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The Rangely Chamber of Commerce annual Crab Crack dinner and awards presentation (above) and the Rio Blanco Stockgrower's annual meeting and dinner/dance both had full houses on Saturday night. For more on the Crab Crack, please see photos on Pages 3A and 7A. For photos of the Stockgrower's event, please see photos on Page 2A.

Piper pleads insanity in stabbing of former sheriff

By **DOC WATSON**
Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER I In a preliminary hearing on Friday in Meeker, Public Defender Elise Myer entered a plea of "not guilty by reason of insanity" on behalf of her client, Logan Piper, in the stabbing of former Rio Blanco County Sheriff Si Woodruff in the parking lot of Pioneers Medical Center on Aug. 21, 2014.

Matthew Barrett that this preliminary hearing would be "very straight forward (because) the facts of the actual stabbing of Sheriff Si Woodruff are (not) in dispute." That opinion proved to be true as the entire hearing took only 30 minutes.

Admitting that this was his first case involving a plea of "not guilty by reason of insanity," District Court Judge John Neily stated, "I spent quite a bit of time reading the statute preparing the advisement" so Piper would completely understand the implica-

tions of his plea.

As a reminder, Judge Neily first reviewed the four counts in the case: two Class 3 felonies of assault in the first degree with extreme indifference, assault in the first degree of a peace officer with a deadly weapon and two class 5 felonies of menacing and menacing with a real or simulated weapon.

Neily then instructed the defendant that his plea fits the category of "an affirmative defense."

"An affirmative defense means that if you, in fact, committed the

charges (against you), you have a reason or defense that would excuse you from guilt or accountability for that offense," he said.

Neily went on to clarify that the plea of "not guilty by reason of insanity" therefore "means that at the time you committed the offense, you were suffering from some mental disease or defect that made you incapable of knowing right from wrong with regard to that offense or prevented you from forming the necessary mental state or state of mind to find you guilty of that

offense."

Such careful clarification is important in such a case because "once you raise the issue of 'not guilty by reason of insanity,' the prosecution must prove beyond a reasonable doubt that you were, in fact, sane," Neily continued. "The burden is on the prosecution to overcome that affirmative defense."

Neily then outlined the consequences of such a plea. One such consequence is that under the current statute, the jury will decide both the

insanity (or sanity) of the defendant as well as the actual facts of the case, at a single trial, unlike the older statute that tried these separately.

Another consequence of such a plea is waving the normal right of privilege concerning any communications with a doctor or psychologist regarding mental condition.

"If I accept your plea, you will have to go to the state hospital in

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COURTESY PHOTO

The old army garrison, which now includes the White River Museum on Park Street in Meeker, could be a part of the designation of several blocks downtown which would be included on the National Register of Historic Places.

Meeker board OKs plan to seek National Historic Register status

By **SEAN McMAHON**
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Part One of Two

EDITOR'S NOTE: This story is being presented in two parts. This first part takes a look at the plan for the possible inclusion of parts of downtown Meeker on the National Register of Historic Places, a definition of what inclusion on the National Register means and the lack of forced restrictions on any property owner in the proposed area.

MEEKER I The Meeker Town Board gave its approval Feb. 3 to the Rio Blanco County Historical

Society (RBCHS) to proceed with a long process that could end with part of downtown Meeker being listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

Board members Scott Creasy, Bryce Ducey and John Strate, the only board members present for the meeting, told Ellene Meece, president of the RBCHS, that the only reluctance they had to approving the resolution was they wanted to make certain that approving the resolution would in no way tie any resident within the proposed historic district to any commitment on their part.

Meece said the resolution doesn't tie anyone or their property to any future commitment, and she

pointed out the paperwork from History Colorado, which will help with the paperwork and possibly provide a grant to pay for a consultant, states that any property owner within the proposed district can object to participating and that if a majority of the landowners within the proposed historic district object to the proposal, then there will be no historic district.

The parameters of the proposed district start at the intersection of Fourth and Main streets, travel north on both sides of Fourth Street to Park Street, turn left (west) to cover both sides of Park Street to Eighth Street, where it would cover

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CNCC campus in Craig now a federal fossil repository

Special to the Herald Times

RANGELY I On Feb. 3, Colorado Northwestern Community College (CNCC) President Russell George and paleontologist Elizabeth "Liz" Johnson, together with Ruth Welch, the Colorado state director of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), signed an agreement to officially make the CNCC Craig Campus a federal fossil repository.

Becoming a federal repository is the first step for CNCC to begin offering summer Paleontology Field Experience courses along with regular semester-length courses in fossil

preparation and curation. CNCC is able to collect and curate fossils found on BLM Colorado lands. Repository status brings many opportunities to CNCC that are often reserved for world-class museums and select four-year universities. The Colorado Northwestern Field Museum (CNFM) is affiliated with CNCC and the CNFM is the technical holder of the repository status.

President George stated that CNCC was proud to be offering this resource to our communities and to CNCC students. He pointed out that "CNCC becomes the first federal repository in a community college in

the state of Colorado. We also will be first to offer summer dinosaur digs for academic credit and first to offer fossil curation and preparation courses. The fossils we find here can be used as an educational tool to further perform our place-based education mission."

"We want to thank CNCC for taking the initiative to pursue repository status and for what it will mean for education and fossil curation in northwest Colorado," Welch said. "Our state has always been at the

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COURTESY PHOTO

From left to right: BLM Colorado Paleontologist Harley Armstrong, Colorado Northwestern Community College President Russell George and BLM Colorado State Director Ruth Welch finalize a memorandum of understanding, creating a federal fossil repository at CNCC's Craig campus.

MSD saves \$433,650 on refinance; superintendent search to begin

By **REED KELLEY**
Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER I Major business items were on the agenda at the Feb. 3 Meeker School Board meeting including saving district taxpayers significant dollars by refinancing the remaining portion of the district's 2008 general obligation bonds.

Also on the agenda were the resubmission of a grant request for the renewal of the football field and track; support of a statewide effort through the Colorado Association of School Boards (CASB) urging state legislators to pay back "negative factor" funds since 2010; and planning the

hiring process for a new superintendent.

The board adopted a resolution authorizing the issuance of 2015 general obligation bonds to re-fund outstanding bonds in the principal amount of \$7.265 million at a significantly lower interest rate. The bonds are to be issued at approximately 2 percent, a considerable savings over the current 5.19 percent.

Superintendent Mark Meyer said this should amount to a \$433,650 savings over the remaining life of the new bonds.

The board agreed to meet with representatives of their partners, the Eastern Rio Blanco Metropolitan

Recreation and Park District and the Meeker Education Foundation, to perfect the resubmission by ERBM for a \$350,000 grant request to Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO) for the renovation of the football field and track at Starbuck Stadium. The total cost of this project, foundation president Mary Strang told the *Herald Times*, is \$815,000. The ERBM Recreation District is committing \$400,000 in matching funds, she said.

The board also agreed, by resolution, to join the effort initiated by CASB and 174 of the 178 district superintendents in Colorado, to request the Legislature "to honor the intent and language of Amendment 23

by prioritizing (the repayment) of the negative factor and to leave decisions regarding how those funds are spent to locally elected school boards."

Amendment 23, passed by the voters in 2000, was intended to provide stable and predictable increases to education funding.

In response to Meyer's resignation as superintendent, the board agreed not to use the available services of CASB to find a new executive at the cost of \$10,000, but to proceed on their own, with district finance director Janelle Urista serving as search coordinator.

The position is to be posted by today, candidate application reviews

are to begin March 17, and interviews with teachers are to be April 10.

On property matters, the sealed-bid process for the sale of the old kindergarten building at 345 Main St. in Meeker is now posted in the *Herald Times* and on the district website. Bids are due to the district by Feb. 26 at 4 p.m.

Meyer is working with Joy Surveying to perfect the legal description for the old town swimming pool property. The one-acre former Powell Park school property next to Highway 64 is still possibly being reverted to the original land ownership since it's no longer being used as a school.

On personnel matters, the board

accepted the resignation of Laurie Simonsen as the high school secretary, effective Feb. 28, and approved the following high school coaching assignments: John Strate, head track; Kris Casey, first assistant track; Ben Quinn, second assistant track; Shane Phelan, Pat Ibach, Heather Burke and Brittany Shubnell, volunteer track; Jason Browning, head baseball; and Brian Merrifield, assistant baseball. The board's superintendent evaluation process will continue to the benefit of Meyer and the board.

Mary Strang, president of the Meeker Education Foundation,

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RSD inks fund request

By JENNIFER HILL
Special to the Herald Times

RANGELY I The Rangely School Board adopted a new resolution Jan. 20 that urges the Colorado State Legislature to reduce the negative factor, effectively increasing school funding.

The resolution, which was signed by all five board members, states that the negative factor violates the 23rd Amendment to the Colorado Constitution. That measure was passed by voters in 2000 and requires that the state provide regular increases in funding for public education.

According to Rangely School Finance Director Steve Kraft, the negative factor, which was introduced by the state as a way to cut education budgets in 2010 during the Great Recession, has caused Rangely schools to lose out on \$2.6 million.

The resolution, which has been gaining steam statewide with many school boards signing on, originated in the Center and Del Norte school

districts.

Rangely School Superintendent Matt Scoggins said the purpose of the resolution is to make an "effort to further show a united front from our education community to the state."

"This is one more step as we work to eliminate the negative factor that has been so devastating to districts throughout the state," he said. "(Lawmakers) create all types of laws and regulations that create layers of paperwork and red tape, yet fail to see the need to adequately fund our future...our students. Perhaps a united voice from our local school boards will help move the needle."

The signed resolution was sent to the Colorado Association of School Boards, which is compiling similar resolutions from around the state to send to Colorado lawmakers.

In addition to the resolution, 174 of the 178 superintendents statewide have signed a statement requesting that the 2015 Colorado Legislature make the return of funding to Colorado public schools a priority

SCHOOL: Scholarship set

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announced that the foundation had established a Jason Hightower Memorial Fund for scholarships. Contributors can take their donations to Mountain Valley Bank or send them to the Foundation at P.O. Box 255, Meeker.

Board member Bud Ridings took

the occasion to ask Strang how the foundation was going. Strang said the foundation was "really getting going."

"We're announcing what's to be a big annual fundraising activity on March 1 this year at Marvine Campground," she said.

Ridings asked if there is a set goal.

Strang said, "The sky's the limit."

PIPER: Review set for April 3

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Pueblo and you will undergo a sanity examination by one or more psychiatrists or forensic psychologists," Neily stated. Their report will then be delivered to the prosecution and defense counsels. Neily assured the defendant, however, that he does have the right to hire additional independent psychological examination by an expert of his own choice. All these reports, as well as other testimony, can be used at trial for and against the defendant.

These reports can also be used in a sentencing hearing if there is a conviction," he said.

If the defendant is found not guilty on that basis, while he will not be remanded to the Department of Corrections, he will be sent to the state hospital for an indefinite period of time.

"You will not be released until it is determined by the people at the state hospital that you no longer need to be hospitalized," Neily warned.

He then asked the defendant personally for his plea for each of the four counts, to which the defendant pled "not guilty by reason of insanity" for each. Neily accepted that plea and so ordered the defendant to be examined at the state hospital for a period of up to 60 days.

One additional consequence of such a plea was clarified by prosecutor

Matthew Barrett; that of a speedy trial.

If the defendant would have pleaded just "not guilty," he would be entitled to a trial within six months of the Feb. 6 date, Barrett said. Because of his insanity plea, however, "the speedy-trial clock doesn't start until the court receives the report (from the state hospital)," he concluded. The judge thanked Barrett for making this clear for the record.

A status review of the case was set for April 3, which could include the setting of a trial date.

STOCKGROWERS' ANNUAL GATHERING ...



Left photo: Ed Coryell, left, was honored at the Rio Blanco County Stockgrowers' Association dinner on Saturday for his 35 years of service as Colorado Brand Inspector. A good crowd was on hand for the group's annual meeting on Saturday afternoon and the dinner and dance Saturday night. The award was presented by Stockgrowers' Association President Kelly Sheridan, right. Right photo: Guest speaker at the Rio Blanco County Stockgrowers' Association annual meeting on Saturday in Meeker was Brad Petch of the Colorado Division of Parks and Wildlife. Petch shared an update regarding the various types of sage grouse in the state and their status in relation to federal, state and local efforts to save the different grouse through the Endangered Species Act.

KIM EKSTROM PHOTOS

'I Ride With James' snowmobile run Sunday

By SEAN McMAHON
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MEEKER I The Fourth Annual "I Ride With James" Poker and Snowmobile Ride will be held Sunday to help support the James Sizemore Memorial Scholarships and Rio Blanco County Search and Rescue.

Beginning at 10 a.m., snowmobilers should meet at the Lost Creek Trailhead at the end of County Road 8.

There will be a buy-in of \$25 for five cards, or participants can buy extra cards for \$10 each at the end of the ride. The highest straight hand wins the grand prize, followed by first-, second- and third-places

prizes. Check-in for cards is 3 p.m. with prizes awarded at 4 p.m.

Grand prize is a brand new Polaris 120 children's sled. It is on display currently in the window at Meeker Drugs.

First place for the poker run is \$1,000, second place pays \$500 and third place wins \$250. There is also a prize for oldest snowmobile and another for ugliest snowmobile. There will also be prizes for all kids who attend.

Supporters will be able to buy a set of hands even if they don't ride snowmobiles.

Folks are also invited to enjoy the all-you-can-eat chili, hamburgers and hot dogs after the ride. Cost

is by donation only.

The event is held in memory of Kathy and Mike Sizemore's son, James, who was killed Feb. 20, 2011, in an avalanche on nearby Sand Peak.

"Our registration building is James' old school bus that he used to take a bunch of his friends dirt biking," Kathy Sizemore said. "So each year since his death on President's Day weekend in 2011, we have held this memorial in memory of James and his bus."

She said the five-stop poker run helps fund two \$1,000 scholarships for Meeker High School seniors—one for a male student; the other for a female student.

Other funds go to assist Rio

Blanco County Search and Rescue.

"It really is a great time for a couple of great causes," Sizemore said.

"It's a lot of fun to take part in and to watch, and we welcome anyone who wishes to take part or just stop in and watch to come and join us."

Last year, roughly 135 sleds, several with more than one rider, took part in the third annual event, coming from all parts of Northwest Colorado and from as far away as Vernal, Utah.

The Sizemores would like to warn all snowmobilers that their snowmobiles must be registered with the state and that license plates must be current.

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Above left, Alliance Energy Service of Rangely was the winner of the Industry of the Year Award on Saturday night at the Rangely Area Chamber of Commerce's benefit Crab Crack dinner and awards ceremony. From left to right are: Alliance Energy Service owner Sam Polley, Rangely Chamber Executive Director Kristin Steele, and Alliance employee Josh Anderson. Above right, the Community Service Award was presented to Angel Tree, which helps fulfill Christmas wishes (and gifts) for Rangely-area children who may not otherwise enjoy a Christmas. From left to right are: emcee John Whipple of CNCC; Chamber Executive Director Kristin Steele; Ann Urie, president of the Human Resource Council, which organizes the Angel Tree, which is located at Sweetbriar; and Kathy and Gary Staley, who own Sweetbriar.

Free Valentine's Day dance is Saturday night in Meeker

Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER I Want to dance the night away on Valentine's Day?

The Clover Loafers of Meeker will host a free dance with a cash bar by the Meeker Lions Club and snacks from Wendell's on Saturday from 8 p.m. to midnight.

The event will take place on the first floor in the Hugus Building with no cover, but donations are welcome to benefit the Pioneers Medical Center Foundation.

The Clover Loafers are made up of David Cole, Mary K. Krueger and Dave Main, who will perform an eclectic variety of songs ranging from Irish ballads to folk music and country music to polkas, waltzes and reels.

You can dance the night away with your sweetheart or take a chance and meet new people at the event.

"It's been a tough winter so far, and we want to cheer folks up in Meeker with some fun, free entertainment," Krueger said.



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Wade Bradfield, chairman of the board, and Steve Allen, fire chief of the Rio Blanco Fire Protection District, would like to thank Chevron for its \$4,000 donation to go toward gas monitors. The check was presented by Chris Archuleta.

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FROM MY WINDOW...

Honesty a great thing to find; good luck teams; ice getting thin

By SEAN McMAHON
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I truly appreciate an act of honesty, and last week's action by a Meeker merchant actually caught me off guard, but cognizant of a great act.

I had gone to a particular restaurant about 10 days earlier. My wife and I had received a bill for \$17. When we were done, we left a tip on the table and went to the cash register. While I went to the restroom, my wife paid the bill unbeknownst to me. When I returned, she went to the restroom and I paid the bill.

We left. On Wednesday, we returned to the same restaurant. After we ordered and were sitting there awaiting out lunch to arrive, the owner walked up to the table, handed me a packet of money and aid, "I owe you this. When you were in here the last time, you paid twice."

With my eyes wide open, I looked at the stapled stack of money

and counted out \$17. And scribbled into a little corner of the top bill was "herald-times." That was all.

He said that by the time he was made aware of our mistake, we had already departed. He said he asked the waiter who it was and they figured out somehow that it was me and my wife.

About two days after we had gone to the restaurant, my wife asked if I had the change from \$50 she had paid the bill with. I told her I didn't think I had. I looked into my wallet and there was about \$12 in there. I told her, no, I didn't have any change.

We didn't know where the money had gone because I hadn't spent a thing in those two days and if I had collected the change I would still have had it.

We both kind of scratched our heads and decided to let the issue go, me thinking she had the change and my wife thinking I had the change.

So, it was a pleasant surprise when the business owner returned the stack of money to me. I was puzzled,

hadn't even suspected that we may have paid twice and, I had actually forgotten about the incident.

Thank you, Arturo. It was truly a pleasure doing business with you and it was even more impressive to see the measures you went through to return the money. It was an act of kindness and honesty not often seen, and, most importantly, I thank you.



I couldn't help but notice while driving to Rangely on Saturday afternoon and returning to Meeker on Sunday at noon that there were folks ice fishing on Rio Blanco Lake.

I also stopped to take a photo of how the ice is cracking, is blue in some places under thin ice and actually had open water on the lake.

I point to three drownings on the Front Range reported with people going through the ice, that perhaps the best ice for ice fishing has passed on Rio Blanco Lake.

There is a lot of thin ice, open water also on Kenney Reservoir, and I would imagine that the Department of Parks and Wildlife would recommend that neither lake is now fit for ice fishing.

Please use common sense, folks.

Yampa-White-Green Rivers Basin Round Table is seeking applicants for one vacancy on its board.

The At-Large-Position may represent environmental, agriculture, recreation, domestic water provider, industrial or community interests. Applicants must reside in the geographical area defined by the rivers basin. Positions are available for applicants who either do or do not own or represent water right holdings.

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The sports teams from Meeker and Rangely middle and high schools are about to head into regional, district or state tournaments.

Each of the athletes involved with their various sports has worked hard all season long; some teams having better luck than the others, but all

deserving of making the playoffs. Best of luck to all the teams.

Remember the importance of sportsmanship and that you are each representing your home towns and schools.

Congratulations to the Rangely Chamber of Commerce and the Rio Blanco County Stockgrowers' Association as both groups had successful annual gatherings on Saturday—the annual Crab Crack at Colorado Northwest Community College in Rangely for the chamber and the Stockgrowers' annual meet-

ing and dinner dance in Meeker.

The food was spectacular at both events, both had full houses for their respective dinners and lots of fun was had by both groups.

It is unfortunate that both groups met on the same day as many folks said they would like to have attended both events, as had been possible in past years.

Hopefully, someone will check the calendars and this kind of scheduling won't happen next year.

But either way, both events were a success, and that is a good thing.

GUEST OPINION

Not all food stamp recipients are drug abusers or lazy deadbeats

By ERICA LANGSTON
WRITERS ON THE RANGE
Special to the Herald Times

RBC I am my father's pride and joy, a graduate of the University of Florida, a Fulbright scholar, a master's degree candidate at the University of Montana in Missoula, and a food stamp recipient. Without that assistance, I wouldn't be at college; I'd probably be working at a restaurant, coffee bar or supermarket.

This year marks another wave of food stamp reductions as a result of President Obama's decision to sign the Farm Bill that Congress passed early last year, which promises to cut \$8.6 billion to the program over the next decade. It was one of the few actions of Obama's presidency my father applauded.

A 62-year-old retired warehouse worker, my father thinks of himself as blue-collar and often says that every man should earn his "fat."

Not long ago, I interrupted his rejoicing over the recent cutbacks and asked him how many people he knew who used food stamps. He immediately listed welfare queens, crack addicts and too many undeserving illegal immigrants.

I repeated my question, "But how many do you know?"

He searched his mental Rolodex before our eyes found each other. "That's right," I said, "one."

Several students in my graduate program are also on food stamps. A few are single mothers with young children, some are returning to school after 15 years of cubicle life, while others simply can't close the gap between earning a minimum wage and the cost of living. We know that our situations are temporary, and one day, we hope, our higher education will help us secure a job that contributes heavily to the tax base.

But right now, we would be starving college students, or almost-starving students, or even not be students at all, were it not for food stamps.

The students I know who rely on this government assistance all live frugal lives; they have roommates, drive older vehicles, and have reliable work histories, during which they contributed their share of taxes. Some of us do some teaching at the university, others make lattes and bus tables while balancing full course loads. We reuse plastic grocery bags as trash bin liners. We wash and reuse foil, pickle jars and Ziploc baggies. We have few addictions, the most common being

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Deadline for NRCS conservation stewardships is Feb. 27

Special to the Herald Times

RBC I The National Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) recently announced the opening of the Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP) for new enrollments in 2015. Farmers, ranchers and foresters interested in participating in the program can submit applications to NRCS through Feb. 27 to be considered in the 2015 round of ranking applications and awarding contracts.

"The CSP is a continuous sign-up program that has periodic cut-off dates for ranking applications. Feb. 27 is the deadline for the coming year," said Traci Bruckner, the senior policy asso-

ciate for Agriculture and Conservation at the Center for Rural Affairs. "Applications can be filed at your local NRCS office. We know this is a very short timeline, but producers just have to file a simple application by the deadline."

As part of the CSP application process, applicants will work with NRCS field personnel to complete a resource inventory of their land, which will help determine the conservation performance for existing and new conservation activities. The applicant's conservation performance will be used to determine eligibility, ranking and payments.

Contracts are awarded to those

offering the highest level of environmental benefits, with NRCS working down through the list of eligible applicants until acreage allocated to the particular state runs out.

In addition, producers who received a CSP contract in 2011 have the opportunity to renew their contract for another five-year period. Renewal applications must be received by March 31.

Bruckner said the Conservation Stewardship Program is a voluntary stewardship incentives program, administered by NRCS, designed to reward farmers, ranchers, and foresters for maintaining existing conservation, as well as for the adoption of additional conservation measures that provide multiple environmental benefits that run beyond the farm or ranch.

This program pays producers for clean water, better soil management, improved habitat, energy efficiency and other natural resource benefits. Since the program began, nearly 70 million acres of farm and ranch land have been enrolled in the program.

Bruckner encouraged potential applicants to call the Center's Farm Bill Helpline to learn more about the application process and help uncover and overcome barriers encountered during that process by calling 402-687-2100 or emailing her at tracib@cfra.org.

"The Center for Rural Affairs has a long history of assisting family farmers and ranchers access farm bill programs," Bruckner said. "The Center's Farm Bill helpline provides a direct connection to center staff with knowledge about program rules to help you understand if a particular program will fit your needs."

Resources are available to help producers consider the CSP and make their applications. In addition to contacting the Center's Farm Bill Helpline for additional assistance in navigating the application process, application materials and information are available through the Center for Rural Affairs website, USDA's website, your local NRCS office, and the National Sustainable Agriculture Coalition.

RBCHS receives \$132,728 grant for Coal Creek school

RBC I The Coal Creek School exterior restoration will become a reality this summer, made possible in part by a History Colorado State Historical Fund grant.

The Rio Blanco County Historical Society Rural School Project was awarded \$132,728 Feb. 2 from the State Historical Fund for the work on the historic schoolhouse.

The Rio Blanco County Commissioners, the Freeman E. Fairfield Charitable Trust, White River Electric Association, Colorado Grand, other businesses and individuals contributed to help raise the 25 percent matching funds of \$44,243 in the last six months, which the group needed to obtain the State Historical Fund grant.

Persons can keep track of the progress of this project at www.rioblancocounty.org. Then click on News or Rural Schools/Coal Creek and see updated pictures and articles about the Coal Creek School. One can also go to the Rio Blanco County Historical Society and White River Museum Facebook page for pictures and updates.

Coal Creek School is only 5-1/2 miles from Meeker on County Road 6 (Little Beaver Road). This summer, interested persons can take a drive by the Coal Creek School and watch it return to its original 1892 appearance.

It is the hope of the Rio Blanco County Historical Society—Rural School Project to have the Coal Creek School exterior and interior finished by the Fall 2017, when it turns 125 years old.

"We hope to employ area craftsmen and contractors as much as possible and are seeking those interested in working on the Coal Creek School project," an RBCHS release stated.

Please contact Janet Clark at 970-878-4628 for more information.

FOOD STAMPS: Safety net

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cycling.

When we entered the workforce with bachelor's degrees in hand, we expected to find job security, benefits and a wage that could help us pay back student loans. What we found was part-time work, no sick leave and a salary that couldn't support even the most austere lifestyle.

My father is hardly alone in making sweeping assumptions about welfare recipients. But while I have no doubt that some people abuse the food stamp system the way many others cheat and try to avoid paying their taxes, or the way that wealthy bankers try to game the banking system, I am convinced that there are countless families and individuals who would suffer without it. It may sound like a cliché, but food stamps function as a true safety net.

When the program works the way

it should, food stamps allow people the opportunity to transition away from government assistance and toward a more secure future.

When I graduate in May, I will have earned a master's degree with the aid of government assistance, and with that degree I plan to join my community as a financially independent, stable, contributing taxpayer.

While my father may continue to think that I did this by working hard and pulling myself up by my own bootstraps, as the saying goes, of course, he knows the truth: I was poor, I needed the federal government to keep me afloat while I got educated, and it was there to help me.

Erica Langston is a contributor to *Writers on the Range*, a column service of *High Country News* (hcn.org). She will graduate in May with a master of science degree in environmental studies.

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"I Am the Light of the World"

By Dr. J. D. Watson
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THEN spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life (Jn. 8:12).

The occasion of our Lord's second "I am" statement was when he stood on the spot in the Temple treasury where four massive candleholders were located; as one ancient source tells us, once ignited, "there was not a courtyard in Jerusalem which was not lit up from the light." Our Lord was saying, in effect, "While these great torches light all Jerusalem, I light the entire world. Only if you know Me, will you be delivered from darkness and have light to see." The Greek here for light (*phōs*) refers to light itself, not the source of light, such as the sun, a torch, fire, or a lamp. **Darkness** (*skotos*) in-turn, is the total absence of light. Jesus, then, is the only source of light that shines in a world (*kosmos*) of darkness, the fallen world system that surrounds and inundates us. So, just as light and darkness are polar opposites, the light of Christ delivers us from many characteristics of darkness.

First, to the darkness of falsehood He is the light of truth. "He that doeth [i.e., habitually practices] truth," our Lord declares, "cometh to the light" (Jn. 3:21). The true believer is one who loves the truth because of the One who illumines it to him.

Second, to the darkness of ignorance Christ is the light of wisdom. "I saw that wisdom excelleth folly, as far as light excelleth darkness" (Ecc. 2:13). While the fool gropes in darkness and falls into every snag and snare, the wise man walks in the perfect light of Christ and sees every danger on the path.

Third, to the darkness of sin Christ is the light of ho-

liness. Peter challenges us here: "Ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light" (1 Pet. 2:9). Why did God choose us "in Christ before the foundation of the world"? So that we can be holy (Eph. 1:4).

Fourth, to the darkness of sorrow Christ is the light of joy. Having been delivered from two months of turmoil and terror, "The Jews" in Esther's day "had light, and gladness, and joy, and honour" (Esth. 8:16). As noted in the *Geneva Bible* of the Puritans, "He showed by the words that follow, what this light was." Light illumines and energizes everything.

Fifth, and most dramatic of all, to the darkness of death Christ is the light of life. In Christ alone is a light that can never be extinguished and a life that can never be ended.

To this world Jesus is the only light,
Rescuing His own from darkness and strife;
To the blinded ones He has given sight,
And bestowed upon them eternal life.

Scriptures for Study: What so the following verses declare about light: John 1:4-9 and 3:19?

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BOBBY GUTIERREZ

The Meeker High School wrestling team, currently ranked No. 3 in 2A by On the Mat Rankings, hosted and won the team title of the annual Meeker dual meet tournament, the final action of the regular season. The Cowboys will wrestle in the state-qualifying Region 1 tournament at Colorado Mesa University, starting Friday at 1 p.m. Wrestling for the Cowboys this season are, in front, Hunter Garcia, Tristin Pelloni, Caleb Bradford, Garrett Frantz and Chase Rule. Back row: Kylloe Goedert, Devon Pontine, Christopher Strate, Cody Nielsen, manager Alicia Watt, Casey Turner, Sheridan Harvey, Tyler Ilgen, Nick Burri, Jacob Henderson, Anthony Watt, Jacob Pelloni and T.J. Shelton.

Cowboy wrestlers host and win tournament, head to regionals

By **BOBBY GUTIERREZ**
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MEEKER I Currently ranked No. 3 in 2A by On the Mat Rankings, the Meeker High School wrestling team was the host for the annual Meeker dual meet tournament, where they won five duals to win the team title.

The MHS Cowboys will wrestle at Colorado Mesa University in the Region 1 tournament starting Friday at 1 p.m., and continuing at 9 a.m. Saturday.

"There was a lot of wrestling and it ran smoothly," Meeker head coach J.C. Watt said of his team's final action of the regular season. "There was a big crowd again, which the kids like."

Meeker defeated Basalt (66-12), Coal Ridge (66-9), Rangely (72-3) and Steamboat Springs (66-12), to face Glenwood Springs for the team title.

The Glenwood Springs Demons defeated Rifle, Battle Mountain and Grand Valley before losing 48-25 to the Cowboys.

Meeker won 28 of 39 matches wrestled, 26 of them by pin fall. Cowboys Sheridan Harvey (113), Tristin Pelloni (120), Kylloe Goedert (126), Anthony Watt (145), Chase Rule (160), T.J. Shelton (170) and Devon Pontine won all of their matches. Harvey, Watt, Shelton and Pontine pinned all of their opponents. Watt and Shelton each recorded four pins.

Hunter Garcia (138), Casey

Turner (152), Caleb Bradford (195) and Tyler Ilgen (285), each lost one match. Jacob Pelloni won a match at 106 and Nick Burri is now in the lineup at 132.

The Region 1 tournament is arguably the toughest 2A region in the state with the two-time defending state champion Paonia Eagles, currently ranked No. 1 and Norwood (No. 2), entered in a tournament where the top four placers in each weight qualify for the 2015 Colorado State Wrestling Championships.

"They all have a chance to qualify," coach Watt said. "This is the first time all year everybody is healthy, so I'm really excited. The kids have put in a lot of hard work and now it is time to start making some withdrawals."

MHS boys' undefeated streak ends with loss in Paonia

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

MEEKER I Thoughts of an undefeated basketball season by the Meeker High School boys' basketball team ended Saturday with a defeat by the Paonia Eagles, making for a split over the weekend as the boys had defeated Hayden by a

wide margin.

The action began quickly with an offensive barrage against Hayden as the Cowboys came out in the first and second quarters in which they scored 19 points in each quarter.

The Meeker boys' trademark defense held the Tigers to only 13 points in the first half.

Meeker finished the the game on

top by a wide 63-26 margin.

Ty Dunham led all scorers with 20 points followed by Lash Atwood with 10, Raul Lopez and Cade Rowlett each with eight points, and Jake Phelan had six.

"Pain took a lot of what we have been successfully using away from us," coach Klark Kindler said. "We also made way too many

turnovers."

The Meeker squad traveled to Paonia, where it is always a tough task to come away with a win.

A dry spell in the second quarter had the Cowboys trailing 27-17 at the half.

Meeker showed tremendous heart in the final period of the game, outscoring the Eagles 25-13, but

they could only get back to within four points at the final buzzer.

Cade Rowlett led the team in scoring with 18 points, followed by Jake Phelan with 10, Ty Dunham with eight, Raul Lopez with seven, Kash Atwood added five and Logan Hughes had a bucket.

Following the weekend of play, the team is 14-1 on the season and

8-1 in league play.

"We still need a couple more wins to ensure a No. 1 or No. 2 seed at the district tournament in two weeks," Kindler said. "If we do that, we are guaranteed moving on to the regionals."

The boys played Rangely on Tuesday night and will round out their regular season this weekend.

Lady Cowboys split two games

By **BOBBY GUTIERREZ**
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MEEKER I The Meeker High School girls' basketball team defeated Hayden 64-44 on Feb. 5, but then lost by 25 in Paonia on Friday.

Meeker hosted Rangely on Tuesday and will play Vail Christian in Vail today, then host Caprock Academy on Friday.

Meeker took control early against Hayden and never looked back. However, the squad fell behind early against Paonia and never got back into the game.

Meeker led 19-6 after the first period against Hayden, then scored

19 more in the second quarter to lead 38-16 at halftime.

The lady Cowboys scored 15 more in the third quarter, and although they were outscored by five in the final quarter, it was too little, too late for the Tigers from Hayden.

Senior Sydney Hughes led the girls with 24 points, five rebounds and 11 steals. Reese Pertile scored 10 and pulled down seven rebounds, Megan Parker added nine and freshman Maggie Phelan scored eight. Jenna Walsh scored six against the Tigers, while Madi Shults, Halle Ahrens and Anna Walsh each had two while Peyton Burke added a free

throw.

Against the Eagles in Paonia, the Meeker girls' squad trailed by eight at the end of the first quarter and by 11 at halftime.

Meeker only scored 10 points in the second half, and six of those were in the third quarter, ultimately losing the game by a 57-32 margin.

Parker led Meeker with 12 points and Hughes finished with 10. Jenna Walsh scored three while Shults, Pertile and Phelan each added a basket while Anna Walsh made one free throw in the loss.

Meeker will play in Vail against Vail Christian tonight, then host Caprock Academy on Friday



BOBBY GUTIERREZ

Barone Middle School seventh-grade girls' coach Tom Knowles talks with his team during a recent game. The young lady Cowboys will host the annual league tournament at the high school featuring both A- and B-team brackets, starting at 9 a.m. Saturday. Both of the A-teams are the No. 1 seeds and both will play at noon, the eighth grade against Steamboat Springs and the seventh against Rangely. Both B-teams will play at 9 a.m. Rangely's eighth-grade B-team will play Craig at 11 a.m.

RHS girls beat Hotchkiss, fall to Cedaredge

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

RANGELY I The Rangely High School girls' basketball team picked up a win on Saturday, beating Hotchkiss, 38-24.

Coach Quinton Kent said, "We knew coming into this game that we needed to win to keep our playoff hopes alive, and I was pleased with the way our girls responded."

The girls came out Saturday playing outstanding defense as they held Hotchkiss to six points in the first quarter and just ten total points at halftime.

Kent said, "I challenged them to keep Hotchkiss under 10 points each quarter, which they did."

Rangely was led by Katelyn

Brown with 12 points, Desiree Coombs had 11, Katy Allred had nine points and 10 rebounds while Simone Heinle had four points. Lindsey Thacker added a basket and pulled down eight rebounds in the game.

Rangely had a big fourth quarter to come away with a 14-point win.

Kent said, "It was a good team win and although it doesn't guarantee us a playoff spot in the district tournament, it puts us in a good position to get one."

On Friday night, the team played Cedaredge and found scoring very difficult against the well-balanced Bruins.

Cedaredge jumped to a 13-2 first-quarter lead and the Bruins were up by 20 at the half.

Rangely had a great fourth quarter and actually outscored their opponents in the second half, but they couldn't overcome the early deficit.

Kent said, "There is a reason Cedaredge is the top seed in our league and ranked No. 5 in the state. They have really good balance on offense and they play great team defense."

Katelyn Brown once again led scorers with 17 points, followed by Katy Allred with nine points. Allred also led rebounders with five.

The team played Meeker on Tuesday night.

Post season is just around the corner for the Panthers, who came off the weekend with some confidence, looking to build some momentum to finish strong.

Rangely High School boys' basketball team loses to Cedaredge, Hotchkiss; hosts Paonia Friday

By **BOBBY GUTIERREZ**
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RANGELY I The Rangely High School boys' basketball team lost games to Cedaredge and Hotchkiss over the weekend, but first-year coach Jeremy Cantrell is still pleased with his

team's effort.

Rangely hosted the Cedaredge Bruins on Friday and lost a close game, 52-48, but turnovers in Hotchkiss on Saturday gave the Panthers a 58-43 loss.

The Rangely-Cedaredge game stayed close the entire game, with the

Bruins taking a one-point lead after the first quarter.

They then opened the lead to three at halftime. Rangely tied the game at the end of the third quarter, but they were outscored by four in the final eight minutes.

"In a lot of areas and times through

the game, we executed very well," Cantrell said. "In the end, Cedaredge made a couple more shots than we did, but I was proud of our effort."

Mitchell Webber led the Panthers with six points and 10 rebounds. Colt Allred and Luis Contreras each scored four, Patrick Scoggins added two and

Troy Allred made a free throw.

Against Hotchkiss, Cantrell said, "We turned the ball over too many times to expect to win."

Webber again led the team with 12 points and eight rebounds, Contreras scored six and Colt Allred added five and pulled down nine rebounds.

Scoggins also scored five points, Kelton Elam added a three and Troy Allred made a free throw.

"I was pleased with the way we played until the very end," coach Cantrell said.

The Panthers will host Paonia on Friday.



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KATELYN BROWN Rangely High School Basketball

Rangely High School freshman Katelyn Brown led the Panther girls in scoring in both games as they defeated Hotchkiss and then lost to Cedaredge over the weekend. Brown scored 12 against Hotchkiss in the victory and then led scorers against Cedaredge with 17 points.



SYDNEY HUGHES Meeker High School Basketball

Meeker senior Sydney Hughes led the Cowboy girls with scoring as the team defeated Hayden by a 64-44 score. Hughes scored 24 points against Hayden and added to the Meeker effort against Paonia even though the team lost by a 57-32 score.



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Stay healthy with CNCC's new campus clinic

By Alex Mackey
Co-Editor-in-Chief

Rangely Family Medicine Clinic and Colorado Northwestern have teamed together to bring health care to CNCC students, right here on campus.

The best part? At no cost to students.

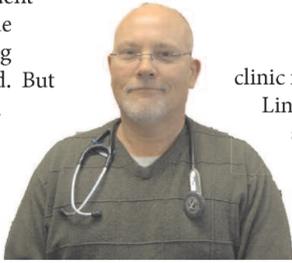
Once a week, a group from the hospital will be on campus providing care to students for acute health matters. The clinic is located in the Johnson building every Wednesday from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Shelby Lindsay is the nurse practitioner that will be caring for the students. He has been in the health care industry for 14 years, two of which have been in Rangely, Colo.

Some things that the clinic will be prepared to treat on campus are: sinusitis, sprained ankles, sports physicals, urinary tract infections, pregnancy tests, flu tests, and strep throat tests.

The college is funding the clinic for the first semester, and if it's successful, a small student health fee may continue to fund it in the coming semesters, Lindsay said. But for this semester it will remain free.

"Whether a student has insurance or not, they can be seen at the college



clinic for no upfront fee,"

Lindsay said. "If they need additional services, such as an X-ray or labs then that would be billed to their insurance and they

would go to the hospital for that."

Payment plans are available at the hospital to aid any additional costs from the extra care.

"We're just really excited," Lindsay said.

He realizes that a lot of

students may not have the time, transportation, or money to make it to the hospital for their everyday health needs. That being said, he was more than happy to team with CNCC to make health care more convenient. CNCC faculty may be able to

benefit from the clinic being on campus, Lindsay said. However, the college and clinic both want the students to come first.

You can schedule an appointment by calling 970-675-3300.



Photo by Alex Mackey

Nurse Practitioner Shelby Lindsay (left) and his assistant Gina Lewis (right) take vitals on Colorado Northwestern student Taryn Bessler.

Printing expenses soar past planned budget

By Zach Glasgow
Copy Editor/ Business Manager

CNCC's lack of printing regulations is prompting administration to implement a new system that will charge students for their printing expenses next school year.

CNCC has an excessive printing problem. Every week, CNCC prints thousands of pages. No one is being held accountable, said Jeff Devere, dean of student support services.

To fix this dilemma, CNCC's student government is considering spending somewhere between \$5,000 to \$7,000 on a new system that would use student ID cards to track and charge students for printing.

According to Devere, each student will be allocated a certain amount of money or prints per quarter/semester/year (which has yet to be decided) that they can spend on personal printing. After that money has been spent, students will be charged for further printing. Unless a better solution presents itself, that system will be put in effect.

Hopefully by the start of the next school year, a new system should be operating that changes how printing is funded, student government leaders said at their bi-weekly meeting, he said.

At the beginning of the school year, CNCC's student government allocated approximately \$1,000 to be spent funding the library printer

for paper and ink. However, the amount spent on those resources has skyrocketed to \$5,500 - which is \$4,500 over what they had planned to spend. Does that mean that student government is in debt?

Hardly, Devere claims. Student government has sufficient funds to pay for whatever fees students and faculty rack up on printing charges, to an extent. "It isn't debt. More like lost opportunity that could be spent on other things," Devere said. That means that less money goes towards improving and funding things around the campus, like clubs, sports, organizations, and things like the Den.

According to Dean of Enrollment Services, Tresa England, CNCC students pay \$2.09 per credit hour out of their tuition and enrollment fees to help fund student government.

However, that doesn't seem to be enough to fuel the excessive printing problem. As a result, a new system will have to be put in place to prevent this issue in the future.

Approximately five years ago, CNCC attempted to address this problem by having the printers track the amount of copies they produced, as well as track the individual people that printed. The system allocated printing costs via an account number to the various budgeting accounts. While this generally worked, it did not create an account system for the

students, Devere said. The amount spent on printing has not been fixed.

A report was sent out that detailed the summary of printing in a weeklong period from Jan. 25 to Jan. 31. The statistics are as follows:

The most used printers? The top two printers are located in the library, which account for nearly 67 percent of all printing. The next top three are located in the Striegel, Hefley, and Cramer buildings, each one between 3.5 and 4 percent of printing.

The most used printers? Here are the top five:

- McLaughlin library Canon printer 7260 - 57.84 percent of all printing
- McLaughlin admin Canon printer 5240 - 9.22 percent
- Striegel room 112 - 3.90 percent
- Hefley Canon printer 250 - 3.86 percent
- Cramer Canon printer 250 - 3.69 percent
- 11,514 pages were printed during the week on 25 different printers
- Over 1600 pages were printed each day
- Of those 11,514 pages, over 3000 were printed on Jan. 26
- Roughly 30 percent of print jobs were in full color
- Roughly 9.5 percent of a tree was consumed

Dental hygiene tests new tool:

The JawDropper

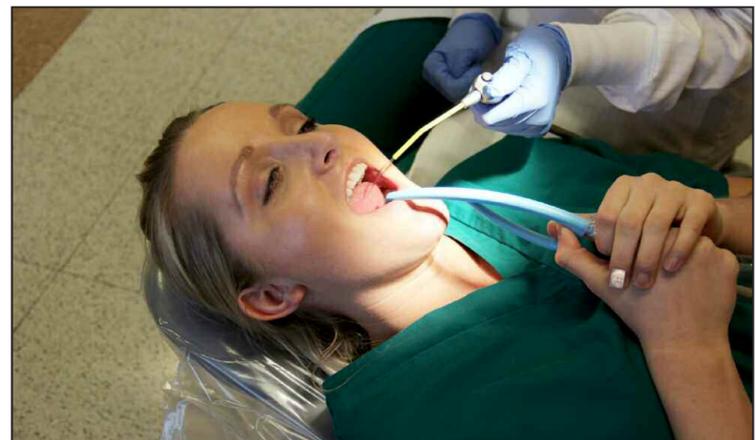


Photo by Zach Glasgow

Second-year dental hygiene student Kayla Stratton demonstrates the "JawDropper."

By Zach Glasgow
Copy Editor/ Business Manager

CNCC's dental hygiene program has been evaluating a brand new tool recently, for less than a month, which makes almost any job easier both for the dentist and for the patient. The tool isn't commercially available yet, and has an interesting name - the JawDropper.

But how did CNCC, a small community college in a small town become the first school to get its hands on this new instrument? The main reason is because CNCC has a nationally-recognized dental hygiene program and is the closest of its kind to Awestruck Dental's location (the company that developed the

device), located in Telluride, Colo. The second reason is because a past graduate of CNCC's dental hygiene program is related to Heather Bledsoe, the VP of marketing and research at Awestruck Dental.

"Approximately 20 percent (roughly 48 million people) of the U.S. doesn't go to the dentist at all, and 60 percent have some form of fear and/or anxiety of pain. We want to give more control to the patient through the JawDropper, a disposable tool that costs about \$1.25 each, and encourage as many people as we can to see the dentist. Oral health is very important," Bledsoe said.

See The JawDropper, page 4

Are you bored? Check out the top nine things to do in Rangely, Colo.



By Ron Shropshire
Reporter

Just sitting in your dorm room, tired of watching Netflix? Wondering what activities Rangely – a town of about 2,400 people – has to offer you?

Well get ready to hop out of your beds and bean bags to go on a “Rangely adventure” of a lifetime.

“You can hunt, fish, (there’s) a lot of outdoors activities, including four-wheeling, horseback riding, and rock climbing,” said Jake Smith, a 21-year-old Rangely native.

Hiking, fishing, camping

Rangely is an outdoor haven, surrounded by 3,000 acres of BLM (Bureau Land Management) land. Great for hiking, camping and even visiting Canyon Pintado, located south of Rangely which has 50 archaeological sites, displaying petroglyphs and pictographs. Rangely is also a great place for fishing. At the Kenny Reservoir located just east of

Rangely, approximately six miles out, you can fish to your heart’s desire. But in order to fish you must first buy a fishing license. Check out rates at the state’s parks and wildlife website for more details <http://cpw.state.co.us/buyapply/Pages/Hunting.aspx>

Mountain biking

CNCC provides mountain bikes for students interested in riding the plethora trails around town, and also riding across the tough terrain in the county. Bikes can be checked out through John Whipple, CNCC’s outdoor leadership program director. At city hall, next to the library, maps are available that detail nearby bike trails.

Rock crawling – an extreme form of off-road driving

Enjoy rock crawling, an extreme form of off-road driving over harsh terrain? Rangely has the rough terrain and trails in order for you to do that. Some of the rough terrain trails are located just behind CNCC. Those visible trails are not the only ones, however. Rangely is host to many roads and trails that can lead you to harsh terrain.

Ice climbing

Don’t want to go too far off campus? CNCC students have the privilege of enjoying the 50-foot ice tower located behind the Weiss Center (when the weather permits). “You have ice climbing, which is open to students, and the community located behind the Weiss building,” said John Whipple, outdoor leadership program coordinator.

Snowshoeing

Snowshoeing is another winter sport Rangely has to offer. CNCC students snowshoe in many hillsides located around campus, but you can also venture out to the terrain around Rangely. Snowshoeing equipment can be checked out in the “winter rental area” behind the Weiss Center, on its south side.

Sledding

Sledding is an activity that many people in Rangely enjoy. Sledding is a hot commodity with the various hills around town. Sleds can be checked out in the “winter rental area” behind the Weiss Center, on its south side.

Rock climbing

Located right behind the Yaeger building at Rangely’s CNCC campus is the Spartan Climbing Gym, which is also accessible to CNCC students and Rangely community members for free throughout the school year. It also provides a selection of climbing shoes and harnesses. The outdoor recreation program frequently offers Climbing Clinics to teach youth as part of the CNCC Community Education Program.

Hunting

More than 28,000 hunters a year visit Rangely due to its amazing wildlife, making Rangely a “Hunters Heaven,” says Ty Johnson, a CNCC student from Burnett, Texas. Johnson hunts annually around Rangely. Even though hunting is a huge sport here, there are actions that must be taken beforehand before you go hunting, such as getting a hunting license and tags. All of which you can get on the website: <http://cpw.state.co.us/buyapply/Pages/Hunting.aspx>

Not outdoorsy?

Don’t want to be outdoors? Looking for a little indoor leisure? The Western Rio Blanco Metropolitan Recreation Center is the place for you. All full-time enrolled CNCC students have free access! Located at 611 S. Stanolind Ave., the recreation center has a whole host of activities for its visitors to partake in. Those activities include things like the game room, weight room, cardio room, multipurpose room, administration room, racquetball court, water slide, lighted outdoor basketball/tennis court, lighted outdoor skating rink, and the swimming pool.

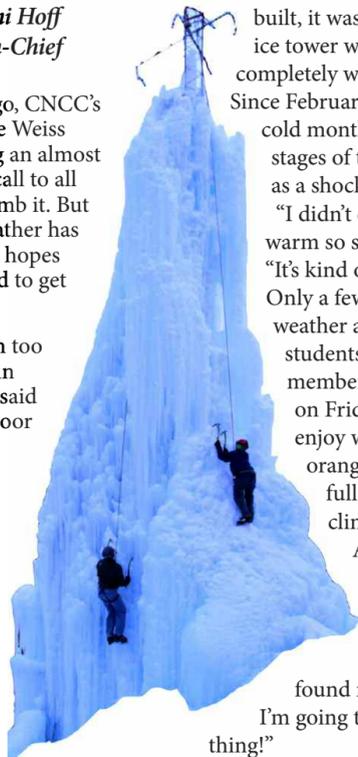
The ice tower at CNCC is melting away too soon

By Tyffani Hoff
Co-Editor-in-Chief

Just a few weeks ago, CNCC’s ice tower behind the Weiss Center was emitting an almost audible beckoning call to all who ventured to climb it. But lately, the warm weather has been destroying the hopes of those who wanted to get their ice climb on.

“Weather has been too warm. We are now in the melting stages,” said John Whipple, outdoor leadership program coordinator. “Large chunks have been falling off and the ice is like snow. So unless we get a cold snap and can grow reliable ice there will be no more ice climbing.”

From the moment it was



built, it was obvious that the ice tower was going to be completely weather-dependent. Since February is traditionally a cold month, the early melting stages of the tower have come as a shock to all.

“I didn’t expect it to be this warm so soon,” Whipple said. “It’s kind of crazy.”

Only a few weeks ago, the weather allowed for CNCC students and community members to gather together on Friday afternoons, enjoy warm drinks in the orange tent, and have a full afternoon of ice climbing.

After attempting the climb a few times, local community boy Byron Mackay exclaimed, “I’ve found my future college! I’m going to stay here with that thing!”

Whipple reached out to fist pump Mackay in response to his declaration.

“This is why I do it, too,” Whipple commented. “In Rangely, there’s not much to do. So actually what I try to do is provide a lot of recreational opportunities for our students and our community members.”

The students in the class, many of whom were new to ice climbing, commented on their experiences with the new sport.

“It’s freaky at first,” said Justin Murphy, a CNCC student. “I love it. I told someone when I was on the Ouray trip that it was my first time ice climbing and they said ‘Once you’re in you’ll never stop.’”

Whipple’s intern, Thomas Mebane, was skeptical about the sport at first. Mebane has four years of rock climbing experience but found ice climbing to be of a different nature.

“I like really technical moves and stuff with rock climbing, and I got up here and started doing ice climbing,

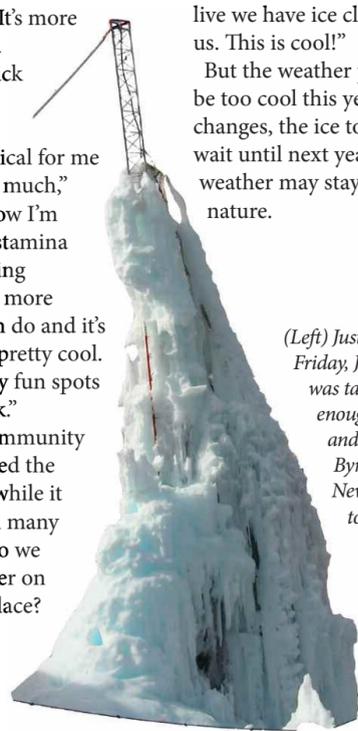
and I was like, ‘ugh.’ It’s more of a physical stamina thing because you stick your feet and tools anywhere you want but it wasn’t as technical for me so I didn’t enjoy it as much,” Mebane said. “But now I’m getting a little more stamina built up and everything and I’m realizing the more technical things I can do and it’s a little more fun. It’s pretty cool. There are some pretty fun spots to climb on it, I think.”

The students and community members who climbed the ice tower enjoyed it while it lasted. Yet a question many have posed is: why do we even have an ice tower on campus in the first place?

“Why?” Whipple said. “Because we can! Why not? In northwest Colorado where we

live we have ice climbing all around us. This is cool!”

But the weather proved not to be too cool this year. Unless that changes, the ice tower will have to wait until next year when Rangely weather may stay true to its original nature.



(Left) Just three weeks ago, on Friday, Jan. 23, the ice tower was tall, strong and frozen enough to support student and community climbers, Byron Mackay and Tyler Newbanks. (Right) The ice tower was a melty mess on Feb. 5th, being too wet and slush-like to accommodate climbers in these unseasonably warm conditions.

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Taking his dreams sky-high

By Tyffani Hoff
Co-Editor-in-Chief

It's a bird—it's a plane—it's Hirotaka Maruyama. This second-year CNCC student is not your average hero, and he'd more likely be the one flying the plane.

Hirotaka, called "Hiro" (pronounced "hero") for short, is a student in the aviation flight program, who came to CNCC specifically for that program—all the way from Japan. What brought him here was a series of adventures.

"My dad moved to California to start a business in 2012. I came there in 2013," Hiro said. "I went to Utah Valley University to take an ESL (English as a second language) class for a summer semester, then I went to a community college in Iowa to play baseball and get a college experience, and then I came here for the aviation program."

Hiro grew up wanting to be a pilot because his dad was a pilot — a Japanese cultural trend. The programs available in Japan for aviation are "not very good, and expensive," according to Hiro. Thus, he wanted to come to the United States to learn how to fly. Hiro wanted to start out at a community college to make an easier transition and to be cost effective. So with his only parameters as "U.S.," "aviation

program," and "community college," he began to investigate colleges.

Hiro explained that in California, they have plenty of community colleges with aviation programs, but they have large Japanese populations and he wanted to make sure he learned English while in the U.S., so he tries to avoid Japanese culture. Plus, he said, "I like going new places."

"I had already been to California, Utah and Iowa. So I came to Colorado."

The decision wasn't as simple as just choosing a new state to attend college in... but almost. When deciding on a college with the right aviation program for him, Hiro carefully considered the photos on the aviation homepages of many colleges. CNCC's aviation website had the best one.

"I saw the picture of CNCC's flight program on the homepage and I thought 'Oh that's cool. I want to go there,'" he said. "And so I came. I didn't know the difference between the Craig and Rangely campus, I just Googled which one was closer to my house and it was Rangely so I came here. Luckily I ended up at the same campus with the aviation program."

The photo wasn't the only perk of this aviation program, though. Little did he know, CNCC's Aviation flight program is nationally recognized.

"According to the program, when



Photo by Jason Kruger

Hirotaka Maruyama

they go to the flight competition, NIFA (National Intercollegiate Flight Association), two times in a row we've been the top two-year school in the nation," said Ellis Johnson, Chief Flight Instructor.

While everything seemed to work out in his favor, something Hiro was not expecting when he came to CNCC was the surrounding area: Rangely. Fortunately, coming from Yokohama, Japan (which is about as busy as New York City, Hiro said) to California, Utah, Iowa and then Rangely, the culture shock wasn't too severe. But it was still disappointing, "It's really hard to be living in

Rangely," Hiro said. "I need a Starbucks in my life. [There's] no movie theater, no bowling place. No place to go shopping. I love shopping. I love the mall. It's also too cold in the winter. There's no snow in the Tokyo area."

Even though it's been tough, Hiro has still had many good experiences with CNCC.

"I really like the aviation program. I like that there's a close relationship between students and teachers" he said. "And I like the library lady. She's really nice."

After his time at CNCC, Hiro wants to attend the University of North

Dakota and pursue his aviation ambitions further. After that, he plans on going back and flying for Japan Airlines, and eventually being able to fly for Emirates Airlines.

According to Johnson, Hiro's dreams aren't too far-fetched.

"We got a lot of [former students] that are flying for the airlines right now," he said. "[One] girl is now a co-pilot, or first officer as they call them, for Frontier. We've probably got five or six others that are flying for Frontier and then United and who knows where else—they're scattered all over the country. They got their basics right here."

So what are the selling points of Rangely? For Hiro, it was aviation flight — but it's different for everyone. It's more than just a cheap college education — it's the whole experience. Kelly Scott, CNCC's director of recruiting, gives us her personal take on what makes this institution special:

- "Size is a big one. We are the second smallest community college in the Colorado community college system."
- "We are a community college and yet we have resident's halls so students can live on campus and we have athletics. It's pretty much the whole college environment but it's on a much smaller scale to enable personal relationships."
- "Our average class size is 15. Perspective students are shocked when you tell them that a lot of the times."
- "Our programs. I would say we might have a higher number of unique programs of most community colleges,

like dental hygiene, aviation flight, aviation maintenance (we're the only community college in the state with that one), and marine science."

- "Cost. We're about half of what it's going to cost you if you went to a four-year college first but you can get a two-year associate's degree and that is guaranteed to transfer to any four-year college in the state of Colorado — so you're taking the same classes with the same syllabi as what you would take at University of Colorado for about half the price and a much more personal experience."
- "Looking up at the stars. It's amazing. The outdoors that we have is a tremendous selling point. It's not for everybody, but for those who appreciate the beauty of nature, it's huge to be able to look up and see every single star out there. It's a different culture, almost, living out here. You got to look at it as an adventure, kind of. That's how I encourage them to look at it."

A Spartan's take on the X-Games

By Tyler Steuve
Reporter

The crowd goes silent. Nobody can believe their eyes. People face each other like, "No way, it's not possible!" Suddenly, out of nowhere the crowd breaks wild with cheering, people chanting the name, "Kim, Kim, Kim!"

For the first time in the record of the X Games, 14-year-old Chloe Kim won the gold medal in women's snowboarding superpipe. Kim is the youngest athlete in history to win an X Game medal.

January 23, Rangely's very own Colorado Northwestern Community College left for its yearly trip to the Winter X Games in Aspen, Colo. Twenty-five students attended the

games for a fee of \$80 each, which included travel, two nights at a hotel, transportation around the town of Aspen, food, and a two-day lift ticket to ski or snowboard on the Snowmass, Aspen, and Buttermilk Mountains.

"Everything was expensive, but because I saved on hotel, gas, and food, I was able to buy a hat from the X Games," said second-year CNCC student Dax Koskie.

Students were able to watch events such as women's and men's snowboard superpipe — an extreme sports event where contestants perform tricks on a large halfpipe made of snow. Competitors needed to complete as many tricks as possible before reaching the

bottom. Students could also watch snowmobile snocross adaptive, which is a race that features snowmobiles throughout a course.

When not watching the events at the X Games, students could watch concerts from rap artists Snoop Dogg, Wiz Khalifa, and techno artist Skrillex.

"The best part of my trip was being able to snowboard with my best friends and crowd surf at the Snoop Dogg concert," Koskie said.

As a participant of the CNCC X Games trip I also got to partake in much of the fun. Before I even arrived, I thought the best part of my trip would be to let loose and be almost incoherent the whole weekend. But from the minute I got

off the bus, I was so amused by all the excitement and activities that stimulants were the last thing on my mind. I wanted to be sober and able to see all of what the trip had in store for me.

Another fun factor for me was being on the trip with my girlfriend, Trenea Morgan, and both of us being on TV for my parents back in California to see while we watched the downhill ski slope.

The games also had vendor booths, like Jeep, U.S. Navy, and Oakley, giving away free souvenirs. There were in-person autographs from 2015 X Game competitors like Elena Hight and Torah Bright, both of which are pro snowboarders. It also wasn't a surprise to see the likes of Wee Man

from the movie series Jackass while strolling about.

If all of that wasn't fun to them, then students could walk around downtown Aspen shopping or taking in the free gondola ride atop Aspen Mountain, which allowed for views as far as the eye can see.

CNCC's X Games trip is definitely worth watching the calendar for next school year. When you're a student far from home in a town like Rangely, Colo. a trip like this could make your year at CNCC worth it. For questions about next year's trip to the Winter X Games, contact CNCC's main office.

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College launches new Agriculture program next fall semester

By Cristy Brinkley
Reporter

Colorado Northwestern Community College will be officially launching an agriculture program in the fall of 2015. The new agriculture program will give students the opportunity to receive an associate's of science degree with an emphasis in animal science or in agriculture business.

"This program benefits more than just students and the school, it benefits the whole northwestern region of Colorado," said Meghan Munter, the agriculture program coordinator who started in June of 2014. "This program fills the hole where previously there wasn't any post-secondary education in agriculture in northwestern Colorado. In addition, this program has the opportunity to help serve local community in the agriculture sector in northwestern Colorado."

Agriculture is defined as the science of practicing farming, including the growing of crops and the raising of animals for the use and intent of food, fiber and other products necessary to sustain life.

"Animal science courses focus on feeds and feeding, anatomy and

physiology, in addition to live animal and carcass evaluation," explained Munter. "The agriculture business degree courses focus on agricultural microeconomics, agriculture finance and marketing as well as specific industry courses in animal science, crops and soils."

The point of the program is to make sure that students understand all parts of the industry.

"[The] program mission is to prepare students to become knowledgeable in prospective agriculture fields and disciplines, the tools necessary to make well informed and educated decisions regarding agriculture practices, experiential based and hands on opportunity for learning, pathway for education advancement and continuation," Munter said.

The initial program was funded through one grant for \$148,844.00 from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA). The funding is a collaboration between CNCC and Soroco High School. The grant money is for the curriculum, instruction, high school collaboration (travel), salaries, education materials and evaluation guidance. As such, the program targets high school students, too.

"We are creating an agriculture certificate that will allow high school students to earn a certificate while in high school that will hopefully make them more employable to enter into the agriculture work force after high school," Munter said. Students who receive the certificate will be able to easily transition to CNCC as a full-time student if they so choose at any point in time."

The agriculture program is slated to have nine classes by the end of spring 2017. Munter is the primary and only instructor for the program until its enrollment increases. The agriculture program has a total of 11 students enrolled in agriculture courses this year.

A couple of students taking agriculture classes this semester are Taylor Duzik and Nick Chew. Duzik chose to take agriculture classes because she wants to learn more about the financial side of agriculture, and she believes it will help in her family business and future career in animal science.

"My family is very agriculture-based as we raise cattle and horses and put up hay," said Duzik.

Chew also has an agricultural background.

"[Agriculture] directly relates to



Photo by Tyffani Hoff

Meghan Munter, CNCC's Agricultural Studies Coordinator, reviews homework in her Agricultural Economics (AGE 102) class with students Wyatt Redamont and Jake Smith.

my life and all aspects of the class are related to my life," he said. "In the future, I hope to be full-time rancher and better understand the financial elements of running a successful agriculture business."

Though the agriculture and equine programs will be separate programs, they will feed off of each other.

"My involvement with the agriculture program is limited to consultation on program development and student

participation," said Dustin Davis, the equine studies program director. "Agriculture-related classes benefit CNCC equine students by providing an opportunity to expand their knowledge in a field directly linked to equine studies."

Until the program grows, it will offer just the nine courses. As the enrollment numbers increase the program can expand course offerings and potentially degrees.

The JawDropper, continued

According to their website, "TMJ/TMD or Temporomandibular Joint Disorders affect 44 percent of the population. This causes pain/discomfort and inability to open the mouth for prolonged periods as required for a dental visit. Another segment (approximately 20 percent of population) also experience pain/discomfort and limited mouth opening during dental visits just because of fatigue." While the JawDropper is designed mostly for TMD patients, the tool has a universal use.

CNCC has tested the JawDropper on roughly 35 patients and has 500 JawDroppers to test. According to Dr. Kevin Dawson, the instructor of dental hygiene and clinic dentist at Rangely's CNCC campus, 70 percent of patients enjoyed using the new tool, and according to Awestruck Dental roughly 82 percent of dentists found it to be useful.

The JawDropper looks somewhat like a hook with a handle at one end. Or perhaps like the number six with a bent straight end. The JawDropper hooks onto the bottom row of teeth in a patient's mouth, and the patient can then pull down with the handle to open their mouth rather than simply hold their mouth open for

hours on end. The hooked end also has a hole for suction, though the suction is weak in the current version of the tool. With newer versions of the JawDropper, the suction power will increase.

The JawDropper's primary purpose is to alleviate stress on the jaw, both for TMJ/TMD patients and non-TMD patients. "Particularly during long operations, the patient has to hold their mouth open for an extended period of time. The muscles we use to open our mouths are relatively weak, and after an extended amount of time those muscles become tired and start to hurt. The JawDropper helps reduce that pain," Dawson said.

The secondary purpose for the JawDropper is to give patients more control during a procedure. With the new instrument, patients can control (within reason) when fluids get sucked out of their mouth.

To test out the JawDropper and get your teeth cleaned at a great rate by the students of CNCC's dental hygiene program call 970-675-3250. The dental hygiene clinic is open on Mondays from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., and on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1:30 to 5:30 p.m.

Using 'the force' to build connections

By Tyffani Hoff
Co-Editor-in-Chief

About 25 park rangers—from the Virgin Islands, to Santa Monica and LA, to Philadelphia, to Glacier National Park—stood and introduced themselves to the students and faculty of CNCC's Seasonal Law Enforcement Training Program (S.L.E.T.P.), Feb. 4, for an open house.

Rick Mossman, S.L.E.T.P. Chief Ranger and Instructor, hosted the event in the Colorado Room and facilitated introductions.

"We had to find a winter coat for [Ronaldo] to wear this week," Mossman joked, about the park ranger who came up from the Virgin Islands. "And today we taught the Georgia folks what the white stuff is on the ground."

From Monday, Feb. 2, to Friday, Feb. 13, CNCC hosted a Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) Use of Force Training for already full-time law enforcement park rangers wanting to get their use of force certificate. Usually, these trainings take place in Brunswick, Georgia, where FLETC is located, but CNCC had the opportunity to host the mobile unit for the first time ever.

"I don't know [why]," said Jennifer Walgrave, CNCC's National Park Service Academy Coordinator. "We do have an academy. There are currently seven nationwide. This time last year, there were 13. They cut six and ours was good enough to make the cut. Mostly our standards are high enough for within the academy based on the numbers we put out, and the type of student and our curriculum base, and how closely we located for FLETC standards."

The 80-hour course for law enforcement park rangers focused on what appropriate force options are available to dissolve conflict in their jobs.

"Usually we try to use our voice to calm down situations or just talk to people in law enforcement," Walgrave said. "Sometimes, as it's been in the media lately, it's gone too far. So what we're doing here is just one of the many trainings across the nation on



Photo by Tyffani Hoff

Academy students Nick Johnson-Moyneur, David Grissom, Daniel Dodd, and Timothy Zimmerman talk to Park Ranger Tim Phillips from Rocky Mountain National Park at the open house on Feb. 4.

'where's the appropriate level?'"

The advantages that come with hosting this event are invaluable to students and faculty involved.

"It means that we're getting a lot of recognition, both from FLETC and as well as the National Parks Service (NPS)," said Walgrave. "And with this dinner, the NPS folks are going to meet our students and most of the folks that are here for the instructor class are usually the hiring officials. And so our students are getting one-on-one interaction tonight to meet the hiring officials."

Park ranger students found this to be a neat opportunity.

"It's cool to talk with them because they're the ones practicing what we're going into," said John Kissner, S.L.E.T.P. student.

Students of this program must complete a 12-week course in law enforcement training—training that student Destiny Gardea would compare to "boot camp."

"You have to work hard, you really do," said Richard Gonzales, another S.L.E.T.P. student. "Mentally, physically—you have to be able to go when they say go. But once everything goes along smoothly, it's an easier routine because you just keep moving forward. And it gets a little easier along the way."

The road to where these students want to be is paved with hard work and the instructors of FLETC made it known that they are happy to help.

"I love working with the use of force because it's so important that we train young folks, young instructors, young officers that are going out there to do stuff that's going on with the law enforcement," said visiting FLETC use-of-force-training instructor, Scott Flags. "It's not new, but you guys are our next leaders. So be safe and be smart and do your jobs and know what you can do. We're here to help you, so it's a pleasure to be here."

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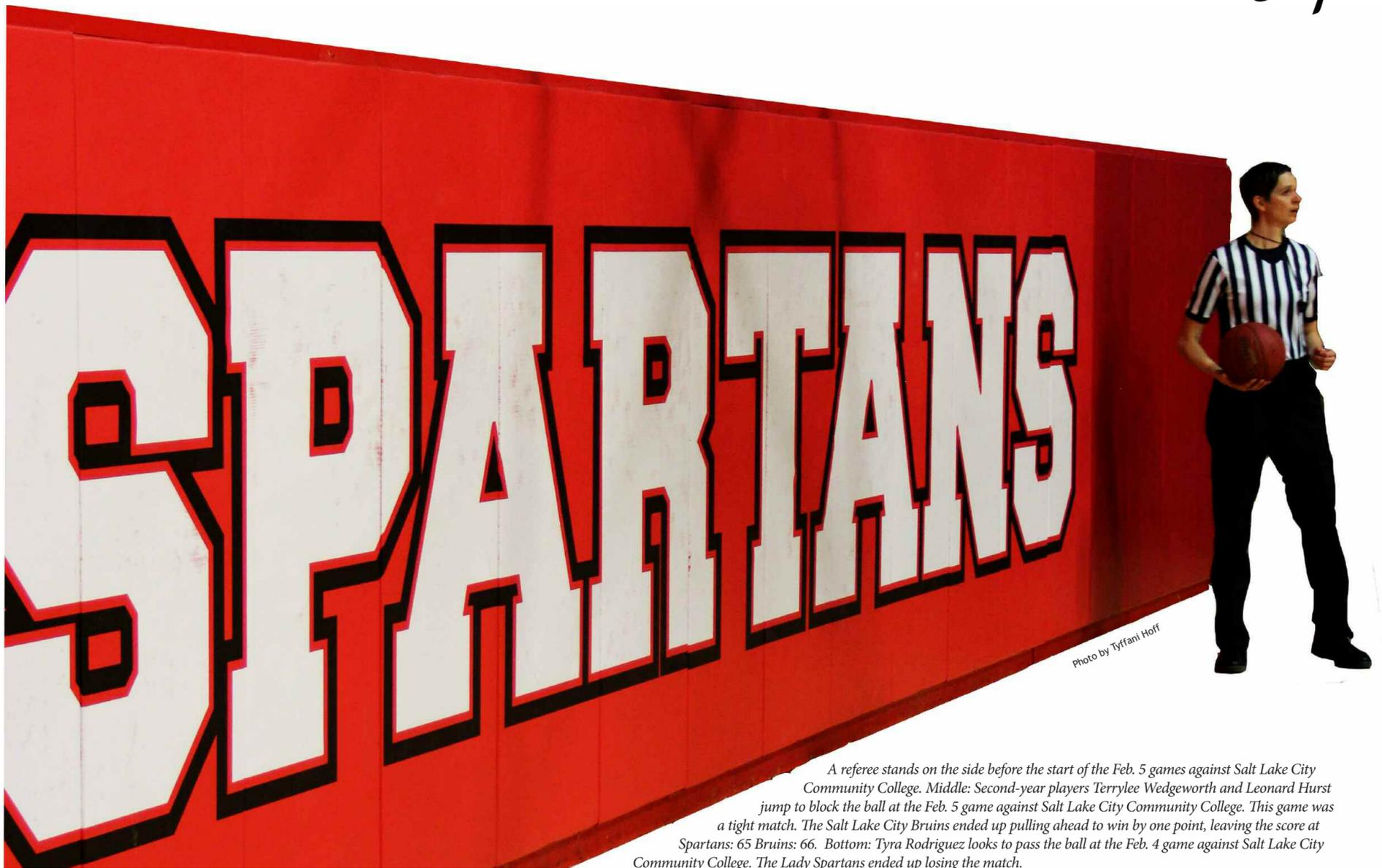


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A referee stands on the side before the start of the Feb. 5 games against Salt Lake City Community College. Middle: Second-year players Terrylee Wedgeworth and Leonard Hurst jump to block the ball at the Feb. 5 game against Salt Lake City Community College. This game was a tight match. The Salt Lake City Bruins ended up pulling ahead to win by one point, leaving the score at Spartans: 65 Bruins: 66. Bottom: Tyra Rodriguez looks to pass the ball at the Feb. 4 game against Salt Lake City Community College. The Lady Spartans ended up losing the match.



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Men's basketball struggles

By Ron Shropshire
Reporter

Three seconds were left on the clock. The score was 66-65. The timeout ended. The ball was thrown in. The Spartan basketball player swiftly took a shot which rimmed out as the buzzer sounded. Salt Lake Community College had squeezed out a one-point victory in the February 5 CNCC vs. SLCCC game.

This was one of the two home losses that CNCC men's basketball team took last week.

The other home loss was against Snow College. After being down by just 10 at half time, Snow College came out firing in the second half of the game, and went on runs that CNCC couldn't prevail, as they

suffered a 79-58 home loss.

These losses came after four previous losses on the road to College of Southern Idaho (100-59), which is currently ranked number three in the nation, North Idaho College (106-62), Snow College (113-79) and Utah State University- Eastern (83-65).

"[The season is] not [going] as well as I'd hoped up to this point," said Head Coach Adrian Hayes. "However, we've done some good things this season, and our best basketball is ahead of us."

The Spartans are back on the road this week to face North Idaho and College of Southern Idaho and will be back February 21 as they face Utah State University- Eastern for their last home game.



Photo by Tyffani Hoff

Lady Spartans won't back down

By Tyffani Hoff
Co-Editor-in-Chief

The Lady Spartan's basketball team has had 24 games this season with a 6-18 win/lose record. That is one game better than how they were doing last year at this point in the season.

"It's been a good experience," said Head Coach, Brian Ortmeier, about how the season has been going. "I knew that this being my first season as head coach, there was going to be a lot of room for growth. There are a lot of new players and I knew it was going to take lots of time and practice learning a new system."

Their main goals as a team for this season were to be competitive and to see improvement each time they compete. According to Ortmeier, it's been going well.

"We struggled at first," said team member, Tyra Rodriguez. "But we're actually getting there and we're getting better with each game. It's been fun."

While they've been making progress with every match, they've

also recognized their room for improvement.

"We've got hard work, discipline and skill, and we've got a good coaching system," said player Jamie Revels. "We just need to stay committed to playing a full 40 minute game of our best basketball every game."

The women's basketball team has had its share of road bumps throughout the season, including losing many team members who stopped playing or left the school.

"[One of the biggest struggles] has been playing through each game knowing that we only have eight players and the other team has a full team," Rodriguez said. "We've just had to push through it."

They only have four games left this season and are hopeful that they might continue to see improvement in their playing.

"They're learning and improving with each game," Ortmeier said. "What I really like about this group is that they keep fighting."

The faces of Colorado Northwestern

Student spotlight of the month

Staff/Faculty spotlight of the month



Photo by Zach Glasgow

First-year CNCC student Kelly Gonzalez came to Rangely for one semester.

By Zach Glasgow
Copy Editor/Business Manager

Kelly Gonzalez, a woman who comes from Phoenix, Ariz. has come to CNCC to take a single math class. But, why would somebody come all the way out here for one class? Read on to find out.

Gonzalez was born in El Paso, Texas. Throughout her 15 years in El Paso, Kelly occasionally ventured into Mexico as El Paso is on the Mexico-United States border and, as a result, can speak Spanish.

After finishing high school in New Mexico, she decided to explore part of the country with her younger brother. Her adventures took her into Arizona and California and, on the flip of a coin, Colorado, where she started college.

Gonzalez started her college career at Colorado Mesa University (CMU), located in Grand Junction. After a year she decided that CMU was too much of a party school for her, and switched to Colorado Mountain College (CMC), located in Glenwood

Springs, where she could pursue a career as a veterinary technologist. After a semester at CMC she realized that a career as a marine biologist was her true calling and switched her degree.

After two years at CMC, it was time for graduation. However, Gonzalez was one class short. She switched colleges to Colorado Northwestern Community College (CNCC) in order to obtain that final class credit.

Find out more about her in the Q-and-A below:

So why did you come to CNCC for a single class?

I didn't like the math teacher at CMC for college algebra, so I decided to come here to get it. Once I finish that class, and the other classes I've decided to take while here, I'll transfer back to CMC and graduate this May.

What are your hobbies?

My hobbies include swimming, reading, writing, hiking, and exploring.

What are your favorite movies and TV shows?

My favorite TV shows include Doctor Who, Game of Thrones, Green Arrow, Scrubs, and The Fosters.

Favorite Color?

Orange and Green!

What are your favorite authors?

My favorite authors are Holly Black, Darren Shan, and Edgar Allan Poe.

Do you like to play video games? If so, what are some of your favorites?

I do like to play video games, and my favorites are Call of Duty, Dead Island, nearly all of the Final Fantasy games, and World of Warcraft. Games that have zombies in them are my favorite!

By Tyffani Hoff
Co-editor-in-chief

David Morton has been teaching public speaking at Colorado Northwestern Community College for 18 years now. Although he moved out to Rangely for completely different reasons, it was only a matter of time before he was drawn here to teach.

Morton lived in Portland before moving to Rangely, and was brought here because he "was called to be the pastor at the First Baptist church in 1990," he said. Seven years later, he became an adjunct communications instructor for the college.

Morton has two master's degrees, one in divinity and one in theology, and a doctorate in aspect of theology. He loves teaching college kids and when he was in high school, he did pole vaulting...for two weeks, after which, he decided to play tennis.

What brought you to teach here?

I had a lady at my church who was teaching here and she was leaving town, her husband had gotten a job transfer, and I said "if you're leaving the position, could you put my name in? Because I think I'd really like to teach at the college." And she did and I got a phone call and here I am.

What made you want to be a teacher?

I just like the idea of teaching. I think seven years into the pastorate, I realized that I have a bit of a gift in teaching, I like to explain things clearly and simply and in ways that people can understand them.

You must enjoy public speaking and teaching?

I didn't always like public speaking. It's actually a story I tell in class all the time. I actually had a very bad experience in college, and I really wasn't sure I wanted to get a degree because of public speaking class. But I did, and then by the time I went on to seminary and of course you have to take a public speaking class there, it's called homiletics for preachers and the instructor was just wonderful. And I'm an introvert but



Photo by Tyffani Hoff

David Morton, 18-year-adjunct teacher, begins his public speaking class by talking to students and telling a joke to lighten the mood. Morton strives to make speaking in public less intimidating for students.

he taught me how to be in control up front and feel like I can make things somewhat predictable, and it turned out to be fun.

Does that give you empathy for your students?

Oh yes! That's one of the biggest reasons I wanted to teach, actually. It's because I wanted to make sure that they heard the story of a disaster who can speak in public now.

So it sounds like you're pretty involved in the community?

I've been involved with a number of different groups and over the years, I've been involved with the chamber of commerce (not currently) and I was involved in the warm committee — they help with energy assistance. I've done a lot of things. There is a citizen's oversight community we make sure the department of social services is doing what it's supposed to do and I'm on that committee. I'm recently on the Rangely development agency, which looks like economic development. I know, Rangely. "Wow

that's going well!" It actually does make a difference, but its things that aren't visible to people. When there's a home that just really should be purchased and taken down, like it's abandoned, the RDA gets involved in that. I've done things with the school district from time to time, too.

How is it that you can preach on the weekends and then deal with crazy college students all week?

(Laughs) I don't see college kids as crazy; they're very energizing for me. I also see college kids as sometimes fairly needy, and I have a lot of empathy for them. I think this is a very difficult time in the life of a lot of young people and if I can be there and give some guidance and support, that's where I want to be.

Any last comments?

There should be something really clever and really witty I could say. Something profound. Something that should come from someone who has higher degrees. Umm, I can't think of anything.

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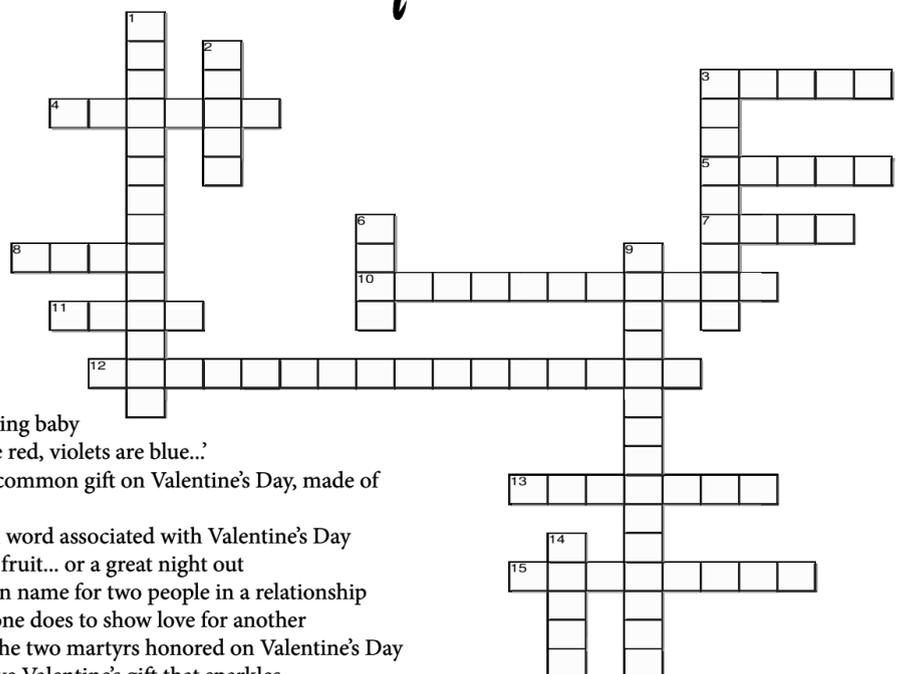
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To register for the Wild Game Cooking Contest or for questions? Contact Kayla Newbanks (307) 299-0890, kayla.newbanks@cccs.edu

Be my Valentine



Across

- Naked flying baby
- 'Roses are red, violets are blue...'
- Another common gift on Valentine's Day, made of paper
- Common word associated with Valentine's Day
- A type of fruit... or a great night out
- Common name for two people in a relationship
- Action one does to show love for another
- One of the two martyrs honored on Valentine's Day
- Expensive Valentine's gift that sparkles
- The month of love and black history

Down

- A holiday on February 14th
- What Cupid shoots at people

- Tasty treat commonly bought on Valentine's Day
- A popular flower given to others on Valentine's Day
- One of the two martyrs honored on Valentine's Day
- Found in the human body, also commonly associated with Valentine's



Above, at the Rangely Chamber of Commerce's Crab Crack on Saturday, the award for Business of the Year was presented to Heritage Building and Home Center. Pictured from left are: owner John Hume, Chamber Executive Director Kristin Steele, and co-owner Becky Hume. Above right, the Rangely Chamber of Commerce winner for Rangely Non-Profit of the Year was presented to New Eden Pregnancy Care Services, represented by Melissa Norman. Tickets were sold out for the event, and the Weiss Conference Center at Colorado Northwestern Community College was packed.

SEAN MCMAHON PHOTOS



DEATH NOTICE

Artie Parr

Services for Artie Parr of Meeker will be held at 3 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 12, 2015, (today) at Meeker United Methodist Church.

An obituary will follow next week.

IN MEMORIAM

Robert Castaldo

A memorial fund has been set up for Robert Castaldo of Meeker, who passed away recently.

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Shelby received his BSN and MSN through the University of Alabama at Birmingham. While in Rangely on a temporary nursing assignment he felt a recurring tone with the wide open spaces, clear dry air, beautiful facility and the friendly people. Shelby is board certified in Family Practice through the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners.

Shelby is passionate about medical mission work and is a strong believer in the importance of giving something back. He travels to South America every year to provide healthcare services to underprivileged children in the impoverished barrios of Quito, Ecuador.

He believes that the best form of health care is one in which the provider and the patient collaborate to identify the best option for achieving healthy outcomes.

Shelby enjoys several outdoor activities including hiking, biking, camping and exploring trails on his ATV. He also enjoys playing guitar, singing with friends and has become a Colorado all meat enthusiast going as far as to say he would eat it everyday if he could.

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HISTORY: Formal recognition of community history, access to tax credits among benefits

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both sides of Eighth Street, turning west through the alleyway to Seventh Street, then turn south from the alley, running down to Main Street, then turning east and running back to Fourth Street, covering both sides of Main.

The National Register of Historic Places is the official list of the nation's historic places worthy of preservation. Authorized by the National Historic

Preservation Act of 1966, the National Park Service's National Register of Historic Places is part of a national program to coordinate and support public and private efforts to identify, evaluate, and protect America's historic and archeological resources.

A historic district is a group of buildings, properties or sites that have been designated by one of several entities on different levels as historically or architecturally significant. Buildings and sites within a historic

district are normally divided into two categories, contributing and non-contributing.

On June 5, 2013, a team from the Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation for History Colorado visited Meeker to conduct survey work and make an assessment to determine if there might be historic district eligibility and to update individual eligibility recommendations.

Their report was positive and was presented as a starting place for

Meeker to consider ways to expand historic preservation in the community and to consider applying for one of the most competitive application processes—to be named a designated historic district.

Meeker's rich history and a considerable amount of existing historic structures lend themselves to at least applying for the coveted title of a national historic district.

Benefits of attaining a National Historic District designation include: Formal recognition of the history of the community. Meeker would be listed in a register nationally, which would give strong exposure to the town's credibility as a historic place to visit and ultimately boost heritage tourism; Provide local government with substantial information for community planning and heritage tourism efforts; Give eligibility to apply for tax credits for restoration, rehabilitation or preservation; Give eligibility to obtain federal rehabilitation tax credits for income-producing properties that meet specific standards for work; Give eligibility to compete for grants from the State Historical Fund that can be used for acquisition and development, education and survey and planning projects. Grants vary in size to amounts in excess of \$200,000; Gives accessibility to apply for CHF Revolving Loan Fund with low interest rates; and Ability to purchase and display a plaque to commemorate designation.

Other benefits include: Nationwide studies demonstrate that designated historic districts outpace undesignated neighborhoods in market value; Limited protection from federal agency actions that would

affect the property; and Federal tax deductions available for charitable contributions of partial interests.

While Meeker has satisfactory qualifications to prepare a nomination, private property owners are given the opportunity to object. If the majority of property owners within a potential National Historic District object to the nomination, the district cannot be listed.

"Even though several preliminary steps have been taken to pursue this daunting task of applying for national historic district designation, such as a resolutions from Rio Blanco County Historical Society, Meeker Arts and Culture Council and the Town of Meeker, we are still in the beginning steps to making this a reality," Meece said.

There are only 112 National Historic Districts in Colorado.

What are the restrictions, rules, regulations for historic property owners?

From the federal perspective, a property owner can do whatever they want with their property as long as there are no federal monies attached to the specific property inside the district.

However, before this occurs, the property owner should contact the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO), which is the state agency that oversees historic preservation efforts in the state. There may be state or local preservation laws that they should be aware of before they undertake a project with a historic property.

Can a property owner modify, remodel or renovate without restriction in a historic district?

Again, from the federal perspec-

tive, a property owner can do whatever they want with their property as long as there are no federal monies attached to the property.

Owners of private property listed in the National Register also have no obligation to open their properties to the public, to restore them, or even to maintain them, if they choose not to do so. Owners can do anything they wish with their property provided that no federal license, permit, or funding is involved.

"What those answers mean is that the historic district designation means nothing to a private property owner who wants to opt out of the program," Meece said. "Opting in means that the property owners will have access to grants, low-interest loans and other benefits if they wish to improve their property, but that is not a required part of being within the historic district. If they do take federal funding for any of the improvement purposes, then they are bound by the rules of a federal historic district. The decision is totally up to the property owner."

EDITOR'S NOTE: Part 2 will look at the process, which can take well in excess of 18 months before any decisions are made; the grant and other funding available for improvements should the district become a reality; the listing of the two buildings in downtown Meeker that are already listed on the National Register; the two buildings in downtown Meeker already on the Colorado State Register of Historic Properties; and the list of 22 properties listed as possibly eligible for inclusion on the state or national registers.

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FOSSIL: Dinosaur digs

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forefront of paleontological study and we are happy to continue that tradition through this partnership."

Fossils found in the area have previously been transported from Northwest Colorado to museums with repository status. Now fossils found can be collected, prepared and available to the public through CNCC. The excavations are pending permits from BLM. The current authorization is for surface collection with the option for Johnson to work with the field office on obtaining excavation permits.

"This is a really exciting time for CNCC," Johnson said. "Both of CNCC's campuses are surrounded by an abundance of fossil-bearing rocks. We will be able to explore and learn from the wonderful resources around us, all the while providing our students and community with a once-in-a-lifetime experience. Fossils will stay in the community for many future generations to enjoy."

To kick off the use of the new repository, CNCC will be hosting summer dinosaur digs for academic

credit from the Rangely campus.

The summer 2015 dig will be focused on a site found by CNCC faculty Ellis Thompson-Ellis. At the conclusion of the dig, the fossils will then travel to the Craig campus, where they will be prepared, restored and curated by CNCC students during the 2015-2016 academic school year.

Johnson said, "This is an opportunity for passionate individuals to take a two-week session where participants will work side-by-side with world-renowned professional paleontologists. If you don't have two weeks to spare, you can come out for a one-day community education experience. We want as many people as possible to get out and explore the dinosaurs in their own back yard."

For more information on this program or for an application you can visit www.cncc.edu/paleo or email paleo@cncc.edu.

Welch also issued a disclaimer to the public, "Remember, fossils are a resource for the entire public and private collection of vertebrate fossils from public lands is strictly prohibited. Only trained paleontologists working under BLM permits can excavate fossils."

If you have questions on the rules and regulations of fossil collecting, please don't hesitate to contact paleo@cncc.edu or your local BLM office.

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Shed hunters urged to keep motorized vehicles on roads

Special to the Herald Times

RBC | The Bureau of Land Management Little Snake Field Office is reminding people planning to collect shed antlers in northwest Colorado this spring that it is illegal to travel off existing roads in a motor vehicle on lands managed by the BLM.

"Most visitors follow the rules and enjoy public lands responsibly," said BLM Little Snake Field Manager Wendy Reynolds. "It only takes a minute to drive off designated roads and trails to impact natural

resources for a lifetime."

Persons who illegally leave roads on ATVs or other motorized vehicles cause tremendous, often permanent, damage every spring. Off-road driving can cause significant damage anytime, but moist spring soils are especially susceptible.

The resulting damage can cause erosion and serious impacts to important wildlife habitat. The animals are also vulnerable to motorized disturbance during early spring because of winter stress.

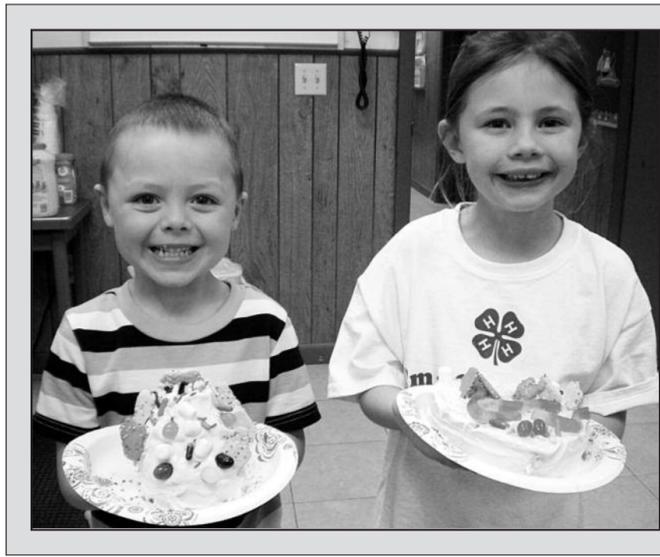
BLM rangers will be patrolling

popular shed hunting areas this spring all around northwestern Colorado to ensure compliance with existing travel management rules.

Reynolds asks the public to report any and all public land violations to BLM law enforcement.

A citation for riding an ATV off existing roads or in a closed area can result in fines of \$250. Harassing wildlife may result in a \$200 fine.

"We don't want to write tickets," Reynolds said. "We'd much rather the public follow the rules and not damage their resources."



At the January meeting of the 4-H Cloverbuds, the kids practiced the 4-H pledge and had a great time learning about cake decorating. The Cloverbuds Club is for kids ages 5-7 who would like to see what 4-H has to offer. The club's next meeting will be held from 4 to 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday at the Rio Blanco County Fairgrounds in Meeker. The kids will have an opportunity to try their hand at leather crafts and enjoy a healthy snack. The public is invited. Pictured above are Holt Pelloni and Skylar Grimes.

COURTESY PHOTO

National Forest groups sponsoring online photo contest

Special to the Herald Times

RBC | The National Forest Foundation, the White River National Forest and Yonder have partnered to bring you the #ItsAllYours photo contest.

The #ItsAllYours photo contest encourages users of Yonder and

Instagram, photograph-based social media apps, to snap photos while enjoying the recreation offered on national forests and grasslands. The White River National Forest and its partners are eager to see photos entered across the nation but especially on the White River National Forest.

The contest started Feb. 1 and ends March 1. Prizes, generously donated by Backcountry.com, GoalZero, Vail Resorts Echo and Yonder, will be given out each week. Please visit www.itsallyours.us for more information on contest rules and regulations.

Users enter the competition by:

Post a photo taken on national forests or grasslands on the Yonder app using the hashtag #ItsAllYours. Yonder is available for iPhone and androids; Post a photo on Instagram with the hashtag #ItsAllYours; Photos must be appropriate, as specified in the rules and regulations. Rules and regulations can be found

at www.itsallyours.us. Each week during February a winner will be selected on Tuesday.

This first-ever photo contest partnership is part of a larger campaign aimed at building public awareness about recreation and stewardship on national forests and grasslands. The National Forest

Foundation is the congressionally designated nonprofit of the U.S. Forest Service.

Yonder became an official partner of the U.S. Forest Service in January. The #ItsAllYours campaign was developed to promote the variety of ways you can enjoy the public lands of national forests.



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Piceance Weed and Pest Control District Hand Spraying of Herbicide
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Public Notice

A public hearing has been scheduled for March 3, 2015 at 7:00 pm at the Meeker Town Hall, 345 Market Street, to consider a request for (3) Special Event Liquor License by the Meeker Lions Club to be used at 200 Main Street, Meeker, CO 81641, on;
March 7, 2015 from 4:30 pm to 1:00 am
- Annual Chamber of Commerce Dinner
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- Annual Rm Elk Foundation Banquet
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TOWN OF RANGELY HOTEL AND RESTAURANT LICENSE BY THE LICENSING AUTHORITY

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held to consider the application filed on Jan. 21, 2015 by Country Cafe located at 37 Park St. Unit B, Rangely, CO 81648 for a liquor license in Heidi Yardley's name. The hearing will be held in the Court room of the Municipal building at 209 East Main, Rangely, CO 81648, on February 24, 2015 at 7:15 p.m. Remonstrances may be filed with the Rangely Liquor Licensing authority at 209 East Main, Rangely, CO 81648. All interested citizens and groups are invited to attend and participate in the public hearing.
By: /s/Lisa Piering
Lisa Piering Clerk/Treasurer
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Board of Education Work Session Central Office - 555 Garfield Street Tuesday, February 17, 2015 5:30 p.m.

Board of Education Regular Meeting Central Office - 555 Garfield Street Tuesday, February 17, 2015

Directly Following the Work Session

- AGENDA**
- 1.Call to Order and Roll Call
 - 2.Pledge of Allegiance: Mr. Allen will lead the Pledge of Allegiance
 - 3.Approval of Agenda
 - 4.Approval of the Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting February 3, 2015
- ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS**
- SUPERINTENDENT REPORT**
- 1.Recognitions/Celebrations
 - 2.GoCo Grant Update
 - 3.BOE Special Meeting Date and Time for Superintendent Evaluation Report
 - 4.2015/16 School Year Calendar Report
 - 5.Policy Report
 - 6.Certified/Classified Report
- ACTION ITEMS**
- A.Consideration of Action Items for a Blanket Motion
 - B.Approval of Set-Aside Funds for Resurfacing of Track
 - C.Approval of BOE Special Meeting
 - D.Approval of 15/16 School Year Calendar
 - E.Approval of Policies for 2nd Reading; AE-R, AED, BEC, DAB, DAB-E, DEA, DEB, EEA, EF, EFC, EFEA, EHB, IHBB, IHBEA, IKA, ILBC-R, JF, JFABD, JFK, JLCB, LBD-R,
 - F.Approval of Certified/Classified Report
- OTHER BOE INFORMATION**
- ADJOURNMENT**
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ADVERTISEMENT OF LAND FOR SALE BY SEALED BID

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to § 22-32-110(1)(e), The Meeker School District Re-1 (Seller) will sell the property described below through the acceptance of sealed bids. Sealed bids shall be received by Janelle Urista, 555 Garfield St., Meeker, CO 81641, no later than 4:00 p.m. MST Thursday, February 26, 2015. The sealed bid envelopes shall be clearly marked SEALED BID on the outside of the sealed envelope. Bids will not be accepted after the above stated date and time. Sealed bids must contain the applicant address, phone number, fax number, e-mail address (if applicable), and the amount of the bid both written out and shown numerically.
Terms: (1) Seller reserves the right to reject any and all bids, and to waive bid irregularities in the best interests of the school district. (2) The parcel is being offered as is. It is the responsibility of the bidder to inspect land conditions of the parcel prior to submitting a bid. (3) New Eden is given the right to match the highest bid and thus take ownership of said property if the Board approves the bid. (4) The property will be conveyed using a quitclaim deed.
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY TO BE SOLD
The property subject to this sale is described as follows:
Lot 10
Block 4
Town of Meeker, Colorado
School Board staff will open the sealed bids at 4:00 p.m., on Thursday, February 26, 2015, at the administrative offices of the Seller, 555 Garfield St., Meeker, Colorado, to verify that the bids received meet the minimum requirements. The bid amounts will not be disclosed at the bid opening. This information will remain confidential until it is presented to the School Board in open session at a Board meeting scheduled to be held on March 3, 2015, at 7:00 p.m. **BIDDERS NEED NOT BE PRESENT.** If the School Board decides to proceed with the sale of property based on the bids received, the Board will select and approve a bid at the Board meeting. Participation in the bidding process does not create any rights for the highest bidder or anyone else participating in the bidding process. If the Board determines that the sale will proceed, the Seller intention is to transfer title and possession of the property to the bidder submitting the selected bid on or before May 1, 2015. If you have any questions regarding the bidding process, contact Janelle Urista at 970.878.9040.
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SEALED BID FORM THE MEEKER SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1

BIDDING ITEM: Meeker School District Old Kindergarten Building (currently New Eden Pregnancy Services Building)
CONDITIONS OF BIDDING:
BIDS: Only one bid per envelope. Each bid shall be in sealed Envelope. Envelope shall be clearly marked with words, "SEALED BID. Each bid envelope shall be received at the address listed on the advertisement by 4:00 p.m. MST Thursday, February 26, 2015.
ITEM CONDITION: The Old Kindergarten property advertised by The Meeker School District Re-1 for sale by bid are to be sold As-Is. The Meeker School District Re-1 shall strive to make its best effort to assist interested parties in obtaining information about the property each item for sale, however the District makes no warranty of the condition of the property or of legal title. Each Bidder shall be responsible for verifying condition of the property and the accuracy of the legal description and any concerns about the property or title to the property item description prior to submitting a bid, and bring to the District's attention any discrepancy found.
TERMS OF SALE: The successful bidder shall be provided a written Notice of Award by March 13, 2015.
DISTRICT'S RIGHTS: The District has not set a minimum bid amount. The District retains the right to remove the property for sale at any time up to the Notice of Award should the District determine the sale of the property is not in its best interests. The District reserves the right to reject any or all bids, or to waive any irregularities or defects found therein.
BID:
BIDDERS NAME: _____
BIDDERS PHONE #: _____
BIDDERS MAIL ADDRESS _____
BID AMOUNT (U.S.D.) (both written out and numerals) _____

By signing below, I am indicating that I have read, understand and will comply with the terms and intentions of the conditions of this bid, and will provide payment in full for said item listed above, should I be awarded the Bid.

Bidder's Signature Date _____
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**Rio Blanco County
2015 Dust Control Project
REQUEST FOR BID**

PROJECT NAME
2015 Dust Control Project. Work includes the placement of approximately 409,858 gallons Blended Magnesium Chloride on various roads.

BID DOCUMENTS
Contract Documents shall be available on-line at www.govbids.com/scripts/co1/public/home1.asp, or on the county website at www.rbc.us on the Public Announcements page, or at the Rio Blanco County Road and Bridge Dept. 570 2nd Street, Meeker, Colorado 81641 on February 12, 2015.

PROJECT SUPERINTENDENT AND QUESTIONS
Clint Chappell, Road and Bridge Coordinator, (970) 878-9590, Fax (970) 878-3396. Mailing address: Rio Blanco County Road and Bridge Dept., 570 Second Street, Meeker, CO 81641.

All Vendors must examine the sites and become familiar with all site conditions. Any questions regarding this project are to be directed in writing to Clint Chappell before Tuesday, March 3, 2015 at 4:00 P.M. at the above address or fax number.

WORK SCHEDULE
This project shall start March 31, 2015 and be completed by June 12, 2015, pending delays due to adverse conditions. A second application on one of the county roads will be scheduled for approx. Aug. 25 as shown on the Project Application Schedule.

NON-MANDATORY PRE-BID MEETING
Vendors may attend a non-mandatory pre-bid meeting:
Monday, March 2, 2015 at 10:00 A.M. at the Rio Blanco County Road & Bridge Dept., 570 Second Street, Meeker.

BID SUBMITTALS
Vendor shall include all information required by the contract documents. Bid shall be clearly marked with Sealed Bid-2015 Dust Control the name and address of the submitting company and the bid opening date written on the sealed envelope. Each bid must be accompanied by a Certified Check or Cashier Check in the amount of not less than five percent (5%) of the total bid, made payable to Rio Blanco County, Colorado, or by a Bid Bond in like amount executed by a Surety Company. Mail or hand-deliver to the Board of County Commissioners, Rio Blanco County 200 Main Street, P.O. Box i, Meeker, CO 81641, until 4:00 P.M. on Thursday, March 5, 2015.

OR
Hand-deliver on the date of bid opening to the Rio Blanco County Board of County Commissioners, 200 Main Street, Meeker, CO until 10:45 A.M. on Monday, March 9, 2015.

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No bids shall be received Friday, March 6 through Sunday, March 8.
BID OPENING
Bids shall be opened and read in public at 11:15 A.M. on March 9, 2015 at the Commissioners Meeting Room, 200 Main Street, Meeker, CO. Bids submitted after 10:45A.M. will be returned not opened. Bids submitted and opened shall not be withdrawn for 30 days thereafter.
BID PREFERENCE
C.R.S. 8-19-101, et.seq.shall be observed on all construction contracts on public projects. The law states that when a construction contract for a public project is to be awarded to a bidder, a resident bidder shall be allowed preference against a nonresident bidder from another state equal to the preference given or required by the state in which the nonresident bidder is a resident.
BID AWARD
The Rio Blanco County Board of County Commissioners reserve the right to reject any or all bids; to waive any informalities in bids; and to accept the bid that, in the opinion of the Board, is in the best interest of the County of Rio Blanco, State of Colorado.
RIO BLANCO COUNTY, COLORADO
Dated: February 9, 2015
By: Jeffrey D. Eskelson, Chairman
Published: February 12, 19, 2015
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**PUBLIC NOTICE
REQUEST FOR DIRECTORS
YELLOW JACKET WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that by arrangement with the Clerk of Court, a hearing to appoint directors for the Yellow Jacket Water Conservancy District has been set before the District Court for March 20, 2015 commencing at 2:00 p.m. in the District Court Room, Rio Blanco Combined Court, 555 Main Street, Meeker, Colorado. Any party interested in serving as a director must submit an application and appear at the Rio Blanco County District court at such time or contact undersigned counsel to participate by telephone. Directors may serve in an at-large capacity where there is a vacancy in a particular District and are not required to own property within a specific District. Preference will be given to applicants owning property within a particular District. The Districts for which applications will be considered are: District No. 1 (Lower White River); District No. 3 (Josephine); District No. 5 (Mesa); District No. 6 (Beaver-Coal Creek); and District No. 8 (Juniper). To qualify, the Applicant must be a resident of the Yellow Jacket Water Conservancy District for one year and must own real property

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within the boundaries of the Yellow Jacket Water Conservancy District. Applicants should be knowledgeable in water matters and familiar with the beneficial use of water in the YJWCD boundaries. Applications must be in writing with resumes showing background in water use and filed with the Clerk of the District Court, Rio Blanco County Combined Court, P.O. Box 1150, Meeker, CO 81641. Applications will be accepted by the Court until February 20, 2015. Please contact Scott Grosscup, Balcomb & Green, P.C., 970-945-6546, P.O. Drawer 790, Glenwood Springs, CO 81602, with any questions regarding director terms, map of the director district or other requirements.
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**PUBLIC NOTICE
RIO BLANCO COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HEARING**

Notice is hereby given that on Monday March 9, 2015, the Rio Blanco Board of County Commissioners will hold a public hearing beginning at 1:15 p.m. at the Rio Blanco County Administration Building, 200 Main Street, Meeker, Colorado to consider the following:
PUD (Planned Unit Development) Amendment 15-01, "The Ridge Estates PUD Homeowners Association is requesting to amend their PUD Agreement to remove the requirement for sprinkler systems in townhomes. The Ridge Estates Planned Unit Development is located south of Meeker on County Road 13, north of the junction with County Road 36, in Section 34, T1N, R94W.
Copies of the documents may be obtained from the Community Development Department at 200 Main Street in Meeker, Colorado, or you may call (970) 878-9584 for more information between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.
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**RIO BLANCO COUNTY
NOTICE OF FINAL CONTRACTOR SETTLEMENT RIO BLANCO COUNTY 2014 LANDFILL BUILDING RELOCATION PROJECT**
NOTICE is hereby given that on the 17th day of February, 2015 at Meeker, Colorado, final settlement will be authorized by the Rio Blanco County Board of County Commissioners with Sage Creek Development, 1290 Main Street, Meeker, CO 81641 for all work done by said CONTRACTOR on the project known as Rio Blanco County 2014 Landfill Building Relocation Project.
1)Any person, co-partnership, association, or corporation who has an unpaid claim against the said project may at any time, up to and including the date specified in item 2 below, file a VERIFIED STATEMENT of the amount due and unpaid on account of such claims.
2)All such claims shall be filed with Van Pilaud, County Engineer, Rio Blanco County Road & Bridge Department, 570 2nd Street, Meeker, Colorado 81641 on or before close of business February 16, 2015.
3)Failure on the part of a creditor to file such a statement will relieve Rio Blanco County from any and all liability for such claim.
Dated at Meeker, Colorado this 2nd day of February, 2015.
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF RIO BLANCO COUNTY BY JEFFREY D. ESKELSON, CHAIRMAN
First Publication: 02/05/15
Last Publication: 02/12/15
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**Board of County Commissioners
Tuesday, February 17, 2015
Rangely, Colorado
Tentative Board Agenda**

Items of routine and non-controversial nature are placed on the consent agenda. Any Commissioner or member of the audience may request an item be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately on the regular agenda prior to action being taken by the Board on the Consent Agenda.
Public Comment: Any member of the public may address the Board on matters which are within the jurisdiction of the Board. If you are addressing the Board regarding a matter listed on the Agenda, you are requested to make your comments when the Board takes that matter. Please limit your comments to three minutes per member or five minutes per group. The public comment time is not for questions and answers. It is your time to express your views.
11:00a.m. Call to order:
•Pledge of Allegiance
•Changes to the February 17, 2015 Tentative Agenda
•Approval of the February 17, 2015 Agen-

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Consent Agenda for February 17, 2015:
•Consideration of the Board Minutes of February 9, 2015
•Notice of Final Settlement on the Landfill Building
•Meeker/Rangely Airports Lease Agreement with BLM for Fire Suppression Activities
Business Agenda:
-General:
-Resolutions:
-Bids: Lower White River Weed and Pest Control District
Commercial Spraying
Aerial Spraying
-Contracts and Agreements:
Other Business:
•Public Comments
•County Commissioners Updates
Adjourn
The agenda is provided for informational purposes only; all times are approximate. Agenda items will normally be considered in the order they appear on the agenda. However, the Board may alter the Agenda, take breaks during the meeting, work through the noon hour and even continue an item for a future meeting date. The Board, while in session, may consider other items that are brought before it. Scheduled items may be continued if the Board is unable to complete the Agenda as scheduled.
The next regular Board meeting is tentatively scheduled for February 23, in Meeker at the County Administration Building. Please check the County website for information at www.rbc.us If you need special accommodations please call 970-878-9570 in advance of the meeting so that reasonable accommodations may be made.
Publish: February 12, 2015
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**RIO BLANCO COUNTY
2015 CATTLEGUARDS AND WINGS
REQUEST FOR BID**

PROJECT NAME
2015 Cattleguards and Wings. THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF RIO BLANCO COUNTY is soliciting bids for supplying 17 each 8-foot Cattleguard Sections, 8 each 12-foot Cattleguard Sections, and 8 pair of Cattleguard Wings.
BID DOCUMENTS
Bid Documents shall be available February 12, 2015 at the Rio Blanco County Road and Bridge Dept., 570 Second St., Meeker, CO 81641, at www.rbc.us, Public Announcements Page, and www.govbids.com/scripts/co1/public/home1.asp.
COUNTY REPRESENTATIVE
Clint Chappell, Road & Bridge Coordinator, (970) 878-9590, Fax (970) 878-3396. Any questions regarding this bid are to be directed in writing to Clint Chappell before Tuesday, March 3, 2015 at 4:00 P.M. at the above fax number.
DELIVERY AND PAYMENT

Material shall be delivered by May 14, 2015. Alternate delivery schedules will be considered. Bid price shall be F.O.B. Meeker, Colorado. Payment shall not be made upon delivery. The county regular accounts payable schedule shall be followed.
BID SUBMITTALS
Bids shall have Vendor name and address and 2015 Cattleguards and Wings Bid written on the sealed envelope. Mailed bids are due no later than 4:00 P.M. on Thursday, March 5, 2015. No bids shall be received Friday, March 6 through Sunday, March 8. Hand-delivered bids will be accepted until 11:00 A.M. on date of bid opening. Do not depend on overnight delivery.
Mailing and hand-delivery address: Rio Blanco County Commissioners, P.O. Box i, 200 Main St., Meeker, CO 81641.
BID OPENING
Bids shall be opened and read in public at 11:15 A.M. on Monday, March 9, 2015 at the Commissioners Meeting Room, 200 Main St., Meeker, CO 81641. Bids submitted after 11:00 A.M. shall be returned unopened. Bids submitted and opened shall not be withdrawn for 30 days thereafter.
BID AWARD
The Rio Blanco County Board of County Commissioners reserve the right to reject any or all bids; to waive any informalities in bids; and to accept the bid that, in the opinion of the Board, is in the best interest of the County of Rio Blanco, State of Colorado.
RIO BLANCO COUNTY
Dated: February 9, 2015
By: Jeffrey D. Eskelson, Chairman
Publish: February 12, 19, 2015
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**BID REQUEST
Piceance
Weed and Pest Control District
Fixed Wing Aerial Spraying of
Herbicide and Insecticide**

The Piceance Weed and Pest District is soliciting bids for Herbicide and Insecticide spraying. Bid packets are available by calling Chris Uphoff at 878-5130. Mailed bids are due to the Board of County Commissioners, P.O. Box i, Meeker, CO 81641 no later than 11:00a.m. on March 5th, 2015. If hand delivered, the bids are due no later than 11:00 a.m. on March 9th, 2015 to the Board of county Commissioners, county Administration Building, 200 Main, Meeker, CO. The bids will be opened after 11:00a.m. or as listed on the agenda on March 9th, 2015. All bids must be clearly marked "Herbicide and Insecticide Aerial spraying" on the outside of the bid.
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**COMBINED NOTICE - MAILING
CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 14-22**

To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust:
On December 4, 2014, the undersigned Public Trustee caused the Notice of Election and Demand relating to the Deed of Trust described below to be recorded in the County of Rio Blanco records.
Original Grantor(s)
Original Beneficiary(ies)
Current Holder of Evidence of Debt
Richard D Brenton and Elizabeth Brenton
Ameriquet Mortgage Company
Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Ameriquet Mortgage Securities Inc., Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2004-R12
October 09, 2004
Rio Blanco
October 20, 2004
279891
\$64,000.00
\$70,917.10
Pursuant to CRS §38-38-101(4)(i), you are hereby notified that the covenants of the deed of trust have been violated as follows: failure to pay principal and interest when due together with all other payments provided for in the evidence of debt secured by the deed of trust and other violations thereof.
THE LIEN FORECLOSED MAY NOT BE A FIRST LIEN.
The property to be foreclosed is:
LOT 1, BLOCK A, UTAH OIL SUBDIVISION FIRST AMENDED PLAT ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF FILED JANUARY 17, 1961 AS RECEPTION NO. 115665 TOWN RANGELY, COLORADO, COUNTY OF RIO BLANCO.
Also known by street and number as: 203 Morrison Rd, Rangely, CO 80648.
THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ALL OF THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY ENCUMBERED BY THE LIEN OF THE DEED OF TRUST.

NOTICE OF SALE
The current holder of the Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, described herein, has filed Notice of Election and Demand for sale as provided by law and in said Deed of Trust.
THEREFORE, Notice Is Hereby Given that I will at public auction, at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, 04/08/2015, at Office of the Public Trustee, Rio Blanco County Courthouse, 555 Main Street, Meeker CO 81641, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property and all interest of the said Grantor(s), Grantor(s)' heirs and assigns therein, for the purpose of paying the indebtedness provided in said Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, plus attorneys' fees, the expenses of sale and other items allowed by law, and will issue to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law.
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Last Publication 3/12/2015
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NOTICE OF RIGHTS
YOU MAY HAVE AN INTEREST IN THE REAL PROPERTY BEING FORECLOSED, OR HAVE CERTAIN RIGHTS OR SUFFER CERTAIN LIABILITIES PURSUANT TO COLORADO STATUTES AS A RESULT OF SAID FORECLOSURE. YOU MAY HAVE THE RIGHT TO REDEEM SAID REAL PROPERTY AND/OR YOU MAY HAVE THE RIGHT TO CURE A DEFAULT UNDER THE DEED OF TRUST BEING FORECLOSED. A COPY OF CERTAIN SAID STATUTES, AS SUCH STATUTES ARE PRESENTLY CONSTITUTED, WHICH MAY AFFECT YOUR RIGHTS SHALL BE SENT WITH ALL MAILED COPIES OF THIS NOTICE. HOWEVER, YOUR RIGHTS MAY BE DETERMINED BY PREVIOUS STATUTES.
A NOTICE OF INTENT TO CURE FILED PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-38-104 SHALL BE FILED WITH THE PUBLIC TRUSTEE AT LEAST FIFTEEN (15) CALENDAR DAYS PRIOR TO THE FIRST SCHEDULED SALE DATE OR ANY DATE TO WHICH THE SALE IS CONTINUED; IF THE SALE DATE IS CONTINUED TO A LATER DATE, THE DEADLINE TO FILE A NOTICE OF INTENT TO CURE BY THOSE PARTIES ENTITLED TO CURE MAY ALSO BE EXTENDED; A NOTICE OF INTENT TO REDEEM FILED PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-38-302 SHALL BE FILED WITH THE PUBLIC TRUSTEE NO MORE THAN EIGHT (8) BUSINESS DAYS AFTER THE SALE.
DATE: 12/05/2014
Karen Arnold, Public Trustee in and for the County of Rio Blanco, State of Colorado
By: Karen Arnold, Public Trustee
The name, address, business telephone number and bar registration number of the attorney(s) representing the legal holder of the indebtedness is:
Robert J. Aronowitz, Esq. #5673
Monica Kadmas #34904
Randall M. Chin, Esq. #31149
Stacey L. Aronowitz, Esq. #36290
Andrea Rickles-Jordan #39005
Susan J. Hendrick #33196
Joel T. Mecklenberg, Esq. #36291
Joan Olson, Esq. #28073
Lisa Cancanon Esq. #42043
Aronowitz & Mecklenberg, L.L.P. 1199 Bannock Street, Denver, CO 80204 (303) 813-1177
Attorney File # 4500.100672
The Attorney above is acting as a debt collector and is attempting to collect a debt. Any information provided may be used for that purpose.

**COMBINED NOTICE - MAILING
CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 14-19**

To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust:
On November 21, 2014, the undersigned Public Trustee caused the Notice of Election and Demand relating to the Deed of Trust described below to be recorded in the County of Rio Blanco records.
Original Grantor(s)
Original Beneficiary(ies)
Current Holder of Evidence of Debt
Date of Deed of Trust
County of Recording
Recording Date of Deed of Trust
Recording Information (Reception Number)
Original Principal Amount
Outstanding Principal Balance
CESAR GRANDARA GONZALEZ and ANTONETTE M. HOLLAND GONZALEZ COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC. COLORADO HOUSING AND FINANCE AUTHORITY
November 30, 2004
Rio Blanco
December 01, 2004
280190
\$131,640.00
\$108,773.89
Pursuant to CRS §38-38-101(4)(i), you are hereby notified that the covenants of the deed of trust have been violated as follows: failure to pay principal and interest when due together with all other payments provided for in the evidence of debt secured by the deed of trust and other violations thereof.
THE LIEN FORECLOSED MAY NOT BE A FIRST LIEN.
The property to be foreclosed is:
LOT 24 SANDERSON HILLS SUBDIVISION ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF FILED DECEMBER 19, 1978 AS RECEPTION NO. 185454 TOWN OF MEEKER, COLORADO
Also known by street and number as: 1007 WALL ST, MEEKER, CO 81641.
THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ALL OF THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY ENCUMBERED BY THE LIEN OF THE DEED OF TRUST.

NOTICE OF SALE
The current holder of the Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, described herein, has filed Notice of Election and Demand for sale as provided by law and in said Deed of Trust.
THEREFORE, Notice Is Hereby Given that I will at public auction, at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, 03/25/2015, at Office of the Public Trustee, Rio Blanco County Courthouse, 555 Main Street, Meeker CO 81641, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property and all interest of the said Grantor(s), Grantor(s)' heirs and assigns therein, for the purpose of paying the indebtedness provided in said Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, plus attorneys' fees, the expenses of sale and other items allowed by law, and will issue to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law.
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YOU MAY HAVE AN INTEREST IN THE REAL PROPERTY BEING FORECLOSED, OR HAVE CERTAIN RIGHTS OR SUFFER CERTAIN LIABILITIES PURSUANT TO COLORADO STATUTES AS A RESULT OF SAID FORECLOSURE. YOU MAY HAVE THE RIGHT TO REDEEM SAID REAL PROPERTY AND/OR YOU MAY HAVE THE RIGHT TO CURE A DEFAULT UNDER THE DEED OF TRUST BEING FORECLOSED. A COPY OF CERTAIN SAID STATUTES, AS SUCH STATUTES ARE PRESENTLY CONSTITUTED, WHICH MAY AFFECT YOUR RIGHTS SHALL BE SENT WITH ALL MAILED COPIES OF THIS NOTICE. HOWEVER, YOUR RIGHTS MAY BE DETERMINED BY PREVIOUS STATUTES.
A NOTICE OF INTENT TO CURE FILED PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-38-104 SHALL BE FILED WITH THE PUBLIC TRUSTEE AT LEAST FIFTEEN (15) CALENDAR DAYS PRIOR TO THE FIRST SCHEDULED SALE DATE OR ANY DATE TO WHICH THE SALE IS CONTINUED; IF THE SALE DATE IS CONTINUED TO A LATER DATE, THE DEADLINE TO FILE A NOTICE OF INTENT TO CURE BY THOSE PARTIES ENTITLED TO CURE MAY ALSO BE EXTENDED; A NOTICE OF INTENT TO REDEEM FILED PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-38-302 SHALL BE FILED WITH THE PUBLIC TRUSTEE NO MORE THAN EIGHT (8) BUSINESS DAYS AFTER THE SALE.
DATE: 11/24/2014
Karen Arnold, Public Trustee in and for the County of Rio Blanco, State of Colorado
By: Karen Arnold, Public Trustee
The name, address, business telephone number and bar registration number of the attorney(s) representing the legal holder of the indebtedness is:
Alison L. Berry #34531
Elizabeth S. Marcus #16092
Lynn M. Janeway #15592
Courtney E. Wright #45482
Eve M. Grina #34658
Nicholas H. Santarelli #46592
David R. Doughty #40042
Kelly Murdock #46915
Janeway Law Firm 9800 S. Meridian, Suite 400, Englewood, CO 80134 (303) 706-9990
Attorney File # 14-004918
The Attorney above is acting as a debt collector and is attempting to collect a debt. Any information provided may be used for that purpose.
(c)Public Trustees' Association of Colorado Revised 9/2012

**COMBINED NOTICE - AMENDED MAILING
CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 14-18**

To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust:
On October 29, 2014, the undersigned Public Trustee caused the Notice of Election and Demand relating to the Deed of Trust described below to be recorded in the County of Rio Blanco records.
Original Grantor(s)
Original Beneficiary(ies)
Current Holder of Evidence of Debt
STEPHEN ROWLETT AND AIMEE ROWLETT Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., acting solely as nominee for Countrywide Home Loans, Inc. dba America's Wholesale Lender
Bank of America, N.A., successor by merger to BAC Home Loans Servicing LP, F/K/A Countrywide Home Loans Servicing LP
June 14, 2007
Rio Blanco
June 15, 2007
Date of Deed of Trust
County of Recording
Recording Date of Deed of Trust
Recording Information (Reception No. and/or Book/Page No.)
Original Principal Amount
Outstanding Principal Balance
288908
\$417,000.00
\$414,650.75
Pursuant to CRS §38-38-101(4)(i), you are hereby notified that the covenants of the deed of trust have been violated as follows: failure to pay principal and interest when due together with all other payments provided for in the evidence of debt secured by the deed of trust and other violations thereof.
THE LIEN FORECLOSED MAY NOT BE A FIRST LIEN.
LOT 43, BLOCK 3, OF SAGE HILLS RESUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF FILED APRIL 1, 1998 AS RECEPTION NO. 261792, TOWN OF MEEKER, COLORADO.
Also known by street and number as: 1312 Sage Ridge Road, Meeker, CO 81641.
THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ALL OF THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY ENCUMBERED BY THE LIEN OF THE DEED OF TRUST.

NOTICE OF SALE
The current holder of the Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, described herein, has filed Notice of Election and Demand for sale as provided by law and in said Deed of Trust.
THEREFORE, Notice Is Hereby Given that I will at public auction, at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, 03/25/2015, at Office of the Public Trustee, Rio Blanco County Courthouse, 555 Main Street, Meeker CO 81641, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property and all interest of the said Grantor(s), Grantor(s)' heirs and assigns therein, for the purpose of paying the indebtedness provided in said Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, plus attorneys' fees, the expenses of sale and other items allowed by law, and will issue to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law.
First Publication 1/29/2015
Last Publication 2/26/2015
Name of Publication Rio Blanco Herald Times

NOTICE OF RIGHTS
YOU MAY HAVE AN INTEREST IN THE REAL PROPERTY BEING FORECLOSED, OR HAVE CERTAIN RIGHTS OR SUFFER CERTAIN LIABILITIES PURSUANT TO COLORADO STATUTES AS A RESULT OF SAID FORECLOSURE. YOU MAY HAVE THE RIGHT TO REDEEM SAID REAL PROPERTY OR YOU MAY HAVE THE RIGHT TO CURE A DEFAULT UNDER THE DEED OF TRUST BEING FORECLOSED. A COPY OF SAID STATUTES, AS SUCH STATUTES ARE PRESENTLY CONSTITUTED, WHICH MAY AFFECT YOUR RIGHTS SHALL BE SENT WITH ALL MAILED COPIES OF THIS NOTICE. HOWEVER, YOUR RIGHTS MAY BE DETERMINED BY PREVIOUS STATUTES.
A NOTICE OF INTENT TO CURE FILED PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-38-104 SHALL BE FILED WITH THE PUBLIC TRUSTEE AT LEAST FIFTEEN (15) CALENDAR DAYS PRIOR TO THE FIRST SCHEDULED SALE DATE OR ANY DATE TO WHICH THE SALE IS CONTINUED; A NOTICE OF INTENT TO REDEEM FILED PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-38-302 SHALL BE FILED WITH THE PUBLIC TRUSTEE NO LATER THAN EIGHT (8) BUSINESS DAYS AFTER THE SALE; IF THE SALE DATE IS CONTINUED TO A LATER DATE, THE DEADLINE TO FILE A NOTICE OF INTENT TO CURE BY THOSE PARTIES ENTITLED TO CURE MAY ALSO BE EXTENDED.
DATE: 01/22/2015
Karen Arnold, Public Trustee in and for the County of Rio Blanco, State of Colorado
By: Karen Arnold, Public Trustee
The name, address, business telephone number and bar registration number of the attorney(s) representing the legal holder of the indebtedness is:
Lisa Cancanon #42043
Monica Kadmas #34904
Barrett Frappier & Weisserman, LLP 1199 Bannock Street, Denver, CO 80204 (303) 350-3711
Attorney File # 4500.100585.F02
The Attorney above is acting as a debt collector and is attempting to collect a debt. Any information provided may be used for that purpose.

LEGAL NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE
RIO BLANCO COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT HEARING

Notice is hereby given that on Monday March 9, 2015, the Rio Blanco County Board of Adjustment will hold a public hearing beginning at 1:15 p.m. at the Rio Blanco County Administration Building, 200 Main Street, Meeker, Colorado to consider the following:
Meeker Collision Center Variance 15-01 - The Applicant is requesting a variance from the square footage limitation on signs to allow a total of 280 square feet of signage for the site, and allow 150 square feet for an individual sign at 43904 State Highway 13, Meeker, in Section 19, T1N, R93W.
Copies of the documents may be obtained from the Community Development Department at 200 Main Street in Meeker, Colorado, or you may call (970) 878-9580 for more information between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.
Published: February 12, 2015
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

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.

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

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.

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THE RANGELY Moms Group gives pregnant women and mothers of newborns through elementary school-aged children time to take a break, join in discussions and crafts, and build relationships with other moms. We meet the first Thursday of each month from September through May, from 9-11 a.m. at Grace Baptist Church (144 S. Stanolind Ave.). Join us! For more information, call Heather Zadra at (970) 629-9937.

FOOD BANK of the Rockies mobile food pantry truck will be providing Food assistance to community members of Rio Blanco County. Scheduled Dates for 2015: February 26, March 26, April 30 & May 28. The Food Bank will be at the Meeker Fairgrounds from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Bring your own boxes to transport food. Seniors and handicapped served first. No qualifications or eligibility forms. Product distributed to anyone seeking food assistance on first come, first served basis. 40# senior box pickup at 10:30. Applications available for over age 60. FBR contact: Jill Heidel 877-953-3937. Sponsor contact: Debra Barney 970-878-9650.

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 ■ RN - Acute/E.D. - Day Shift
 ■ Certified Nursing Assistant - LTC - Days
 ■ Radiologic Technologist
 ■ RN - Acute/E.D.
 ■ LPN - LTC
 ■ RN - LTC
 ■ Cook/Food Service Tech

Submit Resume and/or Application to:
Pioneers Medical Center, HR,
345 Cleveland St., Meeker, Colo., 81641
Visit our Web site at:
www.pioneershospital.org

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Eastern Rio Blanco County Health Service District

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MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE

FRIDAY, February 13: Hamburger Stroganoff, Pasta, Orange spiced carrots, Beets, Apricots, Biscuit. Wear red & get a prize.
MONDAY, February 16: Closed for President's Day.

TUESDAY, February 17: Roast beef, Mashed potatoes w/gravy, Brussels sprouts, Waldorf salad.
WEDNESDAY February 18: Chicken noodle soup, Whole wheat crackers, Chopped spinach, Yellow squash, Citrus salad.

FRIDAY, February 20: Chili dog w/bun, Onions/cheese, 5 bean salad, Fresh orange, Banana, Chocolate chip cookie

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

COME ONE COME ALL TO THE VALENTINE'S BALL
Where: Hugus Building
When: February 14, 2015
What : Cash bar by the Lions Club
Music: The Clover Loafers
Time: 8 P.M. to 12 P.M.
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For details and a Rio Blanco County application, please go to www.rbc.usl
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DO YOU KNOW ME?



Female Red Heeler mix found on Hwy. 64 at Mile Marker 60. Looking for owner!

Call Meeker Animal Control at **878-4968** and leave a message or email laurel@town.meeker.co.us

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THE MEEKER Sanitation District is seeking applicants to fill an opening on the Board. Applicants must be a resident of, or own property in the Meeker Sanitation District to qualify. If you are interested in becoming a Board Member for the Meeker Sanitation District, please contact the Office at 265 8th Street, or call 878-5192. You may also write for information to PO Box 417, Meeker, CO 81641.

HELP WANTED: FULL TIME

VACANCY NOTICE
February 3, 2015

Position: Head Secretary Meeker High School This is a ten-month position with benefits.
Job Description:
The head secretary shall serve as the office manager, accountant, and secretary to the building principal. The position requires strong interpersonal skills and the ability to communicate professionally with students, parents, staff and community members. In addition, she/he will serve as liaison to ensure communication between the business manager and the High School Principal for timely submission of all bills, records, and reports which the financial secretary must collect and process, and/or submit to a governmental authority. The District is seeking an enthusiastic individual who wants to join a staff committed to "Seeking Ex-

HELP WANTED: FULL TIME

cellence in All We Do".
Qualifications - Successful candidates must have: previous experience in related area, ability to maintain good relations with staff, students, parents, and the community, ability to maintain and protect confidentiality, a good work ethic including dependability, honesty, and initiative, ability to interact and communicate effectively with others, flexibility and multi-tasking skills - able to prioritize work load effectively and efficiently, ability to maintain accurate student and accounting records, computer knowledge - word processing, spreadsheets, and data entry, strong clerical and accounting skills/experience, ability to take direction and work effectively as a team member.
Applicants will be required to take a skills test. The successful applicant will be fingerprinted and undergo a background check.
Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until position is filled. Vacancy notices are posted on the district website at [HYPERLINK "http://www.meeker.k12.co.us"](http://www.meeker.k12.co.us) www.meeker.k12.co.us. Please submit application/resume/references to:
Applications: Jessica Browning-Human Resources Director
Meeker Re-1 School District
School Administration Office
555 Garfield Street
P.O. Box 1089
Meeker, CO 81641
Telephone: 970-878-9040
FAX: 970-878-3682
E-mail: [HYPERLINK "mailto:admin@meeker.k12.co.us"](mailto:HYPERLINK) admin@meeker.k12.co.us
The Meeker School District Re-1 is an Equal Opportunity Employer
Publish February 5, 12, 2015
Rio Blanco Herald Times

HOUSEKEEPING: The ERBM Recreation & Park District is seeking one Head Housekeeping Position. This is a full time benefited position; hiring range \$16.00 to \$19.74/hour. Duties include, but are not limited to: general cleaning and light maintenance duties of district facilities as assigned by the Park and Facilities Manager. Requirements include, but are not limited to: applicant must be 18 years of age or older, possess a high school diploma or GED, read, write, speak and understand English, be available to work various shifts, primarily evenings and weekends. A completed

HELP WANTED: FULL TIME

ERBM Recreation & Park District job application is required for consideration and should be returned to ERBM Recreation & Park District, Attn: Human Resources, 101 Ute Rd, Meeker, CO 81641. 970-878-3403. Applications are available at the Meeker Recreation Center. Complete job description is available upon request. Applications will be accepted through Monday, February 16. ERBM Recreation & Park District is an equal opportunity employer.

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Superintendent of Schools
Meeker School District Re-1
Meeker, Colorado

The Meeker School District employs 43 highly qualified certified staff members, 4 administrators, and 27 classified staff. The District has three schools serving 697 students: Meeker Elementary School (377), Barone Middle School (142) and Meeker High School (178). Salary will be negotiated based on experience. Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled. Applications are due March 5, 2015 at 4:00 p.m. Please review website at www.meeker.k12.co.us for details and application materials. Please address application, credentials and requests for information to Janelle Urista, Secretary to the Board of Education, Meeker School District Re-1, 555 Garfield Street, P.O. Box 1089, Meeker, Colorado 81641, email janelle.urista@meeker.k12.co.us, telephone -970-878-9040 x 620.
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

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

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

Veterans Service Offices

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

MEEKER STREAKER MONTHLY SCHEDULE FEBRUARY 2015

NOTE: Please call 878-9368 in advance to set up all medical appointment rides. Activities are subject to change. Bus available on dates noted below.
February 1, AM Bus
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February 4, Bus in Town
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February 6, Bus in Town
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February 9, Bus in Town
February 10, Bus in Town, Foot Clinic
February 11, Bus in Town
February 12, Bus in Town, Rifle
February 13, Bus in Town
February 14, No Bus
February 15, AM Bus
February 16, Bus in Town
February 17, Bus in Town
February 18, Bus in Town
February 19, Bus in Town, GJ Medical
February 20, Bus in Town
February 21, No Bus
February 22, AM Bus
February 23, Bus in Town
February 24, Bus in Town
February 25, Bus in Town
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Recreation Coordinator The ERBM Recreation & Park District is seeking one full-time benefited Recreation Coordinator. Salary range \$12.85-17.03/hr. Duties include, but are not limited to: assist in select phases of implementing and coordinating recreational programs and special events such as gym supervision, officiating, coaching, scorekeeping, etc. Requirements include, but are not limited to: applicant must be 18 years of age or older, be available to work early morning, evening, split and/or weekend shifts. A completed ERBM Recreation & Park District job application is required for consideration and should be returned to ERBM Recreation & Park District, Attn: Human Resources, 101 Ute Rd, Meeker, CO 81641. Applications are available at the Meeker Recreation Center and online, www.MeekerRecDistrict.com. Complete job description is available upon request and online. Applications will be accepted through February 20, 2015. ERBM Recreation & Park District is an equal opportunity employer.

HELP WANTED: GENERAL

THE RIO Blanco Herald Times is looking for a part-time freelance reporter with newspaper experience to cover Meeker's school board and/or town board meetings as well as occasional county commissioners' meetings. If interested, call Editor-Sean McMahon at 878-4017 or 675-5033, or contact him at sean@theheraldtimes.com

Kitchen Positions

Looking for qualified individuals for kitchen positions. Must be able to communicate, be dependable, and able to put in a good day or night's work. Apply in person and ask for Henry at Ma Famiglia.

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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, an antique ceiling, freight elevator, built-in cupboards and 1910 era show cases. Call 970-878-4138 for details.

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- 811 County Rd. 43 - Beautiful log home on 40 acres, barn, close to town yet private \$485,000

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9020 CR 2 \$250,000	1390 La Mesa \$249,900	927 W. Bell \$230,000
173 Pinyon Cir. \$224,900	340 Darius Ave. \$215,000	210 W. Bell Reduced! \$190,000
207 Hillcrest Cir. \$187,000	226 S. Grand Ave. \$177,000	218 Dakota Ave. \$170,000
1211 Tanglewood \$160,000	145 Taylor Ave. \$139,900	908 Tropic \$134,900
601 E. Rangely Reduced! \$125,000	622 E. Rio Blanco \$124,000	909 E. Main St. \$99,500
317 W. Rangely \$86,000	We also have rentals!	

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201 Coal Road. - Rangely
2200 sq. ft. home, 4 BR, 2 BA on 2 acres. Open floor plan includes 2 Living rooms. Large open Kitchen with lots of cabinet space. New FA gas furnace & garbage disposal. Pellet stove in one of the Living rooms. 24x24ft. detached garage and 24x36ft. Metal shop building. Excellent access to BLM.

\$265,000!

- 728 E. Rio Blanco Ave. - Nice Ranch style 4 BD, 1 1/2 BA, recently remodeled, w/ all new appliances & metal roof on oversized lot. \$139,000
- 216 Ridge Rd. - This is a nice 2856 SF two level house built in 1977. It's a well maintained house with new flooring upstairs and tile down stairs, custom kitchen cabinets, screened-in back porch with spectacular view, central air, FA gas furnace and woodstove, attached garage. \$219,900
- 910 Bell St. - Nice one-level 2385 sq. ft. house with 3 BD, 2 BA, on double lot with nice, covered back deck, new flooring throughout. Ready to move into! \$200,000
- 300 4th St. East - 3 BD 2 BA on 3 lots in Dinosaur, 1744 SF built in 1981. Large garden space with water tap. Two large outbuildings. Lots of room to park toys. \$115,000
- 315 & 317 N. Grand Ave. - Duplex: Attractively renovated. Each unit has 1,200 SF, 2 BD, 2 BA, W/D hook-up, carport for each side. Priced to Sell! \$139,500 Excellent income property.
- Great Building Site - 1350 La Mesa Circle, 19,631 Sq Ft. List price: \$39,500
- 1090 Pinyon - 3 BD, 2 full BA, large open kitchen, 16,449 sq. ft. lot. SOLD!
- 1376 Juniper Rd. - 4 BD, 2 BA, with unfinished 5th BD or hobby room. New kitchen w/ pantry, master BR has huge walk-in closet. Fresh paint & new flooring on main level. Total of 2,460 SF w/ 3-car garage! Fully fenced backyard, paved driveway, 2 lots = 22,000 SF. \$251,000
- 1886 RB County Rd. 8 - New windows throughout, 3 BD, 2 1/2 BA Home, 6.8 acres with 2,000 SF. White River frontage, large deck and spectacular views! \$350,000 One of a kind property!

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- HOMES IN MEEKER ...**
- *NEW 1287 Cleveland - Lg lot on W. edge of town. Big beautiful 4 BR, log home, large metal shop. \$325,000.
 - *NEW 1109 Main St - 3 BR, 1 BA, new paint & floor coverings. Fenced yd, R.V. parking, 2 sheds. \$149,900.
 - *NEW 265 Cedar - 5 BR, 3 BA on a fenced corner lot. Large shop/garage. Custom features. \$299,900.
 - *NEW 1134 Park - Log home, 4 BR, 2 BA Newly remodeled. Fenced yard. \$169,000.
 - *295 Park Ave. - Nice lot, small log home. 1 BR, 1 BA. Great condition. Garage. \$139,900 REDUCED!
 - *835 Sulphur Creek Rd. - 3 BR, 2 BA home by fairgrounds. Fenced backyard, landscaped. \$165,000.
 - *1440 Mountain View Rd. - 5BR, 4 1/2 BA, one of a kind custom home, panoramic views, outdoor entertaining area, lawn w/sprinkler system, home security system, A/C & more! \$375,000 REDUCED!
 - *112 Main St. - 3 BR, 2 BA historic home with a 426 sq. ft. cottage. Updated, large corner lot. \$219,000
 - *1425 Mountain View Rd. - 4 BR, 3 BA home on a private lot with amazing views. Well maintained. \$189,900
 - *562 Larry Lane - Corner lot, 1 level, 3 BR 2BA, fenced yard, garage, deck. \$149,000 MAKE AN OFFER!
 - *643 12th St - 4 BR, 2 BA bi-level home. Garage, carport, fenced back yard. \$115,000 REDUCED!
 - *1369 Juniper Rd. - Beautiful home in Sage Hills, on 2 large lots. Single level home & attached garage. \$250,000 SOLD!

- RANCHES — RURAL RESIDENTIAL — HUNTING PROPERTIES...**
- *NEW CR 8 - 88 Acres just east of Meeker. Hunting, dry land pasture, development potential. \$450,000
 - *NEW 8506 CR 8 - 9 miles east. Nice 3 BR home, basement, garage, fenced yard, great views. \$325,000
 - *180 N. Little Rancho Dr. - 36 Acres, newer 3 BR, 2 BA manufactured home, water well. \$198,500 SALE PENDING!
 - *970 Shaman Trail - 5 acres, beautiful newer 2 story home, top of the line. Big heated shop. \$545,000 REDUCED!
 - *14970 CR 8 - 14 acres on the River. Great fishing. Hay pasture, beautiful 2,500 sq ft home. \$1,995,000.
 - *1758 CR 32 - 3.3 acres, 4 BR, 3 BA modular home. Great views, outbuildings, fenced yard. \$194,900 REDUCED!
 - *29100 CR 8 - 12 Acres with River & fishing. Nice 1,252 sq ft 3 BR, 2 BA cabin, borders BLM. \$795,000.
 - *13247 CR 8 - 5 Acres 14 miles E of Meeker. Nice home, big shop, outbuildings. Horse setup. \$429,000.
 - *2610 CR 33 - 3 Acres 7 mi W of town. 4 BR, 3 BA home, full basement, shed, pasture, views. \$250,000.
 - *3315 CR 8 - 42 Acres, 3 mi east of Meeker. Beautiful log home 3 BR, 2 BA, walk-out basement. \$450,000
 - *13245 CR 8 - 5 acres 14 miles up-river, well, trees, 3 BR, 2 BA home, decks, garage, shop. \$295,000 REDUCED!
 - *River Property - CR 12 - 5+ acres 28 miles east, with 2 BR, 1 BA cabin, good well, fish pond. \$275,000 REDUCED!
 - *1337 Meath Dr. - 35 Acres, 9 miles east with a nice 3 BR, 2 BA home, pastures, views. \$230,000 SOLD!
 - *39087 Hwy 13 - 2 miles west of town, 2 acres, 1,600 sq ft home or commercial building. \$42,000 SOLD!

- BUSINESS & INVESTMENT ...**
- *108 Market St. - 3+ lots on the corner of 1st & Market. Great location next to the Dollar Store \$275,000 REDUCED!
 - *Rio Blanco Store - Great potential, 3/4 acre on Hwy 13, 3,000 sq ft store, cafe, living quarters. \$130,000 REDUCED!
 - *304 4th St. Commercial building on corner lot downtown, great office space, 4,437 sq. ft. \$220,000

- RAW LAND AND HOMESITES ...**
- *NEW 5807 CR 7 - Vacant 20 acre parcel, 9 mi. North, on Strawberry Creek. Good home site & views! \$75,000
 - *NEW Large Vacant Lot in Sage Hills Subdivision. 11,514 sq. ft. Good home site with great views. \$30,000
 - *NEW 2-35 Acre Lots in Bull Mountain Ranch between Carbondale and Paonia. Beautiful country, high mountain views. Priced at \$85,000 and \$100,000.
 - *NEW CR 8 - 88 Acres just east of Meeker. Hunting, dry land pasture, development potential. \$450,000
 - *12926 CR 8 - 5 Acres with River. Cabin sites, good water well, 1 room yurt. Views. \$165,500 SALE PENDING!
 - *71 Acres on CR 15, 11 miles NE. Private homesites, water, good hunting, borders public land. \$205,000.
 - *Ridge Estates - 2 to 9 acre lots. Community well, irrigation water to each site. Prices reduced, additional discount available. Prices starting from \$75,600. 1 mile south of town near golf course.
 - *359 Love Lane - 5 acres, Cross L Estates, Lot 13, great horse property, well. \$100,000.
 - *River Property - 19.6 Acres 12 miles west. Irrigated hay, good home sites, river. \$150,000.
 - *Little Beaver Estates - Lot 4, 35 acres, fenced, good pond, loafing shed, great home site. \$72,500 REDUCED!
 - *Little Beaver Estates - 35 acre lot bordering DOW hunting land. Lot 11 - \$95,000.
 - *Little Beaver Estates 35 acre lot bordering Division of Wildlife public land, Lot 14. \$93,000 REDUCED!
 - *Little Beaver Estates Lot 13 - 35 acre lot bordering Division of Wildlife public land. \$89,000 REDUCED!
 - *100 acres 29 miles east of Meeker, surrounded by Nat Forest, covered with Aspens. \$1,395,000.00.
 - *Several nice building lots on Miami Circle and Michael Circle priced between \$22,500 and \$25,000.
 - *20 Acres, Strawberry Creek Minor Subdivision, Lot 3, \$30,000 SOLD!

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RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY

NEW 1411 Silver Sage Rd. - All you want for New Years is...this 4bd 2.5ba, stunning home with rec-room, custom kitchen, open living room, beautiful master bedroom and large garage. \$305,000

979 8th St. - Unobstructed views, 3BD, 2BA home, 4,800 sq. ft. shop/garage spaces. Worth coming to see! \$285,000

NEW 1104 JEANNETTE CR. - Newly constructed 3BD,2BA, with large open dining room, large living room with lots of windows and fantastic views of the mountains & a oversized garage. If you like the smell & feel of NEW, look at this one. \$270,000

HOT DEAL! 1455 Mountain View Road - Carefully tucked amongst native landscape, this wonderful 3BD, 2BA log home home is private, yet right in town! \$260,000

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

1045 Lance Cr. - SHOP SPACE GALORE! Well kept, 5BD, 2BA home with large rooms, under floor plan and amazing shop. \$198,500, SMD CONTRACT

VALENTINE'S SPECIAL! 681 Water Street - Sweet 4BD, 2BA two-story home with many lovely finishes, fenced yard, off street parking and mature landscaping. \$185,000

117 6th St. - Completely remodeled duplex, fully furnished, sleeps 12 people, within walking distance of downtown. \$179,000

1060 Park St. - Great income producing duplex. Can also be converted to single family residential. 4BD/2BA. \$175,000

780 11th St. - Tastefully remodeled 3BD, 2BA bi-level home with a fantastic fenced yard. REDUCED to \$167,900

NEW 1013 Hill St. - 2BD/2BA home with huge yard, family room, and extra room in the basement. Some remodeling, including floors. \$128,900

760 11th St. - Good 3BD/2BA starter home with large back yard, deck, storage shed, built in 1996. \$110,000.

767 12th Street - Completely remodeled townhouse includes 2 bedrooms, 2 baths. "Like New". \$65,000

NEW 1855 Hwy 64 - MILES OF VIEWS. 3bd, 2ba home on 35 acres about 4 miles from Meeker. Stucco, covered porch, metal garage/barn. \$300,000

320 Bugle Dr. CONSIDERING THE COUNTRY? 99 acres with comfortable home and outbuildings, tucked away in a private location with great views and good pastures. \$295,000

264 Love Ln. - HORSE HAVEN - 5 stall horse barn, multiple fenced pastures and metal shop on 4.39 acres. Humans will equally enjoy the stucco 3BD, 2BA home and convenient location! \$275,000

NEW 519 Rim Rock Dr. - Hilltop home on 5 acres with 4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, fabulous views and an attached garage. Good floor plan, large family room. \$245,000

200 Rim Rock Dr. - Freshly painted and priced to sell! Fantastic 2BD, 2BA home on 5 acres just 5 minutes from town. \$149,000

NEW 2378 Rd. 49 - Log cabin on 3 acres with spring. Located about 20 minutes drive east of Meeker. \$130,000

820 Meath Dr. - 35 acre lot in Little Beaver Estates, cleared building pad. Will consider all offers! \$85,000

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

4 Lots in Cross L Estates - OWNER FINANCING \$70,000 - \$75,000, \$250,000 for all

6.79 Acres in Cross L Estates - Irrigated meadow, domestic water, electricity and views. REDUCED \$65,000

23105 Highway 13 - 5.09 Acres with domestic well, electricity and views. REDUCED \$50,000

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

2 Lots in Sage Hills - Gentle grade, for fantastic views. Time to build! \$35,000 each

NEW 1095 Pinyon Street - 3 sprawling lots at the top of 11th Street. Great views and amazing PRICE! \$29,000

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

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