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PROM IS APRIL 19 ...



Meeker High School prom was originally scheduled for April 26, but it was changed to April 19 when Temple Grandin was only available on that date for the second annual Ag and Business Summit in Meeker. In February, the date was set for April 19. On March 31, the date was moved up April 12. Students, parents and all heck broke loose with meetings last week on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. On Thursday, the 2014 Meeker High School Junior-Senior Prom was cast in stone for April 19 again.

MSD Board votes for four-day school week

By BOB LANGE

Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER I Come the fall of this year, Meeker School District (MSD) RE-1 will join Rifle, Rangely and at least 80 other Colorado school districts in adopting a four-day school week.

New board member Tom Allen reluctantly put forward a motion for the short school week and Bud Ridings said he reluctantly seconded the motion. On the second try, the board voted 4-3 to make the change. Bill deVergie and Marnell Bradfield joined Allen and Ridings in voting for the proposal with Mindy Burke, Kurt Blunt and Todd Shults voting against.

No new estimates for cost savings were given during the discussion, but MSD Superintendent Mark Meyer said he still thought the best estimate for cost savings would be \$70,000 per year.

The first time the four-day week came up during the meeting, it did not get a second and almost died. However, the board came back to the motion after some discussion and a plea from Meyer to make a decision either way the board voted.

In response to questions from board members, Meyer said that almost certainly the short day on Wednesday would be done away with and most school districts have elected to skip Friday instead of Monday. The

length of the school day and what day will be skipped will be decided later by the MSD calendar committee.

A study done on the four-day school week by Eastern New Mexico University found that 12 Colorado districts in the 1980s showed some gains and some losses and no clear evidence that student achievement suffered.

One study for rural districts in New York concluded that "the math behind a four-day week remains fuzzy." Most studies, including some national studies, don't show clear trends in academic achievement or cost savings.

A 2006 Colorado Department of Education (CDE) report came to sim-

ilar conclusions, but highlighted non-academic and non-fiscal benefits, such as more community and family time. The biggest disadvantage identified by studies was the longer school day, especially for the elementary grades. Most school districts have extended the school day from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

"Student attendance will become more important with the four-day week," said board member Marnell Bradfield. MSD currently has 1,061 hours of instruction at the elementary level, 1,115 at the middle school level and 1,127 at the high school level per year, Meyer said, adding that the calendar committee will determine how to achieve a similar

number of instructional hours in four days.

Board member Tom Allen was a teacher in the district when there was a four-day school week and he said that one of the unexpected benefits was the longer individual class times. Other board members brought up avoiding travel for sports cutting into class time and potential negative local business impacts due to the longer weekend.

Board member Kurt Blunt was concerned about impacts to working parents that would have to look for daycare. He thought this could, "impact the folks that are least able to cope with it."

Two members of the public spoke

against the proposal Tuesday night; one was a student who was concerned about the effectiveness of having longer school days and a parent who wondered if the savings will be worth it.

Since no public statement about the four-day week was made before Tuesday's MSD board meeting, Allen said he was worried about remaining transparent in fiscal decisions.

The MSD board voted to have another public meeting to talk about budget issues on May 8 at 6 p.m. in the Meeker High School Auditorium. The proposal to change the school week from five to four days is due to the Colorado Department of Education by May 9.

RIO BLANCO COUNTY FOLKS INVITED!

Livestock expert and autism advocate Temple Grandin to speak in Meeker April 26

By SEAN McMAHON

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MEEKER I A full day of fun, agricultural education and entertainment is on the slate for April 26, starting with the second annual Ag and Business Summit, in which a number of classes will touch on agricultural issues.

Following the morning and early afternoon of classes, the renowned Temple Grandin will be featured speaker at the summit, which will be held at Meeker High School. Saturday night is the annual After Birth Ball.

The Ag and Business Summit is organized by the Meeker Chamber of Commerce and the Meeker Friends of FFA Alumni.

The all-day summit, running from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., will provide 16 classes to choose from, covering a variety of topics related to agriculture, media and business.

A midday break will feature a "State of the Community" presentation and lunch provided by the FFA.

The summit will culminate with guest speaker Temple Grandin at 4 p.m.

Dr. Grandin is a designer of livestock-handling facilities and a professor of animal science at Colorado State University. Facilities she has designed are located in the United States,



COURTESY PHOTO

Temple Grandin, 66, called one of the most 100 most influential people in the world for her work with livestock handling equipment as well as one of the world's foremost experts on autism, will be part of the Ag and Business Summit in Meeker on April 26. The designer of most modern livestock handling equipment and author of many books on agriculture and autism, herself being autistic, currently teaches at Colorado State University in Fort Collins.

Canada, Europe, Mexico, Australia, New Zealand and other countries.

In North America, according to her website, almost half of the

cattle are handled in a center track restrainer system she designed for meat plants. Curved chute and race systems she has designed for cattle are used worldwide and her

writings on the flight zone and other principles of grazing animal behavior have helped many people to reduce stress on their animals during handling.

She has also developed an objective scoring system for assessing handling of cattle and pigs at meat plants. This scoring system is being used by many large corporations to improve animal welfare. Other areas of her research are: cattle temperament, environmental enrichment for pigs, reducing dark cutters and bruises, bull fertility, training procedures and effective stunning methods for cattle and pigs at meat plants.

She obtained her Bachelor of Arts degree at Franklin Pierce College and her Master of Science degree in animal science at Arizona State University. Dr. Grandin received her Ph.D. in animal science from the University of Illinois in 1989.

Today, she teaches courses on livestock behavior and facility design at Colorado State University in Fort Collins and consults with the livestock industry on facility design, livestock handling and animal welfare.

She has appeared on television shows such as "20/20," "48 Hours," "Larry King Live,"

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Meeker set to drop high school band and family sciences classes

By BOB LANGE

Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER I The Meeker School District RE-1 (MSD) Board of Trustees is considering not filling key teacher positions for music and consumer/family sciences.

During the April 1 meeting, the MSD board tabled a recommendation from Superintendent Mark Meyer to not fill the teaching positions, instead opting to delay changes until after a public meeting on May 8.

The teacher positions are being vacated due to the resignations of band director Bob Eggebraten and consumer and family science instructor Cortney Aldridge. The loss of the two positions would

effectively end the music program for the district and the family and consumer science program at the high school.

Of particular concern was the consumer/family science position, which is necessary for the Meeker FCCLA (Family, Career and Community Leaders of America) student organization. The Meeker chapter of FCCLA would not be able to operate without a certified teacher to lead the organization.

The FCCLA has experienced great success this year in state competitions, and nine of its students qualified in competition last weekend to go on to nationals.

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HEALTH FAIRS ...



STACY MARTIN

Brielle Lucero, 4, grins after registering for preschool and completing checkups at the Rio Blanco Board of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) Children's Health Fair on Friday in Rangely. More than 50 children attended the annual event, with Meeker's Children's Health Fair scheduled for Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Fairfield Center. Besides registering children for preschool, the staff checks children's weight, height, vision, hearing and immunization schedules with referrals made as needed for speech, language or occupational needs. Organizations scheduled to be at Meeker's health fair include Craig's Connections 4 Kids, Horizons Specialized Services of Northwest Colorado, Rangely District Hospital, the Colorado State Patrol and Colorado Northwestern Community's College's Dental Hygiene program. ChildFind screenings are available year around. For more information, call Rio Blanco BOCES at 675-2064 or Horizons at 878-3196.

Resurfacing parts of Highway 64 under way

Special to the Herald Times

RBC I Having begun Monday and lasting through June, the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) has started its resurfacing project on State Highway 64, near Rangely, between mile markers 28 and 38.

The work includes a 2-inch full-width overlay, shouldering, bridge deck improvements, guardrail improvements, striping, temporary traffic control and erosion control.

Work will take place Mondays through Fridays from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. with no weekend work.

Motorists can expect single lane closures throughout the duration of the project, with speeds reduced to 35 mph. It is anticipated that a pilot car will be utilized during the project to assist drivers with passage. Vehicle width restrictions will be in place.

CDOT would like to remind motorists to obey all road signs and flaggers and to drive "Slow for the

Cone" zones and note that traffic fines will be doubled within work zones.

The \$2.5 million project is contracted through the Old Castle United Cos.

If you have any questions or concerns, please leave a message on the project hotline at 970-281-7351 or email SH64Rangely@gmail.com. To receive real-time updates about road conditions in your area, visit www.coloradodot.info and click on the green cell phone icon in the upper right hand

corner of the page.

Information about weekly lane closures will be available at: www.coloradodot.info/travel/scheduled-lane-closures.html. Live road conditions are available at www.cotrip.org, by downloading the CDOT mobile app or by calling 511 from anywhere in the state.

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County livestock judging team off to great start

Special to the Herald Times

RBC I Rio Blanco livestock judging teams have traveled to two contests so far this year. They are off to a great start.

On March 14, 10 junior members, making up three teams, competed in Cortez at the Four Corners Ag Expo.

Team 1, made up of Macy Collins, Samantha Lapp and Kenzie Turner, placed first in the sheep, hog, cattle, placings, reasons and overall divisions. Team 2, made up of Kacie Lapp, Cole Rogers and Marryn Shults, placed third in sheep, fourth in beef, fourth in reasons and fourth overall. Team 3, made up of Jilly Baumgartner, Shauna Lapp, Hayden Shults and Kelton Turner, placed third in sheep and fifth in hogs.

The kids had a good showing individually, too and brought home a lot of prizes, including iTunes cards, garment bags, ribbons, sweatshirts, a buckle and a pair of boots.

Jilly placed ninth in sheep and seventh in hogs. Cole was 10th in sheep, eighth in beef, seventh in placings and ninth overall. Marryn placed seventh in sheep and seventh in reasons. Kenzie won first in sheep, third in hogs, 10th in beef, sixth in placings, third in reasons and fourth overall. Samantha placed ninth in hogs, second in beef, fifth in placings, fourth in reasons and third overall. Macy won fourth in sheep, second in hogs, first in beef, second in placings, first in reasons and first overall high individual.

The team celebrated its winnings with a Mexican dinner and visit to Mesa Verde on Saturday before heading home.

BLM still seeks input on county fuel reduction plan

Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER I Fire management officials with the Bureau of Land Management are now seeking public feedback on a proposed fuel reduction project in Rio Blanco and Garfield counties.

Public scoping began April 2 and the BLM will accept feedback through April 16 regarding this proposed project.

During scoping, the BLM is looking for feedback from the public regarding issues, impacts and potential alternatives that should be addressed in the Environmental Assessment. This is the first opportunity for the public to be involved in this EA, and the BLM plans for the preliminary EA to be available for public review and comment later this spring.

Specific information regarding the project is available online and at the White River Field Office, 220 East Market St., Meeker, CO 81641. The plan is available online at: www.blm.gov/co/st/en/fo/wrfo.html

The natural event of fire often improves wildlife habitat and reduces fuel loads. Vegetative fuel loads pose a safety risk to life and property when

After a week of good workouts during spring break, the team added some seniors and headed north to Casper College on March 29.

The senior team consisted of Ty Dunham, Madi Shults and Justin Mosher from the Tri-River 4-H team. The intermediate team was Jilly Baumgartner, Macy Collins, Samantha Lapp and Marryn Shults. We had one junior, Hayden Shults.

When we got there, we found out that the intermediates and juniors were not giving reasons. Since we had practiced hard on reasons the night before, we were allowed to "judge up" with the seniors and compete with the high school kids.

The kids had eight traditional classes and two keep/cull classes where they choose four females to keep using a scenario and data about the animals. They also gave four sets of reasons.

Hayden placed second in the junior division based on placings and answering questions about two classes. The intermediate team was fourth in reasons and seventh overall. Justin, Ty and Samantha got recognized for a high set of reasons, while Madi and Macy were recognized for two high sets from the officials.

Ty placed second in beef and eighth overall. Justin got eighth in hogs, second in sheep, third in reasons and fourth overall. Madi won fifth in sheep, first in beef, first in reasons and seventh overall. Macy placed fourth in hogs, 10th in sheep, fifth in beef, second in reasons and third overall. Ty, Madi, Justin and Macy all received an all-state point and tuition scholarships for their efforts.

unplanned fires occur. Fire management officials with the Northwest Colorado Fire Management Unit may use prescribed fire and mechanical equipment for this project. Some disturbed areas may be seeded when deemed necessary.

Public comments regarding this proposal will be most helpful to the BLM if received by April 16. Written comments will be accepted and can be mailed or emailed. To submit a mail comment, please address it to the White River Field Office, C/O Kyle Frary, 220 East Market St., Meeker, CO 81641. To submit a comment via email, please address it to kfrary@blm.gov.

Before including your address, phone number, email address or any other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment, including personal identifying information, may be made publicly available at any time. While individuals may request the BLM to withhold personal identifying information from public view, the BLM cannot guarantee it will be able to do so.

For more information, contact Kyle Frary, Acting Fire Management Specialist, at 970-878-3862.

LATEST JUDGING EVENT IN CORTEZ ...



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Members of the Rio Blanco Livestock Judging team show off some of the awards they have won in the past month from their competitions. In the back row, from left, are: Justin Mosher and Ty Dunham; middle row, from left: Samantha Lapp, Marryn Shults, Jilly Baumgartner, Macy Collins and Madi Shults; front row: Hayden Shults.

As work begins on tunnels west of Denver, I-70 project brings long-term partial closure

Special to the Herald Times

DENVER I Crews began closing lanes in both directions of I-70 near Idaho Springs last week as work began to shift eastbound I-70 traffic back onto the detour route around the tunnels.

This eastbound shift took place Tuesday, and on Wednesday, crews moved westbound I-70 traffic onto the eastbound side of the highway.

Now that both directions of I-70 are shifted and traffic is no longer moving through the westbound tunnel bore, crews began tunnel blasting and rock face blasting work. Blasting activities require stopping traffic in both directions and motorists can expect extended delays when this work occurs.

The blasting schedule for the

Westbound Twin Tunnels project will be aggressive and may cause heavy delays. Those traveling along the I-70 mountain corridor in both directions should anticipate longer travel times and plan accordingly.

CDOT encourages people to visit www.cotrip.org, call 511 and/or download to CDOT mobile app for updated traffic information. You can sign up for text or email updates for each closure for this and other projects by visiting www.coloradodot.info and clicking on the green cell phone icon. All scheduled lane closures can also be viewed at www.coloradodot.info/travel/scheduled-lane-closures.html.

Is it important to note that a detailed blasting schedule will not be included in the weekly lane closure report. In order to relay the most accu-

rate information, this report will be sent out daily via text and email alerts to those subscribed.

On blasting days, traffic will be stopped both directions for approximately 30 minutes. Following the 30 minute closure, traffic will be released for approximately 45 minutes. After that time, traffic will be stopped for 30 minutes followed by a 45 minute release throughout the day for crews to perform rock scaling.

This work is necessary to ensure the safety of the traveling public and also to keep the project on time as this is an aggressive construction schedule.

The Westbound I-70 Twin Tunnels project is part of a package of improvements designed to ease congestion on the I-70 mountain corridor. This \$55 million project will

widen the westbound tunnel bore in Idaho Springs to accommodate a future third westbound lane, but will not add a third highway lane at this time.

With resources still in place from the 2013 project that widened the eastbound tunnel, it is estimated that doing this work now will save up to \$7 million. The new tunnel is scheduled to open to traffic by the end of this year and project completion is scheduled for the summer of 2015, when restoration work is finished on County Road 314.

For more information, call 303-327-4034 or visit www.coloradodot.info/projects/i70tunnels. For current road and weather conditions you can also text CDOT to 25827 or download the CDOT mobile application to your smartphone.

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There is some financial support for the consumer and family science teaching position from the state of Colorado. The board asked if it may be possible to offer a part-time position with the certification, but difficulty would be to find a certified teacher willing to do a part-time position. No specific costs were discussed and prospects don't look promising for continuing the program without filling the full-time teaching position.

There was also great concern about losing the music program.

Band director Eggebraten has worked hard to build a good music program over the last five years, culminating in the high school band. Eggebraten teaches classes in all three schools and many of the band members started on band instruments with Eggebraten in junior high.

Certainly the loss of seasonal concerts and the opportunity for music education would be sorely missed as both programs have had very strong student and community support.

"What else are we going to do? We are broke," board president Bill deVergie said. Although very little is certain about MSD's fiscal condition, deVergie said that even with the mill levy override's successful passing this fall, he expects next year's budget will be \$300,000 to \$400,000 short.

In other personnel matters, MHS Spanish teacher Marla Lee's probationary contract was not renewed for next year. No reason was given.

Superintendent Meyer said the Spanish teaching position will need to be filled before next fall, and the board also voted to add a third-grade teacher for next year due to an expected class size of 67 students.

MSD budget decisions are likely to continue to be focused on personnel since 74 percent of MSD's budget is salaries.

Meyer said changes in teaching positions are being done through attrition, and that is the only way the MSD is considering program changes.

ENGAGEMENT ...



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Roxy Taylor along with Mike and Lisa Cook are excited to announce the marriage of their children, Nicholas Robert Cook and Lindsey Marie Taylor. After a two-and-a-half-year engagement and the birth of their beautiful daughter, Aubree Sofia Cook, on Aug. 2, 2013, they will be joining hands in marriage on July 19, 2014, here in Meeker, Colo.

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Softball Dates:

Skills Evaluations at Paintbrush Park:

- 8-10 year olds: May 19 at 6pm, Parent meeting at 6:45pm
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RHS senior Tessa Slagle represents state in D.C.; learns Washington ways

By **HEATHER ZADRA**
Special to the Herald Times

RANGELY Rangely High School senior Tessa Slagle, one of two Colorado delegates chosen for the 2014 U.S. Senate Youth Program (USSYP), returned last month from "Washington Week," part of a national initiative aimed at helping students understand the inner workings of the U.S. government and to encourage careers in public service.

The program, begun by the U.S. Senate in 1962 and funded by the Hearst Foundations, gave 2014 USSYP delegates a \$5,000 college scholarship and experiences ranging from touring the White House and meeting President Obama to participating in an hour-long session with U.S. Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia.

Throughout the week, delegates heard from NASA Administrator Charles Bolden, Jr. before Skyping with members of the International Space Station; they ate dinner in the National Archives Rotunda, which houses the U.S. Constitution, the Declaration of Independence and the Bill of Rights; and they spoke with approximately 70 representatives and congressional leaders.

"It was just so overwhelming," Slagle said. "There was so much to take in... Each (speaker) had important things to say, but, in the end, it's probably meeting the president or Justice Scalia that stands out the most."

President Obama seemed "stressed and tired," Slagle said, although he answered questions and simply advised them, "Don't be critical."

Justice Scalia discussed the importance of structure in government functioning effectively and told the delegates, "Everything you do, do perfectly."

"He was saying to choose one thing you love and give it everything you have," Slagle said.

To be eligible to apply for a USSYP delegate slot, high school juniors or seniors must hold an elected position in an educational or civic organization. In addition to filing applications, students may also undergo a rigorous interview and

public affairs exam process. They generally rank academically in the top 1 percent in their states.

Of the 104 delegates who attended this year's Washington Week, Slagle said, several held perfect ACT scores with a majority planning to attend military academies or Ivy League schools, many on full scholarships. During Washington Week, fellow Colorado delegate Chinmay Pandit of Fort Collins' Fossil Ridge High School learned he had won the Boettcher Scholarship, which pays for four years of undergraduate education at any four-year Colorado college or university.

"All of the kids were really good students; they all had a lot of ambition," Slagle said. "Being with them all week helped me see there are a lot of kids out there who work hard and have bright futures. I learned the most from the other delegates. They all had so much going for them."

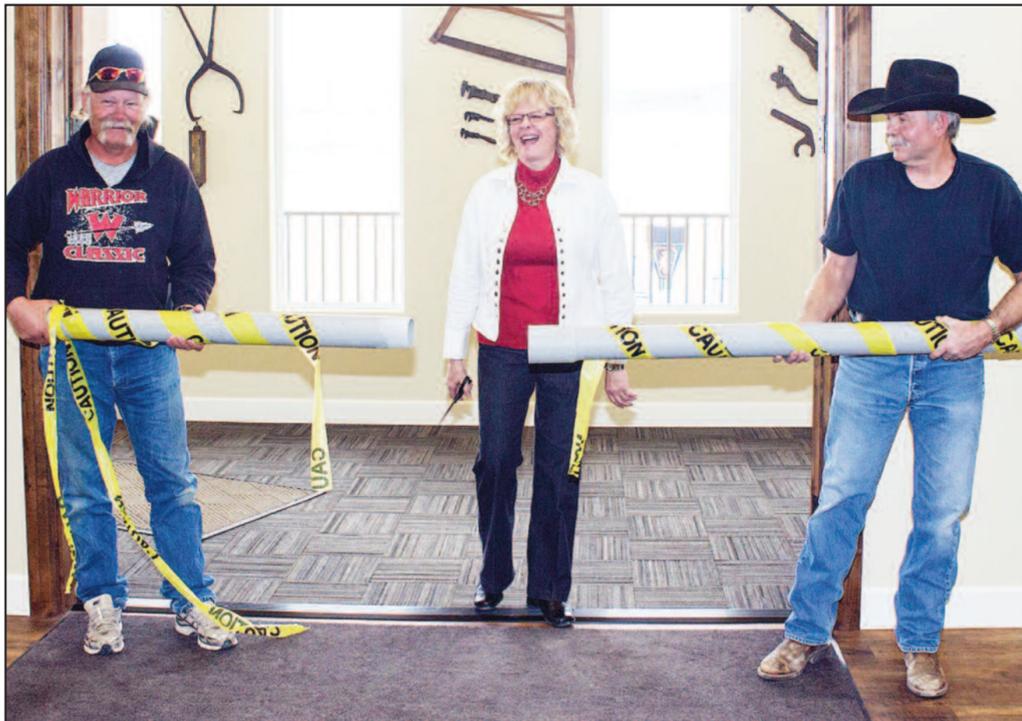
Slagle's goal of attending the University of Colorado or Colorado Mesa University to pursue a political science degree, then go to law school to specialize in water law, was strengthened by meeting U.S. Rep. Cory Gardner, who was raised in Yuma, Colo., and who was a USSYP delegate in 1993.

"It was just really cool to be able to connect with someone from Colorado who lived in a small town," said Slagle, who introduced Gardner to the delegates before he spoke to the group. "He was raised on a farm, and he said, 'Even a farm boy can make it on Capitol Hill or even be president.' He said to start locally and work your way up from there."

Although Slagle hopes to work in and for the same kind of small town she's lived in all her life, she says Washington Week has opened her eyes to the potential she and others have to excel in public leadership and service.

"We learned that all it takes is passion and the love you have for your country," she said. "We also learned we need to have relationships to build support."

Slagle will attend a meeting of the Colorado Board of Education this week to formally thank them for selecting her as a USSYP delegate.



PIPE CUTTING

W.C. Striegel, Inc., hosted an open house and its own version of a ribbon-cutting ceremony in its new offices in Rangely on Friday. More than 200 people attended to tour the three-story building completed at the beginning of January. From left are: W.C. Striegel, Inc. vice president Deven Striegel; secretary/treasurer Teri Wilczek; and president Bill Willis, who "cut the pipe" in tribute to the oil and gas pipeline work the company does. "We're not ribbon people," Wilczek said. "We're pipe people."

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Tessa Slagle, right, a senior at Rangely High School, meets with Colorado's U.S. Sen. Michael Bennett, left, outside of the U.S. Supreme Court in Washington D.C. during a week spent in the nation's capitol as one of two Colorado students chosen for a U.S. Senate-sponsored program to acquaint students with the workings of the federal government. At center is high school senior Chinmay Pandit of Fort Collins.

GRAVESIDE MEMORIAL

Clayton A. Carstens passed away on December 13, 2013. A graveside memorial will be held in his honor at 11:00 a.m. on April 18, 2014, at the Meeker Cemetery.



FROM MY WINDOW...

RBCHS seeks young blood; prom a mess; Grandin a coup

By SEAN McMAHON
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Looking out the ol' back window, last week was a crazy time.

And since the look is a retrospective, we'll start with the most recent and work back.

Sunday afternoon offered a pleasant lunch, business meeting and historic presentation with the Rio Blanco County Historical Society.

The presentation, which was broken into three skits, took a look at the romantic life of teachers early in the 1900s, when teachers were transported into the area from much farther east. Obviously, these young ladies, each with a full education, were single, and it was obvious that the new blood would attract a wide array of new suitors.

While the presentations were most entertaining, a more important issue cropped up at my table, and that is the average age of the members of the historical society.

"It is really important that we keep our history alive and interesting," one woman said. "But there is no other way to say it than we are all dying off. We need some new blood in this group and we need to find a way to bring some younger folks into the group."

There were a few younger members at the presentation, perhaps six or seven who were clearly under 50 years of age. But as the same woman said, "We may not want to admit it but we are all basically a bunch of white-haired and blue-haired old ladies with a few men thrown in. We need help."

There are currently 120 members

in the historical society, and they are an incredibly active group year-round. The group meets on the fourth Tuesday of the month at the museum, and is open to anyone who wishes to help out in the endeavor of preserving area history, promoting area history and, in some cases, reliving area history.

Two of the projects set for this year are a cleanup of the old garrison, keeping the old garrison in operation and then building a large, beautiful gazebo at the Milk Creek Battlefield Park.

The hope is to obtain a grant from the Freeman E. Fairfield Trust to cover lighting for the new



Wilderness Exhibit scheduled from June to August in collaboration with the 50th anniversary of the Wilderness Act and our Flattops Wilderness.

Besides the gazebo, the final steps to complete the Milk Creek Memorial Park with signage is in process, and a grant for \$5,000 is also being sought for that project along with individual donations, reaching a goal of \$25,000.

Content is also being added continually to the website serving the historical society and the White River Museum. So far this year, the site has had 27,532 hits, 665 new visitors and 10,459 page views.

The RBCHS also has an ambitious schedule of activities lined out for the summer, running from June to October. Activities after Sunday's presentation on rural school histories

include: June 7 for Old Timers' Reunion; June History Camp for Young People; June 29 for Music in Rio Blanco County; July 4 for the annual Range Call and Bank Robbery Re-enactment; July 19 for Community Appreciation Day (with pioneer demonstrations); Sept. 3 for the International Sheepdog Trials; and Oct. 5 for the History of Natural Resources.

There are a number of other activities planned, including work to improve lighting at the museum, maintaining an exhibit at Mountain Valley Bank, working to add membership and maintaining an exhibit on display at the Museum of Western Colorado in Grand Junction through at least May 3.

The direct goals for 2014 include adding an educational kiosk at Milk Creek Battlefield Park, to archive collections with photos and description for the new website, edit and archive video oral history already captured, initiate themed tours and events at the museum, complete the lighting and exhibit project (Phase 3, Room 7), acquire adjoining building for expansion and a research center, register the museum complex for historic preservation, and to initiate a youth intern program.

Needless to say, the group is ambitious, dedicated and, I found, most welcoming to anyone who is interested in their cause of area history and preserving such.

The group made it pretty clear they are looking for younger members — from interested teenagers and young adults to others of any adult age.

The Meeker area and all of Rio Blanco County have quite interesting historic pasts from the days of the dinosaurs and fossil fuels to the days of the settling of the surrounding valleys and the Old West.

If any of this sounds interesting to you, why not stop in the next meeting of the Rio Blanco County Historical Society, and you will find out that the involvement will be most appreciated, most interesting and involves more than the RBCHS' famous root beer floats.

have stood up to the powers-that-be like many of these MHS juniors and seniors did — pointing out how difficult a change of dates with nine school days remaining before the prom would have been.

Another sad experience at the Thursday meeting was the "set of rules" established at the meeting, leading several adults to say they felt like they were treated as 4-year-olds or kindergartners.

And one subject that really never did get answered was why the words of "a priest, a pastor and roughly eight parents" caused a change of date in the first place.

As Rio Blanco County Commissioner Shawn Bolton stated, "There is no room here for the church to enter into the issue. There is a constitutional separation of church and state, and it is not only wrong what happened here, it is illegal."

After attempts were made to separate the MHS activities and prom committees into "a fishbowl full of fish" working on the solution so they could come up with a date, someone in the audience stood up and said, "Forget the fishbowl thing; let's vote on a date." Ibach asked all in the room if that is the way they wanted to proceed. All said it was.

With the exception of Ibach, who didn't vote because she was "facilitator" for the meeting, every single person in the room voted to reset the date back to April 19.

Prom will be held April 19, decided after nearly a week of activities that should never have occurred in the first place.

Meeker School Board member Todd Shults made the statement during the meeting that, "I am convinced by this entire thing that we have lost the confidence of the people of Meeker. And now we, as a board, are looking at going out and asking again for a tax override. We are going to have a problem. We have to do something to get the confidence of the people back."

What a coup it was for the Meeker Chamber of Commerce and the Friends of the Meeker FFA Alumni to bring Temple Grandin to Meeker as part of the Second Annual Ag/Business Summit on April 26.

When I was told about it, my nose kind of scrunched up. Who? I had heard the name. I knew she was famous for something. That's about it.

Then trusty Google came into use and I discovered the computer is filled with information about the woman who was born autistic and went on to and continues to do great things in the realm of livestock handling as well as autism.

Simply put, Grandin, now a part of the agriculture college at Colorado State University, is a genius. She is the foremost expert on dealing with all aspects of livestock as well as a leader in the world of working with autism.

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Another view on party assemblies

Dear Editor:
We would like to offer some clarifying comments concerning county party assemblies in connection with last week's "From My Window" column.

County assemblies were held in all 64 Colorado counties as required by state election law in Part 6 of Article 4, Title 1 of the Colorado Revised Statutes. Four of the 64 counties have adopted home rule charters, so processes differ somewhat. At least one of them, the city and county of Broomfield, fills some of their offices by appointment by their council.

Our county assembly process begins with the election of delegates and alternates from attendees at the precinct party caucuses in March, an open process in which any registered elector may choose to participate.

The representatives from each precinct commit to attending the assembly, listening to the candidates and casting a vote for their choice. Historically, at the county level, only when there are three or more candidates for one office does a candidate fail to receive the required 30 percent to be placed on the primary ballot by assembly for their party.

There are options for candidates outside of the party assembly process which include circulating and filing a candidate petition. Our current District I County Commissioner

(Shawn Bolton) petitioned onto the ballot via party petition in 2010 along with several other candidates. Unaffiliated candidates also have the option to petition on the General Election ballot.

Failure to follow state statute and party rules is not an option for the Primary Election, which is essentially a run-off election within each party. The assembly process is simply one method to be placed on the Primary Election ballot.

The winning Primary Election candidate, who may have been placed on the ballot by assembly or party petition, is then nominated to represent the party on the General Election ballot and will go up against opposing party candidates and unaffiliated candidates.

The public needs to be aware that both party chairmen and the county clerk are committed to assisting candidates in their quest for public service. The participants in Saturday's assemblies who devoted their time to the candidates and process openly expressed their desire to see all willing candidates placed on the primary ballot — and that is exactly what happened.

Dave Smith
Republican Party Chairman
Joe Dungan
Former Democratic Party Chairman
Nancy R. Amick
Rio Blanco County Clerk

Thanks from Harlem Ambassadors

Dear Editor:
On March 24, the Rangely Area Chamber of Commerce hosted the Harlem Ambassadors professional show basketball team for a night of high-flying slam dunks, hilarious comedy and feel-good family entertainment.

The Harlem Ambassadors would like to extend a special thank you to event organizer Kristin Steele, who planned and promoted the game. The Rangely All-Stars proved to be an energetic and enthusiastic challenging team and we thank all of the players for their good sportsmanship.

The event would not have been possible without the support and generosity of local community sponsors, the Rangely Area Chamber of Commerce members, and the event volunteers.

The Harlem Ambassadors thank the community of Rangely for its warm hospitality and look forward to returning to Rangely in the future!

Dale Moss
President
Harlem Ambassadors
Fort Collins, Colo.

GUEST EDITORIAL

Udall and Tipton work toward making Monument into park

Special to the Herald Times

DENVER I U.S. Sen. Mark Udall and U.S. Rep. Scott Tipton unveiled a bipartisan proposal last week — stemming from their years-long discussion with Mesa County residents, businesses and leaders — to re-designate Colorado National Monument as a national park.

The community-driven recommendations, developed by a committee the lawmakers assembled in June 2013, reflect local residents' and stakeholders' concerns and interests about a possible re-designation.

"From Colorado's earliest days, when John Otto first proposed making the Colorado National Monument a park, through today, Mesa County has discussed making these iconic red rock canyons a national park," said Udall, chairman of the U.S. Senate National Parks Subcommittee. "I have been proud to lead this community-

driven process with Congressman Tipton, and this proposal reflects the ideas and concerns of local leaders, businesses and residents.

"I strongly urge local residents, businesses and stakeholders to study this proposal and provide us feedback," he said. "This step will hopefully provide us with a bipartisan, common-sense way forward to honor John Otto's original vision for the Colorado National Monument."

"The Colorado National Monument is one of Colorado's most scenic natural wonders and plays an important role in the lives of all who are blessed to live in the Mesa County region," Tipton said. "When it comes to our public lands, the monument included, I believe that any possible change in designation or management should be done through a bottom-up process, driven by community support and broad consensus.

"To be clear, I have not drafted a

bill in the House of Representatives to change the designation of the Colorado National Monument. Any potential legislation to change that status of the monument first must be community-driven and locally supported. I look forward to the community's comments and ideas on the committee's recommendations, and will take them into careful consideration as we determine what's next."

"The committee members were honored to represent the citizens of Mesa County for this very important task," said Ginny McBride on behalf of the Drafting Committee. "This proposal is the product of much discussion and compromise. We look forward to hearing the feedback of the broader community."

The release of this proposal follows nearly a year of work by the drafting committee and more than a year's worth of work by the Colorado National Monument working group.

WINDOW: Congrats to RMEF

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Ms. Grandin's story is featured on the front page of today's edition of the Herald Times. Perhaps as you read more about her, the more impressed you will be and the more information about her you will seek.

Rio Blanco County is very fortunate to have Temple Grandin coming here on April 26, and her appearance should prove to be entertaining, informative and interesting. This is one of those can't-miss activities. Hope to see you there.

quiet and posted a net profit of \$50,000 for the foundation and local projects.

The Rocky Mountain Elks Foundation spends millions of dollars each year throughout the West improving habitat for not only elk, but for a myriad of critters out there from big game to wetland habitat for fish and fowl.

To raise that amount of money in such a small town as Meeker is almost unheard of. Those with the local chapter as well as those who took part in the banquet and auctions should be most proud.

Congratulations to the Meeker chapter of the Rocky Mountain Elks Foundation, which raised roughly \$81,000 at Saturday's annual banquet.

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Our Holy God (4)
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HOLY, holy, holy, is the LORD of hosts (Is. 6:3). The prominence of God's holiness is a stunning feature of Scripture. He is called "the Holy One" some 50 times, and we read of His "holy name" another 20 times. The particulars of His holiness are equally sobering. It is manifested first in His detesting of sin

(2) In His delight of righteousness. "The way of the wicked is an abomination unto the Lord; but he loveth him that followeth after righteousness (Prov. 15:9, emphasis added). Think of this truth in light of John 3:16, of which William Evans beautifully writes: "Here God's holiness is seen in that He loves righteousness in the life of His children to such a degree that He gave His only begotten Son to secure it. The cross shows how much God loves holiness. The cross stands for God's holiness before even His love. For Christ died not merely for our sins, but in order that He might provide us with that righteousness of life which God loves." Yes, Christ died for us because He loved us, but He died first and foremost because God is holy and wants us to be holy.

(3) In His doing of nothing wicked. After all we have seen, this is apparent. "Far be it from God, that he should do wickedness; and from the Almighty, that he should commit iniquity" (Job 34:10). "Far be it" is a single word in the Hebrew (*haliylah*), an adversative interjection of strong emotion, let it never be.

(4) In His distinguishing Himself apart from sinful man. A vivid manifestation of God's holiness is that it demands He be separate from sinful man. This is first evident in the OT (e.g., 2 Sam. 6:6-7; Is. 59:1-2). The entire

Mosaic system, in fact, taught this primary truth of God's unapproachable holiness because of man's abominable sinfulness. It all underscored the fact that God is holy while man is defiled. This principle is also evident in the NT (e.g., Jn. 14:6; Eph. 2:13; Heb. 9:22). All approach to God is on the ground of shed blood. Why? Because God is holy and sin must be removed before we can come into His presence.

(5) In His destruction of sinful men. "The wages of sin is death" (Rom 6:23). Why? Again, because God is holy. If He does not destroy sin and those who commit it, He violates His character. John 3:16 comes into focus again. Why do we perish? Because we are sinners who are in violation of God's holiness. The cross was a symbol of God's holiness, and if we reject that holiness, we perish.

(6) In His deliverance of man from his own sinfulness. Let us ponder one last time: God's holiness demands holiness from man. So holy is He that He must see holiness in others. Therefore, this holiness demands that He impart holiness to those who have none. And where did he impart that needed holiness?—at the glorious cross of Jesus Christ.

Scriptures for Study: What is the purpose of salvation, according to verses such as Ephesians 1:4, 2:10, and Titus 2:11-12?

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MHS FCCLA: Nine to nationals

Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER | The Meeker FCCLA program is considered one of the premier programs in Colorado, and it lived up to its reputation at the weekend's State Leadership Conference.

Of the 18 students who competed, nine were chosen to represent Colorado at the National Leadership Conference in San Antonio, Texas, in July.

In order to qualify for nationals, the students had to earn a gold medal, receiving a 90 percent or higher on their project and presentation, as well as take first or second place in their respective categories.

Those who qualified for nationals include: Stephany Joos (1st place, gold), Anthony Watt (1st place, gold), Kinzy Burke (1st place, gold), Linda Lombardi and Faith Goedert (1st place, gold), Caitlyn Shepherd (2nd place, gold)

and Halle Ahrens, Peyton Burke and Reese Pertile (2nd place, gold).

Other placings at the competition include; Aly Ridings (gold medal), Pedro Cepeda (gold medal), Jenna Walsh and Anna Walsh (silver medal), Lisa Lombardi (silver medal), Shelby Burke and McKenna Kummer (silver medal) and Ohana Mataia and Linda Olivias (bronze medal).

The state competition requires students to complete a project that relates to family and consumer sciences and focuses on how they can make a difference in their school, family and community.

These students spent all school year preparing their projects in order to be successful in the highly competitive conference.

Instructor Corney Aldridge said, "Congratulations to each of the students for their hard work, and to the program for its continued standard of excellence throughout the past 28 years."



18 MHS students competed at state: nine head to nationals in July in San Antonio, Texas.

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GRANDIN: Top 100 most influential in the world

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"PrimeTime Live," "60 Minutes," "The Today Show" and many shows in other countries. She has been featured in People Magazine, the New York Times, Forbes, U.S. News and World Report, Time Magazine, the New York Times book review, and

Discover magazine.

In 2010, Time Magazine named her one of the 100 most influential people on earth. Interviews with Dr. Grandin have been broadcast on National Public Radio and she has a 2010 TED lecture titled "The World Needs ALL Kinds of Minds." She has also authored more than 400 articles in both scientific journals and livestock periodicals on animal handling, welfare and facility design. She is the author of "Thinking in Pictures," "Livestock Handling and Transport," "Genetics and the Behavior of Domestic Animals," and "Humane Livestock Handling."

Her books "Animals in Translation" and "Animals Make Us Human" were both on the New York Times best seller list. "Animals Make Us Human" was also on the Canadian

best seller list.

Her life story has also been made into an HBO movie titled "Temple Grandin," starring Claire Danes, which won seven Emmy awards and a Golden Globe. The movie shows her life as a teenager and how she started her career.

Regarding autism, it is said, "If algebra had been a required course for college graduation in 1967, there would be no Temple Grandin."

"I probably would have been a handyman, fixing toilets at some apartment building somewhere," said Grandin, 66. "I can't do algebra. It makes no sense. Why does algebra have to be the gateway to all the other mathematics?"

Fortunately, the academic trend in the late 1960s was finite math, a course Grandin passed with the help of tutors and devoted study, satisfying her college math requirement.

Grandin didn't talk until she was three and a half years old, communicating her frustration instead by screaming, peeping and humming. In 1950, she was diagnosed with autism and her parents were told she should be institutionalized.

She tells her story of "groping her way from the far side of darkness" in her book "Emergence: Labeled Autistic," a book that stunned the world because, until its publication,

most professionals and parents assumed that an autism diagnosis was virtually a death sentence to achievement or productivity in life.

Grandin writes and speaks on the subject of autism because "I have read enough to know that there are still many parents, and yes, professionals too, who believe that 'once autistic, always autistic.' This dictum has meant sad and sorry lives for many children diagnosed, as I was in early life, as autistic. To these people, it is incomprehensible that the characteristics of autism can be modified and controlled. However, I feel strongly that I am living proof that they can."

Even though she was considered "weird" in her young school years, she eventually found a mentor who recognized her interests and abilities.

Dr. Grandin later developed her talents into a successful career as a livestock-handling equipment designer, one of very few in the world.

She has now designed the facilities in which half the cattle are handled in the United States.

Temple Grandin is now the most accomplished and well-known adult with autism in the world.

Tickets can also be purchased at the Meeker Chamber of Commerce. Adults are \$10, ages 4-12 are \$5 and children 3 and under are free.

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Want to save sage grouse? Save the sagebrush

By **PETER PEARSALL**
Writers on the Range
Special to the Herald Times

THE WEST I High in the Desatoya Mountains east of Fallon, Nev., and just east of Route 50, famously dubbed “The Loneliest Road in America” by Life Magazine in 1986, a curious congregation gathers in the predawn light.

It is a congregation made up of two parts: one, of sage grouse, preparing to strut their stuff in the frost-kissed sagebrush; the other, of humans, huddled in or near their cars. The people have swaddled themselves in gloves and fleece against the early-morning cold. They peer intently through binoculars and spotting scopes, murmuring, counting birds. The two groups coexist, mainly because the humans stay way back, and the birds stay focused on their courtship revue.

The birds’ ritual has played out in the Great Basin since time immemorial. For the birds, known to science as *Centrocercus urophasianus*, or greater sage grouse, the gathering, called a lek, is instinctual. The white-ruffed, golden-browed males are obeying an innate drive to gather and flounce and puff up their chests. These communal displays occur out in the open, on clearings to which the birds return year after year. The males hope to attract a mate, passing along their genes for posterity.

For the biologists and volunteers, some of whom got up at 2 a.m., being here is something more akin to stewardship, to conservation of a dying art. They gather to observe and document this springtime rite because it is, in the words of naturalist Fred A. Ryser Jr., “one of the most stirring and colorful natural history pageants in



Two male sage grouse perform the traditional “dance” to attract mates.

COURTESY PHOTO

the Great Basin.”

The sun creeps up over the snow-capped range to the east, turning icy sagebrush limbs to glitter. A lone pronghorn pauses mid-chew, watching the humans watching the birds. Separated by hundreds of yards, the two groups quietly await the light’s liquid advance across the valley.

The warming effect is electrifying. Suddenly, the place comes alive; there is a sound like champagne corks popping in the distance, a flurry of activity at the scopes toward the lek.

Kim Toulouse, volunteer project coordinator for the Nevada Department of Wildlife, keeps the 20 or so humans ruly. “Shhh! Do you hear that?” He directs their ears to a far-off popping, the sound of the birds’ esophageal sacs being rapidly compressed as the males, stiff-backed with wings spread and tails splayed,

puff out their chests.

“It’s like an old-school percolator going off: bloink, bloink, bloink,” he says.

Because they occur every spring, leks provide biologists with reliable, easily gathered data on sage grouse densities. A proposal to list certain populations of sage grouse as endangered has prompted renewed interest in its status and available habitat. However, there is considerable pressure against a listing from ranchers, miners, oil and natural gas developers; even Nevada’s Department of Wildlife is opposed.

This is high-stakes conservation, with economic implications.

The bird’s current range spans 11 states, including Colorado, and two Canadian provinces, covering more than 250,000 square miles. In Nevada alone, in 15 of the state’s 17 counties,

there are more than 30,000 square miles of potential habitat: scrub steppe between 4,000 and 9,000 feet in elevation, covered in the necessary sagebrush and sufficiently undeveloped.

There’s lots of sage here, and not an insignificant number of grouse. Nevadans still hunt them every fall. So it comes as little surprise that sage grouse numbers have been monitored in this state for some time now. State biologists have kept records since the 1940s, and over the last nine years, the agency and its partners (along with hundreds of volunteers) have surveyed more than 700 leks a year, 314 of which were active sites.

Their findings? Sage grouse populations in Nevada have been declining since 2001, largely as a result of

increased fire activity. Fires from 1999 to 2007 burned 2.6 million acres of prime sage grouse habitat, affecting 40 percent of the active leks in the state.

Other stressors include residential expansion, encroachment by juniper and piñon (the birds don’t much like trees), and, dismayingly, energy development.

The grouse are sagebrush obligates, says Shawn Espinosa, wildlife staff specialist for the state, meaning that they cannot exist without it. So if you want to save the sage grouse, the West’s latest embattled bird, you have to save the sagebrush. A whole lot of it, potentially: 250,000 square miles, a veritable ocean of sage.

But saving sagebrush is not likely to garner support — not out West. Not when there are more profitable things to do with the land. That notion’s been losing traction since the early 19th century.

It’s a tough battle for these stirring, colorful birds.

Peter Pearsall is a contributor to Writers on the Range, a service of High Country News (hcn.org). He splits his time between northern Nevada and Seattle.

MHS Drama Club, ITST to present ‘FAME’ in May

MEEKER I The Meeker High School Drama Club and International Thespian Society Troupe 1284 will proudly present the Broadway Musical “FAME” at the Meeker High School Auditorium on an undetermined date in May.

“FAME” is based on the popular 1970s television and motion picture series about a New York City high school for the performing arts. It follows the lives and career aspirations of the teen-aged students who follow various career tracks in music, dance and acting and similar pursuits with future aspirations of Broadway careers, prestigious music conservatories and lifelong ambitions.

The challenges of a performing arts career include strong competitions for leading roles and key positions in those career pursuits, the heartbreak of losing a coveted role or starring position and the joy and exultation of landing a key role.

“FAME” tells the story of several students who attend New York City’s High School of Performing Arts, among them fame-obsessed Carmen, ambitious actress Serena, wisecracking comedian Joe, quiet saintly violinist Schlomo and “talented but dyslexic” dancer Tyrone.

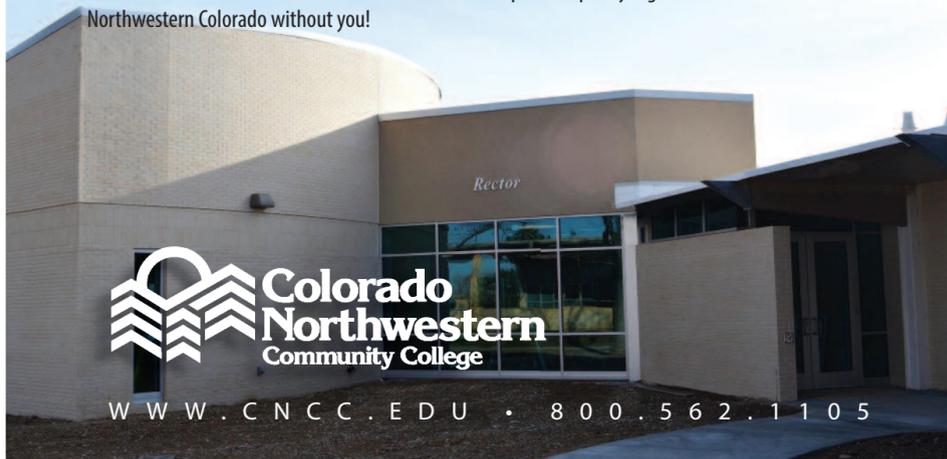
The performance is also hilarious in highlighting the humor of the faculty members and students and the colorful personalities and emotions that accompany the gifted and talented students who aspire to very competitive performing arts positions.

Veteran MHS Drama Club members will portray the various roles with their usual humorous aplomb and creativity.

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MEEKER The annual After Birth Ball, celebrating the end of the stock birthing season, will be held April 26 at the Fairfield Center, 200 Main St., in Meeker.

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The band Already Gone will play at the dance.

Dinner tickets are available now from the Meeker Chamber of Commerce. They are priced at \$35 per person, \$15 for kids aged 10 and under or \$350 for a table reserved for 10.

A silent auction will be held throughout the event and there will also be live auction items as well as an FFA Hired Hands Auction. All proceeds will support the FFA and ag education.

Look for a flyer in today's edition of the *Herald Times*.

Early local teachers came to RBC for work, found love

By HALLIE BLUNT
Special to the *Herald Times*

MEEKER The Rio Blanco County Historical Society and its Rural School Committee teamed with the Meeker Arts and Culture Council Sunday, April 6, to portray "Rural School Days," a fun and informative historic presentation.

The presentation took place at Kilowatt Korner, located on the northwest corner of Market and Sixth streets in Meeker.

Everyone has heard of "the three Rs" — reading, writing and arithmetic — but the fourth may be for romance. Sunday, those in attendance heard some fun romantic stories about the early rural school teachers.

These tenacious women took on the duties of educating children in a time when the job of a teacher went far beyond simply ensuring their students knew the basics of reading, writing and arithmetic. Their classes included children of all ages from around the designated areas. Teachers were often required to board with area families, arrive at school early to start the fire, or even prepare a warm meal for students.

They were in charge of every-

thing from social gatherings to school performances to walking students home. The teachers came from across the United States with the lure of up to a \$100 per month salary compared to an average \$75 they were getting in some Eastern states.

Communities would get together, decide they needed a teacher and send for one. The young women (and sometimes men) would pack up their belongings and set out on what could be extremely long journeys via train and covered wagon to their remote destinations. They perhaps knew they would be a great attraction for the single men in the area and the courting stories are as much a part of the history as the journey itself.

For instance, the lure of land attracted young men and families to settle in the Rangely area in the late 1800s. C.P. Hill and his surrounding neighbors decided they needed a school for their children, and that, of course, would require a teacher.

Caroline Blakeslee's journey west from Massachusetts began in 1887. Along the way she found herself in Iowa working as a dressmaker. When she saw an ad for a teaching position in Meeker, she and her cousin headed west via train to Glenwood Springs.

They traveled by stagecoach to Grand Junction before taking the freight wagon owned and operated by Mr. Hill to Rangely.

The Rangely School was still under construction when she began teaching, and she filed a claim on some area land. She had to prove up on the land, and, while doing that, she needed a ride to Meeker to fill out the final paper work. There is a story in the trip that clearly involves her courtship.

Lime Kiln schoolteacher Eleanor Kugler grew up in Missouri and attended a teacher's college there.



SEAN MCMAHON

Presenting skits of 1900s teachers in Rio Blanco County on Sunday at Kilowatt Korner, the Meeker Arts and Cultural Committee joined with the Rio Blanco County Historical Society to portray romances that occurred here in the early and middle parts of the 20th century. Playing the husband in all three skits was Gary Zellers, right. Playing the three school marms were, from left, Sena Zellers, Josie Drussel and Sember Leatham.

When she and a fellow teacher heard of the money to be made and the idea of having only 10 to 12 students to teach as opposed to their present class size of 38, they ventured west to Colorado looking for job opportunities.

Eleanor took a job in Routt County at the Dunston School on Williams Fork. She was prepared to go back to Missouri when she completed her term, but she heard of a school starting in the summer on Lime Kiln. In May 1928, she took the job at a schoolhouse on land

donated by Jack Service.

Eleanor was an attraction for men in the area, and so another romance began. The story took Ella away from Lime Kiln for a couple of years, but the hard times the country was facing brought her back to the area and she continued teaching in 1933.

A teaching position in the Coal Creek School afforded Sally Sheridan the ability to work while she waited. Sally grew up in Meeker on the Bar Seven Ranch, not far from the school. She attended Denver

University before coming back to teach.

Sally was pestered during her horseback journey to and from school by her brother, Jim Sheridan. Jim would hide along the way, then jump out to scare her horse. She endured the spooking of her horse, and continued teaching, while she waited for her high school sweetheart as he went off to war.

These women played an important role in our area's history, teaching the next generation of residents and finding romance along the way.



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The Lime Kiln Schoolhouse, constructed in 1917, is seen here in 1929 with Eleanor Kugler Service in the doorway. Lime Kiln Schoolhouse is one of 39 school in operation within the county in the past century and most assuredly played a role in the romance of one or a couple school teachers who came into the area to teach.



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Basketball players earn league and state recognition

— Neilson named WSL co-player of the year, Musgrave named boys WSL player of the year —

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

MEEKER I The Meeker High School basketball teams have officially wrapped up their seasons. As they held their awards banquets last week, both the Meeker boys and girls had plenty to celebrate.

Not only did both teams qualify for the 2014 Colorado State Basketball Championships, the girls finished third. To top off the success, five girls were recognized for their play.

Taylor Neilson was named the Western Slope co-player of the year and she was selected to the Colorado Coaches of Girls Sports all-state team. She played in that game at the end of March. Neilson was also named to the prestigious Colorado High School Coaches Association all-state game that will be played this summer and she also made the Colorado Preps second team all-state, as well as the 2A *Denver Post* all-state honorable mention.

Along with Neilson, Sydney Hughes was named to the 2A *Denver Post* all-state sec-

ond team. She was also a first team all-conference selection.

Meeker dominated the all-conference first team as Aly Ridings and Piper Haney were also selected. Deena Norell was named all-conference honorable mention.

Not only did the five starters for the Meeker team get recognized, their coach, Greg Chintala, was nominated to coach in the Colorado High School Coaches Association all-state game. The success of the season was clearly a team effort, a combination of outstanding individual effort and play.

The Meeker boys' basketball team also had the Western Slope League player of the year in Jeremy Musgrave. Joining him on the all-conference team were teammates Dylan Mobley and Raul Lopez.

The leadership and level of play did not go unnoticed for the Cowboys, and the awards were well deserved.

It is not often the boys and girls player of the year come from the same town. Congratulations to Jeremy, Taylor and all the award winners.



BOBBY GUTIERREZ

Meeker High School basketball players were recently honored by the Western Slope League and two were honored at the state level. Raul Lopez, Deena Norell, Taylor Neilson, Sydney Hughes, Aly Ridings, Piper Haney and Jeremy Musgrave were all honored by the Western Slope League. Neilson and Musgrave were named WSL Players of the Year and Neilson was also selected to play in two all-state games. Dylan Mobley, is not pictured but was also named to the WSL all-conference team.

Hughes, Shelton win events in Frank Woodburn meet

By **BOBBY GUTIERREZ**
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MEEKER I "We had a great day in Grand Junction," Meeker track coach John Strate said of his team's performance in the competitive Frank Woodburn Invitational track meet held in Stocker Stadium, which featured 18 teams, most 3A, 4A and 5A teams.

The Meeker girls' team finished 12th and the boys were 14th in the competitive field, but the Cowboys had a couple of the best athletes, including junior Sydney Hughes and sophomore T.J. Shelton, who both won events and placed high in others.

Hughes won the triple jump, placed third in the long jump and was eighth in the 300-meter hurdles. Hughes won the triple jump with a mark of 33-5 and jumped 16 feet in the long jump.

Shelton won the 100-meter dash by .01 seconds, finishing in 11.38, and he placed fifth in the 200-meter dash.

"It was the first time T.J. has run the 200 this year, so he should be able to take a lot of time off on that one as well," Strate said.

Strate expects others to take time off and increase their jumping distances, mentioning several performances.

"Jacob Henderson ran a solid 300-meter hurdles race (49.41) and considering it is the first time he has ever ran it, he did well and we look forward to good things coming from him," Strate said.

"Julia Eskelson continues to improve in the 1600-meter run and Kash Atwood had a nice throw in the discus of 108 feet. The warm weather made for numerous career best times and distances."

Meeker senior Jeremy Musgrave made his high



BOBBY GUTIERREZ

Sydney Hughes, pictured in the long jump, an event she finished third in, won the triple jump in the Frank Woodburn Invitational meet and was eighth in the 300-meter hurdles.

school track debut Saturday and finished seventh in the high jump.

"Jeremy should improve drastically each week in his jumping events," Strate said.

The Cowboys will compete in two meets this week, Coal Ridge on Friday and Glenwood Springs on Saturday.

Panthers starting to hit stride

By **BOBBY GUTIERREZ**
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RANGELY I After a "bit of a slow start" due to post-season basketball play and spring break, Rangely track coach Cody Brunton was impressed with his team's performance and improvements Saturday in Grand Junction at the Frank Woodburn Invitational meet in Stocker Stadium.

"I think our athletes' bodies are finally past the super sore stage that comes with the start of any sports season, and they are now really getting into track shape and it shows," Brunton said. "Almost every athlete on the team earned a personal best last weekend, which shows awesome progress, and some of the kids that didn't drop time or increase distances still had awesome places in their events, which is obviously what we want to see."

Panther seniors Andrew Morton and Connor Phelan scored points for the Panthers, to place them 10th as a team in a field of 18 mostly larger schools. Morton placed third in the 110-meter high hurdles, running and hurdling the distance in 16.16 seconds and he cleared 6 feet in the high jump, which also earned the returning state qualifier a third-place finish.

Phelan scored team points with a seventh-place finish in the 200-meter dash and he placed 11th in the 100-



BOBBY GUTIERREZ

Rangely senior Aimee Hogan ran the 100-meter in 14.34, the 200-meter in 29.52 and the 400-meter in 1:04.33, all personal best times, at the Frank Woodburn Invitational Track Meet at Stocker Stadium in Grand Junction.

and 400-meter dashes.

Brunton said Zach Glasgow and Jesse Odom had personal bests in the 100- and 200-meter dashes and Odom also ran a personal best in the 400. James Scoggins and Troy Allred had personal bests in the 800 while Daniel Connor and Braxton Bishop recorded their best times in the 1600-meter run.

Ethan Allred and Marshall Way jumped to personal bests in the long and triple jumps, respectively, and Connor also had a personal best in the

discus.

Senior Aimee Hogan recorded her best times in the meet's speed races, the 100-, 200-, and 400-meter dashes. Hogan ran the 100 in 14.34, the 200 in 29.52 and the 400 in 1:04.33.

Freshman Savanah Nielsen recorded her best times in the 800-meter and 1600-meter runs, and classmate Antionette Doris had a personal best in the long jump.

The Panthers will compete at Coal Ridge on Friday.

CNCC Rodeo team does well at Showdown

By **JED MOORE**
CNCC Head Rodeo Coach
Special to the Herald Times

RANGELY I It was a great weekend in Rangely for a rodeo as many of the CNCC Spartans had standout successes in the arena, while the entire team, volunteers and community stepped up to welcome the 10 visiting colleges and all of their families to the second annual Spartan Showdown on Friday and Saturday.

The CNCC men's team continues to try hard and place deep in all events. They set a new team record with 650 points scored in a single weekend, finishing second to season leader CSI.

Sophomore Brice Osborne led

the way by placing fifth in bareback riding, sweeping both rounds of the bull riding and securing the men's All-Around buckle. Other Spartans earning points at the Showdown were Jesse Anderson, second in bareback riding, Wade Grimshaw placing fifth in steer wrestling and tie-down roping, the team-roping duo of Clay Crozier and Brody Adams finishing second in the long go of team roping and finishing sixth overall.

The Spartan cowgirls had a few hometown jitters with only three qualifiers for the championship round. The ladies were led by freshman points leader Karlee Worthen, who split first in the first round of breakaway roping and finished fifth overall. Other short-go qualifiers

were Taylor Duzik in breakaway roping and Courtney Hibbs in goat tying.

The final rodeo of the season is Friday and Saturday in Grand Junction for the Colorado Mesa University Maverick Stampede. The CNCC men's team is holding down the No. 2 spot for the year-end qualification to the College National Finals Rodeo while the CNCC ladies are in the middle of the regional standings in fifth place.

Several of Rangely's food service locations stayed open extra late in order to accommodate the throngs of visitors after the rodeos ended while all of the available rooms in the town were packed full of baseball, softball and rodeo teams along with friends and families of contestants.

SOCCER...



Rangely High School junior Desiree Coombs scored two goals, including one in the second overtime period, to lead her team to a 2-1 victory against Vail Christian. The Panthers, currently 1-4, will host Coal Ridge today starting at 4 p.m.

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Osborne won both rounds of the bull riding in the Spartan Showdown Rodeo and was fifth in the bareback bronc ride to win the All-Around Cowboy buckle in his home arena.

TAYLOR NEILSON, SENIOR Meeker High School

Neilson was recently honored by being named the Western Slope Co-Player of the Year, selected to and played in the Colorado Coaches of Girls Sports contest and she was also selected to play in the prestigious Colorado High School Coaches Association All State game this summer. Neilson was also named to the All-State second team by Colorado Preps and was honorably mention on the 2A *Denver Post* All-State team.



Young Panthers still learning; good performances

RANGELY I Thirty-seven Rangely youth wrestlers competed in Hayden on Saturday and almost half placed in the top three. But coach Jeff LeBleu was disappointed with how some of them reacted after losing. "We wrestled well, but we still have a lot of learning to do and No. 1 on the list is learning how to lose," LeBleu said. "We had some of our kids lose their composure after losing, and it needs to be corrected this week. We had some good performances and we had some not-so-good performances."
Kobe Chism, Dylan Smuts and Clavin Bishop all performed well and earned gold medals in their respective brackets. Kenney Hensen, JR Landon, Carlson Braden, Braden Lucas, Jeren Blankenship, Joe McKay and Zane Varner all won silver medals while Christian Fortunato, Jaden Heredia, Charley Martin, Stephen Koenig, Justin Allred, Donte Pearce and Corbin Lucero owned their consolation brackets and earned bronze medals. The young Panthers will wrestle in Craig on Saturday.

MCWC youth wrestlers place at Hayden Tourney

MEEKER I The Meeker Community Wrestling Club youth team entered 44 wrestlers in the Hayden Tournament and 25 placed in the top four, including eight champions. "We had a good day in Hayden," youth coach Carl Padilla said. "Our kids wrestled really well; they continue to improve and it's great to see guys move forward."
Domonic Wyatt, Ty Goedert, Noah LeBlanc, Cade and Connor Blunt, Dillon Hobbs, Brendan Clatterbaugh and Ridge Williams all won gold medals. Nathan Smith, Kesston Hobbs, Clay Randall, Russell McGruder and Finley Deming were all awarded silver medals.
Consolation champions for Meeker's youth team were Reed Goedert, Connor Padilla, Elijah LeBlanc, Kelton Turner, Tannen and Trae Kennedy and Colby Clatterbaugh. Dublin Price, Wyatt Ross, Kaleb Nielsen, Dagon Dade and Kaden Franklin all finished fourth. Aksel Jonsson, Tristin Rollins, Wyatt Rollins, Wil Schwartz, Snowdon Williams, Dathan Dade, Coy Richardson, Cody Richardson, Dillon Pretti, Levi Caulfield, Justin George, Liam Deming, Austin Lopez, Landin Lopez, Rian Hinden, Robert Foster, William Foster, Damon Dade and Cooper Michels all wrestled matches, but did not place.

CORRECTION
Snowden Williams, Kelton Turner, Connor Padilla and Dillon Hobbs were incorrectly listed in last week's Herald Times as placing fourth, when actually, they all finished as consolation champions in their respective brackets.

AAU basketball teams play in Meeker today

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

MEEKER I The Meeker A.A.U. basketball teams have been very busy the past couple of weekends.

The three teams, a sixth-grade boys' team, a sixth-grade girls' team and a combination seventh- and eighth-grade girls' team have been practicing since the first of March, and they competed in the Glenwood Springs tournament on March 21-23, then in Rifle on Friday and Saturday.

The teams will wrap up their season tonight with games against Rangely and Rifle at Meeker High School and Barone Middle School.

The sixth-grade boys have competed very well, keeping games close and winning a pair of games handily. The seventh- and eighth-grade girls have played up all season, competing against several all-star eighth grade teams from Grand Junction, Fruita and around the area.

The girls have played eight games and won half of them with a chance at two more tonight.

The sixth-grade girls' team has played nine games, four with only five girls. They won five of their games and finished second in the tournament in Rifle.



TRINA-ZAGAR BROWN

Meeker has three AAU basketball teams playing, and the 12-and-under team, coached by Hallie Blunt and Jamie Rogers, featuring Matilda Brown, Julia Dinwiddie, Caleigh Morlan, Carly Neilsen, Serena Goedert, Makenna Burke, Madison Kindler, Kirstin Brown and Kolby Franklin placed second in the Rifle tournament. The teams will host Rangely and Rifle today in the final games of the season, playing games at the high school and Barone Middle School.

The teams have practiced together, enjoying the challenge of playing each other, and appreciating the camaraderie the experience has provided.

All the participants have worked very hard and the short, fun season has seen great growth from the athletes.

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Tues. April 15 - Hot Dog on a Bun, Veggie Beans, Apple Crisp
Wed. April 16 - Taco Pie with Salad Topper, Corn, Fruit
Thurs. April 17 - Salisbury Steak, Mashers & Gravy, Veggie Normandy, Seasonal Fruit
Fri. April 18 - Tomato Soup, Grilled Cheese, Fruit Cocktail, Crackers

RANGELY
School Lunch Menu

WEEK OF APRIL 14-17, 2014

Mon. April 14 - Pancakes & Ham, Potato Triangle, Fruit & Salad Bar, Milk or Water
Tues. April 15 - Chili, Hot Roll, Fruit & Salad Bar, Milk or Water
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4/15 @ Grand Valley - 3pm, 5pm V/JV
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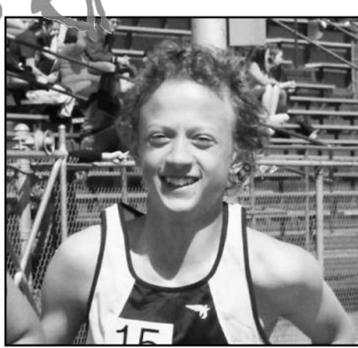
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5/3 @ West Grand Meet
5/9-10 @ GJ (WSL Meet)

MHS BASEBALL
4/10 @ HOME vs. Rangely DH
4/15 @ Basalt DH - 2pm, 4pm
4/17 @ HOME vs. Grand Valley - 11, 1pm
4/19 @ HOME vs. Hotchkiss - 4pm, 6pm
4/24 @ HOME vs. Coal Ridge - 4pm, 6pm

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BAREBACK AT CNCC RODEO...



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The top rider for the Colorado Northwestern Community College rodeo team for the Spartan Showdown Rodeo on March 28-29 was Brice Osborne, above, on his way to fifth in the bareback bronc ride. He also took first place in both rounds of the bull riding, and won the All-Around Cowboy title. CNCC hosted 10 visiting colleges and finished second overall. The team's final rodeo of the year is this weekend.

CPW meeting to discuss plans to save mule deer in state

Special to the Herald Times

DENVER Colorado Parks and Wildlife, in coordination with The Keystone Center, an independent facilitator, is holding a series of meetings across the state this spring in order to receive feedback on a Colorado West Slope Mule Deer Strategy.

The strategy will guide agency efforts to work towards increasing mule deer populations.

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The CPW is embarking on a

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While many ideas exist, a focused effort by all groups can make a difference.

"The declining mule deer population is concerning to our agency and many stakeholders across the state," said Chad Bishop, assistant director, Wildlife and Natural Resources for Colorado Parks and Wildlife. "Due to the variety of factors that influence deer populations, we are looking for public feedback on an approach that brings together

everyone's limited resources in an impactful way."

Public meetings are an opportunity for people to meet with agency staff, learn more about the history of mule deer in Colorado and provide input to be considered in developing a mule deer strategy.

"We truly want to hear from sportsmen, landowners, industry, conservationists and other constituents about their current experiences with mule deer and their ideas moving forward to increase the population," added Ron Velarde, Northwest Region Manager for Colorado Parks and Wildlife.

Two meetings set for Northwest Colorado are: Eagle on May 6 from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Eagle County Fairgrounds, 426 Fairgrounds Rd.; and in Craig on May 20 from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Moffat County Fairgrounds, 640 East Victory Way.

Colorado You Got Talent competition

MEEKER "Colorado You Got Talent" will be holding auditions in Rio Blanco County this summer, and talented individuals from this and surrounding counties are invited to take part. The competition will be held from 2 to 6 p.m. on Sunday June 8 at Mountain Valley Bank in Meeker. All ages and kinds of talent are welcome in the competition. For more information, check out the website: www.coloradotalent.org.

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Rangely focuses on student safety within its school athletic program

Special to the Herald Times

RANGELY As athletic events nationwide take on the task of improving safety standards for competitors, Rangely Junior/Senior High School has begun efforts toward improving the well-being of its athletes. This year, the middle and high school athletic programs started a new initiative to protect their athletes from the dangers of concussions.

The ImPACT test (or Immediate Post-Concussion Assessment and Cognitive Testing) is a computerized neuro-cognitive assessment system that can be easily and quickly administered to athletes by a coach or athletic director. It is currently used by NASCAR, teams in the NFL, MLB, NHL, WWE, select military units and now student athletes at RJ/SHS.

The process for implementation and use of the ImPACT test was developed by the Rangely schools' athletic directors Jimmie Mergelman and Jeremy Lowry and Rangely District Hospital's Sharma Vaughn.

The test is administered to athletes at the beginning of their first season in order to establish a baseline for the athlete's verbal and visual memory, processing speed and reaction time. The baseline test takes between 25 and 45 minutes and is currently administered by Lohry.

During an athletic event, if a concussion is suspected, the athlete is immediately sent to a physician at Rangely District Hospital along with the results of their baseline test. While in the physician's care, the

ImPACT test is repeated, giving coaches, parents and medical staff more information on the existence and severity of the concussion. If a concussion is confirmed, the student returns to the physician two to three weeks later to again take the post-injury test to determine whether their symptoms have increased or decreased.

Lohry said the testing system has already been utilized on four students who sustained head injuries and that "having this testing system has allowed for us to monitor the concussion symptoms and has also given us a method for allowing the athletes to return to play in a safe time and manner."

In an effort to make sure the staff is constantly updating procedures and best practices, the test administrator and a representative of Rangely District Hospital meet periodically to evaluate the process and to make any necessary adjustments.

The testing comes at an annual cost of \$500 total to the district. Fortunately for the school district, Rangely District Hospital has agreed to pay 50 percent of the fee.

By developing this cooperative effort between the schools and physicians, the school district has also been able to create and implement a

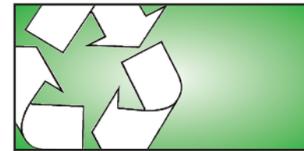
school plan for the injured athlete upon their return to school that combines the efforts of the educational staff and doctors.

The REAP plan, which was developed by the Rocky Mountain Youth Sports Medicine Institute, helps teachers understand the injury affecting the student and clarifies the accommodations that student will need while they heal.

REAP reminds teachers to remove/reduce physical and mental demands, educate the student, parents and teaching staff on all potential symptoms, adjust or accommodate academically and pace the student back into learning and activity.

The REAP program is endorsed by the Colorado High School Activities Association and helps promote a well-rounded recovery for the injured student.

At a time when athletes everywhere are re-evaluating their safety standards and treatment of head injuries, Rangely schools and Rangely District Hospital are proving they take student health and safety seriously by being on the forefront of concussion assessment.



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PROCESS: Information required by bidders will be included in the instructions to bidders. Bids may be submitted in a PDF electronic format. Bidders will be subject to a reference check and interview. Bids will be due April 15, 2014 at 5 PM MDST.
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Case Number 14PR2
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Kirk L. Graham, Personal Representative
62 Sagemont Circle
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Pledge of Allegiance: Ms. Burke will lead the Pledge of Allegiance
Approval of Agenda
Approval of the Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting April 1, 2014
ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS
SUPERINTENDENT REPORT
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14/15 School Year Calendar
High School and Middle School Program Cuts
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RIO BLANCO COUNTY
2014 Weed & Pest - Helicopter
REQUEST FOR BID
PROJECT NAME, LOCATION AND GENERAL SCOPE OF WORK
Rio Blanco County is soliciting bids to aerially treat approximately 500 acres of noxious weeds utilizing a helicopter on BLM lands and for the Piceance Creek Weed and Pest District.

CONTRACT DOCUMENTS
Contract Documents are available on-line at the County's website at www.co.rio-blanco.co.us on the Public Announcements page, or at the Rio Blanco County Weed & Pest Dept. 779 Sulphur Creek Road, Meeker, Colorado 81641.

BIDDER QUALIFICATIONS
All persons spraying herbicides must be appropriately licensed by the Colorado Department of Agriculture for aerial application in the Rangeland Pest Control category. Appropriate proof of licensure must be submitted to the Agreement Administrator concurrently with execution of this Agreement.

PROJECT COORDINATOR AND QUESTIONS
Matt Scott, Weed Control Supervisor, (970) 878-9670. All Bidders are advised to review the specifications found on Exhibit A. Any questions regarding this Request are to be directed in writing to Matt Scott at P.O. Box 599, Meeker, CO 81641 or via email at msscott@co.rio-blanco.co.us.

WORK SCHEDULE
Estimated start date is June 2, 2014 and end date is August 2, 2014.

BID SUBMITTALS
Bidder shall submit sealed bids for this request which shall include all information required. Bids shall have Bidder's name and address and Sealed Bid-2014 Rio Blanco County Weed & Pest - Helicopter. Mailed bids must be received by the Rio Blanco County Board of County Commissioners, at P.O. Box i, 200 Main Street, Meeker, CO 81641 before 4 P.M. on Thursday April 17, 2014. No bids shall be received Friday April 18 through Sunday April 20, 2014. Hand delivered bids shall be received at 200 Main Street, Meeker, CO 81641 and will be accepted until 11:00 A.M. on the date of bid opening April 21, 2014.

BID OPENING
The Rio Blanco County Board of County Commissioners meeting will commence at 11 A.M. Bids shall be opened and read in public soon thereafter as listed on the agenda on April 21, 2014 at the Commissioners, Meeting Room at 17494 Highway 64 Rangely, CO. Bids received after 11:00 A.M. on the date of bid opening shall be returned unopened. Bids submitted and opened shall not be withdrawn for 30 days thereafter.

BID AWARD
The Rio Blanco County Board of County Commissioners reserve the right to reject any or all bids; to waive any informalities in bids; and to accept the bid that, in the opinion of the Board, is in the best interest of the County of Rio Blanco, State of Colorado.

RIO BLANCO COUNTY
Dated: March 31, 2014
By: Jon D. Hill, Chairman
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Board of County Commissioners
Monday, April 14, 2014
County Administration Building, 200 Main Meeker, Colorado
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

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whichever 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 Call to order:
* Pledge of Allegiance
* Changes or additions to the April 14 Board Agenda

* Approval of the April 14, 2014 Agenda
* Consent agenda for April 14, 2014
* Consideration of the Board Minutes of March 24, 2014
* Motor Vehicle Publication List for March 2014
* Treasury Publication List for March 2014
* Financial Management Report for March 2014
* Financial Transactions for DHS for March 2014

* Enter into the record the signed Agreement with North West Colorado Consultants, Inc. to perform a Geotechnical Investigation on the Justice Center Site, in an amount not to exceed \$6,874.00.
* Enter into the record the signed Freeman Fairfield Trust Grant Application in the amount of \$85,000

* Amendments to the Master Contract 13 FAA 000444 with the Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment.
Rio Blanco County Weed Management Plan Update.
Enter into the record Meeker Runway Reconstruction:
RFR # 18 FAA Grant # 03-08-0041-10 \$405,958.00
RFR #28 State Grant # 11-EEO-01 \$ 22,553.00

Enter into the record Meeker Large Aircraft Apron:
RFR # 9 State Grant # 13-EEO-01 \$163,817.00
Enter into the record the signed Century-Link Contract Addendum
General Business:

Piceance Weed and Pest Control District
1. Commercial Hand Spraying
2. Aerial Spraying
Bids Awards and Contracts
2014 Rio Blanco County Crack Fill Project:

1. Notice of Award to Asphalt Specialists & Supply, Inc., in the amount of \$48,000.00
2. Agreement for Services with Asphalt Specialists & Supply, Inc., in the amount of \$48,000.00;
Term of this agreement is from April 28, 2014 through June 6, 2014
Rio Blanco County Quinn Draw Pit Crushing Project:

1. Notice of Award to 3B Enterprises, LLC, in the amount of \$214,700.00
2. Agreement for Services to 3B Enterprises, LLC in the amount \$214,600.00
Term of this agreement is from July 21, 2014 through October 15, 2014
2014 Rio Blanco County Road Chip Seal Project:

1. Notice of Award to Intermountain Slurry Seal, Inc, in the amount of \$608,754.95
2. Agreement for Services to Intermountain Slurry Seal, Inc., in the amount of

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Term of this agreement is from June 16, 2014 through August 1, 2014
Agreement Amendment #1_ Task Order #6 HDR Engineering Services in the amount of \$29,879.94 relating to the CR 5, Stock Passes Project
Lower White River Weed and Pest Control District
Noxious Weed and Pest Applicator Agreement
Noxious Weed and Pest Aerial Spray Agreement
Agreement with Motorola Services for the Sheriff consoles.
Agreement for Services with DGA Engineers relating to Professional Services Fees on Meeker Airport Projects
Intergovernmental Agreement with the State of Colorado for the benefit of the Division of fire Prevention and Control. This agreement will terminate on April 30, 2018 unless sooner terminated or further extended. This is an exhibit to the Annual Operating Plan adopted March 10, 2014

Resolutions:
Consideration of a Resolution approving the Northwest Regional Workforce Development Board
Consideration of a Resolution approving the renewal of an Ambulance Service License for the Rangely District Hospital Ambulance Service.
Consideration of a Resolution approving the renewal of an Ambulance Service License for the Rio Blanco Fire Protection Service Meeker Ambulance Service
Other Business:
Road & Bridge Update Dave Morlan, Director
County Commissioners Updates
Public Comment

ADJOURN
CONVENE AS THE RIO BLANCO COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
1:15 p.m. Variance Hearing continued from March 24, 2014
Variance 14-01 Shay Wangnild Set back requirements at 75 CR 43, S4, T1S, R93W

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 21, 2014 in Rangely at the County Annex Building.
Please check the County website for information at www.co.rio-blanco.co.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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Public Notice
Western Rio Blanco Metropolitan Recreation District is seeking local bidders for the Rangely Recreation Center Weight Room Addition. Subcontractors are being sought to perform: Surveying Site Layout, Painting Interior and Exterior, Plumbing Waste and Vent / Natural Gas Line Installation, Demolition and Carpentry-Labor, Glazing Aluminum Storefront and Overhead Door Provide and Install. Vendors are encouraged to attend an open house for prospective bidders on 4-11-14 at 6:00 PM at the Recreation Center located at 611 South Stanolind Ave, Rangely, CO. Plans and specifications will be available at the open house, or prior to the open house by visiting the Recreation Center web page at <http://www.westernrioblanco.org/index.html>, and clicking on the Weight Room Addition tab. Please contact Able Construction Services, Ltd at Gjldr@yahoo.com with any questions.
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Investing in our Community

Special Districts Public Forum

The Meeker Chamber of Commerce is excited about the many great activities and investments happening around our community. We are presenting "Investing in our Community," a public forum where our Special Districts will be presenting an update on their organization and their upcoming initiatives. Please attend Wednesday, April 16, 6 p.m. at the Fairfield Center, 200 Main St., in Meeker



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**TOWN OF MEEKER
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Tuesday April 15, 2014
7:00 P.M.**

**Regular Scheduled Board Meeting
345 Market Street, Meeker, CO**

Call to Order
Pledge of Allegiance
Roll Call
Approval of the Agenda
Approval of the Previous Minutes
Approval of Monthly Disbursements
Proclamation recognizing "National Safe Digging Month"
(break for Previous and Newly Elected Officials recognition)
Swearing in of newly elected Board Members
Resolution #04-2014, a Resolution appointing a Mayor Pro Tem
Public Participation
New Business
Public Hearings- 7:15 p.m.
Request for approval of a Transfer Hotel/ Restaurant Liquor License for the "Meeker Hotel & Cafe" from (previous ownership) to "M and M, Inc."
Request(s) from the Meeker Lions Club for special event Liquor Permits (200 Main Street Location);
April 26, 2014, (5pm to 1am) to serve during the "After Birth Ball"
May 17, 2014, (5pm to 12pm) to serve during the "Black & White Masquerade"
Pioneer Healthcare Foundation Fundraiser
Mayor's remarks
Town Manager's Report
Town Attorney's Report
Other Board Business
Adjournment
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Veterans Service Offices

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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.

RADINO & CHUCKWAGON

Please call before 9:00 a.m. day of meal
878-5627 or 675-8112
Senior Citizen Nutrition Program
Meals served at noon.
Reservations appreciated.
Suggested Donation Over 60 - \$2.50. Under 60 - Guest Fee \$7.
(Did you know? Homebound trays can be ordered for over 60, suggested donation \$2.50 - 12:10 p.m. pickup.)

"MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE"

FRIDAY, April 11: Hamburger & Tater tot casserole, spinach salad, cottage cheese, pears.
MONDAY, April 14: Baked steak teriyaki, mashed potatoes, green beans, kiwi.
TUESDAY, April 15: Sloppy Joes, seasoned spinach, frog eye salad, mandarin oranges.
WEDNESDAY, April 16: Chicken fajitas, black beans w/cilantro, mexican corn, grapes.
FRIDAY, April 18: Easter Lunch- Pork Roast, brown gravy, roasted sweet potatoes, tarragon asparagus, hot bean caasserole,, orange. *Guest for free any age*

Jamie's Daycare

A licensed home daycare. Two full-time openings. Accepting children 2 years and older. Call 878-5443 for more information



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

VFW POST 5843 and Ladies Auxiliary monthly meetings are now held at Kilowatt Korner in Meeker: VFW Post 5843 - 6:30 p.m. 2nd Monday. Ladies Auxiliary - 5:00 p.m., 2nd Monday.

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**BEFORE THE OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO
IN THE MATTER OF THE PROMULGATION AND ESTABLISHMENT OF FIELD RULES TO
GOVERN OPERATIONS FOR THE WILLIAMS FORK AND ILES FORMATIONS, SULPHUR
CREEK FIELD, RIO BLANCO COUNTY, COLORADO
CAUSE NO. 527
DOCKET NO. 1404-SP-2056
NOTICE OF HEARING**

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

On February 27, 2014, WPX Energy Rocky Mountain, LLC ("WPX" or "Applicant"), by its attorneys, filed with the Commission pursuant to §34-60-116 C.R.S., a verified application ("Application") for an order to:

- 1) Approve the equivalent of one well per 10 acre well density for the Application Lands, for the production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Williams Fork and Iles Formations.
- 2) Requests that the bottomhole location of any permitted well located anywhere upon the Application Lands but no closer than 100 feet from the lease boundaries, however, in cases where the lands abut or corner lands in respect of which the Commission has not at the time of drilling permit application granted the right to drill 10-acre density Williams Fork Formation and Iles Formation wells, the permitted well should be located downhole no closer than 200 feet from the lease boundaries, without exception being granted by the Director.
- 3) Requests that wells approved should be drilled from the surface either vertically or directionally from no more than one wellpad located on a given quarter quarter section (or lots or parcels approximately equivalent thereto), without exception is granted by the Commission.

APPLICATION LANDS

Township 3 South, Range 97 West, 6th P.M.
Section 6:
All (Lots 1-7, S1/2NE1/4, SE1/4NW1/4, E1/2SW1/4, SE1/4)
Township 3 South, Range 98 West, 6th P.M.
Section 1:
All (Lots 1-4, S1/2N1/2, S1/2)
Section 12:
All

PRIOR RULES AND ORDERS

(available online at: <http://cogcc.state.co.us>, under "ORDERS")
Rule 318.a. of the Rules and Regulations of the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission requires that wells drilled in excess of 2,500 feet in depth be located not less than 600 feet from any lease line, and located not less than 1,200 feet from any other producible or drilling oil or gas well when drilling to the same common source of supply.
Section 6, Township 3 South, Range 97 West, 6th P.M. and Sections 1 and 12, Township 3 South, Range 98 West, 6th P.M. are subject to this Rule for the Williams Fork and Iles Formations.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to: 1) the general jurisdiction granted to the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission of the State of Colorado under §34-60-105 C.R.S.; 2) specific powers granted pursuant to §34-60-106 C.R.S.; 3) the State Administrative Procedures Act at §24-4-105 C.R.S.; and 4) the Commission's Series 500 Rules at 2 CCR 404-1, that the Commission has scheduled the above-entitled matter for hearing on:

Date:
Monday, April 28, 2014
Tuesday, April 29, 2014
Time:
9:00 a.m.
Place:
Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801
Denver, Colorado 80203

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if any party requires special accommodations as a result of a disability for this hearing, please contact Margaret Humecki at (303) 894-2100 ext. 5139, prior to the hearing and arrangements will be made.

Pursuant to said hearing in the above-entitled matter at the time and place aforesaid, or at any adjourned meeting, the Commission will enter such orders as it deems appropriate to protect the health, safety and welfare of the public and to prevent the waste of oil and gas, either or both, in the operations of said field, and to carry out the purposes of the statute.

At hearing, the Commission will consider the Application and enter an order pursuant to its authority under the statute. Any interested party desiring to protest or intervene should file with the Commission a written protest or intervention in accordance with Rule 509., no later than April 14, 2014. Such interested party shall, at the same time, serve a copy of the protest or intervention to the person filing the application. One electronic (cogcc.hearings_unit@state.co.us), one original and two copies shall be filed with the Commission. Anyone who files a protest or intervention must be able to participate in a prehearing conference during the week of April 14, 2014. Pursuant to Rule 511., if the matter is uncontested, it may be approved without a hearing, based on review of the merits of the verified application and supporting exhibits.

OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO
By Robert J. Frick, Secretary
Dated: March __, 2014
Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
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Denver, Colorado 80203
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

AA & Al-Anon Meetings - Rangely

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

MEEKER CAT Coalition accepting cat food or monetary donations for spay/neuter and health care. Donations may be left at The Vet Clinic in Meeker or call 878-3560 or 878-4429 for more information.

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

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

Pistol River Leather

One more little surgery to go, probably happening as you read this. A little time to heal and then chemo. Thanks for the patience of all my customers.
To be sure of hitting your target, shoot first and call whenever you hit the target.
www.pistolriverleather.com

FOOD BANK of the Rockies mobile pantry truck will be in Rio Blanco County providing Food assistance to community member. Scheduled Dates for 2014: February 27 and March 27. They Food Bank will be at the Meeker Fairgrounds from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

LEGAL NOTICES

**COMBINED NOTICE - MAILING
CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 14-01**

To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust:
On January 8, 2014, the undersigned Public Trustee caused the Notice of Election and Demand relating to the Deed of Trust described below to be recorded in the County of Rio Blanco records.
Original Grantor(s)
Original Beneficiary(ies)

Current Holder of Evidence of Debt
Date of Deed of Trust
County of Recording
Recording Date of Deed of Trust
Recording Information (Reception Number)
Original Principal Amount
Outstanding Principal Balance

KENNETH R SHELLEY and SHERYL K SHELLEY
MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR ADVANCED FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.
EMBRACE HOME LOANS, INC.
June 01, 2009
Rio Blanco
June 12, 2009
296024
\$99,715.00
\$94,259.71

Pursuant to CRS §38-38-101(4)(i), you are hereby notified that the covenants of the deed of trust have been violated as follows: failure to pay principal and interest when due together with all other payments provided for in the evidence of debt secured by the deed of trust and other violations thereof.

THE LIEN FORECLOSED MAY NOT BE A FIRST LIEN.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

THE LAND REFERRED TO HEREIN BELOW IS SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF RIO BLANCO, STATE OF COLORADO IN DEED BOOK 524, AT PAGE 318, AND IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

A PARCEL OF LAND LYING IN H.E. 177 (HOMESTEAD ENTRY 177 (LYING IN SECTION 1, TOWNSHIP 1 NORTH, RANGE 102 WEST OF THE 6TH P.M., TOWN OF RANGELY, STATE OF COLORADO, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT A POINT 1360.4 FEET WEST OF AND 469 FEET SOUTH OF CORNER NO. 1 OF SAID H.E. 177; THENCE SOUTH, 100 FEET; THENCE WEST, 38 FEET; THENCE SOUTH, 10 FEET; THENCE WEST, 124 FEET; THENCE NORTH, 10 FEET; THENCE EAST, 100 FEET; THENCE NORTH, 100 FEET; THENCE EAST, 62 FEET TO THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING.

The property to be foreclosed is:
Also known by street and number as: 244 S BIRCH AVE, RANGELY, CO 81648. THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ALL OF THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY ENCUMBERED BY THE LIEN OF THE DEED OF TRUST.

NOTICE OF SALE

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

THEREFORE, Notice Is Hereby Given that I will at public auction, at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, 05/07/2014, at Office of the Public Trustee, Rio Blanco County Courthouse, 555 Main Street, Meeker CO 81641, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property and all interest of the said Grantor(s), Grantor(s) heirs and assigns therein, for the purpose of paying the indebtedness provided in said Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, plus attorneys' fees, the expenses of sale and other items allowed by law, and will issue to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law.

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NOTICE OF RIGHTS

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

•A NOTICE OF INTENT TO CURE FILED PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-38-104 SHALL BE FILED WITH THE PUBLIC TRUSTEE AT LEAST FIFTEEN (15) CALENDAR DAYS PRIOR TO THE FIRST SCHEDULED SALE DATE OR ANY DATE TO WHICH THE SALE IS CONTINUED; •IF THE SALE DATE IS CONTINUED TO A LATER DATE, THE DEADLINE TO FILE A NOTICE OF INTENT TO CURE BY THOSE PARTIES ENTITLED TO CURE MAY ALSO BE EXTENDED; •A NOTICE OF INTENT TO REDEEM FILED PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-38-302 SHALL BE FILED WITH THE PUBLIC TRUSTEE NO MORE THAN EIGHT (8) BUSINESS DAYS AFTER THE SALE;

DATE: 01/09/2014
Karen Arnold, Public Trustee in and for the County of Rio Blanco, State of Colorado
By: Karen Arnold, Public Trustee
The name, address, business telephone number and bar registration number of the attorney(s) representing the legal holder of the indebtedness is:
David R. Doughty #40042
Lynn M. Janeway #15592
Matthew B. Peters #41905
Janeway Law Firm 9800 S. Meridian, Suite 400, Englewood, CO 80134 (303) 706-9990
The Attorney above is acting as a debt collector and is attempting to collect a debt. Any information provided may be used for that purpose.
Attorney File # 13-000132
(c)Public Trustees' Association of Colorado Revised 9/2012

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

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

Alcoholics Anonymous

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

Rangely Victim Services

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

NEW EDEN Pregnancy Care Services - pregnancy tests, emergency supplies, guidance by trained volunteers, classes on pregnancy and child care, post-abortion support, referrals. Mondays and Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., 345 Main Street, Meeker. Email: newedenpcs@gmail.com or (970)878-5117 and 402 W. Main Street Room 171 Rangely. Email: newedenrangely@gmail.com or (970) 620-7096. All services are confidential.

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

Notice to Rangely Residents:

The County Clerk's Branch Office in Rangely will be closed on Wednesday, April 23rd, to allow deputies to attend required election official certification trainings prior to the upcoming 2014 elections. Limited staffing will be available at the courthouse in Meeker at 970.878.94609.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Storage Unit Sale- 246 Market Street. Friday April 11 and Saturday April 12, 9am-2pm, weather permitting.

SAFEHOUSE

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

Rio Blanco Fire Protection District is now offering **CPR/FIRST AID Classes** at the fire station located at 236 7th Street, Meeker, CO. Call 970-878-3443 for more information.

AUCTIONS

AUCTION SATURDAY April 19, 10:00am 2293 11/4 Road Grand Junction Colorado. 2 Corvetts, 2 tractors, 10" & 32" enclosed trailers, flatbed trailers, boat, 30" travel trailer w/tpout, farm attachments, cattle chute, feeders, panels, 2 horses, saddles & tack, 15+ cords of good firewood, fork-lift, 100+ 3'x3"x8" bales green hay, hand & power tools, antiques, 35 guns, ammo, 30 bear and other traps, 9" hay head, posthole digger, 3 welders, tent, bead blaster, slot machine, 22 sheets 3/4 waferboard, maytag motor and more. Owners Bob & Ron Raff. For more info call Steve Claypool CP Auction Service 970-260-5577. See web www.cpauction.com. "Call me about a sale for you."

Auction- Business Liquidation & Retirement of D&G Auto Care Saturday April 12th, 10:00am. 610 Foresight Circle, Grand Junction, Colorado. 5 upright & 1 drive-on vehicle lifts, heavy duty air compressor, car dolly, carousel parts washer, tire machines, many modern electronic and hand vehicle machines of all kinds. Jacks of all kinds, cherry picker, 6 air hose reels, battery charger, tester, many specialty tools and machine manuals, benches, shelves, cabinets, hand tools, office cabinets & supplies, refrigerator, Open sign, clocks, phone system, 2 time clocks, desks, chairs, computers and more. Owners Don & Gretchen Haynes. Clean tools, 8 Bay Building Listed with Realtor. For more information call Steve Claypool, CP Auction Service. (970) 260-5577. Must see web www.cpauction.com. "Call me about a sale for you."

CONSTRUCTION

DIAZ STUCCO, licensed and insured, completed stucco work and drywall. Remodeling and new homes construction. (970)986-2320 or (970) 208-4665.

FOR SALE

TREES- Aspen and Spruce. Wholesale prices. Any quantity. 970.942.7255.

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YARD SALES

Yard Sale- 524 Hill Street, Meeker- Saturday April 12, 2014 7a.m- noon. NO EARLY BIRDS please. Tile saw, band saw, plumbing supplies, weight bench, small household items, and lots of misc items.

MEEKER, Friday, April 11, 4:00 -6:00 P.M., Saturday, April 12, 8:00-11:00 A.M., 1027 Julie Circle.

HELP WANTED: GENERAL

Recreation Coordinator- The ERBM Recreation & Park District is seeking two Recreation Coordinators. Part-time without benefits; hiring range \$10.80-\$13.20/hr. Duties include, but are not limited to: assist in select phases of implementing and coordinating recreational programs and special events such as gym supervision, officiating, coaching, scorekeeping, etc. Requirements include, but are not limited to: applicant must be 15 years of age or older, be available to work early

HELP WANTED: GENERAL

morning, evening, split and/or weekend shifts. A completed ERBM Recreation & Park District job application is required for consideration and should be returned to ERBM Recreation & Park District, Attn: Human Resources, 101 Ute Rd, Meeker, CO 81641. Applications are available at the Meeker Recreation Center and online, www.MeekerRecDistrict.com. Complete job description is available upon request and online. Applications will be accepted through Friday, April 18, 2014. ERBM Recreation & Park District is an equal opportunity employer.

Seasonal Park Laborer positions. The ERBM Recreation & Park District is seeking three Seasonal Park Laborers. Full-time seasonal; hiring range is \$9.90-\$12.10/hr. Duties include; perform manual labor, maintenance and repair of parks, trails, recreational facilities, landscaping, buildings and other ERBM Recreation and Park District assets. Requirements include, but are not limited to: be at least 16 years of age; willing to work a schedule that may include early mornings, evenings, weekends, split shifts and holidays; must establish and maintain positive working relationships with subordinates, coworkers and supervisors; must work well in a progressive, team-oriented environment as well as independently depending on circumstances; ability to safely and effectively operate tools, equipment and vehicles. 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. Applicants are available at the Meeker Recreation Center and on the website, www.MeekerRecDistrict.com. Complete job description is available upon request. Applications will be accepted through Monday, May 19, 2014. ERBM Recreation & Park District is an equal opportunity employer.

VACANCY NOTICE

April 2, 2014

District: Meeker School District Re-1
City, State: Meeker, Colorado 81641

Position: Foreign Language - High School grades 9-12
Full time Spanish with a 2nd endorsement area preferred.
Date Available: Position begins with the 2014-2015 school year
Description: Meeker School District has an approximate enrollment of 710 students in grades PreK through Twelve. The High School has 194 students; Middle School 150 students (6-8); and Elementary (PreK-5) 370 students. The District desires an individual with skill and expertise in the teaching of Spanish at Levels I, II, and Advanced. (Spanish is preferred, but another foreign language could be considered.)

We are seeking an educator who has strong organizational skills; who has an understanding of the intellectual, social and emotional needs of students; strong ability in pedagogy; and is able to build an understanding of the Spanish and Latin American cultures, as well being highly qualified to teach in another endorsement/subject area. The District is seeking an enthusiastic individual who wants to join a staff committed to "Seeking Excellence in All We Do".
Contact: Jessica Browning - Human Resources Director Meeker School District Re-1 Administration Office
P.O. Box 1089
Meeker, Colorado 81641
Phone: 970-878-9040
FAX: 970-878-3682
e-mail: Admin@meeker.k12.co.us
Timeline: Review of applications will begin immediately and close when the position is filled. Applicants must have Colorado licensure, or it must be able to obtain Colorado Department of Education License.
The Meeker School District Re-1 is an Equal Opportunity Employer

VACANCY NOTICE

April 2, 2014

District: Meeker School District Re-1
Meeker, Colorado 81641
Position: Classroom Teacher
Meeker Elementary School

Date Available: Position begins with the 2014-2015 school year.
Description: Meeker School District has an approximate enrollment of 650 students in grades Pre-K through 12. The elementary school has 305 students in Pre-school through fifth grade. The District prefers a person with a strong background in the teaching of Reading, Language Arts, and Mathematics and the ability to teach through an interdisciplinary approach. A solid understanding of standards-based education and multiple assessment strategies is necessary. The District desires an individual who has collaborative skills as an active member of the staff. We are looking for an educator who has an understanding of the intellectual, social, and emotional needs of the elementary student; who is enthusiastic and wants to join a staff committed to "Seeking Excellence in All We Do".

Contact: Jessica Browning - Human Resource Director Meeker School District Re-1 Administration Office
P.O. Box 1089
555 Garfield Street
Meeker, Colorado 81641
Telephone: 970-878-9040
FAX: 970-878-3682
Timeline: Review of applications will begin immediately and close when the position is filled. Applicants must have Colorado licensure, or it must be assured by the Colorado Department of Education by date of hiring.
The Meeker Re-1 School District is an Equal Opportunity Employer

HELP WANTED: GENERAL

GIANT STEP Preschool in Rangely has a parttime opening for an aide. No experience needed. 675-2671.

Vacancy Notice

April 2, 2014

District: Meeker School District Re-1
Meeker, Colorado 81641

Position: PRIVATE School Health Nurse - Part-Time Position
Date Available: Position begins with the 2014-2015 School Year
School Health Nurse

Qualifications: Bachelors of Science in Nursing, and possess a valid Colorado Registered Nurse License; or, Bachelors Degree, current National Certification in school nursing, and three years of experience in school nursing.
Responsibilities: Possess supervisory skills in communication, consultation, training, and monitoring; serve as health consultant and resource person in health education; assist in maintenance of school health policy and procedures. This is a flexible part-time position consisting of approximately 304 hours per year.
Keep student health records current. Conduct school health services, including physical examinations, immunizations, and test for hearing, vision, dental and scoliosis. Responsible for selection and referral of students in need of medical and dental care.
Contact: Jessica Browning - Human Resources Director Meeker School District Re-1 Administration Office
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Meeker, CO 81641
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(970) 878-3682
Fax: (970) 878-3682
E-mail: mailto:admin@meeker.k12.co.us
admin@meeker.k12.co.us
Website: www.meeker.k12.co.us
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Timeline: Review of applications will begin immediately and will close when the position is filled.
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HELP WANTED: GENERAL

LOCAL INSURANCE career opportunity available for qualified person. 1 year long (+) training period. Must pass State licensing testing. Competitive pay and benefits. Must have self-confidence, people skills, and ability to learn and retain volumes of information. Applications available at 730 Main Street St-Rangely.

NATIVE EXCAVATING is hiring experienced equipment operators & laborers to work in Meeker. We are looking for individuals with a strong work ethic & knowledge in the construction field. Apply at - 1-878 13th Street, Steamboat Springs, CO 80487, 970-879-6231 or fax 970-879-6238. Application on-line at www.nativeexcavating.com.

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

HELP WANTED: GENERAL

Wanted For Upcoming Work
Licensed Journeyman Plumbers and Plumbing Apprentices. Must be from the Meeker area. For more information call (970) 245-2012

WESTERN Rio Blanco Metropolitan Recreation District is seeking local bidders for the Rangely Recreation Center Weight Room Addition. Subcontractors are being sought to perform: Surveying Site Layout, Painting Interior and Exterior, Plumbing Waste and Vent / Natural Gas Line Installation, Demolition and Carpentry-Labor, Glazing Aluminum Storefront and Overhead Door Provide and Install. Vendors are encouraged to attend an open house for prospective bidders on 4-11-14 at 6:00 PM at the Recreation Center located at 611 South Stanolind Ave, Rangely, CO. Plans and specifications will be available at the open house, or prior to the open house by visiting the Recreation Center web page at <http://www.westernrioblanco.org/index.html>, and clicking on the Weight Room Addition tab. Please contact Able Construction Services, Ltd at Gjbldr@yahoo.com with any questions.

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- Physical Therapist
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- RN - Walbridge Wing
- Cardiopulmonary Manager
- Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist
- Food Service Tech/Cook
- HIM Clerk/Coder

Submit Resume and/or Application to:

Pioneers Medical Center, HR,
345 Cleveland St., Meeker, Colo., 81641
Visit our Web site at:
www.pioneershospital.org

Pioneers Medical Center
Phone: (970) 878-3047 Fax: (970) 878-3285
345 Cleveland, Meeker, CO 81641
Eastern Rio Blanco County Health Service District

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Meeker

- Registered Nurse
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Rangely

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For details and a Rio Blanco County application, please go to www.co.rio-blanco.co.us/departments/personnel.html

Rio Blanco County HR at 200 Main St., Meeker, CO 970-878-9570 ADA/EOE

Rio Blanco Board of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES)
Rio Blanco County, Colorado

NOTICE OF DESTRUCTION OF EDUCATIONAL RECORDS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Rio Blanco BOCES, whose legal address is 402 West Main Street, Room 219, Rangely, CO 81648, will destroy all educational records in its possession if more than five (5) years have elapsed since such records were used in providing educational services, and if the BOCES has determined that these records are no longer needed for any educational purpose. The records to be destroyed relate to and concern students who were enrolled in Meeker School District RE-1 and Rangely School District RE-4 prior to 2000. We intend to destroy the records on April 30, 2014.

The records to be destroyed will include any and all documents on file, including but not limited to any Individual Educational Program (IEP), evaluation reports, notifications, conference notes, and any parts of the cumulative file from the respective school districts that may be held in BOCES storage. The BOCES may keep a permanent record of the student's name, address, and phone number, his or her grades, attendance record, classes attended, grade level completed, and year completed.

Inquiries may be directed to Rio Blanco BOCES at 402 West Main, Rangely Colorado, 970-675-2064.

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HELP WANTED - MISC

Coordinator P/T: Provide support and activities for high school exchange students. Volunteer hosts also needed. Apply online: www.aspectfoundation.org

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CONTRACT SALESPERSONS sell aerial photography of farms, commission basis, \$1,200-2,500 weekly depending on sales experience, travel required. More info at msphotosd.com or call 877/882-3566.

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**HELP WANTED:
GENERAL**

Vacancy Notice
District: Meeker School District Re-1
Meeker, Colorado 81641
Position: PRIVATE Technology Director
Department(s): Technology and Media
Reports to: Superintendent
Work Year: It is an eleven-month position with vacations as per district policy.
Date Available: March 18, 2014. *The exiting IT Director will likely be available to help with the transition and act as a resource.*

Qualifications and Experience:
Bachelor's Degree or five years of technology experience.
Knowledge of networks, PC hardware, software and basic computer repair.
Knowledge in budgets, purchase ordering procedures, and USAC e-rate discounting.
Google Applications for Education Skill Project Management Skills
Supportive, patient mannerism with good communication skills.

Responsibilities:
*Manage all Information Support Programs, including the resources, budget, operations, and staff.
*Provide technical assistance to schools and departments in the district. Implement, maintain and update the Technology Plan.
*Coordinate technology applications with instructional goals through a close interface with appropriate administrators.
*This job requires being able to safely lift 90 pounds without any physical limitations on a daily basis.
*Able to work long hours at a focused intensity, often during weekends, breaks, nights and holidays.
Sitting for long periods of time at a computer terminal.
This job may require you to climb, crawl and traverse.

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P.O. Box 1089
Meeker, CO 81641
Telephone: (970) 878-9040
Fax: (970) 878-3682
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**HELP WANTED:
GENERAL**

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SPORTS OFFICIALS The ERBM Recreation and Park District is seeking Sports Officials. The season runs from January through March. There are ongoing openings for Youth Baseball, Youth Softball, Adult Softball, Youth Flag Football, Youth Soccer, and Youth Basketball. Part time without benefits; hiring range is \$11.81-\$25.00/hr. Requirements include, but are not limited to: knowledge of sport and rules, ability to multitask and communicate effectively with adults and children. Applicants must be 15 years of age or older. All interested individuals are encouraged to apply. 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. Applications will be accepted until positions are filled. The ERBM Recreation & Park District is an equal opportunity employer.

**HELP WANTED:
SEASONAL**

Fundraising Opportunities
Looking for fundraising opportunities for your non-profit group? The ERBM Recreation & Park District is looking for responsible and dependable organizations to assist with special events this summer. Contact Katherine at 878.3403 ext 409 for more information or come to the Meeker Recreation Center to complete a Support Group Application.

**HELP WANTED:
SEASONAL**

Concessions Announcement
Looking for a fundraising opportunity for your non-profit group throughout the summer? The ERBM Recreation & Park District is looking for a responsible and dependable organization to sell concessions at Paintbrush Park this summer, two to five nights per week, and some weekends. If interested, call Katherine at 878.3403 ext 409 by May 9, 2014.

**MOTORCADE:
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HOMES: MEEKER

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1350 SAGE Ridge Road 4BDR 3BA home on double lot in Sage Hills. Large deck with beautiful, unobstructed views. Many extras. \$240,000. Call for appointment to view. (970)878-3228.

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HOMES: RANGELY

Home For Sale By Owner- 150 Middle Street, Rangely, CO. 3BDR 2BA, 2 car garage. \$158,000. 970-629-5273 or 970-629-8609.

LAND/LOTS

GENTLY SLOPING lot bordering Pine Street in old town Meeker. This large lot is 11,250 sq feet with excellent views. \$25,000 or equal value trades are welcome. 970-846-6635

RENTALS: MEEKER

FSBO HORSE property, 22 acres, new 5 wire barbless fence, 200 amp service, cistern, heated utility bldg, horse barn, corrals, shed, RV service, horse ready. \$89,500. Possible lease purchase. 4751 County Road 7. (580) 571-5967

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RENTALS: MEEKER

CLEAN 1BR, 1BA apartment. All utilities included. \$375 per month. Security deposit and references required. Please call 970-220-2150.

1BDR, 1BA apartment fully furnished, \$400/month. Include all utilities. Security deposit and references required. Call (970) 220-2150.

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

RENTALS: RANGELY

FOR RENT: 2 BR 1 3/4 bath house, includes all appliances. Available immediately, \$1050 rent and \$800 deposit. Tenant responsible for all utilities. 102 S White Avenue in Rangely. Please call 720.626.9033

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- 424 W. Rodeo Rd. 2 BD/1.5 Bath Doublewide on great rental lot, 1040 sq. ft. \$15,000
- 924 Tropic Sweet 3 BD/2 Bath Manufactured Home on large lot w/garage \$80,000
- 511 E. Rio Blanco Ave. Comfortable 3 Bd/1 Bath home on large lot 1,362 sq. ft. \$120,000
- 511 E. Rangely Ave. Updated kitchen, 3 Bd/1 Bath with two living areas. \$130,000
- 232 Dakota Great 2 BD/2 Bath, 1-car Garage, 1,248 sq. ft. Built in 1947 \$139,000
- 1101 Tanglewood Ln. Well kept 3Bd/2 Bath Built in 1982 1,512 sq ft \$167,900
- 413 Darius Remodeled 3BD/2 Bath, 2-Car Garage, 1256 sq. ft. Built in 1983 \$168,000
- 121 Foothill Dr. Updated home 3Bd/1 Bath 2 car garage Built in 1946 1,797 sq ft \$168,400
- 208 Hillcrest Cir Spectacular views 3Bd/1.75 Bath w/sauna Built in 1983 1,960 sq ft \$185,000
- 226 South Grand Newer 3 BD/2 Bath, 1-car garage, 1,296 sq. ft. Built in 2013 \$187,000
- 1234 Solar Circle Great 3BD/2 Bath, 2-Car Garage in La Mesa. Built in 2007, 1,533 sq. ft. \$195,000

COMMERCIAL

- 111 Foothill Dr. 6 plex Great Investment Property \$350,000
- 313 W. Main St. 1,920 sq. ft. Commercial Building with great energy updates! \$129,900

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- 100 Dakota 3 Bd/2 Bath Two-story home w/great finishes in town. \$169,000

LOTS/LAND

- 3 lots in Ridgeview Sub Various Prices
- Skull Creek Estates Approx 5 1/2 acres \$20,000
- Redwood Estates Approx 1/2 acre building lot \$28,000
- 2 Fantastic Lots La Mesa Sub \$50,000 each
- 2 Lots in the Chase Subdivision \$9,000
- HWY 64/River Rd Exceptional HWY frontage & Development potential, 18.97 acres \$289,000/ 3.47 acres \$261,000
- 2842 Shale Dr. Lot size 2.479 acres \$38,000
- 1265 La Mesa 1+ acre Bordering BLM \$40,000
- Lake St. 2 Lots, 10,000 sq. ft. total \$28,000
- Mesa Dr. 2 lots each 5,000 sq ft \$29,000 total
- College View 10 lots, +/- 4 acres near CNCC \$150,000

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- HOMES IN MEEKER ...**
- *NEW 891 3rd St.-3BR, 2 BA one level home, garage, fenced yard, sprinkler system, move in ready! \$169,000
 - *NEW 112 Main St.-3 BR, 2 BA historic home with a 426 sq. ft. cottage. Updated, large corner lot. \$219,000
 - *NEW 879 7th St.-Log home on 4 lots in town. 4 BR, 3 BA, views, huge garage, deck. \$425,000
 - *NEW 1393 Ridge Rd.-5 BR, 3 BA home, fenced yard, attached garage, hot tub, fireplace, great views! \$229,000
 - *1425 Mountain View Rd.-4 BR, 3 BA home on a private lot with amazing views. Well maintained. \$189,900.
 - *146 Garfield- Unique commercial property or ? Loading dock, workshop, small apartment, storage. \$100,000
 - *560 5th St.- Great Rental Property -Lg family home or can be a 2, 3, or 4 plex, big shop. \$175,000.
 - *1369 Juniper Rd.-Beautiful home on 2 large lots, 3 BR, 2 1/2 BA, attached garage, landscaped w/ sprinkler system, covered patio. \$275,000 Also a 3rd adjacent lot available @ \$35,000
 - *917 4th St.- Beautiful 5 BR, 3 BA home on 2 quiet, private lots. Basement, garage, trees. Reduced to \$260,000.
 - *830 Water St.-3 BR, 2BA one level home, fenced corner lot. Garage. Move in ready. \$159,000 REDUCED!
 - *585 Cleveland St.- 3BR 3BA home like no other in the heart of Meeker, attention to detail in every area! Private fenced back yard, shop, big carport, trees. SCHEDULE A SHOWING. \$449,000.
 - *970 9th St.- 4 BR 3-1/2BA two story log home, large lot, carport. \$169,000 REDUCED!
 - *562 Larry Lane-Corner lot, 1 level, 3 BR 2BA, fenced yard, garage, deck. \$149,000 MAKE AN OFFER!
 - *643 12th St.- 4 BR, 2 BA bi-level home. Garage, carport, fenced back yard. \$129,000. REDUCED!
 - *939 Park Ave.-4 BR, 4BA home, updated kitchen, attached garage and a huge heated shop. \$234,900 SOLD
 - *910 Water St, Space 6- Very nice 3 BR, 2 BA, double-wide trailer. \$59,000 SOLD
 - *825 2nd St.-4- BR, 2 BA home, fenced yard, 3 car garage & heated shop. \$235,000 SOLD!

RANCHES — RURAL RESIDENTIAL — HUNTING PROPERTIES...

- *NEW 3315 CR 8- 42 Acres, 3 mi east of Meeker. Beautiful log home 3 BR, 2 BA, walk-out basement. \$450,000
- *NEW 20285 CR 8-3 BR, 2-1/2 BA home with river views. 1.74 private acres, shop, garage, great well. \$238,000
- *NEW 1337 Meath Dr.- 35 Acres, 9 miles east with a nice 3 BR, 2 BA home, pastures, views. Reduced \$230,000
- *1190 CR 63 - 376 Acre Hunting & Grazing Property-12 mi. E. of Meeker, 3 BR, 2 BA home, borders Oak Ridge state hunting land. Cattle grazing land. Creeks, ponds. \$1,100,000.
- *950 CR 14- Mountain cabin 26 miles up river. 2 BR, 1 BA with great views, in the woods. \$289,000.
- *13245 CR 8- 5 acres 14 miles up-river, well, trees, nice 3 BR, 2 BA home, decks, garage, shop. \$360,000
- *River Property- CR 12- 15+ acres 28 miles up river, with 2 BR, 1 BA cabin, good well, fish pond. \$295,000
- *2000 County Rd.- 119 Forest Service cabin on Ute Creek, 1BR, 1BA, Beautiful setting! \$65,000 REDUCED
- *710 Shaman Tr.- 3+ BR, 4BA, Custom built 4,534 sq ft home on 5 acres, great views, garage. \$448,000
- *40 Acres up South Fork- Lots of trees, water, 4 BR, 2 BA lodge, Nat. Forest access. HUNTING. \$585,000.
- *13051 CR 8- 52 Acres, 14 miles up river, 2 living quarters buildings, garage, hunting. \$435,000. SALE PENDING!
- *24530 County Rd. 8- A-frame cabin on small acreage, up-river, vacation home, views! \$169,000 SOLD

BUSINESS & INVESTMENT ...

- *145 Garfield- commercial building w/ apartment, loading dock, over 3,000 sq. ft. \$100,000
- *109 Market St.- 3+ lots on the corner of 1st & Market. Great location next to Family Dollar Store \$299,000
- *Rio Blanco Store- Great potential, 3/4 acre on Hwy 13, 3,000 sq ft store, cafe, living quarters. Reduced \$130,000.
- *304 4th St. Commercial building on corner lot downtown, great office space, 4,437 sq. ft. \$220,000

RAW LAND AND HOMESITES ...

- *County Rd. 8- mile marker 29 1/2, amazing 29 acre parcel, building site, water rights & more, borders BLM & National Forest \$349,000
- *Juniper Rd.- large lot in Sage Hills. \$35,000
- *860 Shaman Trail- 5.5 acre lot just east of Meeker, Ute Terrace Sub., town water, awesome views. \$80,000
- *Ridge Estates- 2 to 9 acre lots. Community well, irrigation water to each site. Prices reduced, additional discount available. Prices starting from \$75,000. 1 mile south of town.
- *359 Love Lane-5 acres, Cross L Estates, Lot 13, great horse property, well. \$100,000
- *River Property-19.6 Acres 12 miles west. Irrigated hay, good home sites, river. \$150,000.
- *20 Acres, Strawberry Creek Minor Subdivision, Lot 3, \$63,000
- *Little Beaver Estates- Lot 4, 35 acres, fenced, good pond, loafing shed, great home site. Reduced to \$75,000
- *Little Beaver Estates Lot 5: 35 acres, good pond, pasture. Partially fenced. \$83,000.
- *Little Beaver Estates- Two 35 acre lots bordering DOW hunting land. Lot 11- \$95,000, Lot 12 SOLD!
- *Little Beaver Estates 35 acre lot bordering Division of Wildlife public land, Lot 14, \$100,000
- *1187 Park Ave.- 2 corner lots, zoned for multi-family, lots of trees. Town Ditch. \$65,000.
- *879 Pine St.-11,250 Sq. ft. lot, great neighborhood, nice building site. \$28,000.
- *100 acres 29 miles east of Meeker, surrounded by Nat Forest, covered with Aspens. \$1,395,000.00.
- *Several nice building lots on Mimi Circle and Michael Circle priced between \$22,500 and \$25,000.
- 1144-1146 Michael SOLD!

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1394 Ridge Road MOTIVATED SELLER
Beautiful Ranch on corner lot, 1548 SF, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, vaulted ceilings and more
NEW REDUCED PRICE: \$249,500

- ♦ NEW! 1032 Lance Circle - Beautiful, Ranch style home, 1780 SF, Vaulted ceilings, oversized garage. \$243,900
- ♦ NEW! 1062 Main Street - cute home on corner lot ... Sale Pending! \$115,000
- ♦ NEW! 642 12th Street Cute and Clean Bi-level, VERY motivated seller ..\$165,000
- ♦ 1394 Ridge Road, move in ready, 3 bdrm, 2ba PRICE REDUCED! \$255,000
- ♦ 1343 Sage Ridge Rd - New 3bdrm home, full basement\$219,000
- ♦ 242 Park Ave. - large site, 2+ bdrm home, large shop\$145,000
- ♦ Garfield St. Townhouses - 5 units, back on the market, buy 1 or all ... \$29,900-\$49,900
- ♦ Vacant Lot - 1280 Garfield, includes water tap. Make Offer \$25,000

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- ♦ Rangely - 33553 HWY 64, 214 acre ranch with good White River frontage, irrigated pasture & hay production. 4 bedroom, 2 bath ranch style home with large kitchen & dining area, big family room. Pole barn for hay, outbuildings and corrals. \$700,000
- ♦ 300 4th St. East, 3 BR 2 BA on 3 lots in Dinosaur, 1744 Sq Ft built in 1981. Large garden space with water tap. Two large outbuildings. Lots of room to park toys. \$130,000
- ♦ 3103 Moffat County Rd 104, Skull Creek Flats, Dinosaur, 1,792 sf single family home w/ 360 sf addition, all on a total of 30 acres. numerous out buildings, include 1200 SF pole barn and finished 1008 SF frame built garage. \$219,000
- ♦ 315 8317 N. Grand Ave. Duplex: Attractively renovated. Each unit has 1,200 SF, 2 Bed, 2 Bath, W/D hook-up, carport for each side. Priced to Sell! \$139,500 Excellent income property.
- ♦ 5 acres vacant land on CR 104, Dinosaur. Skull Creek Flats, Area 10 w/ Great views \$7,500

- ♦ NEW LISTING: 980 9th Street. Top of 9th Street. 3 bed, 2 1/2 bathroom home. With lg. laundry/hobby room, upgraded kitchen, 2 car garage, lots of storage and great views! (24 hour notice to show) Priced to sell. \$177,000
- ♦ 1376 Juniper Rd. Extensive remodeling on the 1st level, beautiful chef's kitchen w/ pantry and lots of working room, granite countertops, all new appliances new flooring through-out entire main level Large walk-in master bedroom closet, new paint & bannisters. Total 4 bedrooms, 2 full baths, 3 car garage with asphalt driveway. 20,000 + sf lot. \$280,000
- ♦ RIMROCK CAMPGROUND- 73179 HWY 64/Meeker- Great Income property, 14.5 acres offering 1,435 SF home w/ 238 SF att. front office, numerous cabins & outbuildings, single wide mobile home rental. Good producing water well. 30 full RV hook-ups w/2 primitive sites, tent sites and fully laundry area W/ coin-op machines. Large established shade trees. Have to see this one - Priced to move \$438,000

1153 & 1163 Market Street ~ SOLD | 208 E. Rio Blanco ~ SOLD | 1025 Jill Drive ~ SOLD
6320 County Rd. 7 ~ SOLD