

# Herald Times



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**Input needed...**

Five county meetings have been held concerning the new Land Use Plan being devised for Rio Blanco County. Meeting attendance has been good, but input from more residents is important to the future of the county. Please see Page 9A.

## New federal judge rules climate impacts must be considered

By **ELIZABETH SHOGREN**  
Special to the Herald Times

**RBC I** The Colorado coal industry has been bristling for two weeks, following the second ruling by a federal judge in Denver calling for climate impacts to be included in assessments of mining endeavors.

In a ruling, federal district Judge R. Brooke Jackson declared that a federal agency should have considered the greenhouse gas emissions from burning coal before approving revised permits for two mines in northwest Colorado, Colowyo and Trapper, a decision industry officials say potentially threatens mining statewide.

In his ruling, Jackson said he would cancel Colowyo's permit in 120 days if the federal government fails to complete such an analysis and give the public a chance to comment on it. As High County News (HCN) reported, Jackson last year stopped an expansion at the West Elk Mine near Paonia, Colo., in part because the Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management failed to work hard enough to account for climate impacts from operating the mine and burning the coal that comes from it.

A third ruling from a different judge in March similarly found that the government should have considered emissions from combustion of

coal when it analyzed the environmental impact of an expansion at the Navajo Mine in New Mexico. That judge ordered activities to stop in a new section of the mine, despite the high costs to the mining company estimated at \$400,000 a month.

These rulings are pressuring federal agencies to incorporate greenhouse gas emissions into environmental reviews, but as HCN has reported, federal officials have no uniform methodology for doing so and are unsure about how to go about it.

Christy Goldfuss, acting head of the White House Council on Environmental Quality, testified before a House committee on

Wednesday, describing the guidance her office is preparing on when and how agencies should consider the effects of greenhouse gas emissions in environmental reviews required by the National Environmental Policy Act. She compared the analyses to calorie counts on menus or cereal boxes that would inform decisions but would not require agencies to select alternatives with the least emissions.

The guidance recommends calculating greenhouse gas impacts for projects that would emit the equivalent of at least 25,000 metric tons of carbon dioxide a year, which she equated to burning 26 million pounds of coal, or converting 190 acres of for-

est to cropland.

Republicans, such as Utah Rep. Rob Bishop, who chairs the House Natural Resources Committee, argue that federal agencies would be overstepping their authority if they consider climate impacts during environmental reviews.

The Colowyo and Trapper surface mines near Craig, Colo., fuel the Craig Station power plant.

In his ruling, Jackson criticized the federal government argument that it didn't do more environmental analysis because it didn't want to usurp authority from the state, which regulates surface mines on federal land.

"Usurping is one thing; rubber

stamping is another," wrote Jackson, adding that the federal Office of Surface Mining "cannot shirk" its obligations under the National Environmental Policy Act.

Instead, Jackson wrote that if the Office of Surface Mining "can predict how much coal will be produced, it can likewise attempt to predict the environmental effects of its combustion."

The Colorado Mining Association called on the Office of Surface Mining to appeal the ruling, saying it represents an unprecedented expansion of federal regulatory powers. (The Office

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COURTESY PHOTO

Rock painting is one of many activities taking place at Meekerpalooza on Saturday at Ute Park. There are several games and competitions, food and refreshments, music, art and other activities taking place at the event, which has been moved from Meeker Town Park to just west of Meeker at Ute Park, where the Meeker Sheepdog Trials are held.

## Meekerpalooza set for Saturday

Special to the Herald Times

**MEEKER I** The Meeker Arts and Culture Council (MACC) is hosting the third annual Meekerpalooza Arts and Music Festival on Saturday in Meeker's Ute Park.

Meekerpalooza is a family fun event that will showcase all aspects of dance, music, visual and culinary arts. Events include live music performances, workshops, an interactive kid art zone, an arts and crafts fair, a beer garden and "A Taste of Meeker."

There is a lot of local talent in Meeker, and Meekerpalooza is the event to bring it all together in one place for the enjoyment of everybody.

This event is brought to Meeker by the Meeker Arts and Culture Council and is funded by donations only. Donations are appreciated to help fund this year and future events. The event is run by volunteers, who enhance local and visitors' lives by bringing art and culture to Meeker. Visit [www.meekerpalooza.com](http://www.meekerpalooza.com) for all of the event details and schedule.

MACC appreciates all its donors and sponsors and the cooperation of the Town of Meeker, the police and the fire department in making this event possible.

Donors include: the ERBM Recreation and Park District; White River Electric Association Inc.; Meeker Sand and Gravel; R & T

Oilfield Services; Redi Services; Meeker General Mercantile; Palisade Brewery; and Overton Recycling.

The fee is \$5 for adults, and there is no charge for children under 10 or adults over 65 years. Beer and food will be available for additional costs.

The opening ceremony will take place at noon in Ute Park with the Color Guard presentation by Meeker VFW Post No. 5843 and the VFW Post Ladies Auxiliary No. 5843. The National Anthem will be sung by Leah Pool.

Beginning at 10:30 a.m. is the ERBM Recreation and Parks District's Road Rash 'n' Splash Triathlon. It begins at the Rec Center Pool and ends at Ute Park at approximately 12:30 p.m. with the awards presentation.

"A Taste of Meeker" is held at Ute Park and runs from noon to 6 p.m.

Participants include: Cotton Candy by Sibling Sweets; Shaved Ice by Yellow Snowman; Wendell's Wondrous Weiner Wagon; Smokin' 101 BBQ; Scott Creecy; Esperanza's Tacos; and water and beverages by the middle school students raising money for the class trip to Washington, D.C.

The beer garden will run from noon to 8 p.m.

Participants include: Palisade Brewery with a variety of their specially crafted beers; Bud/Bud Light; and Coors.

The art walk takes place from noon to 6 p.m., and vendors will display their original art.

From 1 to 4 p.m., the Kids' Art Zone will be busy, featuring: a Giant Jenga Game; an Obstacle Course in which you test your jumping and crawling skills for a hacky-sack prize; Paint Rocks, in which you create a pet rock with your own design; Paint the Fence, where you add your mark to the mural on the fence; a Fairy House Workshop, where you create fairy houses and furniture using natural materials; Fairy Dust Bottles, in which you pick your favorite color and fill fairy bottles full of magic fairy dust; Make Bookmarks, where you use crafts to make your own bookmark; an 18-foot Teepee Lounge, where you relax in a real teepee with books and Legos; and a play area with hula hoops and hacky sacks.

From 1 to 5 p.m. is the Giant Jenga Competition using an oversized version of the popular game. Enter the Jenga Madness as an individual or couple and win a prize.

From noon to 10 p.m., a number of bands will provide live music.

Noon to 1:30 p.m., Clover Loafers (local band features Dave Main and Mary Kay Krueger.

1:30 to 2:30 p.m., Los Venados

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## Inaugural Meeker Cattledog Trials to offer day of competition Sunday

Special to the Herald Times

**MEEKER I** On Sunday morning, 40 dogs and their handlers will again test their skills on the trial field at Ute Park, but this time it is cattle who will be their challengers.

The Meeker Classic has long been known as the site of one of the best sheepdog trials in the world and the organizing committee hopes this cattledog trial will meet those high standards as well in the inaugural Meeker Cattledog Trials.

Rich in agricultural heritage and community involvement, the community of Meeker has a good standing in the dog trial world. This reputation is what led handlers to suggest the idea of a cattledog trial a couple years ago and the reason the entries filled with dogs from across the United States.

Many Meeker-area locals know the name of Dorrance Eikamp, a dog handler from Gillette, Wyo. Dorrance won the Meeker Classic Sheepdog Trials in 1994 and has been a familiar face at the Meeker Classic for several years. A skilled dog handler and trainer, Dorrance also uses his dogs to work cattle and competes in cattledog trials.

He and Juan Reyes, another dog handler from Wyoming who works sheep and cattle, have thought

Meeker an ideal place to host a cattledog trial. They've visited with several Meeker Classic board members over the years about the idea and have also reached out to past committee members of the board. Contestants traveling to Meeker are from Tennessee, Mississippi, Iowa, Missouri, Oklahoma, Texas, Nebraska, Wyoming and Colorado are excited to compete on the course and enjoy the hospitality the community is known for.

Melinda Parker, one of the original Meeker Classic board members has lent her strong support in getting this idea off the ground. Reyes and Eikamp know the caliber of the sheepdog trials and recognize the community support in organizing such an event. They are active in cattledog trialing across the country, and Reyes is the president of the National Cattledog Association.

After lots of research and thought, the Meeker Classic Board of Directors decided to do a test run with a one-day cattledog trial this year with the hopes of it expanding into something more. The intent is to build upon the reputation of the sheepdog trials to create an event that embraces the local heritage, generates commerce and appeals to the many fans and spectators that come to the Meeker sheepdog trials

each year. The response from handlers, sponsors and spectators has been overwhelming.

A committee was formed that included Meeker Classic Board members and other interested members of the community. Working together the group has put together a cattledog trial that will feature some of the top handlers in the country.

Using the knowledge and experience of the Meeker Classic, both groups have embraced the project and hope it will be the beginning of something good for Meeker.

June was picked as a good time to host such a trial because it won't conflict with plans for the sheepdog trials in September and fits into the trial schedule as most of the handlers are headed to Steamboat Springs to compete in the 2015 National Cattledog Finals the following weekend. The Town of Meeker, its businesses and the ranching community has lent its support to help make the cattledog trial a reality.

A cattle dog trial operates under the same premise of a sheepdog trial, using dogs to work a group of cattle through a set of obstacles on the field.

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COURTESY PHOTO

This border collie is moving in on two cows as part of a cattledog competition in which the dog has to pen three cows. The Meeker Cattledog Classic will run on Saturday at Ute Park, west of Meeker. Forty dogs and their handlers are expected to compete in the one-day event in this inaugural year with the possibility it will be expanded in the future.

**WEATHER**



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# Natural Soda, Colowyo topics of AGNC meeting

By JENNIFER HILL  
Special to the Herald Times

**RANGELY** Government authorities from all over Northwestern Colorado converged on Rangely May 27 for a monthly meeting of the Associated Governments of Northwest Colorado (AGNC), which looked at a variety of topics.

Various representatives from local governments listened to presentations and participated in discussions on topics of local importance ranging from expansion of the Natural Soda Plant, sage grouse and updates on state legislation.

Local representation included Rangely Town Manager Peter Brixius, Mayor Frank Huitt and Rangely Town Council members Lisa Hatch and Kristin Steele. Tim Webber represented the Western Rio Blanco Recreation District and also in attendance was Katelin Cook, Rio Blanco County's economic development coordinator, the mayors of Grand Junction, Rifle and Fruita as well as the county commissioners from Garfield, Moffat and Routt counties, who gave voice to their communities.

Additionally, U.S. Sen. Cory Gardner and U.S. Rep. Scott Tipton had aides in attendance.

One of the primary roles of AGNC is to act as a grant recipient for the Dinosaur Welcome Center and the Area Agency on Aging. As part of this responsibility, the group hears regular updates from both agencies and helps to determine funding and future projects.

Cheryl McDonald, manager of the Dinosaur Welcome Center, told the group that "tourism is our business, so we'll do everything we can to help."

McDonald said tourism in the area has gotten off to a good start this season as visits to Dinosaur National Monument are up 58 percent from this time in 2014.

The area should see additional boosts later in the season as they gear up for several exciting events includ-

ing the rebirth of a hang gliding event from Aug. 30 to Sept. 5. McDonald said approximately 150 hang gliders and their families are expected to come and take the plunge off the monument.

Also in the fall will be the 50th anniversary celebration of Dinosaur National Monument. McDonald expects both events to boost the communities through visitor hotel stays, restaurant meals and shopping expenditures.

The Area Agency on Aging, represented by Dave Norman, works to provide financial resources to local entities that provide senior citizen services. Norman said the agency will give \$1.9 million in grants during 2015 to help provide services such as home health care, transportation, nutrition, day care and insurance counseling.

Rio Blanco, Moffat and Routt counties will receive a combined total of \$418,173 for their numerous programs.

Dianna Orf, an attorney and lobbyist, and her son, Richard Orf, updated the group on several legislative issues currently unfolding at the state level. Orf described this legislative season, which ends June 1, as encouraging, saying there has been an increased emphasis on rural Colorado communities and the Western Slope.

One of the largest concerns brought up was the future of the Colowyo Coal Mine, which has recently been under fire from the Interior Department's Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement.

The Air Quality Control Commission will hold a public meeting in Craig the evening of June 18 to seek public input on what the impacts of potential new regulations on the mine could be.

Many members of AGNC expressed that the attack on the Colowyo Mine is just the latest in an overall campaign against the energy industries, including oil and gas. This sentiment was reiterated when Orf informed the group that there is cur-

# MEEKERPALOOZA: ART, FOOD & MUSIC FUN...



Hundreds of people gathered all around during Meekerpalooza 2014, held at Circle Park, across the White River from Meeker Town Park. This year, activities for the most part have been transferred to Ute Park, just west of Meeker.

rently a pact of Colorado ski town government officials petitioning the federal government for a change in the way fees are assessed on the energy industry, believing that, as a cause of Global Climate Change, those fees should be increased.

The theme of natural resource development continued into the meeting with a presentation from Sara Schaeffner, the CEO and President of Enirgi Group, which owns Natural Soda Inc.

The Natural Soda sodium bicarbonate mine, located in the Piceance Creek Basin, sits on the world's largest naturally occurring sodium bicarbonate source, and, according to Schaeffner, produces the purest version found anywhere in the world.

Schaeffner has big plans for the mine, saying, "Within 10 years, we will disrupt the global sodium bicar-

bon market with the resources here in northwest Colorado."

One way they plan to accomplish this is by expanding current operations.

Natural Soda is in the final stages of an application process with the BLM to double production to 500,000 tons per year, effectively making them the largest stand-alone facility in the world, all with what Schaeffner calls a "very low environmental footprint."

The mine, which currently employs around 75 people, hopes to add another 10 to 20 jobs with the expansion. Sodium bicarbonate is used for many things including as an additive in dairy cattle feed, ceramics and plastics and as food-grade baking soda. The baking soda from the local Natural Soda Mine can be found in Bob's Red Mill Baking Soda.

Betsy Bair from Sen. Gardner's office presented AGNC with a copy of the "Sage-Grouse Protection and Conservation Act," and she warned the group that the listing of the sage grouse (to the federally managed Endangered Species Act) would have a huge impact on local communities.

The bill, which is currently making its way through both houses of Congress, aims to have the federal government assist Western states in the development and management of conservation plans for the protection of the sage grouse while simultaneously protecting the natural resource industries' ability to coexist with the sage grouse on federal land.

The bill requires that any withdrawals or land-use restrictions implemented in the name of sage grouse protection be immediately

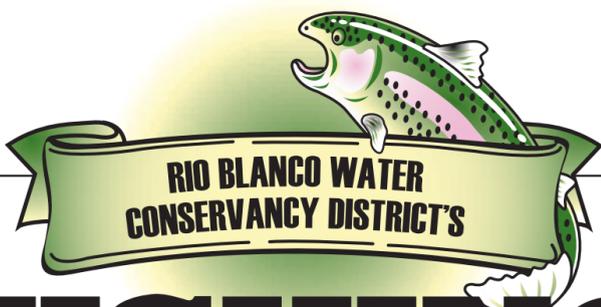
reversed.

Numerous groups, including the Rio Blanco County Commissioners, Farm Bureau, National Cattlemen's Beef Association and the American Exploration and Mining Association, currently support the bill.

During the Rangely meeting, AGNC officials voted unanimously to add the organization's name to the list of supporters, with several government officials expressing grave concerns about the economic impact listing the sage grouse could have.

Garfield County Commissioner Mike Samson told Bair "I hope you are successful, because if you aren't it could be devastating for the whole Northwest community."

AGNC meets regularly on the third Wednesday of each month. The next meeting in Rio Blanco County will be Nov. 18 in Meeker.



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# Oldtimers' Celebration in Meeker on Saturday

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**MEEKER** I The annual Oldtimers' Celebration will be held Saturday at the Freeman E. Fairfield Center in downtown Meeker.

Doors at the center, located at 200 E. Main St., will open at 3 p.m. for oral history storytelling by long-time residents of the area and for videotaping of sessions.

The social hour begins at 5 p.m. in the lobby, followed by dinner at 6:30 p.m. with the dance to follow.

The theme for this year's event is "School." The rich history of Rangely and Meeker schools—

activities, sports, teachers, students, school boards and buildings—has involved nearly everyone who has lived here, and we will be searching for trivia facts and answers to share at this year's event, such as: When did CNCC open? When was Parkview Elementary School built? When was the current Meeker High School built? What year was the road from Meeker to Rangely paved?

Tickets are \$35 per person. Anyone who has lived in the county for 30 years or went to school in Rio Blanco County is invited to join the celebration. Call 970-878-4138 for a first-time invitation.

# Buford fish fry June 13

Special to the Herald Times

**MEEKER** I The White River Community Association will hold its annual Fish Fry Fundraiser on June 13 at the Buford School on County Road 17.

The fundraiser, which supports upkeep and improvement of the historic Buford School, will run from 4 to 6 p.m. at the schoolhouse. Travel east on County Road 8 about 20 miles east of Meeker. Turn right at the Lake Avery spillway, then turn left at the stop sign on County Road 17, over the bridge and around the curve for about 1.5 miles.

Donations for the meet are \$10 for adults, \$8 for seniors 65 and over, \$5 for children ages 6-11, and children 5 and under are free.

"Everyone is invited to come join us for great home-cooked, deep fried whitefish and all the fixin's and a down-home upriver good time," WRCA publicist for the event Boots Campbell said.

Campbell assured those who attend that peanut oil will not be used to fry the fish.

Proceeds from the event will be used for continued improvements and maintenance to the historic Buford School.

# MEEKERPALOOZA:

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(local Mariachi band with guitars and accordion).

2:30 to 3:30 p.m., Casserole Beans (local band of Brett Smithers, Jon Whitehead and Aaron Grimes).

3:45 to 4:45 p.m., Matt Holliday & Friends (local Matt Holliday with world renown musician Andy Irvine).

5 to 6:30 p.m., Hog MaGundy from Fort Collins. (Through a shared passion to create high-energy string music with plenty of improvisation, the group brings a new kind of foot-stomping sound.)

6:45 to 8:15 p.m., Brian Jordan (He has his own brand of rock-infused groove music. Brian has shared the stage and played with many notables such as James Brown, Dave Matthews Band, The Allman Brothers Band, Fred Wesley, Bernie Worrell, Dr. Lonnie Smith, Bob Weir and many more world-class musicians.)

8:30 to 10 p.m., Great American Taxi (a five-piece traveling rock n' roll

band whose music covers a wide swath of Americana, jam-band and traditional roots landscape)

10 p.m., fireworks display by the Meeker Fire Department at Ute Park.

For questions and info contact Vanessa Trout 312-420-5918.

The mission of MACC is to inspire and educate artists and the community through promotion, advocacy and enhancement of cultural and artistic efforts. It is a non-profit group striving to provide a positive economic, cultural and educational impact in Meeker.

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Meeker Elementary School Library received a book donation from the Will James Society. The library was gifted 10 books written by Will James that will be used in the library, available next school year. Some fourth-graders came to look at the books and were very excited to preview them, saying they can't wait to check them out. Above, the kids check out the new books under the watchful eye of school librarian Kay Bivens.

# Meeker youths face charges in three cases

**MEEKER** I The Meeker Police Department concluded an investigation into criminal trespass and burglary cases earlier this week this past week. Nine juveniles were referred to court on 27 counts.

Meeker Police Lt. Phil Stubblefield reported that the juveniles—ranging in age from 13 to 17 years—had allegedly been entering houses that were not lived in or were just used for storage. Some of the property owners did not know their property had been entered until notified by the investigating officer.

In a separate case, a 17-year-old male was taken to juvenile detention in Grand Junction for allegedly assaulting his stepmother and for criminal mischief.

Two juveniles were also referred to court for "tagging," which is classified as criminal mischief. The two allegedly spray painted on numerous outdoor walls of businesses in Meeker.



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FROM MY WINDOW...

# Not all pets have to be dogs or cats; varieties abound

By SEAN McMAHON  
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I was looking out my windows before the rain shower on Sunday and out the back and front windows were dogs.

Cris and I decided about 10 or 12 years ago, when we lost Nickolas and Jamie, two very small Yorkshire terriers, in about a four-month period that we didn't want to go back to dogs as pets—at least for a while. We had Nick for about 10 years, and his death was to Cris just like we had lost a child. It was something we didn't want to go through again.

Since we moved here a bit more than two years ago, we had been asked many times if we wanted a dog or a cat, and the immediate answer was no. I am allergic to cats although they seem to love me, and we just weren't ready to go for another dog.

Then a friend of Cris's carried a dog into the hair salon where Cris worked. That changed everything.

So now we have about a five-year-old black poodle/Yorkshire terrier cross. Gracie, and that was her name, looks more like a poodle because of the curly hair and she has a white mark right in the middle of her upper chest.

She is a great dog with a few really strange quirks, but we have both gotten to the point that she is firmly enconced into the family.

When we pondered taking Gracie, we had one of those serious family gatherings with each other and made the list of the cons and pros of taking on another "small dog," although Gracie is bigger than the Yorkies we had. Gracie is about 10 to 12 pounds while the Yorkies were about five and eight pounds.

We discussed the animals we had both had before, and there was quite a long discussion.

When I met Cris 37 years ago, she had a cat and a dachshund. The dachshund didn't like me, but Buffy

was OK. The cat, on the other hand, had to go. If Cris literally hadn't chosen me over the cat, we wouldn't be together today. I could look at that cat and start sneezing, hacking, eyes swelling and watering and a rash would break out on my face, my arms and my legs. It would never have worked out.

Buffy was around until we made the move to Arizona the first time. She was just too old to relocate, so Cris's parents, who lived about 35 miles from the town in which we were married, took care of her. It was about a week after Buffy died that we found out the news because Cris's mother didn't want to tell her. And even though it had been more than a year since the two saw each other, it still wasn't an easy thing to deal with. Lots of tears were shed.

We went through a series of pets in Arizona from two more dogs (an Australian shepherd—a brilliant dog and good pet) and a basset hound (great personality, but it didn't like to do much except dig holes in my new lawn to get out of the heat.

Then we ended up with Nick the Yorkie, then, several years later, with Jamie, the other Yorkie. They were lots of fun, incredibly cute, greatly affectionate pets and quite intelligent. They just plain grew old. After that, it was time for a change. We tried a hedgehog first. Another interesting pet that was a little bit playful although you had to watch its sharp quills. We only had the hedgehog about six months, and even after several trips to vet, he didn't make it.

It was time for another family gathering with me and Cris. We discussed birds, as I had parakeets when I grew up and when Cris and I were dating. One day while we were gone, Buffy the dachshund had taken a leap from the floor onto a table, onto a higher book shelf and launched herself from about five feet high at the bird cage, knocking it on the floor. No more parakeet.

The best pet I had ever had and the only one I ever had that wasn't a bird was a skunk. Yes, it was the best pet I had ever run across as it had all the loving tendencies of a cat and all the cute habits and loving attributes of a dog.

He lived under the bathroom sink. When I would come home from work, you could hear the bathroom cabinet door open and slam shut, you would hear Charlie's nails clicking down the hall and shooting across the linoleum in the kitchen until he got to the rug in the living room. Then, before getting on the rug, he would just stomp his front paws repeatedly on the linoleum like a child with a tom-tom, and he would do it for about 20 seconds. At that point, the ritual was for me to move back into the living room with Charlie watching until I sat down on the couch and put my legs out straight and tell him, "Come on!" At that point he would stop his staring at me and run as fast as he could up my legs, up my chest and give me a big kiss.

I got Charlie when he was 10 days old and he had already been de-scented. He weighed about a quarter pound, and when I had to move to Wyoming, he weighed about 20 pounds.

We would go for walks in downtown Eureka Springs, Ark., a tourist town in the Ozarks, and Charlie would walk about five feet behind me, stirring some quite interesting reactions from the tourists and cheerful greetings from the locals, who had all grown to know and like Charlie.

Wyoming, however, didn't allow pet skunks because, like today, wild ones are too prone to rabies. I told Wyoming Game & Fish that he was tame, had his rabies shots, etc., etc.,



etc. No go. No pet skunks in Wyoming.

I gave Charlie away to a friend, and he lived happily on until he was about 16 years old before dying. I understand that is quite a ways past what is normal.

I did pull a lousy trick on my wife-to-be, however, as I had moved to Casper to work for the *Casper Star-Tribune* and had acquired a fairly large one-bedroom apartment.

Now, for a couple of different reasons, I had always thought snakes were neat. As a young boy, me and my friends, then about six or seven, would walk the three blocks down to Monument Park in Colorado Springs. There was some nice park property then a huge concrete embankment that would take one down to kind of riparian area with the South Platte flowing right through downtown.

If you want to find water bugs or frogs or lizards or garter snakes, it might not take long.

Snakes were my thing, and at times—often unknown to my parents—I would have six or seven snakes stored in a large aquarium mostly in the garage; on occasion in the house. Never had one get out; never had one die on me. I kept them alive with water and insects and tall grass I would pick from the river. I had these for about three years, when we were moving to another location in Colorado Springs.

As quietly as I brought them in, I brought them back to the river to their original habitat.

After we moved, the only pet I had was my first parakeet. Igor was his name—and I thoroughly enjoyed Igor until I took him out one day and discovered he knew how to open the latch on his cage.

After that, and I don't think it had anything to do with Igor, my parents divorced and my mom and one of my brothers moved to

Boulder. The other siblings had gone away to high school or college and it was Mom, Kevin and me in a much smaller home—no room for pets.

After I was graduated from high school, I moved to Aspen and obtained a loft apartment, and it was so expensive and small, pets weren't even a consideration.

So, after losing Nick and Jamie in Arizona, we decided we would again try birds. We got a couple of cockatiels.

It took us a while to figure out one was male and one was female. All of a sudden, eggs started showing up in the cage.

Anyway, regarding the snakes and the lousy trick on Cris, who is not fond of snakes, I purchased Darby, a three-foot boa constrictor that was about as big around as an adult thumb, just four days before we got married.

Cris wouldn't go near Darby unless it was an emergency, which did happen twice while we had her, but a typical evening, with Cris sitting in her own chair, was letting Darby out of his beautiful terrarium, he would slither out into the hall, make the 25 feet down the hall and into the living room, coil up around the couch and wrap around my neck, where he would stay until it was time to go to bed.

This went on for about three years with me feeding Darby about once a month, and when we moved to Phoenix, I donated him to the Maryvale High School science lab. By then, he had grown to about six feet in length and about as big around as a man's forearm.

Anyway, we had quite a collection of critters between us while growing up.

We also had a cockatoo, cockatiels (which we bred), the Yorkies (which we bred), iguanas, other lizards, gerbils and hamsters. I even raised a magpie from right when it fell out of its nest, and released it the next fall.

So, to make a long story short, we had a long conversation to determine whether or not it was time to get any kind of a pet. After a good hour or so of off and on discussion we reached consensus.

Gracie was going to join the family. And it has been a great joy that she has brought us. As I said, she had a few strange quirks, but that uniqueness is a part of the reason she had grown on us.

Anyway, just remember when and if you are looking for a pet, there are other animals than just dogs and cats. They will all offer you some fun and educational times if you learn about them first and always respect the nature of the animal you adopt.

Cats were not possible. Dogs were a joy. But Darby the snake and Charlie the skunk, the birds, even the hedgehog were fun to take care of, and each and every one of the experiences, particularly breeding the Yorkies and the cockatiels, were highly educational. Cris and I are both glad we did every bit of it; well, maybe not the boa constrictor for Cris.

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★Executive Director, Stephanie Kobald, attended the Colorado Chamber of Commerce Executives Conference in Palisade. At the conference, she learned information on technology for chambers, how best to serve our members, and more information to help our local chamber. She was also able to collaborate with other chambers and come up with new ideas for the Meeker Chamber.



★The Meeker Chamber of Commerce and a few members of the Wagon Wheel OHV Club attended the Rally on the Rocks in Moab to promote Meeker, the Wagon Wheel OHV Trails, and the Wagon Wheel OHV Rendezvous. There was plenty of interest and people from around the country are interested in seeing what Meeker has to offer.



★Plein Air Meeker 2015 will begin June 18. Artists from around the state will come to Meeker and begin painting around the county. The art work will go on display starting July 3, with a toast and an artist meet and greet from 12 pm-2 pm. The silent auction will begin at 12 pm on July 3 and will conclude at 3 pm on July 4. The events will take place in the Meeker Public Library located at 490 Main Street. Come bid on these impressive works of art and buy a piece of Rio Blanco County art for your collection!



### COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Visit [www.meekerchamber.com](http://www.meekerchamber.com) to learn more about these events, add your own public events, and view events in the upcoming months. Items in bold are sponsored by the Meeker Chamber of Commerce

- June 6: Adult Road Rash 'n Splash Triathlon
- June 6: Meekerpalooza
- June 6: Pioneer's Oldtimers' 2015 Dinner
- June 7: Meeker Cattle Dog Trials
- June 12: **SBDC Internet Strategies Workshop**
- June 12: Finnders and Youngberg Concert
- June 13: Pioneers Hospital Grand Opening
- June 18: **Plein Air Meeker 2015 Paintout Begins**
- June 21: Father's Day
- June 24: ERBM Horseback Trip
- June 25: Talk-Listen-Learn About Small Hydro for Agriculture

- June 26: **Meeker Young Timer BBQ**
- June 27: Meeker's Get Outdoors Day
- Youth Fishing
- Great American Backyard Campout
- Movie Under the Stars
- July 2: **Range Call Parade Entry Forms Due**
- July 2-4: Range Call
- July 3: Milk Creek Battlefield Tours
- July 3-4: **Plein Air Meeker 2015 Silent Auction**
- July 4: Sawyer Brown Concert

### PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

Visit our website, [www.meekerchamber.com](http://www.meekerchamber.com), to sign up for our newsletter featuring more information.

#### BOARD MEETINGS

Meeker Chamber of Commerce Public Board Meetings are on the second Wednesday of every month at 7 am in Kilowatt Korner. \*\*June meeting has been changed to Tuesday, June 9 at 7 am.\*\*

#### BUSINESS LEADERS LUNCHEON

The Business Leaders Luncheon in June will be a county update for businesses. The meeting will be at the Mexican House from 1 pm-2 pm.



#### MEEKER YOUNG TIMERS (MYT)

A group in their 20's & 30's or young at heart to socialize, learn about Meeker businesses and meet new people. On Friday, June 26, we will have a BBQ at 6:30 pm in Town Park. Bring your fishing poles, volleyball, horseshoes, and walking shoes. The main dish will be provided, but please bring a side dish or dessert to share. Please RSVP to the Meeker Chamber of Commerce at 970-878-5510 or on our Facebook group (Meeker Young Timers) by Wednesday, June 25.



#### INTERNET STRATEGIES WORKSHOP

The SBDC will present a workshop for those interested in learning how to increase your internet presence. There will be information on building a website, search engine optimization and much more. The workshop will be held at Kilowatt Korner on June 12 from 12 pm-1 pm. To register, visit [www.gjincubator.org](http://www.gjincubator.org) or call 970-243-5242.



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LOCAL OPINION

## Nice to see Rangely and town resident working together

By JENNIFER HILL  
Special to the Herald Times



Jennifer Hill

**RANGELY** I As a freelance reporter for the *Herald Times*, I have spent countless hours listening to, engaging with and writing about one of the largest players in our fair community, the town government.

I've covered more council, board and commission meetings for various governmental agencies than I can count. One side effect of spending all this time with so many factions of government is an inherently jaded view on all things bureaucratic.

The snail's pace that government can often move at, the sometimes intrusive decisions, and the endless hours of talk can leave a person a bit of a skeptic. However I've also seen some truly positive things come from the governments of our small communities, and the cooperation that the Town of Rangely and local gardener Jeremy Coleman showed while working on Coleman's unusual garden has proven to be one of those striking moments.

Coleman's non-traditional garden came into question several weeks ago by Rangely Code Enforcement for his extensive use of tree limbs and branches as well as some other unusual items, including a boat and raised boat trailer. The town claims they were receiving complaints about the appearance of the yard from neighbors, which prompted an investigation into the property.

Coleman received a notice from the town, informing him that he had 10 days to clean up the yard or face an unclear level of fines or court summons. The letter cited various code violations and told him he had to remove items that were "not serv-

ing the purpose they were created to serve."

When I first spoke with Coleman, he was desperate to save his garden and immediately contacted the town to request a meeting and the chance to explain the intentional nature of his yard.

The town obliged.

The meeting was attended by various town representatives including the town manager, mayor, a code enforcement officer and Coleman, who was accompanied by a few of his supporters. Notably absent were the complaint-issuing neighbors.

The town quickly explained to Coleman that the widespread use of branches was a dangerous fire hazard for his and the neighboring homes.

Coleman immediately stated he understood and he offered to begin the process of removing the branches the next day. From there, the town agreed to have the code enforcement officer meet with Coleman to help him develop a plan for the garden that could still meet his unique tastes, but also be built to code and satisfy all parties involved.

The meeting of these two entities, seemingly at odds, was a breath of fresh air in this world of top down government regulations.

Together they were able to disprove the old adage—that a negotiation is only successful when both parties leave unhappy—showing that when government takes the time to work with the people, the government can truly improve the communities they serve.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### No respect shown at funeral

Dear Editor:  
Respect?  
Recently, I went to a young man's funeral. I was totally disgusted that several young men failed to remove their hats.

Even if you weren't raised going to church, you should know to remove your hat.

I also hope they do know to remove their hat for the American flag when it is presented at parades.

I do know kids are raised differently now, but really look around at adult men and see how they act in church. Please show some respect.

Arlene Estes  
Meeker

### School children have excelled in Meeker

Dear Editor:  
Where do I start? Looking back over the 2014-2015 school year, your children have taken the bull by the horns and have excelled.

Every sport has gone above and beyond. Students have given their all

and climbed to the top. I can not say enough good about the coaches that give their all so your children have the desire to take the challenge.

Thank you.  
Thank you to our high school art students. Thank you Mr. Ben Quinn for inspiring the talent that is in each student.

Thank you music students from the middle and high schools. Thank you Mr. Jeremy Hemingson for your love of music is flowing into our students. The concert was fantastic. Looking forward to next year.

Thank you seniors for applying yourselves in everything you took on. You will make a difference in the world. I am looking forward to seeing you coming back to our community one day.

Thank you all students in all our schools. I have the privilege of going to each school and working with the staff and students. I see more good than bad every time.

Thank you staff in all our schools. We have very dedicated educators. It would take a page or two to list all the great things our educators do for students. Just know that I appreciate all you do. I see you in action and all of you excel because

you love what you do—opening the world to a young mind.

Thank you Meeker Elementary School staff. I enjoy the git'er done attitude. Have a restful summer.

Thank you supportive staff. Our children grow with your nurturing and care.

Thank you administrators and school board. You have a thankless job but keep a smile on your face and keep trudging on.

Thank you PTO for all the extra support you give to our schools.

Thank you secretaries, paras, janitors, lunch ladies, bus drivers and everyone else who is involved with the education of our community's children.

As educators, we are dedicated to the children and desire to help them to become the best they can be.

Community, we have educated your children in spite of it all.

Have a great summer and keep reading.

By the way, I love my job because of all of you and the children, whatever their age.

Kay Bivens  
Librarian, Meeker School District

would like to encourage those of us who are tired of having to be politically correct regardless of the situation... Hence we have now arrived at having our town's future jeopardized as a result of a ruling over our coal mining industry.

Our agriculture industry, too, has been threatened by situations involving the EPA. It is happening slowly but surely.

I am no expert in any of these areas, but sometimes one can't help remembering the good old days, when life was much more simple and less complicated. We seemed to have more freedoms at that time than we do now.

Do you remember the days when people gave you their word of honor with a hand shake and you could believe them?

Let us hope that our Rio Blanco County can maintain its coal production and we can hope to become more economically stable in the process! Also let us not forget to remember that truth, honesty, honor, loyalty, freedom of religion and belief in God and country are still part of our national heritage.

Marilynn Whiteman  
Meeker

### County needs fiscal stability

Dear Editor:  
As a proud resident of Rio Blanco County and a resident of northwest Colorado for 59 years, I

## Gardner blasts water ruling

Special to the Herald Times

**RBC** U.S. Sen. Cory Gardner (R-Colo.) released the following statement reacting to the release May 27 of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) "Waters of the United States" rule:

"This rule represents a massive

expansion of federal power and puts the EPA in the ludicrous position of acting as the main regulator of ponds, ditches, and even intermittent streams across the country," he stated. "Generations of state and local officials have crafted water rules that take community needs into account while ensuring that water is kept clean.

"Now, this rule threatens to wash all those years of state water law away and drown communities and businesses in federal red tape," Gardner stated. "I will continue to support legislative efforts to block this rule and protect the ability of Coloradans to decide how best to make use of our limited water resources."

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## The Word (2)

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Dr. J.D. Watson

**FOR** he spake, and it was done; he commanded, and it stood fast (Ps 33:9). We mentioned our text in last week's meditation, but we do not wish to hurry on, rather just linger a little longer here. *Logos* was by no means an exclusive concept to the Greeks; "word" was also a critical OT theme. The Hebrew *dābār*, for example, means a word or speech and is a general term for God's revelation (and is usually rendered *logos* in the Septuagint). The Ten Commandments are referred to using *dābār* (Ex. 34:28; Deut. 10:4), which we could translate as "the ten words" because they are exactly what God said. While the specific terms used in our text are different, the emphasis on what God says is the same.

*First*, the psalmist declares, **For he spake, and it was done**. As we have noted before (Jan. 18), **spake** is 'amar, which means not only "to say or speak," but also "to say to one's self," that is, to *think*. It is also used for "said" in the ten "God said" statements in Genesis 1 (Jan. 11). Particularly fascinating is the Hebrew behind **done**. It is *hāyāh*, the same word for "I AM" in Exodus 3:14, the simple verb meaning "to be or exist." The most literal idea in our text, then, is, "God thought, and it was." The context of this verse, in fact, is creation. With a mere thought from God, all things sprang into existence. "Creation was the fruit of a word," Charles Spurgeon wrote. "With men saying and doing are two things, but it is not so with God," adds Puritan Matthew Henry. Indeed, the Lord's acts are *instantaneousness* in their *execution* and *incomprehensible* in their *ease*. For God to *say* is for Him

the same as to *do*.

*Second*, the psalmist, apparently not satisfied with the first statement, is compelled to add, **he commanded, and it stood fast**. **Commanded** translates the Hebrew verb *sāwāh*, a general word that denotes a superior verbally ordering or commanding a subordinate. In its first occurrence, for example, God verbally commanded Adam that he could "freely eat" of every tree in the garden except "the tree of the knowledge of good and evil" (Gen. 2:16, 17). It is also commonly used of people commanding other people (e.g., Gen. 18:19; Ex. 1:22; Judg. 4:6; 1 Kings 5:17).

What was the result when God commanded? **It stood fast**. This is a single word in the Hebrew (*'amad*), which in this context refers to something enduring, continuing, and being preserved. It's used in Jeremiah 32:14, where God told the prophet to buy a field and put the title deeds "in an earthen vessel, that they may continue many days" (Jer. 32:14). And so it is that the same power that *made* all things now *maintains* all things. First it *created*, now it *continues*. First it *uplifted*, now it *upholds*.

**Scriptures for Study:** What do the following verses tell us about creation: Psalm 148:1-6; 119:90; Hebrews 1:3?

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# Meeker FFA has great season, sending students to nationals

By REED KELLEY  
Special to the Herald Times

**MEEKER** I Almost everyone in Rio Blanco County knows what FFA is—the Future Farmers of America. Now, the group website states that its now the FFA Organization and they're not only future farmers, but also the future biologists, future chemists, future veterinarians, future engineers and future entrepreneurs of America.

At Meeker High School (MHS), agriculture education teacher Trina Kay Smith leads the effort as the FFA advisor and sponsor. On May 20, the Meeker FFA held its annual banquet at which member achievements were recognized and celebrated.

Each year, FFA students acquire information in the classroom and put it to the test in district- and state-level leadership and career development events. The events are based on Colorado Agriculture Education Standards and measure student knowledge of the standards – all of which prepare participants for careers in agriculture or related industries, just better appreciating agriculture as an adult, and/or being successful in an agricultural vocation.

The students in the Meeker program earned 44 Proficiency Awards at the chapel level this year, ranging from ag communications and entrepreneurship to beef, goat, poultry, sheep, swine, forage and turf produc-



COURTESY PHOTO

The Meeker FFA Agricultural Team claimed the state title and won Team Gold for addressing the wild horse situation in Western Rio Blanco County. They will represent Colorado at the national competition in Louisville, Ky., in October. In the front row, from left, are: Peyton Burke, Jamie Moyer and Meghan Smith; back row, from left: Clay Anderson, Sam Baylie and Jacob Smith. Not pictured is Lori Ann Klingsmith.

tion, equine science and outdoor recreation (outfitting).

One of the most apparent efforts was the FFA Ag Issues Team of Lori Ann Klingsmith, Meghan Smith, Jamie Moyer, Sam Baylie, Peyton Burke, Jake Smith and Clay Anderson. Teams are charged with identifying a critical issue facing agri-

culture relevant to the community, demonstrating an understanding of the issue from all sides, researching by contact with principal parties involved and increasing awareness of the issue through local, regional and possibly higher level presentations.

This year's topic was the wild horse issue on grazing lands in west-

ern Rio Blanco County and the team placed first at State with a Team Gold. They will be representing Colorado at the 2015 National FFA Convention in Louisville, Ky., on Oct. 28-31.

In ag sales, members must research and create sales presentations of an agricultural product and "sell" it

to a judge, plus take a written exam and present a sales pitch as a team on a product chosen by the judges. The Meeker Ag Sales team of Chase Rule, Hunter Garcia, Sheridan Harvey and Casey Turner, placed sixth out of 15 teams at State with a Team Silver Award. Turner also received an individual Silver Award.

FFA Leadership Development includes public speaking. Brittany Smith won extemporaneous speaking at the District level and will compete this week at the State FFA Convention in Pueblo, June 1-4. Macy Collins won third place at District in prepared public speaking and second place in creed speaking. Collins was the Chapter Creed Speech Champion.

Seven Meeker Chapter members are to receive State FFA Degrees this week in Pueblo for high success in their Supervised Ag Experience (SAE) programs. To qualify, they must show they have earned and productively invested at least \$2,500 or worked in excess of 750 hours outside of class in their SAE. In addition, they must have kept accurate records. Final approval for the state degrees comes from the State FFA Association's Executive Committee. The Meeker State Degree earners are Jake Smith,

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# More Views of a Very Busy Weekend in Rio Blanco County



Marcus Archuleta, center, one of the graduating members of the Meeker Class of 2015, is assisted by Reagan Pearce, left, and Brittany Smith, right, as he gets ready to tell the class to turn their tassels, a symbol that the members of the senior class were finally considered to have officially graduated.



Ethan Allred, who had the highest grade point upon graduation from Rangely High School on May 24, gave the valedictorian's speech at the ceremony in the RHS gymnasium. Allred told his classmates that this is the time to celebrate the start of the rest of their lives, but he also reminded them of the need to work hard, to never give up and to realize that how you deal with problems is what determines your character.



The wind was starting to move in late Saturday morning as Meeker High School Principal Dr. Kim Ibach presented closing remarks to the graduates, wishing them all a bright future. Ibach had also presented the welcome, which opened the ceremony.



The Rangely Elks Club presented six \$200 scholarships to members of the Class of 2015 at the Rangely High School Commencement on May 24. From the left are: Elks representative Rachel LeBleu and seniors Mitchell Webber and Dawn Stephens. Other seniors to receive scholarships from the Elks included Jessica Tolley, Simone Heinle, Jason VandenBrink and Stephanie Tuck.

## Memorial Day: It is never too late to honor our fallen troops



Members of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 5843, members of the Ladies VFW Auxiliary and members of the Meeker American Legion Post No. 74 marched in Highland Cemetery in Meeker to mark the beginning of the Memorial Day observance in Meeker. The ceremony was complete with laying a wreath on the memorial in the cemetery, a 21-gun salute and "Taps."



Rangely held two Memorial Day ceremonies—at the Veterans Memorial and at Rangely Cemetery on May 25—and one of the members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars to salute the flag was Rangely veteran Gary Hinaman.



Bob Blevins, right, and Peter Kiser, left, lay a wreath upon the memorial to fallen members of the Meeker community during the Memorial Day observance held at Highland Cemetery on Monday morning. To the right is VFW Ladies Auxiliary member Dawn Jastrem, who assisted by carrying the wreath at both services on Monday. A good crowd gathered at the cemetery to observe the ceremony honoring those who gave their lives while in the Armed Forces in service to the United States.



For the Veterans of Foreign Wars members in Rangely, Memorial Day started just after dawn. Folks met up at Rangely Cemetery to pay respects to the veterans who gave the ultimate gift of their lives in times of service to the United States. From left to right are veterans Lisa Hatch, Cecil Powell, Mike Gillard, Frank England and Gary Hinaman.

## RANGELY REC LEAGUE BASEBALL...



COURTESY PHOTO

Above are the Rangely Recreation League Baseball Team Panthers. In the back row, from left to right, are: Brent Cantrell, Austin Davis, Nevaeh Bland and Byron Mackay. In the front row, from left to right, are: Justin Cudo, Andrew Dorris, Wyatt Tull, Anthony Dorris and Luis Quintana. Below is Austin Davis, who is safe at home as the Panthers defeated Craig on May 27 by a score of 8-2.



## Rifle-area state parks open

Special to the Herald Times

**RIFLE** Colorado Parks and Wildlife has announced that the swim beaches at Rifle Gap State Park and Harvey Gap state parks near Rifle opened over Memorial Day weekend.

The pristine waters are popular with anglers, boaters and swimmers looking for a way to cool off as the days get longer and warmer.

Park managers remind the public that safety is paramount and ask the public to follow all posted rules.

"There are no lifeguards on duty, so we advise everyone to be careful when entering the water," park manager Brian Palcer said. "Have fun, stay cool and enjoy your park."

Palcer reminds swimmers that they must stay within designated boundaries marked by orange and

white buoys and all children 12-years and under must be accompanied by an adult when in the water.

A \$7 daily pass or \$70 yearly pass is required for all vehicles that enter the parks.

To preserve its natural state, no camping or pets are permitted in Harvey Gap State Park and pets are also not permitted at the swim beach at Rifle Gap State Park.



SEAN McMAHON

This group of 12 elk is the last of a herd of more than 80 head of elk just before they crossed the White River on a recent morning about 200 yards upriver from the Miller Creek Bridge just off County Road 8. It took more than 20 minutes for the entire herd to cross the river, then they headed up a steep cliff to an open field above the river.

## WREA golf tourney is June 19; Meeker's annual Two-Man Best Ball is June 20-21

Special to the Herald Times

**MEEKER** There will be two different tournaments for golfers of all levels the weekend of June 19-21 in Meeker.

A flat-screen TV and cash prizes will be up for grabs as the White River Electric Association hosts its 31st annual White River Golf Tournament on June 19.

Registration includes Thursday's dinner and Friday's cart and green fees, range balls and a sack lunch.

On Saturday and Sunday is Meeker Golf Course's annual Two-Man Best Ball tournament on June 20 and 21.

Friday's format at the WREA tournament will be a four-person scramble, and entry fee is \$65 per person, which includes Thursday's dinner and all the tournament extras listed above.

All proceeds from that tourna-

ment will be donated to purchase new Chromebooks for Meeker Elementary School.

The schedule for Thursday is: 6 p.m. for registration, team introductions and a cash bar; 7 p.m. for dinner/team calcutta; and the drawing for the flatscreen TV, which was donated by Tri-State Generation and Transmission. Winner must be present to win.

The schedule for Friday is: 8 a.m. for skins/captains meeting; and 9 a.m. will be the shotgun start.

Breakfast burritos, coffee and cinnamon rolls will be for sale on Friday.

The public is also being asked to help sponsor holes (\$200 each) and the club house (\$150 each). Those who wish to be sponsors are asked to contact Trina at 970-878-5041; by FAX at 970-878-5766; or by email at [tbrown@wrea.org](mailto:tbrown@wrea.org).

Entries will be accepted on a

first-come, first-served basis. No entries will be held without payment. Co-ed teams will be assigned and balanced by handicap.

For out-of-town guests, please contact the Meeker Chamber of Commerce.

Mountain Valley Bank is again a tournament co-sponsor and Meeker's Northwest Auto is back as the Hole-In-One sponsor.

"Last year's tournament was a huge success and lots of fun," WREA's Trina Zagar-Brown said. "Our success was all thanks to those who participated and our generous sponsors. WREA appreciates all that you do to help make this a great community and a successful cooperative association."

And golfers, local and those from out of town, are reminded about the two-day Meeker Golf Course annual Two-Man Best Ball Tournament on Saturday and Sunday.

## Former locals return to Rangely to capture first in 27-hole scramble

By **BOBBY GUTIERREZ**  
[bobby@theheraldtimes.com](mailto:bobby@theheraldtimes.com)

**RANGELY** Terrell Lowry, Josh Mosley, Tyler Dahl and Dustin Kissling returned to Rangely to shoot 19 under par and win the 27-hole, four-person scramble on Saturday at Cedar Ridges Golf Course.

Lowry and Dahl currently live in Salt Lake City, Utah, Dahl now lives in Montrose and Kissling in Grand Junction, but the four reunited to beat

a team from Meeker by one stroke for the title.

"We felt pretty good, coming into the clubhouse at 18 under and we still lost," said Meeker golfer Larin Crase, who teamed up with Bryce Ducey, Kyle Frary and Kyle Hooks to finish with the second best gross score—but out of the money—in a field of 11 teams.

Mike Eckenrod, Aaron Salazar, Kyle Carstens and Rod Green of Fruita finished the 27-holes with a

net score of 81.

"The weather was fantastic and it was a very fun and competitive afternoon," Cedar Ridges golf manager Chris Hejl said of Saturday's tournament.

"The course was in great shape," Scott Creecy, another Meeker golfer, said of the course's condition.

The Elks Scramble will be played June 13 at Cedar Ridges followed by the Rangely Open Stroke Play Tournament on June 20.



BOBBY GUTIERREZ

Several members of the Rangely High School football team along with coaches Paul Fortunato and Travis Witherell, were in Meeker on Tuesday at Bolton Construction, cleaning up the yard before leaving for football camp later this week in Greeley. "We wanted to help out and say thanks to Shawn Bolton and his lead man Joe Barton for their support of our program," Coach Fortunato said. Fortunato said about 20 players will attend football camp at the University of Northern Colorado, where they have instruction during the day and scrimmages at night.

## Women's shotgun shooting and fly fishing seminar slated for June 13 in Collbran

By **SEAN McMAHON**  
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**RBC** Women interested in learning the basics of shotgun shooting and fly fishing are invited to attend Colorado Parks and Wildlife's "Cast and Blast" clinic in Collbran on June 13 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The two-part class is designed for novices interested in learning about these popular outdoor activities and is open to women from across the state. However, space is limited.

"Many ladies want to hunt or fish, but they don't have a mentor," said Kathleen Tadvick, education coordinator for Colorado Parks and Wildlife. "This class is perfect for them because it teaches the fundamentals of fly fishing and the safe use of shotguns in a comfortable environment."

Tadvick said that no experience or equipment is required, and she suggests to anyone planning to attend to bring a friend.

"Doing this with someone you know adds to the fun and enjoyment

of the clinic," Tadvick said.

"Cast and Blast" and similar programs are offered through Colorado Parks and Wildlife's Hunter Outreach program, including workshops, clinics, seminars and educational hunts that focus on teaching skills, ethics and traditions of hunting to novice youth and women.

For more information about CPW's Hunter Outreach program, visit [www.cpw.state.co.us/learn/Pages/HunterOutreach.aspx](http://www.cpw.state.co.us/learn/Pages/HunterOutreach.aspx)



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### SIMONE HEINLE

#### Rangely High School Soccer

Recent Rangely High School graduate Simone Heinle finished this past soccer season ranked No. 1 in the nation on Maxpreps with 316 saves during the spring season and No. 2 in the nation for fall/spring behind Liz Field of Rushville High School in Rushville Ind., who had 356 saves. Simone will play college soccer, but is not sure where. Putting nursing and soccer together is difficult, but Simone has offers from Illinois, Texas, Colorado, Kansas, West Virginia, Wyoming, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Nebraska and more.

## Champions of the Week

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### MEEKER FFA TEAM Meeker High School

The Meeker High School FFA Ag Sales Team, pictured, and the other members of the Meeker FFA had a highly successful season this year, placing in competitions all over Colorado. One of the local teams even qualified for the nationals, which will be held in Louisville, Ky., in October.

# RBC Land Use Plan meetings well-attended; residents' input needed

By REED KELLEY  
Special to the Herald Times

**RBC** The White River and Douglas Creek conservation districts held five meetings last week to introduce area communities to their Land and Natural Resource Use Plan and Policy project.

Development of the plan and policy is a joint effort with the Rio Blanco County Commissioners for the benefit of the county, its residents, visitors and workers. The effort is being paid for on nearly a 50/50 basis between the districts and the county.

Callie Hendrickson, executive director of the two districts, spoke to 40 citizens gathered at the Meeker Library and a group of 25 at the Rock Creek School on Piceance Creek May 28. May 27 she spoke to 20 on the Colorado Northwestern Community College Rangely campus and to 12 at Sleepy Cat near Buford.

The programs included presentations from consultants who will gather and organize data and put the communities' policy desires into the plan. The contractors are a team of Cheyenne attorneys, Karen Budd-Falen, and her law firm, plus Y2 Consultants LLC, a Jackson, Wyo., natural resources and engineering firm owned by Brenda Younkin.

Budd-Falen explained that while federal laws require agencies to consider local "custom and culture" in their land and natural resource decision-making, it's virtually impossible locally to truly influence federal decisions unless a county has organized its basic economic, resource, demographic and historic information and desires to become a plan and policy.

With a complete plan and policy in hand, county citizens are "in position to get the federal agencies to follow federal law by considering the county's plan and policies which helps build better partnerships between all the parties," Budd-Falen said. The law, through these relationships, can give the districts and the county "cooperating agency" status, allowing them to participate from the very beginning of any decision-making process.

Younkin described the expected timeline of the project.

Data-gathering for the county will continue into the fall, and that will include documenting the myriad of federal activities currently under consideration or expected. She stated that the team and the districts plan to be very transparent, and if anyone's concerns or factors aren't represented, it won't be the consultants' fault, but the citizens' fault for not participating or

paying attention.

Younkin said to expect public scoping meetings on the data gathering and draft policy statements perhaps as early as September.

The team is expecting to have the final proposed plan and policies in place for presentation to the county commissioners by February or March 2016.

In the meantime, she said the public should expect monthly progress reports, updates, meeting minutes, maps and documents with available comment opportunities online and hardcopy comment procedures and forms.

The districts, through the office in Meeker and District Manager Priscilla Sheridan, will serve as the communication and outreach hub. Phone her at 878-5628, Ext. 4, or by email at whiterivercd@gmail.com.

The project website, just now being fleshed-out, is RioBlancoLUP.com. For project contact, the email address of RioBlancoLUP@gmail.com has been established.

The fifth presentation interaction conducted by the visiting consultant team last week was with the local steering committee that has just been formed.

Hendrickson reported steering

committee members and their represented interests include: Bill Hume, Rangely business and economics; Doug Overton, Meeker business and economics; Sheryl Robertson, west end custom and culture; Connie Theos, east end custom and culture; Chris Uphoff, Piceance custom and culture; Jeff Kirtland, oil and gas; Tim Mantle, Piceance livestock; Kelly Sheridan, stockgrowers; Tiffany Jehorek, NRCS; Rocky Pappas, outfitting recreation; Troy Osborn, OHV recreation; Bailey Franklin, wildlife; Gary Moyer, timber; and Alden VandenBrink, water.

Budd-Falen emphasized her fifth-generation ranch background from the Budd and Sons Ranch outside Big Piney, Wyo., in Sublette County, having BLM and Forest Service permits. She has earned a solid reputation through the years representing local natural resource and ranching interests involving conflict with the federal

government. After law school at the University of Wyoming, she worked in Washington, D.C., for the Reagan Administration in the Interior Department for the assistant secretary for Land and Minerals Management, overseeing the Bureau of Land Management, Minerals Management Service and the Office of Surface Mining. She later worked as an attorney for the Mountain States Legal Foundation. One of her current cases involves ranchers near Cedar City, Utah, who claim BLM hasn't kept the number of wild horses, which they say have badly overused range resources, under control. In April in that case, U.S. Federal District Judge Dee Benson ruled that the lawsuit should move forward.

Younkin stressed her ranch background, having grown up on a Nebraska livestock operation and going to the University of Nebraska. She admitted having experienced

some shock when she moved west and discovered trees. Her resource and engineering firm, which has been in business since 2010, employs some 15 people. She holds two rangeland management degrees, including a master's of rangeland resources from Utah State University, and has specialized in assisting public land grazing permittees with renewals, vegetation analysis, monitoring, National Environmental Policy Act documentation and preparation.

Kent Walter, the field manager in the BLM White River Field Office spoke up at the Meeker meeting, urging county residents to actively participate in the conservation districts' plan and policies project. He pointed out that the process won't be lengthy and it won't be so encumbered by the rules and bureaucracy that federal processes involve.

He expressed his personal enthusiasm for the effort.

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# RANGELY PANTHERS

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### Hospital ribbon cutting June 13

**MEEKER** The community is invited to take part in the celebratory cutting of the ribbon for the new Pioneers Medical Center on June 13.

"This will mark a new chapter in healthcare for Meeker and the White River Valley," said Margie Joy, executive director of the Pioneers Healthcare Foundation.

The ribbon cutting will take place at 3 p.m., and the open house, which will run until 7 p.m., will include a cornerstone and time capsule setting, facility tours and an old-fashioned picnic.

The ribbon cutting will not mark the actual opening of the new facility. The schedule to move to the new facility from the old hospital will be: June 17: For the emergency room, the hospital in general, and the Walbridge Wing, which will be open late on June 17; June 18: to move the Meeker Family Health Clinic, facility will be closed all day for the move; June 19: the Meeker Family Health Clinic will reopen at the new facility for acute needs only; and June 20: the Meeker Family Health Clinic will reopen from 9 a.m. to noon.

The new hospital is located at 100 Pioneers Medical Center Dr., which is across from Samuelson's True Value, just north of town off Highway 13.

## FFA: Ag team wins state title with wild horse project

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Sam Baylie, Ty Dunham, Jamie Moyer, Madi Shults, Austin Purcell and Jamie McLaughlin.

Chapter FFA Degrees are awarded to second- and third-year FFA students who have already received a first-year award (Greenhand), completed two semesters of ag education, have a satisfactory SAE, earned and productively invested at least \$150 or worked through at least 45 hours outside class in their SAE, led a group discussion, demonstrated five procedures of parliamentary procedure, performed 10 hours community service and held at least a 2.0 grade point average. The 12 members who earned Chapter Degrees this year are Clay Anderson, Cole Brown, Hunter Garcia, Sheridan

Harvey, Lori Ann Klinglesmith, Chase Rule, Meghan Smith, Casey Turner, Kasey Rosendahl, Anna Walsh, Peyton Burke and Tyler Ilgen.

Samuel Baylie received the Star Chapter Farmer Award for "most involvement in all phases of chapter activities." Brittany Smith and Austin Purcell were the Chapter Stars in Ag Placement. For her work in nursery operations and ag education, Jamie Moyer was the only student to receive State Proficiency Awards. Her efforts garnered State Gold.

Greenhand Degrees went to 18 first-year members who had satisfactory plans for an SAE and learned the FFA motto, salute, creed, emblem, colors and code of ethics. This year's Greenhand recipients were Madeline Arnold, Macy Collins, Zach

Dinwiddie, Jake Edinger, Uri Goedert, Jordan Goodwin, Logan Hughes, Kadie Hummel, Doak Mantle, Noah Mayerle, Trapper Merrifield, Daylon Nielsen, Kiyoko Thelen, Lauren Urista, Jazzmyn Wakefield, Dayton Willey, Patrick Williams and Codee Woodward. The "rising star" Greenhand awardees were Urista and Wakefield.

The Ag Mechanics program requires students to develop knowledge and competency in ag technology and systems important to the modern workplace. The 2015 Ag Mechanics Team—Daylon Nielsen, Codee Woodward and Jazzmyn Wakefield—competed against 37 other teams and 144 total competitors at the state competition, placing 24th.

The Horse Evaluation/Equine Science Team consisted of Lauren Urista, Jordan Goodwin and Kiyoko Thelen. They placed 25th out of 47 teams, and Urista received an overall

individual Silver Award.

Community members recognized for their contributions were Cassie McGuire, Bryce Purkey, White River and Douglas Creek Conservation Districts, Colowyo Coal, the RBC commissioners, the RBC Fair Board, Mike and Sam Lopez, Tyrell Turner, Callie Hendrickson, Friends of the FFA Alumni and Margie Joy. Honorary FFA Chapter memberships were awarded to two volunteer coaches—Billy Goedert for horse evaluation and Kent Nielsen for ag mechanics.

Meeker is in Colorado FFA District I. District officers are elected to preside over all district events.

Jamie McLaughlin served as District president from March 2014 to March 2015. Meeker members serving as district officers now until March 2016 are executive committee members Jamie Moyer and Ty Dunham as well as reporter Madi Shults.

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8:00 a.m., June 19th	Skins/Captain's Meeting
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## Chambers host 'net workshop

**RBC |** The Meeker and Rangely chambers of commerce, acting together as the Rio Blanco County Small Business Development Center Satellite Office, will offer a free workshop titled "Improve Your Internet Presence" on June 12.

The workshop will run from noon to 1 p.m. at Kilowatt Korner in Meeker. Topics of discussion will be building a website, search engines and more. Also available are one-on-one consultations before or after the workshop. The hour-long workshop is geared toward an individual who is in the beginning stages of creating an Internet presence for their business. The presenter will be Hannah Benson, an SBDC assistant and certified business coach.

The one-on-one appointments will be with Annalisa Pearson of Grand Junction's Business Incubator Center who is a certified SBDC coach. Topics will include, but are not limited to, marketing, cash flows, the restaurant and food industry, retail and non-profits.

If you would like to take advantage of the one-on-one appointment, please contact the Meeker Chamber of Commerce at 878-5510 to schedule your meeting. To register for the workshop, please call 970-243-5242 or visit the website of www.gjincubator.org.

## JUDGE: Ruling threatens mine

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of Surface Mining's legal team is assessing the ruling and the agency has yet to decide "the appropriate way to go forward," agency spokesman Christopher Holmes said.)

The Colorado Mining Association argued that Jackson's ruling would mandate costly studies that would be speculative, because mining companies can't control the decisions of companies that burn their coal.

Stuart Sanderson, president of the association, told HCN that the ruling threatens mining statewide both because of the delays these studies would cause and the possibility that every existing mine permit could be reopened at any time for failing to analyze climate impacts.

Colorado Gov. John Hickenlooper met with local governments in northwest Colorado on May 19 and told reporters that the state also was considering legal action.

"If we need to have more environmental assessment, do more environmental assessment, don't shut the mine down," Hickenlooper told KREX-TV in Grand Junction. "Don't kick people off their jobs."

The Colowyo mine, owned by Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association Inc., has the most at stake, because the federal coal targeted by the lawsuit at Trapper mine already

has been extracted. Colowyo employs 220 people and contributes more than \$200 million to the regional economy, including an estimated \$12 million in local, state and federal taxes, according to Tri-State.

In Colorado, (the average) coal miners' wages and benefits average \$123,000 annually, according to The Colorado Mining Association.

Even the environmentalist who filed the case doesn't want Colowyo to have to lay off workers. "I want the Interior Department to respond in 120 days, so that Colowyo doesn't have to be shut down," Jeremy Nichols, the climate and energy program director at WildEarth Guardians, said.

Nichols said he pursued this and other cases because he believes the federal government should inform the public about the climate impacts of burning coal mined on federal lands.

Nevertheless, Nichols said he does hope that once the government provides an honest accounting of the climate consequences of using coal, the public will see the "dismal picture" and think twice about approving more coal mines in the future.

"It's high time that the future of mining be weighed against the future of the climate," he said.

Elizabeth Shogren is the Washington, D.C., correspondent for High Country News.

## DOGS: Free admission to first Meeker cattedog trials

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The best help on a ranch is often the well-trained dog that gathers cattle and assists in working them in the pasture or to the corral. The cattedog course is set to duplicate those typical situations and allows the handler the choice of being on foot or horseback. This year's course is an open course; each handler/dog team will have 11 minutes to work three head of cattle through a set of obstacles.

Beginning behind the handler line, the dog must be sent 200 yards to gather the cattle, bring them in through fetch panels and continue to work them through a series of obstacles in a certain order. The handler is free to move anywhere behind the handler line as the dog is directed to move the cattle through most of the obstacles. Only on certain sections of the course can the handler move across the handler line to assist the dog in putting stock through an obstacle.

Points are given for each tail head that clears the exit of an obstacle. The

handler may not reach into or enter an obstacle unless instructed by the judge, and striking of the animal is prohibited unless in the case of self-defense.

This trial is sanctioned by the National Cattedog Association, and points earned in Meeker will go towards qualifying for the 2016 National Cattedog Finals.

Headquartered in Greeley, Colo., the National Cattedog Association (NCA) is the parent organization that oversees and promotes cattedog trials across the country. Their mission is to encourage efficient, low-stress and humane cattle handling by promoting the use and demonstrating the value of well-trained cattedogs. It is the organizing agent that provides guidelines, oversight and insurance for cattedog trials.

Executive committee members of the NCA have been instrumental in helping with the organizational process of the Meeker Classic Cattedog Trial.

Cattedog trials differ from sheepdog trials in the judging process—time and completion of the obstacles is emphasized. Sheepdogs are judged on the ability to guide the sheep in smooth straight lines through the course, where cattedogs employ the same tactics, but must work more aggressively to move the cattle through obstacles. Cattedog trials are traditionally shorter in distance and use a greater variety of courses and panels.

Runs will begin at 7:30 a.m. for the Meeker Cattedog Trial at Ute Park.

Admission is free to the public. Visitors will enter and park through the west gate close to the Wilber Barn. No parking or traffic will be allowed on the hay meadow. The trial will run all day on Sunday, ending approximately at 4 p.m.

Trial organizers hope to have a short lunch break. Food vendors will be on site as will other vendors that are staying over from Meekerpalooza, a

separate event scheduled on Saturday. Everyone is invited to come watch this historic event and learn about the sport of Cattedog Trials—with free admission for all.

Meeker area artist John Kobald recently completed a piece to be used as the first poster for the inaugural Meeker Cattedog Trial. Posters and T-shirts of this inaugural event will be on sale during the trial.

Cattedog committee members include Leah Bohlander, Bruce Clatterbaugh, Greg and Maym Cunningham, Lynda Frost, Regas Halandras, Justin Hansen, Michele Morgan, Renae Neilson, Cynda Norrell, Kelcee and Ryan Vroman and the Meeker Classic Board of Directors, who hope this will be the beginning of another fine Meeker Classic tradition.

Meeker has a reputation for its hospitality and ability to put on a good trial, and the handlers are looking forward to visiting the White River Valley.

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*Dr. Casey Aguirre grew up in Salt Lake City, Utah, and attended the University of Utah. He then attended medical school at Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine. Dr. Aguirre completed his residency at the Southern Colorado Family Medicine in Pueblo, CO where in 2012 he became Board certified in Family Medicine And Osteopathic Medicine. Dr. Aguirre and his wife (Ashley) and their three children (Jackson 7, Grady 5, Kaven 3) are excited to call the Western Slope of Colorado their home.*

*Dr. Aguirre enjoys practicing preventive medicine and osteopathic manipulations. He has an interest in sports medicine and providing IMPACT testing and educating youth and coaches about concussion awareness. Dr. Aguirre speaks Spanish fluently.*

*Details of medicine, he considers his greatest accomplishment to be his family. He enjoys everything involving family time, alpine skiing, snowboarding, hiking, camping, trail runs, or anything having to do with the outdoors. He is an avid baseball fan and enjoys going to MLB baseball games. He is excited to bring his enthusiasm for life and medicine to his patients here on the Western Slope.*

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## White River Community Association

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**Saturday, June 13, 2015**



4 pm – 6 pm

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**Donation:** Ages 12 – Adult \$10.00  
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Ages 6 – 11 \$5.00  
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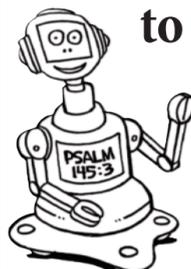
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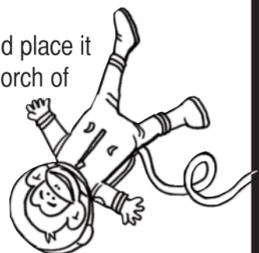
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## OBITUARIES

## Ruby J. Hart

March 26, 1917~May 22, 2015

Well-known Meeker resident Ruby J. Hart, after living on this earth for 98 years, passed from this life and moved on to a better place May 22, 2015, at Walbridge Wing in Meeker, Colo.

Grandma came into this world on March 26, 1917, near Debeque, Colo., the second child to Lute and Ella Armstrong. As a child, she spent much time with her father cowboying on EO Mountain, and she often talked about staying at the EO Cow Camp.

When she was approximately 12 years of age, her parents decided to move to Lime Kiln Hill near Meeker. She and her brother, Phil, who was just a few years older, brought the family cattle over—just the two of them. They drove cows up from Roan Creek, up over the rim and down to Piceance Creek, up Piceance Creek and finally to their new place in Lime Kiln. It took them five or six days to accomplish this feat, but they made it with all of their cattle, and it was something grandma was very proud of.

Grandma never finished high school but went to work cooking at an early age. She worked hard all of her life, well into an age that most people would have long since been retired. She cooked at the hospital, where she sent out the first-ever Meals on Wheels for Meeker.

She cooked for school lunch for many many years. Her Friday cinnamon rolls are still talked about today. She later had a catering business doing local dinners and parties. She did the annual Fireman's Dinner for so many years they awarded her the title of Honorary Fireman and she received two tickets to their banquet for many years.

She married Everett Proctor, and together they raised Dixie, Jewell and Ester as well as boys Deloss, Clinton (Shorty), Carl (Spud) and Kenneth (Butch).

She later married Freeman (Tuffy) Hart, whom she loved dearly. They weren't together for nearly enough years as Tuffy died at the age of 52. Their time spent together gardening and taking such good care of their yard as well as hunting

for arrowheads were some of Grandma's fondest memories.

Grandma lived through some very hard times and never had a lot herself. But she was always taking care of somebody less fortunate than her. She never complained much, but living through a great Depression and later watching all her boys go off to war were very hard on her, and she said she worried a lot during those days. The boys all came home safely.

Grandma cooked and canned all of her life; she canned almost anything that can be canned. Until well into her later years she always had a big garden and the most beautiful yard in town. That was something she was very proud of. Her yard stood host to a number of weddings, family reunions and parties.

At the age of 91, Grandma had both knees replaced at the same time, then came home to Meeker five days later and was able to take care of herself for at least another five years. She was the toughest person I have ever known. Her knee surgeon made her his poster child.

Grandma travelled some and even got to see all of the Hawaiian Islands, but, to her, Meeker was the greatest place to be. She was honored in 2010 by being elected to be Co-Grand Marshal in the Range Call Parade on the Fourth of July.

Grandma was preceded in death by: her parents; her brother, Phil; two sons, Clinton and Carl; and at least four grandchildren.

She is survived by and will be missed by: daughters Dixie, Jewell and Esther; sons Deloss and Kenneth; as well as many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, great-great-grandchildren and her many friends, who affectionately knew her as Grandma Ruby. She is my hero!

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Meals on Wheels program or to Walbridge Wing in Grandma's name.

Services are pending and will be announced at a later date.

## Brandan Justin Kracht

Sept. 25, 1987 ~ May 15, 2015



Brandan Justin Kracht

Brandan Justin Kracht was an amazing son, brother, father and friend. He was an extremely caring and loving person. He had a laugh and always a smile on his face that was very contagious. He was always there to help anyone in need without a second thought.

Brandan was born in Meeker, Colo., on Sept. 25, 1987, and died in Muscotouh, Ill., on May 15, 2015.

Brandan was very close and loved by his family, but was especially connected to his two brothers, Steven and Ayrone. With their outdoorsman father as a leader, the four taught each other everything they know and are the men they are today because of how close they have always been.

Most of Brandan's life was spent fishing the river (which every time he did he always caught at least one.) He loved the outdoors, camping, hiking and enjoying life in the mountains with his brothers and friends.

Brandan loved the comfort of a good fire. He would build and sit by his fires anytime of the day no matter where he was. He was also

an amazing father; he loved his children, Kyran and Kiesha, with all his heart. He loved to be around them to teach them and watch them grow as often as he could.

Brandan will be missed by everyone who knew and loved him.

Brandan was: A fisherman, he almost always sported bait in his pockets; a lover of Mother Nature; an adventurous man; a talented/creative man; an intellect and deep thinker, articulate with his words; not a grudge holder; a green belt in Tae Kwon Do; ambitious and hard working; a worker of wood; a man with no fears; someone who always said exactly what he felt; a man who cherished his family and friends with all his heart and soul; always pleasant and smiling; an animal lover; a follower and believer in God and the Ten Commandments, which he called

"God's Laws." He was a baptized man by Christian faith in the White River of Meeker and a man who prayed at every meal and had a relationship with God.

Brandan was a worldly man who fished all the way from the Mississippi River to the Oregon Coast. His favorite waters to fish remain the waters nearest to his home of Meeker—the beautiful White River, the Colorado River, Rio Blanco and Avery lakes and Harvey Gap. The fish await you in heaven, Brandan.

He is survived by: his father, William F. Kracht III; his step-mother, Haley Kracht; his mother, Jackie Ferguson; his children, Kyran and Kiesha Kracht; his brothers, Steven Kracht (Denielle); Ayrone Kracht (Melody); paternal grandfather William F. Kracht Jr.; and his maternal grandparents, Jack and Doris Riley of Illinois.

He was preceded in death by paternal grandmother Ruth Kracht; paternal great-grandparents William Kracht Sr. and Iva Kracht; and paternal great uncle Bobby Kracht and great aunt Deloris Kracht.

## Bill Metzger

April 24, 1940 ~ May 25, 2015

Bill Metzger passed away on Memorial Day—Monday, May 25, 2015—at Swedish Medical Center in Denver, Colo. He was 75.

Born in Grand Junction, Colo., at St. Mary's Hospital on April 24, 1940, Bill was a Meeker native who loved his town, his family and his life.

The son of Karl and Evelyn Metzger was graduated from Meeker High School with the Class of 1958 and went on to become a success at everything he put his mind to.

An engaging motivational

speaker, his desire to help people pushed into the realm of literature and led to several published books. Recording albums and singles alike, this accomplished musician was also known for putting on the impromptu show.

Even Bill's hobbies reflected the zest with which he tackled everything he came across. He enjoyed traveling with his wife, Sherry, whether it was to New Zealand with friends, cross country to see family, or simply to the finest dance halls in Montana to cut a rug.

It was easy to buy things from

an auctioneer like Bill, but even if you didn't purchase anything, he still had a smile and a joke for you.

Bill's charisma and energy made him a pillar to friends, family and community, and he will be dearly missed.

Mr. Metzger will live on in his survivors: his mother, Evelyn Metzger; a sister, Doris Lawrence; his wife, Sherry Metzger; his children, Lance, Kyle and Brian; and his grandchildren: Shelby, Lance, Cheyenne, Zack, Logan and Imma. Memorial services will be held in Manhattan, Mont.

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Will be considered by the Fairfield Scholarship Committee, contingent upon funds for additional scholarships being available. These scholarships are for the MHS graduate/equivalent who did not receive a Fairfield Scholarship, regardless of whether or not they previously applied.

Application forms for these scholarships may be obtained by writing to:  
**The Fairfield Trust Scholarship Selection Committee**  
P.O. Box 2302, Meeker, CO 81641

Please specify the application needed (prior-graduate or 5-year Resident).  
Deadline for receipt of the completed scholarship request is 5 p.m., Tuesday, July 7, 2015.

Those not received by that time and date will not be considered.

Freeman Fairfield Scholarship  
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for 2015/2016 School Year

Renewal requirements are as follows:

- A photocopy or transcript of college grades for two semesters or three quarters of the past school year. Grades downloaded from school Web sites are acceptable (certified copies from a college registrar's office are not required).
- Transcript must reflect a minimum GPA of 2.5, for the most recently completed school year.
- Full-time student status - minimum of 12 credit hours/semester or quarter.
- A typed letter requesting the scholarship renewal with current address.
- Renewal request must be received (not postmarked) by 5 p.m., Tuesday, July 7, 2014.

Please mail all Fairfield Scholarship correspondence to:  
The Fairfield Scholarship Selection Committee,  
P.O. Box 2302, Meeker, CO 81641.

If you wish, you may also hand-deliver your renewal requests to:  
Bank of the San Juans, 504 Main St., Meeker, CO 81641

**The Fairfield Scholarship Selection Committee**  
P.O. Box 2302, Meeker, CO 81641

# Work underway on Highway 13 road collapse south of Meeker

Special to the Herald Times

**MEEKER I** On May 20, Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) maintenance crews reported the failure of a downhill Mechanically Stabilized Earth (MSE) retaining wall on southbound State Highway 13 at mile marker 29, causing the roadway to sag up to five feet in the area adjacent to the wall.

This rural highway between Rifle and Meeker is a key link between I-80 to the north and I-70 to the south.

On May 21, the Transportation Commission approved an emergency conditions request for this project. The request allows CDOT engineering staff to begin design and shortly thereafter start construction to repair the slope failure.

“We understand the need to shore up the slope failure and we have been working to do that without impeding traffic, but we are now in a position where we need to reconstruct the structure,” said Clint Moyer, CDOT’s program central resident engineer.

“Our team, CDOT crews and Rio Blanco Road and Bridge staff are all working collaboratively to keep an eye on conditions in the area and doing our best to make sure the situation isn’t deteriorating to a place that is no longer safe,” Rio Blanco County Sheriff Anthony Mazzola said Friday.

CDOT’s GeoHazards team reports that above-average rainfall resulted in a saturated ground condition weakening the supporting soil structure. CDOT maintenance forces have been monitoring and repairing with rotomill tailings over the last several months and more recently on a daily basis to keep the roadway operational to traffic and safe for the traveling public.

CDOT maintenance crews have implemented a traffic shift toward the northbound lanes to lessen the traffic load near the failed MSE wall.

Please slow for the cone zone that has been put in place, Mazzola requested. The speed limit through that zone is 25 mph.

# Correction: Past Quigg Newton award winners omitted in story

**MEEKER I** In a story May 21 about the Meeker High School (MHS) Awards Assembly, we mentioned that Brittany Smith and Joe Newman were this year’s Quigg Newton Award winners, chosen by the high school staff as the senior girl and boy who best displayed honesty, respect for others, cooperation with fellow students and adults, good attitude toward work and activity assignments, willingness to accept and carry out responsibilities and efforts to improve themselves and the school.

Newton, a native Denver lawyer, was a progressive Denver mayor from 1947 through 1955 and served as the president of the University of Colorado system from 1956 to 1963.

Diane Franklin Dunham and Forrest Nelson were the first recipients when MHS began giving the awards in 1960. We reported that other winners over the years who are still apparent in the community include Smith’s father, Davey Smith, Amy Joy Chinn, Kathleen Sullivan Kelley, Bailey Franklin, Katie Conrado and Kelly Moyer Scott. The additional winners were Kay Barney Bivens, Sue Anne Romersberger Sprod, Leslie Sorenson, Laurie Whitman Simonsen and Stacey Whitaker Burke.

# Open house Tuesday for Meeker VFW, Legion and Lions

Special to the Herald Times

**MEEKER I** On Tuesday, there will be an open house in Meeker to show off the new home of the Meeker Lions Club, Meeker VFW and Ladies Auxiliary Post No. 5843 and American Legion Post No. 74.

The open house will run from 1 to 6 p.m. at the home of the organizations, located at 290 4th St. in Meeker.

“Please plan to stop by our new building for a tour and snacks between,” Meeker VFW Cmdr. Dave Cole said. “Members of each organization will be available to discuss their activities and goals, eligibility infor-

mation and applications can be taken and uniforms ordered during that afternoon.

“Each of these organizations share the home and many common goals, providing community service and veteran support,” he said. “Future plans for the building include a media center for community members to meet for various educational seminars and a meeting place for relaxation and socializing.

The Meeker VFW post has existed since 1939 while the recently re-activated American Legion Post was chartered in 1919.

“There is a great deal of history

with both organizations, and we would love for you to join and participate to whatever degree you are willing and able,” he said. “Both require that you have served during time of war with the further requirement of the VFW being that you had to have served in a combat zone.

The VFW and American Legion jointly on the second Monday of each month for dinner meetings at 1730 (that would be 5:30 p.m. for non-military folks).

Your Meeker Lions Club is one of over 46,000 worldwide with nearly 1.4 million members in more than 200 countries.

Lions are men and women dedicated to serving those in need, whether in their own community or around the world

The Lions Club mission: “To empower volunteers to serve their communities, meet humanitarian needs, encourage peace and promote international understanding through Lions clubs.”

Lions in Meeker meet every Tuesday evening at 6 p.m.

“Please consider attending this open house, asking questions of the various organizations and join us all in better serving our community,” Cole said.

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## LEGAL NOTICES

### COMBINED NOTICE - MAILING CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 15-02

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

On March 17, 2015, 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)	Thomas R. George
Original Beneficiary(ies)	Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. acting solely as nominee for First Franklin a Division of Nat. City Bank of IN

Current Holder of Evidence of Debt Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for First Franklin Mortgage Loan Trust 2006-FF9, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-FF9

Date of Deed of Trust	March 10, 2006
County of Recording	Rio Blanco
Recording Date of Deed of Trust	March 16, 2006
Recording Information (Reception No. and/or Book/Page No.)	284271
Original Principal Amount	\$143,500.00
Outstanding Principal Balance	\$138,555.74

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.

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THEREFORE, Notice Is Hereby Given that I will at public auction, at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, 07/15/2015, at Office of the Public Trustee, Rio Blanco County Courthouse, 555 Main Street, Meeker CO 81641, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property and all interest of the said Grantor(s), Grantor(s)' heirs and assigns therein, for the purpose of paying the indebtedness provided in said Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, plus attorneys' fees, the expenses of sale and other items allowed by law, and will issue to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law.

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DATE: 03/17/2015

Karen Arnold, Public Trustee in and for the County of Rio Blanco, State of Colorado  
By: Karen Arnold, Public Trustee  
The name, address, business telephone number and bar registration number of the attorney(s) representing the legal holder of the indebtedness is:

MARCELLO G. ROJAS #46396  
SUSAN HENDRICK #33196  
Klatt, Odekirk, Augustine, Sayer, Treinen & Rastede, P.C. 9745 EAST HAMPDEN AVE., SUITE 400, DENVER, CO 80231 (303) 353-2965  
Attorney File # CO 141031

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## LEGAL NOTICES

### COMBINED NOTICE - MAILING CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 15-04

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On March 24, 2015, 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)	Richard D Brenton and Elizabeth Brenton
Original Beneficiary(ies)	Amerquest Mortgage Company
Current Holder of Evidence of Debt	Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Amerquest Mortgage Securities Inc., Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Serie 2004-R12

Date of Deed of Trust October 09, 2004  
County of Recording Rio Blanco  
Recording Date of Deed of Trust October 20, 2004  
Recording Information (Reception No. and/or Book/Page No.) 279892  
Original Principal Amount \$60,350.00  
Outstanding Principal Balance \$68,618.77 Pursuant to Loan Modification Agreement made October 1, 2011

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.

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LOT 1, BLOCK A, UTAH OIL SUBDIVISION FIRST AMENDED PLAT ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF FILED JANUARY 17, 1961 AS RECEPTION NO. 115665 TOWN OF RANGELY, COLORADO, COUNTY OF RIO BLANCO, COLORADO

Also known by street and number as: 211 Cottonwood Dr, Rangley, CO 81648.

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### NOTICE OF SALE

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First Publication	5/28/2015
Last Publication	6/25/2015
Name of Publication	Rio Blanco Herald Times

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DATE: 03/26/2015

Karen Arnold, Public Trustee in and for the County of Rio Blanco, State of Colorado  
By: Karen Arnold, Public Trustee  
The name, address, business telephone number and bar registration number of the attorney(s) representing the legal holder of the indebtedness is:

Lisa Cancanon #42043  
Monica Kadmas #34904  
Barrett Frappier & Weisserman, LLP 1199 Bannock Street, Denver, CO 80204 (303) 350-3711  
Attorney File # 4500.100873.F01

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## LEGAL NOTICES

### COMBINED NOTICE - MAILING CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 15-03

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Date of Deed of Trust October 09, 2004  
County of Recording Rio Blanco  
Recording Date of Deed of Trust October 20, 2004  
Recording Information (Reception No. and/or Book/Page No.) 279893  
Original Principal Amount \$60,350.00  
Outstanding Principal Balance \$67,132.68 Per Loan Modification Agreement made October 1, 2011

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LOT 6, RESUBDIVISION OF LOT 1, BLOCK B, UTAH OIL SUBDIVISION FIRST AMENDED PLAT ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF FILED AUGUST 3, 1982 AS RECEPTION NO. 207544 TOWN OF RANGELY, COLORADO, RIO BLANCO COUNTY, COLORADO

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**LEGAL NOTICES**

The Meeker School District is seeking sealed bids for Barone Middle School and Meeker High School concrete sidewalk replacement. Timeline for this project; starting date to be determined by Contractor and School District and completion no later than August 8, 2015. Project will need to be coordinated with another Barone Middle School project during the same time frame.

Prospective bidders may pick up bid specifications, or may be emailed beginning May 26, 2015.

Walk-through at 6:00 pm on Monday, June 8, 2015

Bids due/opened on Monday, June 15, 2015 at 4:00 p.m. mst

Contact:

Meeker School District Educational Center

555 Garfield Street  
Meeker, CO 81641

Roy Wedding 970-878-9080  
roy.wedding@meeker.k12.co.us

or  
Janelle Urista - 970-878-9040  
janelle.urista@meeker.k12.co.us

Published: May 21, 28 & June 4, 11, 2015

Rio Blanco Herald Times

Pursuant to the Rules and Regulation of the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board published August 1980, and pursuant to the Colorado Surface Coal Mining Reclamation Act 34-33-101, et seq., notice is hereby given of the filing of an application for Phase I Bond Release of a portion of the Colowyo Mine site. The application pertains to the existing Colowyo Coal Mine, Permit No. C-1981-019 by Colowyo Coal Company L.P., 5731 State Highway No. 13, Meeker, Colorado 81641, filed with the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (CDRMS), Colorado Department of Natural Resources, 1313 Sherman Street, Room 215, Denver, Colorado 80203 and approved by the Division on April 5, 2013 (latest Permit Renewal). The Colowyo Mine is located approximately 28 miles south of Craig, Colorado.

**COMBINED NOTICE - MAILING  
CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 15-05**

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On April 1, 2015, 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) Joseph E. Sherman  
Original Beneficiary(ies) Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. As Nominee For Guild Mortgage Company, A California Corporation

Current Holder of Evidence of Debt Guild Mortgage Company, A California Corporation

Date of Deed of Trust	December 21, 2012
County of Recording	Rio Blanco
Recording Date of Deed of Trust	January 02, 2013
Recording Information	
(Reception No. and/or Book/Page No.)	305502
Original Principal Amount	\$100,529.00
Outstanding Principal Balance	\$97,569.72

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LOT 22, HILLCREST SUBDIVISION, TOWN OF RANGELY, COLORADO, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF FILED SEPTEMBER 3, 1974 AS DOCUMENT NO. 162563, RIO BLANCO COUNTY, STATE OF COLORADO

Also known by street and number as: 215 Hillcrest Circle, Rangely, CO 81648.  
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First Publication	6/4/2015
Last Publication	7/2/2015
Name of Publication	Rio Blanco Herald Times

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DATE: 04/03/2015  
Karen Arnold, Public Trustee in and for the County of Rio Blanco, State of Colorado  
By: Karen Arnold, Public Trustee  
The name, address, business telephone number and bar registration number of the attorney(s) representing the legal holder of the indebtedness is:  
Erin Robson #46557  
Holly Shilliday #24423  
Iman Tehrani #44076  
McCarthy & Holthus, LLP 7700 E Arapahoe Road, Suite 150, Centennial, CO 80112 (877) 369-6122  
Attorney File # CO-15-657855  
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**LEGAL NOTICES**

The bond release areas, which include areas reclaimed from 1996 to 2014, total 189.6 acres, and are shown in detail in Exhibit 1. Listed below is a general legal description of these areas:

- Township 3 North, Range 93 West of the 6th P.M.
- Section 3 - SW1/4 of the N1/2
- Section 4 - N 1/2, NE 1/4;
- Section 10 - N 1/2;
- Section 15 - NW 1/4;
- Section 16 - SW1/4 of the S1/2
- Section 17 - N 1/2;
- Section 20 - NE 1/4;
- Section 21 - NW 1/4;

Colowyo currently holds a self-bond (Bond No. SB-010) in the amount of \$80,517,829. Exhibit 1 presents all of the reclaimed areas by year. The status of the reclamation is consistent with the requirements of the approved reclamation plan and is further described in the 2014 Annual Reclamation Report.

A copy of the bond release application is on file at the Moffat County Clerk and Recorder's Office located in the Moffat County Courthouse, 221 West Victory Way, Craig, Colorado 81625 and the Rio Blanco County Clerk and Recorder's Office in the Rio Blanco Courthouse located at 555 Main Street #303, Meeker, CO, 81641. Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference concerning this bond release application should be addressed to the Colorado Division of Reclamation Mining and Safety, Colorado Department of Natural Resources, 1313 Sherman Street, Room 215, Denver, Colorado 80203.

Comments must be filed within thirty (30) days from the last date of this publication, or within thirty (30) days of the completed inspection by the CDRMS, whichever is later.

Published: June 4, 11, 18 & 25, 2015  
Rio Blanco Herald Times

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

Estate of Jarrell M. Massey, Deceased  
Case Number 2015PR30006

All persons having claims against the above-named estate are required to present them to the Personal Representative or to District Court of Rio Blanco County, Colorado on or before September 21, 2015 or the claims may be forever barred.

**LEGAL NOTICES**

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Bryce Palo, Attorney for Personal Representative Uvonne Gale  
P.O. Box 1902  
Grand Junction, CO 81502  
Published: May 21, 28 & June 4, 2015  
Rio Blanco Herald Times

**PUBLIC NOTICE  
RIO BLANCO COUNTY PLANNING  
COMMISSION HEARING**

Notice is hereby given that on Thursday, June 11, 2015, the Rio Blanco County Planning Commission will hold a public hearing beginning at 7:00 p.m. at the Rio Blanco County Administration Building, 200 Main Street, Meeker, Colorado to consider the following:

Bar 7 Minor Subdivision 15-02. The applicant is requesting to subdivide their property to create two lots at 2162 County Road 15, Meeker, in Sections 9 and 10, T1N, R93W.

Copies of the documents may be obtained from the Community Development Department at 200 Main Street in Meeker, Colorado, or you may call (970) 878-9584 for more information between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.  
Published: June 4, 2015  
Rio Blanco Herald Times

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

Estate of Denise Jean Pearce, Rio Blanco County District Court Case No. 15 PR3007

All persons having claims against the above-named estate are required to present them to the undersigned or to the District Court of Rio Blanco County, Colorado, on or before September 25, 2015, or said claims may be forever barred.

Lorrie Lea Main, Personal Representative  
c/o Olszewski, Massih & Maurer, P.C.  
P.O. Box 916  
Glenwood Springs, CO 81602  
Published: May 28, June 4, and June 11, 2015  
Rio Blanco Herald Times

**RIO BLANCO COUNTY  
RBC RD 0 BRIDGE REPLACEMENT  
CDOT #BRO C490-006 PROJECT # 20435  
REQUEST FOR BID**

**PROJECT NAME AND LOCATION:** Rio Blanco County Road (RBCR) 0 Bridge Replacement, CDOT Project No. BRO C490-006 Construction Project Code No. 20435. This project is located on Rio Blanco County Road 0, Chokecherry Bridge Road, which is south of RBCR 8 Mile Post 12.7 on Rio Blanco County right-of-way in the County of Rio Blanco, Colorado. Construction will take place entirely within the Rio Blanco County right-of-way.

**SCOPE OF WORK:** The project consists of construction of a detour, removal of existing structure and construction of a new structure in the current bridge location. The Contractor shall obtain a permit for Stormwater Management during construction. The permit shall be transferred to Rio Blanco County after project is accepted by Rio Blanco County. An Erosion Control Supervisor will monitor the SWMP. Traffic Control will be required along County Road 0. This project includes funding by CDOT-administered FHWA Grants, but due to project location and road classification the project is exempt from Davis-Bacon wage requirements. There will be 9.0% DBE contracting goals and 320 hours of On the Job Training.

**CONTRACT DOCUMENTS:** Contract Documents shall be available on June 1, 2015 at [www.govbids.com/scripts/co1/public/home1.asp](http://www.govbids.com/scripts/co1/public/home1.asp), on the County website at [www.rbc.us](http://www.rbc.us) on the Public Announcements page, or hard copies and/or electronic versions may be purchased. One hard copy set of Drawings, Specifications, Cross Sections and other Contract Documents plus 1 pdf copy may be purchased from HDR Engineering, Inc. 1670 Broadway Suite 3400, Denver, CO 80202-4824 (Phone 303-764-1558) for a cost of \$100.00, nonrefundable, check or cash only. An electronic version only (in pdf form on a CD) is available for \$35.00.

Additionally, the CD will be available for mail or pickup from Rio Blanco County, 570 Second Street, Meeker, CO 81641 (Phone 970-878-9590) for a cost of \$35.00, cash or check, non-refundable, payable to HDR Engineering, Inc.

**BIDDER QUALIFICATIONS:** Vendors must be listed on the most current CDOT Pre-qualified Contractor Listing.

**PROJECT ENGINEER AND QUESTIONS:** Van Pilaud, County Engineer, (970) 878-9590, Fax (970) 878-3396. All Bidders are advised to examine the site and become familiar with all conditions. Any questions regarding this Project are to be directed in writing to Van Pilaud before noon on June 18, 2015 at the above address or fax number.

**WORK SCHEDULE:** The Project shall start after the Notice to Proceed is issued and be completed by May 1, 2016.

**MANDATORY PRE-BID MEETING:** Bidders must attend the mandatory pre-bid meeting: June 16, 2015 at 10:00 A.M. at the Rio Blanco County Road & Bridge Dept., 570 Second Street, Meeker.

**BID SUBMITTALS:** Bidder shall submit sealed bids for this project which shall include all information required by the contract documents. Bids shall have Bidder name and address and SEALED BID-RBCR 0 BRIDGE REPLACEMENT CDOT #BRO C490-006-PROJECT # 20435 printed on the outside.

Each bid must include a certified check or cashier's check in the amount of not less than five percent (5%) of the total bid, made payable to Rio Blanco County, or by a bid bond in like amount executed by a surety company. The Bid Form must be complete with unit bid prices for each item. The Bid Form must also be signed. CDOT Forms 85, 606, 1413 (previously Form 714) and documentation of conformance with CDOT UDBE Contract Goal Policy shall be included. If any of these items are missing, the bid will be considered non-responsive.

**LEGAL NOTICES**

Construction specifications will follow the 2011 Colorado Department of Transportation Standard Specifications for Road & Bridge Construction (Green book). Project Special Revisions and Standard Provisions applicable to this project are included with the Bid Package.

Mail or hand-deliver sealed bid to the Rio Blanco County Board of County Commissioners, 200 Main Street, Meeker, CO 81641 before June 19, 2015 at 4:00 P.M. , OR Hand-deliver to the Rio Blanco County Board of County Commissioners, at P.O. Box i, 200 Main Street, Meeker, CO 81641 before June 19, 2015 at 4:00 P.M. on Monday, June 22, 2015.

**BID OPENING:** Bids shall be opened and read in public at 11:15 A.M. on June 22, 2015 at the Commissioners Meeting Room at 200 Main Street in Meeker. Bids submitted after 11:00 A.M. shall be returned unopened. Bids submitted and opened shall not be withdrawn for 30 days thereafter.

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

The CDOT Form 347, Certification of EEO Compliance, is no longer required to be submitted in the bid package. This form certified that the contractor/proposed subcontractor were in compliance with the Joint Reporting Committee EEO-1 form requirements. The EEO-1 Report must still be submitted to the Joint Reporting Committee if the contractors and subcontractors meet the eligibility requirements (29CFR 1602.7); we will no longer require certification. For additional information regarding these federal requirements, please refer to: <http://www.eeoc.gov/states/jobpat/e1instruct.html>.  
RIO BLANCO COUNTY  
Dated: June 1, 2015  
By: Jeffrey Eskelson, Chairman  
Published: June 4, and June 11, 2015  
Rio Blanco Herald Times

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**CUT AND REMOVE WEEDS**

MEEKER MUNICIPAL CODE SECTIONS 8.20.104 AND 8.20.105 REQUIRES THAT OWNERS OF LAND WITHIN THE TOWN OR ANY AGENT IN CHARGE OF SUCH PROPERTY ARE REQUIRED TO CUT AND REMOVE THE WEEDS, BRUSH, INCLUDING WEEDS THAT HAVE GROWN ALONG ALLEYS AND IN THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY ADJACENT TO SUCH PROPERTY. A WRITTEN NOTICE MAY BE SERVED UPON THE OWNER OR AGENT AND IF NOT COMPLIED WITH BETWEEN THE 10th AND 20th DAYS OF JUNE AND BETWEEN THE 1ST AND 10th DAYS OF AUGUST, THE OWNER MAY BE CITED AND REQUIRED TO APPEAR IN MUNICIPAL COURT OR THE TOWN WILL CUT THE WEEDS AND ASSESS A TAX LIEN AGAINST THE PROPERTY IN WHICH THE WEEDS AND BRUSH HAVE BEEN REMOVED.

ATTEST: SCOTT MESZAROS, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR  
Publish: June 4th and June 11, 2015  
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**Public Notice**

**Colowyo Coal Mine  
South Taylor Permit Expansion Area  
Mining Plan Modification  
Environmental Assessment**

The U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI), Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSMRE), Western Region Office, will prepare an environmental assessment (EA) for the mining plan modification for the Colowyo Coal Mine South Taylor area (the Project). The mining plan modification was originally proposed by the Colowyo Coal Company (Colowyo) on July 3, 2006 to surface mine undeveloped federal coal leases at the existing Colowyo Coal Mine. The Colorado Division of Reclamation Mining and Safety (CDRMS) approved Colowyo Mine Permit Revision 02 (PR02) for the South Taylor area (including federal leases C-123476-01, C-29225, and C-29226) on June 8, 2007 in accordance with its responsibilities under the federal Surface Mining and Reclamation Control Act (SMCRA) of 1977. The DOI Assistant Secretary for Land and Minerals (ASLM), in accordance with the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920 (MLA), originally approved Colowyo mining plan modification for the South Taylor Area on June 15, 2007 based on a supplemental environmental assessment conducted by OSMRE for the Project. OSMRE supplemental environmental analysis resulted in a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) on May 8, 2007. Colowyo commenced mining in the South Taylor area in 2008 in accordance with its state mine permit and federal mining plan modification approvals, and mining and reclamation operations included within PR02 have been ongoing since that time in the approved permit area.

The Colowyo Coal Mine is located approximately 26 miles southwest of Craig, Colorado and 22 miles north-northeast of Meeker, Colorado, west of Colorado Highway 13/789 in southwest Moffat and northern Rio Blanco Counties, Colorado. The originally proposed and approved Project is occurring on federal coal leases administered by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Little Snake Field Office and located within the South Taylor Permit Expansion Area in the southeast portion of Colowyo approved SMCRA Permit Area. The federal coal leases contained in the Project Area include leases C-123476-01, C-29225, and C-29226. Federal lease C123476-01 was issued by the BLM in 1982 and leases C-29225 and C-29226 were issued in 1983. PR02 proposed to add approximately 6,050 surface acres to the previously existing permit area and add approximately 5,219 coal acres and 43 million tons of recoverable Federal coal. The Colowyo Mine uses a combination of dragline, truck shovel, and highwall miner mining methods. Because of a recent court decision, OSMRE is preparing this EA to reevaluate the environmental impacts resulting from

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the originally proposed and currently approved mining plan modification for the South Taylor Permit Expansion Area, pursuant to the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA). See *Wildearth Guardians v. U.S. Office of Surface Mining et al.*, Case 1:13-cv-00518-RBJ (D. Colo. 2015). Under the currently approved mining plan modification issued in 2007, mining operations have disturbed 789 acres of the originally approved 1,562 acres to be disturbed. The mine estimates that 20 acres remain to be disturbed in the South Taylor Permit Expansion Area for a total of 809 acres of disturbance. To date, the company has mined an estimated 21.3 million tons of coal and an estimated 11.8 million tons of coal remains to be mined. Prior to approval of PR02, the average production rate was approximately 4.5 million tons per year (mtpy). PR02 proposed that the average production rate and the maximum production rate would increase and vary from 5.8 to 6.0 mtpy for the life of the mining operation. Since 2008, the production rate has ranged from a high of about 4.95 mtpy in 2008 to a low of about 2.1 mtpy in 2012. In 2014 the production rate was about 2.48 mtpy. Based on remaining coal reserves and the 2014 production rate mining at the South Taylor Permit Expansion Area would be completed in approximately five years. It is not reasonably foreseeable that a production rate of 6.0 mtpy could be achieved. Therefore, the EA will evaluate production rates not to exceed 5.0 mtpy.

This EA will disclose the impacts that have already occurred under the approved PR02, and the potential impacts, including cumulative impacts, associated with mining the remaining coal. Further, this EA will update, clarify, and provide new and additional environmental information based on the originally proposed mining operations. Resource values to be covered in the EA include: surface and ground water; air quality; climate change and greenhouse gases; geology; soils; topography; recreation; fish and wildlife; cultural resources; social economic composition; and environmental justice. The cumulative effects of the Project will also be addressed.

Through the EA process, OSMRE will determine whether or not the current and existing FONSI reached for the original Project is still valid considering new and additional environmental information. If a FONSI is reached the Western Region Director will make a recommendation to the DOI ASLM on the previously proposed and approved federal mining plan modification, and the ASLM will approve, approve with conditions, or disapprove the mining plan modification as required under the MLA. If the EA identifies significant impacts, an Environmental Impact Statement will be prepared. OSMRE will hold an "open-house" style public outreach meeting that will include displays and handouts explaining the status of the existing and approved Project, and will provide opportunities to ask questions of OSMRE and Colowyo representatives about the Project and the NEPA process, and opportunities to provide written comments on the project. The meeting will be held on, June 10, 2015 from 4-8 pm at The Moffat County Fairgrounds, Grandstands Building, located at 640 E. Victory Way, Craig, Colorado.

Additional information regarding this Project may be obtained from Nicole Caveny, telephone number (303) 293-5078. When available, the EA and associated decision document, outreach summary report, legal notice, and outreach letter, will also be posted at:

<http://www.wrcosmre.gov/initiatives/colowyoMineSouthTaylor.shtm>

OSMRE is soliciting public comments on this Project. You are invited to direct these comments to: OSMRE Colowyo Mine EA, C/O Nicole Caveny, Western Region Office, OSMRE, 1999 Broadway, Suite 3320, Denver, CO 80202-3050, Email: [OSM-Colowyo-Mine-EA@OSMRE.gov](mailto:OSM-Colowyo-Mine-EA@OSMRE.gov). OSMRE will accept comments through June 15, 2015. Comments received, including names and addresses of those who comment, will be considered part of the public record for this Project and will be available for public inspection.

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**INVITATION TO BID  
TOWN OF DINOSAUR  
WASTEWATER TREATMENT  
PLANT IMPROVEMENTS  
PHASE II**

**DINOSAUR, COLORADO  
June 4, 2015**

Sealed bids for Phase II of the Town of Dinosaur Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements project will be received at the Dinosaur Town Hall, 317 Stegosaurus Freeway, P.O. Box 238, Dinosaur, Colorado 81610 until 3 p.m. local time, June 30, 2015 at which time, in said office, bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. Mailed bids should be addressed to Richard Blakley, Mayor, Town of Dinosaur. The construction site is located at the Town existing wastewater treatment plant, approximately 1/2-mile southeast of the Town of Dinosaur off State Highway 64. The construction for which bids are being requested generally consists of piping modifications at the existing head-works structure, and installation of a new synthetic liner in the inactive/dry second evaporative lagoon cell with associated piping and structure modifications including the following major items:

1. Installation of approximately 190 L.F. of 12-inch SDR 35 PVC sanitary sewer line with two standard manholes at the existing headworks structure including control of live sewage flow through temporary bypass piping and pumping as necessary.
2. Removal and disposal of existing sewer lines and one manhole at existing headworks structure.
3. Installation of flow monitoring equipment with solar power battery power supply at existing headworks structure.
4. Concrete slab around existing head-works structure.
5. Site preparation, including clearing and grubbing of existing second (inactive) evaporative Lagoon Cell No. 2.
6. Installation of approximately 1,750 L.F. of 4-inch ADS liner vent piping.
7. Installation of 45 mil polypropylene liner in inactive Lagoon Cell No. 2.

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8. Installation of approximately 465 L.F. of new 12-inch SDR 35 PVC lagoon transfer piping between existing lagoons.

9. Installation of approximately 150 L.F. of new 12-inch SDR 26 PVC distributor/collector piping in existing Lagoon Cell No. 2.

10. Installation of new level control structure and inlet/outlet structures in Lagoon Cell No. 2.

11. Removal of solar bee aerator in Lagoon Cell No. 1 and reinstall in Lagoon Cell No. 2.

12. Gravel surface restoration.

The Plans and Specifications may be examined at the following locations:

1. WestWater Engineering, 2516 Foresight Circle #1, Grand Junction, Colorado

2. Dinosaur Town Hall, 317 Stegosaurus Freeway, Dinosaur, Colorado

3. Western Colorado Contractors Association, 2470 F Road, #14, Grand Junction, Colorado

Copies of the Plans and Specifications may be obtained at the office of WestWater Engineering, 2516 Foresight Circle #1, Grand Junction, CO 81505 upon deposit of \$75.00 per set of Plans and Specifications. There will be an additional charge of \$20.00 for over-night delivery. There will be a refund of \$20.00 for documents returned in good condition within 15 days after the bid opening.

This project is also subject to the State of Colorado Revolving Loan Fund (SRF) requirements as further described in the Contract Documents, including:

- 1) Davis-Bacon & Related Acts
- 2) American Iron and Steel
- 3) Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters
- 4) Prohibition Against Participation of Listed Violating Facilities
- 5) Williams Steiger Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970
- 6) Archeological Discoveries
- 7) Environmental Assessment Compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act

The requirements for Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program (DBE) has been waived for this project due to the project size. Complete instructions regarding insurance, bonds, and bidding requirements are given in the Proposal. A bid security of 5% is required. The Owner reserves the right to waive informalities in bids and to reject any or all bids. Performance and payment bonds (100%) are required on the Contract.

A non-mandatory site visit will assemble at the Dinosaur Town Hall at 2 p.m. on June 23, 2015. Bidders can also visit the site individually by contacting Richard Blakley at the Town of Dinosaur at (970) 374-2286. FOR THE TOWN OF DINOSAUR  
BY: Richard Blakley, Mayor  
Published: June 4, 2015  
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**Town of Rangely  
June 9, 2015 - 7:00pm  
Agenda**

Rangely Board of Trustees (Town Council)  
FRANK HUITT, MAY  
JOSEPH NIELSEN, MAYOR PRO TEM  
LISA HATCH, TRUSTEE  
ANDREW SHAFFER, TRUSTEE  
DAN EDDY, TRUSTEE  
ANN BRADY, TRUSTEE  
KRISTIN STEELE, TRUSTEE Call to Order

- \*Roll Call
- \*Invocation
- \*Pledge of Allegiance
- Minutes of Meeting
- \*Approval of the minutes of the May 26, 2015 meeting.
- \*Petitions and Public Input
- \*Introduce New Hires
- \*Changes to the Agenda
- Public Hearings - 7:15pm
- \*Committee/Board Meetings
- \*Supervisor Reports - See Attached
- \*Alden Vanden Brink - Utilities Dept.
- \*Vicky Pflennig - Code Enforcement
- \*Reports from Officers - Town Manager Update

New Business  
\*Discussion and Action to Approve April 2015 Financial Statements.  
\*Discussion and Action to Approve the May 2015 Check Register.

Informational Items  
\*Pioneer Hospital Opening Ceremony  
\*Scheduled Announcements

\*Rangely School District board meeting is scheduled for June 2,

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Addendum 1 with HDR Engineering extending the completion date to November 30, 2015 with no additional cost. (All Sign)  
 \*Task Order No. 10 CR 5 SP-17 Design Addendum 1 with HDR Engineering extending the completion date to November 30, 2015 with no additional cost. (All Sign)  
 \*Grant Extension Letter to DOLA for Grant EIAF-7523 Human Services Building Renovation extending the contract termination date from July 31, 2015 to December 31, 2015, with no additional cost. (All Sign)  
 \*Grant Extension Letter to DOLA for Grant EIAF-7589 County Courthouse Planning & Design extending the contract time from November 30, 2015 to April 30, 2016 with no additional cost. (All Sign)  
 \*Agreement for Services with Rocky Mountain Insulation Corporation for the Insulation at the Week & Pest Storage Area in an amount not to exceed \$7,658.45, with Contract Completion of July 31, 2015. (All Sign)  
**General Business:**  
 \*Appointment to NWRTRACT Board Resolutions:  
**MOU Contracts and Agreements:**  
 \*Contract with CivicPlus relative to the County new website in an amount not to exceed \$29,327.00 initial costs for year one and estimated \$4,539.00 annual service costs thereafter. (All Sign)  
 \*Agreement for Services between Rio Blanco Historical Society and Solargreen Technologies, LLC for 9 - 14" Solutube Tubular Daylight Units, in the amount of \$8,000.00 including materials and installation to be completed in June 2015. (For Information Only No Signature)  
**Bids:**  
**Other Business:**  
 \*Road & Bridge Monthly Update Dave Morlan  
 \*Public Comments  
 \*County Commissioner Updates  
 \*1:15 p.m. Public Hearing  
 \*Special Use Permit (SUP) 15-01 White River City Wet Pit for construction and operation of a wet pit for the purpose of mining gravel at 41138 County Road 5.  
 \*Conditional Use Permit (CUP) 15-01 Levy  
 \*Conditional Use Permit (CUP) Kilduff Minor Subdivision  
**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 June 15, 2015 in Rangely at the County Annex Building.  
 Please check the County website for information at [www.rbc.us](http://www.rbc.us) If you need special accommodations please call 970-878-9570 in advance of the meeting so that reasonable accommodations may be made.  
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**PUBLIC NOTICE  
REQUEST FOR DIRECTORS  
YELLOW JACKET  
WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that by arrangement with the Clerk of Court, a hearing to appoint directors for the Yellow Jacket Water Conservancy District has been set before the District Court for August 7, 2015 commencing at 2:00 p.m. in the District Court Room, Rio Blanco Combined Court, 555 Main Street, Meeker, Colorado. Any party interested in serving as a director must submit an application and appear at the Rio Blanco County District court at such time or contact undersigned counsel to participate by telephone. Directors may serve in an at-large capacity where there is a vacancy in a particular District and are not required to own property within a specific District. Preference will be given to applicants owning property within a particular District. The Districts for which applications will be considered are: District No. 1 (Lower White River); District No. 3 (Josephine); and District No. 8 (Juniper). To qualify, the Applicant must be a resident of the Yellow Jacket Water Conservancy District for one year and must own real property within the boundaries of the Yellow Jacket Water Conservancy District. Applicants should be knowledgeable in water matters and familiar with the beneficial use of water in the YJWCD boundaries. Applications must be in writing with resumes showing background in water use and filed with the Clerk of the District Court, Rio Blanco County Combined Court, P.O. Box 1150, Meeker, CO 81641. Applications will be accepted by the Court until July 8, 2015. Please contact Scott Grosscup, Balcomb & Green, P.C., 970-945-6546, P.O. Drawer 790, Glenwood Springs, CO 81602, with any questions regarding director terms, map of the director district or other requirements.  
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MEEKER HOUSING Authority Board of Directors meets the 2nd Thursday of the month at 2:30 p.m. at The Pines, 875 Water St., Meeker.

**PIONEERS  
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- Certified Nursing Assistant - LTC
  - Patient Care Technician
  - RN - Acute/ED
  - RN - LTC
  - LPN - LTC
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- Environmental Services Tech
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- RN - Acute/ED - Day Shift
  - RN - Acute/ED
- FULL-TIME [eligible for benefits]:**
- Certified Nursing Assistant - LTC - Nights
  - Health Information Management Clerk/Coder
  - RN - LTC - Night Shift
  - LPN - LTC - Night Shift
- VOLUNTEER POSITIONS**
- Information Desk at new facility
- Submit Resume and/or Application to:  
 Pioneers Medical Center, HR,  
 345 Cleveland St., Meeker, Colo., 81641  
 Visit our Web site at:  
[www.pioneershospital.org](http://www.pioneershospital.org)
- Pioneers Medical Center**  
 Phone: (970) 878-5047 Fax: (970) 878-2855  
 345 Cleveland, Meeker, CO 81641  
 Eastern Rio Blanco County Health Service District

**MEEKER SCHOOL  
DISTRICT RE-1  
Employment Opportunities**



- Elementary School**
- First Grade Teacher
  - Second Grade Teacher
- High School**
- Assistant Volleyball Coach
- District**
- Summer Grounds Maintenance
  - Bus Driver
  - English Language Learner (ELL) Paraprofessional
- ADA/EOE. Subject to change at any time!  
 For details and an application, please visit our website at [Meeker.k12.co.us](http://Meeker.k12.co.us)
- Or Meeker School District Administration at  
 555 Garfield Street, Meeker, CO  
 970-878-9040



**EMPLOYMENT  
OPPORTUNITIES**

- Director of Public Health
  - Program Coordinator — 4-H Youth Development
- Disclaimer: Subject to change at any time!*
- For details and a Rio Blanco County application, please go to  
[www.rbc.us](http://www.rbc.us)  
 or Rio Blanco County HR at  
 200 Main St., Meeker, CO  
 970-878-9570  
 ADA/EOE

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**CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:  
RANGELY CAMPUS**

**ACCOUNTING COORDINATOR**

Colorado Northwestern Community College is seeking a qualified applicant for the position of **Accounting Coordinator**. This is a full time, exempt, administrative position with benefits. Minimum requirements: AA/AS Degree in Accounting or closely related field from an accredited College or University and two years of full time accounting experience. Preferred BA/BS Degree in Accounting or closely related field from an accredited College or University.

**SAFE CAMPUS COORDINATOR**

Colorado Northwestern Community College is seeking a hard-working, motivated individual for the position of **Safe Campus Coordinator**. This position is responsible for the management and coordination of operations related to maintaining a safe campus environment. Preferred candidate would have a Bachelor's degree in a related field, several years' experience in residence life, public safety, emergency medical response, or related activities, and knowledge of the Cleary Act, Title IX, and institutional security processes. The position is fulltime with benefits located in Rangely, Colorado with a starting salary range of \$35,000-40,000. First review date June 5, 2015.

**FACILITIES DIRECTOR**

Colorado Northwestern Community College seeks a hard working, motivated individual for the **Facilities Director** position. This is a full-time benefit eligible position. This position requires an Associate's Degree from an accredited institution and a minimum of five years work experience in maintenance or maintenance related field or a Bachelor's Degree from an accredited institution and six months experience in maintenance or maintenance related field. Applicant must possess a valid driver's license in good standing. CNCC application, resumé and cover letter are required.

**FULL TIME FACULTY POSITION  
WITH BENEFITS**

Colorado Northwestern Community College is seeking to fill an **Equine Studies Program Director** position. Bachelor's Degree in Equine Studies or related field and three year's work experience in the equine industry required. Master's Degree in Equine Studies and five year's work experience preferred. Preferred candidates will have previous secondary or post-secondary teaching experience. CNCC values high energy, creativity, and a strong desire to engage students. We are seeking faculty who will have a dramatic impact on student success, and will enhance a culture of excellence in our Career and Technical Education programs. CNCC is a small, rural community college located in Northwest Colorado. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

**FULL TIME FACULTY POSITION  
WITH BENEFITS**

Colorado Northwestern Community College is seeking to fill an **Equine Studies Instructor** position. Associate's Degree in Equine Studies or related field and work experience in the equine industry required. Master's Degree in Equine Studies and three year's work experience preferred. Preferred candidates will have previous secondary or post-secondary teaching experience. CNCC values high energy, creativity, and a strong desire to engage students. We are seeking faculty who will have a dramatic impact on student success, and will enhance a culture of excellence in our Career and Technical Education programs. CNCC is a small, rural community college located in Northwest Colorado.

For a complete job announcements including important instructions for the completion and submission of the application, visit the CNCC website at [www.cncc.edu/employment-opportunities-2/](http://www.cncc.edu/employment-opportunities-2/)  
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**Rangely Victim Services**  
 An open door for the protection and care of abused and battered persons. **Non-emergency call 629-9691 . Emergencies call 911.** Providing assistance for victims of violent crimes.

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

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

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

NEEDED - Clothed models for Thursday evening figure drawing session. 6-9 pm. All sizes/shapes welcome as are interested artists. Pat, The Upstairs Gallery 878-5165

ANNUAL OLD Timers' Dinner and Dance, June 6, 2015. For more information call 878-3432 or 878-4138

**PISTOL RIVER LEATHER**  
 Concealed Carry Class scheduled for June 20th. Call for info.  
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**FIREWORKS ALERT**  
 Meekerpalooza Art and Music Festival Fireworks display Saturday, June 6 at Ute Park at 10 P.M.

**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, June 5:** Teriaki chicken, rice, Chinese vegetables, Brownie  
**MONDAY, June 8 :** BBQ ribs, Baked beans, Coleslaw, Cornbread, Cookie.  
**TUESDAY, June 9:** Reuben sandwich, Steak fries, Vegetable salad, Fruit salad.  
**WEDNESDAY June 10:** Swedish meatballs, Noodles, Spinach Mashed squash, Dinner roll, Carrot cake.  
**FRIDAY, June 12 :** Chicken cordon bleu, Rice pilaf, Squash, Dinner roll, Apple crisp & Ice cream.  
 Milk, Tea and Coffee are offered with all meals. Menu subject to change. Food Pantry, June 27th, Thursday, Meeker.

**MEEKER RANGE** Call parade applications available online at [meekerrangeall.com](http://meekerrangeall.com) or [meekerchamber.com](http://meekerchamber.com).

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

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**MEEKER STREAKER MONTHLY SCHEDULE JUNE 2015**

NOTE: Please call 878-9368 in advance to set up all medical appointment rides. Activities are subject to change. Bus available on dates noted below.

June 2, Bus in town •Council on Aging•  
 June 3, Bus in town  
 June 4, Bus in town •Grand Junction•  
 June 5, Bus in town  
 June 6, No Bus  
 June 7, AM Bus  
 June 8, Bus in town  
 June 9, AM bus •Foot Clinic•  
 June 10, Bus in town  
 June 11, Bus in town •Rifle•  
 June 12, Bus in town  
 June 13, No Bus  
 June 14, Bus in town  
 June 15, Bus in town  
 June 16, Bus in town  
 June 17, Bus in town  
 June 18, Bus in town •Gr Jct Medical•  
 June 19, Bus in town  
 June 20, No Bus  
 June 21, AM Bus  
 June 22, Bus in town  
 June 23, Bus in town  
 June 24, Bus in town  
 June 25, Bus in town •Craig•  
 June 26, Bus in town  
 June 27, No Bus  
 June 28, AM Bus  
 June 29, Bus in town  
 June 30, Bus in town  
 Call Streaker for a ride 878-9368. Reservations for Rec. Center Trips should be made at 878-3403. Chuckwagon 878-5627.

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](mailto:newedenpcs@gmail.com) or (970)878-5117 and 219 Sunset Avenue Rangely. Email: [newedenrangely@gmail.com](mailto:newedenrangely@gmail.com) or (970) 675-2300. All services are confidential.

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- \*NEW 1450 Mountain View Rd. - 2 story-walk-out basement. 4 BR, 3.5 BA garage. Decks, views. \$295,900.
- \*NEW 780 2nd St. - 2 lots, 4 BR, 2 BA home, walk-out basement, family room, fireplace, garage. \$225,000.
- \*825 5th St - 5 lots overlooking town. Captivating 3 BR, 3 BA home, garage. \$275,000 SALE PENDING!
- \*1111 Wall St - 3 BR, 2 BA one level home. Laminated floors, lg master suite, storage shed. \$133,500.
- \*540 Garfield - Downtown, 4 BR, 2 BA remodeled tri-level home, garage, trees, fenced yard. \$194,000.
- \*789 9th St - Lg lot, great location, 4 BR, 2 BA, basement, decks, garage. \$198,000 SALE PENDING!
- \*1105 Mark Cr - 3BR, 3BA home, garage, fenced yard, RV parking, hardwood floors. \$169,000 SALE PENDING!
- \*460 7th St - 3+ lots, beautiful 2 story log home, 2 shops, garage, privacy fenced, well-landscaped. \$625,000.
- \*1134 Park - Log home, 4 BR, 2 BA Newly remodeled. Fenced yard. \$169,000.
- \*295 Park Ave. - Nice lot, small log home. 1 BR, 1 BA. Great condition. Garage. \$139,900 REDUCED!
- \*835 Sulphur Creek Rd. - 3 BR, 2 BA home by fairgrounds. Fenced backyard, landscaped. \$165,000.
- \*1440 Mountain View Rd. - 5BR, 4 1/2 BA, one of a kind custom home, panoramic views, outdoor entertaining area, lawn w/sprinkler system, home security system, A/C & more! \$339,000 SALE PENDING!
- \*112 Main St - 3 BR, 2 BA historic home with a 426 sq. ft. cottage. Updated, large corner lot. \$219,000.
- \*562 Larry Lane - Corner lot, 1 level, 3 BR 2BA, fenced yard, garage, deck. \$145,000 REDUCED PRICE!
- \*643 12th St - 4 BR, 2 BA bi-level home. Garage, carport, fenced back yard. \$115,000 REDUCED!
- \*1287 Cleveland - Lg lot, Big beautiful 4 BR, log home, large metal shop. \$325,000. SOLD!

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- \*NEW 1260 CR 119 - Ute Creek Cabin - Forest Service lease land, 2 room log cabin, 3/4 bath, well. \$75,000.
- \*487 Agency Dr - 5 Acres, beautiful 2 story home, garage, heated shop, landscaped. \$429,000 SALE PENDING.
- \*NEW 293 Agency Dr - 5 acres, 1 mile S. of town, near golf course. Updated 4 BR, 2 BA home with basement, garage, decks. Awesome views. Irrigated hay & pasture. Lg shop with horse stalls. \$419,000.
- \*CR 8 - 88 Acres just east of Meeker. Hunting, dry land pasture, development potential. \$450,000.
- \*8505 CR 8 - 9 miles east. Nice 3 BR home, basement, garage, fenced yard, great views. \$325,000.
- \*970 Shaman Trail - 5 acres, beautiful newer 2 story home, top of the line. Big heated shop. \$545,000 REDUCED!
- \*14970 CR 8 - 14 acres on the River. Great fishing. Hay pasture, beautiful 2,500 sq ft home. \$1,995,000.
- \*1758 CR 32 - 3.3 acres, 4 BR, 3 BA modular home. Outbuildings, fenced yard. \$194,900 SALE PENDING!
- \*29100 CR 8 - 12 Acres with River & fishing. Nice 1,252 sq ft 3 BR, 2 BA cabin, borders BLM. \$795,000.
- \*13247 CR 8 - 5 Acres 14 miles E of Meeker. Home, big shop, outbuildings. Horse setup. \$399,000 REDUCED!
- \*2610 CR 33 - 3 Acres 7 mi W of town. 4 BR, 3 BA home, full basement, shed, pasture. \$260,000. SALE PENDING!
- \*13245 CR 8 - 5 acres 14 miles up-river, well, trees, 3 BR, 2 BA home, decks, garage, shop. \$295,000 REDUCED!
- \*River Property - CR 12 - 5+ acres 28 miles east, with 2 BR, 1 BA cabin, good well, fish pond. \$275,000 REDUCED!
- \*39087 Hwy 13 - 2 miles west of town, 2 acres, 1,600 sq ft home or commercial building. \$42,000 SOLD!
- \*180 N. Little Rancho Dr - 36 Acres, newer 3 BR, 2 BA manufactured home, water well. \$198,500 SOLD!

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- \*109 Market St. - 3+ lots on the corner of 1st & Market. Great location next to the Dollar Store. \$275,000 REDUCED!
- \*Rio Blanco Store - Great potential, 1/4 acre on Hwy 13, 3,000 sq ft store, cafe, living quarters. \$130,000 REDUCED!
- \*304 4th St. Commercial building on corner lot downtown, great office space, 4,437 sq. ft. \$220,000.

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- \*5807 CR 7 - Vacant 20 acre parcel, 9 mi. North, on Strawberry Creek. Good home site & views. \$75,000.
- \*2-35 Acre Lots in Bull Mountain Ranch between Carbondale and Paonia. Beautiful country, high mountain views. Priced at \$85,000 and \$100,000.
- \*CR 8 - 88 Acres just east of Meeker. Hunting, dry land pasture, development potential. \$450,000.
- \*71 Acres on CR 15, 11 miles NE. Private homesites, water, good hunting, borders public land. \$205,000.
- \*Ridge Estates - 2 to 9 acre lots. Community well, irrigation water to each site. Prices reduced, additional discount available. Prices starting from \$75,600. 1 mile south of town, off of CR 13, near golf course.
- \*359 Love Lane - 5 acres, Cross L Estates, Lot 13, great horse property, well. \$100,000.
- \*River Property - CR 12 - 5+ acres 12 miles west. Irrigated hay, good home sites, river. \$145,000.
- \*Little Beaver Estates - Lot 4, 35 acres, fenced, good pond, loafing shed, great home site. \$72,500 REDUCED!
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NEW 545 3rd St. - Ideal location, smart use of space, tastefully remodeled 3BD/2BA. \$167,000  
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- ◆ 1112 Mark Circle - 3 BD, 1-3/4 BA home. 1215 SF on each level. \$161,000 Sale Pending!
- ◆ 1376 Juniper - 4 BD, 2 BA, with unfinished 5th BD or hobby room. New kitchen w/ pantry, master BR has huge walk-in closet. Fresh paint & new flooring on main level. Total of 2,460 SF w/ 3-car-garage! Fully fenced backyard, paved driveway, 2 lots-22,000 SF. Large deck for BBQs. \$246,000 Sale Pending!
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- ◆ 216 Ridge Rd. - This is a nice 2856 SF two level house built in 1977. It's a well maintained home with new flooring upstairs and tile down stairs, custom kitchen cabinets, screened-in back porch with spectacular view, central air, FA gas furnace and woodstove, attached garage. \$219,900
- ◆ 300 4th St. East (Dinosaur) - Back on the market! 3 BD 2 BA on 3 lots, 1744 SF built in 1981. \$90,000
- ◆ 315 8317 N. Grand Ave. - Duplex: Attractively renovated. Each unit has 1,200 SF. 2 BD, 2 BA, W/D hook-up, carport for each side. Priced to Sell! \$139,500 Excellent income property.

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624 Market St. - Large remodeled restaurant building with apartment space. Fantastic location! \$562,500  
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**VACANT LAND**  
41 Vacant Lots - Sanderson Hills Subdivision. Located on the northwest side of the subdivision. \$250,000 for all OWNER FINANCING

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2 Lots on Silver Sage Rd. - Sage Hills. \$45,000 for both.

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