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Alivia Green (center) jumps rope during the Jump Rope for Heart event at Parkview Elementary School in February, raising money for the American Heart Association. Alivia, now a third-grader, had open heart surgery when she was five weeks old to repair congenital heart defects in her aorta and ventricles. Parkview's physical education teacher, Jamie Trusa, named Alivia this year's Heart Hero Award winner.

Heart surgery survivor Alivia Green earns Heart Hero award

By JULIE NOYES
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RANGELY I No one would guess by looking at spunky third-grader Alivia Green of Rangely that at two weeks of age she was diagnosed with Coarctation of the Aorta (CoA) and Ventricular Septal Defect (VSD). CoA is a narrowing of the aorta, the large blood vessel which branches off the heart and delivers oxygen-rich blood to the body. VSD is a hole in the part of the septum that separates the ventricles, the lower chambers of the heart. Instead of flowing into the aorta as it should, a VSD allows oxygen-rich blood to flow from the left ventricle into the right ventricle. At five weeks old, Alivia had a lengthy open heart surgery at Children's Hospital in Denver to mend her heart.

So when Parkview Elementary's physical education teacher, Jamie Trusa, organized

his third annual Jump Rope for Heart event on Feb. 15 to raise money for the American Heart Association, Alivia knew it would have a special place in her heart. Jump Rope for Heart helps teach kids healthy habits and funds research for children born with congenital heart defects.

"This event raises awareness and gives our students an opportunity to be part of a great cause! During the three weeks students had to prepare, they designed a routine and then needed to have it approved by me if they wanted to be part of the Jump Rope for Heart event. The kids have a blast every year and always exceed my expectations. I am always very proud of these kids and constantly get to see them improve and grow! I started giving the Heart Hero Award last year for the kid that inspired me the most. This year's winner was Alivia Green and last year's was Laurie Ward."

Alivia and her friends, Peyton

Kendall and Jasmine Preciado, decided that they'd choreograph a special jump rope routine complete with hula hoops and dance moves. Parkview's Jump Rope for Heart raised \$4,200, but Trusa estimates they've raised about \$15,000 in the three years he has been here.

As Alivia races past fellow athletes both on the soccer and softball fields, as she dances and swims and plays with her cousins, her mom Bethany Green shares, "I feel so fortunate that this was her first and possibly her last heart surgery. There is always the possibility of the aorta re-narrowing, but after her last echocardiogram the doctor was pleased with what he saw. She wasn't given many restrictions, if any at all, after surgery or into childhood. It has been such a blessing getting to watch her grow into such a fun-loving, sassy young lady. She is so compassionate towards others and loves life!"

Dirt bikes not allowed in Meeker town limits; riders can be cited

By NIKI TURNER
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MEEKER I People have been riding dirt bikes in the open space between the Sanderson Hills and Sage Hills subdivisions for decades. But that doesn't make it legal.

Residents came before the board Tuesday to ask what can be done about underage riders, noise, dust, fire danger and potential liability.

"Any given night there are eight to 10 of them riding. The police come talk to them and they leave, then a few days later they're back,"

said resident Dave Morlan. "We've seen some hellacious wrecks and don't know who's liable for them."

According to Morlan, the riders are also accessing the hiking trails maintained by the rec district.

Dirt bikes are not the same as OHVs and are not permitted in town limits unless they are licensed and equipped as street legal (visit tinyurl.com/lxss33s for street legal requirements). Underaged, unlicensed riders are not allowed to ride dirt bikes or OHVs within town limits.

"The best thing you can do as a

citizen is call dispatch," Town Manager Scott Meszaros said. "They (the police) are going to go and respond while it's happening."

Meeker Police Lt. Phil Stubblefield said he would notify the department to be aware of illicit riders on town streets or open land, talk to them and notify their parents if they're underage.

"There aren't any public lands within town limits that are open for riding dirt bikes," Meszaros said.

The board also heard an update

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Cemetery district board answers questions, engages attorney

By NIKI TURNER
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MEEKER I The Meeker Cemetery District board met March 15 and responded to public comments raised about recent changes at the cemetery, potential conflicts of interest for board members and made personnel changes.

Board president Joe Conrado introduced attorney Melody Massih of Olszewski, Massih & Maurer, P.C. at the beginning of the meeting, stating the board has engaged Massih's counsel. Massih is also the attorney for the Town of Meeker.

"My role is going to be to answer questions and give a general outline," Massih said. "I'm not on retainer."

Citizens present at the meeting asked about the removal of large rocks and old farming equipment that used to be in place at the cemetery.

Conrado explained that the farm equipment was on loan from the Mintz ranches and has gone back to them at their behest. He said the board has been in discussion with the historical society to display some of the old equipment they have at the cemetery.

"The rocks are a little different deal," Conrado said, explaining that someone at a funeral drove over one and busted her oil pan, and two of the board members didn't like the rocks. "I looked at those big rocks around the flagpole as something we had to maintain: weedat around, snowplow around, and they limited our parking."

Board member Jan Oldland, who has served on the board the longest, asked why it was decided outside of a board meeting.

Conrado explained "it wasn't a board action thing, we just kind of decided to take them out." A backhoe and dump truck from Meeker Sand and Gravel were used to remove the rocks to the gravel pit.

The cemetery was not charged anything for the removal of the rocks, and Conrado said if at any time the district wants the rocks returned, they are available.

"We did not take those with any malice at all. I personally like the looks of it better. That's strictly my opinion," said board member Melinda Parker.

Conrado and Melinda Parker stated it is their intention to maintain quality conditions at the cemetery under

their term on the board.

"I did not get on this board to have this cemetery go to prairie grass, but I do think this is tax dollars being spent up here and it's very costly. I think we can cut those costs without turning the grass brown and the cemetery will stay the same," Parker said.

The *Herald Times* asked if Conrado involving his family-owned business could be considered a conflict of interest.

"That was a current concern of ours and that's one of the reasons we've retained Melody here," Conrado replied. "She realizes it's a small town and there are conflicts of interest. There are ways we have to work around that. I'm not an owner of Meeker Sand and Gravel now; the

only thing I own is the property. We used MSG equipment at no charge because the cemetery district didn't have appropriate equipment."

Conrado also said in the case of expansion of the cemetery that could involve his personal property, which is adjacent to the cemetery, that he will recuse himself from decisions on property or water issues, if that were to become an issue.

The *Herald Times* asked Parker if it could be considered a conflict that she is named in a civil lawsuit currently in litigation on another local board. Parker said she was unable to comment on the lawsuit, but Massih said

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Commissioners hold brief meeting in Rangely Monday

By JEN HILL
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RANGELY I Monday the county commissioners met for their regular meeting in Rangely. The short session included review and approval of numerous bids and agreements.

Approved in the consent agenda were several budget variances and contract modifications.

The commissioners opened up bids for three projects, two involving pest control and spraying in Piceance Creek and one for the restroom remodel at the fairgrounds in Meeker. They also awarded four bids, all for various equipment purchases.

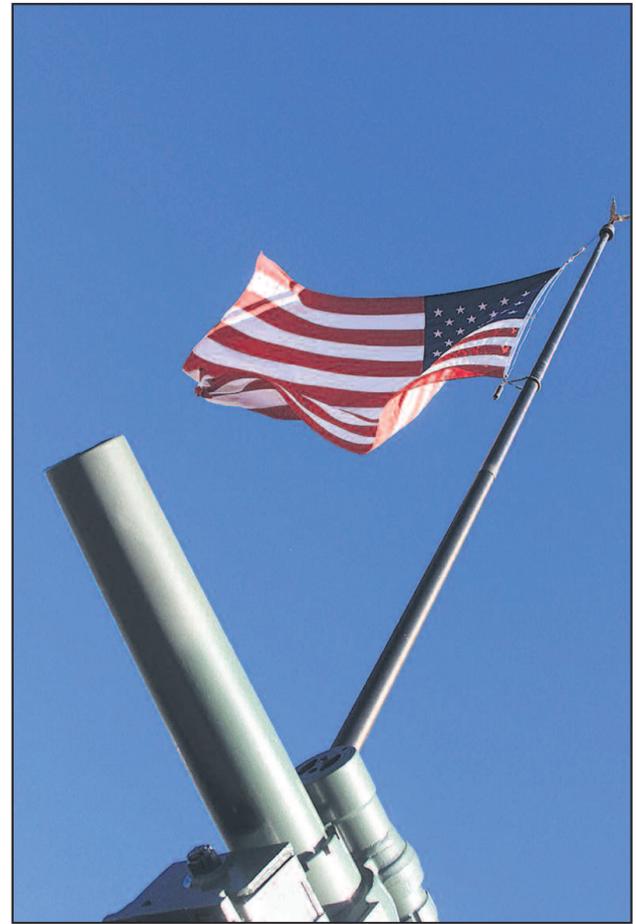
Two service agreements were approved. The first agreement was for maintenance of the elevator at the county courthouse at a cost of \$269.18 per month. The second was for a data wiring project in the jockey shack at Columbine Park at a cost not to exceed \$7,500.

Following the sole public hearing of the meeting the commissioners approved a resolution approving a limited impact review to upgrade a communications tower located on the Pollard Ranch.

The commissioners each provided a quick update on what they've been doing. Commissioner Woodruff said he is receiving quite a

bit of feedback regarding the Meeker Cemetery District. Commissioner Rector said he attended the Rangely Chamber's Open House last week and was closely following the grocery situation in Rangely. Commissioner Bolton, who recently attended a Colorado Counties Incorporated meeting, updated the group on a proposed bill that would change the requirements for school setbacks. Bolton believes this bill would negatively impact oil and gas drilling and that CCI is opposing it.

The commissioners will meet again on Monday, March 27 in Meeker.



BOBBY GUTIERREZ PHOTO

The Stars & Stripes waves over the Highland Cemetery in Meeker.

WEATHER



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Sunday: 55/32 Mostly cloudy



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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- **Range Call meeting**
March 16 at 7 p.m. in the OEH room at the Fairgrounds. We will be discussing and planning events for this year's Range Call and welcome any volunteers to participate.
- **Spring Fitness Class**
Early Bird Deadline March 24 from 2-7 p.m. at the Meeker Rec Center. Call 878-3403 or visit meekerrecdistrict.com.
- **Mountain Valley Bank** will be doing a "Lobby Blitz" every Wednesday to provide customers with a one on one online banking and mobile banking mini course. Our staff are eager to assist our community and banking family with the information available to them 24/7.
- **The Meeker Library Book Club** meets at 1 p.m. the second Monday of each month (excluding holidays). The next meeting will be April 10. We will be discussing "The Seventh Plague" by James Rollins. All interested readers are welcome. Stop by the Meeker Library for details.
- **Community ladies are meeting** to make grocery bag

- mats for the homeless. Mondays 1-4 p.m. at 600 Main St.
- **Quilting Group.** Tuesdays from 1-9 p.m. at the Meeker Public Library. All are welcome. Come during hours that fit your schedule. Bring your sewing machine and project.
- **Game Day** for adults 50+ on Wednesdays at 9 a.m. in the Meeker Recreation Center lounge. Call 878-3403 or visit meekerrecdistrict.com.
- **Storytime at the Rangely Regional Library** Tuesdays at 10 a.m.
- **Children's Story Hour** Wednesdays at 10 a.m. at the Meeker Public Library.
- **Gentleman's Club** meeting at 10 a.m. each Thursday morning at the VFW, 290 4th St. in Meeker.
- **Real-Tea Roundtable.** Join real estate expert Suzan Pelloni for helpful hints on buying and selling property. First Monday of the month, 7:30 a.m. at Wendell's.
Please send calendar items to calendar@theheraldtimes.com before 5 p.m. on Monday.



MATT SCOGGINS PHOTO

Multiple groups took advantage of the Rangely Area Chamber of Commerce's open house last week to present their plans and share information about events and projects.

Local groups present at Rangely open house

By **JEN HILL**
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RANGELY Last week the Rangely Area Chamber of Commerce hosted an open house designed to update the public on the status of various local projects and entities.

The evening's presentations kicked off with Rangely School Superintendent Matt Scoggins who said that the local schools are "an economic driver in the community." The district currently has 60 full-time and 30 part-time employees. Scoggins discussed the district's ongoing financial woes and informed the group that they would be seeking a bond renewal in the coming year.

County Economic Development coordinator Katelin Cook said the county is currently working on a variety of topics including creation of an economic development website, a workforce assessment to provide a "holistic" picture of the local workforce, and county plans to build off the broadband project. Cook expressed excitement over the Wagon Wheel OHV system which will be the largest trail system in Colorado once completed. Cook also introduced the Colorado Rural Jump Start Program which provides an up to four-year tax holiday on state taxes to accepted businesses. Cook is working through the application process and will need resolutions of support from both the towns and county.

In contrast to Cook's attempts to find tax breaks for businesses, Rio Blanco County Commissioner Jeff Rector announced that the county is pursuing plans to end the impact fee moratorium on oil and gas projects. Rector said he has reached out to all local producers regarding the fee

increase and he hopes to have a draft of the plan by October.

Also on the new commissioner's list is improvements to Rangely's Columbine Park, which he said is in poor condition.

"Rangely has not got their fair share," he said at the meeting.

Blake Mobley, IT director for the county, provided a broadband update. "Few of us know how amazing this project is," he said. According to Mobley we now have the fastest internet county in the state. Mobley said that the 25 miles of Meeker and 25 miles of Rangely main line are close to completion and that he expects the rural towers to go up in June, which will provide service 8-10 miles out. His department is currently seeking a DOLA grant to fund secondary lines which would extend the signal even further.

The Bureau of Land Management White River Field Office Outdoor Recreation Manager reminded attendees that the White River Field Office covers approxi-

mately 1.5 million acres and generates a gross revenue of almost \$2 million annually from recreation. The BLM is still in the process of updating the Travel Management Plan. County Sheriff Anthony Mazzola spoke up to encourage everyone to get involved in the travel management plan process as early as possible.

Lisa Hatch spoke on behalf of The Tank, which will open for the season on the first Saturday in May. They are planning an open mic night on June 17 and barbecue event on June 18.

Hatch also provided information about the Dinosaur Monument Hang Gliding event. Rangely is a host community for the event and according to Hatch, they are expecting 50 pilots. The event will coordinate with The Tank's Summer Solstice celebration.

Town Manager Peter Brixius updated the group on the grocery survey, which had 235 responses, as well as the Better City Project,

which began in 2014. Brixius said the town is still working through the grocery/retail store portion of the plan. They are also still considering the use of Tax Incremental Financing, which would require the support of the various local special districts.

Rangely Area Chamber of Commerce Director Connie Billgren told the group that she hopes the town will come together for both the hang gliding event and Chevron shut in this summer. Billgren said the town would need local business to open early and stay late to meet the increased needs during those events.

Alden Vanden Brink provided a quick update on the White River Conservancy District's water storage goals. Recognizing that the shrinking Kenney Reservoir is the river's only storage, the district began researching options in 2005. While the process is still in its early stages, Vanden Brink hopes that the water rights for both storage options will be finalized this year.

CEMETERY: Policies, procedures needed

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the boards are completely unrelated and the suit has no bearing on Parker's service on the cemetery board.

Massih suggested the board establish a conflict of interest policy, full disclosure of any potential conflicts, and board members abstaining from decisions that may involve potential conflict involving financial interest.

"It only becomes a conflict when the relationships or the financial interest affect the business," Massih said.

Massih also recommended that the board hold a workshop to revise its bylaws, establish policies and procedures, create job descriptions and define board duties versus employee duties.

"Right now you don't have any policies that I can see, and the bylaws don't cover anything. There are certain policies and procedures that need to be in place for the efficient operation of the district," Massih said. Because the cemetery district is not under the same statutes as a typical special district, the statutes for special districts are used as guidelines, not formalities.

Massih warned the board not to have any discussions about board business with other board members outside of regular meetings, whether in person, text or via email.

"Any of your conversations are discoverable," she said. "Anything you're doing think about it being published in the newspaper."

Office manager Janny Varland opted not to go into executive session for a personnel matter concerning her employment status. Varland officially took the position in January.

Conrado said he was concerned because Varland had contacted the county commissioners twice about the cemetery district without going to the board first.

Tensions have been high at the district since the January budget meeting, during which former board member Bill Jordan, former director Art Cox, Conrado and Varland had a ver-

bal confrontation.

Conrado also said he felt Varland was not fulfilling her duties.

Varland said she contacted the commissioners in an attempt to establish some barriers and some peaceful ways of doing things.

"I wanted an advocate as an employee. It was a hostile work environment from the beginning," Varland said. "The clarification was merely to try and go up the chain of command. When they've (the commissioners) appointed a board over an employee and it's a hostile board, where's the protection for the employee?"

After discussion with Massih, the board moved to end Varland's employment by a 2-1 vote, with Oldland voting nay. Varland stated she was leaving the position under duress.

The board will seek a temporary employee to fill the office manager's position.

In other business, the board:

- Discussed liability insurance for board officers. Massih said it's always a good idea if it's affordable and reasonable.
- Agreed to keep Mike Jones on as interim cemetery director during the season while job descriptions are created. Conrado and Parker both said they believe Jones is "doing a good job."
- Agreed to advertise for two seasonal workers for the grounds maintenance. Jones said he believes the district can save about \$21,000 with two "good hands" over the summer months. Last summer the district employed four grounds employees, including the director.
- Conrado said he has spoken with county road and bridge workers to discuss how to save costs on maintaining the asphalt at the cemetery, and has requested they make a presentation to the board.
- Agreed to rent portable toilets from Redi Services.
- Agreed that expenditures above \$2,500 should be brought to the board for approval.

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Chair Yoga NEW! EB Cost \$49	Shape & Sculpt NEW! EB Cost \$49
Crank It Plus EB Cost \$49	Tai Chi EB Cost \$49
Crazy 8s NEW! EB Cost \$24.50	

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
5:30am	Morning Yoga 5:30am-6:30am Studio	Crank It Plus 5:30am-6:30am Admin Gym	Morning Yoga 5:30am-6:30am Studio	Crank It Plus 5:30am-6:30am Admin Gym
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10:00am		Tai Chi 10:00am-10:50am Studio		Tai Chi 10:00am-10:50am Studio
10:30am				
11:00am		Chair Yoga 11:00am-11:50am Studio		Chair Yoga 11:00am-11:50am Studio
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12:00pm	Body Barre 12:10pm-12:50pm Studio	Pilates 12:10pm-12:50pm Studio	Body Barre 12:10pm-12:50pm Studio	Pilates 12:10pm-12:50pm Studio
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5:30pm		Shape & Sculpt 5:30pm-6:10pm Admin Gym		Shape & Sculpt 5:30pm-6:10pm Admin Gym
6:00pm				
6:30pm		Cardio Dance 6:20pm-7:00pm Admin Gym		Cardio Dance 6:20pm-7:00pm Admin Gym

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C. KENNETH SUTTON, MD

Dr. Charles Kenneth Sutton grew up in Knoxville, Tennessee. He completed his Medical Degree through the University of Tennessee Health Sciences Center in Memphis, Tennessee. Dr Sutton is Board Certified by the American Board of Family Medicine. For the past few years he has been practicing in the Dallas/ Fortworth area.

He recently married Abigail Urish MD, who was contracted to begin working at Rangely District Hospital in 2015 and they decided that he would follow her to Rangely to start their new life together.

Dr. Sutton considers himself fortunate to be a graduate from a "hands on" residency where he was able to learn and become comfortable doing a wide range of procedures. He believes Rangely will offer a wide variety of small town medicine opportunities. He is excited to be able to help the hospital provide for the needs of the community in Ambulatory, Inpatient and Emergency settings.

In his free time, Dr. Sutton enjoys spending time with family. As an outdoor enthusiast, he is looking forward to camping, exploring Colorado, visiting the national parks, star-gazing and just spending more quality time with his new wife Abbie.

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NEWS BRIEFS

CNCC Foundation banquet March 25

RANGELY | The 13th annual CNCC Foundation fundraising banquet and auction will be held March 25 at 6 p.m. in the Colorado Room at CNCC in Rangely. Funds raised from the live and silent auctions will go toward scholarships for CNCC students at all CNCC campuses. Tickets for the prime rib/chicken cordon bleu dinner are \$50 per person or \$275 for a table. For more information about contributing auction items or purchasing tickets, please call Ann Brady at 970-629-9749 or Becky Dubbert at 970-675-3301.

Black Powder Blanket Shoot March 25

MEEKER | The Meeker Sportsman's Club annual Jim Harmon Memorial Black Powder Blanket Shoot will be Saturday, March 25. Sign up at 9 a.m., shotgun shoot starts at 10 a.m. Traditional muzzleloaders, black powder pistols and in-lines, iron sights only and patch and ball only. Traditional dress encouraged but not required. Open to the public, spectators are welcome. Prizes awarded for three classes: men's, women's, and youth 9-14. Call or email Dan Dewitt for info at 970-220-2202.

CNCC culinary classes available

MEEKER | Chef Karla will be teaching several culinary classes this spring. They are one or two session classes on Thursday from 6-9 p.m. Spaces are limited so register early. March 30—Menu Planning For A Week (tips for busy families); April 6—Breakfast Surprises (for the most important meal of the day); April 13—Vegetarian Cooking (gourmet meals w/fresh produce); April 20, 27—Mexican Cooking; May 5—Lunch Specials (exciting new choices and ideas); May 11—Summer Main Dish Salads (entertaining ideas). For further information, call 878-5227 to get on a class list, stop by CNCC Meeker Center at 345 Sixth St. on Tuesdays or Wednesdays to register. Registrations may be mailed to CNCC, PO Box 1542, faxed to 878-4145, or emailed to iris.franklin@cncc.edu.

FFA hosts Mr. Meeker pageant March 30

MEEKER | The Meeker FFA Chapter will be hosting a Mr. Meeker Pageant on March 30 at 6:30 p.m. at the elementary school. The pageant is an all-men's beauty pageant that involves a variety of events. The theme for the boys will be Miss America and will include a gown and swimsuit event. Male Meeker FFA members will endure a talent show and an entertaining group dancing sequence. Tickets can be bought from Meeker FFA members. For admissions, an individual ticket is \$10 and late admissions are \$15. A family of four can get a group rate of \$35, with \$5 for each additional family member. Seniors 65+: \$5. Children under 5 are free. Each ticket includes a trip beef dinner with sides. \$1,000 of profits will go to Rodney Dunham donation.

Military service academy info day April 1

RBC | A U.S. Military Service Academies Information Day will be conducted in Grand Junction, Colo., on Saturday, April 1 at noon at Colorado Mesa University Love Recital Hall at the Moss Performing Arts Center (1100 North Ave.). This event provides the opportunity for parents and students to join representatives from the military service academies and ROTC/NROTC college programs for an information session regarding the academy and ROTC/NROTC application process, attending a military academy or ROTC/NROTC, and serving as a commissioned officer in the United States Military. This is also an opportunity to hear from representatives of the congressional delegations about how they can assist students gain a nomination to a U.S. Military Service Academy, which is complex and can start as early as the junior year in high school. The military service academies are federally funded institutions. All students receive a full scholarship including tuition, room and board, and complete medical coverage. The events are free and open to the public.

Cribbage tournament April 2 in Meeker

MEEKER | American Legion "Nicholas Goeder" Post 74 is holding a fundraising cribbage tournament on Sunday, April 2 at 2 p.m. at the VFW building at 290 Fourth St. across from Mountain Valley Bank. Meeker's American Legion post has come back from near extinction and would like to be able to continue to serve this fantastic community. Please come join us for an afternoon of cards and camaraderie with light snacks. There will be a \$20 buy-in to participate in the tournament.

Fairfield grant applications due by April 3

MEEKER | Freeman E. Fairfield semi-annual grant applications due no later than 5 pm, Monday, April 3, 2017. Completed applications may be submitted to a member of the Trust Committee: Scott Hollenbeck, Mike Hoke, Bud Ridings, Niki Turner or mailed to P.O. Box 2302. Mailed applications must be received, not postmarked by April 3.

Rangely Animal Shelter vaccine clinic

RANGELY | Make sure your animal pal is up to date on his or her shots at this clinic offered Saturday, April 8 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at 407 1/2 Bronco Rd. No appointments, walk-in only. \$15: Van5-Canine Distemper Adenovirus Type 2-Parainfluenza-Parvovirus vaccine. \$10: Bordetella. \$20: FVR- Feline Leukemia-rhinotracheitis-Calici-Panleukopenia-Chlamydia Psittaci vaccine. \$10: rabies vaccine. Free town dog license with proof of current rabies vaccine



GOLD KEY WINNERS ...

Brother and sister duo Dominick and Mikayla Cardile, Meeker High School senior and sophomore, respectively, stand before the Meeker Board of Education Tuesday to receive the board's accolades for their tremendous success in art. Teacher Ben Quinn told the board that it's extremely unusual for such success to reside in a brother/sister pair. Dominick has received a state level Gold Key for his art portfolio—only the second time a Meeker student has received Gold Key recognition. Mikayla has garnered Meeker's third Gold Key award for her work which includes a photograph now on display at the National Cathedral in Washington, D.C.

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11 oz. Sweetarts Soft Bites	BUNNIES	2 for \$4
14 oz. Sweetarts	JELLY BEANS	2 for \$4
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19 oz. Johnsonville	BRATS	2 for \$9
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32-40 oz. Bar-S Smoked or Polish	SAUSAGE	\$3.99

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15.5 oz. Litehouse	VEGGIE DIPS	\$2.99
15.2 oz. Kevita	SPARKLING DRINKS	\$2.89
Choice Navel	ORANGES	69¢/lb.
Fresh	PINEAPPLE	99¢/lb.
Gold Nugget	TANGERINES	\$1.89 /lb.
Red or Green	BELL PEPPERS	69¢
Large Gala	APPLES	99¢/lb.
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It's adventure time! But please wear your seatbelt

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In case you haven't heard, we're changing the "branding" of our annual spring/summer magazine, formerly known as the Northwest Colorado Summer Recreation Guide. The new magazine is titled *Adventure Colorado* and will be published twice a year.

Why, you might ask, would we go to the trouble of creating a glossy magazine that will be distributed all over western Colorado, developing a website (coming soon) and a Facebook page (www.facebook.com/adventurecolorado)?

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And, we want you to share your Colorado adventures with us! What is your favorite northwestern Colorado adventure? It doesn't have to be dangling off the side of a mountain. Adventure means different things to different people. What does adventure mean to you? Drop us a line and let us know!

Seatbelt use came up in discussion at Tuesday's town board meeting. Wearing your seatbelt is a law in Colorado, but you can't be

pulled over just for not wearing it. It's like those add-on items on Amazon. If you get pulled over for something else and aren't wearing your

seatbelt, you get an additional fine. Seatbelts save lives. We don't wear them because we're too lazy to take that three seconds to buckle up, or because we're forgetful, or because we're in a hurry. None of those are good reasons to avoid buckling up for safety.

Thank you to the Meeker community

Dear Editor:

Dear Meeker, thank you for being such a wonderful and caring community. The several months before Dianne passed away were extremely difficult but your care, well wishes and prayers made the unbearable bearable.

We are blessed to have in our community a very caring health care community that not only takes care of the patient but the family/caregiver. From the time that Dianne became incapacitated I had the support of the PMC Home Health services and Hope West Hospice folks who were always very caring and conscientious and loving in their care of Dianne and of me during an incredibly difficult time. During her stay in the hospital we could not have asked for

more compassionate and competent care.

In 1982 when I was assigned to Meeker I had never heard of the place. It didn't take long, though, to realize that of all the places in Colorado that we could have been sent I thank God that He chose Meeker as our home. So thank you people of Meeker for being the best.

Sincerely,
Rob Baughman and family
Meeker

2016 WRCA Buy/Fly Tournament

Dear Editor:

The 13th Annual White River Community Association Buy/Fly Fishing Tournament hosted eight wonderful teams who competed for prizes, enjoyed good food and caught the whitefish needed for the

Community Fish Fry this year.

We had great weather March 11 and 12, both days of the tournament. Final weigh-in was Sunday afternoon followed by a delicious chili dinner complete with plenty of desserts prepared by association members.

Teams consisted of first place Rio Blanco Abstract, second place Sable Mountain Outfitters, third place New Mexico Lobos, as well as the Project Healing Waters Veterans' team, Drake Consulting team from Rifle, New Mexico team No. 2, Tom Brauch's Castle Rock team and Mark Scritchfield's team. Adam Parrett with the Rio Blanco Abstract took home the individual prize by turning in the most pounds of fillets in the tournament.

The White River Community Association wants to thank the judges for this year's event: Mike Sizemore, Shawn Welder, Steve Wix, Bailey

Franklin, Andy Forrest, Jim Brown, Si Woodruff and Crystal who was here with the Project Healing Waters Veterans Team.

Thanks also to J.C. Watt, Watt's Ranch Market, for helping with the cost of groceries to feed the participants; Teresa Mack, The Embroidery Shop, who did a great job with the logo and embroidery work on the jackets and vests we gave as prizes; and Stan Wyatt, Wyatt's Sporting Goods, for donating the fishing backpacks that were also given as prizes.

We also want to thank the community for its continued support of the historic Buford School and look forward to seeing everyone at the annual Community Fish Fry on June 10 from 4-6 p.m. at the Buford School.

Boots Campbell
WRCA Secretary/Treasurer
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GUEST EDITORIALS

Under the Dome: It's all about taxes and spending

By BOB RANKIN
Special to the Herald Times

RBC | The hot issues at the state capitol this session seem to all be about taxes and spending. Or maybe my perspective is skewed by being a member of the Joint Budget Committee with the constitutional responsibility of balancing the budget again this year. Did I say I'm worried?

The Taxpayer Bill of Rights (TABOR) lets us grow state revenue and spending by the rate of inflation and population. That formula provides a relatively consistent growth rate in recent years. The problem is on the spending side. The spending required by previously enacted laws and several constitutional amendments result in anything but a consistent spending requirement. Health

care costs and Medicaid have exploded at a rate much greater than inflation. Severance taxes have oscillated from 300 million to just 20 million last year. Funding for K12 education is shared between the local school district and the state general fund. The state share, because of the interaction of constitutional amendments has grown from 40 percent to more than 60 percent. These factors put pressure on the state budget to stay under the TABOR limit. Other parts of the budget stay within growth targets but face this pressure every year. However we have been forced to underfund our transportation needs along the way and we need another billion dollars a year to expand and maintain our roads.

So what to do? Is there a way out of this complicated and seemingly intractable morass?

We may, or may not, reach a compromise on transportation funding this year to come to you, the voters, with a ballot measure. We are certain to get massive changes in health insurance and Medicaid from the federal government. We have to attack school funding through state legislation and ballot measures. I've been working with Representative Hamner and a bipartisan coalition to form a vision of where we want our education system to go in the future. If we have a vision and a plan, accepted by the whole state, then we can talk about how it should be funded.

I'm still concerned about our interaction with federal land management and the changes in public land use for recreation, mineral extraction, grazing, etc. I'll be introducing a bill to set up a public lands commission to help guide out our state efforts.

On other news, I just introduced a bill, and got it through the house, to reform our state procurement code that hasn't been upgraded in more than 30 years. Thanks to the Department of Personnel for their two years of hard work on this issue.

The budget committee will be closing off loose ends and balancing the budget and then presenting it to

the legislature in the next month. It's the most intense time of the year for me. Despite the long days and intellectual challenge, I enjoy the job. Joyce and I both are thankful for the opportunity to serve the fine citizens of this great state.

Representative Bob Rankin represents House District 57. He writes the monthly column "Under the Dome" hoping to inform and engage the constituents in his district. He serves on the Joint Budget Committee and represents Garfield, Rio Blanco and Moffat Counties.

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Across the Street: School choice

By JOYCE RANKIN
Special to the Herald Times

RBC | School choice is a term for K-12 public education options describing a wide array of programs offering students and their families' alternatives to those publicly provided schools assigned based on the location of their family residence. Two popular school choices are Charter Schools and Open Enrollment.

Charter Schools are public schools that are founded by parents, teachers or community members. They provide alternative educational programs that differ from traditional public schools. Colorado charter schools operate by way of a contract (charter) that has been authorized either by a school district or the Colorado Charter School Institute (CSI).

An example of school choice in Western Colorado offers the Durango School District in southwest Colorado

both types of charter schools and multiple other offerings. Durango has two Charter School Institute schools and four private schools. This year the district opened their first online school with Colorado Connections Academy @ Durango, an online platform available to students across the state. They also have a new elementary school as well as a new public charter school sponsored by the district.

Superintendent Dan Snowberger is a supporter of school choice. Last November, Durango passed a \$1.7 million mill levy override that would be shared equally with charter school students. Schools under the Charter School Institute typically do not get a piece of mill levy override money. Said Snowberger, "The district's actions said loud and clear that it embraces and values each and every one of the students in their public schools."

In Lake County School District

(LCSD) in Leadville, parents are taking advantage of open enrollment to select a school that they believe is the best choice for their children. Open enrollment allows students to enroll in schools outside the district for which they are zoned.

LCSD includes three schools: West Park Elementary, Lake County Intermediate and the recently upgraded Lake County High School. Lake County also has a charter school, Greater Heights Academy with 52 students. Even with a physical school upgrade many parents choose to travel in order to exercise their educational choices. With a total of 911 students living within the district, 61 Leadville students travel to Buena Vista School District, 32 are enrolled in Summit County School District and 22 students are driven over Vail Pass daily to attend Eagle County School District.

Parents want to be involved in their child's education and often take advantage of opportunities other than their local neighborhood school. In Durango it was a fairness issue of distributing tax dollars equally to include Charter Schools and expanding online choices. In Leadville it united parents with carpooling and community discussions about what neighboring schools had to offer. In both cases parents are taking an active role in selecting the school that best fits their child. Under the new administration there may be more school choice programs on the horizon.....stay tuned.

Joyce Rankin is on the State Board of Education representing the Third Congressional District. She writes the monthly column, "Across the Street" to inform constituents in her district. The Department of Education, where the State Board of Education meets, is located across the street from the Capitol. She is also an assistant for Rep. Rankin.

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Tues.	Mar. 28 - Chicken Tenders, Mashed Potatoes/Gravy, Fruit, Fresh Garden Salad, Milk	Tues.	Mar. 28 - Spaghetti & Meat Sauce, Hot Dinner Roll, Green Beans, Salad Bar with Fruit, Milk/Water. JR/SR HIGH A LA CARTE: Corn Dogs
Wed.	Mar. 29 - CHOICE DAY - Yogurt Special or Spaghetti Dish, Vegetables Normandy, Breadstick, Milk	Wed.	Mar. 29 - Chicken Stir Fry, Rice, Dinner Roll, Salad Bar with Fruit, Milk/Water. JR/SR HIGH A LA CARTE: Sloppy Joe Sandwich
Thurs.	Mar. 30 - Pulled Pork/Bun, Coleslaw, Corn, Frozen Fruit Cups, Milk	Thurs.	Mar. 30 - Beef 'n' Bean Burritos w/Toppings, Salad Bar with Fruit, Milk/Water. JR/SR HIGH A LA CARTE: Chicken Sandwich

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OBITUARIES

Kanionette 'Kay' Cudo

Feb. 27, 1938~March 15, 2017

Kanionette "Kay" Cudo, 79, of Rangely, Colo., passed away Wednesday, March 15, 2017, at the Rangely Hospital long term care center.

Kay was born Feb. 27, 1938, in Lawrence, Kan., the daughter of Edwin Collins and Aleta Lucile (Soxman) Nelson. She spent her childhood in Great Bend, Kan., and then graduated from Cherry Creek High School in Cherry Creek, Colo. She then attended Westminster College in Salt Lake City, Utah. She also lived in Washington, D.C.; Lancaster, Canada; Gaitersburg; Manassas; Springfield, Mo.; and Rangely, Colo. During her working career she was an administrative assistant at Deserado Mine and retired as a bank teller at First National Bank of the Rockies. She was a resident of Rangely for 39 years.

She married Jack Strain and he preceded her in death Nov. 8, 1988, and she married Charles M. Cudo on March 27, 1982, in Rangely, Colo., and he preceded her in death Nov. 6, 2012.

Kay enjoyed hiking, hunting, four wheeling, fishing, camping, crocheting and baking.



Kay Cudo

Survivors include her sons, Craig Strain of Omaha, Neb., Scott Strain of Maple Shade, N.J.; stepsons Todd Cudo of Onalaska, Wis., Samm Cudo of Rangely, Colo., and daughters

Peri Braunagel of Gillette, Wyo., Renee Collins of Fruita, Colo., Amy Elder of Rangely, Colo.; sisters Debbie Esposito of Philadelphia, Penn., Linda Nelson Whitman of Santa Barbara, Calif.; 16 grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husbands, parents, and a sister, Karen Stewart.

A celebration of life luncheon for Kay will be held Friday, March 24, 2017, at 1 p.m. at the Rangely Elks Lodge. Burial will be held privately.

Memorial donations may be made to: The Alzheimer's Association, PO Box 96011, Washington, D.C., 20090-6011.

Messages of condolences may be sent to www.martinmortuary.com.

Robert Wayne Berrett

Aug. 9, 1930~March 20, 2017

Robert Wayne Berrett was born Aug. 9, 1930, in Park City, Utah to George Albert Berrett and Etta Alice Walke. He was the youngest in a family of eight children. Robert grew up on a ranch in the Altonah, Utah, area. He loved riding his horse into the high mountains to herd the cattle. Robert married his childhood sweetheart Phyllis on Sept. 8, 1950, and later solemnized in the Salt Lake Temple on Sept. 28, 1950.

Robert and Phyllis came to Rangely in July 1951 to work for Moon Lake Electric. Within a few years he was hired by Chevron and he worked for 30 years for the company. Robert enjoyed fishing, hunting and camping with his precious family.

He loved wild horse chasing and cutting firewood with an axe. In his early years he and his wife enjoyed playing music in a band. Robert played the drums and Phyllis the piano. As his children grew older they had a family band and Robert played the guitar. He held many callings in the LDS church such as bishop, bishop's counselor, high councilman and mission leader. He spent many hours driving the youth and the missionaries around the state and region. He and his wife were always so willing to contribute financial support to the missionary program of the church. He spent countless hours working on the church farm in Rangely. He was a key factor in obtaining the funds to build the

Rangely Ward Chapel.

Robert is survived by his wife Phyllis of 66 years. Daughter Vicki (Jeff) Jensen of Littlefield, Ariz.; son Mark (Pamela) Berrett of Rangely; daughter Sherree (Les) Andersen of Pinedale, Wyo.; son Baylen (Carisa) Berrett of Rifle, Colo.; 14 grandchildren and 29 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, siblings and 2 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Monday, March 27, 2017, at 11 a.m. in the Rangely LDS Chapel. Family will greet friends prior to services. Burial in the Rangely Cemetery. Services entrusted to Blackburn Mortuaries, 435-789-2611.

RIO BLANCO COUNTY DAYS GONE BY

The Meeker Herald — 100 years ago

■ Roy Tucker continues to give Meeker people high-class "movie" entertainment. Show your appreciation by turning out to see them.

■ Assistant manager W.D. Simms of the Hugas company made a business trip to Axial during the week. Will reports that when you get out of Meeker you run into considerable snow.

■ Too many boys loaf on the streets at night. Boys have no reason to make the streets their headquarters from 7 to 10 o'clock. If they find occasion to be out, they should go directly home, and not "make it a point" to meet other boys on the street corner. In the first place, boys who loaf on the streets invariably get into some trouble. It seems to be second nature for boys to plan something which means excitement when they get together. If they meet on the

street this excitement is liable to result in trouble for the boys. In the second place no one likes to see a bunch of boys holding a kid pow-wow on the street. It is bad for the boys, the parents and the town. There is a curfew ordinance which should be enforced. The curfew should be rung every night.

The Meeker Herald — 50 years ago

■ All it took was a bolt of lightning striking a voltage regulator on TV hill north of town Sunday morning and most everyone remembered the days when there was no TV. It didn't last long, however, as reception was resumed Monday afternoon. Damage to the regulator was \$60 bucks.

■ The reason that rock and roll singers look so young is that they would be embarrassed if they were any older.

The Meeker Herald — 25 years ago

■ Mr. and Mrs. Art Cox's daughter Laura and friend Joey Cardill (sic), who arrived Saturday, will be returning to Lakewood today. Both are students at the Colorado Christian University.

■ A cooperative effort between a Meeker High School student, the Forest Service, DOW and possibly Ducks Unlimited will result in the placement of duck nesting boxes at Lake Aldrich near Yellow Jacket Pass later this year. Bailey Franklin, a senior at MHS, will soon be completing 15 duck nesting boxes.

Rangely Times — 25 years ago

■ What do you do when you have five days off from school and an opportunity to rest and relax? The answer for 16 youth and 8 adults from the Rangely Christian Church is to travel to Mexico and build housing for the poor.

■ On Tuesday, March 10, 56 students from Parkview Elementary jumped rope for one and half hours to promote their cardiovascular fitness and to raise money for the American Heart Association. This is the 12th year for Parkview to hold the "Jump Rope For Heart."

DEATH NOTICE

Penny Scott

March 19, 2017

Meeker resident Penny Scott, 70, died Sunday, March 19, 2017, at Pioneers Medical Center in Meeker. A graveside funeral service will be

held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, March 25, 2017, at Highland Cemetery in Meeker.

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The Law Concerning the Tongue (1)
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Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour. (Ex. 20:16)



LYING is, by far, the most prominent sin of mankind. It permeates our nature and society. Lying is often used to cover up other sins and is, far more than people realize, so ingrained in our being, and therefore so imbedded in our practical living, that it takes the very power of God to break its grip.

First, the OT commandment. Just as we should not take God's name in vain in our relationship to Him, neither should we sin in our speech in our associations with other people. The basic meaning of the Hebrew behind the word **false** (*sheqer*) is a "lie, falsehood, or deception" and is "used of words or activities which are false in the sense that they are groundless, without basis in fact or reality." The word **witness** in turn ('*ed*') reflects the idea of the ancient court of law, while **neighbour** (*rēa'*) is a very broad term that is used of a lover (Hosea 3:1), a close friend (Deut. 13:6; Job 2:11), an acquaintance (Prov. 6:1), an adversary in court (Ex. 18:16), or even an enemy in combat (2 Sam. 2:16).

With all this data gathered, the conclusion is apparent. Wherever it might be, whatever might be the situation, and whoever might be involved, God prohibits every type of falsehood. A lie is a lie, and it is forbidden—*period*. Why? Because it is **against [our] neighbour**, that is, another person. Mark it down: every lie is against someone; every lie hurts someone.

Second, the NT counterpart. The clearest NT reinforcement of this commandment appears in Ephesians 4:25: "Wherefore putting away lying, speak every man truth with his neighbour: for we are members one of another." There is no better way to define **lying** than to say it is "the antithesis of truth, *alētheia*," which is exactly the meaning of the Greek here (*pseudos*). As we have noted before, *alētheia* is the real state of affairs, the way things really are, that which is reliable, constant, sure, and unchanging. A lie, therefore, is a *statement that is contrary to fact offered with the intent to deceive*. As we will see, the ways to do this are many and varied.

While Paul's command here is a perfect reflection of the ninth commandment, he adds a deeper motive, namely, that all believers are members of the same body. To illustrate, do our eyes deliberately try to deceive the brain by send false images? Does our brain try to deceive our feet into walking in the wrong direction? Of course not. If our body parts were constantly lying to one another, our body would soon destroy itself. Paul's point, then, is simply this: *lying is diametrically opposed to the doctrine of the Church*. There cannot possibly be *harmony* in the Church if there is not first *honesty* among the members. A lie, that is, *any* lie, regardless of its "shape or any size," damages the whole body! We will continue these thoughts next time by considering just how varied lies can be.

Scriptures for Study: What do the following verses say about lying: Ps. 119:29, 163; Proverbs 6:12; 12:22; Colossians 3:9?

You are invited to worship with us at Grace Bible Church (on the corner of 3rd and Garfield) at 10:30 A.M. each Lord's Day, where the ministry is the expository preaching of God's Word. Please visit our website (www.TheScriptureAlone.com), where you will find many resources for Christian growth, including messages in MP3 media files.

CMU VISITS RSD...



This past Thursday, in partnership with the Rural Education Outreach Coordinator Megan Quitter, Rangely School District hosted 18 Colorado Mesa University education majors who will be graduating in the next year. The gathering showcased our great school system as we work to attract and retain the very best teachers in Colorado," said superintendent Matthew Scoggins.

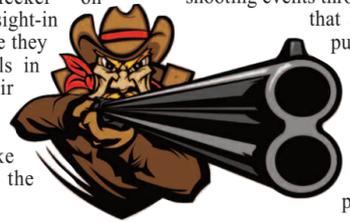
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Sportsman's club seeking contributions to buy land and keep range open

By NIKI TURNER
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MEEKER Every year more than 800 hunters stop by the Meeker Sportsman's Club just south of Meeker on Highway 13 to sight-in their guns before they head to the hills in search of their prey. Close to 200 local club members take advantage of the

sonal defense training classes. The Meeker Sportsman's Club has been active since the late 1970s. Besides law enforcement training and youth education, the club hosts a number of recreational shooting events throughout the year that are open to the public and attract visitors to town, which benefits the local economy. Now, however, the 100-plus acres



The Meeker Sportsman's Club

shooting and archery range the range is located on acre for sale, and in order to ensure the future of the range and all the benefits it provides to the community, the Meeker Sportsman's Club is looking to buy the property. The group is seeking contributions to fund the purchase. The Meeker Sportsman's Club is a 501(c)3 organization. To make a contribution, please contact David Overton at 970-878-5578.

RIO BLANCO COUNTY WEEKLY CALL REVIEW

The following information is a weekly review of the calls for service that were reported to the Rio Blanco County Sheriff's Communications Office. If you have any questions or would like an explanation of the call types listed please call 878-9600. We will not regularly post any information as to the names or addresses on any incident.

March 6-12, 2017

For the last week the dispatch center received 501 incoming phone calls and placed 145 outgoing calls, received 58 911 calls, 39 calls for Meeker Police Department (MPD), which all resulted in 94 calls for service, 56 for the Sheriff's office, 39 for MPD, and two calls for Meeker Fire and Rescue. (Please note the department breakdown of calls reflects a different number because

of incidents with multiple agency response). A total of five accidents were reported throughout the county.

The Sheriff's office conducted 18 traffic stops issuing three citations and 15 warnings, while the MPD had seven stops issuing six warnings and one citation.

Other calls for the Sheriff's Deputies included four agency assists, one DUI, nine civil papers served, two harassments, three suspicious incidents one theft, one trespass, one warrant arrest and one unattended death.

Meeker Police Department calls included six agency assists, one DUI, four motorist assists, two VIN inspections, two animal calls and four suspicious incidents.

Meeker Fire and Rescue responded to two calls, one medical transport and a report of a

loud explosion on Highway 64 where nothing was found.

There were four arrests, seven releases and one transport, the Detention Center currently has eight inmates.

There was one assist to Colorado State Patrol.

There were two DUI arrests. **March 13-19**

For the last week the dispatch center received 514 incoming phone calls and placed 157 outgoing calls, received 17 911 calls, 58 calls for MPD, which all resulted in 151 calls for service, 97 for the Sheriff's office, 52 for MPD, and 10 calls for Meeker Fire and Rescue. (Please note the department breakdown of calls reflects a different number because of incidents with multiple agency response). A total of five accidents were reported throughout the coun-

ty. The Sheriff's office conducted 56 traffic stops issuing six citations and 50 warnings, while the MPD had two stops with two warnings.

Other calls for the Sheriff's deputies included 13 agency assists, two residential/business alarms, two civil papers served, four fires, four traffic accidents, two suspicious incidents, one theft report, two VIN inspections, one traffic arrest and one warrant arrest.

MPD calls included eight agency assists, seven animal calls, six business checks, five citizen assists, one child abuse, three motorist assists, one restraining order violation, five suspicious incidents, one trespass and two VIN inspections.

Meeker Fire and Rescue responded to 10 calls, three medical transports and six fires reported.

There were six arrests and five releases, the Detention Center currently has 14 inmates.

There were three assists to Colorado State Patrol.

There were no DUI arrests.

Meeker Town Park project resumes

Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER Construction at Town Park will resume March 27, weather permitting, to complete phase two of the project.

Town Park is scheduled to be under construction throughout summer with an anticipated full reopening in September. Contractors and ERBM Recreation & Park District staff will be working to complete the project. This final phase includes a hardscape activity pavilion, basketball court, fully connected walkways, a concrete parking lot, RV/tent area and more improvements to make this a destination park in Meeker.

During construction, the park will be closed to the public; this includes the restrooms, playground, and pavilion. This closure will be in

effect during the Fourth of July fireworks show. Please respect this fenced workspace to ensure the safety of contractors, staff and the public.

Although this park will be closed for the majority of the 2017 summer, Meeker has a variety of different parks to fulfill your outdoor needs. Circle Park will remain open, with other locations around town such as Sanderson Hills Park, Paintbrush Park, and the Sixth Street Field available for use. The Phillip and Dorcas Jensen Trails are also a good option for hiking and mountain biking—with a phenomenal view of Meeker from the top of the China Wall trail.

Details and updates on the project, as well as other park locations and features, can be found on www.meekerrecdistrict.com.

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from Meeker Chamber Director Stephanie Kobald on the Main Street Program. Since the town was chosen as a Main Street candidate, she said, they've had opportunities to speak with other communities working on similar projects, and have had multiple consultants come through town to speak to the group

and to the public.

Their current project is the acquisition and installation of wayfinding signage on Market Street.

"It's something that's been talked about forever," Kobald said.

They've received a mini-grant from the Department of Local Affairs that will cover one of the six signs they'd like to install, and asked

the town to consider applying for an Associated Governments of Northwest Colorado grant with matching funds to help with the cost of the other signs.

In other business the board:

■ Approved liquor licenses for the Meeker Lions Club to serve at the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation dinner April 1 and the Afterbirth Ball May 6

■ Approved leases for Ute Park with Davey Smith and with the Meeker Classic Sheepdog Championship Trials

■ Lt. Stubblefield reiterated the need to lock cars and houses, saying, "There's a lot of new people in town." He also suggested the installation of cameras and/or motion sensor lights at business locations as a deterrent to criminal behavior.

Meeker superintendent shares response to state survey

By REED KELLEY
Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER Meeker School District Superintendent Chris Selle shared with the board last week the district's response to a survey from key legislators and referred the board to a compilation of active legislative issues.

A few weeks ago, a small group of legislators sent school districts across the state a survey asking key questions that could jump start an effort to establish a vision for Colorado's public education. They asked the districts to discuss the questions with their school boards and their district accountability committees. Meeker's state representative Bob Rankin (R-Carbondale) and Rep. Millie Hamner (D-Frisco), both members of the powerful Joint Budget Committee, are part of this legislative group.

One of the last questions asked on the survey was whether the district or community members would be interested in getting involved in helping legislators develop a statewide plan to improve public education and would the effort be meaningful.

Meeker responded: "We are not particularly interested in getting involved with this plan and question if it is meaningful. With regard to school funding, multiple studies and multiple plans have been conducted and presented with no tangible improvements in funding. Caution exists regarding what benefit can come from another study or plan.....We do not need another plan. We need the resources and freedom to use our professional judgement (sic) to address the needs we see in our local communities."

Regarding whether the Meeker groups were satisfied with student achievement and outcomes, and five top strategies, the response was that while Meeker academic achievement

is generally strong, top strategies to improve are: additional student emotional support so as to further limit classroom interruptions; smaller classes; more technical curriculum and instruction; academic interventions via reading and other federal programs; and greater differentiation for advanced students.

The reply further identified other needs: To have salaries and benefits that are competitive with other industries requiring similar education and training; expanded curricula and electives; broader cultural experience for students; greater service opportunities for students; more up-to-date curriculum materials; and filling some growing gaps in appropriate educational facilities.

Regarding what learning experiences are foreseen for students down the road, the types and levels of learning, and how information and learning will be accomplished, Meeker's response was: through STEM/STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, and mathematics) and technical integration students will become more creators of technology rather than simply being consumers; increased critical thinking and problem solving; increased collaboration in order to be competitive in the worldwide market; and it will become increasingly important for all kids to get a high school education in order to position themselves for post-secondary education in some form or to have a marketable skill set.

Regarding what the Colorado legislature has done to support or detract from the district's ability to do the best for our students, Meeker's response was: most legislation has detracted—getting mandate after mandate over the last seven to eight years without the resources to implement them; recent reductions in state standardized testing has been beneficial, but

the constantly changing policies have caused much frustration; cutting required uniform improvement plans to once every two years (from every year) for rural districts has been helpful, but there's not much benefit to improvement plans in general; and the BEST (Building Excellent Schools Today) grant program has been a real plus.

Regarding the district's top challenges: Insufficient funding to meet student needs; dealing with legislation or rules suitable for urban/suburban districts that have no context for rural districts; redundant data reporting; increasing social, emotional needs of students; providing competitive salaries; aging and inadequate facilities (especially the high school); funding curriculum materials; funding instructional coaching; and funding transportation (buying school buses and small vehicles).

In closing remarks, Meeker said legislative efforts to address funding inadequacies for K-12 education are greatly appreciated and that they hope this effort will afford local communities the flexibility needed to determine the best uses for additional dollars when they become a reality.

Selle's legislative referral was to an analysis of bills important to education done by the Colorado Rural Schools Alliance (CRSA). They identified finance, assessment (testing) and flexibility as the big issues. On the state budgeting process, they report that the current budget (Long Bill) for K-12 education, which was released last week, is \$140 million higher than the governor requested, and that it does not rely on any increase in marijuana taxes or a par-

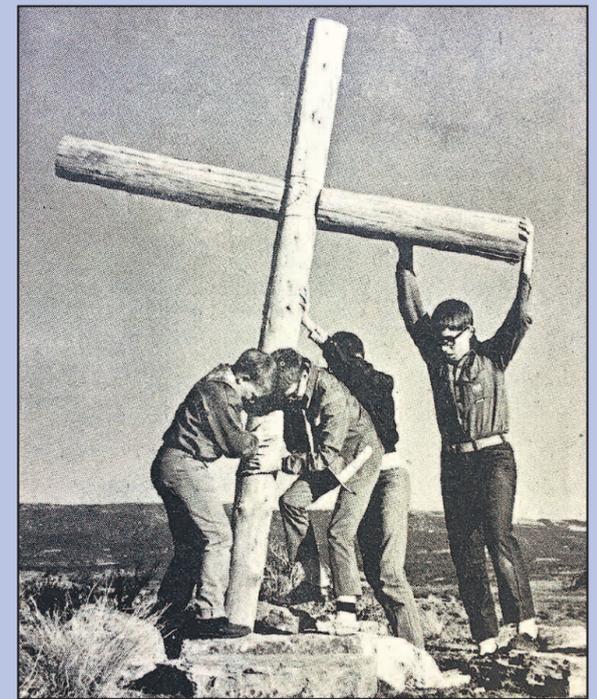
tial repeal of the senior homestead exemption. Total funding for Colorado public schools looks to remain flat for 2017-2018, but there is skepticism that the legislature can actually find the necessary dollars to make that a reality. There is still an expectation of an increase in the negative factor (balancing take-away).

With regard to the TABOR (Taxpayers' Bill of Rights) Act from 1992, two Republican western slope legislators have introduced a bill to put a proposition before voters on the November ballot which would change the way the excess state revenue cap is calculated. The change would grow the cap annually by the average rate of change in state personal income for the previous five years. Proponents argue that this is a better measure of state prosperity. It would reduce revenues due back to state residents by \$133 million for the next fiscal year and \$203 million for 2018-19. CRSA supports this bill.

A measure to require the sharing of school district mill levy revenues with charter schools is in progress. This bill would have little to no impact for Meeker, but is an important funding question for alternative charter schools state-wide. CRSA opposes this concept.

Regarding the vision and study of education in Colorado down the road, it's possible the legislature may form an interim committee to study school finance and create a better funding formula. Rankin and Hamner may also push the creation of a legislative task force to focus on a strong education vision and finding a way to generate the necessary revenue. This is a follow-up effort on the survey dis-

50 YEARS AGO IN RANGELY ...



RANGELY TIMES PHOTO

Fifty years ago in the Rangely Times: A reminder to attend the Easter Sunrise Services comes in the form of a good turn done by these members of Scout Troop 188. The cross at the site of the services was recovered and set back in place by (left to right): Bob Pidcock, Jim Mitchem, Bob Muller and Kelvin White.

ussed above.

Legislation to set a uniform mill levy for every school district, as has been recommended by the Joint Budget Committee, is expected but has not yet been introduced.

On flexibility, Rep. Jim Wilson (R-Salida) has a bill which would allow rural districts to hire unlicensed teachers if they cannot find a qualified, licensed teacher for a given position. The school board, in those cases, would have to enact a "critical teacher shortage" resolution.

On standardized testing, a bipartisan bill is pending which would eliminate current ninth grade PARCC tests, replacing them with a test aligned with the 10th grade tests which are now from SAT. CRSA supports this change.

The current 110/140 day limits on

retired (PERA) teachers would be eliminated for those who return to teach, cook or drive a bus for a rural district. PERA itself opposes this legislation citing fiscal issues, but CRSA, the Colorado Association of School Executives and the Colorado Education Association support it.

A bill to allow a diploma endorsement for mastery in STEM subjects is pending. CRSA is neutral on this issue as students in rural schools would be disadvantaged by not having access to advanced classes.

Newly elected state representative Barbara McLachlan (D-Durango) has introduced a bill that would require the Colorado Departments of Higher Education and K-12 Education to do strategic planning regarding teacher shortages. CRSA supports her bill.

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The Rangely Panthers baseball team started its season slow with losses to Aspen and Moffat County. They'll travel to Grand Valley March 28 and play Meeker at home April 18.

MATT SCOGGINS PHOTO

Baseball season underway for Rangely Panther team

Special to the Herald Times

RBC I The Rangely High School baseball team started its season Saturday, March 11 at home vs. Aspen. The young Panther team could not overcome errors and youth pitching and dropped both games against Aspen. The Panthers were able to fix some errors and bounce back in the second game but again came up short in the end.

Sophomore Drew Brannan led the Panthers offensively on the day with three singles and a double in two games. On Tuesday, March 14 the Panthers hosted the Bulldogs from Moffat County and played better but

could still not bring home the win.

The pitching performance between senior Harrison Heil and freshman Dylan LeBleu was solid. Some key errors with runners on base proved to be too much for the Panthers to overcome as they dropped the game 11-3.

Drew Brannan and sophomore Grady Neilsen led the Panthers on offense as they tried to rally in the late innings to bring the game back within reach but came up short.

The Panthers will travel to Parachute to take on Grand Valley High School on Tuesday, March 28. The Panthers unfortunately do not play at home again until April 18 against the Meeker Cowboys.

MHS wrestlers host banquet

Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER I The Meeker High School wrestling team, which finished the 2017 season as the 2A Colorado state runners-up, recently held their annual banquet and many were honored for their accomplishments.

Much of the Cowboys' success in the past four years, which includes a state championship in 2016 and a top three finish three other years, was because of the participation and leadership given by this year's 10 seniors. Wrestling for the Cowboys as seniors this season were Caleb Bradford,

Josh Cochran, Hunter Garcia, Ty Gibson, Sheridan Harvey, Tyler Ilgen, Cody Nielsen, Kasey Rosendahl, Chase Rule and Casey Turner.

Harvey, the Cowboys' only individual state champion this year, finished the season with the best record (33-3) on the team and he was also named the team's most valuable wrestler.

Seniors Casey Turner, Chase Rule and Tyler Ilgen also wrestled in the state championship match this year and all finished as runners-up. Turner, who was a three-time state finalist and state champion last year,

was named the team's most dedicated, and Rule was named the most improved by coaches.

Bradford, who placed fourth at state this year, finished the season with the most pins, winning 32 matches this season, 27 of them by pin fall and Gibson was given the most weight gained award.

Junior Garrett Frantz finished the season with the most escapes (22), classmate Jacob Pelloni had the most reversals (16), while sophomore Tannen Kennedy led the team with the most wins (37), the most take-downs (64), the most near falls (44) and the most technical falls (6).

Rangely track team attends first meet of the '17 season

Special to the Herald Times

RANGELY I The Rangely track and field team had their first meet March 17 in Rifle. It was a great meet. The weather was warm and there was a lot of good competition. The team is going to be small this year but will be mighty; they didn't back down in this meet even though there were schools that were 3A, 4A and 5A.

"I feel that all the athletes competed well and were ready to perform to the best of their ability," said head coach Beth Scoggins.

For the boys, senior Troy Allred competed in the 800-meter run, triple jump and long jump. He placed 11th in the long jump with 18 feet 5 1/4 inches, ninth in triple jump 37-5 1/2 and 21st in the 800 with a time of 2 minutes 25.60 seconds. Freshman Brady Bertoch at his first track meet ever performed well in both the shot and discus. For shot he threw 23 feet and the discus was thrown 59-1. Sophomore Riley Boydston is also a thrower and showed his potential in the discus with a throw of 81-11 and in shot 30-7.5. Freshman Tytus Coombs gave high jump a try at the

meet but wasn't able to make starting height, then went to long jump and ran the 100-meter dash. In long jump he jumped 15-11 and sprinted a 13.15 in the 100 dash. Junior Austin Ficken made the finals in both the shot and discus. He got a PR (personal record) in the discus by more than 6 feet with a throw of 111-7 placing seventh overall, and was just short of a PR in the shot with a throw of 37-8.75 placing eighth overall. Senior David Fox gave the long jump a try and was able to jump 17-1, then ran the mile with a time of 5:34.18. Patrick Scoggins, junior, gave the mile a try as well as ran the 800. He placed third in both events with a time of 4:46.89 in the mile and 2:03.34 in the 800. Marshall Webber, sophomore hurdler, placed 10th in the 300 hurdles with a time of 46.33 and ran the 110 high hurdles with a time of 20.74.

For the girls sophomore Makenzie Cochrane was able to throw both the shot and discus and make finals in both events. She placed third in the discus with a throw of 93-3 and sixth in the shot 30-10.5. Breanna Davis was able make finals in the shot with a throw

of 29-3.5 allowing her to place seventh overall. She threw 62-5 in the discus. Freshman Jayleen Kenny competed in the 1600-meter with a time of 7:03.20 and the 800 with a time of 3:24.19. Kaylee Meham, junior, was able to get a PR in the shot with a throw of 22-5 and threw the discus 38-5. ReaLynn Norman ran the 1,600 with a time of 6:54.72. Miekka Peck, junior, threw the shot for a distance of 25-5 and the discus for 88. Freshman Zoey Peck long and triple jumped but wasn't able to get a mark in either. She also ran the 100 dash in 14.88.

Rangely was able to put two relays together: the boys with a 4x400-meter and a sprint medley for the girls. The boys' 4x400, made up of Troy Allred, Tytus Coombs, David Fox and Patrick Scoggins, took sixth with a time of 3:47.84. The girls' sprint medley with Miekka Peck, Makenzie Cochrane, Zoey Peck and Raelynn Norman was able to run a time of 2:18.47.

The team will be attending the Hotchkiss meet on Saturday, March 25 in Delta. The school is on spring break so we will be missing some of the athletes.



MATT SCOGGINS PHOTO

The Panthers had a good showing at their first track meet of the season in Rifle. They'll attend the Hotchkiss meet in Delta Saturday.

MHS track team opens season in Rifle; returns 10 state placers

By **BOBBY GUTIERREZ**
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MEEKER I The Meeker High School track teams competed for the first time this season in Rifle last Friday and performed well, winning three individual events. One relay earned top honors for the girls. After a successful season last year, more than 50 boys and girls are out for the team this season. The team has been practicing on their new track and they have even revived an old event, the pole vault, this season.

"We are really excited about our new facility and adding pole vault this season," Meeker head coach John Strate said. "With

the returning state qualifiers and placers from last year, as well as some new additions, we should have a lot more depth on our girls' relays."

The Cowboys only graduated one senior (Marshal Pool) from last year's team and returns 16 with state track experience, including 10 state placers.

Seniors Maggie Phelan, Madison Russell, Loran Casias and junior Sierra Williams all return after setting a school record last year in the 800-meter medley relay and placing ninth at the state meet. Gracie Bradfield, Peyton Burke, Halle Ahrens, Avery Watt, Julia Eskelson, Caleb Bradford and Austin Russell also earned spots on the pedestal at the state

meet.

Megan Shelton, Sydnie Main, Cole Brown, Josh Cochran and Tannen Kennedy will return with state experience and some already put it to good use in Rifle.

Meeker thrower Shelton won the shot put and Main won the discus in their first meet of their sophomore year, while classmate Gracie Bradfield won the 200-meter dash. Bradfield was also the anchor on the 4x100 relay team, who along with Casias, Ahrens and Burke won the 4x100 relay.

The Meeker girls finished fourth in a field of 22 teams, which featured many large schools.

"We had a great start at the Rifle meet,"

coach Strate said. "The weather was excellent and the competition was stiff. Eagle Vally, Battle Mountain and Grand Junction were the only teams to finish ahead of us."

Coach Strate said Phelan also scored points in the 400-meter dash and the 4x200 relay (Krisi and Kassi Luce, Burke and Williams) and 4x400 relay (Williams, Phelan, MaKenna Burke and Julia Dinwiddie), also added to the team score.

The boys' team also fared well their first meet of the season and were led by seniors Cole Brown and Austin Russell, Bradford did not compete. Brown had a personal best in the 100-meter dash and just missed the finals in the long jump. Russell ran the 1,600 and

3,200 runs but his coach said he was "battling an illness."

"After his strong finish last year at the state meet, as well as his performance at the state cross country meet, we are looking for big things out of Austin," coach Strate said. "We should be able to put some competitive boys relays together with the leadership of Brown and Russell."

Kris Casey, Terrence Casias, Brittany Shubnell, Shane Phelan and Ben Quinn are assisting Strate with the coaching duties this year.

The Cowboys will compete next in Cedaredge on April 1 after spring break.



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Kelton Turner
Seventh Grader
Barone Middle School

Turner dominated the 120-pound bracket in Meeker last Saturday, winning the weight class and remaining undefeated in 13 matches during the regular season.

BMS wrestlers host tourney

By **BOBBY GUTIERREZ**
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MEEKER | The Barone Middle School wrestling team ended the regular season by hosting its annual tournament, finishing third in a field of nine teams with one individual champion and several top four placers. Meeker finished behind champion Craig and runner-up Gypsum Creek.

Barone Middle School seventh-grader Kelton Turner was the only individual champion for the young Cowboys and he finished the season undefeated in 13 matches. Colby Clatterbaugh, Ryan Phelan and Ty Goedert all finished as consolation champions in the Meeker tournament and only lost two matches each this season.

Tucker Ercanbrack and Dax Sheridan both finished as runners-up in their respective brackets in the Meeker tournament. Austin Richardson, Cooper Main and Tyrell Lee were also consolation champs in their brackets, while Kaleb Nielson, Damon Dade, Liam Deming, Jeremy Woodward and Zach Eskelson all finished fourth in their weight classes.

The young Cowboys were coached by superintendent of schools Chris Selle and Todd Morris this season and Morris said 21 of the 27 wrestlers had either no wrestling experience or had just wrestled one year in Meeker's youth program.

"They worked extremely hard ever day in practice and everyone of them improved over the five weeks," Morris said. "We had Brian Merrifield, Coley Turner and J.C. Watt come in and share some of their expertise, which helped them all improve."

The young Cowboys will return 14 seventh graders to next year's team and hopefully several of the 13 eighth graders will wrestle at the high school level.



BOBBY GUTIERREZ PHOTO

Barone Middle School seventh-grader Kelton Turner dominated the 120-pound bracket at the annual Meeker tournament last Saturday and finished the regular season undefeated. Turner was the only champion for the young Cowboys but the team finished third and several wrestlers placed in the top four.

CNCC rodeo team heads to Ogden

Special to the Herald Times

RANGELY | This past weekend CNCC rodeo athletes traveled to Salina, Utah for the Snow College Rodeo. The Spartans were led this week by sophomore Johnny Pavkov who placed third overall in the steer wrestling. Pavkov is currently placing third in the region and ranked No. 8 in the nation.

Several CNCC athletes competed well this weekend though were just shy of the top 10 to qualify them for the championship round. Taylor Hunt placed 11th in the breakaway roping.

Team ropers Taylor Duzik and Teague Crane as well as JD Slagowski and Johnny Pavkov both roped their steers in 8 seconds flat but both teams incurred 10 second penalties, pushing them just outside of the top 10.

JD Slagowski, competing in the tie-down roping, also placed 11th in the first round with a time of 16.4 seconds.

The Spartans are headed to Ogden, Utah this weekend for the Weber State University rodeo. CNCC's home rodeo, the fourth annual Spartan Showdown, is fast approaching: March 31-April 1.

RMS WRESTLING...



ROZILYNN WITHERELL PHOTO

The Rangely Middle School wrestling team ended the regular season competing in the Meeker tournament last Saturday. More than 20 kids were on the team and coach Jeff LeBleu is already excited about next year. Wrestling for the young Panthers this year are: (back row) Tykir Bateman, Aaron Mendoza, Zane Varner, Byron Mackay, coaches Claude Rose, Jeff LeBleu, Travis Witherell, Justin Rusher, Donte Pearce, Austin Davis, Brent Cantrell, (middle row) managers Kyrah Phelps, Kenzie Varner, Anthony Dorris, Kasen LeBleu, AJ Garner, Braxton Hall, Mariah Henson, managers Angalina Peck, Rayna Robertson, (front row) Curtis Reeves, Kevin Wren, Andrew Dorris. Not pictured: Colton Stevens and Anthony Lujan.

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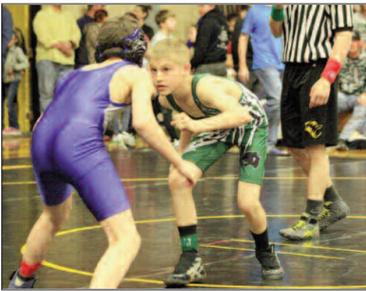
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Local leprechaun Stanley Crawford appeared at the St. Pat's Day Fest, much to the delight of attendees of all ages.



These young ladies enjoyed piling on the props.



Parents got in on the act with their kids, too.



The photo booth was a kid favorite at the Fest.



Terri and Scott Reed, in full regalia, visited with Kathleen Kelley.



If there's a costume around, there's room for fun.



Bryce and Brynley Barton stopped by for a photo under the rainbow.



Irish fun for everyone at the first annual St. Pat's Day Fest!



The St. Pat's Day Fest raised funds for Meeker residents battling multiple sclerosis, including Tisha Joslin Reiger, second from left.



Wendy and Bobby Gutierrez contributed smiles and delicious appetizers from Wendll's.



Colby Shaffer, Larin Crase, Matt and Bronwyn Schindler (and mystery baby Schindler).



Event planner Laura Cardile and daughter Emily Cardile posed for a photo.



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If you or a loved one are fighting MS, please contact Scott Hollenbeck with the Meeker Ministerial Alliance for assistance: 970-878-5823.

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Spring has sprung and we'll all...

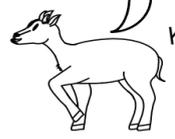


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...be doing spring cleaning at home.

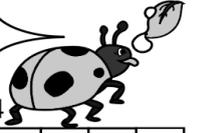


Kids: color stuff in!



Spring Cleaning!

I spring upon the pests in gardens to help clean them out!



repairing 1 washing
sweeping 2
5 sowing
8 hanging 10 watering 6
mowing 9 trimming 7 beating
12 painting
13 setting
14 pulling paving
15 planting waxing

Can you find and circle 10 words that begin with the letter "s"?

There are many jobs to be done after a long winter. People in the city, town and country all do spring cleaning and chores based on their needs. How many different jobs have you seen people doing? How many have you helped to do? **Read the clues to fill in the crossword with chores.** (Hint: use a pencil to fill in the clues below first. This puzzle is a bit tricky!)

- | | | |
|--------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| 1. _____ trees | 6. _____ laundry | 11. _____ rugs |
| 2. _____ weeds | 7. _____ up pools | 12. _____ windows |
| 3. _____ flowers | 8. _____ fields | 13. _____ cars |
| 4. _____ roofs | 9. _____ bushes | 14. _____ fences |
| 5. _____ driveways | 10. _____ lawns | 15. _____ sidewalks |

Flowers spring up, leaves spring open, baby animals spring to life!

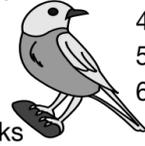
"Spring" Sayings!

Lots of things spring to mind when we think of the word "spring."

Match each "spring" phrase below to its meaning:

- | | |
|--|------------------------------|
| 1. She's <u>no spring chicken</u> . | A. growing |
| 2. The ideas <u>spring to mind</u> . | B. not young anymore |
| 3. The dogs <u>spring to life</u> when I feed them. | C. are thought of right away |
| 4. Daffodils are <u>springing up</u> . | D. start moving around |
| 5. I will <u>spring</u> for a new basketball. | E. surprise me with |
| 6. My brother likes new jokes that he can <u>spring on</u> me. | F. buy |

Tee hee! No spring chicken!



Before It Rains!

Dad wants to get indoors before the showers get near. Can you help him finish mowing?

Ahhhhh!

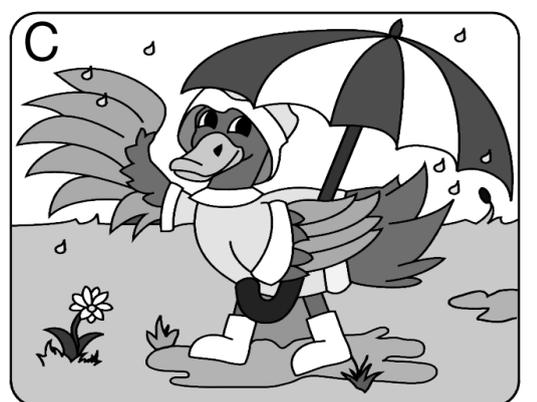
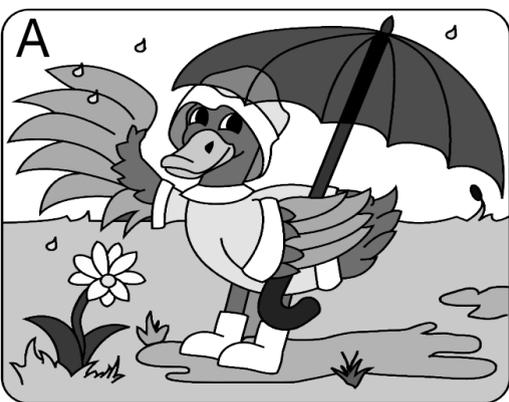
A Sunny Chore!

Connect the dots to see what we have to wash so that sunlight can come into our homes!

We're cleaning out our closet.

(Hint: use a ruler to help keep lines straight.)

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Triple Take!
Little Duck is enjoying a rainy spring day. Study each cartoon from left to right. What changes can you find from A to B? From B to C?



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- UnderGround - 7th-12th grade**
Thursday 7:30-10 p.m.

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 CENTURYLINK-LAND, PRUC SRVC, 551.40
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 CO ASSR ASSOC, PRUC SRVC, 1,563.00
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 CO DIV OF VETERANS, PRUC SRVC, 536.00
 CO DIV OF FORREST, CO ST FRSTR, 21,677.56
 COLORADO FIBER COMMUNI, INTRNT SRVC, 4,069.00
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 DUNGAN, JOSEPH, PRUC SRVC, 129.60
 EKSTROM, WILLIAM A., SPPLS, 132.14
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 EMPLOYERS COUNCIL SRV, PRUC SRVC, 3,025.00
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 METROPOLITAN CMPNDNS, SPPLS, 634.89
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 MOBLEY, BLAKE, PRUC SRVC, 1,483.61
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 MOUNTAIN VALLEY BANK, RENT, 500.00
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 NICHOLS STORE, FOOD SPLYS, 943.15
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 PITNEY BOWES, PRUC SRVC, 1,232.80
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 RANGELY TRUE VALUE, SPPLS, 458.17
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 RB HERALD TIME, PRUC SRVC, 778.56
 SAMUELSON TRUE VALUE, SPPLS, 89.45
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 SOUTHERN COMPUTER, SPPLS, 589.44
 SPECIALTY INCENTIVES, PRUC SRVC, 227.22
 STAPLES, SPPLS, 487.14
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 TASER INTERNATIONAL, SPPLS, 26,548.00
 TELEWEST, INMT PHN, 405.27
 TRANSPORTS ACROSS CO, PRUC SRVC, 50.00
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 TURNKEY CORRECTIONS, SPPLS, 10.49
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 WHITE RIVER DIST, PRUC SRVC, 486.25
 WREA, UTIL, 12,664.85
 US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FED W/H, 35,687.00
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 CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 11,433.29
 GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 41,527.15
 COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 123,531.89
 FAMILY SUPPORT REGISTRY, WAGE ASNMT, 388.00
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 GENERAL FUND TOTAL, 541,548.21
FUND: CAPITAL
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
 CANTER, MNTNC, 149,630.43
 GHA TECHNOLOGIES, INFO, 1,853.50
 QYPSYS, INFO, 65,261.78
 TYLER TECH, INFO, 2,800.00
 CAPITAL FUND TOTAL, 219,545.71
FUND: ROAD & BRIDGE
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
 COLORADO COUNTIES, INGR GOV, 7,500.00
 CO STATE TREAS, UNEMPLMNT, 2,999.00
 ALSCO, PRUC SRVC, 64.61
 AXIS STEEL, MTRL, 261.00
 CENTURYLINK, PRUC SRVC, 107.83
 CENTURYLINK-LAND, PRUC SRVC, 154.44

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 HDR, CR 73 BRIDGE, 5,701.87
 LYLE SIGNS, SIGN MTRL, 1,377.36
 MEEKER AUTO, SPPLS, 73.72
 MEEKER SAND & GRAVEL, RD MTRL, 1,591.26
 OFFICE DEPOT, SPPLS, 240.26
 PITNEY BOWES, PRUC SRVC, 30.38
 RANGELY TRUE VALUE, SPPLS, 32.71
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 SCHMUESER GORDON MEYER, PRUC SRVC, 976.00
 UNION TELEPHONE, PRUC SRVC, 317.13
 VALLEY HARDWARE, SPPLS, 54.91
 WATT'S, SPPLS, 16.27
 WHITE RIVER DIST, SPPLS, 46.25
 WREA, UTIL, 129.46
 YEH & ASSOCIATES, PRUC SRVC, 192.50
 US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FED W/H, 13,917.59
 US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FICA W/H, 21,034.09
 CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 4,727.00
 GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 18,274.73
 COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 56,431.63
 ROAD & BRIDGE FUND TOTAL, 139,275.23
FUND: PUBLIC HEALTH
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
 CO ASSN/LOCAL PUB HLTH, PRUC SRVC, 445.00
 CENTURYLINK-LAND, PRUC SRVC, 112.99
 CU OF CO, PRUC SRVC, 317.04
 GLOBALSTAR, PRUC SRVC, 58.88
 METROPOLITAN PATH, PRUC SRVC, 68.00
 NSO-PRO LIABILITY, MALPRACTICE, 109.00
 PARAGARD DIRECT, SPPLS, 1,057.72
 PIONEERS MEDICAL, PRUC SRVC, 205.00
 R & S NORTHEAST, SPPLS, 58.38
 STAPLES, SPPLS, 52.38
 WHITE RIVER DIST, PRUC SRVC, 15.00
 US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FED W/H, 2,058.97
 US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FICA W/H, 2,625.09
 CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 617.20
 GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 800.16
 COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 4,587.91
 PUBLIC HEALTH FUND TOTAL, 13,188.72
FUND: DEPT OF HUMAN SERVICES
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
 SHERIDAN, SHANNON, EXP ALLCT, 32,512.02
 O'HEARON, JENNIFER, EXP ALLCT, 19,500.00
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 CENTURYLINK, PRUC SRVC, 53.54
 CU OF CO, IVE ENHANCED, 471.82
 US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FED W/H, 3,444.39
 US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FICA W/H, 4,649.66
 CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 1,204.34
 GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 3,085.90
 COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 14,098.23
 DHS AP PAYMENTS, 16,479.72
 DEPT OF HUMAN SERVICE FUND TOTAL, 95,499.62
FUND: CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
 CENTERLINE SOLUTIONS, BRDBND, 3,276.00
 CIRCLE H CONSTRUCTION, BRDBND, 220,702.04
 FCI CONSTRUCTORS, CRTHS REPR, 541,530.35
 GDA, MA - ENTLTMT, 2,248.75
 GRAYBAR ELEC, BRDBND, 34,925.75
 MID-STATE CONSULTANTS, BRDBND, 6,853.18
 QYPSYS, CRTHS REPR, 25,335.59
 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND TOTAL, 834,871.66
FUND: USE TAX
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
 ALL TEMP SERVICES, PRUC SRVC, 573.71
 CENTURYLINK, PRUC SRVC, 163.70
 CENTURYLINK-LAND, M SAFEHOUSE, 131.20
 NICKSON, ANNALEE, PRUC SRVC, 35.60
 PITNEY BOWES, PRUC SRVC, 142.98
 RANGELY, TOWN OF, UTIL, 107.85
 RANGELY TRASH, UTIL, 332.00
 RANGELY TRUE VALUE, SPPLS, 187.14
 RB HERALD TIME, PRUC SRVC, 25.00
 U.S. FOODS, SPPLS, 1,960.78
 WATT'S, FOOD SPLYS, 408.78
 WHITE RIVER MARKET, FOOD SPLYS, 237.54
 US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FED W/H, 1,682.67
 US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FICA W/H, 2,699.25
 CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 608.45
 GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 1,758.68
 COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 8,430.65
 FAMILY SUPPORT REGISTRY, WAGE ASNMT, 864.00
 USE TAX FUND TOTAL, 20,349.98
FUND: IMPACT FEE
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
 HDR, CR 5 CRDRR, 25,249.22
 IMPACT FEE FUND TOTAL, 25,249.22
FUND: SOLID WASTE
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
 CO DEPT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, PRUC SRVC, 500.00
 PITNEY BOWES, PRUC SRVC, 3.68
 REDI SERVICES, PRUC SRVC, 30.00
 SOUDER, MILLER & ASSOC, PRUC SRVC, 5,371.01
 UNION TELEPHONE, PRUC SRVC, 54.19
 VALLEY HARDWARE, SPPLS, 23.99
 WAGNER EQUIPMENT, CAPITAL, 150,435.00
 WATT'S, SPPLS, 22.15
 WHITE RIVER DIST, SPPLS, 40.00
 WREA, UTIL, 87.29
 WREA, UTIL, 611.40
 US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FED W/H, 1,242.87
 US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FICA W/H, 1,729.80
 CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 413.00
 GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 1,260.30
 COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 2,959.50
 CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES, WAGE ASNMT, 200.00
 SOLID WASTE FUND TOTAL, 164,984.18
FUND: WEED & PEST
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
 CU OF CO, PRUC SRVC, 350.00
 RB HERALD TIME, PRUC SRVC, 84.48
 URIE TRUCKING, INC, WEED CNTRL, 69,395.94
 US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FED W/H, 435.64
 US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FICA W/H, 729.30
 CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 158.00
 GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 572.00
 COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 893.10
 WEED & PEST FUND TOTAL, 72,618.46
FUND: FAIRFIELD
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
 ATMOS ENRGY, UTIL, 754.19
 BOYKO, SPPLS, 920.85

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 MEEKER, TOWN OF, UTIL, 588.00
 REDI SERVICES, UTIL, 305.00
 SAMUELSON TRUE VALUE, SPPLS, 44.28
 VALLEY HARDWARE, SPPLS, 169.30
 WREA, UTIL, 2,049.31
 US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FED W/H, 383.99
 US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FICA W/H, 782.73
 CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 152.72
 GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 559.34
 COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 2,824.27
 FAMILY SUPPORT REGISTRY, WAGE ASNMT, 23.34
 FAIRFIELD FUND TOTAL, 9,760.67
FUND: CENTRAL SERVICES
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
 ALL COPY PRODUCTS, INC, CNTRCT SRVS, 259.05
 PITNEY BOWES, INC, SPPLS, 169.99
 PITNEY BOWES, POSTAGE, 43.80
 XEROX CORPORATION, CNTRCT SRVS, 413.39
 CENTRAL SERVICES FUND TOTAL, 886.23
FUND: FLEET
VENDOR NAME, ACCOUNT NAME, AMOUNT
 A NUVIEW AUTO GLASS, PRUC SRVC, 238.90
 A&E TIRE, TIRES, 3,019.78
 AIRGAS INTERMOUNTAIN, SPPLS, 526.89
 AMERICAN POWER SYSTEMS, PRTS/ACCS, 350.00
 BEST DEAL SPRINGS, PRTS/ACCS, 968.42
 CENTURYLINK-LAND, PRUC SRVC, 62.60
 COLUMBINE FORD, PRTS/ACCS, 210.58
 CU OF CO, GAS, 666.56
 GCR TIRES & SERVICE, TIRES, 2,283.00
 GILBARCO, PRUC SRVC, 198.38
 HONNEN EQUIPMENT, PRTS/ACCS, 1,256.75
 JACKSON GROUP, SPPLS, 22.20
 KIMBALL MIDWEST, SPPLS, 305.85
 LEACHS INDUSTRIAL, SPPLS, 16.50
 MASTER PETROLEUM, GAS, 12,309.03
 MCGUIRE AUTO, SPPLS, 888.18
 MEEKER AUTO, SPPLS, 2,353.63
 MEEKER COLLISION, REPAIRS, 555.15
 MGM, SPPLS, 155.96
 NIELSEN, KENT, SPPLS, 86.77
 POWER EQUIPMENT CO, REPAIRS, 464.92
 RANGELY AUTO PARTS, LUB, 2,269.37
 RANGELY TRUE VALUE, SPPLS, 54.99
 SAMUELSON TRUE VALUE, SPPLS, 35.09
 VALLEY HARDWARE, PRTS/ACCS, 60.72
 WAGNER EQUIPMENT, PRTS/ACCS, 1,434.82
 WESTERN IMPLEMENT, PRTS/ACCS, 56.53
 WREA, UTIL, 575.60
 WHITE RIVER ENERGY, UTIL, 344.00
 XCEL ENERGY, PRUC SRVC, 384.77
 US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FED W/H, 2,838.27
 US DEPT. OF THE TREASURY, FICA W/H, 4,664.89
 CO STATE WITHHOLDINGS, STATE W/H, 969.00
 GREAT WEST, RETIREMENT, 4,188.63
 COUNTY HEALTH POOL, INSURANCE, 11,266.02
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 CENTURYLINK, 2856.09, Communication
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 COLORADO RURAL WATER ASSN, 275.00, Training
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 DAN E. WILSON, ATTORNEY AT LAW LLC, 966.44, Services
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 EMBLEM AUTHORITY, THE, 400.00, Uniforms
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 FPPA, 482.81, PD Insurance
 FRESH EXPRESS CLEANING, 89.00, Expenses
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 GODDARD, WESLEY L., 150.00, Uniforms
 GRAND JUNCTION PIPE & SUPPLY, 1728.83, Expenses
 HACKING, TYSON, 100.00, Council Stipend
 HATCH, LISA, 100.00, Council Stipend
 HAYES, SCOTT, 250.00, Services
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 INDUSTRIAL ELECTRIC MOTOR SVCE, 22704.33, Expenses
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 ITRON, INC., 1210.03, Services
 KEY, ANDREW J., 100.00, Council Stipend
 KIMBALL MIDWEST, 112.58, Expenses
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 LOWES, 337.02, Expenses
 MAIL SERVICES, 623.69, Services
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LABORATORY, 40.00, Expenses
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 MUELLER CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, INC., 47262.50, Expenses
 MULLEN, JOCELYN, 40.00, Expenses
 NATIONAL METER & AUTOMATION, 4780.19, Expenses
 NETWORKS UNLIMITED, 2307.58, Support
 NICHOLS STORE, 24.00, Expenses
 NIELSEN, JOSEPH, 150.00, Council Stipend
 OUTWEST DRYWALL SUPPLY, 3027.68, Expenses
 PIERING, LISA, 40.00, Expenses
 PINNACOL ASSURANCE, 4254.39, Insurance
 PIPELINE TESTING CONSORTIUM, 255.00, Services
 PIPETTE.COM, 308.63, Chemicals
 PITNEY BOWES INC, 104.83, Services
 POLICEONE.COM, 225.00, Training
 PRATER'S PLUMBING & HEATING, 330.00, Expenses
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 RIO BLANCO WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT, 50000.00, Expenses
 ROBIE, TREY, 100.00, Council Stipend
 SENERGY BUILDERS, 3077.18, Expenses
 SGS ACCUTEST INC., 427.00, Services
 SHAFFER, ANDREW, 100.00, Council Stipend
 SHEDDEN, JAIME, 6666.67, Expenses
 SHELLBACK TACTICAL, 3583.86, Expenses
 STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY RC, 668.20, Life Insurance
 STEWART WELDING & MACHINE, INC., 85.14, Expenses
 STRATA NETWORKS, 500.00, Services
 SUMMIT ENERGY, 119900.26, Gas Transmission/Transport
 TAYLOR FENCE COMPANY, 135.00, Expenses
 TRANSLATION RISK & ALTERNATIVE, 25.00, Services
 UNCC, 10.15, Services
 USA BLUEBOOK, 78.70, Expenses
 VERIZON WIRELESS, 1256.65, Cell Service
 WALTER ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP, LLC, 2491.58, Services
 WESTECH, 61800.00, Expenses
 WEX BANK, 2864.54, Fuel
 WHITE RIVER MARKET, 227.67, Supplies
 WILCZEK, KAREN S, 300.00, Judge's Fee
 WRB REC & PARK DISTRICT, 331.50, Expenses
 TOTAL: 602712.22
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Town of Rangely March 28, 2017 - 7:00pm Agenda

Rangely Board of Trustees (Town Council)
 Joseph Nielsen, Mayor
 Andrew Shaffer, Mayor Pro Tem
 Lisa Hatch, Trustee
 Trey Robie, Trustee
 Ann Brady, Trustee
 Andrew Key, Trustee
 Tyson Hacking, Trustee

- Call to Order**
- Roll Call**
- Invoicing**
- Pledge of Allegiance**
- Minutes of Meeting**
 - Approval of the minutes of the March 14, 2017 meeting.
- Petitions and Public Input**
- Changes to the Agenda**
- Public Hearings - 7:15pm**
- Committee/Board Meetings**
- Supervisor Reports - See Attached**
- Reports from Officers - Town Manager Update**
- New Business**
 - Discussion and Action to approve Resolution 2017-03 A resolution of the Town of Rangely, Co approving an outdoor advertising sign program for the location, placement and maintenance of outdoor advertising signs near the east and west boundaries of the Town of Rangely
 - Discussion and Action to approve a surface application of Chip Seal for approx. 51,736 sq. yards of 3/8" chip spec. #8 in approximately 20 locations throughout the Town of Rangely
 - Discussion and Action to approve the February 2017 Financial Statement
- Informational Items**
 - RDA minutes from the March 9, 2017 meeting
- Board Vacancies**
 - Planning and Zoning Commission (1) Board Vacancy
 - Rangely Junior College District Board meeting is scheduled for March 13, 2017 at 12:00pm.
 - Western Rio Blanco Park & Recreation District meeting March 13, 2017 at 6:00pm.
 - Rangely School District board meeting is scheduled for March 14, 2017 at 6:30pm.
 - Rangely Chamber of Commerce board meeting is scheduled for March 16, 2017 at 12:00pm
 - Rural Fire Protection District board meeting is scheduled for March 20, 2017 at 7:00pm.
 - Rio Blanco County Commissioners meeting is scheduled for March 20, 2017 at 11:00am.
 - Community Networking Meeting is scheduled for April 25, 2017 at 12:00pm.
 - Rio Blanco Water Conservancy District December is scheduled for March 29, 2017 at 7:00pm.
 - Rangely District Hospital board meeting is scheduled for March 30, 2017 at 6:00pm.
- Adjournment**
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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a Petition has been filed in the above referenced action requesting the appointment of Directors C and D to the Board of Directors of Rio Blanco Water Conservancy District. Said Petition requests the reappointment of the following named persons for four-year terms to expire May 1, 2021, to wit: Vincent P. Wilczek - Director C; and Michael E. Morgan - Director D. The Court will hear said Motion on the 19th day of May, 2017 at 1:30 p.m. in the District Court, Rio Blanco County Courthouse, Meeker, Colorado. All persons desiring to attend may do so. Applications for appointment as Directors will be accepted by the District Court until April 19, 2017. Applications and resumes may be sent to the District Court of Rio Blanco County, Colorado, at 555 Main Street, Suite 303, Meeker, CO 81641, with copies submitted to the Rio Blanco Water Conservancy District in care of Edward B. Olszewski, Esq., Olszewski, Massih & Maurer, P.C., P.O. Box 916, Glenwood Springs, CO 81602, on or before April 19, 2017. Applicants must have resided within the Rio Blanco District for a period of one year, and shall be the owner of real property within the Rio Blanco Water Conservancy District, and shall be knowledgeable in water matters with a background reflecting the agricultural, municipal, industrial, or other interests in the beneficial use of water within the Rio Blanco Water Conservancy District. Further information may be obtained from the District's counsel, Edward B. Olszewski, at (970) 928-9100.
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Board of County Commissioners Of Rio Blanco County Colorado Rio Blanco County Justice Center 455 Main Street Meeker, Colorado 81641 PROPOSED AGENDA March 27, 2017

Items of routine and non-controversial nature are placed on the consent agenda. Any Commissioner or member of the audience may request an item be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately on the regular agenda prior to action being taken by the Board on the Consent Agenda.
Public Comment: Any member of the public may address the Board on matters which are within the jurisdiction of the Board. If you are addressing the Board regarding a matter listed on the Agenda, you are requested to make your comments when the Board takes that matter. Please limit your comments to three minutes per member or five minutes per group. The public comment time is not for questions and answers. It is your time to express your views.
 11:00 a.m. Call to order.
 •Pledge of Allegiance
 •Changes to March 27, 2017 •Tentative Agenda
 CONSENT AGENDA FOR March 27, 2017
 •Consent 1 Approval of the Board Minutes of March 20, 2017.
 BUSINESS:
 • Business 1_None
 Bid Openings:
 •Bid Opening 1_2017 Rio Blanco County Fleet Management Vehicles.
 •Bid Opening 2_2017 Rio Blanco County Crackfill Project.
 Bid Awards:
 •Bid Award 1_None
 MOU's, Contracts and Agreements:
 •MCA 1_Move to Approve a Memorandum of Understanding between the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado and the State of Colorado, Governor's Office of Information Technology, Public Safety Communications Network, for supported and planned upgrades and updates of public safety statewide digital trunked radio (DTR) system software to specifically address a series of five (5) planned software upgrades from SR 7.14 through SR 7.25 on equipment owned by the Rio Blanco County.
 •MCA 2_Move to Approve a Memorandum of Understanding between the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado and the Rio Blanco County Historical Society for the continued operation of the Rio Blanco County Museum and Garrison Old West Heritage Cultural Center.
 Resolutions:
 •Resolution 1_Move to approve Resolution 2017-11 A Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado and the State of Colorado Authorizing Participation in the Rural Jump-Start program.
 Other Business:
 •Public Comments
 •County Commissioners Updates
 Public Hearings:
 •Public Hearing 1_Applicant Sleepy Cat Ranch, LLC, is requesting approval of the Sleepy Cat Ranch, LLC Re-Zone (PRZ-0004-16) to change the subject property from Agricultural to Rural Residential, located East of County Road 54 and South of the White River, Meeker, Rio Blanco County, Colorado.
 MOVE TO CONTINUE THE HEARING ON SLEEPY CAT RANCH, LLC REZONE (PRZ-0004-16) TO APRIL 24, 2017 AT 1:15 PM.
 Adjourn
 The agenda is provided for informational purposes only; all times are approximate. Agenda items will normally be considered in the order they appear on the agenda. However, the Board may alter the agenda, take breaks during the meeting, work through the noon hour and even continue an item for a future meeting date. The Board, while in session, may consider other items that are brought before it. Scheduled items may be continued if the Board is unable to complete the Agenda as scheduled.
The next regular Board meeting is tentatively scheduled for April 10, 2017, at 11:00 a.m., at the Rio Blanco County Justice Center, 455 Main Street, Meeker, Colorado. Please check the County's website for information at: <http://www.rbc.us/departments/commissioners>. If you need special accommodations please call 970-878-9573 in advance of the meeting so that reasonable accommodations may be made.
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NOTICE TO SENIOR CITIZENS & DISABLED VETERANS
 Rio Blanco County qualifying seniors and disabled veterans are urged to submit applications for their property tax exemption if they have not already done so. For more information please go to the Colorado Division of Property Taxation website at www.dola.colorado.gov/dpt, click on "Forms." If you have applied in the past and your application was approved for the exemption, you do not need to reapply. Deadline for filing for the exemption is July 15, 2017. Please contact the Rio Blanco County Assessor's Office at 970-878-9410 with questions.
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2017 Rangely Chip Seal Project
The Town of Rangely, Colorado is seeking a qualified contractor for the application of chip seal. Sealed BIDS to furnish and apply approximately 51,736 sq.yds. of 3/8" chip min. spec#8, throughout the Town of Rangely. **All bids are due by March 27, 2017 at 5:00PM.** The successful bidder will follow the specifications for chip seal application of a 3/8" chip. **Bidders will provide two costs: one with Fog Seal and one bid without.**
Bid Due Date and Time = Monday March 27th by 5:00P
Bids shall be mailed to the Town of Rangely, 209 E. Main Street, Rangely, CO 81648 or faxed to (970) 675-8471 or emailed to flang@rangelyco.gov. Mailed bids shall be sealed and **Rangely 2017 Chip Seal Project** shall be written on the front of the envelope. Specifications are available upon request at Town Hall, 209 E. Main Street, Rangely CO or by calling (970) 675-8476, ask for Teresa to forward the specifications electronically. The Town of Rangely is not responsible for bid preparation or mailing/communications errors related to the transmission of the Specifications or response to this RFP. Published: March 23, 2017
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**PUBLIC NOTICE
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
PERSONAL TRAINER**

The EASTERN RIO BLANCO METROPOLITAN RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT, a political subdivision of the State of Colorado, is soliciting proposals from qualified Personal Trainers to provide personal training instruction at Meeker Recreation Center.
Trainers will book their own sessions and determine and collect session payments. ERBM will collect a monthly fee from trainers at \$50 per 5 clients and \$10 per client over 5 clients.
Interested parties are required to submit an organized letter which contains:
A history of experience and qualifications.
Certification in personal training by ACSM, ACE, AFPA, NSCA or another qualified certifying organization.
Certification in CPR/AED/First Aid Training through AHA or ARC.
Selected candidates will be required to sign an Independent Contractors Contract, Declaration of Independent Contractor Status form, W-9 and provide proof of liability insurance with ERBM named as an additional insured.
For more information contact Shelly Rogers, Recreation Manager, at shellyr@meekerrecdistrict.com or 970-878-7415. Proposals must be received by the District before 5p.m. on March 31, 2017 at the District's administrative office, Meeker Recreation Center, 101 Ute Road, Meeker, CO 81641.
EASTERN RIO BLANCO METROPOLITAN RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT
By: Sean VonRoenn, Executive Director
Published: March 9, 16 & 23, 2017
Rio Blanco Herald Times

**Public Notice:
Personal Property**

Unless specifically exempted by law, all persons owning, possessing, or controlling taxable business personal property with a total actual value greater than \$7,400 (per business, per county) are required to report the personal property to the county assessor by April 15, 2017. Personal Property Declaration Schedules have been mailed to every business, or company known to own, possess, or control taxable personal property in the county. Non-receipt of a Declaration Schedule DOES NOT excuse taxpayers from declaring taxable business personal property to the assessor. Licensed equipment that has a SMM tag or Z-tab is not required to complete a Personal Property Declaration Schedule. If you have not received a Declaration Schedule and own business personal property in Rio Blanco County, please contact the Rio Blanco County Assessor's office at 970-878-9410. Completed Declaration Schedules are due April 15, 2017. If you fail to file a Declaration Schedule, the assessor will establish a taxable value based on

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"best information available" and add a penalty of up to 25% of the valuation for the assessment of omitted property that is subsequently discovered. Colorado law requires that the county assessor to begin hearing objections to personal property valuations no later than June 15, 2017. Objections to personal property valuations must be postmarked, delivered or presented in person to the Rio Blanco County Assessor's Office no later than June 30, 2017. If you have questions concerning your Notice of Valuation(s), please contact the Rio Blanco County Assessor's Office at 970-878-9410.
Real Property
Colorado law, C.R.S. 39-1-104(10,2), currently requires a two-year reassessment cycle for all real property in the state of Colorado with 2017 being a reappraisal year. The 2017 Notices of Valuation (NOV) will be sent no later than May 1, 2017. The NOV describes the property you own, gives the actual (or market) value for the prior and current years and describes the process to present objections to the assessor. The Rio Blanco County Assessor will hear objections to the real property classifications and the 2017 valuations beginning no later than May 1, 2017. Objections to the valuation or classification of real property must be postmarked, delivered or presented in person to the Rio Blanco County Assessor no later than June 1, 2017. If you have questions concerning your Notice of Valuation(s), please contact the Rio Blanco County Assessor's Office at 970-878-9410.
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DISTRICT COURT, EL PASO COUNTY, STATE OF COLORADO
Court Address: 270 S. Tejon, Colorado Springs, CO 80901; Court Phone: 719-452-5000
PLAINTIFF: JAMES H. PRICE, JR. v. DEFENDANT BRIAN C. FLIS AND WILLIAM FLIS AND THIRD-PARTY PLAINTIFF BRIAN C. FLIS v. THIRD-PARTY DEFENDANTS STAR RANCH, LLC AND LORSON SOUTH LAND CORP. Case No. 15CV32893, Div. 21; Attorney: Steven P. Bailey, Vaughan & DeMuro, Address: 111 S. Tejon, Suite 545, Colorado Springs, CO 80903, Phone Number: 719-578-5500 Fax Number: 719-578-5504 Email: sbailey@vaughandemuro.com Atty. Reg. No. 11115
STAR RANCH, LLC AND JAMES RITCHIE AS REGISTERED AGENT FOR STAR RANCH, LLC: You are hereby summoned and required to appear and defend against the claims of Third-Party Plaintiff, as set forth in the Third-Party Complaint filed with the Court in this action, by filing with the Clerk of this Court an Answer or other response. You are required to file your Answer or other response within twenty-one (21) days after service upon you if within the State of Colorado, or within thirty-five (35) days after service upon you if outside the State of Colorado or if served by publication pursuant to C.R.C.P. 4(g). If served by publication, service shall be complete on the day of the last publication. A copy of the Third-Party Complaint may be obtained from the Clerk of Court. If you fail to file your Answer or other response to the Third-Party Complaint in writing within the time required, judgment by default may be rendered against you by the Court for the relief demanded in the Third-Party Complaint without further notice. This is an action affecting the real property described in the Third-Party Complaint and is a proceeding in rem as well as a proceeding in personam. Dated: March 20, 2017; Respectfully submitted, Vaughan & DeMuro, /s/ Steven P. Bailey Steven P. Bailey, Atty. Reg. No. 11115, ATTORNEYS FOR THIRD -PARTY PLAINTIFF BRIAN C. FLIS Address of Third-Party Plaintiff: 728 Silver Oak Grove, Colorado Springs, CO 80906
Publish: March 23, 30, April 6, 13, 20, 2017
Rio Blanco Herald Times

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

The Rangely Moms Group gives pregnant women and mothers of newborns through elementary school-aged children time to take a break, join in discussions and crafts, and build relationships with other moms. We meet the first Thursday of each month from September through May, from 9-11 a.m. at First Baptist Church (207 S Sunset). Join us! For more information, call Britt Campos at 801-589-4803.

NEW EDEN PREGNANCY CARE SERVICES - pregnancy tests, emergency supplies, guidance by trained volunteers, classes on pregnancy and child care, post-abortion support, referrals. Thursdays, 12p-5p, 345 Main Street, Meeker. Email: newedenpccs@gmail.com or (970)878-5117 and Thursdays, 1p-6p, 219 Sunset Avenue, Rangely. Email: newedenrangely@gmail.com or (970) 675-2300. All services are confidential.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEEKER HOUSING AUTHORITY Board of Directors meets the 3rd Thursday of the month at 9:00 a.m. at The Pines, 875 Water St., Meeker.

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

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

The Rangely Food Bank is open on Wednesdays from 4:30-5:30 p.m. at 204 E. Rio Blanco. To donate, please call 970-620-2407.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

IF UNIT 17 at Rangely Self Storage and **UNITS 13A AND 18** at DKG Storage are not paid in full by March 31, 2017 contents will be sold. 3/23-3/30

The VFW, American Legion, and their Auxiliaries will meet the second Thursday of each month at 5:30 PM at 290 4th St. For further information call (970) 878-5326.

The Rio Blanco Herald Times accepts all major credit cards. You can fax your classified ad or subscription to (970)878-4016 or email to: debbiew@theheraldtimes.com

SAFEHOUSE

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

Rangely Victim Services

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

Freeman E Fairfield semi-annual grant applications due no later than 5 pm, Monday, April 3, 2017. Completed applications may be submitted to a member of the Trust Committee--Scott Hollenbeck, Mike Hoke, Bud Ridings, Niki Turner or mailed to PO Box 2302. Mailed applications must be received, not postmarked by April 3. 3/23-3/30

Alcoholics Anonymous

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

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**MEEKER STREAKER
MONTHLY SCHEDULE
March 2017**

NOTE: Please call 878-9368 in advance to set up all medical appointment rides. Activities are subject to change. Bus available on dates noted below:
3/23 Bus in town
3/24 No Bus in town
3/25 No Bus
3/26 No Bus
3/27 Bus in town
3/28 Bus in town
3/29 Bus in town
3/30 Bus in town
3/31 Bus in town
Please call in advance for a ride to medical appointments (970-878-9368). Please schedule out-of-town medical appointments before 2:00 PM.
3/23

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

SPRING OPEN HOUSE**

Meeker Golf Course
Sunday, April 2, 2017
3:00 pm to 6:00 pm
Meet and greet, cash bar, hors d'oeuvres and door prizes
Purchase your season pass!

ASPEN LEAF DENTAL OFFICE
Dr. Cliff Chapin is still accepting patients at his office at 341 7th Street, Meeker, CO.
By appointment only
Please contact the office for available times. Please call (970)878-3696 or email us at aldooffice341@gmail.com
We will contact you as soon as possible.
3/23-4/20

AUCTIONS

Annual Spring Consignment Auction, Saturday April 1st at 9:00 a.m., 2368 S. 1500 E. Vernal, Utah
Equipment of all kinds, Many Vehicles, Trucks, Trailers, Campers, ATVs, Motorcycles, Boats, Lawn and Garden items, New and Used Tools, Generators, Air Compressors, Lumber, Pipe, Tack, Camping and fishing items, Guns, Ammo, Antiques & Collectibles, Coins, Household Items, and much more! For more information or to Consign to this Auction please call ZJ Auction Service, Inc. 435-828-7424. www.zjauction.com 3/2-3/30

Estate Sale
Saturday, April 1, 2017 10 a.m.
427 Sherman Dr Grand Junction, CO
Ford 5600 tractor w/loader, Champ 577 Forklift, 2 boats, hand and power tools of all kinds, welder, torch set, air compressor, winch, grass seed, tool boxes, fuel tanks on stands, 17 tractor weights, tire machine, antiques, cream cans, wood windows, wood boxes, black side by side refrigerator, one good Ray Barnes kid saddle, 3 saddles, chaps, tack, hot shots, calf puller, spurs, syringes, tank heaters, reloading items, 3 Pacific shot gun reloaders, and mowder. For more information call Steve Claypoole, CP Auction Service, (970)260-5577 or see web www.cpauction.com "Call us about a sale for you"
3/23-3/30

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES
MEEKER
• Public Health Admin Asst., Pt
• Relief Cook
• Relief Detention Control Specialist
• Temporary R&B Laborer
• Weed Control Supervisor
RANGELY
• Human Services Admin Asst., Pt
• Relief Cook
For details and a Rio Blanco County application, please go to www.rbcus.com or Rio Blanco County HR at 200 Main St., Meeker, CO. 970-878-9570.
ADA/EOE

AUCTIONS

Auction
Saturday, March 25, 10:00 am
3467 F3/4 Road, Clifton, Colorado
1991 18' travel trailer, older Int M-H tractor, 2 tractors Farmall cub & M-400, NH self propelled swather, 4 wheelers, attachments, 3-30' trailer house I-Beams, 5-12" Alfalfa valves, fuel tanks, panels, scrap iron, lumber & firewood, hand & power tools, 2A frames, steel posts, David Bradely attachments, wire, fishing items, dressers, couch, old cameras & camera items, 55" flat screen TV, trunks & old wood boxes, 3 glass oil lamps, other misc antiques.
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3/16-3/23

FARM AND RANCH

Commercial Black Hereford bulls available. 18 months old, range ready, calving ease, growth, solid pedigrees, genetic defect free. Rangely area. Logan Hill (970) 629-8807.
3/2-3/23

GUNS

CCW Class coming to Meeker
Saturday, March 25
8:30AM -12PM
Cost \$85.00
To reserve your space email scmclleand79@yahoo.com or call Clint @ (970)987-2620
3/2-3/23

HELP WANTED: GENERAL

Colorado Northwestern Community College CNCC is looking for dynamic employees to join our team. For job opportunities, descriptions, minimum qualifications, and instructions for applying, please visit: <http://www.cncc.edu/employment> CNCC is an equal opportunity employer. 3/9-5/25

BANK OF THE SAN JUANS
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Full Time Operations Support Specialist
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Bank Happy. Work Happy.
Bank of the San Juans, "One Big Happy Little Bank," is looking for a professional individual with strong customer service to join our call center to help internal and external customers with financial transactions. This position can be located at any of our bank locations. Excellent benefits. Apply online at www.glacierbankcorp.com. Bank of the San Juans is an Equal Opportunity Employer.
3/23

MEEKER SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1
Employment Opportunities
Barone Middle School
• 6th Grade Teacher
Meeker High School
• Spanish Teacher
• Head and Assistant Volleyball Coach

ADA/EOE
Subject to change at any time!
For details and an application, please visit our website at Meeker.k12.co.us or Meeker School District Administration at 555 Garfield St., Meeker, CO
970-878-9040

HELP WANTED: GENERAL

Noxious Weed Management weed sprayers needed. Must be 18 yrs old, good driving record. Experience a plus, but will train the right people. Pre-employment drug screening, 40-60 hrs per week. Good wages. 970-220-2118 3/9-4/8

Lifeguards: The ERBM Recreation & Park District is seeking applications for part time non-benefitted, year round lifeguards, who could work up to 30 hours per week, and seasonal non-benefitted lifeguards, who could work up to 40 hours per week from May until the end of September. 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 daytime shifts, early morning, evening, split and/or weekend shifts; and be available a minimum of 12 hours per week. As part of the interview process, candidates will be asked to swim 300 yards using crawl stroke and breast stroke, perform a brick dive in the deep end of the pool and tread water for 2 minutes. Candidates do not need to hold a life guard certification card as we will train selected candidates on site. Lifeguards are also 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. Salary range \$9.73 - \$15.79/hr. A completed ERBM Recreation & Park District job application is required for consideration and should be returned to ERBM Recreation & Park District, Attn: Human Resources, 101 Ute Rd., Meeker, CO 81641. Applications are available at the Meeker Recreation Center and on the website, www.MeekerRecDistrict.com. Complete job description is available upon request and online. ERBM Recreation & Park District is an Equal Opportunity Employer. 970-878-3403. Applications will be accepted through Monday, April 3, 2017.
3/16-3/30

Meeker Sand & Gravel is hiring a Secretary/Dispatcher in Meeker to serve three Northwestern Colorado plant locations. Must have a pleasant demeanor with customers. Must be reliable, professional, extremely detail-oriented and able to multi-task. Duties will include weighing trucks, answering phones, taking orders, dispatching orders to plant operators and managing daily schedule. Monday-Friday 7am-5pm. Great pay and benefits. Apply in person or email katie@msgreadymix.com
3251 County Road 4
Meeker, Colorado 81641

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PIONEERS MEDICAL CENTER
A community oriented medical center with high patient standards, is hiring for the following positions:
PRN:
■ Patient Care Technician
■ RN - Acute/ED
■ RN - LTC
■ LPN - LTC
■ Certified Nursing Assistant - Wing
FULL-TIME:
[eligible for sign-on bonus & benefits]:
■ RN - LTC
■ LPN - LTC
■ RN - LTC - NIGHTS
■ LPN - LTC - NIGHTS
■ Staff RN - Acute/ED - Nights
■ Physical Therapist
■ MLT or MLS - Laboratory
FULL-TIME:
[eligible for benefits]:
■ Laundry Technician
■ Patient Care Tech - Days
Submit Resume and/or Application to:
Pioneers Medical Center, HR,
100 Pioneers Medical Center Dr.,
Meeker, Colo., 81641
Visit our Website at:
www.pioneershospital.org
Pioneers Medical Center
Phone: (970) 878-9047 Fax: (970) 878-3885
100 Pioneers Medical Center Dr, Meeker, CO 81641
Eastern Rio Blanco County Health Service District

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- NEW!** White River Ranch Estates on Hwy. 64, Two 35 Acre Parcels - Both parcels have river frontage. Lot 12 has 3 phase electrical. \$225,000. Lot 13 is on South side of river. \$200,000.
- 345 Cleveland St.** - GREAT POTENTIAL! A full City block, over 99,000+ square feet, offering 12 individual lots all being sold as one parcel. \$225,000.
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959 Garfield St. - Wonderfully kept 4BD/2.5BA home, detached garage, workshop and lots of storage. Price Reduced: **\$259,900**
855 5th St. - Wonderful view over town from this 5BD/2BA home. New roof, siding, windows and flooring. **\$200,000**
767 12th St. - Two-story, 2BD/1.5BA Townhouse, well-kept and tastefully remodeled. Great fenced area for children or pets. **\$70,000**
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2601 White River Rd. - Brand new 3BD/2BA home with attached garage. 3.22 acres just south of the golf course. Price Reduced: **\$299,900**
8505 RBC Rd. 8 - Lovely up river home on 1.76 acres. Nice views, fenced yard and year round access. Price Reduced: **\$258,000**
346 N. Cross L Dr. - Adorable 3BD/2BA stucco home on 3 acres. Only minutes from town, miles of views. Price Reduced: **\$269,900**
519 Rim Rock Dr. - 4BD/2BA home on five acres, nice open floor plan with large family room, new carpet, and a new roof. Just a short distance from town, with outstanding views. **\$198,000**

RANCH PROPERTY
River Ranch on Yampa: 63322 W Hwy. 40 - 128.68 acres with over a mile of Yampa River frontage, senior water rights, partial mineral rights, and a beautiful 5BD/4BA home, plus a 2,160 sq ft metal barn. Perfect for a cattle ranch headquarters or an equestrian retreat. **\$1,250,000**
NEW Baker's Peak Vista Ranch: 2113 County Road 70, Craig - 506± acres with 10cfs water rights, gravity flow sprinkler system or flood irrigation. Currently hay. Future expansion for grain possible. Several outbuildings and a domestic well in place. BLM and State land on three sides. **\$1,250,000**

Great hunting area with Baker's Peak and Black Mountain a short distance away. Elk, mule deer and pronghorn. **1,300,000**
NEW Four Springs Ranch: 60401 US Hwy 40 - 343.98± acres with Yampa River frontage, water rights, and beautiful pastures. 1596 sq ft remodeled ranch house, barn, equipment shed, numerous buildings and corrals. Mixed grasses, alfalfa and clover pastures. Current owner raises cattle, horses, and sheep. Great Ranch set-up in the perfect location. **\$1,250,000**

VACANT LAND
3 Acres in Cross L Estates - Located west of Meeker in a quiet subdivision. Enjoy 360-degree views of the White River Valley. **\$69,500.**
37 Vacant Lots - Sanderson Hills Subdivision. Located on the northwest side of the subdivision. **\$29,000 each or \$25,000 each in packages of 5 lots.**
459 Cross L Dr. - 3 acres in Cross L Estates, good building location on corner lot. **\$80,000**
NEW 49 Acre Lot - off Highway 13 at Mile Marker 24 for **\$55,000**
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2 Lots on Silver Sage Rd. - Sage Hills. **\$45,000** for both.
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COMMERCIAL PROPERTY
NEW Gravel Pit for Sale - WRC Wet Pit is located about 20 miles west of Meeker, containing approximately 110 acres, water rights, and an estimated 1,500,000 tons of gravel ready for extraction. **\$1,500,000**
680 Water St. - Playa del Rio Apartments sits on 4 lots, feature 19 apartment units, 17 storage units, off street parking and park area. Buy before the market booms! **\$950,000**

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HOMES IN MEEKER ...

NEW 1109 Park Ave. - 2 BR, 1 BA, 1,600 sq ft home on a corner lot, with a shed/work shop. Needs some work. \$59,000.
***1266 Cleveland-** 3BR, 2BA home on a quiet street. Detached garage, beautifully remodeled kitchen with S.S. appliances, updated bathrooms, A/C, fenced BACK yard. \$207,000.
***125 Main St.** - Lg corner lot with an impeccable 5 BR, 2.5 BA, 2 story home. Living room, dining room, family room, walk-in closets, large covered back patio, oversized 3 car garage, 2 kennels, beautiful yard. \$319,000.
***990 Main St.** - 3BR, 1.5 BA, log home w/attached 2 car garage. Updated and spotless. \$168,000 **REDUCED!**
***1111 Wall St.** - 3 BR, 2 BA one level home. Large master suite, storage shed. \$128,000 **SALE PENDING!**
***1134 Michael-** 3BR, 2-1/2 BA home, attached garage. Built in 2006. \$210,000. **SOLD!**
***660 3rd St.** - Older home on two lots in good location. Needs work. \$64,900. **SOLD!**

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***210 CR 75-** Papoose Creek Cabin in Forest Service lease land, log cabin, outhouse. \$55,000.
***29100 CR 8-** 12 Acres with River. 1,252 sq ft updated 3 BR, 2 BA cabin, borders BLM. \$529,000 **REDUCED!**
***6500 CR 7-** 2 Acres NW of Meeker. 2,592 sq ft updated home, 4 BR, 2 BA, fireplace, well. \$265,000. **REDUCED!**
***CR 8- 88 Acres** just east of Meeker. Hunting, dry land pasture, development potential. \$400,000 **REDUCED!**

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***109 Market St.-3+** lots on the corner of 1st & Market. Great location next to the Dollar Store \$250,000 **REDUCED!**

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***NEW 12924 CR 8-** 5 Acres with River, great fishing. Vacant land, good building site, 13 miles upriver, awesome views. \$149,000.
***NEW 8432 CR 15-** 7.5 Acres, 10 miles NE of Meeker. Great home site with a creek flowing through with great fishing, water well, pasture. \$175,000.
***NEW 8432 CR 15-** 18 Acres, 10 miles NE of Meeker. Great home site with a creek flowing through, great fishing and hunting, good pasture. \$185,000.
***5807 CR 7-** Vacant 20 acre parcel, 9 mi. North, on Strawberry Creek. Good home site & views. \$75,000.
***CR 8- 88 Acres** just east of Meeker. Hunting, dry land pasture, development potential. \$400,000 **REDUCED!**
***359 Love Lane-** 5 acres, Cross L Estates, Lot 13, great horse property, well. \$100,000.
***Little Beaver Estates-** 35 acre lot bordering DOW hunting land. Lot 11 - \$95,000.
***Little Beaver Estates-** 35 acre lot bordering Division of Wildlife public land. Lot 14. \$93,000 **REDUCED!**
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