference for them between a night of torment and a night of sleep. Few were dangerous, violent or criminal, as I initially assumed.

The last homeless kid I ran into—outside of Walmart in Rifle—had bad acne and was begging for a dollar. I handed him a few bucks and told him to "call your mother before you do anything else." I don't know if he did, but I hope so, for both their sakes.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Kudos to BLM

Dear Editor:

Last summer my husband and I took our two grandsons, Nico, 8, and Asher, 5, Goodson, to Dinosaur National Monument to visit the Dinosaur Museum and to camp for a few days. On the way back while camping, Nico found a "dinosaur tooth" along the river bank. He wanted to take it back to the Dinosaur Museum so the ranger there could identify it for him, but I told him that I was sure that someone at the BLM office in Meeker could help him out when we got home. When we got back to Meeker he took his "tooth" to the BLM office and they promised to identify it for him and mail it to his home in Portland, Ore., with their findings. His mom said he checked the mail every day because he knew they would keep their promise and he was not disappointed!

He received a letter from Sarah MacDonald, MA, RPA, Archaeologist and Paleontology Coordinator, Bureau of Land Management, White River Field Office here in Meeker which was addressed to "Nico Goodson, Junior Paleontologist" and which started, "Dear Nico, thank you for

bringing your find in to the Bureau of Land Management White River Field Office! It is because of budding scientists like yourself that we are able to gain knowledge about your public land and continue to grow and learn as an organization. ...It takes a keen eye to find something so small. As it turns out, this is not a dinosaur tooth, but it is still a pretty cool find! This rock could even be just as old because it appears to be a fragment of rock formed of chert. The geology in our field office is sometimes dazzling, and often does reveal dinosaurs, so thank you for keeping an eye out for us!"

The letter goes on to tell about some of the recent discoveries of dinosaur bones near Rangely, Colo., which CNCC named "Walter" and explained what Walter may have looked like and when he lived.

Sarah MacDonald's letter to Nico ended with, "We have impressive fossils here in northwest Colorado—a lot of which were discovered by astute learners just like yourself! We ask that you never lose your sense of curiosity, and know that every discovery, even

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GUEST COLUMN: MEEKER SCHOOL DISTRICT

New high school, bus barn on track with passage of Ballot Issue 4A

By CHRIS SELLE
MSD Superintendent



Chris Selle

MEEKER With the passage of ballot issue 4A, the Meeker School District will now begin the process of new construction and renovation at Meeker High School and constructing a new school district transportation facility. Our school district is grateful to our community for supporting this effort. We are committed to completing this project with fair and transparent processes.

Because our school district

does not have the capacity to manage a construction project of this magnitude on our own, the first step in ensuring a successful project is hiring an owner's representative. A public RFQ/P was issued for an owner's representative and four qualified firms responded. NV5 was

selected for their excellent track record with school construction project management on the Western Slope. The school board approved the agreement with NV5 based on a recommendation of a selection committee composed of a community member, two school board members, and three school staff members. With any payment to NV5 contingent on the passage of the bond, we have been working with NV5 since October 17 to ensure we had a good start on the project if the bond passed. NV5 will now provide guidance in the

selection of an architect and general contractor.

The selection committee for the architect and contractor also consists of a community member, two board members, and three school staff members. NV5 will offer recommendations and guidance, but the selection committee will make the decision about which architect and contractor we will work with. The school board maintains the ultimate authority and will give final approval for contracts with these two entities. We expect to have both the architect and contractor under contract by Dec. 1.

The selection committee has chosen to interview the following architect firms: The Blythe Group, CannonDesign and Treanor HL; and the following contractors: FCI

Constructors, Haselden Construction and JHL Constructors. The school district will maintain separate contracts with the architect and contractor. However, we expect them to work hand-in-hand through the design and construction processes. This arrangement is intended to maximize synergy between the organizations involved, but also adds necessary accountability between the contractor and architect to ensure a properly constructed building.

In the coming months, we will engage in the design process for the new facilities. While the final designs are likely to appear similar to those used during the public awareness and bond campaign, this design process will result in some changes. There will be a design advisory group (DAG) consisting of

a variety of stakeholders who will contribute to the design. There will also be multiple public meetings where community members can offer input on the design.

The design process will also provide us more concrete details on the phasing and timeline of the project. The current timeline anticipates the design process will occur through the winter with construction starting in May or June of 2019. Construction will continue through the 2019-2020 school year with the anticipation that both facilities will be ready in the fall of 2020.

We are looking forward to the continued community involvement through the design and construction of the high school and transportation facility. Our community's support and involvement in this process has been phenomenal to date, which gives me another reason to continue proclaiming I am proud to be a Meeker Cowboy!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Anthony Mazzola
Rio Blanco County Sheriff

Rio Blanco County Road & Bridge Department Reminder

COUNTY ROADS 8 & 17 WINTER MAINTENANCE SUSPENDED AS OF NOV. 19

LOCATION
County Road 8, from mile post 30.5 east to the county line
County Road 17, from mile post 40.3 south to the county line

DATES
Beginning Nov. 19 to approximately Memorial Day, depending on snow amounts

Beginning Nov. 19, County crews will suspend snow removal operations on the road sections listed above until next spring. Winter activities such as snowmobiling are very popular along these routes.

We have many other sections of roads in remote areas that are not plowed in the winter. If you have a question on a particular road, please call the Rio Blanco County Road & Bridge Department at 970-878-9590.

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LETTERS: continued

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the size of a tooth, is a big find!
Enclosed with the letter was the "tooth" he had found (placed in a labeled specimen envelope which was very impressive), a Jr. Paleontologist workbook with activities and fact pages, and pictures of other fossils that had been found with explanations and illustrations of what the dinosaur they came from may have looked like. Needless to say, Nico was very impressed with everything and wants to be a paleontologist when he grows up!

I just wanted everyone to know what a great staff we have at the local BLM office, including Kendall and Sarah, and recognize them for going above and beyond in making a little boy's day! Thank you.

Sincerely,
Twyla Jensen
Meeker

Hooray for 4A

Dear Editor:

On behalf of students and staff of the Meeker School District, the Meeker School Board would like to thank voters for approving Ballot Issue 4A. Thanks also to members of the community bond campaign committee who worked so hard on our behalf. Revenues generated by

the bond will provide a safe and secure new Meeker High School with educational facilities second to none.

We will continue to seek additional grants for construction and equipment, with which we hope to minimize bond expenditures. Meantime, given the failure of state Proposition 73, the District must rely on reserves in order to maintain staffing and educational programs. We hope the legislature in the coming session will find a way to fully fund public education.

Meeker School Board
Meeker

Moyer grateful for support

Dear Editor:

I am very grateful for the overwhelming support in the General Election for Rio Blanco County Commissioner District 1, on Nov. 6. I am honored to have the opportunity to serve the citizens of Rio Blanco County as your commissioner. I'm looking forward to working with the other commissioners as we face the upcoming challenges in our county. Please contact me with your suggestions and concerns.

Sincerely,
Gary Moyer
Meeker

Trooper Tips: Bad weather driving

By TROOPER GARY CUTLER
Colorado State Patrol

RBC I It's that time of year again, which means snow storms are on the horizon. Bad weather isn't all that bad, because with it comes all of the fun activities we like to do in Colorado such as skiing, sledding, skiing, hiking, and skiing/snowboarders.

I joke about the ski season, but when we see a good snow storm, that's when skiers and snowboarders head to the slopes in larger groups than normal. Let's talk about the situations where we just have to get around in snow storms.

Reduced speed is always a key factor to staying safe when driving on snow, or ice packed roadways. It's winter, so make sure you take that extra step to have the time to drive to your destination safely, which means

slower than normal speeds. Bad weather doesn't necessarily mean we have to have bad driving.

One situation that worries me is black ice. Ice is the unseen danger that is often a factor in winter time driving. I've seen people going lower speeds when they are on snow packed roads only to speed up to, or beyond the speed limit once the road clears. The road may still be wet, and with cold temperatures that means it can and often freezes to the road surface. Just because you don't see it, doesn't mean it's not still there.

Slick roads also mean it's harder to stop when less than favorable road conditions exist. Give that

extra distance needed to stop when snow or ice are present. It's hard to give just one correct distance for bad road conditions. Use good common sense and the rule of thumb that it could take double the distance on wet roads and up to as much as 10 times the distance on snow and ice packed roadways to safely stop.

Also be prepared to travel in bad weather. This means having enough "survival gear" to make it through a dangerous situation if you get stuck on the roadway. This doesn't always mean you're stuck because you have crashed or slid off the roadway. It could be just that the weather is so bad the roadways have been shut down and

you are stuck with everyone else traveling with no way to get off the road for a while.

Even when you are just going on a short trip, there can be situations where you need emergency equipment with you. The items that can save a life are: blankets, flares/emergency triangles, water, shovel, food/snacks and cell phone. I probably don't have to remind anyone to make sure they bring their phone though.

Here are my final tips for winter driving. When roads are dry, drive as if it's raining. When roads are wet, drive as if it's snowing. When roads have snow on it, drive as if it's ice. When roads have ice on it, think about staying home that day.

So there you have it, a few simple tips to help keep you safe when driving in bad weather this year. As always, safe travels!



GUEST COLUMN: EASTERN RIO BLANCO METROPOLITAN RECREATION AND PARKS DISTRICT

ERBM Recreation and Parks District quarterly update

By SEAN VONROENN
ERBM Executive Director

MEEKER I The three foundational pillars of the public parks and recreation industry include: health and wellness, conservation, and social equity. The first two pillars are intuitively understood; we can probably all articulate the myriad benefits of robust physical fitness and healthy social activity opportunities, as well as the underlying value of the responsible preservation of public land and resources. ERBM always has a lot going on in these areas with comprehensive programming and events, such as this upcoming winter season's Breakfast with Santa, Holiday Social, Ice Fishing, Tumbling and Dance Expo, Cardboard Derby and more, as well as the ongoing care and upkeep of our local parks and facilities.

The third pillar, social equity, is a little more ambiguous as we

each bring our own individual opinions and cultural preferences to the conversation around what constitutes civil justice or fairness. The National Recreation and Parks Association states broadly that "all people, no matter the color of their skin, age, income level or ability should have access to programs, facilities, places and spaces that make their lives and communities great." We agree with this equity ethic here at ERBM and have been working diligently to ensure that our programs and facilities are universally accessible to all members of and visitors to our unique community.

ERBM invests into this area of social equity by providing reduced rate and scholarship assistance to promote access to district activities and services for all individuals and families who may have a need. Partnering on facility and program access with service agencies like the county departments of Public

Health and Human Services, Mind Springs Health, and Horizons Specialized Services helps ERBM reach underserved individuals. Likewise, affordability and value for all continues to be a long term commitment of the ERBM Board of Directors, which is why we're excited to offer the annual 50 percent off blitz pricing, available the first two weeks of January, for annual memberships at the Meeker Recreation Center for the 11th straight year!

ERBM is constantly exploring and implementing strategies to make our park and recreation system as accessible and inclusive as possible. For instance, just this year alone parks and facility operations staff have completed exhaustive accessibility

audits and improvements at all district maintained areas while recreation department staff are developing procedures to ensure that any programming or facility participant accommodation requests are processed in a thorough and professional manner.

If you or someone you know has ideas on how ERBM can positively promote social equity we'd love to hear from you, as it really is our collective pledge to provide open, impartial and unbiased recreational, cultural and outdoor experiences here in eastern Rio Blanco County.

We hope you and your family have a great holiday season and New Year, and remember to blitz on over to MRC and get going for 2019!

GUEST COLUMN: RBC CLERK AND RECORDER

Record voter turnout

By BOOTS CAMPBELL
RBC Clerk and Recorder

RBC I I would like to thank all of the Rio Blanco County citizens who voted in the 2018 General Election. There are 4,018 active voters in this county and 3,128 of you voted. That comes to a higher than usual 77.8 percent turnout. I have compiled a spreadsheet showing the votes by precinct. If you would like a copy, please contact me or Shawn Luce, Chief Deputy Clerk, at 970-878-9460.

All of the incumbent county officials: Anthony Mazzola, Boots Campbell, Renae Neilson and Leif Joy were re-elected. Gary Moyer will be the new county commissioner taking Shawn Bolton's seat. Laura Smith will be the new county

coroner since Albert Krueger is retiring and Rhonna Waldref will be the new treasurer and public trustee since Karen Arnold is retiring. The Meeker School District bond issue passed and Proposition 112 regarding new additional setbacks for oil and gas was defeated in Rio Blanco County and at the state level.

The county officials who were elected or re-elected will be taking their oath of office on Tuesday, Jan. 8 at 11 a.m. in the commissioner's hearing room on the third floor of the courthouse. The public is welcome to attend.

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The Christian Servant's Immovability
By Dr. J. D. Watson
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Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord. (1 Cor. 15:58)

Dr. J.D. Watson

THE seventh and final "ability" the Christian servant must have is *immovability*. By this I do not mean an inherent stubbornness that refuses to give an inch in an argument. Rather, this is steadfastness, staunchness, and single-mindedness in the things that matter.

First, we must be *unwavering*. *Stedfast* is *hedraios*, a fascinating word from a root (*hedra*) that means chair or seat. It appears only two other times in the NT. Earlier in this letter, Paul encouraged his readers to be "stedfast in [their] heart" (7:37), and in Colossians 1:23 he commands us to "continue in the faith grounded and settled." Because the present context is about the resurrection, Paul tells us that we must be entirely settled on that historical reality, firmly seated in that doctrinal truth and everything that pertains to it, which, of course, implies the whole Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Second, we must be *unmovable*. This is *ametakinetos*, which appears only here in the NT. While similar to *hedraios*, it is even stronger, meaning absolutely motionless and utterly immobile; it signifies an inability to move from [our] spiritual moorings.

Oh, how that truth needs to be emphasized nowadays! As these words are being typed, even some of the most basic truths of Christianity are being reconsidered and renegotiated, doctrines such as not only the resurrection, but also justification by faith alone, the imputation of the righteousness of Christ, verbal inspiration, biblical sufficiency, and the list goes on. Never has there been a greater need for men to be *unmovable* than today. While we will be called narrow-minded, intolerant, and divisive, we must remain unmoved.

Third, we must be *unceasing, always abounding in the work of the Lord*. While we are *unmovable* on the inside, we are *abounding* (*perisseuo*, to be in excess, exceed in number or measure) on the outside. Pastors are *preaching*, God's people are *practicing*, and we all are *proclaiming* the Truth, the whole Truth, and nothing but the Truth.

Fourth, we must be *undiscourageable*. The added phrase, **forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord**, is an immeasurable encouragement. In the face of the world's resistance, rejection, and even ridicule, it is very easy to become discouraged. But Paul assures us there will be a resurrection and that all the claims of Christ are true. *Nothing* we do for our Lord is *in vain* (*kenos*, empty or hollow). It is all for His glory and our gain.

Scriptures for Study: How do the following verses encourage you: Galatians 6:9; Philippians 2:16; 1 Thessalonians 1:3; Hebrews 6:10; 2 Peter 3:17?

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



CHEVRON DONATIONS ...

(Top) Chevron is pleased to provide Rangely Meals on Wheels with a donation of \$7,000 to provide meals to elderly and people with limited mobility. Chevron's Diane Peterson presented the check to Stacy Shriver with Eagle Crest Assisted Living and Rangely Community Medical Health and Wellness Center CEO Nick Goshe.

(Bottom) Clint Hunter from Chevron Operations presented a \$6,500 donation to Dan Fiscus, treasurer for the Rangely Outdoor Museum. The board and staff of the museum send a heartfelt thank you to Chevron and all the employees who continue to support the Rangely Outdoor Museum.



COURTESY PHOTOS

Polar Plunge raises \$1,200 for Special Olympics

By BRITTNY CAMPOS
Special to the Herald Times

RANGELY I Some brave individuals jumped into the frigid waters of Kenney Reservoir Saturday, Nov. 10 for a great reason. This is the fourth year Rangely has participated in the Polar Plunge. RDH's Norian Edwards began this tradition in 2015.

Due to scheduling conflicts this year, the Chamber of Commerce took over the Polar Plunge and raised about \$1,200 for the Special Olympics of Colorado. Chamber Director Connie Billgren says they will host it again in 2019, the second weekend in November.

Seven participants jumped this year. The weather was quite chilly and caused some people to decide against jumping. Kay Nickson, 83, has jumped multiple times and is well known for bringing different outfits to wear during her jumps. Her outfit this year was a coconut bra and a grass skirt. Sheriff Anthony Mazzola also jumped and is very supportive of the local events. Police Chief Vince Wilczek partnered with the chamber for this fundraising event. Billgren committed to jumping next year if \$5,000 is raised.

There is talk about trying to get the town council members in on the jumping next year as well. Julie Fite is the Western Regional Manager and has been a part



RENÉ HARDEN PHOTO

RBC Sheriff Anthony Mazzola (left) takes the leap into Kenney Reservoir and Rangely Town Trustee Matt Billgren (right) watches.

of Special Olympics since 1989. She was able to be at the reservoir this year and support our plungers. This has been the coldest year to date for the Rangely Polar Plunge. The money raised goes to the Special Olympic athletes to help them with lodging and hosting the games. The chamber plans to continue this fundraising tradition for years to come.

The rise of the Fourth Sector

AGNC's Economic Development keynote highlights the use of entrepreneurial strategies to solve social challenges

By REED KELLEY
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RBC I Moffat County Commissioner Ray Beck, who has served as the chair of the Associated Governments of Northwest Colorado (AGNC) since 2017, opened the Economic Development Summit at CNCC in Rangely last Friday citing the mission activities of the organization. Beck emphasized AGNC's desire to advance and educate at the state and federal levels for decisions that will protect the character and development of the region. He further stressed AGNC pursuit of effective, strong governmental relations on key issues by maintaining candid and open connections between AGNC members, state and federal lawmakers and agencies.

The summit was an example of AGNC providing a forum for discussion and focus on regional economic development, emphasizing awareness of available resources, new ideas and shared experiences. AGNC is the northwestern Colorado council of town and county governments covering Garfield, Mesa, Moffat, Rio Blanco and Routt counties.

Jonathan Liebert, founder of the Colorado Institute for Social Impact, a cooperative endeavor with Pikes Peak Community College in Colorado Springs, keynoted the luncheon. His message regarded the importance and power of the emerging "Fourth Sector" involving the use of entrepreneurial strategies

to solve social challenges.

Liebert described that our traditional institutions don't seem to be successfully equipped to thoroughly meet the challenges and opportunities of the 21st Century which include maximizing financial benefits while minimizing harm to people and the planet.

The literature notes that governments are typically under-resourced and constrained by the business interests to which they are beholden for resources. Businesses are largely caught in expectations of maximized profit, often at the expense of society and the environment, even though their leadership might prefer a more responsible, purposeful and sustainable path.

Non-profits, analysis continues, are notoriously under-funded while facing growing demand for their services, especially as business further externalizes social and environmental costs, and governments are forced to reduce the adequacy of any social safety net.

The Fourth Sector is emerging at the nexus of the public, private and social institutions and is described as composed of "for benefit" enterprises that seek to seamlessly integrate public purposes with business means, harnessing entrepreneurial energy in order to shape more sustainable, inclusive and resilient economies. Liebert explained that the existing number of large and diverse for-benefit enterprises share two common characteristics—they advance societal benefit, like the

non-profits, but they generate a substantial portion of their income from business activities.

Liebert set forth evidence that companies that are openly pursuing a "purpose-led" mission are generally doing much better financially, both domestically and internationally, than those that aren't. Employees, for example, Liebert explained, are much more driven to sign on and remain at for purpose organizations. Consumer support has similarly been shown to be much greater in relation to these deliberately socially beneficial companies. Liebert cited data that show consumers who are Boomers are 30 percent motivated by purpose and positive positioning, Gen-Xers 46 percent and Millennials 56 percent.

An example Liebert gave of a recent purpose-driven action by a corporation is new employee policy by Starbucks Corporation that allows workers to spend up to 20 percent of their paid work time volunteering for community causes.

Liebert concluded that the booming trend of this Fourth Sector needs to be at the forefront of economic planning.

Tri-State Generation and Transmission, ANB Bank, Colorado Housing and Finance Authority, Colorado Department of Local Affairs and Colorado Northwestern Community College were sponsors of the Summit. More than 50 individuals from all around the region participated. More coverage to follow next week.

Winter travel safety tips

By NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE
Special to the Herald Times

RBC I Before winter weather arrives in earnest, it is highly recommended that you prepare your car or truck for winter travel.

A well-equipped vehicle has adequate tires, tire chains, tow rope, sand or cat litter for traction, shovel, tool kit, windshield scraper and brush, battery cables, first aid kit, flashlight, extra batteries, blankets and/or sleeping bags, extra clothing, candles, waterproof matches, jug of water, high calorie packaged food for quick energy, and an empty can to melt snow for drinking.

And during winter weather events, the best way to prevent treacherous winter travel is to avoid it. This can be done by staying informed about current weather and road conditions as well as the latest weather forecasts. Information on road conditions in Colorado is available on the web at www.cotrip.org or from the toll free number

1-877-315-7623. When calling from anywhere in Colorado, dialing 511 will also access the Colorado road reports. Additionally, a free smartphone application, CDOT Mobile, is available.

If you should become stranded during a winter storm, stay with your vehicle and do not panic. If accompanied by others, take turns sleeping. Run the motor every hour for about ten minutes to maintain warmth, but keep windows open a little to prevent the buildup of carbon monoxide. Make sure the exhaust pipe is not blocked. Keep the car visible with brightly colored cloths tied to the side view mirrors, door handles, or external antenna. At night, turn on the dome light when running the engine. Exercise periodically by vigorously moving arms, legs, toes and fingers.

In the mountains, avalanches become a possibility in the winter, especially below steep slopes. Avalanches occasionally come down across roads, with little or no warning. However, avalanche control work is performed on many

avalanche prone roads in Colorado, making the roads safer to travel. Caution is advised when traveling along avalanche prone roads, especially during and shortly after a heavy snowstorm, as well as during periods of rapid snowmelt.

Very strong downslope winds occur at times mainly along the front range of Colorado. These Chinook and Bora winds can have gusts exceeding 100mph. Persons planning travel in lightweight or high-profile vehicles should avoid travel during these strong wind events especially on north-south oriented roads.

Roads which appear to be clear in the wintertime may actually be coated with a thin layer of ice, commonly known as black ice. This nearly invisible ice layer can cause you to rapidly lose control of your vehicle. Black ice is most common during the nighttime hours. If you detect black ice you should reduce your speed.

Please follow these winter travel safety recommendations which could save your life.

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OBITUARIES

Evon Frances Tarbet

July 11, 1963 ~ Nov. 5, 2018

Evon Frances Tarbet, 55, passed away Nov. 5, 2018, in Meeker, Colo. Memorial services will be held at The Church at Meeker, 1032 Jennifer Dr., in Meeker at 2 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 12, 2018. A celebration of Evon's life will be held next summer on her birthday.

She was born July 11, 1963, to Josie and LeRoy Valentine in Meeker, Colo. Evon grew up and attended schools in Meeker until 1981. She later moved to Elko, Nev., where she met the love of her life, Dale Tarbet. They then moved to Carlin, Nev., in 1992 where they raised their children.

Evon and Dale married May 10, 1996, and had a rendezvous wedding May 31, 1996, in Riverton, Wyo. Evon lived life to the fullest being a housewife and raising her children. She fiercely loved her family and was a proud grandmother of eight



Evon Tarbet

grandbabies. One of her favorite things to do was take them driving on dirt roads and down to the river to go swimming.

Evon and her husband enjoyed the outdoors, attending rendezvous and camping in the wilderness. She had an unbelievable connection to nature and absolutely loved animals (especially horses). She was artistically talented beyond measure and loved teaching her children her traits.

She deeply enjoyed music, as it soothed her soul. As a child, she played the clarinet in the school

band and the guitar when she was a teenager. She was an amazing cook and enjoyed serving people, her labor of love. Evon had a free spirit that could light up any room and a heart of gold. She would give the shirt off her back to anyone in need. She was loved by many people.

Evon is preceded in death by her brother, Clint Valentine; father, LeRoy Valentine; and her grandparents.

She is survived by her husband, Dale Tarbet; mother, Josie Pattee; daughters: Josie June, Jessie Wilcox and Stephanie Tarbet; and a son, Tyler Tarbet. She is further survived by eight grandchildren: Eva June, Nathan June, Alyssa Shinn, Tyson Shinn, Myka Gallegos, Oryon Gallegos, Landyn Gallegos and Dallin Tarbet; and several aunts, uncles, cousins, one niece and two nephews.

Duane Bruce Moeller

Jan. 23, 1949 ~ Nov. 3, 2018



Duane Moeller

Duane Bruce Moeller, 69, formerly of Rangely, Colo., passed away Nov. 3, 2018, from complications related to Parkinson's disease.

He is survived by Arlyss Raboin (sister), Stuart Moeller (brother), Jeff and Ken Raboin (nephews), Renee Kodey (niece) and many great nieces and nephews.

Duane was a dedicated teacher for 35 years. He received his bachelor's degree from Cal Poly in Pomona, Calif., and his teaching certificate from Fort Lewis College in Durango, Colo. He started his teaching career in Branson, Colo., and taught in many locations with the last 17 years in Rangely, Colo. He taught many subjects but his first love was always science. His students will remember that he always had some sort of reptile or animal in his classroom.

He was a dedicated coach of many sports with his favorite being volleyball. Duane was passionate about sports especially the Colorado Rockies and Denver Broncos. He also was very interested in weather.

There will be a private ceremony at a later date. Condolences may be sent to Renee Kodey, 5481 E. 117th Ave., Thornton, Colo., 80233 or online at www.AshleyValleyFuneralHome.com

If you wish you may make a donation to The Parkinson's Association of The Rockies.



COURTESY PHOTO

Nearly 60 CNCC students and athletes worked together to clean up portions of Highway 64 near the campus on Nov. 4.

CNCC cleans up part of Hwy. 64

Special to the Herald Times

RANGELY | Nearly 60 students and athletes from Colorado Northwestern Community College came together Nov. 4, to clean up Highway 64 near campus. The Beta Epsilon Tau chapter of Phi Theta Kappa sponsors a stretch of the highway and cleans it every semester. That Sunday was not the sunniest of Colorado Sundays, but rain or shine the students were there to help keep Rangely beautiful. Some even found ways to make it educational.

This was one of the first community outreach events sponsored by the Beta Epsilon Tau chapter at CNCC this semester. The student led honor society sets semester and yearly goals to benefit the Rangely community through events like the highway cleanup and a food drive. The students will kick off the annual food drive during the second home basketball game in November. Make sure to look for more details about the food drive and the types of items they want to collect.



COURTESY PHOTO

The cleanup was the first community outreach event of the semester for the Beta Epsilon Tau chapter at CNCC.

If you are a CNCC student remember to check your mailbox and email for your invitation to join Phi Theta Kappa this semester. PTK members have access to discounts and scholarships available to members only. For more details reach out to the Beta Epsilon Tau chapter advisors at leana.cox@cncc.edu or nicholas.swails@cncc.edu.

Shirley Zina Taylor

April 23, 1936 ~ Nov. 6, 2018

Shirley Zina Taylor was born to Sherman and Deltha (Thompson) Taylor the spring of 1936, in LaPoint, Utah. Within a few months of her birth, in June 1936, they moved to Meeker, Colo. Her parents were determined to get settled before the school year started so that her older sisters and brothers wouldn't miss any school. They settled in Powell Park. From an early age she was very outgoing. She loved to sing and play the ukelele. She even played from time to time in her father's band.

As a young lady, she worked at Oldland's Store and had a summer job at Rio Blanco Ranch, later known as the 101. After graduating from Meeker High School in 1953, she attended Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah. After completing three of her four year program,



Shirley Taylor

she was called back the Meeker to answer the need for a teacher on Piceance Creek at the Rock School. She taught side by side with her mother at Rock School for two years before returning to BYU to complete her degree.

After completing her education, she took a teaching position in California. She taught physical education and served as a counselor there. She eventually became the assistant principal in the LA County School System. When she got closer to retirement she and her lifelong friend, Barbara Meeker, took a sabbatical, traveling throughout the United States and Canada in their motor home for more than a year. Eventually she purchased a 35 acre parcel of land on Powell Park where she grew hay. She lived her summers here in Meeker where she enjoyed the beauty of the valley, her home on the White River and playing golf.

In the winter, she returned to

her home in California, where she enjoyed the warm climate and the potential for a good game of golf even in December.

Some of her favorite times included family gatherings, Fourth of July barbecues, Thanksgiving dinners, and Sunday morning brunch at the Meeker Cafe. She loved spending time with her many nieces, nephews, grand-nieces and grand-nephews.

Shirley is survived by her sister Nyla Merriam, her brother Byron Taylor and many nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by her parents, her sisters Helen, Beryl and Parma, and her brother Lynn.

Shirley was an inspiration to all and will be deeply missed by her family and all those who knew her.

A graveside funeral service will be held at 2 p.m., Monday, Nov. 19, 2018, at Highland Cemetery in Meeker.



Community Outreach Event

Nov. 26th
CNCC Craig
Campus

Nov. 27th
CNCC Rangely
Campus

Nov. 28th
Meeker
Public Library

7AM • Noon • 5:30 PM

CNCC is seeking community input! We are hosting 3 different times each day in order to get your feedback on programs you would like to see in your community. We are seeking program input to better serve the communities we are in, and want to make sure your voice is heard.

Additionally, we will have materials available for you to take regarding current program offerings. President Ron Granger, new Vice President of Instruction Keith Peterson, and CNCC Deans will be in attendance to talk with you and listen to your suggestions. We hope to see you there.



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Nov. 19-22, 2018



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TIFFANY JEHOEK PHOTOS

With an undefeated season, the lady Cowboys headed into the state tournament as league and regional champions, but fell to No. 1 ranked Yuma and No. 2 ranked Denver Christian to take third place in 2A. Head coach Greg Cravens said "this team captured more than I could have imagined." Seniors Kassie and Krissie Luce have been named to the Colorado Coaches of Girls Sports all state volleyball games Nov. 17.

Lady Cowboys take third at state tournament

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

MEEKER I Cowboy volleyball arrived at the state tournament as the only 2A undefeated team, with a record of 23-0—league champions and regional champions. The 2018 season "was an incredible journey," said head coach Greg Cravens. "With all the expectations of the season, I think this team captured more than I could have imagined."

With a bye in the first round and tournament play running hours late, the Cowboys first game began about 7 p.m. on Thursday against 7th ranked Del Norte, who fell to the Cowboys 2-3, doubling the team's set losses on the year to four.

Friday was the Cowboys second

match against number two Denver Christian. The Cowboys were handed their first loss of the year and the tournament.

Saturday arrived and Cowboy volleyball was on the court at 8 a.m. to take on Rye. Winning 3-2, the Cowboys earned "another berth in the semi-finals at the state tournament. What a great season," Cravens said.

Senior leadership was key for the 2018 season. "We will miss these seniors for everything they have done for the volleyball program, everything they have done for me and all the great times we have had over the last two years. Michaela, Lila, Allison, Sydnie, Kassie and Krissie have worked so hard for many years for all the opportunities

they achieve," Cravens said, "They have taken this program to new heights. Everytime they walked into the gym there was a standard that we all had to meet and it was expected from everyone each time we were together."

Entering the semifinals, the Cowboys faced the number one ranked team from Yuma.

"Even in the last match of their high school careers, they will be remembered for how well they played against Yuma but also what great people they are off the court," Cravens said about the 2018 Cowboy Volleyball team. They fell to Yuma 3-1, in close scoring sets. "Shortly after the match. "I received an email from Bethany Brookens, assistant commissioner at CHSAA,

complimenting the team on their great sportsmanship," Cravens said, "The whole team is very good at volleyball but have a great understanding about their abilities and how grateful they are for the chance to show their skills off."

Cravens continued: "I'm very happy to be part of the ride of an undefeated regular season but the memories off the court will last a lifetime. Bus trips, eating outings, summer camps and trying to catch birds, these young ladies made life exciting."

Kassie and Krissie Luce have been named to the Colorado Coaches of Girls Sports, CCGS, All State Volleyball match on Nov. 17. Awards will be posted as soon as they are released.

2018 SEASON STATS

- KILLS**
 Krissie Luce: 294
 Julia Dinwiddie: 253
 Sydnie Main: 170
- SERVING ACES**
 Addie Joy: 53
 Lila Klinglesmith: 45
 Kassie Luce: 39
- DIGS**
 Lila Klinglesmith: 504
 Kassie Luce: 369
 Krissie Luce: 342



Panthers fall to Farmers 38-22 in state quarterfinal

Special to the Herald Times

RANGELY I Last Saturday the Rangely Panthers traveled to Hoehne, Colo., for a state quarterfinals matchup with the Farmers. The game lived up to all the hype deliver some great football and intense situations for both sides. The Farmers started off quick adding 14 quick unanswered points and had a 14-0 lead going into the second quarter. The Panther offense then came alive with an 8-yard rushing touchdown by Devin Ramirez but the Panthers were stuffed on the conversion. Bringing the score to 14-6 after a failed conversion. Then the Farmers scored immediately again on a run from their fullback. The Panthers finished out the half with a great drive capped by a 25-yard pass from Drew Brannan to Tristan Moore. Devin Ramirez added the two point conversion on a reception from Drew Brannan. Score at halftime was the

leading Farmers 22-14.

The second half started out as physical as the first. The Farmers scoring first and the Panthers answering with a 2-yard run from Titus Coombs who also added the conversion. After that the Panthers played stellar defense and put themselves institutions to score a couple more times but all the drives after that were stopped by penalties against the Panthers. The final score was 38-22 Hoehne.

The Panther football team played a hard fought game that was indicative of all those seniors career here in Rangely. They would like to thank all of the parents, the community, sponsors and everyone else who supported them along the way. It was great season and although it didn't end as they would like they made a name for themselves and have put Rangely football back in the conversations of many across the state.



MATT SCOGGINS PHOTO

RHS seniors Tristan Moore (24) senior Riley Boydston (79) try to hold back the Hoehne Farmers as junior Tytus Coombs takes off with the ball in the team's final game of the season at the state A-8 Man quarterfinals.

READY TO WRESTLE ...



BOBBY GUTIERREZ

Meeker head wrestling coach J.C. Watt (center) addressed about one-half of his team last Monday on the first official night of wrestling practice with his full coaching staff in force behind him. Coach Watt said he expected about 25 wrestlers to join the team after several take a few days off after the football season. Watt will again be assisted by Carl Padilla, who has been involved with the Meeker wrestling program for 25 years, and former MHS graduate and state champion Tyrell Turner. The Cowboys will also get help from Meeker's new dentist Trevor Grant, an Arizona two-state high school champion and college All-American for the University of Southern Colorado, as well as Fowler High School graduate and state champion Brandon Grasmick, who works for ERBM Recreation and Parks District.

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Cowboy football season ends with 42-8 loss to Limon Badgers

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

MEEKER I The 2018 Cowboy football season didn't end quite like head coach Shane Phelan wanted, with a 42-8 loss, at the hands of the Limon Badgers.

"In perspective there are lots of positives that took place," he said. "We didn't play as well as I would have liked, unable to execute in some key spots," said Phelan. The Cowboys had less than 100 total yards in the first half of play, and by the end of the game they had a combined 357 through the air and on the ground.

In the last two years this the the third matchup of

the Cowboys and the Badgers, the most recent being game three of the 2018 regular season. In that match-up the Cowboys had a total of 476 yards but still suffered a loss at the hands of the Badgers.

"We are happy to get into the playoffs and happy to play at home before traveling to Limon," Phelan said. For the seniors on the team this was their last game in their high school careers, of which each season has taken them into post-season play.

"Every season is an opportunity for growth," commented Phelan, "I am grateful to the seniors for the last four years and for being leaders on and off the field."

There were 46 boys on the team this year, and they all traveled to the playoffs and continued practicing. "I couldn't be prouder of the young men in Meeker," said Phelan.



MHS sophomore quarterback Ryan Phelan (10) helped lead the Meeker Cowboys football team to the 1A state quarterfinals this year, where they lost to the No. 1 ranked, undefeated Limon Badgers for the second time this season. The seniors on the team have played in the post-season every year of their high school careers.

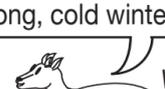
SEASON STATS: OFFENSE

Passing	Ryan Phelan	1869 Yards
Rushing	Tannen Kennedy	632 Yards
Rushing	Kellon Turner	320 Yards
Rushing	Ryan Phelan	255 Yards
Receiving	Andy Kracht	687 Yards
Receiving	Jake Shelton	297 Yards
Receiving	Stephen Welsh	193 Yards
Points	Ryan Phelan	64
Points	Andy Kracht	52
Points	Tannen Kennedy	22

SEASON STATS: DEFENSE

Tackles	Luis Villalpando	101
Tackles	James Amick	97
Tackles	Tannen Kennedy	66
Sacks	Braydlen Woodward	44
Sacks	Brennan Jensen	37
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Points	Tevin Pellori	6

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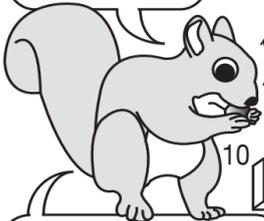
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...the long, cold winter months ahead.

Have you ever watched squirrels in the fall gathering all the acorns they can find?



Hmmm...let's find out what you know about squirrels!

Read the clues to fill in this puzzle:

1. may be as small as a mouse or as large as a _____
2. fur _____ may be gray, golden brown, red, black or white
3. four sharp front ones; can bite through the hardest nut shells
4. used for steering, balance, shade and warmth
5. use these to hold; bury food
6. over one _____ types of squirrels
7. squirrels _____: bark, squeal and chatter
8. _____ themselves a lot
9. find nuts with this keen sense
10. ground squirrels have these in cheeks to carry food
11. make these in tree hollows, on branches, in ground
12. fruits, nuts, berries, seeds, insects, eggs are _____

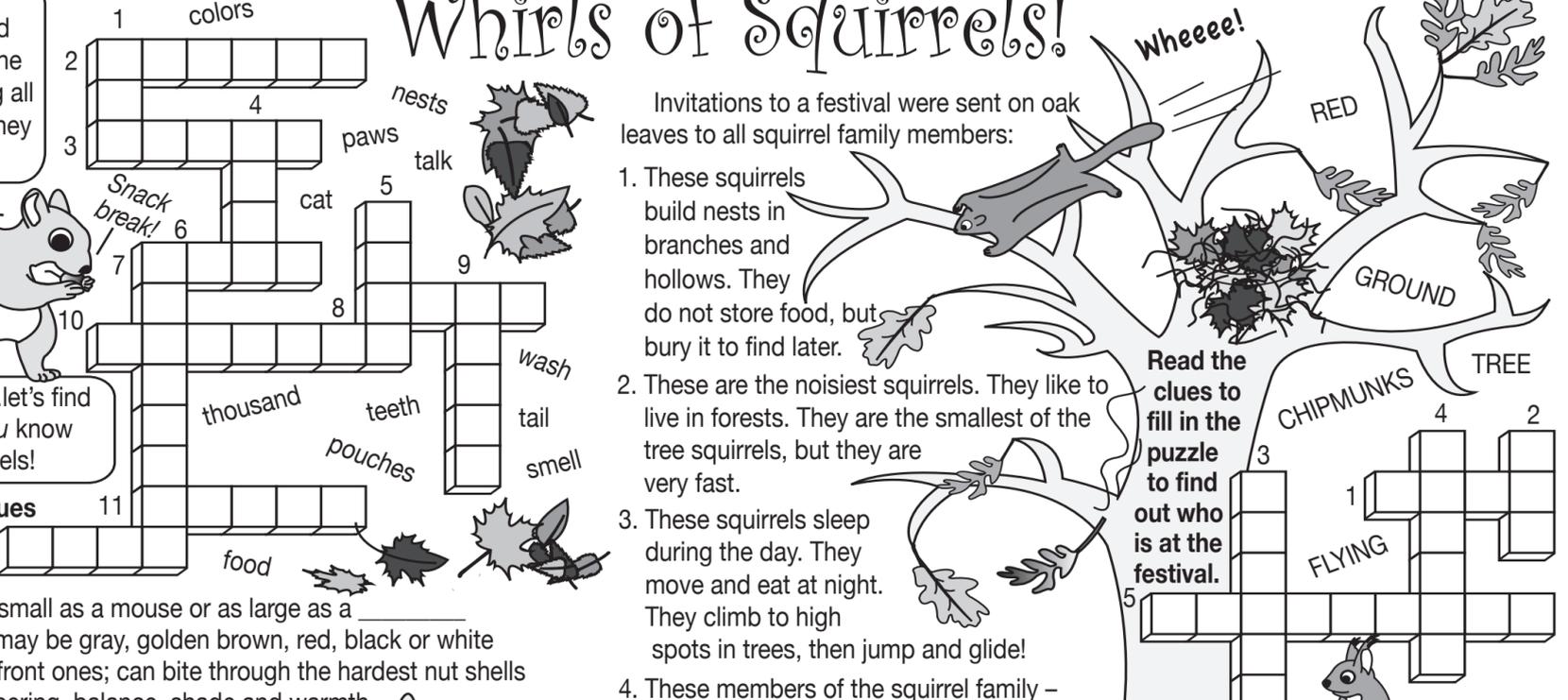
Whirls of Squirrels!

Invitations to a festival were sent on oak leaves to all squirrel family members:

1. These squirrels build nests in branches and hollows. They do not store food, but bury it to find later.
2. These are the noisiest squirrels. They like to live in forests. They are the smallest of the tree squirrels, but they are very fast.
3. These squirrels sleep during the day. They move and eat at night. They climb to high spots in trees, then jump and glide!
4. These members of the squirrel family – woodchucks, prairie dogs and marmots – all have burrows in the earth. They store food and hibernate in winter.
5. These dig burrows. They have dark and light stripes on their faces. They carry food in cheek pouches to store it for the winter. They sleep, but they wake up to nibble food.

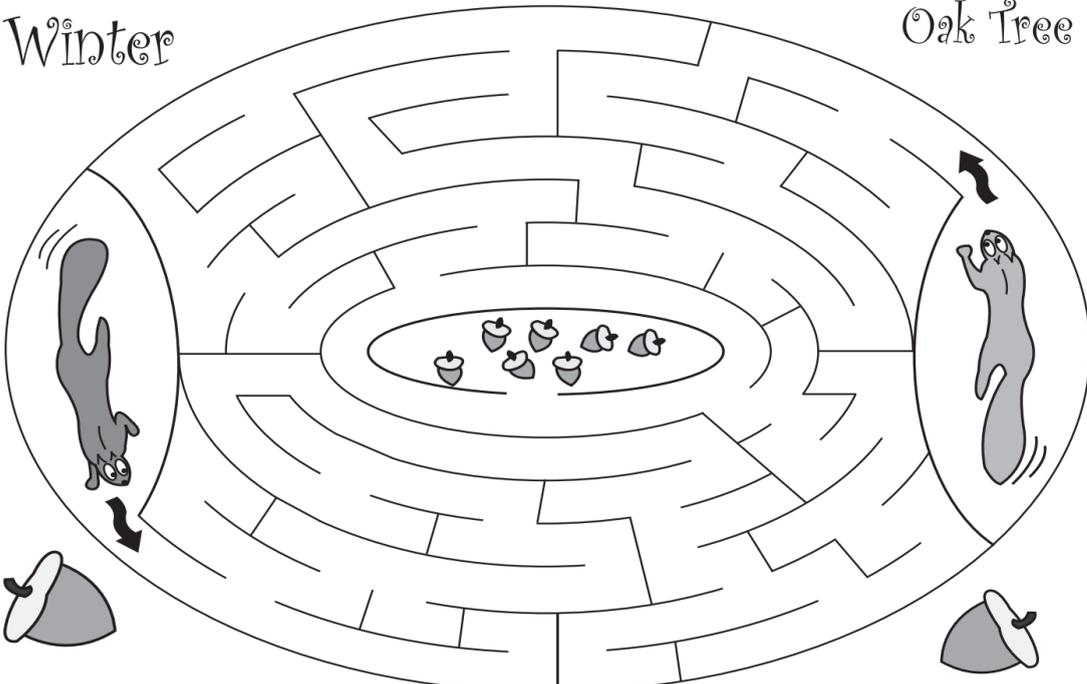
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Read the clues to fill in the puzzle to find out who is at the festival.



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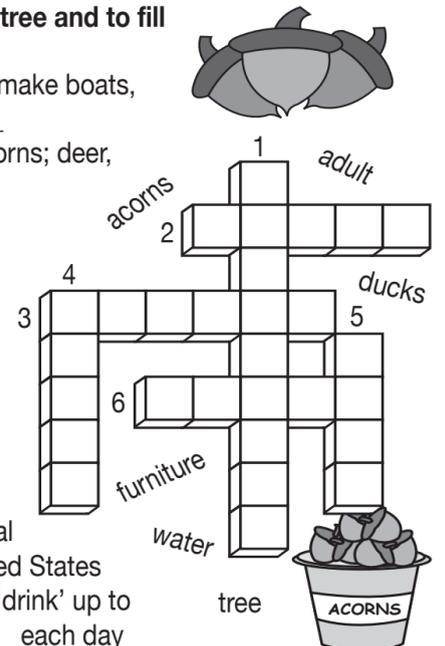
Help the squirrels race to find acorns to store in their nests before the cold weather comes.



The Mighty Oak Tree

From what tree do acorns fall? Why, the mighty oak tree! Do you know that the acorns are the seeds of the oak tree? Read the clues below to learn more about the oak tree and to fill in the puzzle:

1. oak wood is used to make boats, flooring and _____
2. many animals eat acorns; deer, squirrels, chipmunks, _____, and more
3. an oak tree can produce up to 2,000 _____ every year
4. only 1 acorn out of every 10,000 grows enough to become an _____ tree
5. the Oak is the national _____ of the United States
6. a full grown oak can 'drink' up to 50 gallons of _____ each day



Support the Meeker Education Foundation on Colorado Gives Day Dec. 4

Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER | WHAT IS COLORADO GIVES DAY?

Community First Foundation and FirstBank will present the 2018 Colorado Gives Day on Tuesday, Dec. 4. All charities listed on ColoradoGives.org, including the Meeker Education Foundation, have met the high standards of Community First Foundation's screening. They are recognized by

the Internal Revenue Service and the Secretary of State as nonprofits in good standing and all donations to them are tax deductible.

You're invited to consider supporting the work of the Meeker Education Foundation through this online, statewide, giving event. MEF's profile is on their website, ColoradoGives.org.

WHY IS THIS A GOOD WAY TO SUPPORT MEF?

Community First Foundation and FirstBank have generously established a \$1 million incentive fund and every nonprofit receiving donations on Colorado Gives Day will receive a prorated portion of this fund. Your donation will be boosted and MEF will receive more than the amount of



your gift. You may reschedule a donation through Colorado Gives Day ahead of time or make one Dec. 4.

In the past four years the Meeker Education Foundation's focus has been to support the Meeker School District's Curriculum Development Plan. The Foundation has funded supporting

curricular materials through its Grant Award Program. Thanks to its generous donors, MEF has been able to invest more than \$240,000 in our classrooms by purchasing multiple sets of textbooks; other curricular materials, equipment and supplies; technology hardware (laptops, tablets); student enrichment opportunities and the Meeker Elementary Garden (an effective outdoor classroom utilized for scientific education and incorporating

many interdisciplinary lessons for math, writing and reading, social studies and the arts).

HOW TO DONATE:

- 1) Go to ColoradoGives.org
- 2) enter "Meeker Education Foundation, Inc." in the "Search by name, keyword" box
- 3) enter "nonprofits" in the next drop down box labeled "Sort by"
- 4) MEF's logo and donation box will come up.

BOCC: emergency management, road and bridge updates

Continued from Page 3A

Support of the bill would aid with obtaining grant funding for law enforcement and the DA's office.

Additionally, Cheney said Jessica King has come in as the new assistant district attorney for Rio Blanco County.

"She's an experienced prosecutor," Cheney said.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Chuck Vale, Northwest Region Field Manager for the Office of Emergency Management, met with the BOCC Tuesday afternoon and encouraged the board to keep the line of communication with RBC Emergency Manager Ty Gates clear and open. According to Vale, some counties "bury" the emergency

manager's position under layers of bureaucracy, thus hindering communication and progress.

"If we get into a large-scale event, I need access to you, as the board. The last thing I need is for your emergency manager to be so buried in some department they can't speak to me," Vale said, later adding, "Your current program is working well."

Sheriff Mazzola agreed, stating, "Ty and I work well as a team. This last fire season shows the strength of our [county] program."

In regular business items, the board:

Approved what they believe are final payments to contractors for the Fairfield Center remodel to the tune of \$28,108. The offices at the Fairfield are now home to RBC Public Health and the Department of Human Services, formerly housed at Meeker Town Hall.

Approved Colorado Department of Transportation surveys for crosswalks in Rangely.

RBC ROAD AND BRIDGE

The county's road and bridge department continues to respond to regulations from BLM and Army Corps of Engineers before it can repair water erosion damage to County Road 27 which has created a dangerous section of road.



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47. On one's guard
48. Take for ransom
50. Gingrich of politics
52. Female sib
53. Hoodlum
55. Comic cry
57. *Early Thanksgiving celebrant
61. *It's on the final Thanksgiving Parade float
64. Convex molding
65. High or low
67. "Roots" author
69. *Post-Thanksgiving song
70. Yoga accessory
71. Accustom
72. "The Man Who _____ Too Much"
73. Possessive of it
74. Opposite of digest

- DOWN**
1. Roth _____
 2. Turf alternative
 3. Shots, for short
 4. Roughly
 5. Root vegetable
 6. "I flew like a flash, tore open the shutters, and threw up _____"
 7. *Not cake
 8. Wet nurses
 9. Capital of Ukraine
 10. Capri, e.g.
 11. Hollow baglike structures
 12. Vegas bandit
 15. Gibraltar or Bering
 20. Synagogue read
 22. Willie Nelson's "Farm _____"
 24. Like fans
 25. *Like Friday after Thanksgiving
 26. Chinese fruit
 27. "_____and-true"
 29. *_____eating
 31. "The _____" talk show
 32. Astros' homeland
 33. Wombs
 34. *Parade organizer
 36. Port in Yemen
 38. Created a rug?
 42. Handrail post
 45. "Snow _____" band
 49. Between Sigma and Epsilon
 51. Tittering laugh sound
 54. Savory taste sensation
 56. Asian wild ass
 57. From chicken pox
 58. He was terrible
 59. Elders' teachings
 60. Neon effect
 61. Exercise groups
 62. Adhesive
 63. Not his
 66. *The oldest balloon animal
 68. Hitherto



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PAYROLL ACCOUNTS PAYABLE
TOWN OF MEEKER
8/31/2018 Disbursements
GENERAL FUND
Town of Meeker, Total Payroll, \$46,194.75
A-1 Collection Agency, Emp. Payment, \$357.18
CCOERA, Emp. Retirement - PD, \$2,724.30
CCOERA, Emp. Retirement, \$6,732.44
CCOERA, Emp. Loan Payments, \$478.60
CEBT, Health, Dental, Vision & Life, \$18,675.71
Emp. Withholding, Federal Withholding, \$4,671.00
Emp. Withholding, State Withholding, \$2,119.90
Emp. Withholding, Medicare Withholding, \$1,774.42
Emp. Withholding, SS Withholding, \$4,704.72
MHRG, Employee Donation, \$26.50
Standard Ins. Company, Life/AD&D Ins., \$901.37
Washington National Ins., Cancer Ins., \$152.54
Petty Cash, Record Fees, Pstg., \$81.95
All Copy Prod., Copier Lease & Usage, \$474.88
Alco, Coveralls, \$21.53
Arrow Trophies, Elk Bugling Trophies, \$235.18
Atmos, Natural Gas, \$252.78
Atmos, Natural Gas, \$70.46
Better Cities, Svc's., \$2,000.00
Boadachia, Rest. Paid, \$83.13
Century Link, Phone Svc., \$456.72
Century Link, Phone Svc., \$453.64
CMRS - PB, Reimb. Pstg., \$58.62
CO. Doc. Security, Document Dest., \$50.00
Ducey's Elec., Front Door Wiring, \$86.66
Eagle River Waste, Trash Svc., \$226.00
Family Auto, Brakes / AC Veh., \$299.91
Flora Bellas, Reimb. Bus. Grant, \$600.00
Gall's, Uniforms, \$156.69
Herald Times, Legal Pub., \$246.00
Jason's Automotive, 4 New Tires, \$313.02
Jean's Printing, Warning Notice Books, \$342.68
Massey, Dixie, Rest. Paid, \$66.30
McGuire Auto, Fuel & Oil Filter, \$152.54
Meeker Auto, Wiper Blades, Motor Oil, \$60.78
Meeker Auto, Box of Rags, \$62.67
MGM, Gloves, \$33.99
MVB Visa, Lodging, Meals, \$660.37
Net. of the Rockies, Mo. Support, New Server, \$3,075.00
Newman Signs, Speed Limit Signs, \$529.77
Noble, Laurie Atty., Muni Judge Svc. & Travel, \$405.00
Northwest Auto, Oxygen, \$28.65
Northwest Auto, 4 New Tires, \$335.05
Old Dominion Brush, Brooms St. Sweeper, \$1,669.82
Olszewski, Massih, Legal Fees, \$3,264.00
Overton Recycle Inc., Recycling Svc., \$2,916.67

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Overton, Russell, Reimb. Safety Boots, \$195.46
Pitney Bowes, Pstg. Meter Rental, \$40.74
RBC Fire Prot. Dist., Refund on Bldg. Equity Acct., \$4,636.41
RBC Fleet Mgt., Fuel, \$1,595.94
RBC ICT Dept., Internet Svc., \$89.58
RBC Weed & Pest, Weed Chemical, \$698.63
RG & Assoc., Comp Plan Review, Sept. Svc., \$1,642.50
RMR, HRA Claims, \$1,716.50
RMR, Mo. Admin Fee, \$64.95
Samuelson's, Raid Foggers, \$17.57
Samuelson's, Materials for Sulphur Creek, \$656.67
Ultra Max, Ammo, \$423.00
Union Telephone, Cell Phone Svc., \$516.02
Valley Hardware, Antifreeze, Paint, \$114.81
Vermeer, Pothole Machine Repairs, \$742.60
Wagner Cat, Cat Care Kit, \$99.67
Watt's, Dog Treats, \$24.36
Watt's, Cleaning Supplies, \$115.73
White River Dist., Water Cooler Rental, \$48.75
White River Elec., Elec., \$2,113.35
White River Elec., Elec., \$2,538.70
Wyatt's, Door Prizes, \$208.58
Total General Fund: \$127,584.41
Town of Meeker, Total Payroll, \$13,665.07
A-1 Collection Agency, Employee Payment, \$357.17
CCOERA, Employee Retirement, \$2,520.08
CCOERA, Employee Loans, \$617.06
CEBT, Health, Dental, Vision & Life, \$5,890.92
Emp. Withholding, SS Withholding, \$2,495.12
Emp. Withholding, Medicare Withholding, \$583.54
Emp. Withholding, Federal Withholding, \$1,001.85
Emp. Withholding, State Withholding, \$417.10
MHRG, Employee Donation, \$18.50
Standard Ins. Company, Life/AD&D Insurance, \$308.76
Washington Nat. Ins., Cancer Insurance, \$155.96
US Postmaster, Water Billing Pstg., \$182.14
All Copy Products, Copier Lease & Usage, \$60.72
Alco, Coveralls, \$21.53
Century Link, Phone Svc., \$172.53
CMRS - PB, Reimb. Pstg., \$135.10
Core & Main, MIU's, \$1,030.00
Jason's, 4 New Tires, \$313.02
Meeker Auto, Motor Oil, \$24.80
Northwest Auto, 4 New Tires, \$285.80
Olsson, Well Power & SCADA, \$15,961.25
Olszewski, Massih, Legal Fees, \$176.00
RBC Fleet Management, Fuel, \$352.55
Rocky Mtn Reserve, HRA Claims, \$512.72
Samuelson's, Raid Foggers, \$41.10
Union Telephone, Cell Phone Svc., \$83.92

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UNC, Line Locates, \$150.80
Valley Hardware, Antifreeze, Paint, \$49.24
Vermeer, Pothole Machine Repairs, \$742.61
Wagner Cat, Cat Care Kit, \$99.68
White River Elec., Electric., \$2,395.64
Century Link, Phone Svc., \$97.63
Eaton Sales & Svc., Switches, \$434.32
Meeker Auto, Box of Rags, Gloves, \$75.58
MCHDLR, Water Tests, \$40.00
Mountain Cross Eng., Water Street Line Est., \$232.50
Pitney Bowes, Pstg. Meter Rental, \$29.53
RBC ICT Dept., Internet Svc., \$17.61
RMR, Mo. Admin Fee, \$20.05
Samuelson's, Torch Blade, \$53.34
Watt's, Cleaning Supplies, \$35.72
White River Elec., Elect., \$4,613.89
MVB Visa, Water Lic. Renewals, \$331.51
DPC Industries, Canister Chg., \$80.00
Atmos, Natural Gas, \$38.68
Total Water Fund: \$56,922.64
Total Both Funds: \$184,507.05
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the Matter of the Estate of Del Paul Turner, Deceased
Rio Blanco County District Court
Case No. 18PR30013
All persons having claims against the above named estate are required to present them to the personal representative or to the District Court of Rio Blanco County, Colorado on or before March 2, 2019, or the claims may be forever barred.
Michael L. Turner, Personal Representative
47 Cherry Hills Farm Drive
Englewood, CO 80113
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Eastern Rio Blanco County Health Service District Notice of Proposed Budget

Notice is hereby given that a proposed budget has been submitted to the Eastern Rio Blanco County Health Service District (dba Pioneers Medical Center) Board of Directors for the budget year 2019.
A budget hearing for the proposed 2019 budget has been scheduled for November 27th, 2018 at 12:00 noon in the Board Conference room at Pioneers Medical Center, 100 Pioneers Medical Center Drive, Meeker, Colorado, 81641 at which time it will be considered by the Board of

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Directors for adoption.
A copy of such proposed budget has been filed in the office of the District at 100 Pioneers Medical Center Drive, Meeker, Colorado, 81641, where the same is open for public inspection.
Any interested elector of the District may file or register any objections and/or protest to the proposed budget at any time prior to the final adoption of the budget by the Board of Directors.
Board of Directors
Eastern Rio Blanco County Health Service District
By Karolyn Michalewicz, Secretary
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PUBLIC NOTICE

As the snow season approaches, please remove everything from the street, such as trailers parked along the curb or in cul-de-sacs, vehicles that are not used all of the time and basketball hoops. We take this opportunity to thank you in advance for your cooperation. If you have any questions or need further information, please call (970)878-5344.
Scott Meszaros, Town Administrator
Russell Overton, Public Works Superintendent
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PUBLIC HEARING

The Meeker Planning Commission will be holding a public hearing, Monday, November 19, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. to consider the following variance request.
A. Applicant James and Nancy Harris, 1170 Gail Circle - Lots 346 and 347, Resubdivision of Sanderson Hills Subdivision Phase 2, Filing 1 According to the Plat thereof filed May 5, 2006 as Reception No. 284732, Town of Meeker, are requesting a 7 ft. variance from the required 20 ft. rear yard setback to construct a 16' 6" X 14' covered deck on the backside of the new home. The meeting will be held at Town Hall, 345 Market Street, downstairs in the Board Room. If you have comments for or against the application, you are invited to attend the hearing or submit written comments, prior to the meeting, to Town Hall, 345 Market Street, Meeker, CO 81641. Further information is available by contacting Sharon Day at Town Hall or by telephone, 970-878-4960, Monday through Friday.
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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 2019; 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 12, 2018 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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Board of County Commissioners Of Rio Blanco County, Colorado Rio Blanco County Annex Building 17497 Highway 64 Rangely, Colorado 81648

Tentative Board Agenda November 19, 2018
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 19, 2018 Tentative Agenda
1) Move to Approve the November 19, 2018 Agenda including any changes.
CONSENT AGENDA FOR NOVEMBER 19, 2018:
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.
Move to Approve the below listed items of the Consent Agenda.
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Resolution 1_ None.
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of Rio Blanco, County, Colorado on or before March 1, 2019, or the claims may be forever barred.
Jody Meakins, Personal Representative
c/o Olszewski, Massih & Maurer, P.C.
P.O. Box 916
Glenwood Springs, CO 81602
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INVITATION TO BID TOWN OF DINOSAUR WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT IMPROVEMENTS PHASE III-A DINOSAUR, COLORADO NOVEMBER 14, 2018

Sealed bids for Phase III-A of the Town of Dinosaur's Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements project will be received at the Dinosaur Town Hall, 317 Stegosaurus Freeway, P.O. Box 238, Dinosaur, Colorado 81610 until 2:00 p.m. local time, Wednesday, December 5, 2018 at which time, in said office, bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. Mailed bids should be addressed to L.D. Smith, Mayor, Town of Dinosaur.
The construction site is located at the Town's existing Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) and is entirely within an inactive/dry evaporative lagoon cell (Lagoon Cell #1). The WWTP site is located approximately 1/2-mile southeast of the Town of Dinosaur, Colorado, just off State Highway 64.
The construction for which bids are being requested generally consist of the removal and hauling of dried biosolids to land application site(s), and to clear and grub interior side slopes around the entire perimeter of the existing lagoon cell in preparation of a future Phase III-B to place a synthetic liner in the lagoon cell. The Phase III-A project includes the following major items.
1. Site preparation including construction of temporary access into the lagoon bottom as necessary to remove existing biosolids, and any other necessary site preparation (i.e., fence removal, truck turnaround access) to facilitate removal of the biosolids.
2. Removal and hauling of dried biosolids (approximately 2,500 C.Y.) from the lagoon cell to land application sites (two land application sites have been secured by the Town that are located approximately 25-miles one-way from the WWTP site). The Town has received the required Notice of Authorization to land apply the biosolids for beneficial use from the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment. Amending the biosolids into the agricultural fields is to be completed by the individual property owners.
3. Clearing and grubbing of interior side slopes in the lagoon cell.
4. Site Restoration including final grading of the lagoon cell bottom after biosolids have been removed to provide for a uniform surface (e.g., removal of ruts and/or deformations from equipment and/or dump trucks used in removing biosolids).
5. Demobilization/remobilization in the event a winter shut-down is necessary due to inclement winter weather conditions.
The Contract Documents, including Plans and Specifications may be examined at the following locations:
1. WestWater Engineering, 2516 Foresight Circle #1, Grand Junction, Colorado
2. Dinosaur Town Hall, 317 Stegosaurus Freeway, Dinosaur, Colorado
3. Western Colorado Contractors, 2470 Patterson Road, #14, Grand Junction, Colorado
A hard copy or e-file copy of the Plans and Specifications may be obtained by contacting WestWater Engineering, 2516 Foresight Circle #1, Grand Junction, CO 81505, (970) 241-7076. There is no charge for the Plans and Specifications.
Complete instructions regarding insurance, bonds, and bidding requirements are given in the Contract Documents. A bid security of 5% is required. The Owner reserves the right to waive informalities in the Bids and to reject any or all Bids. Performance and payment bonds are not required on the Contract.
A non-mandatory pre-bid site visit will assemble at the Dinosaur Town Hall at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 27, 2018. A visit to the site can also be scheduled by contacting Richard Blakley, ORC, at the Town of Dinosaur at (970) 374-2286.
FOR THE TOWN OF DINOSAUR
BY: L. D. Smith, Mayor
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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF BUDGET
RIO BLANCO WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
Notice is hereby given that a proposed budget has been submitted to the Rio Blanco Water Conservancy District Board of Directors for the ensuing year of 2019; a copy of such proposed budget has been filed in the office of the Rio Blanco Water Conservancy District located at 2252 East Main, Rangely, Colorado, where same is open for public inspection; such proposed budget will be considered at a scheduled monthly meeting of the Board of Directors to be held at the District's office, 2252 East Main on Wednesday, November 28, 2018 at 6:00 P.M. Any interested elector of such Rio Blanco Water Conservancy District may inspect the proposed budget and file or register any objections thereto at any time prior to the final adoption of the budget.
Published: November 15th and November 22nd, 2018
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NOTICE OF SALE
Notice is given that Randy Striegel will sell at public auction, to be held at 17030 Highway 64, W. Rangely, CO 81648, on Tuesday, November 20, 2018 at 10:30 a.m., to the highest bidder for cash, the following property: 1,950 shares of common stock of W. C. Striegel, Inc. Dated November 8, 2018
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PIONEERS MEDICAL CENTER
A community oriented medical center with high patient standards, is hiring for the following positions:
PRN:
■ RN - Acute/ED
■ RN or LPN - LTC
■ Certified Nursing Assistant - LTC
■ Food Service Tech
■ PCT - Acute/ED
FULL-TIME: [eligible for benefits & sign-on bonus]:
■ Occupational Therapist
■ LPN or RN - LTC
■ MLT or MLS - Laboratory
■ LPN or RN - LTC - Nights
FULL-TIME: [eligible for benefits]:
■ Physical Therapy Assistant
■ Registered Nurse - Acute/ED
■ Certified Nursing Assistant - Nights - LTC
■ Registered Nurse - Surgery
■ Cook
Submit Resume and/or Application to:
Pioneers Medical Center, HR,
100 Pioneers Medical Center Dr.,
Meeker, Colo., 81641
Visit our Website at:
www.pioneershospital.org
Pioneers Medical Center
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SAFEHOUSE
If you are being abused physically or mentally, you can call SAFEHOUSE for confidential shelter and help.
878-3131
Lodging Tax meeting, Elk Mountain Inn, November 20th @ 5:00 p.m. All welcome. 11/15

Meeker Housing Authority Board of Directors meets the 3rd Thursday of the month at 6:00 PM at The Pines, 875 Water St., Meeker.

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

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

RECREATION & PARK DISTRICT
EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES
Part Time Positions
Recreation Coordinator (General/Athletics)
- Work up to 30 hours per week
Recreation Assistant
- Work up to 30 hours per week
For details and an application, go to www.ERBMRec.com or 101 Ute Road, Meeker CO. 970-878-7417
EOE

ANNOUNCEMENTS


Retirement is boring so I'm reopening my shop for all your sewing needs. For an appointment call 970-878-3193
Lee Light (The Seamstress) 11/15-12/13

AA & Al-Anon Meetings - Rangely Alcoholics Anonymous - Open meetings Tues & Thurs, 7 p.m., 115 Kennedy Dr., St. Timothy's Episcopal Church, Rangely.
Al-Anon meets Monday, 8:15 p.m., 207 S. Sunset, 1st Baptist Church, Rangely. Al-Anon info call 970-629-5064 or 970-629-2970.
Women's NA/AA meetings, Monday 1:30 p.m., St. Timothy's.

Veterans Service Offices Rio Blanco County: Veterans Service Officer - Joe Dungan, Wednesday, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., County Administration Building, 200 Main Street Suite 300, Meeker, 878-9690 office, 878-3219 home. Fax 878-9581. Rangely: Veterans Service Officer - Hoot Gibson, Tuesday and Thursday, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., County Annex, 17497 State Hwy 64, Rangely. 878-9695 office, 675-2669 home

AUCTIONS

Saturday, November 17
1405 Main Street
Silt, Colorado
Antiques of all kinds, furniture, glassware, 14 pairs of spurs, boots, saddle, 3 live chickens, wood tools - drill press, bandsaws, benches, stains, wood drum sander, hand planer, dust collector, wicker caning, security system, Indian items, hanging iron lamps, and more. Out West Antique Store in Carbonade closed a year ago items are stored at Green Diamond Storage in Silt. For more info call Steve Claypole, CP Auction Service 970-260-5577. See www.cpauktion.com "Call us about a sale for you". 11/8-11/15

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES
• Caseworker
• District Supervisor, Rangely R&B
• Motor Vehicle Assistant, Meeker
• Patrol Deputy
• Relief 911 Dispatcher
• Relief Control Room Specialist
For details and a Rio Blanco County application, please go to www.rbc.us or Rio Blanco County HR at 555 Main St., Meeker, CO. 970-878-9570.
ADAEOE

ELDER CARE SERVICES

★★★★
Western Slope In-Home Care, serving all of Rio Blanco County. We are a small local home care company with large care giver teams, providing personal care and home making services. We help with small jobs, such as once a week or periodic jobs, to big 24 hr jobs in the clients home. Free consultations, no contract. #970-878-7008

FARM ANIMALS

Free to a good home, 5 female Nigerian Dwarf goats, 6 months old. 970-987-28077 11/8

FOR SALE

FIREWOOD - Assorted hardwoods. You select, load, haul. \$150 per cord. Delivery available. 970-309-4077 11/15

GUNS

Smith & Wesson Bodyguard 380 pistol. Mint condition in original box and zipper case. Less than 100 rounds fired. \$325. 970-404-1238

HELP WANTED: GENERAL

Looking for auto tech for EZ Auto. Apply at shop at 807 E Main in Rangely. We do pre employment drug and alcohol testing. 11/1-15

Certified Welders Needed. Steel company in Silt is hiring welder fabricators. Drivers License required. Company will certify you. Send resume to rocky@soprissteel.com. Call 970-370-0780 for more info. 11/1-11/29

Steel company in Silt hiring metal fabricator/welder. Experience with architectural metals, railings and stairs preferred. Drivers license required. Excellent wages for the right person. Please email resume to rocky@soprissteel.com. Call 970-379-0780 for more info. 11/1-11/29

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To place a 25-word COSCAN Network ad in 91 Colorado newspapers for only \$300, contact your local newspaper or call Colorado Press Association Network at 303-571-5117.
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Cash for Mineral Rights
Free, no-risk, cash offer. Contact us with the details:
Call: 720-988-5617
Write: Minerals, PO BOX 3668, Littleton, CO 80161
Email: opportunity@ecmresourcesinc.com
COLORADO PRESS ASSOCIATION NETWORK
Buy a 25-word statewide classified line ad in newspapers across the state of Colorado for just \$300 per week. Ask about our frequency discounts!
Contact this newspaper or call Colorado Press Association Network 303-571-5117

HELP WANTED: GENERAL

HUNTING SEASON IS APPROACHING!
MAKE SOME EXTRA CASH\$\$\$!
NOW HIRING AT MA FAMIGLIA RESTAURANT.
BACK OF HOUSE.
STOP BY FOR AN APPLICATION.

Part-time hours currently available in Meeker! Join a progressive, innovative organization. Horizons is seeking a Direct Support Professional to help adults with developmental disabilities live empowered lives as integrated members of our community. Requirements: 21 or older, CO driver's license. EOE. Application available at www.horizonsnwc.org. Please contact Madeline at 970-879-1808 or miangren@horizonsnwc.org. 11/8-12/6

HOMES: MEEKER

For Sale: 14x70 mobile home on 2 acres, 4 miles west of Meeker, 3 BDR/1BA, cistern, \$70,000. 970-756-0718 or 970-878-4629 10/11-11/8

HUNTING

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

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.

MUSIC

PIANO LESSONS
Openings available. \$15/weekly for 1/2 hour lessons. Ages 6 and above. Call or text Laura at 970-930-5621.

RENTALS: MEEKER

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

STORAGE DEPOT 10x25 unit. 878-4808.

2 BDR/1.5 BA townhouse. Call 970-260-3302

Cute mobile home, 2 BDR/1 BA, quiet, yard, \$500 deposit required, N/S. \$450 + gas & electric. Patty 970-260-9416 11/15

For Rent in Meeker, upstairs of house, 2000 square feet, 2 bedrooms, could be 4. Living room, dining room, kitchen, laundry room, all appliances. Fenced yard. Street parking or behind the house. 1100 per month negotiable, first, last and security, 6-month lease, but can go month to month. Call 970-756-0484 11/15-11/22

SPACIOUS 2BD/1BA apartments available immediately. Owner pays trash, sewer, water and heating. Coin operated laundry on-site. \$550/\$600 monthly. 970-756-4895.

CLEAN REMODELED 2BD apartments, in-house laundry, storage units available, close to shopping and the downtown area & more. \$595 per month. Western Exposures Realty LLC (970) 321-2777.

AVAILABLE NOW: retail space in the center of Meeker at 6th and Main in the historic Hugus Building. Includes over 5000 square feet and loading dock in the alley. This former general store has Main Street display, windows, antique ceiling, freight elevator, built-in cupboards and 1910 era show cases. Call 970-878-4138 for details.

RENTALS: RANGELY

2 BDR/2BA Apt/Duplex, covered parking, No Smoking/No Pets. Call 970-778-5040

2 BDR house upstairs, 3 rooms downstairs, fenced in yard, 1 car garage, central heating and a/c. 970-629-3605

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

SILVER SAGE RV PARK RV
Spaces for rent.
Manager: Katie Willis
(970)675-2259 or cell: (970)629-0437

WANTED

Finicky little white dogs need old venison or beef for dog food. Freezer burned ok. No sausage, pork or chicken. Call or text 970-948-9547.

REAL ESTATE CORNER

Strawberry Patch Road Parcels
Great time to buy before the end of the year! Two 5 acre parcels with ponds, fencing and electricity! Owner Financing
PRICE: \$56,500 each

RESIDENTIAL
1254 Sunridge Ave., Rangely - Nice 3BD/2BA home in La Mesa. Large lot & hot tub. \$175,000!
752 2nd St. - 4BD/2.75BA Close to schools, Rec. Center and Fairgrounds. **PRICE REDUCED to \$248,000!**
825 3rd St. - 4BD/2BA, excellent starter or family home. **PRICE REDUCED to \$160,000!**
482 12th St. - 2BD/1.5BA, townhouse. \$47,500.
760 2nd St. - **SALE PENDING!**
855 5th St. - 5BD/2BA, new roof, siding, windows & flooring. \$200,000.
767 12th St. - 2BD/1.5BA, townhouse, well kept. \$68,000. **REDUCED!**
RURAL RESIDENTIAL
1083 Boulder Dr., Craig - Wilderness Ranches cabin, turnkey. **PRICE REDUCED to \$162,000!**
NEW! 4007 CR 7 - 3BD/2BA with well on 5.18 acres. \$260,000.
RANCH PROPERTY
River Ranch on the Yampa, Maybell - 5 BD/4BA, Lg. Barn/Shop on 128.68±ac., senior water rights w/ Yampa River frontage. \$998,000 **REDUCED!**
Baker's Peak Vista Ranch, Craig - 506±ac., outbuildings, water rights & domestic well, adjoins BLM & Nat. Forest. \$1,300,000.
Four Springs Ranch, Maybell - Great Ranch setup on 343.98±ac. w/ water rights & Yampa River frontage. \$1,250,000.
VACANT LAND
NEW!
- 11 AC with well, electricity & storage shed. \$60,000
- 11 AC Vacant Land. \$31,000
- Two - 8 AC Parcels at \$27,000 each.
All above properties are approx. 7 miles from Craig, CO.
NEW! 568 Falcon Drive, Craig, CO - Beautiful 5 acres in Wilderness Ranches. Build your dream cabin and excellent hunting for elk, deer and antelope. \$17,000.
NEW! Picturesque Property on Harvey Gap Rd., Silt, CO - 26.69± acres w/ water rights, well, electricity, wildlife, meadow view & trees. On a paved road. Secluded yet accessible. Harvey Gap Park is minutes away. Borders BLM. \$415,800.
Two Sac. lots, Strawberry Patch Rd. - Ponds, fence & electricity. \$56,500 ea.
33 lots, Sanderson Hills - Great bldg sites. \$29,000/ea. or \$25,000/ea. in pkgs of five.
2 lots, Silver Sage Rd. - Two building sites. \$45,000 for both.
COMMERCIAL
975 Market St. - Commercial Property located with prime corner location on Highway 13 \$250,000.
Brontosaurus (Hwy. 40), Dinosaur - Lg. Building. \$155,000.
60240 Hwy. 40, Maybell - Wildgame meat processor, business & real estate. \$280,000.
101 E. Market St. - Brothers Property, Lg. Building on 0.43±ac. w/ paved parking. \$375,000.
Gravel Pit, WRC Wet Pit - 20 miles W. of Meeker, 110±ac., water rights & ~150,000 tons of gravel to extract. \$1,500,000.

MEEKER:
787 12th St. - SOLD!
73209 Hwy. 64 - 4BD/2BA Home on 11.02 Acres, No HOA. \$325,000
878 Hill St. - SOLD!
RANGELY:
315 & 317 N. Grand Ave. - Duplex, 2BD/2BA Units, 2 Carports, all Appliances Included in Sale. \$140,000
258 E. Main St. - Com/Res Building, 2 Separate Business Spaces, and 2 Apartment Units. Great Investment! \$240,000
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HOMES IN MEEKER ...
*NEW 1123 Park Ave. - Nice 2007 singlewide manufactured home on 1 full lot. 2 BR, 2 BA. Furnished. \$125,000.
*780 11th St. - 3 BR, 2 BA freshly upgraded bi-level home. Fenced back yard, storage shed. **REDUCED!** \$189,900.
*871 10th St. - 4 BR, 2 BA home. Family room, living room, fireplace, garage. \$199,900. **SOLD!**
*1007 Wall St. - Nicely updated 3 BR, 2 BA one level home. 2 car garage, fenced yard. \$175,000. **SOLD!**
*223 Main St. - One-quarter block. 3 BR, 2 BA home, Tree 1 BR, 1 BA cabins, garage, sheds. \$349,000. **SOLD!**
RANCHES - RURAL RESIDENTIAL - HUNTING PROPERTIES...
*210 CR 75 - Papoose Creek Cabin in Forest Service lease land, log cabin, outhouse. \$55,000.
*CR 8 - 88 Acres just east of Meeker. Hunting, dry land pasture, development potential. **REDUCED!** \$400,000.
*439 Agency Dr. - 6 Acres, beautiful 2 story log home, 2 car garage. Horse barn/shop. \$483,999. **SOLD!**
*517 Agency Dr. - 4.77 irrigated acres. 4 BR, 2.5 BA, 2 car garage, 36'x72' horse barn. \$515,000. **SOLD!**
RAW LAND AND HOMESITES ...
*2101 Meath Dr. - 35 acres in Little Beaver Estates 8 miles east of Meeker. Good pasture. Great views. \$89,900.
*TBD CR 13 - 35 Acres, 4.5 miles south of town. Fenced, borders BLM on 2 sides. Great home site. \$189,000.
*1751 Bright Water Lane - 39 Acres with White River, irrigated hay meadow, and great home sites. 5,000 sq ft barn with power, septic & cistern. Borders BLM. 14 miles west of Hwy 64. Great hunting area. \$375,000.
*2 Large Multi-family Lots in Sanderson Hills, near Rec Center. Zoned MR-A. \$140,000 for both, or sold separately.
*5807 CR 7 - Vacant 20 acre parcel. 9 mi. North, on Strawberry Creek. Good home site & views. \$75,000.
*CR 8 - 88 Acres just east of Meeker. Hunting, dry land pasture, development potential. \$400,000. **REDUCED!**
*100 acres - 29 miles east of Meeker, surrounded by Nat'l Forest, covered with Aspens. \$1,395,000.00.
*5 Acres 16 miles up CR 8. Great views overlooking the river. \$169,000. **SOLD!**
*12924 CR 8 - 5 Acres with River, great fishing. Vacant land, 13 miles upriver, awesome views. \$149,000. **SOLD!**
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Real-Tea Roundtable
Wednesday, Dec. 5th
7:30 a.m., Wendli's
Guest: Chris Selle, Superintendent Meeker School District
2604 Road 53 \$3,850,000
1951 Acres - Hunting Paradise
Steamboat Sotheby's INTERNATIONAL REALTY
Suzan Pelloni
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1217 MAIN STREET \$164,900
15,000 SF corner lot, 1.5 story home w/ large kitchen, 3 BDR/1BA, fenced yard, large basement, attached carport+1 car garage+separate 1 car garage. \$2,000 in seller closing assistance!
WHITE RIVER RANCHO \$200,000
Awesome Acreage! 35 acres with peaceful river frontage, includes both sides of the White River. 9 miles west on HWY 64, turn Left on CR 66.
32999 HIGHWAY 13 \$139,000
5.8 miles south of HWY 64 & 13 intersection. Great quonset building with 3900 SF of space. Mobile home can be replaced or needs lots of TLC!

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