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Fishing Derby, Hill Climb in Rangely this weekend

By **ROXIE FROMANG**
Special to the Herald Times

RANGELY | Rangely has a busy weekend line-up where you can enjoy the outdoors and easily social distance. The Colorado Hill Climb Association has submitted a COVID-19 safety plan with the Rio Blanco County commissioners and was granted approval to hold their third annual Canyon Pintado Hill Climb event this Saturday, June 6 and Sunday, June 7. This is some of the best spectating in motorsports, featuring the third oldest running motorsports race in the country. Spectators can enjoy family-friendly, fun, fast-paced entertainment. The Rangely Hill Climb is organized by the Colorado Hill Climb Association, the same group that runs the Lands' End Race on Grand Junction's Grand Mesa.

Spectator tickets are \$15 for both days and kids 12 and under attend for free. Due to the pandem-



ROXIE FROMANG PHOTO

The annual fishing derby will be held June 6-7. Details on [PAGE 2A](#).

ic, there will be no racer parade or meet and greet as in the past.

If you plan on attending the hill climb event the Colorado Hill Climb Association has some great tips to enjoying your experience. They encourage you to plan on staying at the event all day. There are only a few breaks in the action. Therefore, you will not be able to move freely on the racetrack. Be sure to park in a safe place off the road. Once the race starts, the road is closed. You may only move if a race safety official approves. If you are unsure, stay put. It is best to bring food and water. Colorado is known for its unpredictable weather; be sure you are prepared for that famous Colorado weather and bring sunscreen, umbrellas and a jacket.

Race weekend schedules are as follows: Saturday is practice and qualifying day. CHCA always try to get in four runs up the road but this depends on how many delays (accidents) they have that day. Sundays are race day and they will do two full runs up the road. Race start times are tentative but usually they start at around 8 a.m. (gates open at 6 a.m.) on

Saturdays and 9 a.m. (gates open at 7 a.m.) on Sundays. The races will take place near Dragon Trail, 4.5 miles west of Colorado Highway 139 on Rio Blanco County Road 116.

If you have questions about the Canyon Pintado Hill Climb Races you can contact the Rangely Area Chamber of Commerce at 970-675-5290 or you can follow CHCA for updates and schedule information on Facebook.

If you are looking for something a little more laid back and closer to the cool waters of the White River and Kenney Reservoir, look no further than the fishing event of the season! The Rio Blanco Water Conservancy District will hold their annual free fishing derby June 6-7 which coincides with the Colorado Parks and Wildlife's Free Fishing Weekend June 5-7. This fishing derby has grown in attendance year after year due to several factors including phenomenal prizes for the winners. This year is no exception. A fully guided walleye fishing trip, \$250 for the most smallmouth bass caught, and a weekend getaway package are up for grabs. Camping and boating at Kenney Reservoir are also free this weekend.

Fishing derby registration begins on Saturday, June 6 at 8:30 a.m. A mandatory "pre-derby" kick-off meeting begins at 8:45 a.m. Fishing begins at 9 a.m. The youth derby weigh-in is Saturday at 1 p.m. with the awards following at 1:30 p.m. Sunday's team and individual weigh-in begins at 3 p.m. with the awards following at 3:30 p.m. Prize categories include longest fish, shortest fish, longest crappie, heaviest crappie stringer, and overall heaviest stringer.

Saturday also offers an interactive learning opportunity with Colorado Parks and Wildlife and the USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service. If that isn't enough to entice you out to the water, CPW and Rio Blanco Water Conservancy District are working together to control the illegally introduced and toothy northern pike in its waters by offering an angler incentive. Each northern pike caught this year nets you \$20 a fish. For more information about the fishing derby including the rules and registration view the ad on [Page 2A](#), check out www.rioblancowcd.org or visit the [Rio Blanco Water Conservancy District](#) or [Kenney Reservoir](#) Facebook pages. Good luck to all the Colorado Hill Climb Association Racers and fishing derby participants this weekend.

Catch some action at the Canyon Pintado Hill Climb this weekend.

ROXIE FROMANG PHOTO



Horsin' Around

SOPHIA GOEDERT PHOTO

Fifteen trainers picked up their mustangs last Saturday to begin 100 days of training for the second annual Meeker Mustang Makeover in September. Scan the zipcode with Zappor (or click on it in the digital edition) for trainer video interviews from the Allred family of Rangely, Cosette McLaughlin of Steamboat Springs and the Wood family of Meeker.

Wild mustangs begin 100 days of training

By **SOPHIA GOEDERT**
Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER | After last year's success, the Meeker Mustang Makeover (MMM), is starting the process of getting ready for another showcase this fall. Thursday, May 28, wild horses from Colorado and Wyoming arrived at the fairgrounds, ready for their trainers to pick them up on Saturday. The 15 trainers were a combination of youth and adults. The youth got yearlings for the in-hand competition, while the adults got three-year olds for the in-saddle part of the show. The trainers are from all over the state this year, ranging from six locals, a few Routt County trainers, and a couple eastern slopers.

The addition of the in-hand youth division to the MMM will showcase the ability of youth trainers and the versatility of young, wild horses. At the completion of the event youth trainers will receive an \$800 scholarship to use toward their future career goals.

The trainers have 100 days to turn their horses into show-worthy mustangs. They will have a set amount of time to demonstrate the abilities of their horse in the hopes of selling it to a loving home. All adult trainers will go through a working equitation

course, cow working, and a freestyle. Youth will be doing a freestyle using the working equitation obstacles.

The event will also be seeing a couple returnees from last year. Locals Deana Wood and Wade Allred are coming back for a second year, while also bringing in new faces to the program. Leah Wood, Rylee Allred, and Colt Allred all have their own horses to work with this summer. Deana and her horse Flintstone won the competition last year, so it will be very interesting to see what she has in store for everyone this year. When asked why she decided to come back for a second year, she said, "Because of the amazing experience that we had last year and all that we got to learn. Also to up our game a little bit."

The MMM also uses the showcase as a way to bring awareness to the multitude of wild horses, not only in the Piceance Basin, but in surrounding states. The competition acts as a way to prove that wild horses can have a purpose. Returning trainer Joe Wood said, "It's a great way to showcase the abilities of wild horses and their usefulness. They actually are, generally, very trainable and usable horses that are built to endure rough country." The competition is a great way for the MMM to break the stigma around wild horses and enlighten spectators.

FAST FACTS

WHO: Meeker Mustang Makeover
WHAT: Second annual mustang training competition
WHEN: Sept. 11, 2020, 5-9 p.m.
WHERE: RBC Fairgrounds

Meeker High School graduation plans 'drive-in' ceremony, tickets required

Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER | The Meeker High School Class of 2020 will have a "Drive-In" graduation ceremony on Saturday, June 6 at 8 p.m. at Ute Park. Gates will open at 7 p.m.

All attendees will remain in their vehicles. Graduates have vehicle tickets to give to family/friends. Please note that all vehicles need a ticket for admission. If you are interested in attending, please talk to a graduate regarding tickets.

The *Rio Blanco Herald Times* will be [live streaming the ceremony on the MHS Facebook page](#) for those who cannot attend.

KRAI FM 93.7 will be broadcasting the graduation ceremony live. Most of the event will be prerecorded.

This broadcast is sponsored by Haselden Construction. It is also co-sponsored by: MTech Mechanical, Frontier Paving, TLC Carpet One Floor and Home and NV5 Technical Engineering and Consulting Solutions.

The Meeker High School Class of 2020 Graduation Keepsake Edition, published by the *HT*, will be handed out to attendees at the ceremony and inserted in the June 11 edition.

CORONAVIRUS Q&A NO. 3

with Public Health Director Alice Harvey

Join us on Facebook for a Live Broadcast
Friday, June 5 at 7 p.m.



(Don't use Facebook? Full video will be available on YouTube, ht1885.com and in the June 11 edition via Zappor.)

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Saturday: 70s/50s
Rainy



Sunday: 70s/40s
Very windy



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BIRTH ...



COURTESY PHOTO

Fisher Lohry is proud to announce the birth of his sister Collins Marie Lohry, born May 14 at 4:57 a.m. in Vernal, Utah, weighing 9.2 pounds and 21 inches long. Collins is the daughter of Jeremy and Kristin Lohry of Rangely, granddaughter of Susan Steele of Rangely and Bill and Sheryl Lohry of Windsor, Colorado.

Plans for more Meeker trails

By NIKI TURNER
editor@ht1885.com

MEEKER | The town's board of trustees reviewed and amended a building incentive program that would provide rebates for new construction within the Town of Meeker limits. The resolution provides rebates for new structures constructed between January 2020 and December 2022.

The board also discussed water tap fees. Town Manager Lisa Cook said it's difficult to compare Meeker's fees with similar communities, because Meeker charges by the size of the tap. The board discussed ways to make the tap fees "economic development friendly" while still protecting the town's resources.

Town Manager Lisa Cook updated the board on BLM plans to create a connecting trail between Ute Park and the popular China Wall trail. BLM plans

to start construction on the connecting trail Sept. 26.

"This is an economic driver we need to pay attention to," said Mayor Kent Borchard.

Trustee Melissa Kindall suggested adding a BMX track and a dog agility test into Ute Park in the future.

"Those are some things we should mention to our consultants," Borchard said. The Town is working on renewing its comprehensive plan.

The board also reviewed a safety plan for the Meeker farmer's market and discussed the 4th of July parade and other summer events.

"We're going to have a lot of special meetings this summer in order to accommodate these events and approve their plans," Cook said.

The board agreed to establish a committee to review summer event plans in light of COVID-19.

Trustees reviewed applica-

tions for business grants from local businesses forced to close down during the Stay at Home order. All requests submitted on time were approved.

Mayor Kent Borchard asked if it would be possible to set up a separate location at Town Hall for an office, which the board approved. He also said new Pioneers Medical Center CEO Liz Sellers identified employee housing as the "No. 1 problem" they're facing.

The board has a joint meeting with the planning commission scheduled for June 8 at 5:30 p.m. to hear a presentation from Chris Hale about the northwest part of town.

Cook said Police Chief Thompson has interviews planned for a sixth officer and said the town has candidates for a new municipal judge.

The board approved a \$500 donation to the Meeker Mustangs Makeover, matching the 2019 donation.

It's road construction season

Special to the Herald Times

RBC | Starting Monday, June 1, the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) and contract partner United Companies will begin an 18-mile surface treatment project on Colorado Highway 64 between mile markers 43 and 61 west between Meeker and Rangely. The project has an anticipated completion date of October 2020.

As part of CDOT's "Whole System-Whole Safety" initiative, this project will focus on a 1-inch leveling, 1.5-inch hot mix asphalt (HMA) overlay and guardrail installation that will meet the new safety standard requirements. The HMA will add approximately 10 years of life to the highway, create a smoother road surface and will eliminate ruts and road damage. The new guardrail will be 31 inches high instead of 27 inches high to help vehicles remain on the road more effectively, making the highway safer for the traveling public.

Additional work will consist of rumble strip installation and pavement markings.

Motorists can expect east and westbound one-lane alternating traffic, 15 to 20 minute delays, 35 mph speed limit, and a 10 ft. width restriction during hours of operation. The project will be in operation Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Work on Hwy. 13 between Meeker and Rifle is progressing well, according to Nancy Shanks, project public information officer. "We continue full-depth reclamation of the roadway south of Rio Blanco County Rd. 5 (CR 5),

including lowering about 1,800 linear feet of the highway by about 5 to 6 feet in elevation; this will improve sight distance—and safety—for motorists. You can expect single-lane, alternating travel with a signal (between mile points 16 and 17, 24/7, through the work zone south of CR 5. A 12-foot width restriction is in place only from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Friday, with flaggers directing traffic. Also, from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Friday, north of CR 5, you'll have intermittent single-lane, alternating travel as crews work at various locations for drainage."



CAITLIN WALKER PHOTO

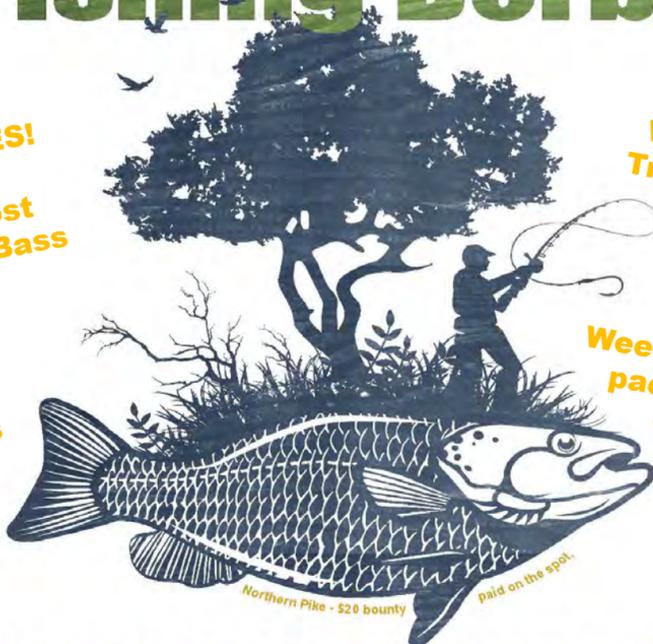
As road construction ramps up in Rio Blanco County, make plans for delays on Hwy. 13 and Hwy. 64.

June 6 - 7 Fishing Derby

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Mandatory "Pre-Derby" kick-off meeting at 8:45
Rules & Registration forms at:
www.rioblanco.wcd.org • Facebook page -
Kenney Reservoir or Rio Blanco Water Conservancy District

NO FEE WEEKEND for camping and boating June 5 to June 7.

INTERACTIVE LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES - SAT JUNE 6
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YOUTH DERBY - SAT JUNE 6, 9 AM - 1 PM

15 years old and under • Prizes for longest fish - longest trout - longest crappie
• Weigh-in and prize awards at 1:30 pm June 7

TEAM & FAMILY DERBY -

9 AM, SAT JUNE 6 TO 3 PM, SUN JUNE 7

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NEWS BRIEFS

Mountain roads and passes now open

RBC | Rio Blanco County has opened all roads and passes for 2020: Ripple Creek/Dunkley Passes (Co. Rd. 8), Buford-New Castle Road (Co. Rd. 17), Meadow Lake Road (Co. Rd. 125), Trappers Lake Road (Garfield Co.), South Fork Campground (Co. Rd. 10), Marvine Road (Co. Rd. 12).

Pop-up driver's license office in June

MEEKER | The driver's license office in Meeker will be open Thursday, June 11 from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. and Friday, June 12 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. by appointment only. Please note, the phone number to schedule an appointment has changed. Call 720-295-2965 for an appointment. Online: <https://mydmv.colorado.gov/#1>. Call the County Clerk's office at 878-9460 if you need additional information.

Enter the July 4th Parade!

MEEKER | The theme of the 2020 parade is "FREEDOM". The annual parade is hosted by the Meeker Chamber of Commerce and is held downtown Meeker on Main Street starting at 10 a.m.

Anyone can enter the parade — whether you are an individual, an organization, a business, or a vehicle with a message! Just fill out the form and send it to the Chamber of Commerce by June 30. It's free!

We will notify the public and parade entrants of any safety or distancing requirements.

As an option to the parade entries, the parade route might take a longer course throughout town. Please consider this if your entry has walkers or animals.

White River Museum now open

MEEKER | Beginning Friday, June 5, the White River Museum (565 Park Ave.) will resume its normal hours of operations for the summer season. The museum will be open Monday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday from 12-5 p.m. Admission is free. Due to the coronavirus pandemic, visitors will be limited to groups of 10 or fewer (unless they're all in one party). Face coverings and physical distancing are recommended for guests and staff, and staff is disinfecting frequently touched surfaces regularly.

Fish Fry postponed to August 2020

MEEKER | The White River Community Association Community Fish Fry at Buford School has been postponed from June 13, 2020, to August 2020, with the exact date to be determined.

Fun CNCC classes starting soon online

RBC | No need for summer to be a bummer. Colorado Northwestern Community College is offering online courses that cover a wide variety of topics to enrich your daily life starting as low as \$48. Use this time to have fun, gain business or personal skills from home such as:

■ Growing Plants for Fun & Profit to turn your love of plants into an enjoyable and profitable home business.

■ Introduction to Guitar to learn to play any style of music on the guitar and become the musician you've always wanted to be.

■ Homeschool With Success to discover how to homeschool your children in a way that ensures they get what they need both academically and socially.

To learn more and register for classes visit ed2go.com/cncc-enrichment/.

FROM OUR WINDOW ...



Town of Meeker Water Operator/Assistant Superintendent Tobey Willey (right) and town employee Jak Kilduff (left) flushed a fire hydrant outside the HT building earlier this week. The system is flushed once a year. "It makes sure we get good fresh water in the system and we make sure all the fire hydrants work if the fire department needs them," Willey said. It also removes rust. It's great fun to watch all that water, but according to Willey, "it gets a little loud by the end of the day."

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EDITOR'S COLUMN

The blame game

By NIKI TURNER
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We're blamers. It's what we do. Adam blamed Eve, Eve blamed the serpent. Cain blamed Abel and committed the first murder. The smallest child, when asked, "did you do this?" will shake his or her head and point at a sibling or the dog or the notorious "Nobody."

Ask anyone who is to blame for the woes of society and you'll hear:
It's the government's fault.
It's the media's fault.
It's the left. It's the right.
It's the Democrats. It's the Republicans.

Blame the protesters, blame the looters.
Blame the cops, blame the criminals, blame the victims.
Blame the president. Blame Congress. Blame the IRS.
Blame the coronavirus. Blame China.
Blame the rich, blame the poor.
It's religion. It's a lack of religion.

Blame whatever crazy conspiracy theory has taken over the internet this week.

Blame generations of terrible voter participation and political propaganda.

Blame is the fallback of the immature.

It really doesn't matter where we point the finger, there are three fingers pointing back at us, and while we're all arguing our case for who is at fault, guess what gets accomplished? Absolutely nothing. The messes don't get cleaned up. The problems don't get fixed. And we repeat the cycle again and again.

I want all the negative things I see going on to be someone else's fault, too. That's human nature. It's easy to believe that we're right all the time, that everyone else is wrong, and



that if "they" would just do something different, things would get better. It's growing more and more obvious that way of thinking is a path to destruction.

Between a pandemic that has killed more than 100,000 Americans, the subsequent economic meltdown, and now riots and civil unrest in the streets, it's easy to feel alternately angry, afraid, and helpless.

Logically we know we can't fix the world's woes by ourselves, and that leads to frustration and the desire to find a culprit, a target, an enemy. Unfortunately, there are no winners in the blame game, only losers.

Perhaps this generation will be the one that realizes we're all trapped here on the same planet, breathing the same air, drinking the same water, and that if we want to survive and thrive we have to work together, not against each other.

We can only hope.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Support for Iacino

Dear Editor:

In a nation now chaotically teetering on the cliff's edge of one of the most trying times in our history, the dearth in leadership of this nation is disheartening.

We cannot continue down a pathway where the common man and woman, who need opportunities, need access to solutions, need more than hope and a prayer, are continually showered by corporate-driven political slogans and tweeted promises. We need active, engaging plans for building innovative, practical businesses that provide decent, long-term jobs; we need focused leadership who listens, acknowledges the problem and puts a team together to fix it; we need active solutions now — especially as we watch the so-called efficiency of "bigger is better" fail. It is time not to

rebuild, but to innovate and create an economy that works for all.

That is why I support James Iacino for the 3rd Congressional seat. I had become pretty jaded and cynical about leadership in both parties, and when I sat down with Mr. Iacino the first time, I went straight to my bell-weather question: "Where do you stand on country of origin labeling for beef?" If he hemmed and hawed, if he looked to an aide for an answer — I intended to get up and leave.

Instantly he said: "I support it. Mandatory country of origin labeling has been essential to my business. The consumer has a right to know and I want to be their partner." I knew then we had a leader. He didn't hedge. He didn't look around for the answer. He gave it. That one action impressed me greatly. There was no slogan, no pandering, no asking where the lobbying group stood — just straight-forward honesty. We then had an in-depth discussion about

creating a new economy.

One of the most compelling issues we face as we come out of this pandemic will be where and how we restructure this heaving, subsidized, and centralized economy that so many of us said was broken long before COVID-19 hit. Because James Iacino has been in the forefront of building an economic supply chain that works all the way from supplier, to labor, to consumer — he knows exactly what to do. He won't need the on-the-job training that can be too little to late. He won't be trusting lobbyists for the answers.

James Iacino has my full support and endorsement.

Sincerely,
Kathleen Sullivan Kelley
Past Colorado State Representative HD 57
Rancher
Vice Chair, National Commission on Small Farms, 1998-2004

GUEST COLUMN: MEEKER SCHOOL DISTRICT

From graduation to plans for next year

By CHRIS SELLE
MSD Superintendent

MEEKER 1 As the 2019-2020 school year has now ended, most educators would state it is the most unique school year they have ever experienced. I continue to be inspired by the adaptability of our students, parents, staff, and community. I am proud to be a Meeker Cowboy!

Specifically, I would like to thank the Class of 2020. For a

variety of reasons, the last year of high school likely did not align with the expectations of our seniors. Nevertheless, we all could learn much from the flexibility they displayed this year. As an educational institution, it is our responsibility to prepare students for their chosen endeavors after high school. Despite the uncommonness of the past school year, it is my sincere hope that our seniors have now set their sights on what lies beyond

Meeker High School. It is also my sincere hope they find appropriate closure to high school through our graduation event on June 6.

After that event, the Meeker School District will turn its attention to planning for 2020-2021 school year. There has been much information circulated via social media about what will be expected of schools next year. Some of that information is

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- ★ Strong desire to work for Rio Blanco County Citizens

GUEST COLUMN

A sheriff speaks to us all ...

By MARILYN M. BARNEWELL
Special to the Herald Times

RBC I You will want to read this article because it offers hope from the hand of a Colorado sheriff who graciously took part in a project I implemented the first two weeks of May.

While watching the various news stories about people around the country opening their businesses in spite of state demands that they stay closed, I decided to do something I've had on my mind for a long time. I want to know how sheriffs perceive their responsibility to citizens of their counties.

My comments leading into this article will be brief because Sheriff Anthony Mazzola and the letter he wrote to me is the article.

Oxford Languages defines a sheriff thusly: "A sheriff is the chief law enforcement officer in a county. He and his deputies patrol county grounds and have the power to apprehend persons who are a threat to peace and order. In some cases the sheriff's department issues warrants for suspected criminals and seizes illicit goods found during the arrest process."

I've always believed that a sheriff answers only to the voters of his or her county... but having been married to a police officer I also know how much trouble politicians, district attorneys, and bureaucrats can cause law enforcement.

Part of the reason I wanted to write about sheriffs is to make sure you, the reader, know that your county sheriff is the chief law enforcement officer in your county. It is important to have the best possible candidate for that office on your ballot every election!

The first week of May, I wrote a letter to each of the 64 county sheriffs in the State of Colorado. I asked them to respond to five questions and created "yes" or "no" answers so they could respond quickly. They are busy people. But, I did leave room for them to make any additional comments if they wanted. The second week of May, the letters were put in the mail.

On May 20, I received one of the most inspirational letters from a law enforcement officer I've ever read. Remember, I used to be the editor of the *National Peace Officer's Magazine* and sat on the Board of Americans for Effective Law Enforcement in Denver for several years... so I've heard from a lot of law enforcement officers.

Since China brought us COVID-19 we hear so many (print, digital, video) news reports about power abuses involving law enforcement, I think that now is the best time to begin making this material available to you. We need to remember that news rarely reports about the good side of the law and adheres to the philosophy that blood and violence and power abuse is good for readership (that's our fault) and for advertising sales (resulting from increased readership). Most of all, we need to have faith that in the end analysis the only emotion stronger than fear is hope and we need to hold on to that for dear life... and that's not just a flippant comment. It's the difference between the light and the darkness life offers each of us daily.

Here are the questions that I enclosed in my letter to each of the 64 county sheriffs. Under each question were the words (to be circled) "Yes" and "No."

The questionnaire:

1. Do you believe the people of Rio Blanco County view the Sheriff and his Deputies to be the only law enforcement protection from possible government abuse of power against them... that the Sheriff is there to protect the people?

2. Do you believe that you are the chief legal officer in Rio Blanco County, and that you have not only the right, but the responsibility, to oppose or at least not enforce illegal mandates, laws, or directives that violate the constitutional and civil rights of the people who are your responsibilities?

3. When a question arises about whether a law, ordinance or directive from city, county or state official/body is constitutional (federal and/or state), does your office in Rio Blanco County have access to legal input from a constitutional legal expert who is in no way affiliated with Colorado State, City, or County Government?

4. Would you actively oppose any unconstitutional mandates, laws, or directives by publicly stating that you would not enforce them in your jurisdiction?

5. Do you as the elected legal protector of the people in Rio Blanco County consider the welfare of the people of the county your primary responsibility?

I drew lines across the bottom portion of the page

to make room for explanations of the answers given and then drew a signature line with each individual sheriff's name and title so he or she could sign it. In the letter I'm publishing below, that name read "Sheriff Anthony Mazzola, Rio Blanco County."

Sheriff Mazzola did not use my questionnaire to reply. Instead he wrote the following letter:

"Dear Mrs. Barnewell:

Thank you for the letter I received from you on May 12. I appreciate when citizens are concerned about their rights and questioning and holding elected officials accountable. I have been in law enforcement for 30 years now. I started my career right here in Rio Blanco County as a jailer and worked my way through the ranks. I also spent several years working for the 9th Judicial District Attorney's Office just prior to being elected sheriff. This is my second term as sheriff.

Prior to coming into law enforcement, I served four and a half years in the military. I served under two of the greatest presidents in my life: President Ronald Reagan and President George Bush. I was in Germany when the Berlin wall came down. I left the military to raise my family in Rio Blanco County but was called back for Desert Storm for only a short while.

I do not know you or your works, but a quick search bears out your credentials. I believe you are doing honorable work with the questions you are asking and I would hope your finished article would be used to help educate the citizens of this county, state, and country.

I could answer your questions and send them back to you, but you would not even come close to knowing if I answered those questions with conviction. One of my philosophies is that actions speak louder than words. I took an oath back in 1986 that I still consider myself to be held accountable to. When I joined the military I was willing to give my life for the liberties that we enjoyed. I look around now and I see many people are suddenly faced with their own mortality and they are conflicted,

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accurate. Some is not. If we have learned nothing else from the COVID-19 pandemic, we should have learned that conditions, plans, and expectations can change at a rapid pace. No one really knows what next fall will hold for schools. Anyone who claims they can predict conditions in place for schools next fall is foolish.

Nevertheless, we can plan for what we expect to see happen, while also planning for contingencies. That is what the Meeker School District will do. We know the learning that occurs in our classrooms cannot be replicated. Thus, we have an obligation to figure out how to get students back in classrooms as normally as possible. If the trend around COVID-19 cases in Meeker and Rio Blanco County holds through the beginning of August, our schools will likely operate in a relatively normal fashion in the fall. There will be a few common sense items we will need to put in place, but school will operate very similarly to how it did in the past. If the trend with local COVID-19 cases changes significantly how our schools operate in the fall could also change significantly. We will plan for those contingencies.

Based on local conditions, the plan will be to have kids back in classrooms full time in the fall. Despite different viewpoints

expressed on social media, the only requirements for schools are those aligned with public health orders for the State of Colorado. Most of those orders will either expire or be amended by the time we go back to school. The remainder of the circulated information are guidelines and/or recommendations.

I believe we will have activities in the fall. However, I cannot predict the actions CHSAA will take. The feedback I have tried to offer CHSAA is that participation in extracurricular activities is of great value to our students. Additionally, it has always carried some risk of injury or illness. I have shared with CHSAA that I believe we should still offer that personal choice as long as we have communicated the risk to students and parents while also taking reasonable measures to help mitigate those risks.

Should community members have suggestions regarding our plans for the fall, I encourage them to contact me directly at chris.selle@meeker.k12.co.us or 970-878-9040. Currently, the school district plans to release its protocols to return to in-person learning for 2020-2021 no later than Aug. 3, 2020, with some

draft documents available for review between now and then. In the meantime, I appeal to our community to offer the school district an extra measure of patience and grace. As has been stated numerous times in the last several weeks, these are unprecedented times. Planning is difficult and time consuming given the amount of unknowns. We are fortunate we have several weeks which will allow us to be thoughtful and intentional about the conditions necessary to return to in-person learning. Those conditions will rely on recommendations from local and state experts, but also be balanced with common sense and current information relative to our local context.

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Welcome to Conservation Corner! You will find weekly briefings here regarding natural resources in Rio Blanco County. The wise use of our natural resources plays a critical role in our economy, standard of living, lifestyle, and comfort. We hope to provide you with user-friendly information to help you understand and engage on these issues that impact you and your family.

The White River and Douglas Creek Conservation District's motto is, "The Wise Use of All Natural Resources." All natural resources — water, plants, animals, energy, soil and other resources — have a limited supply and we have a growing population that relies upon them. Therefore, we must use them wisely.

By state statute, conservation districts have a responsibility to develop a plan for the care and treatment of the lands within their respective boundaries. The White River and Douglas Creek Conservation Districts (Districts) do this through a long-range planning process where all landowners are encouraged to share their thoughts and concerns regarding natural resources. Landowner input determines what actions the Districts focus on during the following three years.

Water, rangelands health, and wildlife are the three resources the landowners have identified as priorities for the Districts to focus on. Additionally, landowners felt strongly that the Districts should continue to implement the "Land and Natural Resources Plan and Policies" in the federal land management agencies' planning processes.

Tune into Conservation Corner next week to learn more about how the Districts implement the above-noted Plan and Policies. During the next couple months we will provide highlights on water and various activities involving the White River.

Visit www.whiterivercd.com or scan the zapcode below (click in the digital edition) to learn more about the White River and Douglas Creek Conservation Districts and the work they are doing in Rio Blanco County.

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Grace Giving (1)

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

... Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him . . . (1 Cor. 16:1-2)

Dr. J.D. Watson

SADLY, because of the abuses of money by false teachers (2 Pet. 2:1-3) and even the misuses and mismanagement of it by true believers and churches, this is a touchy subject. But we dare not ignore this subject any more than we would ignore a marital problem simply because it is a sensitive area. Giving, in fact, is a crucial aspect of Christian living. While we considered in an earlier study that giving is one aspect of *loving* our Lord (June 26), we go deeper here to recognize it also as an integral part of our *servicing* Him. The text before us is one of two key New Testament passages on Christian giving, the other being 2 Corinthians 8-9. In the tradition of journalism and other information gathering professions, let us first approach this crucial subject using the classic "five Ws and one H."

First, there is the *who* of giving. With the words **let every one of you lay by him in store**, Paul makes clear that every believer is to give to the work of God. The matter is not about age, social status, or even economic standing, rather it is all inclusive. This is, in fact, one of the most important lessons we can teach our children, a lesson they will carry with them throughout their lives. Even those who are not well off financially are to give. That is precisely the lesson we learn from the widow and her two mites (Mk. 12:41-44). A "mite" (*lepton*, 3016) was the smallest bronze Jewish coin in circulation. These two *lepta*, then, were worth a whopping 1/64 of a Roman denarius (a laborer's daily wage). While the rich gave out of their surplus, she gave all she had. Likewise, if we do not give when we have a *pittance*, we will not give when we have *plenty*.

Second, there is the *what* of giving. What amount should we give? It is amazing, indeed, that the almost universal and automatic response to that question is, "Oh, I should tithe my ten percent." *Tithing*, however, had nothing whatsoever to do with *giving*. Several tithes were prescribed by the Mosaic Law, which totaled about 23 percent: 10 percent was given for the Levites (Lev. 27:30) because they received no land inheritance or other means of support, another 10 percent was set aside to sustain the national feasts and holidays (Deut. 14), and an additional 10 was collected each third year for a benevolence fund (14:28-29). Again, these were not freewill offerings, but rather taxes to operate the government, just as Christians are required to pay their taxes (Rom. 13:6).

While even the Old Testament had "freewill offerings" (e.g. Lev. 22:18, 21), the New Testament standard is far superior. We give as God has **prospered** us (*euodoō*). This is "grace giving," giving not because we *have* to but because we *want* to. Tithing was by *law*, giving is by *grace*. "Grace giving" means that we give to God in proportion to what He has given us. It's an issue not of the *wallet* but of the *heart*.

Scriptures for Study: What example of giving do we read about in 2 Corinthians 8:1-3?

We hope you will visit our website (www.TheScriptureAlone.com), where you will find not only our podcast of these devotional studies but also other resources for Christian growth, including messages in MP3 media files. You are also invited to worship with us at Grace Bible Church (on the corner of 3rd and Garfield) at 10:30 A.M. each Lord's Day, where the ministry is: "contin[ing] steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers" (Acts 2:42).

ATTENTION: As of June 1, 2020, the State of Colorado will be permitting and inspecting all plumbing and fuel gas.

Rio Blanco County will still permit and inspect all other aspects of construction. The DORA website dpo.colorado.gov/EandP/permits will allow you to apply for plumbing and fuel gas permits online.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact the Rio Blanco County Building Official, LaDonna Eubanks, at 970-878-9452.

Rio Blanco County Building Division has also developed guidelines (see below) for the Rural Building Exemption (RBC Resolution No. 2019-24) which allows certain buildings to be built without a building permit if the property owner chooses.

RURAL EXEMPTION GUIDELINES

Resolution No. 2019-24 is intended to allow land owners options when building structures that are not intended to be used as a residence.

1. Build a structure without applying for and obtaining a building permit and inspections from Rio Blanco County Building Division. (This option does require an application for the Rural Exemption.)

2. Build a structure without applying for and obtaining a building permit and inspections from Rio Blanco County Building Division and hire a private inspector. (This option does require an application for the Rural Exemption; Rio Blanco County Building Division will not need to approve the private inspector; Rio Blanco County Building Division will not issue a Certificate of Occupancy or Letter of Completion.)

3. Build a structure by applying for and obtaining a building permit from Rio Blanco County Building Division and hire a private inspector which is approved by the Rio Blanco County Building Division. (Rio Blanco County Building Division will need to approve the private inspector; Rio Blanco County Building Division will issue a Certificate of Occupancy or Letter of Completion.)

4. Build a structure by applying for and obtaining both a building permit and inspections from Rio Blanco County Building Division. (This is the usual process for obtaining building permits and inspections through Rio Blanco County Building Division.)

If your property is located within one (1) mile of any incorporated town or city and is on less than 2.5 acres, you will not be allowed to obtain a rural exemption for any structures or remodels of any structures.

The Rural Exemption which falls under options number one and two above, allows land owners to build certain structures that are not intended to be used as a residence without requiring the oversight of the Rio Blanco County Building Division (Building Department). Below are some guidelines to help you, the landowner, and Rio Blanco County Staff understand what may or may not qualify to be exempt and the process for obtaining the exemption.

Following is the process for obtaining approval for a Rural Exempt Residential Structure or a Rural Building Upgrade Exemption.

1. Fill out an application and provide a site plan, a description of the project and a simple drawing (floor plan and possibly elevations) to the Building Department.

a. Site Plan to include the following information: Location of easements and utilities. If there are none, please state so; Distances (in feet) between your proposed structure and your well/cistern, OWTS systems and other building structures and water features. If there are none, please state so; Distance from proposed structure to all property lines within 100 feet; Show all County Roads or State Highways adjacent to your property.

b. Planning Staff will review your submittal for planning requirements, and Building Staff will review it for Rural Exemption requirements. You will be notified as to whether additional information is required, your project does not qualify for the Rural Exemption, or you've been approved for the Rural Exemption.

c. Final approval cannot occur until Planning and Building have signed the permit, and Sales & Use Tax has been paid.

d. With-in forty-five (45) days following completion of the work performed under one of the Rural Exemptions, the owner shall have a statement with the following information recorded with the Rio Blanco County Clerk and Recorder: The name of all titled owners of the property where the construction occurred; The legal description of the property where the construction occurred; A general description of the construction that occurred; The name, address and telephone number of the private inspector, if on was used; The name, address and telephone number of the person who was most responsible for performing the construction that occurred.

Work that COULD qualify for the Rural Residential Building Exemption:

Any non-commercial structure other than a residence. Examples: accessory building including, but not limited to: livestock and/or horticultural barns; shops, garages, carports and sheds; cabins that are less than 800 sq. ft. and do not provide for one of the following: permanent sleeping, eating, cooking and sanitation and that are not regularly access by the general public (such as rentals).

Work that WOULD NOT qualify for the Rural Residential Building Exemption:

- Structures that will be occupied by a person for the purposes of living, sleeping, eating cooking and sanitation. (Examples: mother-in-law's cabins, caretaker's cabins, structures for rent, etc.)
- All electrical work requires a State of Colorado Electrical permit and inspections.
- All plumbing work requires a State of Colorado Plumbing permit and inspections.
- All fuel gas appliances (water heaters, boilers, furnaces, wood stoves, pellet stoves, fireplaces) new installations and replacements require a Rio Blanco County mechanical permit.
- All structures in a floodplain require a Rio Blanco County Floodplain permit and may require a building permit.
- All Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems (OWTS - Septic) require a Rio Blanco County OWTS Permit.

Building upgrades that COULD qualify for a Rural Exempt Building Upgrade:

- Any upgrade or improvement to any dwelling that does not compromise the structural integrity of the existing structure. Examples: Maintenance upgrades including, but not limited to replacing roofing, siding, windows (same size or smaller) and flooring; some remodels including, but not limited to basement finishes - if adding bedrooms, bathrooms or heating appliances these may require other permits.
- Kitchen and Bath remodels - replacing cabinets, counter tops, fixtures, appliances, and flooring. Adding and/or reconfiguring walls that are not bearing walls would need to be verified prior to exemption approval.
- Any upgrade, improvement or addition to any existing Rural Exempt Building.

Building upgrades that DO NOT qualify for a Rural Exempt Building Upgrade:

- Additions to any residence whether it is a primary residence, mother-in-law's cabins, care taker's cabins, etc.
- Replacing windows with larger windows.
- Remodels which require moving load bearing walls.
- Plumbing and mechanical additions, replacements or repairs. Examples: addition or relocation of plumbing fixtures, water heaters, furnaces, boilers, adding fireplaces, wood burning stoves, pellet stoves, etc.
- Structures that are in the floodplain.
- Change of Use from a shop, garage, shed, cabin, etc. to a residence.

If it is found that any person has begun work on a construction project without obtaining either an exemption or a building permit, Rio Blanco County Building department has the authority of enforcement in the following manner.

- The Building Department will first try to contact the owner of the property by phone if a phone number can be found.
- If a phone number cannot be found, a letter will be sent to the property owner explaining the process for obtaining a Rural Exemption or a building permit. The owner will be asked to contact the Building Department by a given date.
- If the Building Department has not been contacted by the given date, a Notice of Violation will be sent to the property owner. The notice will describe the work that is in violation and direct the property owner to correct the violation by contacting the Building Department and applying for and obtaining either a Rural Exemption or a building permit by a given date.
- If the Building Department has not been contacted by that date, a Stop Work Order will be issued. The Stop Work Order will describe the work that is in violation and direct the property owner to correct the violation by contacting the Building Department and applying for and obtaining either a Rural Exemption or a building permit by a given date.
- If the property owner does not comply with the direction of the Stop Work Order, the building official will request the legal counsel of the county attorney, and could be subject to penalties as prescribed by law.

Please visit our website at rbc.us/591/Rural-Exemption for more information.



SHERIFF: Hope from a patriot

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concerned and quite frankly are afraid. People who never thought they would have to face possible life threatening situations at their jobs are now faced with it. People are having to decide if health and safety are above their liberties?

We have seen what power can do to people. When one is placed into a position of power they have to know where that power comes from. When I was elected sheriff, I put together a group of people that I trusted and asked them to watch over me and gave them permission to confront me if they felt I was out of line. I know who put me in this position. It was not me. It was my God. I am held accountable to Him and I will answer to Him in the end.

I could answer your questions and you would have a nice list to check off that this sheriff subscribes to. If you want to really know my answers to your questions you will have to ask my constituents. They will tell you if I would enforce illegal mandates that violate the Constitution. They will tell you if I am here to protect them against enemies both foreign and domestic. They will tell you if I am enforcing the Governors' orders. You will also need to ask the county commissioners what I have publicly stated in meetings. You will need to ask the county public health director what my priorities are. You need to ask the local newspaper editor where I stand on these issues. And lastly you need to ask my staff. They will tell you what I have said about enforcing these public health orders.

I believe in our mission statement: 'It is the mission of the Rio Blanco County Sheriff's Office to safeguard the lives and property of the people of Rio Blanco, while working in partnership with our citizens to improve their quality of life. Our commitment is to do so with Integrity, Honor, and Respect with an attitude of Service to maintain public confidence.'

I look forward to reading your article, and I would hope you would ask those questions to the people of this county as that will

give you the true answers you ask.

Sincerely,
Anthony Mazzola, Sheriff Rio Blanco County"

If the mission statement of Rio Blanco County along with Sheriff Mazzola's comments do not give you the information you need to find and vote for the best possible candidate for sheriff in the next election, nothing will. This letter is filled with American hope as can only be stated by an American patriot.

We need to pay more attention to those we elect to this important office. Many people have figured that out as they have struggled with government constraints placed upon them during the COVID-19 "crisis."

In truth, the real crisis that we have is with our willingness to allow governors and bureaucrats to close our churches and businesses and sporting events and to show them that because our fear is greater than our commitment to our constitutional rights, they can remove our freedoms one by one (more about that in later articles) and manipulate us.

If you would like to make a comment to Sheriff Mazzola, please send it to me (marilynmacg@gmail.com) and I will forward it to him. Please include a sentence giving me permission to provide him with your email address when I forward him your comments.

Please remember this as we struggle to put the power brokers back in their boxes:

You are a child of God;

You are an American;

You live in a Republic with a Declaration of Independence and a Constitution designed to protect you and your right to freedom.

Our founding documents tell the government what it can and cannot do. If, however, the government oversteps and does something that is not allowed by our founding documents, if you accept the over-step, it is perceived as your having accepted it. You must take lawful action. You must follow the laws legitimately on the books in whatever action you take... you cannot become lawless

and expect a lawful result.

Be safe... but stay free. One of the most important parts of that process is having the best possible county sheriff.

Perhaps a quote from Benjamin Franklin is the best way to end this article: "They who can give up essential liberty to obtain a little temporary safety deserve neither liberty nor safety."

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AUTHOR BIO

Marilyn MacGruder Barnewall started her career in investigative reporting with the *Wyoming Eagle* in 1956. She became a banker in the 1970s, left the bank ten years later to start her own consulting company and succeeded at the highest levels nationally and internationally. During the Reagan administration she assisted banks nationally and internationally to make loans unacceptable to the S mall Business Administration because they require personal rather than business assets as collateral. She served on numerous Boards in the Denver community, was written about in the *Wall Street Journal*, *Time Magazine*, *Forbes*, etc., as well as in local publications like the *Rocky Mountain News*, the *Denver Post*, the *Denver Business Journal* and *Denver Magazine* (which declared her to be one of Denver's seven most powerful women).

When she became disabled in 1993, she returned to her first love: journalism. You can find many of her articles on the internet at News With Views, Canada Free Press, World Net Daily, or archives of *The Grand Junction Free Press* (2003-2006 - print). She has also written for *Newsweek*, the American Bankers Association and The American Banker. She is listed in Who's Who in the following categories: in America; in Finance and Business; in American Women; and in the World.

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CCCS Bridge to Bachelor's Degree Program guarantees admission to several universities

PRESS RELEASE

Special to the Herald Times

RBC I The Colorado Community College System (CCCS) has announced the launch of a new, guaranteed admission program called the Bridge to Bachelor's Degree Program. Under new agreements signed by CCCS and several Colorado universities, new, first-time CCCS students (this includes Colorado Northwestern Community College) pursuing an Associate degree will receive guaranteed admission and a more affordable, seamless pathway to a four-year university to achieve their bachelor's degree.

"Students are our mission, and during these challenging times it has never been more important for us to provide opportunities that allow our institutions to meet students where they are," said Joe Garcia, chancellor of the Colorado Community College System. "Now may be time when the smart, strategic choice for many students is to stay closer to home. That is where our 13 colleges and 40 locations across Colorado come in."

The Bridge to Bachelor's Degree Program reimagines the college journey for today's student by conditionally admitting CCCS students to a partner university without the need to take a college placement test—and strategically placing support systems where students need them most. Participating students will have the support they need to successfully complete both an associate's and a bachelor's degree, without having to re-take credits, take additional credits, or take on additional debt. Partner universities will collaborate with community colleges in joint academic counseling, streamline transfer processes through new IT data systems, and engage early and often with students to better support their transition to the university. Some universities, like CU Denver, are doing even more by providing students that transfer to their institution guaranteed scholarships.

"The University of Colorado Denver is thrilled to be a Bridge to Bachelor's Degree partner,

focused on the success of community college students as they build upon their educational journey", said Dr. Linda Bowman, CU Denver interim vice provost and senior vice chancellor of student success. "Community college graduates excel at CU Denver and we know this partnership is key to not only their future, but ours as well."

The program will also help the state meet its ambitious goals set forth by Colorado Governor Jared Polis in the recently adopted Roadmap to Containing College Costs & Making College Affordable, which, among other things, calls for strengthening transfer agreements and substantially increasing the number of students transferring and completing a bachelor's degree.

"We know that when Coloradans have access to affordable higher education they are able to thrive," said Governor Polis. "We are living through a challenging time and the Bridge to Bachelor's Degree Program will help open more doors for students. I commend CCCS and universities across the state for their work to provide students with additional opportunities to further their education, for creating a new model that will substantially lower the cost to complete a Bachelor's degree, and helping guarantee students' chances of achieving upward social mobility."

"Our board is extremely proud of the work that has gone into the creation of this much needed program," said Rollie Heath, chair of the Colorado State Board for Community Colleges and Occupational Education. "At a time when so many are concerned about the cost of college, the Bridge to the Bachelor's Degree Program is a great opportunity for individuals who want to pursue a post-secondary education."

The demand is there. Over eighty percent of all community college students statewide are enrolled at a CCCS College, and approximately 19,000 CCCS students transfer annually to a four-year college or university. CCCS and partner universities are not only looking to boost transfer numbers, they are eager to see a

significant increase in the number of students who complete their bachelor's degree.

"Colorado's Master Plan for higher education calls for urgent action to increase credential attainment, lower costs, and erase equity gaps – goals the Bridge to Bachelor's Degree Program will help us achieve" said Dr. Angie Paccione, Colorado Department of Higher Education executive director. "The collaboration and commitment from our higher education institutions will provide transparent and supportive pathways for students to meet their educational goals and increase their opportunity to succeed."

All new, first-time students will be prompted to sign up for the Bridge to Bachelor's Degree Program during their online application process to one of CCCS's 13 community colleges. To learn more about the program visit www.cccs.edu.

About the Colorado Community College System

The Colorado Community College System (CCCS) is the state's largest system of higher education, serving 137,000 students annually at 13 colleges and 39 locations across Colorado. Our open access mission ensures all Coloradans who aspire to enrich their lives have access to quality higher education opportunities. The System Office provides leadership, advocacy and support to the colleges under the direction of the State Board for Community Colleges and Occupational Education (SBCCOE).

About the Colorado Northwestern Community College

Colorado Northwestern Community College serves students on two campuses in Craig and Rangely. CNCC provides a unique outdoor learning experience in the mountains and canyons of Northwestern Colorado. CNCC focuses on hands on learning and provides career focused technical training, two-year transfer degrees, and online classes. CNCC has a wide range of exciting programs and certification options such as; Nursing, Dental Hygiene, Marine Science, Paleontology, Equine Science, Aviation Flight and Maintenance, Auto Tech and many more.

OBITUARIES

MEMORIAL NOTICE

Pat Jordan

The memorial service for Patricia Jordan to be held June 13, 2020, in Glenwood Springs has been postponed at this time. Her family appreciates your patience in such a time as this. We look forward to the opportunity to celebrate her extraordinary and joyful life that she lived with you at a future date.

With sincere thanks,
Pat's Family



Pat Jordan

FUNERAL NOTICE

Charles Arnn & Beatrice Hume



Charles Arnn



Beatrice Hume

This is to let friends and family of Charles Arnn and Beatrice Hume know that funeral services for them will be held on Saturday, June 27 at Rangely Christian Church in Rangely.

Service for Charles Arnn will begin at 10 a.m. with the service for Bea Hume at 11 a.m. Following the services the burial will be held at Rangely Cemetery.

For those attending that may not be comfortable around a large group of people the services will be sent over a radio station so that you can listen from your car in the church parking lot if you prefer.

A meal for friends and family will follow in the fellowship hall at the Rangely Christian Church. If you have any questions or would like to help with the meal please call the church office at 675-8893. Please plan to join the family to share your memories.

We thank you for all the cards, prayers and thoughtful comments given to our family. Please everyone stay safe. God bless!

DEATH NOTICE

Austin Haley Patton

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A celebration of life will be scheduled at a later time.

OBITUARY POLICY

The Rio Blanco Herald Times chooses not to charge a publication fee for obituaries or death notices with a local connection to the county. It is our opinion that publishing obituaries is a matter of public record and part of our responsibility as a newspaper to maintain a living record of our local history. If you need to submit an obituary or death notice, please stop by the office or email editor@ht1885.com

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Pandemic could drive remote workers away from urban environments

By **ROXIE FROMANG**
Special to the Herald Times

RANGELY I Earlier this month the Rangely Development Authority (RDA) and Rangely Development Corporation heard from Town of Rangely Marketing Coordinator Jeannie Caldwell. Caldwell said a lot of the people in chat rooms she is in are talking about moving away from the Front Range and working remotely in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. The availability of broadband internet services in Rio Blanco County is one of the marketing strategies employed by the RDA/RDC to stimulate and encourage economic development.

Caldwell also updated the Rangely Board of Trustees on May 26 at their regular meeting. The town has hired Mackenzie Webber to assist with

marketing. Webber is a Rangely High School graduate and recently earned her bachelor's degree in political science from Grand Canyon University. Webber will also assist at the Rangely Area Chamber of Commerce.

Caldwell shared a Power Point presentation during supervisor reports and talked about some of the things she is doing to improve the Town's online presence, including remaking the Town's website to include tourism, demographics and relocation information. Through the website and social media, the Town is focusing on tourism, amenities, and the people in the community. The town's website developers will be submitting the new town website to the State of Colorado as one of the best municipal websites, and Caldwell will share suggested hashtags with the trustees to use when posting to social media.

New Rangely residents Charles and Marlene

Wuester, whose son will be attending CNCC, have started a woodworking business. They have made a Rangely Area Chamber of Commerce logo and presented it to Chamber Director Richard Smith on May 27.

Trustee Keely Ellis represented the Town of Rangely and CNCC on a phone call with Senator Michael Bennet. Ellis spoke out about the town's inability to qualify for rural grants due to the median household income being higher than allowable by the grant criteria. Ellis said Bennet was receptive to her concerns. Ellis and Town Manager Lisa Piering also participated in a telephone meeting with Associated Governments of Northwest Colorado.

Piering and others met with a business developer in Montrose and the business developer recommended drawing up a prospectus. The Rangely Prospectus is in draft and will take a few more weeks until it

is completed. She went on to speak about retaining our community's youth, workforce development, promoting the college and other districts within our community.

Piering said the water line bids will be opening this week. Jordan Hughes joined the Rangely Police Department this week following his graduation and POST examination. Chevron gave a substantial grant to the Tank and also donated food to both Rangely Food Bank and Rangely Community Resource Pantry. Piering said the town will be moving forward with a community trash pickup to help rid residents of refuse. The town will be working with Rio Blanco County Sheriff's Office and the Bureau of Land Management to educate the public on the repercussions of dumping on public lands. Flowers went out on Main Street and seasonal employees begin working on May 26.

Pioneers Medical Center welcomes new board members and elects 2020 officers

PRESS RELEASE
Special to the Herald Times

RBC I During the regular monthly Board of Directors' meeting for Pioneers Medical Center, the board welcomed three new board members. Regas Halandras, Suzan Pelloni and Mark Schryver were sworn on to the seven-member board.

"We are thrilled to have Suzan, Regas, and Mark join our board. They each bring a valuable perspective that provides diversity to the board," said Liz Sellers, CEO

Pioneers Medical Center. "I look forward to working with this great board, and am encouraged by their positive direction and hope for the future." Pelloni, Halandras and Schryver join board members Kim Brown, Kai Turner, Todd Shults and Brian Bofinger.

Additionally, the annual election of officers was held. Kim Brown accepted another term as president. Kai Turner and Todd Shults were voted vice president and secretary, respectively.

"As we enter the second half of 2020, we have several important

projects," Sellers added. "Pioneers is in the final stages of its orthopedic and surgery expansion and is beginning work on an MRI suite to house a permanent MRI machine. Having a strong leadership team is important to our overall success."

Pioneers had three board members retire from the board this spring. "We are grateful to Bill Jordan, Karolyn Michalewicz and Steve Parr for their years of service to Pioneers," Brown said. "We appreciate all of their dedication and leadership in support of our local healthcare services."



Mark Schryver, Suzan Pelloni and Regas Halandras are the new members of the PMC board.

COURTESY PHOTO

COVID-19 UPDATE

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It is our goal to increase COVID-19 testing capacity and accessibility in Rio Blanco County. Based on national best practice criteria for re-opening, RBCPH will provide additional community testing for COVID-19 beginning May 8th at the Public Health office in Meeker. Community testing will continue at Rangely District Hospital in Rangely. Private testing continues to be available at Pioneers Medical Center and Rangely District Hospital.

Anyone experiencing symptoms of COVID-19 within the last 7 days may schedule an appointment.

According to the CDC, COVID-19 symptoms include:

- FEVER
- COUGH
- MUSCLE PAIN
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RANGELY LOCATION: (RANGELY DISTRICT HOSPITAL)

225 Eagle Crest Drive
Rangely, CO

Call ahead (970) 620-3969 for pre-screening. If testing is indicated, an appointment will be made for the Rangely District Hospital Drive through specimen collection clinic, Monday through Friday 12 p.m. - 1 p.m.



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CAITLIN WALKER PHOTOS/VIDEO

With mountain roads and passes officially opened for summer, the wilderness offers a great escape from heat, people and screens. The Trappers Lake area continues its slow recovery from the 17,000 acre Big Fish Fire. The 18th anniversary of that blaze is next month. In our humble opinion, these sights are best experienced in person. If you can't get away, however, scan the zapcode with the free Zappar app (or click on it in the digital edition) for a short panoramic video of Trappers Lake shedding the last of its winter white coat (top). Also pictured: Big Fish Lake (bottom left) and a sandhill crane, whose migratory path happens to intersect quite nicely with County Road 8 (bottom right).

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Have 'Water With Your Lunch' - and thirst for more

PRESS RELEASE
Special to the Herald Times

RBC | Join the Colorado River District for a free lunchtime webinar series on Zoom called "Water With Your Lunch," where panelists will explore major western water challenges on the Colorado River system and how stakeholders are working to address them.

From noon to 1:15 p.m. Wednesday, June 10, the Colorado River District will host the first in the series: a discussion about long-term challenges facing West Slope water users and opportunities for collaboration. In partnership with the

Colorado Cattlemen's Association and American Rivers, the webinar will provide an overview of how broad challenges on the Colorado River impact our West Slope communities.

Members of the public are welcome to join in the conversation and will have the opportunity to submit questions to guide the discussions. This webinar is free. Registration is required and can be completed here: <https://bit.ly/3gukEon>.

The Colorado River District's Andy Mueller, general manager, and Zane Kessler, government affairs director, will provide an overview of key natural resource challenges facing water users in

Western Colorado, followed by an interactive discussion of future fiscal challenges that could impact the District's efforts to protect West Slope water users.

Terry Fankhauser, executive vice president of the Colorado Cattlemen's Association, and Fay Hartman, conservation director of American Rivers' Colorado River Basin Program, will present on important West Slope water issues related to agricultural, recreational and environmental needs, and will discuss how collaboration can foster solutions for all water

FAST FACTS

WHO: Colorado River District
WHAT: Free webinar series
WHEN: June 10, 12-1 p.m.
WHERE: available on Zoom

users on the Western Slope. "Public engagement on water issues is central to the Colorado River District's mission to protect West Slope water and ensure water security for its constituents," Mueller said.



Details for second scholarship winner were omitted

By HT STAFF

MEEKER | In last week's article "Rio Blanco County 4-H Youth Fund announces scholarship winners" Madison Kindler's mother Jewell was not named and the details that earned Kindler a \$500 scholarship were not listed alongside the \$1,500 scholarship winner's.

Kindler is a 3.679 GPA student who plans to attend the University of Wyoming for a bachelor's degree in exercise science or kinesiology with a master's in athletic training. In her application, Kindler stated: "For the longest time as a little kid I dreamed about being a veterinarian. It wasn't until my sophomore year of high school

that I realized I wanted to be an athletic trainer instead. At state basketball, seeing the athletic trainer there working with hurt athletes opened my eyes about how much I might enjoy athletic training as a career instead of working with animals. Through this experience, I realized that I want to be a collegiate athletic trainer for a basketball or football team. Personally, I think this will make me happier in life because I will be able to stay involved in the sports I have loved every day of my life. By my late 20s I want to have my own house and be financially stable while also starting a family. At some point, I would also like to bring my athletic training skills and training back to

Meeker so that I can give make to my community for all they did for me growing up."

During nine years of 4-H enrollment Kindler has earned grand champion and junior grand champion awards in the 4-H horse program from 2001-2016. She earned reserve grand champion for market swine in 2013, and reserve grand champion for intermediate showman swine in 2015, was the winner of the 2016 Rio Blanco County supreme swine award and grand champion record book swine, was the 2018 outstanding senior member with the grand champion herdsman award, Rio Blanco County supreme swine award, reserve grand champion senior showman swine, and reserve

grand champion market swine, as well as a number of second, third and fourth place finishes.

She was involved in the Meeker Ghost Riders 4-H Club, White River Swine 4-H Club, and It's A Way of Life 4-H Club at all levels, including serving as president of each club for at least one year.

In addition to her 4-H activities, during high school Kindler was also involved in athletics (basketball, softball and track), FFA, FCA, was active in her church, and started her own small business (MJK Produce). In the community, she has picked up trash, cleaned upriver, repainted the county wash racks and volunteered at the Walbridge Wing. While she's proud of the

recognition she received as grand champion, her biggest personal accomplishment was "overcoming the barrier of my barn burning down my sophomore year of high school." One of Kindler's pigs died in the fire. She named the surviving pig "Lucky" and said "her resilience and determination to live taught me a lot about the importance of persisting through difficult times."



Madison Kindler

CNCC selected for prestigious federal initiative

DAYS GONE BY

PRESS RELEASE
Special to the Herald Times

RBC I Two Colorado community colleges are among just 10 colleges and universities across the country that will receive year-long technical support through a new federal initiative to create stackable, industry-recognized credentials incorporating noncredit and traditional degree programs.

The Community College of Aurora and Colorado Northwestern Community College, selected to receive technical assistance after securing a spot in the U.S. Department of Education's highly competitive Pathways to Credentials project, will focus their efforts on cybersecurity career and degree pathways. The two colleges, while distinctly different in their geographic locations, share a common interest in ensuring that their cybersecurity programming is relevant to industry needs and in providing degrees, certificates and industry training that resonate with adult learners seeking to enhance their skills and advance professionally in their respective communities.

CCA will look to combine several existing components — including competency-based courses and prior-learning assessment tools, fast-track noncredit courses and other information technology programs — into a more deliberate and cohesive set of stackable credentials in cybersecurity.

"We are thrilled to have been chosen as

one of only 10 teams in the country to participate in this highly competitive project," said Janel Highfill, team lead and CCA's associate vice president of workforce, partnerships and resource development. "We expect that by next year, we will have redeveloped our program to better ensure that our students are ready for well-paying jobs in cybersecurity."

For CNCC, the primary task will be to glean best practices and strategies to support a strong launch of a new cybersecurity associate degree program and inform priorities for subsequent next steps.

"When Colorado's attorney general funded the development of a cybersecurity program at CNCC, we knew we needed to design an exemplary offering to meet expectations for excellence and address the growing need in our extraction industry-reliant communities for training in high-tech, location-neutral industries," Sasha Nelson, CNCC's director of workforce training and community programming. "This opportunity provides us access to some of the best coaches, experts and resources in the nation. As a result, we're better positioned to develop a highly competitive cybersecurity program."

Led by the nonprofit organization Center for Occupational Research and Development and partner organization Social Policy Research Associates, Pathways to Credentials will provide technical assistance services at no cost to the participating colleges from May through July 2021. The colleges will be

coached individually but also benefit from interactions with the entire cohort, providing a peer group with which to exchange ideas and solutions.

The participating colleges will benefit from:

- Monthly coaching from a dedicated coach, targeted support from additional subject matter experts to address local challenges, webinars and an online community to share resources and best practices

- A curated collection of toolkits and tutorials designed to address the professional development needs of cohort team members

- A two-day Technical Assistance Institute program to learn from leader colleges and national experts

The winning proposal offers an opportunity for CCA and CNCC to build on an already strong working relationship.

"CNCC is actively initiating meaningful partnerships across the Colorado Community College System to innovatively leverage the power of our 13 colleges," said CNCC President Ron Granger. "We believe we provide stronger programs when we work together and I'm delighted to join CCA in accepting this prestigious opportunity."

Said CCA President Betsy Oudenhoven: "The work proposed by the CCA and CNCC cybersecurity program development team exemplifies the kind of innovation that helps make our Colorado communities so great."

Five CNCC students receive Student Excellence awards

PRESS RELEASE

Special to the Herald Times

RBC I With spring events canceled due to COVID-19, the Colorado Community College System (CCCS), in partnership with student leaders from the State Student Advisory Council (SSAC), briefly postponed its April 2020 Student Excellence Awards Ceremony while staff came up with a creative, virtual event that was held in early May. Through sponsorship from the Credit Union of Colorado, CCCS staff were also able to organize and deliver over eighty packages directly to student awardees that included a medallion, certificate, and backpack full of goodies.

"Though we were not able to gather in person this spring, our commitment to honor students' achievements did not waiver,"

said Joe Garcia, CCCS chancellor. "Nothing should eclipse the feelings of well-earned pride from our student awardees, and I am proud of the efforts that went into creating this meaningful and important virtual celebration."

This year, 84 students from CCCS's 13 colleges and two students from Aims Community College were chosen by their respective institutions for the 2020 Student Excellence Awards. Three award categories recognized and honored students for their academic accomplishments, exemplary leadership, and commitment to inclusive excellence:

The Phi Theta Kappa All-Colorado Academic Team award specifically recognizes the academic accomplishments of high-achieving student members of the Phi Theta Kappa National Honor Society from across the state.

The Rising Star Award, sponsored by SSAC, recognizes students who have increased the level and quality of student engagement on their college campus.

The Inclusive Excellence Champions Award, also sponsored by SSAC, recognizes students who have demonstrated a strong commitment to diversity, equity and inclusion on their college campus.

From mentoring children and young adults to spending countless hours as volunteers for various campus and community organizations, this dynamic group of students has demonstrated being reliable, professional, and having deep-rooted passion for helping others. Many of the awardees expressed aspirations to continue their advocacy work and interests in pursuing careers that will help heal and empower communities in fields such as health care, social services, criminal jus-

CNCC HONOREES

- Adam Cooley
- Robert Pappert
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- Jose Salazar Rentieria

tice, and education.

"This year's Student Excellence honorees have shown true grit and determination in not only their education but also in positively shaping their community," said Dr. Ryan Ross, CCCS associate vice chancellor for student affairs, equity, and inclusion. "It is these life experiences that will serve them well throughout the rest of their college journey and beyond."

View the 2020 Virtual Student Excellence Awards presentation and honorees at <https://sway.office.com/JJEvhkhTHpISQHRJ>

The Meeker Herald
125 years ago

■ The city of Meeker is preparing for an old-time Fourth of July celebration.

■ The champions of the divided skirt are loudly declaring in its favor that it has two legs to stand on.

■ The more a strike is complicated with rioting the less its effectiveness as a strike and the more certain its suppression as lawlessness.

The Meeker Herald
100 years ago

■ Charles and Frank Fairfield have been in Meeker for over a week, visiting relatives here. These boys (they are now men advanced in years) are the sons of the late Sam Fairfield, one of the earliest and most popular of the White river pioneers.

The Meeker Herald
50 years ago

■ Colonel George E. Wear is one of 82 Army Colonels who has been nominated by the President for promotion to the rank of Brigadier General.

The Meeker Herald
25 years ago

■ Natosha Dawn Stewart, a Meeker High School graduate, is a recipient of a 1995 Colorado Masons' Benevolent Fund Scholarship.

■ The Stan Wyatts recently

opened their new sporting goods store on the corner of Main and Seventh, in the Halandras building.

Rangely Times
50 years ago

■ Once again it's time for the Rangely Days rodeo in Rangely. Miss Evelyn Warren has been chosen as this year's rodeo queen and her attendants are Miss Nona Powell and Miss Lenora Caldwell. Junior Queen is Miss Dena Nickson. Her attendants are Miss Kathy Caldwell and Miss Jana Lee Nickson.

■ Receiving the Principal's Leadership Awards, which were presented by Principal William Bell, were Bill Hume and Sarah Liles. Both were seniors. Hume also was awarded the Dr. Robbery May Sportsmanship Award, presented by Dr. May and the Grace Petz Award.

Rangely Times
25 years ago

■ The Rangely Museum, which up until last week resided in Hefley Park on the west end of town, had a close call with Main Street's stop light during its trip to its latest resting place.

■ For almost a decade, generations of new town trustees have been handed more than just the reins of local government — they've also, unknowingly, inherited a handful of potentially disastrous federal labor law violations. Although he would not go into detail on the violations, citing that it has to do with an individual, Town Manager Bill Lewis said that the problem had been rectified.

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Drussell returns from Philippines mission

Special to the Herald Times

MEEKER | Sister Josie Drussell was serving as a missionary for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in the Philippines (Tagalog speaking). She began her mission in October 2019 and returned to the United States in March due to COVID-19. Her missionary purpose was to serve others in the ways that Jesus Christ would, and help them draw nearer to Him.

"It was really cool being a missionary in a third world country because we had the opportunity to serve the people in a very literal way. My companion and I would teach

people lessons about Jesus Christ, but we were also able to help them with land clearance, fishing, and harvesting. During rice season, my companion and I would go out every evening to help the farmers bag their rice. Before we left the country we were able to give food to different families because many feared food shortages as the capital city went into lockdown. I loved having the opportunity to serve people through 'sit-down' lessons as well as humanitarian work," Drussell said.

She will be returning to the University of Virginia this fall to study biology and global public health.



COURTESY PHOTO
LDS missionary Josie Drussell traveled to the Philippines in October 2019 and returned in March due to COVID-19. She will be back at the University of Virginia this fall to study biology and global public health.

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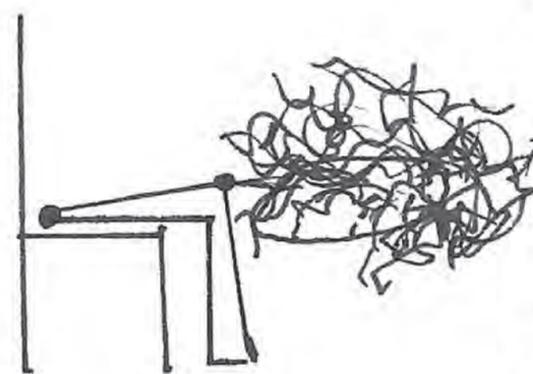
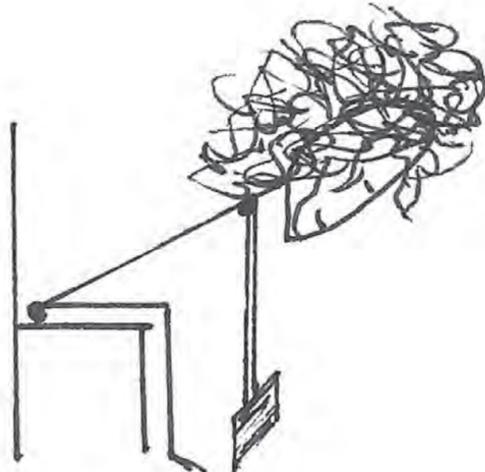
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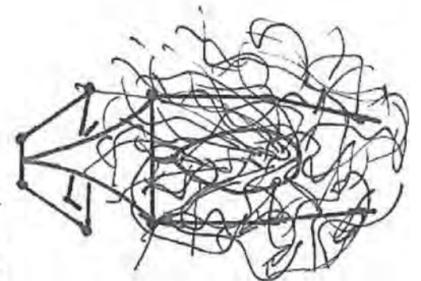
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2. Pull your belly button up and then back towards your spine to engage your core and lift your pelvic floor.
3. Stay relaxed through your shoulders and maintain steady/natural inhales and exhales.

Begin by sitting tall in your seat and bring your legs into a V with your toes aligned with your knees. Take a deep inhale reaching through the crown of your head and with an exhale begin to fold forward from your hips, bringing your torso down towards the space between your thighs. You can bring your hands all the way down to the floor or to a block depending on your flexibility. **Once you have folded as far forward as possible let your head hang heavy, and relax into this stretch. You should feel this stretch through your back, your hips, and your inner thighs.**



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ON FOSSIL FUELS AND RENEWABLE ENERGY

A time of crisis can bring about transparency. As I have seen in Colorado, there has been substantial overspending by our state, which has added to the required, arduous task of balancing our state budget. These funding "adjustments" will add financial strain to Coloradans.

Many of our families, individuals and businesses are finding themselves forced to cut back to the basics. At a 'Just Transition From Coal' meeting this past March in Craig, I spoke up and noted that the fight to keep fossil fuel energy is a moral one. The property and severance tax revenue, this industry provides, is massive and far-reaching.

An entire community is positively affected by this revenue; schools, hospitals and it encourages community, economic growth. Additionally, fossil fuel is affordable and reliable, two priceless features, especially during times of financial hardship.

An all-of-the-above approach to energy is a sound one; however, it has been abandoned by an agenda to promote only renewable energy and the emergence of the New Green Deal.

This "deal" does not take into account the devastating, negative effect fossil fuel elimination would have on many of our Colorado communities, specifically in Senate District 8.

Especially now, with looming future ramifications of this shutdown across our state, we need to hold on to our coal, oil and gas industry. I believe it would be uncaring to do otherwise and it will be an honor to stand up for this industry.

A push to shut down a valuable industry, in counties suffering from a pandemic, would add insult to injury.

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Republican Candidate
Senate District 8

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- Chowed down
- Acoustic repetition
- Capital of Vietnam
- 4 qts.
- Teamsters' group
- Affair, in Paris
- Bit of binary code
- Part of TNT
- *Sleeping under the stars
- *Horticulturist's hangout
- Articulate
- Combustible pile
- Joe Louis move
- Epiphany guests
- Forgo
- WWII side
- *Bonfire fodder
- Royal topper
- Tiny river
- Pond buildup
- Miners' passage

- Best not mentioned
- *What seekers do
- Fairytale beginning
- Same as "slow down"
- Upper hand
- Toni Morrison's "___ Baby"
- Threads
- Pie ___ mode
- *a.k.a. shuttlecock
- *Flying saucer
- 2 halves of a diameter
- Pilot's deadline
- *Fire starter
- Triangular road sign
- ___ Luis Obispo
- "Die Lorelei" poet
- Other than what is
- One laid
- Poker stakes

- DOWN**
- First-rate, slangily
 - Ditto
 - Soon, to a bard
 - They are usually drunken
 - Biblical prophetess
 - Full of excitement
 - *Sun kiss
 - Funereal lament
 - "National Velvet" author ___ Bagnold
 - Give a ticket
 - Sound warning
 - Lennon's wife
 - State of agitation
 - African antelope
 - "Who ___ we kidding?"
 - a.k.a toes
 - *Banned lawn darts
 - Type of rotation
 - "The Hobbit" hobbit
 - *Played with a driver
 - Bye in Palermo
 - Lacked, for short
 - The oldest Goldberg sibling
 - *Skier's turf
 - Snail-like
 - *Volleyball turf
 - Painter Degas
 - Beat the Joneses
 - Interesting person, acronym
 - Eli Manning's first name
 - Ganders' companions
 - *Famous ski town
 - Get-out-of-jail money
 - ___ of March
 - Make someone angry
 - Jack London's "White ___"
 - *Fisherman's supply
 - Marine eagle
 - Augments
 - Pastrami partner
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Summer is a great time to study the...

...moon and constellations in the sky.



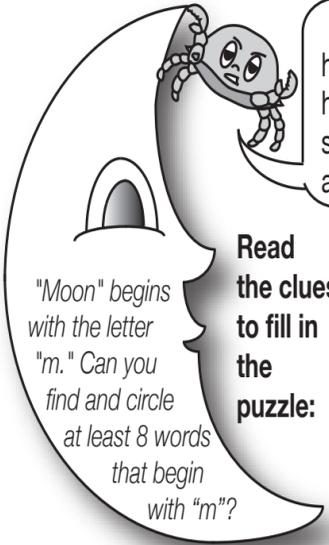
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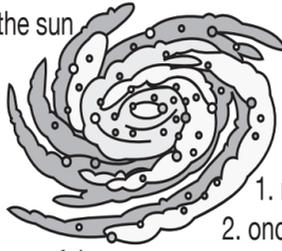
"Moon" begins with the letter "m." Can you find and circle at least 8 words that begin with "m"?

Read the clues to fill in the puzzle:

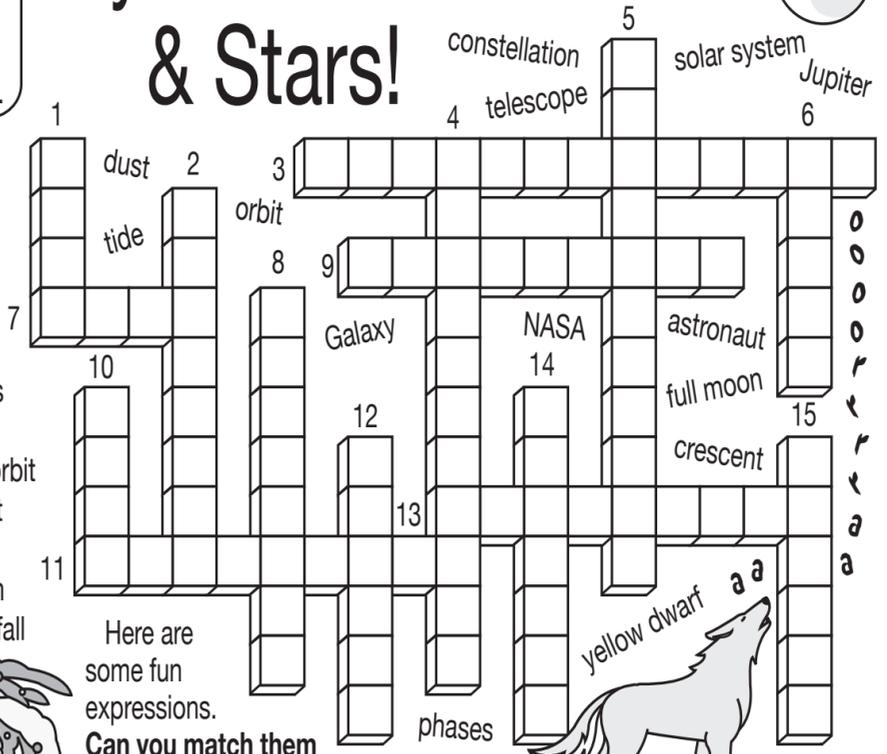
Can you see the moon in the sky? People have always wondered about the moon. They have written about it in poems, songs and stories. Even though people have flown to it and walked on it, the moon is still mysterious.

- moon _____ or 'lunar soil'; the remains of meteors that have hit the moon over billions of years
- shape made by sun's light hitting only part of the moon; first or last stages of waxing and waning moon
- stars linked together with imaginary lines to make shapes like the 'Big Dipper'
- group of eight planets and the sun they orbit

- more scientific name for our sun; originally named after the color of light it shines through our atmosphere; its small size compared to other stars
- gravity keeps things (moon, satellites) moving in curved path around earth
- moon and sun's pull (gravity) on the ocean causing sea levels to rise and fall
- phase of moon where its face is completely lit up by the sun
- instrument with a series of glass lenses and mirrors that lets us see things that are very far away
- put first man on the moon; U.S. space agency
- person who leaves earth and spends time in space
- moon looks different every day because the sun lights it up from different angles; there are 8 _____ of the moon
- star exploding in an incredible burst of light; can be so bright that it is the brightest thing in the whole galaxy for a short time
- largest planet in solar system; most moons of any planet
- the Milky Way _____ is where our solar system is located; it is only one of billions of such collections of stars and planets



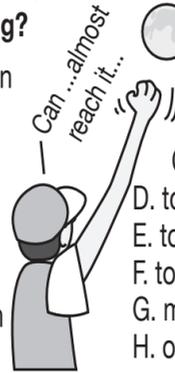
Mysterious Moon & Stars!



Here are some fun expressions.

Can you match them to their meaning?

- reach for the moon
- once in a blue moon
- to promise the moon
- many moons ago
- to howl at the moon
- to be over the moon
- by the light of the moon
- ask for the moon



Can...almost reach it...

- very rarely
- a very long time ago
- try to do something that seems impossible
- to make a promise that you cannot keep
- to be very happy, pleased
- to make a lot of noise
- make crazy demands, ask for too much
- out where there are no powered lights

Everyone "knows" that (the)...

- Moon is made of _____ .
- _____ jumped over the moon.
- full moon makes _____ act crazily.
- _____ in the moon is looking down at us.
- Moon is a romantic _____ in the night sky.
- Moon has been walked on by only 12 _____

Hey! Some of these aren't real.



What Do You Know? Pop Quiz!

Gray dust. That's what the astronauts stepped into on the surface of the Moon. They brought back rocks for scientists to study. You can see and touch one at the Smithsonian Museums in Washington, D.C.

What do you know about the moon? **Read each sentence. Mark the letter "T" for True or "F" for False in the boxes.**

- In 1969, two American astronauts walked on the Moon.
- The Moon is thought to be about the same age as the Earth.
- A Moon day = 100 Earth days.
- 100 pounds on the Earth = 100 pounds on the Moon.
- The Moon is about 240,000 miles from Earth.
- The Earth has its moon, but other planets also have moons.
- The Moon's gravity causes the fish to fly in our planet's oceans.
- The Moon looks small, but it is twice the size of the Earth.



Here we go again.

splash, splash

Moonscape - Give and Take

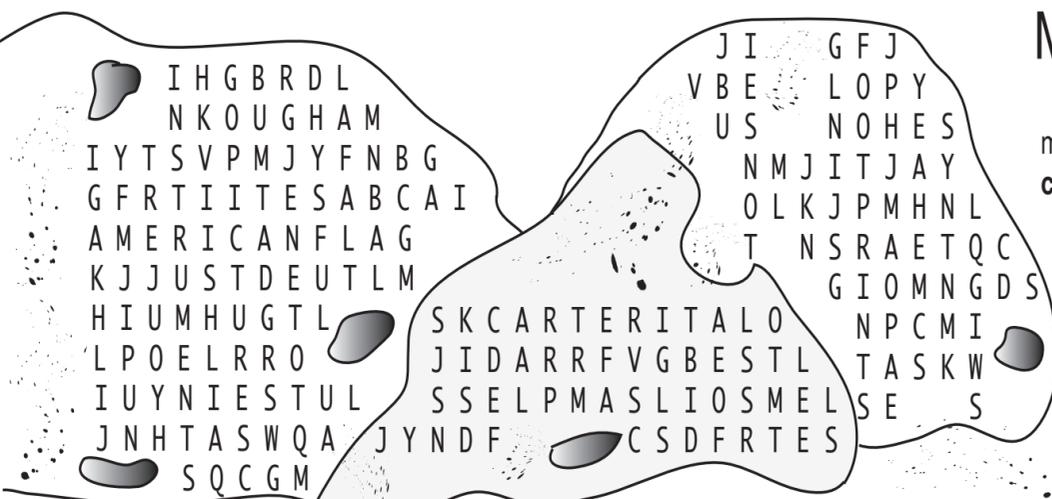
Mankind has stepped on the moon and has left its mark. We have also taken items away to study. **Find and circle these items taken from or left on the Moon:**

taken from the Moon:

- rocks
- soil samples
- pictures

left on the Moon:

- footprints
- American flag
- tire tracks
- instruments





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Quarterly Lodging Tax meeting will be held on June 12 at 5:00 at Elk Mountain Inn. If you have a request please drop off a copy before the meeting at Elk Mountain or with Melinda Parker or Dan Schwartz.

MEEKER SANITATION DISTRICT June 10, 2020

REGULAR BOARD MEETING AT 7:00 PM
The Regular Board Meeting of the Meeker Sanitation District will be held at the Meeker Sanitation District Office, 265 8th Street, Meeker, Colorado

- Call to order
- Additions or Changes to the Agenda
- Approval of Minutes
- Public Comments
- New Business
 - Audit Report and Acceptance
- Old Business
 - Vacant Board Director Position
 - Colorado's Water/Wastewater Agency Response Network (CoWARN) Mutual Aid and Assistance Program
 - Plant Manager Report
 - Office Manager Report
- Attorney
- Board
 - Reports
 - Delinquent Accounts
 - Approve Current Bills
- Adjourn

This agenda is subject to change without further notice. Agenda is posted at the office of the Meeker Sanitation District. 265 8th Street. Published: June 4, 2020
Rio Blanco Herald Times

**MEEKER SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1
Board of Education Work Session and Special Board Meeting**
550 School Street and 555 Garfield St
Meeker, CO 81641
June 8, 2020 - 6:00 p.m.

Due to restrictions currently in place by CDPHE regarding public gatherings, this board meeting will be closed to the physical presence of community members. Community members wishing to observe the meeting may do so by using

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the following Google Hangouts link: <https://meet.google.com/bji-oxxx-sbb?hs=122&authuser=0>
Community members wishing to submit public comment are asked to share that information prior to the meeting by emailing superintendent Chris Selle at: chris.selle@meeker.k12.co.us

Work Session:
1. Construction project
a. Site walk - Haselden
b. Project update - NV5
Remainder of work session and special board meeting to occur at the Meeker School District Administration Building (555 Garfield St.), immediately following construction update.
Special Board Meeting
1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. Pledge of Allegiance: Mr. Allen will lead the Pledge of Allegiance
3. Welcome of Guests
4. Approval of Agenda
General Public Comment Session: (comments limited to three minutes)
Action Items:
1. Acceptance: Resignation - Briana Williams (Band and Choir Teacher)
2. Approval: Personnel Hires/Transfers
a. Instructional Staff Transfer - Laura Koenig - Paraprofessional to Kindergarten Teacher
b. Classified Staff Transfer - Roberta Kinnamon - FS Worker to Food Service Director
c. Route Bus Driver - Mike Hoke
d. Fall and winter coaches - as presented
3. Approval: 2020-2021 ESEA Consolidated Programs Application
4. Approval: Summer Food Service Program
5. Approval: COVID-19 Protocols for School Board Meetings
Other BOE Information:
Executive Session (if needed):
Special Meeting Adjournment
Work Session (cont.):
1. Construction project update
a. Update continued, if needed
b. Allocation of unused project funds
2. Local mills for bond payment
3. FY21 Budget update
4. Return to school protocols
1. Items introduced by board members
Published: June 4, 2020
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Estate of Oscar K. Ridgeway, a/k/a Oscar Kenneth Ridgeway, a/k/a Oscar Ridgeway, Deceased
Case Number 2020PR4
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 October 5, 2020, or the claims may be forever barred.
Catherine Eileen McDaugale
Personal Representative
9705 Eagle River Street
Littleton, CO 80125
Published: June 4, 11 and 18, 2020
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 and brush, including weeds that have grown along alleys and in the public right-of-way adjacent to such property. Weeds and brush must be maintained to a length no greater than a height of 12 inches at all times. A written notice may be served upon the owner or agent if not complied with by the 20th of June, 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.
By: Lisa Cook, Town Administrator
Published: June 4th and 11th, 2020
Rio Blanco Herald Times

Public Notice
A public hearing has been scheduled for June 16, 2019 at 7:00 pm at the Meeker Town Hall, 345 Market Street, to consider a request by:
1. Meeker Lions Club, for two (2) Special Event Liquor License for the following events at 700 Sulphur Crk. Rd, RBC Fairgrounds, Meeker Colorado for Range Calls Events
Grandstands/Arena – July 3, and July 4, 2020 from 11:00 am to 11:00 pm
2. Meeker Arts and Cultural Council (MACC) for three (3) Special Event Licenses at 200 Main Street, on Court House Lawn, Meeker Colorado, for Meeker Polozza Music on: June 26, July 17 and July 31, 2020 from 4:30 pm to 9:30 pm
§ Kathleen Sizemore
Liquor Clerk
Published: June 4, 2020
Rio Blanco Herald Times

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**NOTICE
REAL PROPERTY PURCHASE AT TAX LIEN SALE AND APPLICATION FOR ISSUANCE OF TREASURER'S DEED**

TO: Every person in actual possession or occupancy of the hereinafter described real property, lot or premises, and to the person in whose name the same was taxed or specially assessed, and to all persons having an interest or title of record in or to the said premises and to whom it may concern, and more especially to:

**TITMUS JR. & SHAELENE KINNISON
JOHN WAYNE TITMUS SR.
JOHN WAYNE TITMUS JR.
JOHN TITMUS
SHAELENE KINNISON
OCCUPANT
GARY LUCERO
RIO BLANCO COUNTY TREASURER**

You and each of you are notified that on **NOVEMBER 19, 2014**, the then County Treasurer of Rio Blanco County, Colorado, sold at public tax lien sale to **LUCERO, GARY**, the following described real property situate in the county of Rio Blanco, State of Colorado, to-wit:

**LOT 85 AND EAST 10 FEET OF LOT 84
CALVAT SUBDIVISION**

And a Certificate of Purchase was issued therefore to **LUCERO, GARY** by the said County Treasurer; That said tax lien sale was made to satisfy the delinquent taxes assessed against the real property for the year **2013**; That said real property was taxed or specially assessed in the name of **TITMUS, JOHN W. JR. & KINNISON, SHAELENE**, for said year **2013**;

That a Quit Claim Deed was executed on May 6, 2014 and recorded in the Rio Blanco County Clerk & Records Office with Reception #308928. Transferring ownership of said real property to **JOHN W. TITMUS SR**;

That on **FEBRUARY 20, 2020** said **LUCERO, GARY** the present holder of the certificate of purchase, have made request to the Treasurer of said County for a deed to said real property;

That at 10:00 A.M. on **SEPTEMBER 15TH, 2020**, a Treasurer's Deed will be issued for the said real property to the said **LUCERO, GARY**, unless the same has been redeemed.

Said property may be redeemed from said sale at any time prior the actual execution of said Treasurer's Deed.
Tax Lien Sale Date: **NOVEMBER 19, 2014**
Treasurer's Deed can be issued after **NOVEMBER 19, 2017**;
Date Deed Scheduled to issue: **SEPTEMBER 15, 2020**
Redemption Period expires **SEPTEMBER 15, 2020, PRIOR** to 10:00 A.M

Schedule	TLSC	ASSD Value	Assessed Name
R1000660	2014-00083	4,160	TITMUS, JOHN W. JR. & KINNISON, SHAELENE Now assessed to JOHN W. TITMUS SR. per Quit Claim Deed Reception #308928 recorded 09/02/2014

Witness my hand this **6TH** day of **MAY**, A.D. **2020**.
/S/ Rhonna Waldref, Treasurer, Rio Blanco County, Colorado
Published: **MAY 28, 2020; JUNE 4, 2020; JUNE 11, 2020**
Published in the Rio Blanco Herald Times

COMBINED NOTICE - MAILING CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 19-23

To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust: On November 15, 2019, 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): DAWNETT L. PARMENTER AND HOLLIS E. DAUTHERTY
Original Beneficiary(ies): MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR FIDELITY MORTGAGE OF NY A DIVISION OF DELTA FUNDING CORPORATION, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS
Current Holder of Evidence of Debt: HSBC BANK USA, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS INDENTURE TRUSTEE FOR THE REGISTERED NOTEHOLDERS OF RENAISSANCE HOME EQUITY LOAN TRUST 2006-4
Date of Deed of Trust: November 10, 2006
County of Recording: Rio Blanco
Recording Date of Deed of Trust: November 28, 2006
Recording Information (Reception No. and/or Book/Page No.): 286907
Original Principal Amount: \$131,840.00
Outstanding Principal Balance: \$114,643.38
Pursuant to CRS §38-38-101(4)(i), you are hereby notified that the covenants of the deed of trust have been violated as follows: failure to pay principal and interest when due together with all other payments provided for in the evidence of debt secured by the deed of trust and other violations thereof.
THE LIEN FORECLOSED MAY NOT BE A FIRST LIEN.
PARCEL NO. 13 OF MEADOWS AS SHOWN BY THE PLAT FILED NOVEMBER 1, 1978 RECEPTION NO. 184647 RIO BLANCO COUNTY, COLORADO. LESS AND EXCEPTING FROM SAID PARCEL NO. 13, THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PARCEL OF LAND, TO WIT: BEGINNING AT A POINT WHICH BEARS NORTH 88°56'00" EAST, 1153.63 FEET FROM CORNER NO. 3 OF TRACT 53, TOWNSHIP 1 NORTH, RANGE 95 WEST OF THE 6TH P.M., THENCE NORTH 88°56'00" EAST, 277.26 FEET; THENCE ALONG THE CENTER LINE OF THE WHITE RIVER, NORTH 12°23'25" WEST, 183.48 FEET; THENCE NORTH 28°57'34" WEST, 227.47 FEET; THENCE NORTH 532°31'01" WEST, 151.29 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 76°37'54" WEST, 12.76 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00°46'14" EAST, 470.48 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.
Also known by street and number as: 234 MEADOW LANE, MEEKER, CO 81641.
THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ALL OF THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY ENCUMBERED BY THE LIEN OF THE DEED OF TRUST.

NOTICE OF SALE
The current holder of the Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, described herein, has filed Notice of Election and Demand for sale as provided by law and in said Deed of Trust. THEREFORE, Notice Is Hereby Given that I will at public auction, at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, 07/01/2020, at Office of the Public Trustee, Rio Blanco County Courthouse, 555 Main Street, Meeker CO 81641, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property and all interest of the said Grantor(s), Grantor(s)' heirs and assigns therein, for the purpose of paying the indebtedness provided in said Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, plus attorneys' fees, the expenses of sale and other items allowed by law, and will issue to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law.
First Publication: 5/7/2020
Last Publication: 6/4/2020
Name of Publication: Rio Blanco Herald Times

NOTICE OF RIGHTS

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

- A NOTICE OF INTENT TO CURE FILED PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-38-104 SHALL BE FILED WITH THE PUBLIC TRUSTEE AT LEAST FIFTEEN (15) CALENDAR DAYS PRIOR TO THE FIRST SCHEDULED SALE DATE OR ANY DATE TO WHICH THE SALE IS CONTINUED;
- A NOTICE OF INTENT TO REDEEM FILED PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-38-302 SHALL BE FILED WITH THE PUBLIC TRUSTEE NO LATER THAN EIGHT (8) BUSINESS DAYS AFTER THE SALE;
- IF THE SALE DATE IS CONTINUED TO A LATER DATE, THE DEADLINE TO FILE A NOTICE OF INTENT TO CURE BY THOSE PARTIES ENTITLED TO CURE MAY ALSO BE EXTENDED;
- IF THE BORROWER BELIEVES THAT A LENDER OR SERVICER HAS VIOLATED THE REQUIREMENTS FOR A SINGLE POINT OF CONTACT IN SECTION 38-38-103.1 OR THE PROHIBITION ON DUAL TRACKING IN SECTION 38-38-103.2, THE BORROWER MAY FILE A COMPLAINT WITH THE COLORADO ATTORNEY GENERAL, THE FEDERAL CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION BUREAU (CFPB), OR BOTH. THE FILING OF A COMPLAINT WILL NOT STOP THE FORECLOSURE PROCESS.

Colorado Attorney General 1300 Broadway, 10th Floor Denver, Colorado 80203 (800) 222-4444 www.coloradoattorneygeneral.gov	Federal Consumer Financial Protection Bureau P.O. Box 4503 Iowa City, Iowa 52244 (855) 411-2372 www.consumerfinance.gov
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DATE: 11/06/2019
Rhonna Waldref, Public Trustee in and for the County of Rio Blanco, State of Colorado
By: Rhonna Waldref, Public Trustee
The name, address, business telephone number and bar registration number of the attorney(s) representing the legal holder of the indebtedness is:
Alison L. Berry #34531 David R. Doughty #40042 Elizabeth S. Marcus #16092
Lynn M. Janeway #15592 Nicholas H. Santarelli #46592 Sheila J. Finn #36637
Janeway Law Firm 9800 S. Meridian, Suite 400, Englewood, CO 80134 (303) 706-9990
Attorney File #19-022635
The Attorney above is acting as a debt collector and is attempting to collect a debt. Any information provided may be used for that purpose.
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COMBINED NOTICE - MAILING CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 20-05

To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust: On February 27, 2020, 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): Wesley J Torsell
Original Beneficiary(ies): Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. acting solely as nominee for American Brokers Conduit
Current Holder of Evidence of Debt: Specialized Loan Servicing LLC
Date of Deed of Trust: June 29, 2007
County of Recording: Rio Blanco
Recording Date of Deed of Trust: July 02, 2007
Recording Information (Reception No. and/or Book/Page No.): 289090
Original Principal Amount: \$60,000.00
Outstanding Principal Balance: \$54,885.51
Pursuant to CRS §38-38-101(4)(i), you are hereby notified that the covenants of the deed of trust have been violated as follows: failure to pay principal and interest when due together with all other payments provided for in the evidence of debt secured by the deed of trust and other violations thereof.
THE LIEN FORECLOSED MAY NOT BE A FIRST LIEN.
SUBLOT NO. 1 RANGELY TOWNHOUSES 1, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF FILED SEPTEMBER 8, 1977 AS RECEPTION NO. 176834, TOWN OF RANGELY, COUNTY OF RIO BLANCO, STATE OF COLORADO.
Also known by street and number as: 136 Darius Ave, Rangely, CO 81648.
THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ALL OF THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY ENCUMBERED BY THE LIEN OF THE DEED OF TRUST.

NOTICE OF SALE
The current holder of the Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, described herein, has filed Notice of Election and Demand for sale as provided by law and in said Deed of Trust. THEREFORE, Notice Is Hereby Given that I will at public auction, at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, 07/01/2020, 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: 02/27/2020
Rhonna Waldref, Public Trustee in and for the County of Rio Blanco, State of Colorado
By: Rhonna Waldref, 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 SANDRA J NETTLETON #42411
Sayer Law Group, P.C. 3600 South Beeler St, Suite 300, DENVER, CO 80237 (303) 353-2965
Attorney File # CO200022
The Attorney above is acting as a debt collector and is attempting to collect a debt. Any information provided may be used for that purpose.
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COMBINED NOTICE - MAILING CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 20-04

To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust: On February 27, 2020, 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): Aaron Palacios
Original Beneficiary(ies): MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR AMCAP MORTGAGE LTD. DBA MAJOR MORTGAGE CO., ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS
Current Holder of Evidence of Debt: WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.
Date of Deed of Trust: October 31, 2013
County of Recording: Rio Blanco
Recording Date of Deed of Trust: October 31, 2013
Recording Information (Reception No. and/or Book/Page No.): 307374
Original Principal Amount: \$149,737.00
Outstanding Principal Balance: \$139,094.35
Pursuant to CRS §38-38-101(4)(i), you are hereby notified that the covenants of the deed of trust have been violated as follows: failure to pay principal and interest when due together with all other payments provided for in the evidence of debt secured by the deed of trust and other violations thereof.
THE LIEN FORECLOSED MAY NOT BE A FIRST LIEN.
LOTS 57 AND 58 AND THE WEST 35 FEET OF LOT 59 CALVAT SUBDIVISION ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF FILED MAY 5, 1945 AS DOCUMENT NO. 67909 TOWN OF RANGELY, COUNTY OF RIO BLANCO, STATE OF COLORADO
A.P.N.: 139301202058
Also known by street and number as: 730 Lake Street, Rangely, CO 81648.
THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ALL OF THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY ENCUMBERED BY THE LIEN OF THE DEED OF TRUST.

NOTICE OF SALE
The current holder of the Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, described herein, has filed Notice of Election and Demand for sale as provided by law and in said Deed of Trust. THEREFORE, Notice Is Hereby Given that I will at public auction, at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, 07/01/2020, 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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Nicholas H. Santarelli #46592 Elizabeth S. Marcus #16092 Sheila J. Finn #36637
Janeway Law Firm 9800 S. Meridian, Suite 400, Englewood, CO 80134 (303) 706-9990
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PUBLIC NOTICES

Meeker Highland Cemetery
Special Board Meeting – 265 County Road 4,
Meeker, CO 81641
June 11, 2020
8:30 a.m.

- 1. Call to Order
2. Approve Agenda
3. Approve May 7th Minutes
4. Approve and sign bills and deeds
5. Public Input
6. New Business
a. Circle Park Pond/Trail Update
b. White River Basin Headgate Measuring Device/Colorado Revised Statute 37-84-112
6. Old Business
a. Irrigation Update
b. Additional Zone Plan
c. Trees
7. Open Board Discussion
8. Adjourn
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A. Move to approve/deny Contract Modification Order No. 3 between the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado and Oldcastle SW Group, Inc. dba United Companies, for the 2020 Rio Blanco County Road 8 Surface Treatment Project to add furnishing and placing Hot Mix Asphalt at the Rio Blanco Meeker Fairgrounds, to an area 293 square yards by 3.5" average thickness and increasing the not to exceed amount by \$12,255.00 to a new total amount of \$1,922,200.28.

B. Move to approve/deny an Agreement for Services between the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado, for the use and benefit of the Piceance Creek Weed and Pest District, and Osborn Industries for the 2020 Piceance Creek Weed and Pest Herbicide Hand Spraying Project in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.

C. Move to approve/deny an Agreement for Services between the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado, for the use and benefit of the Piceance Creek Weed and Pest District, and Osborn Industries for the 2020 Piceance Creek Weed and Pest Herbicide Hand Spraying Project in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.

D. Move to approve/deny a Modification of Grant or Agreement between the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado and the USDA, Forest Service, White River National Forest, for the BNC Widening Project, cancelling the original agreement #20-RO-11021500-020.

E. Move to approve/deny a Road Project Agreement between the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado, and the USDA, Forest Service, White River National Forest for the BNC Curve Widening Project, in an amount not to exceed \$20,740.00.

F. Move to approve/deny Contract Amendment No. 3, Contract No. 19 FHHA 108941, between the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado, for the use and benefit of the Rio Blanco County Department of Public Health and Environment, and the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, for the 2020 Immunization Core Services Project, receiving additional Federal Funding of \$3,599.00 and State Funding of \$12,061.00 for a total grant amount of \$56,511.00.

G. Move to approve/deny Contract No. 2021*0287, between the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado, for the use and benefit of the Rio Blanco County Department of Public Health and Environment, and the CDPHE Prevention Services Division, Family Planning Unit for the 2020 CDPHE Family Planning Project, receiving Federal Funding of \$18,900.00 and State Funding of \$26,100.00 for a total grant amount of \$45,000.00.

7. RESOLUTIONS
A. None
8. OTHER BUSINESS
A. Road & Bridge Update - Dave Morlan
B. Public Comment
C. Commissioner's Updates
9. PUBLIC HEARINGS
A. None
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 16, 2020 in the Rio Blanco County Annex Building, 17497 Hwy 64, Rangely, Colorado 81648. Please check the County's website for information at http://rbc.us/186f

Board-of-County-Commissioners. If you need special accommodations please call 970-878-9431 in advance of the meeting so that reasonable accommodations may be made.
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Friday, July 3, 2020 from 11:00AM to 11:00PM
Saturday, July 4, 2020 from 11:00AM to 11:00PM
C. Move to approve/deny a Permission Letter from the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado to the Mayor and Board of Trustees of the Town of Meeker authorizing the Meeker Lions Club to serve alcohol at the Rio Blanco County Fairgrounds outdoor arena and grandstands for the Range Call Rodeo on the following dates:
Friday, July 3, 2020 from 5:00 PM to 12:00 PM
Saturday, August 8, 2020 from 4:00 PM to 12:00 PM

D. Move to approve/deny a Comment Letter from the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado, to the US Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management, Wyoming State Office, commenting on the Wyoming Pipeline Corridor Initiative.

4. BID OPENINGS
A. (1) LGP Bulldozer
B. (1) 4-Wheel Drive Backhoe Loader
C. (3) 4-Wheel Drive Loaders
D. 2020 Rio Blanco County Pavement Marking Paint Project.
5. BID AWARDS
A. None
6. MOU's, CONTRACTS, AND AGREEMENTS

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25TH, 2020 via Skype teleconference meeting so that the public can listen to the bids being opened and read aloud. The public will not be allowed in the room due to COVID-19 social distancing requirements.

The project is 1 bid schedule. Bid Schedule 1 includes: replacing a culvert that runs under Connector A2, removing connector A3, and improve drainage on an existing swale that abuts the GA Apron.

No bids will be received after the specified hour and date and may not be withdrawn after the time fixed for opening them. The Owner reserves the right to waive irregularities in the bids and reject any and all bids. No bids will be considered in which the Proposal, Specifications or any provisions have been modified.

Bids will be received for a single prime Contract. Bids shall be on a unit price basis, as indicated in the Bid Form. The bidder must supply all information required by the bid or proposal forms and specifications.

Each bid must be accompanied either by a certified check, payable to RIO BLANCO COUNTY in the amount of five percent (5%) of the bid, or by a Bid Bond in a like amount and executed by an approved surety company. The check or bond will be retained by the Owner as liquidated damages if the successful bidder refuses or fails to enter into contract and performance bond in accord with his bid within fifteen (15) days after date of notification of award. Bidders may obtain copies of the Bidding Documents, consisting of a Project Manual, from the T-O Engineers Contract Bidding Plan Room as described below.

Printed copies of the Bidding Documents are available upon request at T-O-Engineers.com via the Contract Bidding tab. Non-refundable shipping charges apply. Blueprint Specialties in Boise, Idaho will transmit the Bidding Documents. The shipping charge amount will depend on the shipping method selected by the prospective Bidder. The date that the Bidding Documents are transmitted by Blueprint Specialties will be considered the Bidder's date of receipt of the Bidding Documents. Partial sets of Bidding Documents will not be available. Neither Owner nor Engineer will be responsible for full or partial sets of Bidding Documents, including Addenda if any, obtained from sources other than the Issuing Office. Interested parties may register, view, and download the Bidding Documents online at on the T-O Engineers web site under the Contract Bidding tab.

The Bidder is advised that construction site aviation safety is of paramount importance. There is a Construction Safety Phasing Plan that is part of the project requirements and the Contractor will need to conduct his/her operations in strict accordance with this plan. There are penalty provisions outlined in the Construction Safety Phasing Plan for non-compliance by the Contractor's personnel. All costs associated with the Contractor's compliance with this operational plan will be considered incidental to and included in the prices bid for the actual work items of the bid schedule.

Rio Blanco County, in accordance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 252, 42 U.S.C. §§ 20004 to 20004-4) and the Regulations, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded full and fair opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award.

The Bidder is hereby notified that this project is subject to FAA Federal Contract Provisions, including, but not limited to: Buy American Preference, Davis Bacon, Affirmative Action, Government-wide Debarment and Suspension, and Government-wide Requirements for Drug-Free Workplace.

A pre-bid conference will be held at 3:00 PM local time on June 11th, 2020 at the Rangely Airport Managers Office located at 2248 E Main Street, Rangely, CO 81648 and via teleconference and online. Call in information along with a link to view the presentation live is available below. Attendance at the pre-bid conference is not mandatory, but strongly encouraged.

Join by Phone
Toll-free number: 800-613-5029
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4V0 Pre-Bid Meeting Live Video Link: https://meet.lync.com/toengineersxuw/d/apays/LR7CBWD7
Owner: RIO BLANCO COUNTY
By: SAMANTHA LOPEZ
Title: AIRPORTS PROJECT COORDINATOR
Published: June 4, 11 and 18, 2020
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PUBLIC NOTICES

Town of Rangely
June 9, 2020 - 7:00pm
Agenda
Rangely Board of Trustees (Town Council)
ANDY SHAFFER, Mayor; Trey Robie, Mayor Pro-Tem; Rich Garner, Trustee; Luke Geer, Trustee; Tyson Hacking, Trustee; Alisa Granger, Trustee; Keely Ellis, Trustee

- 1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Invocation
4. Pledge of Allegiance
5. Minutes of Meeting
a. Discussion and Action to approve the minutes of May 26, 2020
6. Petitions and Public Input
7. Changes to the Agenda
8. Public Hearings - 7:10pm
9. Committee/Board Meetings

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- 10. Reports From Council
11. Supervisor Reports - See Attached
a. Chief Hamblin
12. Reports from Officers - Town Manager Update
13. Old Business
14. New Business
a. Discussion and action to approve the May 2020 Check Register
15. Informational Items
a. Coronavirus Relief Fund Program Summary
16. Board Vacancies
a. Planning and Zoning Board Vacancy
17. Scheduled Announcements
a. Planning and Zoning Board and Recreation District Board meeting is scheduled for June 8, 2020 at 7:00pm
b. Rangely District Library Board meeting is scheduled for June 8, 2020 at 5:00pm
c. Rural Fire Protection District Board meeting is

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- scheduled for June 15, 2020 at 7:00pm
d. Rio Blanco County Commissioners Board meeting is scheduled for June 15, 2020 at 11:00am
e. Rangely Junior College District Board meeting is scheduled for June 16, 2020 at 12:00noon
f. Rangely School District Board meeting has been scheduled for June 16, 2020 at 6:15pm
g. RDA/RDC Board meeting scheduled for June 18, 2020 at 7:00am
h. Rangely Chamber of Commerce Board meeting is scheduled for June 18, 2020 at 12:00noon
i. Rio Blanco Water Conservancy District Board meeting is scheduled for June 24, 2020 at 6:00pm
j. Rangely District Hospital board meeting is scheduled for June 25, 2020 at 6:00pm
k. Community Outreach meeting is scheduled for July 6, 2020 at 6:00pm
18. Adjournment
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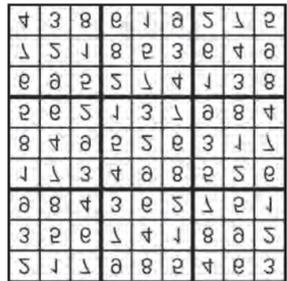
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

AA & Al-Anon Meetings - Rangely Alcoholics Anonymous - Open meetings Tues & Thurs, 7 p.m., 115 Kennedy Dr., St. Timothy's Episcopal Church, Rangely.
Al-Anon meets Monday, 8:15 p.m., 207 S. Sunset, 1st Baptist Church, Rangely. Al-Anon info call 970-629-5064 or 970-629-2970. Women's NA/AA meetings, Monday 1:30 p.m., St. Timothy's.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

RIO BLANCO Masonic Lodge #80 meets 2nd and 4th Thursday, 7:00 p.m., at 7th and Park, Meeker.
New Eden Pregnancy Care Services - pregnancy tests, emergency supplies, guidance by trained volunteers, classes on pregnancy and child care, post-abortion support, referrals. Meeker: Thursdays, Noon to 5 p.m., 345 Main Street, Meeker. Email: newedenpcs@gmail.com or (970)878-5117
Rangely: Mondays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Thursdays, 1 p.m. to 7 p.m., 219 Sunset Avenue Rangely. Email: newedenrangely@gmail.com or (970) 675-2300. All services are confidential.

RBC | Attention Rio Blanco County Veterans: Veterans may be eligible for mileage reimbursement for travel costs to receive VA medical care. If you do not currently receive VA travel compensation please contact the Rio Blanco County Veterans Service offices. Rangely: John 'Hoot' Gibson, 970-878-9695. Meeker: Joe Bob Dungan, 970-878-9690. Travel compensation is made possible through the Veterans Trust Fund Grant and VFW Post 5843.

FOOD BANK OF THE ROCKIES
Monthly Food Distribution
Rio Blanco County Fairgrounds
@11:30 AM
Thursday, June 25, 2020
Thursday, July 23, 2020
Thursday, August 27, 2020
Thursday, September 24, 2020
Wednesday, October 22, 2020
Wednesday, November 25, 2020
Wednesday, December 23, 2020

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

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 Rangely Food Bank is open on Saturdays from 12:00-2:00 p.m. at 204 E. Rio Blanco. To donate, please call 970-620-2407.

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- Head Coach Cross Country

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*Application deadline June 15 at 4 p.m.

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For details and an application, please visit our website at Meeker.k12.co.us or Meeker School District Administration at 555 Garfield St., Meeker, CO
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AUCTIONS

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Sat., June 6, 9 a.m.
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- Medical Assistant-Ortho
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- MLT/MLS-Lab Shift 9:30am-6pm
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- 410 Cleveland St - 2BD/1.75BA/1,732 SF home with nice views, privacy, storage+Lg. garden...\$290,000
- 1346 Sage Ridge Rd - A spectacular 3BD/2BA log home with over sized lot & redwood deck...\$287,000
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- 600+610 Garfield St - Single level duplex offering 2BD/1BA per unit w/separate back yards...\$200,000
- 1042 Park Ave - Classic 2 story 3BD/1BA/2,340 SF home w/ rustic barn, 3 Lg. lots+fruit trees...\$195,000
- 440 Cross L - A spectacular 4±ac building lot with 360° views, utilities nearby and irrigation...\$85,000
- 1085 Pinyon St - Two lovely lots ready for building w/ 1 water and sewer tap already paid...\$43,000
- 6321 CR 7.....SALE PENDING
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2204 Rd. 7-618 Acres, 2 Homes, Shop, Grazing Permit	\$1,760,000	NEW 589 6th St. - 2BD/3BA, Large Lot, Gorgeous Landscaping	\$300,000	870 4th St.	PENDING
Elk Mountain Inn-21 rooms, Bar, Restaurant, Courtyard	\$975,000	TBD N. 6th St. - 8.45± Acres, Livestock Welcome	\$299,000	117 6th Street	PENDING
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223 8th St.-2+BD/2BA, Yard, Adjoining Retail Space	\$775,000	NEW 885 Garfield St.	PENDING	1299 Rd. 10	PENDING
658± Acres, Rd. 143-North of RB Lake, Hunt Unit 11	\$660,000	950 Cleveland St. - 3BD/3BA, Large Workshop	\$273,000	1105 & 1107 Market St. - Corner Lot, Commercial Opportunity	\$149,000
319± Acres, Rd. 77-Colorow Cabin, Well, Grazing Permit	\$640,000	NEW 555 8th St.-5BD/3BA, Delightful Log Home, Recent Updates	\$269,000	629 10th St.	PENDING
431 E. Market St.-22± Acres, Shop, Office, Living Quarters	\$549,000	7.46 Acres, E. Market St.-Highway Frontage, Great Traffic	\$249,000	460 N. Cross L: 4 Acres, Valley Views, Residential Vacant	\$79,500
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