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## Rangely's Dynamo: Peggy Rector

By HALLIE BLUNT

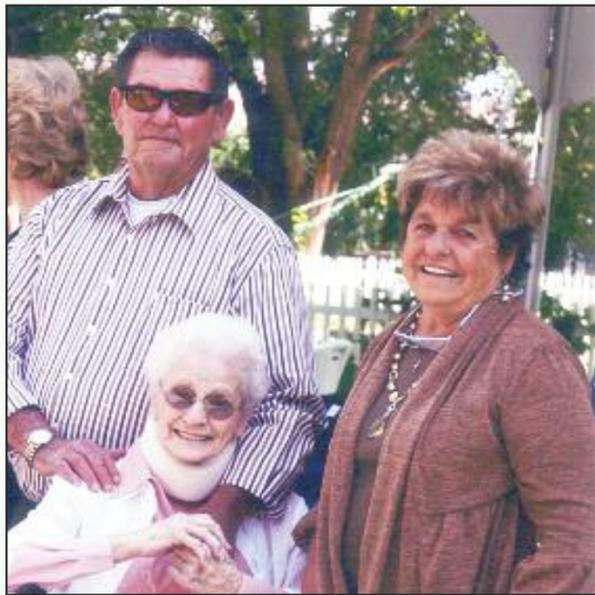
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**RANGELY** A sign in Peggy Rector's living room reads, "Those who touch our lives stay in our hearts forever." This quote hangs on a wall in the house she was married in, built on a foundation that has stood the test of time. It seems there is symbolism in every room, a true feeling of a home, with warmth and family pictures.

Behind a closed office door, awards serve as wallpaper — community and state awards for a life devoted to making a difference, and yet dedicated to family. Peggy Rector has touched many lives and continues to find her way into new hearts every day.

Born and raised in Muskogee, Okla., to parents Opal and Robert Lyle, Peg came to Rangely in 1962 to visit her sister, Shirley McMullin. She had no intentions of staying in Rangely at the time but fate had led her to a town that suited her. Ambitious and eager to work, she went back to Muskogee to gather her belongings and move to Rangely.

She met her husband, Carl



COURTESY PHOTOS

**Peggy Rector's passion for politics and community service has served the Rangely community well for more than four decades, including a stint as Rio Blanco County's first female commissioner. (Below) Peggy (right) pictured with her late husband Carl and her late aunt Maxine "Sassy" Enterline attending one of the many community events she has helped organize over the years.**



Rector, in 1963 and the two were married on Jan. 4, 1964. Their son, Jeff, was born in 1964 and Carl and Peggy adopted their daughter, LeaAnn, shortly afterward.

Carl was working for Colorado Well Service initially, and then the two moved to Alaska for six months while Carl worked on a platform in Kenai. When the boom slowed in Alaska, they returned to Rangely where Carl worked for Hydrotect, eventually buying the company. Julius Poole offered the Rectors two rigs to run and their business began.

Peggy worked for Al Earhart and the Bank of Rangely before working as a bookkeeper for her husband. The Rectors started their Duco business in 1976. That business is now owned and operated by their son, Jeff.

Peggy found her passion for politics in high school when she was hired by Senator Shoemaker in Oklahoma. Little did she know the extent her political involvement would take in her life. She became involved in with the Rangely planning commission while she and Carl were living and working in the Hydrotect building. The back room

had not been properly ventilated and Peg and her two children were almost asphyxiated, to the point of being hospitalized, as a result. She decided to join the planning commission and served on it for two years before becoming a member of the town council.

Peggy was very involved in the community and had a progressive mindset, wanting to contribute to the growth and stabilization of Rangely and Rio Blanco County. She was elected as a Rio Blanco County commissioner in 1986 and was serving as the board chairperson when she was involved in a terrible car accident that nearly took her life in 1989.

Forced to step out of public office to complete two years of strenuous rehabilitation, Peggy actually had to teach herself to read and write again. She fought through her injuries as only she could and became more involved in the community than ever when she recovered. She began by running the *Rangely Times* newspaper in 1994 and serving on the town council for two terms. She was elected as mayor for two terms.

Upon her election, she and a

friend, John Stayer with the Association of Governments in Northwest Colorado (AGNC) formed a plan to improve Rangely.

Peggy had a "punch list" which included getting a new pool and forming the recreation district, building the water treatment plant, the million dollar Stanelon Street and the golf course. She was instrumental in writing legislation for severance taxes to come back to the communities and got it passed with only one dissenting vote. The key," she said, "was getting people to work together."

Rector has been involved with Club 20 for 35 years, serving as the chairperson and on the executive board; was a member of AGNC; worked with the Department of Local Affairs (DOLA); served on the Colorado River District; the Basin Round Table; the Colorado Highway Commission; the BLM Advisory Board; the Rio Blanco Water Conservancy District during the development and construction of Kenney Reservoir, and also served as chairperson of the district. Rector was one of the organizers of Women's Resource Center in Grand Junction for Northwest Colorado. She has been a member of the Rangely Area Chamber of Commerce, the Rangely Junior College District advisory board, and has been chairperson of the foundation board for many years.

"We all want to take care of our environment and help our communities grow, and we can do it right," Rector said. She understands the importance of involvement and politics far beyond the vast majority of citizens. She has a grasp on what the community needs and the drive and energy to walk the walk

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## Energy operators meet

By BOBBY GUTIERREZ

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**RBC** Rio Blanco County commissioners and road and bridge personnel met last week with several energy operators working in the county and members of the Western Slope Colorado Oil and Gas Association (WSCOGA) to discuss alternatives to the county's impact fees.

"We want to create partnerships and lead by example," RBC commission chairman Shawn Bolton said in his opening remarks.

Before RBC road and bridge director David Morlan spoke about upcoming projects, he announced that the spring thaw weight restrictions went into effect March 7. RBC Roads 5 (Piceance Creek), RBC Road 7 (Strawberry) and RBC Road 21 (Bonanza) are restricted to a 14,000 pounds per axle maximum weight. Morlan said based on data from the past four years they know the restrictions will be lifted on RBC Road 5 April 14 and April 6 for RBC Roads 7 and 21.

Morlan and RBC road and bridge engineer Van Pilaud presented information on the projects identified on RBC Road 5, summarized by RBC administrator Kimberly Bullen:

■ Currently the county has 30 percent of the design work done on County Road 5. By June 2012, the county will be at 100 percent design on the 24 projects and will have projects "shovel ready" in anticipation of funding.

■ The 24 projects identified do not cover the entire County Road 5 corridor but were selected due to safety concerns and impact on the road. Most of these projects include intersections, corners, crossings and passing lanes.

■ In the past, the county has used impact fees to match DOLA grants and will continue to pursue these grants when the fund is again active.

■ Construction cost estimates are increasing and take into account additional costs such as ROW, cost of structures, intersection improvements, utility relocation, wetland replacement, etc.

The county implemented impact fees in June 2008 and since that time



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**Lannie Massey, of Encana, speaks with RBC commissioner Ken Parson (foreground), while Mesa county commissioner Craig Meis chats with RBC commissioner chairman Shawn Bolton, and WSCOGA director David Ludlam and RBC commissioner Kai Turner (right).**

\$9.931 million has been collected. Grants and interest have added an additional \$2.94 million. Revenues have continued to decrease from a high of \$3.8 million in 2008 to \$1.2 million in 2011.

Approximately 93 percent of the impact fees go to the road and bridge department, with the remaining 7 percent applied to administration and the justice center/courthouse project.

According to Bullen's summary, the majority of the \$7.445 million in expenditures has gone to engineering and design of County Road 5 and the reconstruction of 16 miles of County Road 122. In 2012, \$5.78 million will go towards County Road 5 improvements and \$400,000 will be used for justice center/courthouse improvements.

David Ludlam, director of WSCOGA, said the idea most supported by industry at this time is the pre-payment of ad valorem taxes. Mesa County commissioner Craig Meis of Olson and Associates said industry believes this option can address the impacts of today, representing a partnership with industry and local government, and would identify the demographics of who is using the road. RBC commissioners are concerned about future cash flow for the county using the ad valorem model.

Commissioner Ken Parson presented the concept of a Public Improvement District (PID) and Local Improvement District (LID) to the group and said RBC currently contributes more than a third (38.67 per-

cent) of their mill levy to road and bridge.

Parson said a PID or LID district would allow for a dollar for dollar credit on severance tax for up to 87.5 percent, would require a boundary be defined and determine assessed value, an election by property owners and a mill levy set to generate revenue, which would be kept in RBC versus sending it to the state.

Industry will now do an analysis on the pre-payment of ad valorem taxes and the county will analyze the PID/LID option. Both parties agreed to meet again in April.

"No matter where we go from here, Rio Blanco County is among a select few Colorado counties who understands our business and values our contributions of jobs creation and economic activity," Ludlam said after the meeting. "So while it's not possible to agree on everything all the time, this commission is one of best boards in the state in terms of supporting us and working in collaboration. It's always tempting for companies to take a solo approach to regulation, but our group is full of thoughtful companies who understand we can sometimes achieve better public policy working together. The going is slow but the progress we're making is undeniable."

Ludlam went on to say, "During this lull in activity we must continue working together to strengthen relationships in preparation for an inevitable future when Rio Blanco County continues its march towards becoming one of the energy powerhouses of Colorado."

## School repairs on schedule

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**MEEKER** The Meeker Board of Education received a positive update on the repairs on the new elementary school, heard positive comments on their winter sports coaches from parents and accepted a \$50,000 settlement agreement from Terracon Geotechnical Services at its meeting Tuesday last.

"I have good news on the progress," Andy Stewart, owner's representative for Meeker School District, said regarding repairs at the school. "I did a walk through today and the footings on the first floor are complete, most of the structure work on the first level is done. There is still a lot of work to do on the second floor though but the bottom line is: it's looking good and going according to schedule."

The board recently requested the water lines under the building be

inspected and Stewart reported Action Drains ran cameras to look "at the drain lines under the building and everything is flowing smoothly."

Ron New of The Neenan Company said communication on the site is very good and things are going well.

Wayne Muir of SCI, the structural engineering company who designed the repairs commented; "We are happy with how things are going."

During public input, several parents spoke in support of Meeker High School basketball coach Greg Chintala and asked that he return next year.

"We hope he is retained next year to bring back some consistency to the program," Janet Doll said. Others agreed.

Boys' basketball coach Klark Kindler and first year head wrestling coach J.C. Watt also received positive remarks from parents.

Board members expressed appreciation for the comments. Board member Kurt Blunt suggested folks complete an online survey, which will be available on the high school's website next week, that will be read by board members.

"We like to wait for two weeks after the season to make sure emotions, good or bad, have had a chance to settle before making the surveys available," Meeker High School Principal George Henderson told the attendees.

The board also approved adding a statistics course to the high school curriculum but tabled action on establishing a board of directors for the new Meeker Education Foundation until the March 20 meeting.

"We need a little more time," Mindy Burke said.

The school board will seat the board for the foundation, who will then set their own bylaws.

WEATHER



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**BRIEFS**

**BLM meeting about oil shale, tar sands**

**RBC** | The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) will host four public meetings in Colorado, Utah and Wyoming to answer questions about and solicit comments on the oil shale and tar sands draft programmatic environmental impact statement. The meetings will be held at 7 p.m. at the following locations and dates: Silt, Colo., March 12; Vernal, Utah, March 13; Salt Lake City, Utah, March 14; Rock Springs, Wyo., March 15. Details about the locations of the meetings are available on the public meetings page of the oil shale and tar sands programmatic EIS website (<http://ostseis.anl.gov/involve/pub-schedule/>).

**Tipton holding town hall meeting Saturday**

**RBC** | Rep. Scott Tipton (CO-03) will answer questions from constituents and provide an update on his work in Washington during a town hall meeting in Meeker, Saturday, March 10, 9:30-10:30 a.m. at Kilowatt Korner and at Town Hall in Rangely from 6-7 p.m.

**Old Timers committee needs photos**

**MEEKER** | The Rio Blanco County Pioneers Association (Old Timers) will be celebrating its 100th anniversary this year on June 2 and is looking for pictures of the past presidents. If anyone has a picture of a past officer please call Connie Theos at 970-878-5369 or mail to 6909 County Road 49, Meeker, Colo., 81641; or Kay Bivens at 970-878-4866 or mail 1157 Garfield St., Meeker, Colo., 81641. All pictures will be returned to their owners.

**Foot care clinic March 13**

**MEEKER** | Pioneers Medical Center Home Health will be offering its monthly Foot Care Clinic Tuesday, March 13, 10 a.m. at The Pines in Meeker. A certified nurse assistant will trim toenails, assess circulation, give skin care and check blood pressure. Persons found to have circulation or foot problems will be referred to a physician. Please call 878-9265 to schedule an appointment.

**Oil, gas symposium March 14 in Hayden**

**RBC** | The Northwest Colorado Oil and Gas Symposium will be held March 14 at the Hayden High School from 5:30-9 p.m. The event features a variety of speakers with balanced, educational information on oil and gas development in our area. Registration is required. Cost is \$20 per person and includes a light dinner. Call 970-879-4370 by March 9 to reserve your spot.

**Range Management coming to Steamboat**

**RBC** | We are pleased to announce that the Range Management School 501 is coming to Steamboat Springs March 21. Please plan to join us as a team of instructors from NRCS, U.S. Forest Service and CSU Extension come together to talk about the many issues affecting rangeland management. A flyer and registration form is attached to this message, complete with details. Cost is \$25 and pre-registration by March 16 is required.

**Meat canning class in Meeker March 10**

**MEEKER** | Meat canning class at the RBC Fairgrounds this Saturday, March 10 from 9-3. Call 878-9490 for more information.

**4H APPRECIATION DINNER ...**



The Meeker 4-H Council hosted their annual grandparents/ senior appreciation dinner Sunday, Feb. 12 at the exhibit hall. Thank you to all the seniors and 4-H's who made this dinner possible. Special thanks to Marci Nieslen for her amazing work with the decorations and planning.

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**Girl Scouts celebrate 100th year**

Special to the Herald Times

**RBC** | Girl Scouts of Colorado is joining Girl Scouts across the country on Monday, March 12, to celebrate Girl Scouts "official" 100th anniversary date. Girl Scouts of the USA (GSUSA) has declared 2012 the Year of the Girl: a celebration of girls, recognition of their leadership potential, and a commitment to creating a coalition of like-minded organizations

and individuals in support of balanced leadership in the workplace and in communities across the country.

A comprehensive new research study, "ToGetHerThere: Girls' Insights on Leadership," commissioned by GSUSA in partnership with GfK Roper, reveals that while girls are generally optimistic about their futures, they still see glass ceilings in today's society that will get in the way of achieving their leadership potential.

The study, based on a telephone survey of 1,000 girls ages 8-17, found, for example, that close to three in five girls think that a woman can rise up in a company but will rarely be put in a senior leadership role. Additionally, more than one-third of girls say they wouldn't feel comfortable trying to be a leader, and almost 40 percent are not sure they're cut out to be a leader.

Girl Scouts of Colorado has launched a One in a Million philan-

thropic campaign that will directly benefit girls and fuel this effort to fund opportunities that enable girls to lead. Funds raised will go directly to services and programs for girls to help fill critical talent gaps in finance, science, technology, environmental and global leadership arenas. For more information about anniversary events and how to be part of this important movement, visit [girlscoutsofcolorado.org/100th-anniversary](http://girlscoutsofcolorado.org/100th-anniversary).

**Pageant seeking Miss Rio Blanco**

Special to the Herald Times

**RBC** | Sheree Lynch, executive state director for the Miss Colorado High, Miss Colorado Junior High and Miss Colorado Collegiate America pageant, states the pageant is seeking applicants for the titles of Miss Rio Blanco County High, Miss Rio Blanco County Junior High and Miss Rio Blanco County Collegiate.

Once selected, the lucky women will represent their junior high, high school or college in the Nov. 10, 2012 pageant at Sue E. Wall Auditorium in Loveland, Colo. Titleholders will compete to win a prize package valued at more than \$5,000 including a college scholarship and lots more. The national pageants are scholarship pageants that help young women achieve their goals, while providing a forum for personal growth.

Miss Colorado Jr. High School applicants must be in grades sixth-eighth. Miss Colorado High applicants must be in grades ninth-12th. Miss Colorado Collegiate applicants must be students in a Colorado college. The pageants have no performing talent or swimsuit competition required. For more

information or for your free official application, call Sheree, Colorado's

state director, at 970-674-0024 or [www.misscoloradohighschoolamerica.com](http://www.misscoloradohighschoolamerica.com)

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RIO BLANCO COUNTY

**HOME OF:  
Stan and Patty Wyatt**

**MEEKER** | Stan and Patty Wyatt of Meeker are this week's "home of" honorees. Stan has lived here for 17 years and Patty has been here 11 years. The Wyatts will celebrate 12 years of marriage June 3.

Stan owns and operates Wyatt's Sports Center sporting goods store in Meeker. Patty is the special uses administrator for the U.S. Forest Service Blanco Ranger District.

The Wyatts are active in the community. They belong to the White River Snowmobile Club, Meeker Chamber of Commerce and Stan is a lifetime member of the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation.

The Wyatts have three children: daughter Relene Harmon, her husband Sean and their 4-year-old son Reid live in Colorado Springs; son Tyler Houser, his wife Kristen (Joos) and 5-month-old son Tieman live in San Antonio, Texas; and son J.J. Wyatt, 17, lives in Whiteright, Texas.

"Visiting the kids and spoiling the grandkids is a big thing for us. We enjoy snowmobiling, hunting, fishing, anything outside. I like to do home improvement projects and Stan likes to cook. Stan follows college basketball and other sports," Patty said.

"We got married in Vegas and usually go to Vegas once a year to trade shows. We've been to Mexico two or three times and that's always fun. I like the small town atmosphere of Meeker, the friendly people and being close to outdoor recreational opportunities," Patty added.

**NEW ARRIVAL ...**



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**MEEKER** | Jeremy and Katie Ingels would like to announce the wonderful new addition to their family, Beau Ivie Ingels. He was born Feb. 7, 2012, weighing 8 pounds, 1 ounce and was 21 inches long. His loving mom and dad would like to welcome him into the world as he starts his journey in life and promise to always be there to help him along his way. His siblings, Brent, Brandon, Bryson and Brylee will be there to give him the love and happiness he deserves. We would like to give a special thanks to our friends and family in Meeker and beyond for all of their love and support during this time.

**Monument resumes entrance fee collection**

**DINOSAUR** | "Our new visitor center and exhibit hall opened to the public last fall. We wanted to give our neighbors plenty of time to see the new facilities and the dinosaur bones without having to pay an entrance fee. During the last five months, many local residents have taken advantage of this opportunity," stated park superintendent, Mary Risser. "Since we are now gearing up for the busy visitor season, we have resumed the collection of entrance fees as of March 1. This will provide us with enough time to ensure that proper procedures are in place and the staff is adequately trained before the busy season."

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# Arts council selects officers

Special to the Herald Times

**MEEKER** The Meeker Arts and Cultural Council, Inc., (MACC) met March 5 to ratify articles of incorporation and select a board of directors and officers to guide the organization into a very worthwhile program for the Meeker community.

Directors and officers elected are Gary Zellers, president; Matt Holliday, vice president; Vanessa Trout, secretary/treasurer. Members of the board of directors include Stephanie Kobald, Laurie Zellers, Georgeanne Amack and Bob Amick. Joe Fennessy was appointed as legal counsel for MACC. Also attending were Ellene Meece, president of the Rio Blanco County Historical Society and White River Museum; and Mary Ann Wilber, co-president of the Rio Blanco County Pioneers Association which will host the 100th Old Timers Reunion on June 2 at the Fairfield Center. Other MACC members present were Kami Cochran, Tawny Halandras and Josh Halstead.

The MACC is a community-based coalition of individuals and organizations dedicated to the promotion and implementation of a broad spectrum of performing arts, fine arts and cultural opportunities for the Meeker community. Creative industries comprise the fifth largest economic engine in the state of Colorado and can greatly enhance the economy of communities that adopt such programs in the form of jobs, patronage of local businesses and general economic growth. For example, the Creede Repertory Theatre was founded 40 years ago and annually brings thousands of patrons from around the world to attend professional theater productions. More than \$4 million is spent in Colorado by those patrons, and the small mountain town of Creede of about 400 people enjoys annual expenditures of more than \$2 million.

The Colorado legislature recently created a provision for such community-based coalitions to initiate creative districts which include local businesses, arts and cultural organizations, local governments and special districts. Creative districts become eligible for specially recognized legal status and are eligible for startup grants and fundraising opportunities to promote such growth. Vanessa Trout is coordinating the MACC effort toward qualifying for

creative district status.

Many Colorado communities, both large and small, have initiated such organizations to bring professional artists in many aspects of arts and culture to the community to enrich appreciation and participation in arts programs that otherwise might not be available except in large metropolitan areas. Councils are also promoting fundraising and grants for the design and building or renovation of performing arts venues such as theaters and auditoriums to host performances and productions in local communities.

A recent article in the Denver Post described a successful effort in Parker, Colo., resulting in the construction of a new performing arts center and a similar fine arts facility.

The Rio Blanco County Historical Society and the Rio Blanco County Pioneers Association (Old Timers) have also joined with MACC to promote an oral history documentation project in which interviews of county residents and families will be conducted and documented through video recordings and transcription of text to create material for the "This is What I Remember" series of historical remembrance books. A new approach may be to provide such resources in electronic and Internet format to make them more widely available.

Other immediate goals of MACC include presenting a dinner theater production in May, possibly hosted at the old elementary school and inviting youth and adults interested in performing or assisting to join in the effort. Other ongoing programs are the Center Stage Youth Theatrical Group that produced "Annie, Jr.," and "Cinderella Kids" through the ERBM Recreation District in 2010 and 2011. An exciting musical for youth has already been chosen for the 2012 November production. MACC will begin seeking grant and donation resources to bring these programs to the Meeker community.

Membership in MACC is open to any individual youth or adult, and representatives of organizations, governments and special districts who may be interested. The next meeting will be held April 2 at 6:30 p.m. at the Meeker United Methodist Church annex. For more information please contact President Gary Zellers at 878-0554 or email deano65@hotmail.com.



## PROGRESS ...

Construction on the new Rangely District Hospital is approaching a major milestone. The steel frame will be complete on March 16. To celebrate, the hospital district is having a "topping of the steel" party on March 16 at 11 a.m. at the new hospital site. Community members are invited to attend. Beverages and lunch will be provided along with tours of the site and the building's progress. "The overall project is progressing nicely and is on budget and on schedule," said Rangely District Hospital CEO Nick Goshe.

BOBBY GUTIERREZ

# StuCo: A trip to remember

By KRISTEN COLEMAN  
Special to the Herald Times

**RANGELY** Recently Rangely Junior High held a pop-top drive, where students were encouraged to bring the little metal tops off of cans into school. This was a fundraiser that was hosted by student counsel to help raise money for the Aurora Ronald McDonald House, a place where kids that are receiving medical treatments can stay with their families, often for very little cost. At the end of the drive, we counted 53,324 pop-tops total – a huge amount for such a small school.

Because of the overwhelming success of this fundraiser Rangely Junior High School Student Council has arranged to drop off the pop-tops on April 27. Diane Slaugh, the middle school STUCO sponsor, will be traveling with the student council representatives to Aurora to drop of the pop-tops in person.

The tops will be melted down and the money from the aluminum will go towards supplies that the house is in need of. The STUCO members will also be taking a tour to see where the money raised will so be going and to get a better understanding of what The Ronald McDonald house offers to families. This trip will bring awareness to the Ronald McDonald House and all that they do, and will show us just how much we have to be thankful for.

RJHS Student Council has decided to take their fundraiser to the next level and continue to collect items the house is in need of before their trip so that they can bring those to the house as well as the pop-tops.



Kristen Coleman

Because families stay for often little to nothing, the Ronald McDonald House is always taking donations, so if you have any, you can bring them to the main office at RJSHS. Student council will then collect the items collected from

the community and take them to the house when they go in April. Some things that The Ronald McDonald House is in need of include: nonperishable foods and canned goods; common household products like paper products (toilet paper, paper towels, etc.), trash bags, aluminum foil, plastic wrap, sandwich bags, disinfectant wipes/other cleaning products, white bath towels/hand towels, wash rags, all-white queen-sized sheets and pillowcases, all-white shower curtains; office supplies including sticky notes, white-out, black Sharpies; and gift certificates to Walmart or Target.

Anything you can donate will help the Ronald McDonald House. The community of Rangely really pulled together to raise more than 50,000 pop-tops, we know we can make this trip one the student council members will never forget by getting even more donations to support this wonderful cause. We really encourage you to bring anything you can. Bring donations to the Rangely Jr./Sr. High School office.

If you have any questions contact Diane Slaugh at 970-675-8582 (evenings) or 970-675-2253 (days).

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# A "state of the town" address from the mayor

By MANDI ETHERIDGE  
Special to the Herald Times

**MEEKER I** We are well into the new year, and it is a good time to check in with your local municipal government.

As always, the Town of Meeker's staff and leadership — police department, public works, water, planning, recycling and administration — are taking a conservative approach to spending while maintaining the excellent services provided to the res-

idents of Meeker.

There are also some very important changes in 2012 that everyone should celebrate. First, the Town of Meeker is very proud to be a debt-free municipality. Last year, the loan for the Market Street water line was paid off; then in January of this year, the last payment on a 30-year loan for water infrastructure was made. Being debt-free puts the town in a more solid economic position and helps us focus on capital planning and building reserves.

Much of the town's steadfastness and progression over the past 30 years can be attributed to the leadership of our town administrator, Sharon Day. It is Sharon's positive attitude and consistent, ethical management that has kept our municipal government running smoothly for decades. The recent announcement of Day's upcoming retirement has left everyone thinking about how her dedication and hard work have inspired others during her tenure at town hall. We know Sharon will be

happy to be spending more time with her family and grandchildren this summer.

As you may have read in last week's paper, there is a new town administrator coming to Meeker to fill in where Sharon Day will leave off. The board of trustees plans to appoint Scott Meszaros to the town administrator position in April and is looking forward to working with him. Scott is going to be a great addition to our town hall staff and to our community.

Lastly, Meeker residents will soon be seeing a ballot in their mailbox for the municipal election. This year, not only can you elect town trustees and the mayor but you can also help streamline funding for the Walbridge Wing by voting "yes" on the ballot question. A "yes" vote will allow the town to transfer the Walbridge Wing facility and accompanying hospital fund to the hospital district, effectively removing town government as an intermediary agent in the operation of the Wing. This

transfer will maintain the integrity and intent of the Walbridge Wing and is a move that will hopefully allow for more effective use of town resources.

Remember, Meeker Board of Trustees regular meetings are the first and third Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m. in town hall. And if there are ever any questions or concerns (or compliments!) regarding the Town of Meeker please feel free to contact me, Mandi Etheridge, mayor, at 970-878-3103 or mootera@yahoo.com.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Brasfield donations

Dear Editor:

Our son, Jamie Brasfield, was diagnosed with cancer on Feb. 21, 2012. He was having horrible headaches and went to the emergency room in Vernal where he was told that he has cancer in his head the size of a softball and a huge one in his chest and a small one in his pelvic area.

He was rushed by ambulance to Salt Lake City where he has gone

through brain surgery and is recovering very well. The next step is radiation for the brain and we will be meeting with the doctors on March 15 to see how to proceed with the other areas.

For anyone who would like to donate to Jamie's care there is a bank account set up at First National Bank of the Rockies and there will be cans set up around town at Rangely Town Hall, Loaf 'n Jug and Kum 'n Go. We would ask that you keep Jamie in

your prayers.

Thank you,  
Christine Brasfield  
Rangely

### Mr. Greedy responds

Dear Editor:

Hello, my name is Mr. Greedy, and as with Mr. Selfish, I, too, have a different perspective of what Jack wrote. Sorry I'm a little late on my response, but because I'm greedy I have to go 2,000 miles to Pennsylvania to make money to pay for my kingdom in Meeker. Anyway I'd like to start by saying whoops, Jack, my opinion is a little different than yours. Even though someone is always telling me what to do, whether they're "knoved" or not. Please forgive my verbiage, I'm not a well-educated individual working for one of the city, county, or state government agencies protecting me from myself. I'm just a greedy, self-educated business owner trying to create jobs for my family and friends so we can support Rio Blanco County and Meeker, Colorado, America. As for your perspective of the planning commission, mine is more like Mr. Selfish's after going through a year and a half process to get a permit to build my house because everyone was looking out for my best interest. I also had a lot of fees, permits, engineering costs, etc. that the county needed to inspect and approve so that I could move forward, even though they claimed no

accountability or responsibility for anything that could go wrong. So, with all those extra people and eyes looking over my shoulder (in my best interest), we finally got a C.O.

Whoopie. Now my home has some major issues, but all those people we paid don't want any responsibility for these issues. Oh, by the way, we are all human and make mistakes. My question is why do we keep making the same mistakes over and over? As far as banks, insurance, etc., they will decide whether or not to lend us money or insure our homes.

I do appreciate your comments although I feel you are completely out of line taking about something you have no clue of. To top it off, one last thing, I, "Mr. Greedy, aka Randy Ridgeway, went through this exact same process again on another little project I had going called Liberty Industrial. After two and a half years of going back and forth with the commissioners, county attorney and building department as well as the planning commission, I was allowed to move forward with six commercial industrial lots with no infrastructure, which is where I started in the beginning. I also had to pay extra for extra time they spent on this project to come back to where we started. That was after some folks on the planning commission went against what the commissioners and county attorney agreed to.

As for you Mr. Madison, in another letter I was told we were changing these things five years ago. So, let's not give too much credit or get too fluffed up over something that's not done yet. If anyone is interested in my two cents worth, please contact me at rtservices@nctelecom.net

Thank you and God bless you,

Randy Ridgeway  
Meeker

### Huitt runs for mayor

Dear Editor:

Citizens of Rangely, I want to tell you why I, Frank Huitt, want to run for the office of mayor. In almost every election we have choices and those choices have consequences. We see this at all levels of government. For the past eight years as your local councilman, I have fought for business, the energy industry, conservative spending in order to keep our utility rates some of the lowest in the state and for accountable local government.

I have supported and presided over decisions that have helped the low income, our children, our local college and schools and many private citizens. I've not only supported the town by serving on its council, I have also served on other boards such as the parks and recreation board and the Rangely Public School Foundation.

Working with the council and administration of the town, we have added several million dollars to our reserves which are now being used to rebuild our water treatment plant, water sewer and gas lines and our waste water treatment plant. By being fiscally responsible we have been able to keep utility rates at some of the lowest levels in the state.

One area in particular that I and others on council have been particularly interested in improving is Rangely's only low income public housing project. Just in the last three years alone, we have obtained grants and used reserves to insulate, add a new roof, remodel several units, add

new heating and air conditioning to all 24 units and new appliances for all units and design and build a new entrance to the building.

Many know me as an outspoken advocate for small government and less intrusive government, a strong supporter of business and new business development and a person who is honest and sometimes opinionated.

Many know me as person who will speak bluntly about the things I believe to be important as an American and as a citizen of Rangely, Colo.

Rangely is our home. I raised my family here and I developed a business, employed many and made a living in this community. I want many more to do the same, but we have a group in Rangely that want very different things for our town.

We have a small group in Rangely that care more about dividing our community and acting irresponsibly in order to have a little bit of fleeting power. Those who care less about doing what's right for everyone and more about taking care of the needs of a few. This kind of government has been an age-old struggle and one that we have successfully defended against for the last few years.

How do you determine who to vote for this year? A vote for Frank Huitt is a vote for honesty, smaller government, cost effectively delivered utilities and services, a pro-business environment in a small western Colorado community. A vote for Frank Huitt is a vote for reason and fiscally responsible government. I would appreciate your continued support.

Frank Huitt  
Rangely

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- Thurs.** March 15 - Meeker Subway, Fries, Beans, Fruit
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# UP AND DOWN EL RIO BLANCO Working together

By **BOBBY GUTIERREZ**  
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The key," she said, "was getting people to work together," she being Peggy Rector, a woman known for her great ability to use that key, as evidenced by the many things she has been an integral part of.

It is amazing what can be accomplished when people work together and it is an exciting and exhilarating feeling to be a part of something bigger than oneself.

I've been watching several teams play lately, not only on the courts and wrestling mats but in meeting rooms and although we don't always win, to me it's still fun trying and being a part of the team,

in one way or another.

Our high school basketball seasons came to an end last week but it was nice to see more than 50 kids in Meeker's gym, smiling, laughing and stretching for either track or baseball practice Monday last, I'm sure the same was true in Rangely.

I enjoyed sitting (not completely true) in a meeting with our county commissioners and several energy operators in the county in a circle talking about creating partnerships and building relationships to accomplish common goals, which I hope include embracing the multi-use concept and developing our resources, while protecting our county's name-sake.

Election years excite me. It's time

to pick some of our team leaders and not only will we be electing someone to our country's highest office, we will also be choosing many state and local people to our boards, including a mayor for Rangely and two county commissioner seats. I thank and admire those who step up and run for office.

Everyone is invited to meet the two mayoral and seven candidates for three council seats at a forum next Wednesday in Rangely. Candidates will answer scripted questions as well as some from the audience. The forum starts at 6:30 p.m. at Rangely Town Hall.

The team I'm really, really excited about right now is the University of Wyoming's wrestling team and its

number one star, Joe LeBlanc. Joe, a graduate of Meeker High School and senior wrestling for the Wyoming Cowboys, won his third regional tournament last Sunday, qualifying him for the NCAA Division I national tournament for a fourth time.

Joe has not yet won a national title but he keeps trying and I know the three-time All-American, currently the nation's No. 1 ranked 184-pounder will put on a great show in his final attempt to become a national champion.

I'm thankful my NCAA press credentials were approved and God willing, I'll be on the floor of the Scottrade Center in St. Louis, Mo., next week playing the part of photographer and watching the show.

## Peggy Rector: A citizen to be imitated

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behind her talk.

She has volunteered countless hours and means for the annual Septemberfest festivities, the Crab Crack event, the CNCC Foundation dinner and the rock crawling group in Rangely. She also helped establish the networking committee with a vision to eliminate duplication of services and joint use of equipment.

"All taxing districts need to work together to provide the best service possible to the taxpayers," Rector said.

She is modest about her accomplishments, saying, "I have had special people working with me. The key

is leadership and individuals willing to come together."

Rector's efforts and accomplishments have not gone unnoticed. She received the Dan Noble Award for Club 20 in 2007, the Club's Lyman Thomas Award in 2008, the CNCC Foundation gave her an award in 2009, the Donor of the Year in 2007, the NAPEW Women of Excellence Award in 2007-08, and the Community Garden Pioneer Spirit Award in 2011. She was named to the State of Colorado College Invest board of directors in 2008, and Who's Who for Madison Registry of Executives for three years for her business endeavors. These are just the awards that have found a place to

hang in her office, but the list could go on for pages.

Rector believes that in order to make changes and contribute positively to the community you have to be involved. She has gone above and beyond the call of a mere citizen. She has a tremendous knowledge base in politics and the running of a community. It has been through her continued hard work that Rangely has survived all the ups and downs the economy provides.

Peggy has two children, four grandchildren and one great-grandchild. She and her husband Carl demonstrated the importance of hard work and giving back to their community. Today, their son Jeff volun-

teers behind the scenes in many community activities and contributed a great deal to the county fair livestock auction through his family business. Jeff's wife, Rebecca serves on the Rangely School Board and Peg's granddaughter Casey will finish four years of service to her country in September.

It is intriguing to think of the impact Peg could have had in bigger government had her accident not halted her climb, but the impact she has had on her small community is unmatched. Her example of integrity and unwavering perseverance is certainly something our towns, counties, and country would benefit from if her actions were imitated.

## Tracy announces senate candidacy

Special to the Herald Times



Emily Tracy

**RBC I** Breckenridge resident Emily Tracy recently announced that she is running for Colorado's 8th Senate District. Tracy, a Democrat, has lived in Summit County more than seven years and has a long history of service to the citizens of Summit County and Colorado, including working for the Summit Chamber of Commerce. She previously served eight years on the City Council of Cañon City.

"Year after year, rural and western slope Colorado struggle to have their voices heard in state government," Tracy said. "We need to strengthen our collective efforts to preserve water resources and agricultural land, bring jobs to the region, protect our environment and ensure that our important tourism industry receives the support it needs. I am running for the Colorado Senate because I am tired of the western slope being an afterthought in Denver, and am ready to fight to give our rural communities a voice in the state senate."

Tracy has many years of experience in the field of child welfare and adoption and currently is employed by The Adoption Exchange. She worked four years for the Colorado Judicial Branch, Office of Dispute Resolution, covering the counties of Senate District 8. She has worked with nonprofits and has served 12 years on planning commissions, including the past six

years on the Summit Countywide Planning Commission. Tracy has connections to the business community through her work with the Summit

Chamber of Commerce and with her husband's business. She served five years as co-chair of the Summit Chamber's Legislative Affairs Council. She is also a qualified mediator with years of conflict resolution and facilitation experience. A graduate of the University of Colorado, she has a master's degree in public administration, with an emphasis in environmental management.

The reapportionment process in 2011 resulted in a new configuration for Senate District 8. It now includes the counties of Summit, Garfield, Routt, Grand, Jackson, Rio Blanco and Moffat, comprising a large rural and resort region on Colorado's western slope.

"I believe most people, regardless of party affiliation, expect their elected officials to work hard on their behalf, and want them to use a common sense approach to solving problems," Tracy stated. "I'm tired of watching the partisan posturing and petty politics in Denver, and am running to bring common sense Colorado solutions back to the state senate."

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### MEEKER LOCALS

Longing for more daylight? This is your weekend. Don't forget to "spring forward" your clocks one hour on Saturday night as we return to Daylight Savings Time.

Today is International Women's Day, celebrated since 1911, the holiday focuses on women workers and advancing women's rights in the workforce, politics and society.

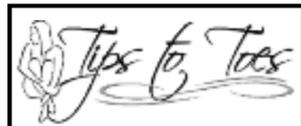
It's also the first day of Purim, a two-day Jewish holiday centered around the Bible story of Esther and the victory of the Jews over their oppressors.

Celebrating birthdays this week: Denise Brown and Jodi Goss, March 8; Stacey Burke, March 9; Janet Hayes and Ginny Love, March 10; Meredith Deming, Jeri Gilchrist,

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## The Chief End of Man (1)

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



Dr. J. D. Watson

The New Testament tells us the #1 greatest and most important question a person can be asked: "What think ye of Christ?" (Matt. 22:42). Well, it is quite possible that the second greatest question ever asked was penned by the Westminster divines in the first question of their Shorter Catechism: **Q-1: What is the chief end of man?** This is also the first question in Charles Spurgeon's *Puritan Catechism* and the second question of *Keach's Catechism*. Equally wonderful is the answer: **A: Man's chief end is to glorify God, and to enjoy him for ever.**

I cannot begin to express how profoundly that struck me the first time I read it. That statement tells us why man was created. Most people have at one time or another asked such questions as: "Why am I here? Why do I exist? What is my purpose?" Well, the evolutionist certainly can't answer that question. Neither can the secularist nor the humanist. But God does answer that question: *Man's total purpose is to glorify and enjoy God forever; that is, in this life and the next.*

What does **chief end** mean? **Chief** means, principle, foremost, paramount, primary, and **end** means purpose or aim. So, man's principle, foremost, paramount, primary purpose and aim is to glorify God and enjoy Him.

Notice it does say "only end," but **chief end**. We may have other purposes and aims in life. As Paul wrote, "do your own business, and to work with your own hands, as we commanded you; That ye may walk honestly toward them that are without, and that ye may have lack of nothing" (1 Thes. 4:11-12). And to Timothy he wrote, "Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not highminded, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy" (1 Tim. 6:17).

So we may have other purposes and aims, but none of them can be chief. The **chief end**, the one around which all others must revolve, is the glorifying and enjoying God.

This brings us to our texts. First, is 1 Corinthians 10:31: "Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God." Second, is Psalms 73:25, 26: "Whom have I in heaven but thee? and there is none upon earth that I desire beside thee.

My flesh and my heart faileth: but God is the strength of my heart, and my portion for ever."

Let's look at these two ends of life: The *glorifying* of God and the *enjoying* of God.

### I. The First Chief End: Glorifying God

The first thing we notice is that, in their wisdom, the Westminster divines put this first. Before we can truly *enjoy* God, we must first *glorify* Him in all things. Let's look at three basic principles: The *meaning*, the  *motive*, and the  *means* of glorifying God.

### A. What is the Meaning of Glorifying God?

Glorifying God means to *admire* Him, *worship* Him, *love* Him, and *submit* to Him. When we speak of God's glory, we first must understand the two-fold aspect of God's glory.

*First*, there is God's inherent glory, that is, the glory that is intrinsic to His nature, the glory that God has in Himself. This glory is unaffected by man's actions. Whether man worships God or not, God's glory does not diminish or increase. As Acts 7:2 declares, He is the "God of Glory." Acts 7: 2. As Puritan Thomas Watson wrote, "Glory is the sparkling of the Deity."

*Second*, there is the glory we give to God. The glory we give God is our lifting up His name in the world, and magnifying him in the eyes of others. As 1 Cor 6:20 declares, "Glorify God in your body, and in your spirit." Likewise, obeying the command in 1 Chronicles 16:29 to "Give unto the Lord the glory due unto his name," Paul's testimony was, "According to my earnest expectation and my hope, that in nothing I shall be ashamed, but that with all boldness, as always, so now also Christ shall be magnified in my body, whether it be by life, or by death" (Phil 1:20).

With this in mind, we can now see that glorifying God consists of four things: admiration, worship, love, and submission. As Puritan Thomas Watson put it, "This is the yearly rent we pay to the crown of heaven."

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# Doctor shortage in Colorado will blunt effect

By STEVE JACOB  
Special to the Herald Times

**RBC I** The new health reform law is expected to create 32 million more insured Americans, according to the Congressional Budget Office. The federal government plans to expand Medicaid to low-income adults and subsidize purchases on the health-insurance exchanges when it requires most Americans to carry insurance in 2014.

However, an insurance card will not mean much to patients without providers to care for them.

Colorado will have more than 450,000 more insured residents because of reform, according to an Urban Institute analysis.

A primary-care physician is the first contact for people with undiagnosed illnesses. They include family physicians, pediatricians and internal-medicine doctors. Primary-care physicians' share of the U.S. health-care dollar is only 7 cents. However, primary-care doctors control 80 cents of the health-care dollar by sending their patients to hospitals, referring them to specialists and

*"Most do not want to recognize that health care is rationed. It is done so by lack of insurance. Health reform is expected to rectify that, but it will exacerbate a new form of rationing: the doctor is not in."*

handing out prescriptions.

The U.S. has the about the same number of physicians per capita as other industrialized nations. However, the U.S. has far fewer primary-care physicians than specialists. They make up about 50 percent of the physician workforce in most other developed nations, compared with 35 percent in the U.S.

The number of U.S. specialists per capita has risen dramatically since 1965, while the ratio of primary-care physicians has remained relatively constant, because they earn as much as three times more income. The outlook is for more of the same: greater scarcity of primary care and a growing supply of specialists.

Massachusetts reformed its state health-

care system in 2006, giving the nation a glimpse of what is to come when access to health insurance is expanded without expanding the supply of primary care. The average wait for a non-urgent appointment with an internist rose from 17 days in 2005 to 48 days in 2011. Less than half of family physicians there are accepting new patients, compared with 70 percent four years ago.

Massachusetts has about 108 primary-care physicians for every 100,000 residents, compared with only about 83 per 100,000 in Colorado. This ultimately suggests an even longer wait locally.

The primary-care workload is expected to increase by nearly 30 percent between 2005 and 2025. A number of factors feed this demand, including a growing population, a

flood of baby boomers becoming Medicare beneficiaries and acquiring medical conditions as they age, and the newly insured because of the reform law.

However, the supply of primary-care physicians is expected to rise by only 2 to 7 percent. Three out of 4 physicians say they already are at or over capacity. The math screams that there will be a crisis of health-care access in the next 15 years. Expect longer waits for appointments, shorter physician visits, greater use of nonphysicians for routine care, and higher prices.

The U.S. trains about 16,000 doctors a year. The nation would have to increase that number by 6,000 to 8,000 annually for 20 years to meet expected demand.

Adding to the sense of urgency is the fact

that about 1 out of 4 Colorado physicians is age 60 or older.

About 11 percent of Colorado residents currently live in federally designated primary-care shortage areas. Physicians tend to cluster in areas where supply is already high rather than where the need is greatest. About 80 percent of new physicians in the 1980s and 1990s did this. They like affluent areas with well-insured patients, high-tech hospitals and civic amenities that offer a better quality of life. These high-income enclaves are also home to the nation's healthiest people.

Most do not want to recognize that health care is rationed. It is done so by lack of insurance. Health reform is expected to rectify that, but it will exacerbate a new form of rationing: the doctor is not in.

Steve Jacob is a veteran health-care journalist and author of the new book "Health Care in 2020: Where Uncertain Reform, Bad Habits, Too Few Doctors and Skyrocketing Costs Are Taking Us." He can be reached at [steve@unitedstatesofhealth.com](mailto:steve@unitedstatesofhealth.com).



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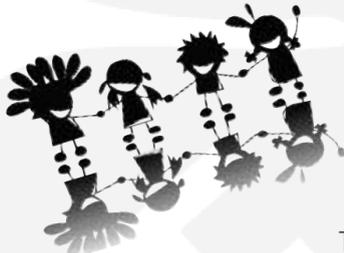


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Description: Subdivision: Town of Meeker Lot: 8 Block: 97 456 13th St.  
Transaction Price: \$63,000

Seller: Vectra Bank Colorado NA  
Buyer: Jarrod Lang  
Description: Subdivision: Sagewood West Subdivision 189097 Lot: 36 Block: 4 1121 Half Turn Rd.  
Transaction Price: \$159,000

Seller: Fannie Mae AKA Federal National Mortgage Association  
Buyer: Robert Richardson  
Description: Subdivision: Town of Meeker Lot: 13 Block: 96 1245 Main St.  
Transaction Price: \$79,900

Seller: Ray Wells  
Buyer: Daniel Ilgen  
Description: Subdivision: Town of Meeker Lot: 1 E 1/2, 2 E 1/2 Block: 116 915 4th St.  
Transaction Price: \$99,000

Seller: Randy Ridgeway  
Buyer: Larry and Dana Darien  
Description: Subdivision: Liberty Industrial Park 302213 Lot: 1  
Transaction Price: \$70,000

Seller: Teresa Ridgeway  
Buyer: Larry and Dana Darien  
Description: Section: 29 Township: 1N

Range: 94W  
Transaction Price: \$25,000

Seller: Chelsi Dunn  
Buyer: Erich Miller  
Description: no description available  
Transaction Price: \$124,000

Seller: Jessup and Amanda Davies  
Buyer: Chelsi Dunn  
Description: no description available  
Transaction Price: \$150,000

Seller: Kathryn Ford  
Buyer: Toni and Daniel Francis  
Description: no description available  
Transaction Price: \$148,000

Seller: White River Lodge LLC  
Buyer: White River Lodge LLC  
Description: no description available  
Transaction Price: \$910,000

Seller: Ashley Brown  
Buyer: Shannon Hartman  
Description: no description available  
Transaction Price: \$125,000

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Buyer: Mike and Ginger Fritzer  
Description: no description available  
Transaction Price: \$1,625,000

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Buyer: Charles and Diana Ewald  
Description: no description available  
Transaction Price: \$280,000

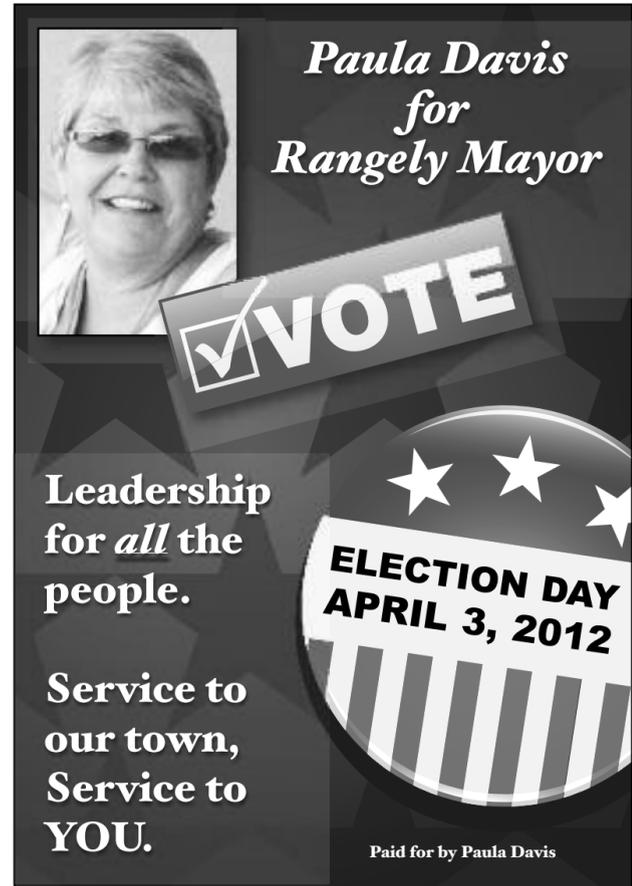
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OBITUARIES

**Norma Kelly**

July 15, 1922~March 1, 2012

Norma R. Kelly, 89, of Brighton, Colo., passed away on March 1, 2012, at her home. She was born July 15, 1922, in Meeker, Colo. She graduated from Meeker High School and attended Colorado Women's College. She married John L. Kelly on June 7, 1941, in Denver.

Norma owned and operated a radio control airplane hobby shop until retirement. She had her commercial pilot's license and was an avid pilot. She also built and flew her own radio control airplanes and was a member of the Mile Hi R/C Club. In her free time, she also enjoyed riding dirt bikes and was a marvelous cook.

She is survived by her son, Robert (Karen) Kelly of Brighton; daughter-in-law, Debbie Kelly of Fairfax, Va.; three grandchildren,



Norma Kelly

Katie Kelly of Denver, Molly Kelly of Evanston, Ill., and Erin Kelly of Portland, Ore.; five great-grandchildren, Tucker, Cooper, Zoe, Alex and Dean.

She is preceded in death by her loving husband, John, in 1998; her son Lawrence in 1990 and one grandson, Patrick Kelly, in 1988.

A memorial mass was held Wednesday, March 7, 2012, at 1 p.m. at St. Augustine Catholic Church in Brighton. Interment will be held in Meeker, Colo., in the spring.

Tabor-Rice Funeral Home is handling the arrangements.

**Dolores A. Cummings**

Dec. 14, 1929~Feb. 12, 2012

Dolores A. Cummings, 82, of Rangely, Colo., formerly of Paoli, Ind., passed away Sunday, Feb. 12, 2012, at the Rangely District Hospital in Rangely, Colo.

She was born Dec. 14, 1929, in Kansas City, Kans., to Victor and Rose Toplikar. She retired from Kaw Valley State Bank in Kansas City, Kan., and was a member of St. Ignatius Catholic Church in Rangely, and Christ the King Catholic Church in Paoli.

Dolores is preceded in death by her parents, her husbands Albert R. Weddle and Roy Cummings, son James Scott Weddle, sister Velma Bortka and three grandchildren.

Survivors include daughters Lissa Freeman of Rangely and Vickie Weddle of Paoli, Ind.; sons Vince Weddle, Mark Weddle and Jeff Weddle of Bloomington, Ind., and Stephen Weddle of Kansas City, Kan.; 18 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

A funeral mass was held at 10 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 18, 2012, at Christ the King Catholic Church in Paoli, Ind., with burial following in the Paoli Community Cemetery. Father Joe Moriarty officiated.

Visitation was held from 5-8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 17, 2012. Online condolences can be made at wellmanfh.com

DEATHNOTICE

Daniel James Devereaux, 55, died March 3, 2012, in Grand Junction, Colo. During his life, Daniel lived in Meeker, Colo., and Green River, Utah, and was graduated from Meeker High School. His father, Daniel James Devereaux, and brother, Gary William Green, preceded him in death. A memorial service will take place this summer.

TEACHER OF THE MONTH...



Beth Scoggins is the February teacher of the month at Parkview Elementary in Rangely. She runs the physical education classes, and teaches reading for first and second grade. A regular source of great ideas, Scoggins is ready, willing and able to lead groups of students or teachers. She coaches cross-country running and track for the school district, as well as coaching a community swim team. Scoggins spends her Fridays ensuring all of Parkview's kids get a taste of a positive exercise or physically active experience outside of school. She is passionate about teaching "lifetime fitness." Without a doubt, Scoggins is a positive influence on those around her and is always willing to go the extra mile.

COURTESY PHOTO

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Buyer: Ventura and Carol Tanori  
Description: Subdivision: Coltharp Addition 69772 Lot 7, 8 618 E. Rio Blanco Ave.  
Transaction Price: \$112,000

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Buyer: Michael and Kathleen Mohror  
Description: Subdivision: Town of Meeker Lot 7 Unit 17 295 Park Ave.  
Transaction Price: \$135,000

Seller: Sam and Cheri Robinson  
Buyer: Christopher and Stacie Archuleta  
Description: Subdivision: Town of Meeker Lot 14 Block 110 852 9th St.

Transaction Price: \$115,000

Seller: Lois Theos (deceased) and R.L. Steenrod, Jr. per rep  
Buyer: EDMJ Mountain Ventures, LLC  
Description: Sect 1, 12 TWN 1N Range 92W  
Transaction Price: \$320,000

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Buyer: Pappas Family Living Trust  
Description: Subdivision: Town of Meeker Lot 5, 6 Block 7 480 6th St.  
Transaction Price: \$128,000

Seller: Mountain Valley Bank  
Buyer: Bruce and Jessica Creecy  
Description: Subdivision: Sanderson Hill Subdivision 185454 Lot 76 1131 Michael Cir.  
Transaction Price: \$187,500

Seller: Mountain Valley Bank  
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Description: Subdivision: Town of Meeker Lot 3 Block 89 1040 Garfield St.  
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YOUNG SCIENTISTS...



COURTESY PHOTO

Parkview Elementary School teacher Tena Tolley guides Pre-K students in examining the affect vinegar has on an egg compared to water. Students participated in a four-day experiment where many questions and hypotheses were discussed.

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## Wrestlers take top honors at tourney

— BMS crowns 5 individual champions, travel to Rangely tonight —

By HALLIE BLUNT  
Special to the Herald Times

**MEEKER I** The Barone Middle School wrestling team had an outstanding performance in the Hayden tournament Saturday.

Head coach Lee Overton said, "Everybody wrestled extremely well, it is amazing how much better they wrestle every week." The Cowboys had more than 20 kids wrestling despite sickness sidelining some athletes.

"Every kid entered won at least one match," Overton said. Meeker won the tournament by more than 20 points with 196.5

over second place Hayden finishing with 173 points.

On their way to the team title, Meeker had five individual champions. Sheridan Harvey pinned his way through the tournament, Casey Turner wrestled extremely tough to pin two kids and defeat the other 11-0. Dillon Frantz also pinned his way through the tournament capturing the title with classmate Tyler Ilgen winning the first tournament he has entered. TJ Shelton was Meeker's fifth champion and was also named the outstanding wrestler of the tournament.

"I was happy TJ won the outstanding wrestler, he wrestled very well," said

Overton.

Every member on the team contributed to the team title with four kids finishing second in the tournament including Robby Jensen, Jake Nielsen, Tyler Pollock, and Chase Rule. Josh Cochran finished third and Cole Purcell, Cody Nielson, Jake Henderson and Brett McGruder all finished fourth. Hunter Garcia ended the day fifth, with Sam Lange and Caleb Bradford each pinning one opponent.

The BMS cowboys head to Rangely tonight for a triangular dual format with Hayden as the third team. The team is an exciting bunch of young wrestlers certainly worth the price of admission to watch.



The Barone Middle School wrestling team gathered on the podium to receive the trophy after winning the team championship in Hayden last Saturday. "They sure were excited when they announced they won the team title," head coach Lee Overton said.

QUIEN MAY

## Cowboys come oh, so close to the big show in Pueblo

By DALE DUNBAR  
Special to the Herald Times

**MEEKER I** The Meeker Cowboys were within three points of making their third trip in six years to the big dance in Pueblo this weekend, but the Lutheran Lions had other ideas. In the regional championship game to determine who would represent the District Five, Lutheran held on in the final seconds to defeat the Meeker Cowboys 35-33. With the loss, Meeker ends its season with a very respectable 21-2 overall record.

Having received the top seed in the regional tournament by virtue of their district championship last week, the Cowboys were first paired against the Del Norte Tigers on Friday. The Cowboys found the going a little tough right off the bat as Del Norte took an early first quarter lead 12-10. Whether it was big game jitters or a different gym, Meeker missed several opportunities in the quarter as a number of Cowboy shots were unable to produce points. Compounded with this were errant passes that turned the ball over to the Tigers.

Meeker regained their composure in the second quarter and were able to regain the lead on an 11-5 quarter production. Up by a 21-17 score to start the third period, Meeker couldn't pull away from the hustling Tigers and could only extend their lead by one to start the fourth quarter 29-24.

Meeker was in for a struggle in the fourth. Scott Smith was able to keep the 'Pokes afloat with six solid points in the quarter. The Pokes were four of six from the charity stripe in the final stanza, but two misses were crucial front ends of one and one opportunities. However, Meeker was able to withstand the Tiger assault, and emerged with a 41-38 victory to advance to the finals against Lutheran who beat a very game Telluride team earlier 45-33.

Paired against the Lutheran Lions from Denver, several state basketball aficionados didn't give the Cowboys much of a chance of winning the game. Meeker had a better idea of their skills and were undaunted by the big city private school. Cooper Smith started the Cowboys out on the right foot as he was able to hit two big three point shots early and Scott Smith added a couple of free throws to the cause to stake the Cowboys to an early lead. Meeker was playing with the Lions and at the end of the first eight minutes were only down two points 10-8.

The Cowboys then ran into some problems. Suddenly unable to solve the zone defense of the Lions, Meeker committed several turnovers, and Lutheran went on a torrid 15-0 run before Jeremy Musgrave and Kevin Eli counted points for the 'Pokes. After the rush was stemmed Lutheran had jumped out to a 12 point halftime lead 25-13.

Undaunted, and having faced several games in which they were behind at half-



BOBBY GUTIERREZ

**Meeker junior Scott Smith goes up for a shot over Del Norte's Zack Sanchez in the first round game of the regional tournament, which Meeker won last Friday at Colorado Mesa University. Smith led the Cowboys in scoring with 13 points against the Tigers and scored seven in the championship game against the Lutheran Lions, which Meeker lost, ending their season as league and district champions with a 21-2 record.**

time throughout the year, Meeker began its comeback. Coming out in the second half and playing solid defense, the 'Pokes took over the third quarter and outscored the Lions 11-6. Cooper Smith counted seven of his teams 11 points, and the Cowboys were down only seven to start the fourth 31-24. Still keeping up the defensive pressure, the Cowboys were able to tie it up with 4:20 left in the fourth period when a Lion player was whistled for a technical for hanging on the rim.

Lutheran regained the lead on a three point shot by Foote with 1:39 to make it 31-34. Scott Smith then was able to score inside the paint with 1:10 to cut the lead to one 33-34. Meeker then fouled to get the ball back with :33 left on the clock. The Lutheran player was only able to convert on one of the free throws and gave the ball back to Meeker with 24 seconds left, down by two 33-35.

Meeker had its chances in the final few seconds as a 10 foot shot rimmed out, and the front side of two one and one opportunities didn't fall for them. With 4.2 seconds left, Meeker had the ball, but another turnover proved the end of the game, and the season for the Cowboys 33-35.

"We were really proud of the boys this year," said Cowboy Coach Klark Kindler, "they worked hard all year. They are a good bunch of young men and represented Meeker well." Meeker finished with an impressive 21-

2 record, a league and district championship and were the Region Five runner-ups... proud accomplishments for any team.

The state tournament begins today in Pueblo with the following seeding.

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- 5:30pm: #2 Resurrection Christian (21-2) vs #7 Sargent (15-7)

Meeker	10	11	8	12-41
Del Norte	12	5	7	14-38

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Del Norte  
Stephens 4,1,2,2-13, Trujillo 3,1,0,0-9, Lohr 2,0,3,2-6, Martinez 0,1,0,0-3, Imes 2,1,0,0-7

Meeker	8	5	11	9-33
Lutheran	10	15	6	4-35

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## Ladies end season in Denver

By BOBBY GUTIERREZ  
bobby@theheraldtimes.com

**RANGELY I** The lady Panthers girls' basketball team traveled to Denver last week and played the Lutheran Lions in the first round of the Region 4 tournament, held at Metro State College. The Lions beat Rangely 57-31 and advanced to the "Elite Eight" in Pueblo with a 52-45 win over Burlington in the championship game.

"It was a good experience for our team," head coach Jimmie Mergelman said. "We only lose one senior (Haeley Enterline) so the experience will help for next year."

The lady Panthers entered the tournament as the No. 4 seed matching them up with No. 1 seeded Lutheran.

"It wasn't that we played bad against them," Mergelman said of the game against the Lions, who will enter the state tournament as the No. 4 seed. "We played well in the first quarter and were only down by 11 at half."

Rangely junior Brittany Babineaux scored half of her 12 points in the first quarter, classmate Quincey Thacker added four and Holly Lepro made a basket but they still trailed by five after the first eight minutes of play.

Thacker was the only Panther to score in the second quarter, making two baskets while the Lions added 10 to take a 27-16 lead into halftime.



TRACY ENTERLINE

**The Rangely girls' basketball team ended their successful season in the regional tournament last weekend in Denver at Metro State College. Playing for the lady Panthers this season were Aimee Hernandez, Tessa Slagle, Leslie Hernandez, Kelsey Prosser and Aimee Hogan. (Back row) assistant coach Quinton Kent, Shelby Nieberger, Brittany Babineaux, Quincey Thacker, Holly Lepro, Haeley Enterline, Hailee Russell, Chelsea Ficken and head coach Jimmie Mergelman.**

"Then in the third quarter, we came out and didn't handle the ball well," Mergelman said. "They made a run and the game got away from us."

Babineaux scored four points and Enterline made a free throw, while the Lions scored 15 in the third stanza.

The lady Panthers scored 10 in the final quarter but the Lions matched their third quarter output and the game was out of reach.

Babineaux led Rangely with 12,

Thacker finished in double figures with 10 and Hailee Russell added four. Enterline made three of four free throws and Chelsea Ficken made a basket in the first quarter.

"We had a good season, I saw some good things," Mergelman said. "We need to play better in districts to get a better seed but I think we had a good season."

The Panthers finished the season with a 14-9 record.

"We'll start summer ball soon and get back rolling," Mergelman said.

## Ladies fall short of state

By BECCA NIELSEN  
Special to the Herald Times

**MEEKER I** The lady Cowboys finished out their season with a loss to Del Norte in the 2A girls' regional basketball tournament Friday, March 2, in Durango, Colo. The lady Cowboys ended their season with 15 wins and six losses. Second seed Meeker met up with the third seed Tigers to determine who would qualify for the sweet 16 portion of the state tournament.

The Tigers scored first. Meeker sophomore Taylor Neilson answered with a bucket and junior Katie Dinwiddie hit another. Del Norte tied up the game until Neilson cashed in a three-pointer. The quarter swung back and forth until the Tigers took a 9-12 lead as the buzzer sounded.

Early in the second quarter, junior Kaysyn Chintala hit two free throws and sophomore Aly Ridings sunk another to tie up the score. Senior Aubrey Walsh dished in two buckets and Neilson added another to lead 18-16 midway through the period. The Tigers then hit a string of buckets and Meeker answered to keep their one-point lead, 26-25. With seconds left on the clock, Del Norte banked in a three at the buzzer to lead by two going into halftime.

Senior Kathryn Doll, Walsh and Chintala fired up seven points to put Meeker in the lead before a minute ran off the clock in the third period. Del Norte answered with a few buckets of their own. Then Neilson, Ridings and freshman Sydney Hughes added six more points to the board to tie the game 37-37. Del Norte hit a quick two to lead 37-39 going into the fourth. The Tigers jumped out with a six-point lead until Chintala hit a bucket and dished in the foul shot to close the gap 40-43. That was as close as the Meeker would come.

Chintala sank five more foul shots and sophomore Piper Haney hit another for the only scoring the Lady Cowboys would see in rest of the fourth. Both teams were in the bonus midway through the quarter and that kept the Tigers alive as they were 20 for 28 from the free throw line for the game while Meeker was 15 for 29 on the night. Meeker lost the game 46-63.

"This was an extremely rewarding opportunity to be a part of this team," commented head coach Greg Chintala, "and I am proud of how the girls played this season."

Scoring for the lady Cowboys, Neilson led with 17, Chintala dished in 12, Walsh cashed in six, Ridings had four, Haney tossed in three, Dinwiddie dropped a bucket and Doll and Hughes each scored a point.



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### Haeley Enterline, Senior Rangely High School

Enterline, the only senior on the lady Panther basketball team this season, was awarded the Touching Hearts Through Athletics sportsmanship award from former basketball coach Gary Isaac after her final high school basketball game played last week in Denver. The criteria for the award was the player who embodies being a team player, accepting academic responsibility and sportsmanship on and off the court, a fitting way to end one's senior season.

### BMS Wrestling Team Barone Middle School

The Barone Middle School won the team title with everyone winning at least one match, including five individual champions and nine top four placers. The young Cowboys will dual the Hayden Tigers and Panthers today in Rangely starting 4:30 p.m.



# CDOW: Antler collectors cautioned to protect wildlife

Special to the Herald Times

**RBC I** Because early spring is an especially stressful time for wildlife, Colorado Parks and Wildlife managers are reminding shed antler collectors that pressuring elk and mule deer during this time of the year can create very stressful conditions for big game herds.

Many people begin their search for antlers at the same time that deer and elk are most vulnerable to starvation, and managers are concerned that careless or aggressive collecting can severely stress the wintering wildlife, leading to increased mortality.

"By late February deer and elk are just hanging on and waiting for their natural food sources to green-up," said Area Wildlife Manager Bill de Vergie. "Any unnecessary strenuous activity at this time of year can deplete their fat stores which can lead to higher mortality, especially in calves and fawns."

The growth of antlers is one of nature's more magnificent wildlife displays. Male elk, mule deer and moose grow large racks over the summer in preparation for rutting

activity in the fall. The large displays not only attract females, they are also used to joust with other males as they compete for mates.

When the rutting behavior ends and winter conditions set-in, survival becomes wildlife's priority. The harsh weather forces elk and deer to migrate to lower-elevation winter range in search of food, which is often scarce and not very nutritious.

By late winter and into early spring, the ungulates depend on fat stores almost exclusively, and it is at this time that bucks and bulls shed their heavy antlers in order to preserve energy.

"If you think about it in human terms, you could say that during the late spring, summer and fall, they eat cereal, but during late winter and into early spring, all that is left to eat is the cereal box," said Education Coordinator Kathleen Tadwick.

In addition to concerns about mortality, human activity can drive wintering deer and elk onto private property where they may cause damage to haystacks or other agriculture products.

"Even a small herd can do significant

damage," continued de Vergie. "Elk are smart and when they are pressured and stressed they often enter private lands as they look for food and shelter, causing financial losses to landowners."

Although some people sell the sheds they find, shed gathering has become an increasingly popular social activity for families and groups of collectors. Enthusiasts typically fan out on public lands either on foot, horseback, or motorized vehicles like ATVs, often searching deep into deer and elk winter range.

Excessive foot and horseback activity is a concern to wildlife managers, but they are more concerned about motorized traffic — especially ATVs.

"ATVs are a convenient way to travel deep into remote areas quickly, but because they are noisier and faster, people on these machines need to be especially cautious to avoid pressuring wildlife," said Northwest Regional Manager Ron Velarde. "We ask people to follow the law, and be responsible and ethical when searching for sheds - whether on foot, on a horse, or on a motorized vehicle."

Wildlife managers advise that the slower

pace of hunting sheds on foot or horseback typically yield better results. People on motorized vehicles often miss sheds while searching on their fast moving ATV's.

Another concern for wildlife managers are the dogs that people often bring along on their shed hunts. Dog owners are reminded that in the presence of wildlife, it is common for even the most domesticated pets to revert quickly to their primitive instincts, potentially injuring and stressing deer and elk.

Several states currently allow shed collecting, but require that the collector first purchase a permit. Permits are not currently required in Colorado; however, in the Gunnison Basin, where antler shed collecting is popular, there are two regulations in place to prevent disturbance of animals on public lands in big game management units 54, 55, 551, 66 and 67. Collection of shed antlers is prohibited on public lands within those units from Jan. 1 through March 14. From March 15 through May 15, shed antler collection is prohibited from legal sunset until 10 a.m. Collectors should consult sunset tables.

In addition, collectors should be aware that various local, state and federal laws are

always enforced, and irresponsible shed hunters can face fines for harassing wildlife, trespassing onto private lands, or operating a motorized vehicle where they are forbidden. If you plan to operate a motorized vehicle on public lands, it is strongly recommended to check with the Bureau of Land Management for the latest regulations.

Wildlife officers will enforce laws to ensure wildlife populations continue to remain healthy, and encourage collectors to be ethical. Responsible behavior will give collectors, hunters and wildlife watchers the opportunity to enjoy Colorado's wildlife for years to come.

If anyone sees wildlife harassment or other illegal activity, they are asked to contact their local Colorado Parks and Wildlife office.

For more information about living with wildlife, please go to — <http://wildlife.state.co.us/WildlifeSpecies/LivingWithWildlife/Pages/LivingWith.aspx>

For more information about shed collecting closures in the Gunnison Basin, Please go to — <http://dnr.state.co.us/newsapp/press.asp?pressid=7496>.

## MHS TRACK ...



More than 35 Meeker High School boys and girls listen to head track coach John Strate Monday last (far left), before running down to Market Street and back. The team will be led by defending state triple jump champion, senior Kathryn Doll (left), pictured running side by side with aspiring trackster freshman Sydney Hughes. The first meet will be March 17 in Delta.

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3-9 @ Palisade (JV) - TBA  
3/20 @ Roosevelt (V) - 1:00/3:00pm  
3/23 @ Grand Jet (V) - 1pm  
3/31 @ Paonia (V) - 11:00/1:00pm

**RHS Track & Field**

3/17 @ Delta - TBA  
3/24 @ Hotchkiss - 9:00 am  
3/31 @ Cedaredge/Central - 9:00 am  
4/7 @ PHS - 9:00 am  
4/9 @ GJHS-Frosh/So - 12 noon

**RJH Wrestling**

3/8 @ HOME Dual vs. Meeker - 4:30  
3/10 @ Soroco Tournament - 9:00  
3/13 @ Hayden Dual - 4:30  
3/17 @ Meeker Tournament - 9:00



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# MEEKER COWBOYS

**MHS TRACK & FIELD**

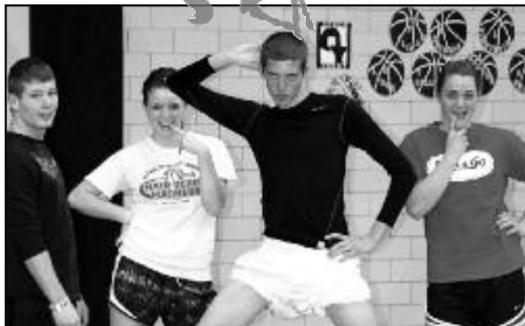
3/17 @ Delta Invitational  
4/7 @ Palisade Invitational  
4/14 @ Coal Ridge Invitational  
4/16 @ Glenwood Springs Invitational  
4/21 @ Rifle Invitational

**MHS BASEBALL**

3/17 @ Skyline High School - 2pm, 4pm  
3/19 @ Adams City High School - 10am, 2pm  
3/22 @ Fruita Monument HS - 1pm, 3pm  
3/24 @ Grand Valley HS - 2:30pm, 4:30pm  
4/9 @ Rangely - 10am, 12pm  
4/16 @ Paonia - 11am, 1pm

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First place winners in doubles A/B, Dan Lonquist and Ron Cason of Grand Junction.



Second place winners in doubles A/B, Ed Roffey and Lisa Burnett of Grand Junction.



Tywayne DeCuir and Blayze Gaylord of Rangely won first place in doubles C/D play.



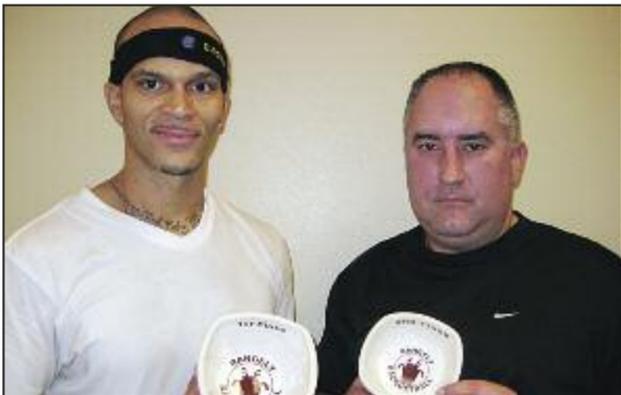
Joe Huffman and Jeanne Smith of Rangely were the second place finishers in doubles C/D play.



Byron Corbutt and Nick Brutosky of Grand Junction won the men's A singles division.



Men's singles B division first place winner Don Hannon from Basalt and second place winner Mike Ballard from New Castle.



In the men's singles C division, Tywayne DeCuir of Rangely won first place and Joe Huffman of Lakewood won second place.



Men's Open division finalists were Grand Junction's Ed Roffey, first place, and Rangely's Pat Franz, second place.

## Racquetball Results

Special to the Herald Times

The singles' finalists were as follows:

**RANGELY I** The 20th Rangely Racquetball Tournament was held March 2-4, directed by Shirley Parsons. Numbers were up from last year with 33 participants from as far as Riverton, Wyo., and Lakewood, Colo.

Everyone enjoyed the food, door prizes, and most of all the camaraderie. The ceramic bowls, provided locally by Beth Wiley, were the "trophies" for first and second places and were a big hit. There was some great racquetball played in the upper divisions, as well as friendly competition for those just learning the sport. A fun time was had by all.

Thanks go to the sponsors: Blue Mountain Inn and Suites and Colorado Northwestern Community College. Also thanks to the recreation center staff for all their help and hard work and to Jeanne Smith and all the local merchants who provided door prizes. We are already looking forward to next year.

Men's Open:  
1st - Ed Roffey (Grand Junction)  
2nd - Pat Franz (Rangely)

Men's A:  
1st - Byron Corbett (Grand Junction)  
2nd - Nick Brutosky (Grand Junction)

Men's B:  
1st - Don Hannon (Basalt)  
2nd - Mike Ballard (New Castle)

Men's C:  
1st - Tywayne DeCuir (Rangely)  
2nd - Joe Huffman (Lakewood)

Women's A:  
1st - Sandy Ranch (Hotchkiss)  
2nd - Janice Vosika (Riverton, Wyo.)

Women's C:  
1st - Jeanne Smith (Rangely)  
2nd - Blayze Gaylord (Rangely)

Women's D:  
1st - Mary Lansing (Rangely)  
2nd - Colleen Corbett (Grand Junction)

In doubles we had the following:

A/B  
1st - Dan Lonquist (GJ) and Ron Cason (GJ)  
2nd - Ed Roffey (GJ) and Lisa Burnett (GJ)

C/D  
1st - Tywayne DeCuir (Rangely) and Blayze Gaylord (Rangely)  
2nd - Joe Huffman (Lakewood) and Jeanne Smith (Rangely)



Rangely's Mary Lansing earned a first place win in the women's D division.



In the women's A division, Sandy Ranch of Hotchkiss won first place and Janice Vosika of Riverton, Wyo., won second.



Jeanne Smith of Rangely won first place in the women's C division, Blayze Gaylord of Rangely took second.

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# BLM seeks bids to provide wild horse pasture

Special to the Herald Times

**RBC I** As part of its responsibility to manage and protect wild horses and burros, the Bureau of Land Management is soliciting bids for new, publicly accessible pasture facilities located in the continental United States that provide a free-roaming environment. The solicitation is for one or more long-term pasture facilities accommodating 400 to 2,000 wild horses. Each pasture facility must be able to provide humane care for a one-year period, with a renewal option under BLM contract for nine one-year extensions. The BLM may require

one or two public and/or media tours hosted by BLM staff and the contractor during the life of the contract. The solicitation is open until April 10, 2012, and is 100 percent set aside for small businesses under the North American Industry Classification System.

The BLM's bidding requirements are posted in solicitation L12PS00118, the details of which are available at <http://www.fedconnect.net>. To obtain the solicitation: (1) click on "Search Public Opportunities"; (2) under Search Criteria, select "Reference Number"; (3) put in the solicitation number (L12PS00118); and (4) click "Search" and the solicitation information will appear. The solicitation form describes what to submit and where to send it. Applicants must be registered at <http://www.ccr.gov> to be considered for a contract award.

The BLM manages wild horses and burros as part of its overall multi-

ple-use mission. Under the authority of the 1971 Wild Free-Roaming Horses and Burros Act, the BLM manages and protects these living symbols of the Western spirit while ensuring that population levels are in balance with other public rangeland resources and uses. To make sure that healthy herds thrive on healthy rangelands, the BLM must remove thousands of animals from the range each year to control the size of herds, which have virtually no predators and can double in population every four years. The current free-roaming population of BLM-managed wild horses and burros is 38,500, which exceeds by nearly 12,000 the number determined by the BLM to be the appropriate management level. Off the range, there are more than 45,000 wild horses and burros cared for in either short-term corrals or long-term pastures. All these animals, whether on or off the range, are protected by the BLM under the 1971 law.

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## New Angus Ass'n. members

**MEEKER I** Aimee Shults, Meeker, Colo., is a new junior member of the American Angus Association®, reports Bryce Schumann, CEO of the national organization with headquarters in Saint Joseph, Mo.

Junior members are eligible to register cattle in the American Angus Association, participate in programs conducted by the National Junior Angus Association and take part in association-sponsored shows and other national and regional events.

The American Angus Association is the largest beef breed association in the world, with nearly 30,000 active adult and junior members.

**RANGELY I** Black Dragon Cattle Co., of Rangely is a new member of the American Angus Association®, reports Bryce Schumann, CEO of the national breed organization headquartered in Saint Joseph, Mo.

The American Angus Association, with nearly 30,000 active adult and junior members, is the largest beef breed association in the world. Its computerized records include detailed information on nearly 19 million registered Angus.

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**Thursday, March 15, 2012**  
BLM Rock Springs Field Office  
280 Highway 191 North  
Rock Springs, WY  
7:00 p.m.-9:30 p.m.

The U.S. Department of Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM), is hosting public meetings to answer questions about, and invite comments on the Draft Oil Shale and Tar Sands Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (OSTS PEIS). The meetings will be held at the locations and dates listed above and will begin at 7:00 p.m. BLM officials will be on hand to take written comments and assist with the commenting process.

The Notice of Availability (NOA) of the Draft OSTS PEIS was issued in the Federal Register on February 3, 2012. A 90-day public comment period began on that day, and will close on May 4, 2012.

The OSTS PEIS is being prepared by the BLM in order to assess reasonably foreseeable environmental impacts for a range of alternatives for land allocation and resource management related to oil shale and tar sands.

Written comments on the Draft OSTS PEIS should be submitted by May 4, 2012. Comments may be submitted using an online comment form on the OSTS PEIS website at <http://ostseis.blm.gov>. This is the preferred method of commenting. Comments may also be submitted by mail to: Oil Shale and Tar Sands Draft Programmatic EIS, Argonne National Laboratory, 9700 South Cass Avenue, EVS 240, Argonne, IL 60439.

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**The Meeker Herald — 100 years ago**  
 ■ The town was furnished with a mild sensation last Saturday night when it was found that two prisoners had escaped from the county jail.  
 ■ Buy a new Easter hat at Mrs. Brown's, if you wish the correct thing.  
 ■ A fool fly was trying to rush the season by appearing at this office Monday. We swatted him.  
 ■ Too bad that the dear old Denver Republican cannot use red ink to give vent to its feelings of alarm. Denver and the whole state are doomed to destruction and desolation unless the Republican ticket is elected next fall, according to the hysterical old lady of Sixteenth Street.

Junction Science Fair from Meeker schools were Karen Carstens, Barbara Kennedy, Sue Panter, Bill Crook, Bob Crook, Ray Devereaux, Ruth Mary Franklin, Henry Murray, Leslie Sprod, Sally Wilber, Judy Luben, Gail Fehlman, Linda Norman, Laurie Steen, Kip Irwin, Emil Gert and Gene Starbuck.  
 ■ Si Berthelson was elected president of the Rio Blanco County Cattlemen's Association.  
 ■ Lost: A pair of heavy, dark plastic framed glasses. Reward. Wayne Joslin.  
 ■ The Tom Murray Market will have its fifth anniversary sale this Saturday.

**The Meeker Herald — 25 years ago**  
 ■ Headline: "Affected Legal Bodies Cite Need for Additional

Mental Health Help."  
 ■ On paper, there's no way the Cowboys should be in this week-end's state AA basketball tournament, but fortunately, basketball games aren't played on paper. Head coach Pat Gabriel, Kirk Henderson, Rex Copeland, Steve Rodriguez, Leif Joy, Mike Parr, Jeff Beason, Rodney Dunham, Mike Ottosen, Todd Shults.  
 ■ The Meeker Volunteer Fire Department held their annual banquet and dance last Saturday at the Fairfield Center with around 150 people showing up for dinner.  
**Rangely Times — 45 years ago**  
 ■ Winning blue ribbons in the senior division at the Rangely Science Fair were Carol Pilcher, Troya Pollard, Debbie Dixon, Diane

Hamilton, Jeff Courier, Eugene Goudeau, Janet Clark and Marcia Christensen.  
 ■ Northwest League Conference Champion Rangely received the 1967 trophy at Steamboat Springs. Coach Bob Plant, Junior Matriciano, Pete Miller, Dale Kenyon, Dale Matriciano, Ronnie Brenton, Mark Row, Tony McPhail, Gary Chism, Larry Gierhart, Kent Oldham and Jack Dembowski.  
 ■ Miss Sharon Hutton was elected as an all-tournament cheerleader at the 1967 NW District tourney. A senior, she has been a cheerleader for three years.  
**Rangely Times — 35 years ago**  
 ■ The first wall of the new Rangely Elementary School reached its full height March 7, 1977. There

are approximately 15 men working on the building at the present time which should improve Rangely's economy by about \$1,100 a week.  
 ■ The Rangely girls' basketball team brought home a second place trophy from the sub-district basketball tournament in Eagle Valley last week-end. Coach Blankenship, Cheryl Barnhart, Teri Striegel, LaDonna Lancaster, Lisa Hazlewood, Lori Coy, Debbie Lewis, Lynette Buckmaster and Judy Powell.  
 ■ Herman D. Hilkey retired from the Chevron Pipeline after completing 28 years and five months service.  
 ■ At the Campus Theatre: Walt Disney's "The Shaggy D.A.," "Freewheelin'" and "Nickelodeon."  
**Rangely Times — 25 years ago**  
 ■ Three Rangely businesses were

recognized last week by the Rangely Area Chamber of Commerce: L & L Tackle Shop, Adventure Land Video and Family Video.  
 ■ The rape case reported to police on Feb. 24 has been closed. Police Chief Tony Lane stated that the victim gave a statement to police last Thursday verifying that she had lied about the crime.  
 ■ Rangely Middle School eighth-grade wrestlers: Roger Rowley, Shad Peters, Clint Aronson, Chad Justus, Dusti Rose, Clayton Key, Doug Hurm, Milton Prater, Jerry Blankenship and Samm Cudo; seventh-grade wrestlers Ryan Rouse, Kevin Carlson, Mike Chaney, Mike Zadra and Jody McPherson.  
 ■ Rangely Middle School students of the month: Chad Filener and Laura Flores.

# Exports push state's economic indicator higher

Special to the Herald Times

**RBC I** For the 28th straight month, the overall index for the mountain states region, a leading economic indicator for the three-state area of Colorado, Utah and Wyoming, advanced above growth neutral 50.0. The national index has risen above growth neutral for 30 consecutive months but has remained lower than the regional reading. The gap between the results of the two surveys has widened, primarily as a result of Mountain States' growth tied to the region's large energy sector, exports and agriculture.

"Even though growth has been especially strong for firms tied to

energy and agriculture, our surveys indicate that growth has spilled over into a broad range of industries across the region. The Federal Reserve's cheap money policy continues to boost the prospects of firms selling in international markets. Surveys of supply managers in the region point to healthy job growth for the first half of 2012. Last month more than half of respondents indicated that higher energy prices posed the biggest risk for the regional economy. This risk has risen to levels we have not seen since 2008. With the Federal Reserve pledging to keep interest rates low, the U.S. dollar will continue its long term slide. This will continue to push energy commodity prices higher and make U.S. goods

more competitively priced abroad, assisting exports," Goss Institute for Economic Research Director Dr. Ernie Goss said today.  
 The February employment index advanced to 61.2 from January's healthy 57.2. "This month we asked supply managers to assess layoff expectations for 2012. Only 5 percent of respondents expect layoffs for 2012. This is down significantly from last year when we asked this same question. The labor market in the three-state region is clearly improving, with job opportunities expanding in both manufacturing and non-manufacturing sectors," said Goss.  
 The prices-paid index, which tracks the cost of raw materials and

supplies, expanded to a robust 74.8 from January's already inflationary 73.9. "Given the excessive inflationary pressures we are tracking in our survey and vigorous economic growth expected in the months ahead, I think the Federal Reserve will have to violate their pledge to keep short term interest rates at their current record lows until 2014," said Goss.  
 "In my judgment, the Fed's pro-growth stance poses significant inflation risks even as it boosts growth for firms connected to agriculture and energy. Thus, I expect a Fed rate hike as early as the final quarter of 2012. Our regional gauge and most national measures of price pressures are too high for the Fed to

be so aggressive in terms of low interest rates and high money supply growth. I attribute at least half of the increase in 2012 oil prices to declines in the value of the dollar precipitated by the easy money policy of the Fed," said Goss.  
 Looking ahead six months, economic optimism, as captured by the February business confidence index, advanced to 58.3 from January's 57.8. "Despite higher energy and commodity prices, recent positive economic data on the national front have had clear and positive impacts on supply managers' outlook," said Goss.  
 In another signal of an improving outlook, supply managers in the three-state region added to invento-

ries of raw materials and supplies for the month. The index dipped slightly to a strong 64.1 from 66.3 in January. "This is the 27th straight month that we have recorded inventory growth, and it remains a positive growth factor as it has been for the U.S. economy," said Goss.  
 Trade: February's export numbers for the Mountain States region dipped a bit from January's healthy level declining to 58.8 from January's vigorous 60.0. At the same time, February imports expanded to 58.1 from 54.7 in January. "Exports continue to be an important source of growth for the region. Additionally, an expanding regional economy has pushed firms to increase their purchases from abroad," said Goss.



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**LEGAL NOTICES**  
**RIO BLANCO COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION HEARING PUBLIC NOTICE**  
 Notice is hereby given that on Thursday, March 22, 2012 the Rio Blanco County Planning Commission will hold a public hearing beginning at 7:00 p.m. at the Rio Blanco County Administration Building, 200 Main Street, Meeker, Colorado, and the Rio Blanco County Western Annex Building Meeting Room, 17497 Hwy 64, Rangely, Colorado, via video conferencing to consider the following:  
 a. **Brennan Minor Subdivision #12-02, Rezoning #12-1 and Conditional Use Permit #12-1** - the applicant, James Brennan/LovLand Co., LLLP, is proposing the Brennan Minor Subdivision, creating 3 2-acre lots and rezoning those lots from Agriculture to Mix Commercial (MC). Also included is a request for a Conditional Use Permit to allow residential dwelling in the MC zoning district and a summer-time-only residential use of an RV on the remaining acreage outside of the platted subdivision (located in Sections 16 & 21, T2S, R97W, 6th P.M., PIN #166121200004)  
 Copies of the documents may be obtained from the Planning and 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.  
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**LEGAL NOTICES**  
 the provisions of the Town of Meeker Personnel Policy and Procedures Manual. Faxed or e-mailed bids are acceptable but must be received prior to bid closing. Bids should be placed in a securely sealed envelope, marked Town Hall Fascia Bid. Bids will be opened and read aloud on April 12th, 2012, at 1:00PM. Bid will be awarded at the Town Board of Trustees Meeting on April 17th, 2012, at 7:00PM.  
 Publish: March 8 and 15, 2012  
 Rio Blanco Herald Times  
**TOWN OF MEEKER BID REQUEST**  
 Notice is hereby given that bid proposals, to paint all of the wood trim including the roof soffits, on The Town Hall Building, located at 345 Market, will be accepted at Town Hall, 345 Market Street, Meeker, CO. 81641 no later than April 12th, 2012 at 1:00 PM. This includes trim around 106 regular windows, 4 large windows, 1 large front door trim, and 2 side door trim. The side doors must be painted with a matching gloss paint, inside and out, and trim around air inlets at the rear of the building that will need painting. Specifications as follow:  
 A. Sherwin Williams Woodscapes solid color latex stain, or equivalent  
 B. Power house caulk #178-1699 or equivalent  
 C. Sherwin Williams Latex DTM Acrylic Gloss, to match stain or equivalent  
 D. Job will require a minimum temperature and dry weather conditions when paint is applied  
 E. Liability Insurance, Workers Compensation, if applicable, shall be required  
 The trim shall be scraped, sanded and pressure washed before painting, and caulked. Caulking shall be applied where required, before painting. Prepare the soffit in the same manner. Town Hall is a 2 story building, which will require ladders, scaffolding, or manlift, cost of which shall be included in bid proposal. This is a turn-key job, the bidder will furnish all paint, supplies, and labor. A start date of no later than May 1st, 2012, and a finish date no later than June 29th, 2012.  
 There shall be a mandatory walk-through on March 19th, 2012, at 10:00AM. Persons interested in bidding this work should contact Joe Holeyfield at 970-878-4963, for additional information if needed.  
 The Town of Meeker reserves the right to reject any and all bids; to change, add, or amend the specifications; to waive any informalities; and the right to disregard all nonconforming or conditional bids or counter proposals. Each proposal shall be reviewed and considered consistent with the provisions of the Town of Meeker Personnel Policy and Procedures Manual.  
 Faxed or e-mailed bids are acceptable but must be received prior to bid closing. Bids shall be placed in a securely sealed envelope, marked Town Hall Paint Bid. Bids will be opened and read aloud on April 12th, 2012, at 1:00PM. Bid award will be at the Town Board of Trustees Meeting on April 17th, 2012 at 7:00PM.  
 Publish: March 8 and 15, 2012  
 Rio Blanco Herald Times

**LEGAL NOTICES**  
**PUBLIC NOTICE TOWN OF MEEKER MUNICIPAL MAIL BALLOT ELECTION APRIL 3, 2012 NOTICE TO VOTERS**  
 Notice is hereby given that a regular municipal mail ballot election for the Town of Meeker will be held on Tuesday, April 3, 2012. The polls (the walk-in location) for all electors of the Town on Election Day shall be the Town Hall, 345 Market Street, Meeker, Colorado between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. A completed mail ballot package or replacement ballot package may be returned by US mail by affixing the proper postage or by walk-in at Town Hall, 345 Market Street, Meeker, Colorado on any regular business day between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., except for Election Day, April 3, 2012, then between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.  
 IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have here unto set my hand and official seal at Meeker, Colorado on this 27th day of February, 2012.  
 TOWN OF MEEKER  
 Lisa Cook, Town Clerk  
 Publish: March 8, 15, 22 and 29, 2012  
 Rio Blanco Herald Times  
**NOTICE OF CANCELLATION**  
 1-5-208(1.5), 32-1-104, C.R.S.  
**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** by the Rangely Rural Fire Protection District, Rio Blanco County, Colorado, that at the close of business on the sixty-third day before the election, there were not more candidates for director than offices to be filled, including candidates filing affidavits of intent to be write-in candidates; therefore, the election to be held on May 8, 2012 is hereby canceled pursuant to section 1-5-208 (1.5), C.R.S.  
 The following candidates are hereby declared elected:  
 Peter Brixius, 2 year term until May, 2014  
 Timothy J Webber, 2 year term until May, 2014  
 Leonard L Lane, 4 year term until May, 2016  
 /s/Linda C. Gordon  
 Designated Election Official  
 Contact Person for the District:  
 Linda C. Gordon  
 Telephone Number of the District:  
 970-629-1116  
 Address of the District:  
 P.O. Box 220, Rangely, CO 81648  
 District Facsimile Number:  
 970-675-8558  
 Published: March 8, 2012  
 Rio Blanco Herald Times

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**TOWN OF MEEKER BID REQUEST**  
 The Town of Meeker is requesting bids for placement of fascia metal on three sides of the Town Hall Building. In some cases the gutter will have to be removed and put back to accommodate placement of the metal. The metal must match the color of the trim that is in place. Mastic Envoy Fascia with smooth finish or the equivalent may be used, a 24 gauge is specified. It may be determined that in places the wood material that will be behind the metal will need to be replaced, this can be noted when a walk-through inspection is done.  
 Town Hall is a two story building, which will require ladders, scaffolding, or manlift, cost of which shall be included in the bid proposal.  
 A mandatory walk through is scheduled on March 19th, 2012 at 11:00 AM. Persons interested in bidding this work should contact Joe Holeyfield at 970-878-4963 for additional information if needed. Bids shall be submitted to Town Hall, 345 Market Street, Meeker, CO. 81641 no later than April 12th, 2012 at 1:00PM. Liability Insurance, Workers Compensation, if applicable, shall be required.  
 The Town of Meeker reserves the right to reject any and all bids; to change, add, or amend the specifications; to waive any informalities; and the right to disregard all nonconforming or conditional bids or counter proposals. Each proposal shall be reviewed and considered consistent with

**LEGAL NOTICES**  
**CHANGE OF NAME**  
 Public Notice is given on 2/24/12 that a Petition for a Change of Name of a Minor Child has been filed with the RIO BLANCO COMBINED Court, PO Box 1150, 555 Main Street, Meeker, Colorado 81641. The Petition requests that the name of Ghislaine Annalise Tapia be changed to Ghislaine Annalise Richardson.  
 Susan Mills  
 Clerk of Court  
 by /s/Joan Jensen  
 Deputy Clerk  
 Publish: March 1, 8 and 15, 2012  
 Rio Blanco Herald Times

**LEGAL NOTICES**  
**PUBLIC NOTICE TOWN OF MEEKER MUNICIPAL ELECTION April 3, 2012**  
 TO: REGISTERED ELECTORS OF THE TOWN OF MEEKER, COLORADO  
 NOTICE is hereby given that a registered elector of the town who has attained the age of eighteen (18) years or older on the date of the election and has resided in the town for a period of at least twelve (12) consecutive months immediately preceding the

date of election, who desires to be a write-in candidate in this election, must complete and file an Affidavit of Intent with the Town Clerk at Town Hall, 345 Market Street, Meeker, Colorado, by 5:00 P.M. on Tuesday, March 13, 2012, in order to be eligible for such office.  
 IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have here unto set my hand and official seal at Meeker, Colorado this 24th day of February, 2012.  
 TOWN OF MEEKER  
 Lisa Cook, Town Clerk  
 Published: March 8, 2012  
 Rio Blanco Herald Times  
 District Court RIO BLANCO County, Colorado, Court Address: 555 Main Street, PO Box 1150, Meeker, CO 81641  
**In the Matter of the Petition of:**  
 Parent/Petitioner: Christy Lynn Richardson for Minor Child: Ghislaine Annalise Tapia  
**For a Change of Name to:**  
 Ghislaine Annalise Richardson  
 Case Number 12CV7  
**PUBLIC NOTICE OF PETITION FOR**

**LEGAL NOTICES**  
**INVITATION TO BID**  
 The Artesia Fire Protection District will be accepting bids until March 30, 2012 on a 1992 Chevrolet wheeled Coach Ambulance. The Artesia Fire Protection District reserves the right to reject any and all bids. Inquiries can be made by mail to:  
 Artesia Fire Protection District

**LEGAL NOTICES**  
 P.O. Box 39  
 Dinosaur, CO 81610  
 or by Fax: 970-374-2209  
 Benedict Lujan, Sr.  
 Fire Chief  
 P.O. Box 39  
 Dinosaur, CO 81610  
 Publish: March 8, 15 and 22, 2012  
 Rio Blanco Herald Times  
**Notification of meeting for the Rangely Town Council, Board of Trustees**  
 The Town of Rangely Town Council meetings are held on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month starting at 7:00 p.m. in the Court Room at 209 E Main, Rangely, CO 81648. Agendas are posted in the lobby at Town Hall and at the Rangely District Library. The meetings are televised live on channel 3 through Bresnan Cable TV. All meetings are open to the public.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

**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: [newedenpcps@gmail.com](mailto:newedenpcps@gmail.com) or (970)878-5117. All services are confidential.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Driver License Offices** - Note: Drive tests by appointment only. Reinstatement info.: (303)205-5613. *Need proof of physical address to renew license.* Check website for renewal requirements: [www.colorado.gov/revenue](http://www.colorado.gov/revenue)  
**Meeker** open 1st, 3rd & 5th Fridays, 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.  
**Rangely** open 2nd & 4th Fridays, 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.  
**Craig** open Mon. through Thurs., 8 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

VFW POST 5843 and Ladies Auxiliary monthly meetings are now held at Kilo-watt Komer in Meeker: VFW Post 5843 - 6:30 p.m. 2nd Monday. Ladies Auxiliary - 5:30 p.m., 2nd Thursday.

**LEGAL NOTICES**

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

The Board of County Commissioners will hold a regularly scheduled board meeting on Monday, March 12, 2012, at the County Administration Building, 200 Main, Meeker, CO

**TENTATIVE AGENDA**

- 10:40 a.m. Board of County Commissioners**  
a. Pledge of Allegiance  
b. Additions or Changes to the Agenda  
c. Consideration of the February 27, 2012 Board Minutes  
d. Motor Vehicle Publication List for February 2012  
e. Treasury Publication List for February 2012  
f. Board Appointments: 1 year Appointment - Council on Aging  
g. Motion to sign Federal Mineral Leasing Grant Application, 2012-CR5-1, Project 1 & 2B in the amount of \$2,203,035.54  
h. County Clerk & Recorder - Nancy Amick  
1. Seven Lakes Lodge LLC Hotel and Restaurant Liquor License Renewal  
i. Other

**10:45 a.m. Finance Department - Chris Singleton**

- a. Payroll & Overtime for February 2012  
b. Payroll Benefits/Withholding for February 2012  
c. Accounts Payable for February 2012  
d. DSS Payments (EBT and AP) for February 2012

**11:00 a.m. Petition for Abatement or Refund of Taxes - Renae Neilson, Assessor**

**11:05 a.m. Bid Award and Contract Agreements**

- a. Qwest/CenturyLink Discount Plan

**11:15 a.m. Bid Openings:**

- a. 2012 Dust Control Project - Road & Bridge  
b. Herbicide Bid - Weed Department  
c. Helicopter Aerial Spray - Weed Department

**11:40 a.m. Public Comment**

**11:45 a.m. Road & Bridge - Dave Morlan**

- a. Monthly Update

**Noon:**

**1:00 p.m. Bid Opening - Meeker Airport**

**1:30 p.m. County Commissioners Updates**

**2:00 p.m. Continuation of old CR 57 Road Vacation Petition Hearing**

**OTHER COUNTY BUSINESS**

If you need special accommodations please call 970-878-9573 in advance of the meeting so that reasonable accommodations may be made. Please check the County's website for an updated agenda. [www.co.rio-blanco.co.us/commissioners](http://www.co.rio-blanco.co.us/commissioners)  
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**COMBINED NOTICE**

**CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 11-38**

To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust:

On December 9, 2011, the undersigned Public Trustee caused the Notice of Election and Demand relating to the Deed of Trust described below to be recorded in the County of Rio Blanco records.

Original Grantor(s): James I. Owens

Original Beneficiary(ies): PPF NEWCO, LLC

Current Holder of Evidence of Debt: PPF NEWCO, LLC

Date of Deed of Trust: 5/9/2011

County of Recording: Rio Blanco

Recording Date of Deed of Trust: 5/10/2011

Recording Information(Reception Number and/or Book/Page Number): 301202

Re-Recording Date of Deed of Trust: 5/23/2011

Re-Recording Information(Reception Number and/or Book/Page Number): 301283

Original Principal Amount: \$300,000.00

Outstanding Principal Balance: \$300,000.00

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.**

Covering the land in the State of Colorado, County of Rio Blanco described as:

Township 1 North, Range 94 West of the 6th P.M.

A parcel of land described as beginning at the Corner No. 6 of Tract No. 109, Section 34, Township 1 North, Range 94 West of the 6th P.M.,

Running thence North 89°48' East along tract line, 1335.2 feet to Corner No.5 Tract No. 109;

Thence South 0°05' East along tract line, 1320.00 feet to Corner No. 4;

Thence South 89°47' West along tract line a distance of 1303.0 feet;

Thence North 0°05' West a distance of 50.0 feet;

Thence South 89°47' West a distance of 32.0 feet;

Thence North 0°05' West a distance of 1270.5 feet to said Corner No. 6

The place of beginning, all being in Tract No. 109, Town ship 1 North, Range 94 West of the 6th P.M., as shown by Plat of the Resurvey approved October 31, 1908.

TOGETHER with all water and water rights, ditches and ditch rights, including 5 shares in the Miller Creek Ditch, the water reserved from the Miller Creek Ditch through the ditch line east of the land described herein for the purpose of irrigating 3 or 4 acres lying under said ditch and between the ditch and the creek as reserved in Book 266 at Page 379.

TOGETHER with the Huff reservation of the right to run a sufficient amount of their Miller Creek Ditch water through the ditch lying East of the land conveyed to the Dorrels for the purpose of irrigating three or four acres lying under said ditch and between the ditch and creek in that Warranty Deed from Frank A Huff and Evalyn J Huff to Clinton Dorrell and Marge Love Dorrell recorded August 12, 1965 in Book 266 at Page 379, Reception No. 130430.

SUBJECT to reservation contained in patent from the United States, prior mineral reservation, easements and rights-of way in use or of record, including ditch easements, and utility easements.

**Also known by street and number as: 1533 County Road 13, 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.

WHEREFORE, Notice Is Hereby Given that I will at public auction, at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, 04/11/2012, at Office of the Public Trustee, Rio Blanco County Court-house, 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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**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 MORE THAN EIGHT (8) BUSINESS DAYS AFTER THE SALE;**

DATE: 12/09/2011  
Karen Arnold  
Public Trustee of Rio Blanco County, State of Colorado  
/s/Karen Arnold  
By: Karen Arnold, Public Trustee  
(S E A L) PUBLIC TRUSTEE RIO BLANCO CO COLORADO  
The name, address, business telephone number and bar registration number of the attorney(s) representing the legal holder of the indebtedness is:  
Lawrence F. Peek Attorney at Law 2910 Black Canyon Road, Colorado Springs, CO 80904 (719) 337-0308  
Attorney File # owns

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.

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**Rangely Victim Services**

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

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

**LEGAL NOTICES**

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**Town of Meeker Planning Commission Annexation/Zoning Public Hearing**

The Town of Meeker Planning Commission will be considering a request from White River Electric Association for annexation and zoning of a parcel described as: A PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED IN THE S.E. QUARTER OF THE S.W. QUARTER OF SECTION 22, T1N, R94W OF THE 6TH P.M., DESCRIBED BY METES AND BOUNDS AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT THE INTERIOR QUARTER SECTION CORNER OF SECTION 22, T1N, R94W AND RUNNING S0°12'W ALONG THE N-S, 1/4 SECTION LINE A DISTANCE OF 2246' TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING:  
FROM THE POINT OF BEGINNING S76°12'W FOR A DISTANCE OF 300 FEET;

THENCE S0°12'W FOR A DISTANCE OF 294 FEET;

THENCE S89°45'E FOR A DISTANCE OF 24 FEET;

THENCE N84°31'E FOR A DISTANCE OF 269.6 FEET;

THENCE N0°12'E FOR A DISTANCE OF 340 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; ALL BEARINGS BEING REFERRED TO THE TRUE MERIDIAN AND THE PARCEL OF LAND CONTAINING A CALCULATED AREA OF 2.29 ACRES MORE OR LESS.

(LEGAL DESCRIPTION PER BOOK 119 PAGE 443 IN THE OFFICE OF THE RIO BLANCO COUNTY CLERK AND RECORDER)

LESS AND EXCEPTING A PARCEL OF LAND DESCRIBED IN BOOK 193 PAGE 294, RECEPTION NO. 104166 TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS, STATE OF COLORADO LESS AND EXCEPTING A PARCEL OF LAND DESCRIBED IN BOOK 363 PAGE 400, RECEPTION NO. 172291 TO RICHARD R. FLAHERTY AND GERALDINE FLAHERTY.

CONTAINING A TOTAL CALCULATED AREA OF 1.66 ACRES MORE OR LESS.

White River Electric has requested Highway Commercial zoning for the property. The public hearing has been scheduled, Monday, March 26, 2012 at 7:00P.M. at Town Hall in the Board of Trustees meeting room (basement), 345 Market Street, Meeker, CO 81641. Upon completion of the public hearing, the Planning Commission will make a recommendation to the Board of Trustees. Further information is available at Town Hall, 345 Market Street, (970)878-4960 during regular business hours.

Sharon Day

Town Administrator

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**COMBINED NOTICE**

**CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 11-40**

To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust:

On December 29, 2011, 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): Leslie M Sorensen

Original Beneficiary(ies): Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., acting solely as nominee for COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC.

Current Holder of Evidence of Debt: BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING LP

Date of Deed of Trust: 8/18/2000

County of Recording: Rio Blanco

Recording Date of Deed of Trust: 8/18/2000

Recording Information(Reception Number and/or Book/Page Number): 267887

Original Principal Amount: \$50,440.00

Outstanding Principal Balance: \$44,548.07

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.**

**SUBLOT 5 OF MEEKER TOWNHOUSES NO. II BEING A PART OF LOT 11 BLOCK 72 TOWN OF MEEKER, COLORADO ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF FILED FEBRUARY 21, 1978 AS RECEPTION NO. 180325**

**Also known by street and number as: 730 11th Street, 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.

WHEREFORE, Notice Is Hereby Given that I will at public auction, at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, 05/02/2012, at Office of the Public Trustee, Rio Blanco County Court-house, 555 Main Street, Meeker CO 81641, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property and all interest of the said Grantor(s), Grantor(s)' heirs and assigns therein, for the purpose of paying the indebtedness provided in said Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, plus attorneys' fees, the expenses of sale and other items allowed by law, and will issue to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law.

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**NOTICE OF RIGHTS**

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

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

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

DATE: 01/04/2012  
Karen Arnold  
Public Trustee of Rio Blanco County, State of Colorado  
/s/Karen Arnold  
By: Karen Arnold, Public Trustee  
(S E A L) PUBLIC TRUSTEE RIO BLANCO CO COLORADO  
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. #28078, Lisa Cancanon Esq. #42043  
Aronowitz & Mecklenburg, L.L.P. 1199 Bannock Street, Denver, CO 80204 (303) 813-1177  
Attorney File # 1269.08209

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 6/2011

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

**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 Office - Tuesday and Thursday, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., County Annex, 17497 State Hwy 64, Rangely. 878-9695 office.

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

MEEKER HOUSING Authority Board of Directors meet the 2nd Thursday of the month at 4 p.m. at The Pines, 875 Water St., Meeker.

PLEASE SAVE the date May 19, 2012 for the Fifth and Final Coach Bob Tucker Golf Tournament.

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**LEGAL NOTICES**

**COMBINED NOTICE**

**CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 11-39**

To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust:

On December 21, 2011, 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): Calvin Leischer

Original Beneficiary(ies): Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. acting solely as nominee for Fidelity Mortgage Company

Current Holder of Evidence of Debt: Wells Fargo Bank, NA

Date of Deed of Trust: 7/24/2008

County of Recording: Rio Blanco

Recording Date of Deed of Trust: 7/24/2008

Recording Information(Reception Number and/or Book/Page Number): 293058

Original Principal Amount: \$123,068.00

Outstanding Principal Balance: \$119,022.76

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 18, TAMARRON SUBDIVISION, TOWN OF RANGELY, COUNTY OF RIO BLANCO, STATE OF COLORADO.**

**Also known by street and number as: 243 East Raven Avenue, Rangely, CO 81648.**

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

**NOTICE OF SALE**

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

WHEREFORE, Notice Is Hereby Given that I will at public auction, at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, 04/18/2012, at Office of the Public Trustee, Rio Blanco County Court-house, 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:

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PIONEERS MEDICAL Center Home Health** will be offering its monthly **Foot Care Clinic Tuesday, March 13, 10 a.m. at The Pines in Meeker.** A certified nurse assistant will trim toenails, assess circulation, give skin care and check blood pressure. Persons found to have circulation or foot problems will be referred to a physician. Please call 878-9265 to schedule an appointment.

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Senior Citizen Nutrition Program  
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*Suggested Donation Over 60 - \$2.50. Under 60 - Guest Fee \$7.*  
\*\*MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE\*\*

**FRIDAY, MAR. 9:** Fish sandwich, macaroni and cheese, red cabbage toss, apricots. CAL:820, PRO:33, FAT:32, CAR:105, CHO:86, SOD:1109.

**MONDAY, MAR. 12:** Beef stroganoff, tossed salad, blushing pears, roll. CAL:789, PRO:36, FAT:24, CAR:110, CHO:88, SOD:462.

**TUESDAY, MAR. 13:** Chicken fajita with salsa, Chuckwagon vegetables, sherbet. CAL:629, PRO:34, FAT:21, CAR:81, CHO:54, SOD:1186.

**WEDNESDAY, MAR. 14:** Split pea and ham soup, coleslaw soufflé mold, pineapple slices, cheese biscuit. CAL:802, PRO:41, FAT:23, CAR:113, CHO:53, SOD:925.

**FRIDAY, MAR. 16:** Sliced turkey, dressing with turkey gravy, peas & onions, fruited cottage cheese. CAL:646, PRO:54, FAT:15, CAR:72, CHO:103, SOD:1082.

**APPRECIATION**

*Thank You!*

I want to thank everyone for their thoughts, prayers, flowers, books and food. A special thanks to Jean for keeping everyone informed and to Brenda for taking care of the shop. Sue Duke.

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**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

**VOLUNTEER FOR RANGE CALL**  
Range Call is 100% volunteer operated. To honor these saints and in hopes of enticing more helpers, volunteers signed up by May 1, 2012 will be entered into a drawing for a weekend get-away. Do you have time to volunteer? Contact Suzan Pelloni (970)623-2900.

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**HELP WANTED: GENERAL**

Relief Cook - Rio Blanco County is currently accepting applications for a relief cook(s) for the senior nutrition program in Meeker and/or Rangely. One cook to travel to both locations is preferred. \$10.16/hr. To apply, submit a completed Rio Blanco County application to the HR Department at P.O. Box i, Meeker, CO 81641, 970-878-9570. Applications can be obtained from the HR Department or from our website at [www.co.rio-blanco.co.us/personnel](http://www.co.rio-blanco.co.us/personnel). Please state on application if interested in Meeker, Rangely or Both. Open until filled. Announcement # 1201. EOE.

**TEMPORARY LABORERS** - Rio Blanco County is currently seeking applicants for temporary laborers at the Rangely Road & Bridge Dept. Applicants must be able to perform manual labor, flagging (stand on hot pavement 8-10 hrs per day) and operate light construction equipment. Must have a valid Colorado Driver's License, be 18 years of age, have the ability to regularly lift 50 lbs., be in good physical shape and have full range of motion. Rio

**HELP WANTED: GENERAL**

Blanco County will train and certify for Flagger Certificate. \$15.48/hr. Positions to start immediately in Rangely. Applications can be obtained from the HR Dept, 200 Main Street, Meeker, or downloaded from our website at [www.co.rio-blanco.co.us](http://www.co.rio-blanco.co.us). Application deadline: Open until filled. Job # 1202. EOE.

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**HELP WANTED: GENERAL**

[lyk12.org](http://lyk12.org); please return the application to the district office. All positions are contingent upon passing a fingerprinting/background check. Positions open until filled. If you have questions or need assistance please contact the district office at 970-675-2207.

Rangely Public School District RE-4 is an Equal Opportunity Employer

Lifeguards: Meeker Recreation Center is seeking applications for permanent full time and part time lifeguards. Lifeguards are trained professional rescuers who ensure the safety of patrons by preventing and responding to emergencies in and out of the aquatic facility. Applicants must be 15 years of age or older; know how to swim; be available for early morning, evening, split and/or weekend shifts; be available a minimum of 24 hours per week. Lifeguards are responsible for performing maintenance and inspection of the facility on a daily basis; reporting any unsafe conditions or equipment to the supervisor(s); monitoring pool water chemistry and filling out required records and reports.

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**HOMES: RANGELY**

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2 BDR, 1 BA house for rent. 878-3363.

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Furnished 2 BDR, 1 BA apartment, \$525/month + deposit. 878-5367 or 878-3736.

1 BDR, 1 BA upstairs apartment, \$475/month, first & deposit required. All utilities included. (970)220-2150.

[theheraldtimes.com](http://theheraldtimes.com)

**RENTALS: MEEKER**

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**RENTALS: MEEKER**

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VERY NICE, unfurnished 2 BDR, 1 BA. On-site laundry, large backyard. ON THE RIVER. Rents from \$550-\$650 plus electricity with 6 or 12 month lease. Month-to-month options, also available. Storage units available for renters. NO PETS. 970-878-5187

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**RENTALS: MEEKER**

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THE FORMER BLM Building west of Meeker is for rent. The building consists of approximately 10,000 square feet of office space. Interested parties may contact the Meeker Re-1 School District Superintendent at 878-9040 for more information.

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

**RENTALS: RANGELY**

ROOM FOR rent in 3 BDR home \$550/month includes utilities, satellite and WiFi, shared living facilities, owners have cats. (720)231-3496.

Office Space for rent: The Rangely School District has office space for rent in the EEC Building. You may contact the Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent (970) 675-2207 extension 1 with any questions.

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- ◆ Ridge Estates - \$59,900 per lot includes water tap. (Lots 22-25 excluded) Call Meeker Realty LLC (970) 878-5165 for lot availability.
- ◆ NEW - 517 Park Avenue - 2988 SF Retail/office space. Formerly Meeker Mortuary. \$170,000
- ◆ NEW LISTING - 988 CR. 15 - Beautiful new 2 story log home on 15.89 acres - Price reduced to \$349,900. VERY MOTIVATED SELLER!
- ◆ NEW - 740 3rd Street - Great 3 bedroom, 1 bath home on larger lot near hospital - \$169,900
- ◆ NEW LISTING - Lot 1, Liberty Industrial Park, 3.5 acres for \$140,000
- ◆ NEW LISTING - 0.36 acre parcel west of Meeker near Kum & Go - Highway Commercial - \$40,000
- ◆ NEW LISTING - 10 E. Market - MUST SELL! Motivated Buyer - Make an Offer! Priced for Quick Sale \$130,000
- ◆ 1145 Michael Circle - 2406 SF ranch-style, 3 bedrooms, 2 bath, 2 car garage - Reduced to \$250,000
- ◆ 533 Cleveland - Updated 4 bdrm, 2 bath, great location, must see to appreciate. Seller wants it GONE! Reduced! \$169,000/no seller concessions.
- ◆ 791 10th Street - Lender owned, raised ranch, double lot. PRICE Reduced Again \$99,800
- ◆ 642 12th Street Move-in ready. Lots of upgrades, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths. Price reduced to \$184,500
- ◆ Vacant Lot - 13th and Garfield Street, 7500 SF - \$35,000
- ◆ 565 4th Street - Modern Family Home - 4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, 1886 SF trees. PRICE REDUCED TO \$250,000
- ◆ 1062 Main Street - Great Starter Home or Rental with 1536 SF including full basement on a fenced corner lot. Asking \$88,000.
- ◆ 6321 CR. 7 - 10 acres, custom home with log siding, 3 bedrooms, 2.25 baths, basement, garage, water. Price: \$259,750
- ◆ 566 Rimrock Drive - 2160 SF total living area, 3+ bedrooms, 2+ baths, 2 car built-in garage, 5 acres, close to town. Call today for a showing. Price Reduced to \$275,000
- ◆ 1368 Robert Street. 2352 SF total (1176 up and 1176 finished basement) 4 bedroom, 2 baths, 1 car garage, quiet location. PRICE REDUCED TO \$215,000

Now is a great time to purchase a new home!



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**HOMES IN MEEKER ...**

- \*NEW1034 Julie Circle-3 BR, 2 BA, single level, fenced yard, garage, shed. \$129,000
- \*NEW 795 Pine St.-4BR, 2 1/2 BA large lot, fireplace, garage, must see! \$230,000
- \*NEW 229 Park Ave.-5 BD, 2BA home on two lots, attached garage, out-buildings, great location, \$219,000
- \*NEW 562 Larry Lane-Corner lot, 1 level, 3 BR 2BA, fenced yard, garage, deck. \$149,000
- \*730 3rd St.-3 BR 2BA home, large corner lot, 2 car detached garage + 1 car attached garage, in-ground sprinkler system, possible 4th BR, must see! \$199,000
- \*970 9th Street Log home on a secluded large lot 4+BR 3BA carport. Reduced to \$175,000
- \*1130 Michael Cr.-3 BR, 2BA new home, corner lot, single level, attached garage, \$175,000 Sale Pending
- \*1021 Julie Circle 2 BR 1 BA home, single level, nice yard, quiet street. \$158,000. Reduced
- \*643 12th St-4 BR, 2 BA bi-level home. Garage, carport, fenced back yard. \$140,000.

**RANCHES - RURAL RESIDENTIAL - HUNTING PROPERTIES...**

- \*NEW 1886 County Rd. 8-6.87 acres with 2,017 ft. of river frontage, Updated home, 3 BR, 3BA amazing views, private setting, 480 sq. ft. shop, \$399,900
- \*NEW 510 Meadow Lane -44 acres with 2,332 sq. ft. 2 story home, 3 BR, 2 1/2 BA Private river setting, pond, 2,880 sq. ft. hay barn, Great horse property, year-around spring! \$650,000
- \*24588 County Rd. 8- 1.73 acres with a beautiful 3,000 sq. ft. log home, garage and guest house, one of a kind property, a must see! \$899,000
- \*44 Agency Dr.- 5 irrigated acres, large log home, garage, barn, near golf course. \$425,000 REDUCED!
- \*945 CR 14- 5 wooded acres 27 miles up river. Beautiful 5 BR, 3 BA log home, spring. \$525,000
- \*366 N Cross L Dr- 3 irrigated acres, 3 miles west of town, newer 4 BR, 2 BA home. \$283,500.
- \*615 Shaman Trail- Newer home on 8.8 acres near schools. 3,654 sq ft + 3 car garage. Reduced Again \$415,000 - SHORT SALE PRICE.
- \*39087 Hwy 13- 2 acres, 2 miles west of town, 1,600 sq ft home, great views. Reduced again \$145,000
- \*40 Acres up South Fork- Lots of trees, water, 4 BR, 2 BA lodge, Nat. Forest access. HUNTING. \$585,000
- \*339 Love Lane- New custom 2 story home on 3.5 acres. 4 BR, 3.5 BA, 2,741 sq ft. New Shop with 1/2 bath. \$435,000.
- \*13051 CR 8- 52 Acres, 14 miles up river, 2 living quarters buildings, garage, hunting. Reduced to \$435,000.
- \*SOLD 930 Shaman Tr.- 5 acres, 3 BR, 4 BA home, office, great floor plan, garage, amazing views, room for additional living space in walk-out basement. \$399,500
- \*SOLD 267 S Little Rancho Dr- 35 acres, 13 miles south, new log home, water well, pasture, creek. \$360,000.

**BUSINESS & INVESTMENT ...**

- \*NEW Rifle, CO-9 vacant lots near City Hall & new theater, excellent investment opportunity. \$1,800,000
- \*NEW Rio Blanco Store- Great potential, 1/4 acre on Hwy 13, 3,000 sq ft store, cafe, living quarters. \$140,000.
- \*NEW Silt, CO- 15 Acre River Front Commercial- 1-70 frontage road, just off of Silt exit, next to Holiday Inn Express. Excellent visibility & access. Utilities to boundary. Water rights. \$1,800,000.
- \*304 4th St. Commercial building on corner lot downtown, great office space, 4,437 sq. ft. \$235,000
- \*265 6th St- 3,208 sq ft commercial building in downtown. Alley access. Some equipment. Reduced! \$85,000
- \*39087 Hwy 13- Retail. 2 acres, 2 miles west of town, 1,600 sq ft finished metal building. \$145,000. Reduced
- \*109 Market St - 3+ lots, 157.5 ft on Market, 150 ft on 1st St. \$275,000.

**RAW LAND AND HOMESITES ...**

- \*NEW River Property 30 miles east. 18 acres, irrigated meadow, frontage on White River & Marvine Crk. \$450,000.
- \*20 Acres, Strawberry Creek Minor Subdivision, Lot 3, \$63,000
- \*40 Acres, 12 miles south of Meeker, hilly, grass, borders BLM, Great hunting. \$80,000
- \*1158 Mimi Circle- Sanderson Hills, great building site. \$25,000.
- \*1157 Mimi Circle- Sanderson Hills, Make an offer! \$25,000.
- \*1155 Mimi Circle- Sanderson Hills, underground utilities. \$25,000.
- \*1144 & 1146 Michael Circle- 2 lots, 1 building site, great buy. \$25,000
- \*1156 Mimi Circle- Great building site, underground utilities, priced right. Reduced to \$22,500
- \*1139 Michael Circle- underground utilities, nice home site. Reduced to \$22,500
- \*Little Beaver Estates- Lot 4, 35 acres, fenced, good pond, loafing shed, great site. \$85,000.
- \*NEW Little Beaver Estates Lot 5, 35 acres, good pond, pasture. Partially fenced. \$83,000.
- \*Little Beaver Estates- Two 35 acre lots bordering DOW hunting land. Reduced Lot 11- \$95,000, Lot 12- \$85,000.
- \*Little Beaver Estates 35 acre lot bordering Division of Wildlife public land. Lot 14. \$100,000
- \*879 Pine St- 11,250 sq ft single family lot with great views, street & alley access. Good neighborhood. \$40,000.
- \*225 Acre lot - on Hwy 13 north of Meeker. \$45,000. REDUCED!
- \*Lot 13 Cross L Estates- 5 irrigated acres, great location. Underground utilities are in. \$100,000.
- \*Lot 14 Ute Terrace Subdivision- 5.5 acre lot just east of town. Spectacular views, town water. \$100,000.
- \*Ridge Estates- New home sites 1 mi S. of town. 2 to 9 acre lots. Water, views. Reduced Prices!
- \*45 Acres in Little Beaver Estates, Lot 16. Borders DOW Oak Ridge hunting land. Reduced to \$35,000
- \*50 Acres 15 miles south of Meeker, west of Hwy 13. Great homesites and views. Reduced to \$70,000.
- \*1187 Park Ave- 2 corner lots, zoned for multi-family, lots of trees. Reduced to \$65,000.
- \*100 acres 29 miles east of Meeker, surrounded by Nat Forest, covered with Aspens. \$1,395,000.00.
- \*Building Lots in Sanderson Hills - 5 blocks, 38 lots, off of Sulphur Creek Rd. Price Reduced \$49,000 per lot

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- ◆ 921 E. Main St., small 2 bedroom, 1 bath home, 650 sq. ft. with a 14,000+ sq. ft. lot, comes with kennel fencing and storage shed. Reduced to \$45,200
- ◆ 315 8317 N. Grand, 2 BD, 2 BA, in each unit, with 12mo. leases, 1200 SF each side, Hardwood Floor, Walk-in tile shower, W/D hookups, carport for each unit. \$155,000
- ◆ 340 CR 95, Dinosaur, 4 BdrRm, 3 Ba, huge 3 car garage, wells, on 35 Acres, isolated beauty. \$270,000
- ◆ 226 Dakota, 1344 SF, Metal roof forced air and gas water heater, stove, refrigerator, 2 Bedroom, 1 Bath, unfinished 1/2 basement (528 sq ft). \$98,000
- ◆ 402 Lake St. Vacant Lot. Recent survey, soil samples, blue prints, ready to build. \$30,000
- ◆ COMMERCIAL BUSINESS: 322 W. Main St. White River Drive-In. Very clean. 1950s-style drive-in, recently updated, new ceiling, new stucco. \$285,000
- ◆ COMMERCIAL BUSINESS: 114 Steele St. NW Colorado's only full service laundry, turn key operation 10,000 SF lot with building and 2 bedroom rental apt. for extra income. \$395,000
- ◆ 1112 Mark Cir., 4 brm, 2 3/4 bath, Super low heating bills, oversize lot, 1232 SF on each level, 2 car garage, wood stove, Excellent views, lots of space! \$189,000
- ◆ 388 9th Street Great potential corner of Park and 9th Street, two lots, currently a church, and set up as a Day Care facility, chain link fencing and playground equipment in back. \$119,000
- ◆ 1188 County Rd 63: Unique property with secluded location, 5+ acres. 3 Bdrms 1 1/2 bath home, small pond, several outbuildings and 4 car carport. Good water, Beautiful landscaping with great exterior improvements. \$199,000
- ◆ 1112 Mark Circle, 4 brm, 2 3/4 bath, Super low heating bills, oversize lot, 1232 SF on each level, 2 car garage, Wood stove, Excellent views, lots of space \$189,000
- ◆ 440 Garfield Street: 768 SF on main level with 630 SF basement, 8x24 sunroom and 1246 SF garage on oversize 8625 SF lot. \$130,000
- ◆ 1153 Market Street: 15,000 SF lot with 2 bedroom, 1 bath home. Highway comm. Reduced to \$116,000.
- ◆ 73199 Hwy. 64: Large house with 5 bedrooms, 3.5 baths on 31 acres. Quonset hut with power and water. Priced to sell! \$340,000

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**RESIDENTIAL**

- 3865 HWY 40 Breathtaking location 102 acres with 3 wells and 2 exceptional homes. 1st Home is 3,125 sq. ft. 4 bedrooms and 3 baths 2nd Home is 2,088 sq. ft. 4 bedrooms and 3 baths all for \$460,000
- 300 River Rd Beautiful Ranch Style Home 2267 sq ft with 4 bedrooms 2 baths built in 2007 \$249,000
- 267 Crest St. Picturesque Brick Ranch Style Home 4 BD, 2 BA, 1776 total sq.ft. 2 car garage \$219,000
- 1220 Deserado Dr. Lovely Two Story Home 4 bedrooms 3 bath 1,615 sq. ft. built in 2008 \$212,500
- 208 River Rd. Beautiful Bi-Level Home 4 bedroom 1.7 bath 2,800 Sq. Ft. built in 1982 \$198,000
- 226 Morrison Ave. Lovely Bi-Level home close to Town Park 3 bdrs. 2 baths 1,686 sq. ft. \$183,000
- 223 S. Sunset Ave. New construction, Ranch style 3 bedroom 2 bath w/partial basement \$178,000
- 233 S. Grand Ave. Tranquil Tri-Level home 3brd 1.5 bath on corner lot RV parking \$168,000
- 1101 Half Turn Rd. Remarkable ranch style home 3 bdr. 2 bath 1,413 sq. ft. built in 2007 \$164,500
- 627 E. Rio Blanco Nicely updated split level home 3 bedroom 2 bath 1,562 total sq. ft. \$149,900
- 325 Mesa Dr Remodeled 3 bedroom 2 Bath over full basement 1976 total sq. ft. \$146,000
- 908 Taos Immaculate ranch style home 3 bdrm 2 bath plus office 1397 sq. ft. built in 1999 \$146,000
- 251 E Raven Ranch Style Starter Home 3 Bedroom & 1 Bath 1,064 sq. ft. \$123,500
- 703 E Rangely Ave. Charming ranchstyle home 2 bedroom 1 bath & 2 garages, corner lot \$119,500
- 208 Dakota Ave Great Starter Home 2 Bedroom 1 Bath over partial basement close to Park \$107,000
- 614 & 616 E. Rio Blanco Ave. Two Townhomes 2 bedrooms 1.5 baths \$70,000 each
- 146 S. Grand Ave. 2 bedroom 1 bath, office space center of town lot=7,500 sq. ft. \$52,000
- DINOSAUR 223 2nd St. West 3 bedroom 2 bath Manufactured Home 1296 sq. ft. built in 1996 \$80,000

**LOTS/LAND**

- College View 10 lots, +/- 4 acres near CNCC. \$150,000
- Lake St. 2 Lots, 5,000 sq. ft. each. Both \$28,000
- Skull Creek Estates Approx. 5 1/2 acres \$25,000
- 629 E. Main St. 2 Lots 6,250 sq. ft. \$12,500
- 2 lots in La Mesa Sub. \$26,400 each
- Redwood Estates Approx 1/2 acre building lot \$28,000
- 222 & 226 S. Grand Ave. 14,000 sq. ft. Lot \$30,000
- Shale Dr. 4.982 acres for \$60,000 and 2.479 acres for \$38,000
- West of Loaf n Jug -18.97 acres \$287,000
- West Rangely Development opportunity. 3.47 acres with Highway frontage
- 40 Acres vacant land \$50,000
- 2 Fantastic lots in La Mesa Sub \$50,000 each
- 202 W. Main St. \$35,000 Great corner location
- 119 Sunset Ave Lot Size=9,000 sq. ft. \$20,000
- 3 lots in Ridgeview Sub. Various prices
- 820 Main St. Commercial Lot 18,564 sq. ft. total \$39,900
- 3.76 acres down river on CR 2 \$30,000
- Cedar Ridge Sub 4.982 acres \$60,000 & 2.479 acres \$38,000
- River & Main St. - 1.77 acres \$118,000

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