



# Scoggins named Rangely RE-4 superintendent

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

**RANGELY** | The Rangely Board of Education named Matt Scoggins the next RE-4 district superintendent Friday after a hiring process that lasted more than a month narrowed the field to two candidates, Scoggins and Paul Jebe of La Junta, Colo.

Scoggins, who owns Colorado CPA Services, was an RE-4 Board of Education member from 2001 to 2011 and its president from 2005 to 2008.

Jebe, a principal in the East Otero School District for eight years, had a

background in music education and worked in the private sector before entering school administration.

In a letter to RE-4 staff sent shortly after the board's vote Friday morning, the board said that both candidates offered the district "many positive attributes."

"The most obvious difference was that Mr. Jebe is strong in curriculum and pedagogy while Mr. Scoggins is skilled in business and management," the letter stated. "However, the biggest area of distinction between the two that became obvious through the application and interview process was philosophy."

The board cited Scoggins' advocacy for staff and students and the addition of a director of curriculum, instruction and assessment position as factors in the decision.

"This, combined with the two principals gives us a strong academic core moving forward," the letter stated.

Board of Education President Adair Norman said he believes Scoggins will be able to learn the instruction piece while bringing other skills to the table.

"Curriculum is the job of the principals, not the job of the superintendent," Norman said. "With (director of

curriculum, instruction and assessment) Marian Neitenbach and the principals, that gives us three curriculum people. So I guess we didn't place as high a priority on that.

"In terms of Matt's skills, he doesn't just understand Colorado finance laws," Norman said. "He has the business acumen that will be able to run many departments. It's transportation, finance, tech...all of those tie in for education."

Scoggins said he will be able to provide stability the district has been lacking, with three superintendents taking the helm in the last five years.

"Watching the turnover in superin-

tendents since Jim Day left, it seems like every time we have a chance to get something going, we come to a screeching halt," Scoggins said. "I'm hoping for some stability in the district and I think I have the background to do this job well."

That background, Scoggins said, includes a love of kids, his tenure on the school board, teaching at Colorado Northwestern Community College, coaching and school district auditing.

Scoggins said it would take time to learn the superintendent role but that he plans to use resources within the district, including the two principals and Neitenbach's position, to

begin the process.

"Each of our last superintendents has had a steep learning curve and then been gone after two years," Scoggins said. "I'll have that learning curve and then be here for who knows how long. I hope if I have a learning curve, it won't be wasted on moving onto another position somewhere else."

Scoggins and outgoing superintendent Todd Cordrey will work together this month before Scoggins takes over the district in August. Scoggins said that for now his business, Colorado CPA Services, will be run by his current staff.

## BLM sets fire restrictions in NW Colorado

*Special to the Herald Times*

**RBC** | Northwest Colorado Fire Management Unit has announced that many Bureau of Land Management lands in Northwest Colorado have already entered into fire restrictions to lessen the chance of human-caused wildfires.

Fire managers base decisions about fire restrictions on specific moisture measurements in vegetation known as Live Fuel Moisture Content. Other risk factors are also examined.

Several weeks of hot and dry weather have increased fire danger.

BLM-managed lands in Eagle County entered Stage 1 Fire Restrictions on June 27.

BLM-managed lands in Rio Blanco, Moffat, Jackson and Grand counties entered Stage 1 Fire Restrictions on June 25.

The BLM will enforce temporary restrictions:

- Campfires are only allowed within designated fire grates in developed campgrounds (i.e. a metal, in-ground containment structure — fire pans and rock campfire rings are not acceptable);
- No fires of any type, including charcoal, outside of developed areas;
- No smoking except within an enclosed vehicle or building, a developed recreation site or in a barren area free of vegetation;
- No use of explosive materials;
- No welding or operation of an acetylene or other similar torch with open flame except from an area that has been cleared of vegetation;
- No operation of any internal combustion engine without a spark arresting device properly installed and in working order.
- Fireworks are always prohibited on BLM, National Forest and National Park Service lands.

Restrictions on these BLM lands will be in place until further notice. Violation of federal fire restrictions is punishable by a fine of not more than \$100,000 or imprisonment for not more than 12 months or both. Those found responsible for starting wildfires will also face restitution costs of suppressing the fire. For more information about fire restrictions in these areas, log on to [gacc.nifc.gov/rmcc/dispatch\\_centers/r2cre/index.htm](http://gacc.nifc.gov/rmcc/dispatch_centers/r2cre/index.htm) or call the Public Affairs at 970-210-2126.

Rio Blanco issued blanket fire restrictions on all lands in the county as of June 24 although most of those restrictions follow the BLM rules.



Dick Welle, the general manager of White River Electric Association officially retires on Oct. 1 after 38 years with the company and 12 years at the helm. Welle plans to remain in Meeker and enjoy a little more time fishing and relaxing, but he will also stay on with WREA/Tri-State as a consultant.

## Dick Welle to retire from WREA after 38 years

**By SEAN McMAHON**  
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**RBC** | On Oct. 1, Dick Welle will no longer be standing by the window of his second-story office, overlooking the domain that has filled his life for 38 years. On that date, he is stepping down as general manager of White River Electric Association (WREA).

"I have had a wonderful career, I have worked with and met a lot of wonderful people, I have seen this industry change a lot in the last 40 years and I am done," he said. "It is time for me to go."

Welle moved here with his fami-

ly in 1968, just in time for him to turn around and put in two tours of duty in Vietnam, returning in 1972. He had been accepted for entry into Mesa College in the fall, but Roger Purdy stopped him one day and the two spoke, Welle said. Because Welle was a veteran, not because he knew anything about electricity, Purdy offered him a job.

"Roger hired me as a ground man, and I progressed through the company," Welle said. "I have held nine different job titles with the cop and each one was interesting and rewarding in its own way."

Welle's mother, Doris, still lives in Meeker; his father died in 1979

after a lengthy illness.

"That's the reason we moved here in the first place," Welle said. "We lived in Denver before moving here and we moved because the Front Range was tough on Dad's health."

Welle met his wife, Cindy, in 1972 and they were married in 1973. They had two sons — the oldest, Tim, died 10 years ago, and Jack. Jack and his wife, Abby, have two children in Sarah, 6, and Trysta, 2.

Asked what he feels was his biggest success since taking over as

## Summer jobs tough to find for area teenagers

**By CALVIN SHEPHERD AND SEAN McMAHON**  
*Special to the Herald Times*

**MEEKER** | High school students who want to prepare a nest egg for college or journey into the working world face a real dilemma.

When summer rolls around, many high school students tend to look for at least one of two things — fun and/or a job.

A teenager trying to obtain a job faces a double-edged sword. Few jobs are available locally, and employers are often reluctant to hire seasonal or part-time employees who may not always be there when needed.

With post-high-school reality

approaching, high school students need to save money. When teens finally leave the nest and/or head to college, they need not only money, but they often need to have demonstrated the ability to work with a boss and co-employees, handle and save money, pay taxes and be responsible adults.

J.C. Watt, owner of Watts Ranch Market, says he gets an average of 30 to 40 teen applicants a year, but he only has three student employees currently on his payroll.

He believes it is difficult to hire a high school student because of everything a student is often involved with.

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**Superintendent to be chosen for RE-1 district**

**MEEKER** | The Meeker School Board was expected to name the new district school superintendent Tuesday night at its regularly scheduled board meeting.

Due to the Fourth of July holiday on Thursday, the Herald Times went to press a day early and the results of the meeting Tuesday night were unavailable.

The Herald Times will have a story next week on the selection, but the results are expected to have been posted by Wednesday morning at [www.meeker.k12.co.us](http://www.meeker.k12.co.us)

The two finalists for the position were Mark Meyer of Alamosa, Colo., and Gregory Wieman of Elizabeth, Colo.

**RENOVATIONS...**

Friends of the Tank's Bruce Odland, left, and Jeremiah Moore take measurements of the Tank in preparation for cleaning and renovations on Friday. Several Friends of the Tank came to Rangely to complete projects outlined in the Kickstarter campaign that, in March, raised more than \$46,000 to preserve the Tank as a recording and sound space. A small welcome event and interactive performance between musicians and local donors and supporters took place Saturday morning and evening. The organizers thanked Rangely for its support and said they look forward to future outreach events involving the community.

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BRIEFS

**Photography on display today, Friday**

**MEEKER** | There will be special paintings and photography on display today, Friday and Saturday at The Upstairs Gallery in downtown Meeker.

On display and for sale will be "New Paintings of Meeker" by Pat Sheeran/Daggett and on display for viewing only will be "New Faces of Meeker" by local photographer Neil Bennett.

The gallery, located in the Hugus Building, will be open today from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m and Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

**Skeeter the Clown to visit before circus**

**MEEKER** | The Meeker Chamber of Commerce would like to invite children and adults of all ages to a special reading and activity session with Skeeter, the Culpepper & Merriweather circus clown, at 10 a.m. on July 10 at the Meeker Public Library.

Children shouldn't miss out on this free fun session with a remarkable clown.

For more information on Skeeter's visit, or the Culpepper & Merriweather Circus on July 13 at the fairgrounds in Meeker, please call the Meeker Chamber of Commerce at 970-878-5510.

**Rangely to host circus on July 12**

**RANGELY** | The Rangely Area Chamber of Commerce will host the Culpepper & Merriweather Circus on July 12.

The circus will set up and perform at Columbine Park with shows at 5 p.m and 7:30 p.m.

Advance tickets can be purchased at the Rangely Chamber of Commerce, The Rangely Recreation Center, Rangely Regional Library and Giovanni's Italian Grill.

Advance tickets are \$10 for adults and \$6 per child. Tickets purchased at the gate are \$13 for adults and \$7 for children.

**Meeker Education Foundation sets forum**

**MEEKER** | The Meeker Education Foundation will hold a public forum on school finance July 9 at 7 p.m. at Meeker Town Hall.

Paula Stephenson, executive director of the Colorado Rural School Caucus, will give an overview of the topic, and much of the time will be dedicated to questions and answers. The caucus is rural Colorado school districts' voice in Denver on all legislative matters.

The evening's goal is to foster understanding of this complex subject to explain why our district's budget is so challenging and why the mission of the newly formed Meeker Education Foundation is so important to our youth. The general public is urged to attend.

**HOME OF:  
Dale and Jill Dunbar**

**MEEKER** | The appeal of a small town and the availability of outdoor activities played a major role in Dale and Jill Dunbar's decision to set up home in Meeker.

Fifty years ago, Dale, who was born in Durango, Colo., moved to Meeker. Jill was born in Tustin, Calif. They will be celebrating the 29th anniversary of when they were married at Sunlight Ski Area outside of Glenwood Springs on July 6.

The Dunbars have two children.

Oldest son Kevin, 28, lives in Cedaredge, Colo., with his wife, Heather, and their son, Jackson, who is 1-1/2. Kevin is a high school science teacher as well as head basketball coach. Younger son Kurtis, 24, lives in Brea, Calif., where he works for Morovek Biochemical Co.

Dale is assistant general manager for White River Electric Association in Meeker while Jill is office manager for local dentist Dr. Charles Vandiver.

Both have also been very active in community service.

Dale has been a member of the board of the Rio Blanco Golf Association, the Meeker Sportsmen's Club and the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation. He has also served as a member of the committee for the Ducks Unlimited local chapter as well as committee chairman.

Jill has served as a committee member for the local Rocky Mountain Elks Foundation and Ducks Unlimited chapters as well as served as a 4-H leader.

Dale's interests away from work include hiking, camping, fishing and hunting while Jill also enjoys cooking, baking cupcakes and playing with her grandson.

"One of the highlights of my life was a four-day 27-mile hike of the Grand Canyon," Dale said.

"I truly like the small town and the people," Dale said of what he likes best about living in Meeker. "I love the availability to the outdoors and being able to experience almost any day the things that folks who live in the city don't get to experience."

"I also really enjoy the friendliness and small-town atmosphere as well as the people of Meeker," he said. "You can't go anywhere in town without seeing at least a couple of friends."

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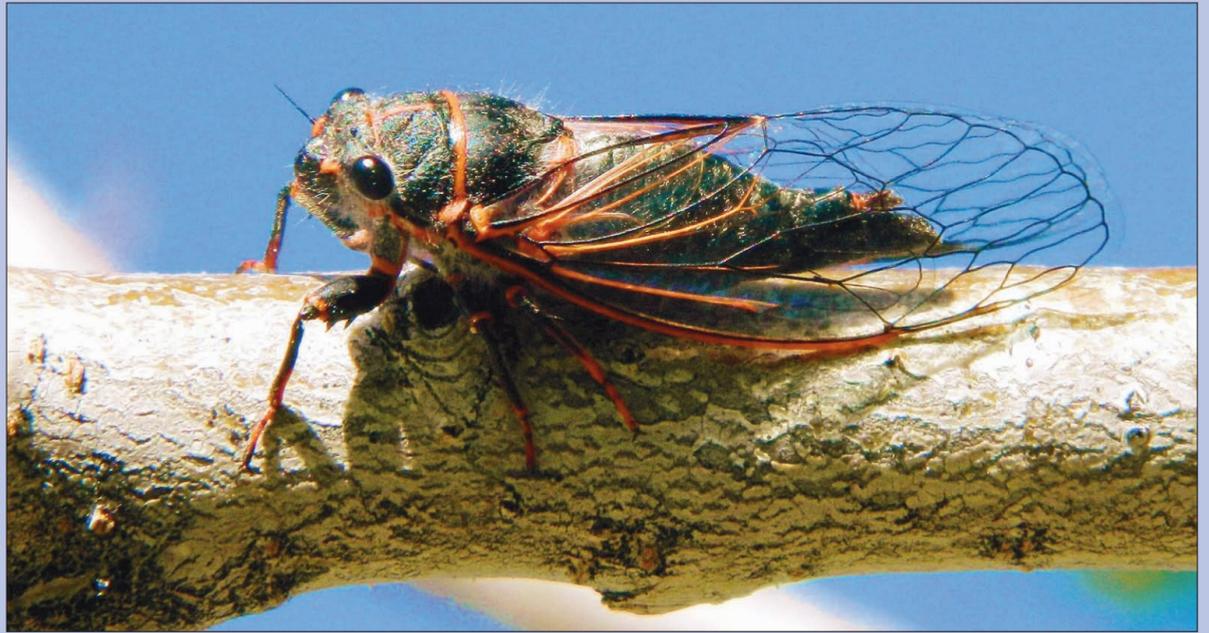
**CARDS NEEDED ...**



COURTESY PHOTO

The family of Bryon and Jo Linden of Meeker, who were married July 9, 1943, in Monterey, Calif., is asking for a barrage of anniversary cards for the couple, who will be celebrating their 70th anniversary with a card shower on July 9. Friends are asked to send the cards to Byron and Jo Linden, 200 Main St., Apt. 6D, Meeker, Colo., 81641. Family members include Jody, Mary, Luke, Molly, Ryan, Melissa and Jeff, Rita, Sally, Colton and Kylee the daughters, grandchildren and great-great grandchildren.

**CICADAS ...**



CODY MILLER

Unlike the periodical cicadas emerging across the East Coast this year, cicadas native to Colorado emerge each summer and include those of the *Platypedia* genus, like this adult male that Cody Miller recently photographed near Elk Springs. Unlike most cicadas, males of this genus make sounds using "crepitation," or snapping their wings together, to attract potential mates. The sound, according to Colorado State University entomologist Matt Camper, is reminiscent of clicking two coins together, unlike the shrill buzzing noise most cicadas produce with sound-producing organs called tymbals.

**Region prepared for new fires**

Special to the Herald Times

**RBC** | Despite already being thrust into the field to battle wildfires, annual wildland fire training is continuing for new recruits and returning seasonal firefighters in northwest Colorado.

After a relatively moist spring, firefighters are already experiencing an above-average start to the fire season this year. The five-year average for the Northwest Colorado Unit is 245 fires totaling 13,105 acres, so crews are likely to be busy.

This season's firefighting crews in Craig and Meeker are at full staffing levels. Numerous hours are invested in all aspects of preparing fire personnel for fireline duty as crew members, support forces and leadership roles. Everything from fireline safety, weather and fire behavior to

signaling a helicopter for landing is covered.

Experienced fire fighters are paired with the new crew members as trainers and mentors to teach the most efficient methods for unrolling hose, mobile attacks, fire size-up and other basic duties. Drills to increase proficiency in handling equipment and response time have been occurring at Loudy Simpson Park in Craig.

Guidance and leader's intent is also offered to fire personnel from agency and fire management officers regarding land management practices and issues. Important con-

cerns, such as sage grouse, may impact fire suppression decisions and tactics, and crews need to be aware of special considerations. That being said, safety to public and the firefighters is always the No. 1 priority, regardless of other existing issues.

"These refreshers and classes are annual events that keep our firefighting forces current with qualifications and increase their skills whether it's learning to operate a chain saw or decision-making on the fire line," said Colt Mortenson, the NWCFMU fire management officer. "Another important element

in our training is medical response since much of our work occurs in remote areas. We always prepare for the worst-case scenario."

Much of the planning preparation includes the Craig Interagency Dispatch Center. Updating contact lists and protocols is a vital part of being prepared to respond.

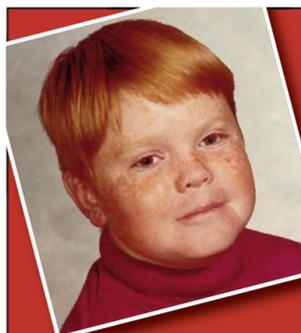
Daily morning briefings began June 17. These are daily updates for all agency and cooperator fire responders and managers to keep abreast of available resources, weather and fire activity throughout the season.

**CPW accepting apps for state park rangers**

**RBC** | State park rangers hold a diverse range of responsibilities due to the state's geography, visitors and recreational opportunities. Rangers provide public safety, and assist in natural resource protection and management of the 42 parks throughout the state. In addition to the daily general duties of a ranger, some also specialize in areas such as river rafting, boating education and enforcement, trails, camping and law enforcement.

For a full list of requirements about the job and to apply, see the listing for "Park Ranger" on the official Colorado state jobs website.

Colorado Parks and wildlife manages 42 state parks, more than 300 state wildlife areas.



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**FRIDAY, JULY 5th**  
★ Night Golf (Contact Chris Hejl at Cedar Ridges Golf Course for more information at 675-8403)  
★ Fireworks make-up date if rain out occurs

**SATURDAY, JULY 6th**  
★ Color Run 5k (9:30 am start time with registration at 8:30 am \$10 per person or \$50 for an immediate family.)  
★ All proceeds benefit the New Eden Pregnancy Center  
★ Wear a white shirt, at various points throughout the course you will be doused with colored powder.  
★ At the end you will find music, treats, and prizes for the fastest runners and tour the New Eden Pregnancy Center  
★ Inflatables (12 pm-3pm)  
★ Surf n' Turf (5:30 pm, \$25 per adult, \$5 for a kid hot dog meal)  
★ Purchase tickets at the Rec Center  
★ Contact Kirstin or Camilla 675-8211 for more information

**SUNDAY, JULY 7th**  
★ Rib Cook Off (Judging at 4 pm)  
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## County Road & Bridge wins \$1 million grant for overlay work on CR 24

Special to the Herald Times

**RBC** | The Colorado Department of Local Affairs (DOLA) awarded the Rio Blanco County Road & Bridge Department a \$1 million Energy Impact Assistance Fund (EIAF) Tier 2 grant.

The funding will assist in making approximately \$2,782,000 of roadway improvements. The project will provide an asphalt overlay of the entire 13 miles of RBC Road 24, which is the Ryan Gulch Road, an important route in the Piceance Creek Basin.

The EIAF program provides grants for planning, construction and maintenance of public facilities.

Eligible recipients include counties, municipalities, special districts and other political subdivisions impacted by the development, pro-

cessing or energy conversion of minerals and mineral fuels.

Competition was intense, with 46 applicants, statewide, vying for the Tier 2 (\$200,000 to \$1,000,000) Impact money.

Of the \$16,842,230 awarded, 28 received partial request funding and only eight received the full amount applied for, including Rio Blanco County.

Work is currently in progress with the contractor, United Companies, applying a leveling course to correct the depressions caused by heavy traffic. The asphalt overlay will follow, and that will provide a smooth, slightly "crowned" surface that drains properly.

The objective of the CR 24 project is to extend the life of the pavement for 7 to 10 years with regular maintenance.

## Dinosaur National Park sets own restrictions

Special to the Herald Times

**RBC** | Superintendent Mary Risser stated that restrictions on open fires went into effect on Tuesday for the entire monument.

"The extremely dry conditions along with large amounts of flammable vegetation have created a high fire danger situation," she said. "As recent fires in the monument have shown, conditions are ripe for fires to break out."

To protect visitors and monument staff as well as the natural and cultural resources in Dinosaur National Monument, restrictions on open fires have been issued. Building or using any open fire or campfire, except within National Park Service-provided fire grates and grills at developed campgrounds is prohibited. Even in the campgrounds where fires will continue to be allowed, visitors should be extremely cautious when having a fire. Watch out for the wind blowing sparks into dry vegetation. Always make sure any fires - including charcoal fires - are completely out when you are finished. One should be able to put their hand in the extinguished coals or charcoal.

Backcountry and river users should also know that charcoal is still permitted along the Green and Yampa rivers as long as it is contained in a fire pan with fire blanket and on sand free of any vegetation. Open campfires in the backcountry

are prohibited. The use of pressurized gas or liquid fuel stoves is permitted in all areas. The use of charcoal in grills in picnic areas is still permitted also.

Smoking is permitted only in enclosed vehicles, developed recreation sites or in areas cleared of all flammable material. Fireworks are always strictly prohibited in Dinosaur National Monument and other federal lands.

These restrictions will remain in effect until such time as the fire danger in the monument becomes less severe. These restrictions are dependent upon extended fire weather and conditions and will be evaluated daily. If the fire danger increases, further restrictions on fires may be enacted.

If necessary, National Park Service rangers will issue citations to persons violating the terms of this closure under authority of Title 36 Code of Federal Regulations 1.5(f).

"We ask for everyone's cooperation during this high fire danger period to decrease the potential for a catastrophic fire in Dinosaur National Monument this season," Risser said.

For more information, contact the monument at 435-781-7700. You can also find us on the web at [www.nps.gov/dino](http://www.nps.gov/dino), like us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/DinosaurNationalMonument](http://www.facebook.com/DinosaurNationalMonument), or follow us on twitter at [twitter.com/DinosaurNPS](http://twitter.com/DinosaurNPS).

## Bennett seeks interns for Colo., Wash. offices

Special to the Herald Times

**RBC** | Colorado U.S. Sen. Michael Bennet is accepting internship applications from undergraduate students, recent graduates and graduate students for his Washington, DC and Colorado offices. In addition to his Washington office, internships are available year around in the following Colorado locations: Colorado Springs, Denver, Durango, Fort Collins and Pueblo.

Interns in the Washington office have the opportunity to research various policy issues, attend Congressional hearings and briefings, draft correspondence and conduct U.S. Capitol tours for visiting Coloradans.

Colorado interns assist Constituent Advocates as they meet with and assist Coloradans who need help navigating the federal government, attend local meetings and events, and draft correspondence. Graduate student interns research pol-

icy issues and provide recommendations to senior staff. Interns may match projects based on their area of interest, including tax policy, small business, economic development, veterans issues, education, entrepreneurship, energy, bioscience or aerospace.

"Internships in my Colorado and Washington offices offer young people a unique opportunity to experience Congress at an exciting time," Bennet said. "Interns will gain hands-on experience by providing support to my staff and me as we work together to better serve Coloradans and bring true reform to our nation's capital. I encourage any young person interested in the legislative process, a career in public service or in helping me to fix a broken Washington to apply."

Interested students and recent graduates should apply online at [www.bennet.senate.gov/services/internships/](http://www.bennet.senate.gov/services/internships/). The deadline to apply for an internship in Washington for the fall semester is Aug. 15, 2013. This is an unpaid position.

## Hunter ed classes

Special to the Herald Times

**RBC** | A free hunter safety class will be taught in Meeker July 11, 12 and 13 at Kilowatt Komer.

The class runs 6 to 9 p.m. on Thursday July 11, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on July 12 and from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on July 13.

This course satisfies Colorado Hunter Education requirements, and graduating students will receive their state hunter education card.

Classes include breaks every 45 to 60 minutes plus an hour for lunch. The portion of class on July 13 from 1 to 3 p.m. is at the rifle range, but students may leave immediately after shooting and receiving their cards.

Class size is limited to 30 students. Please email Steve Balloga at [sballoga@hotmail.com](mailto:sballoga@hotmail.com) or access the CPW website to register. Registration on the first day of the class will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.



## SUPPORT ...

This Helitack truck from Vale, Ore., is one of the many Bureau of Land Management and U.S. Forest Service vehicles visible all around Meeker, Rangely and Rio Blanco County as fire attack teams and support crews converged on the county to battle the Wild Rose Fire south of Rangely and the Collins Fire southwest of Meeker. Both fires were deemed more than 90 percent contained last week with mostly mop-up crews remaining behind.

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## FROM MY WINDOW...

## U.S. still the best place on this planet

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Welcome to Meeker, dear visitors, and best wishes for a wonderful Fourth of July and a fun Range Call go out to all on this day.

A lot of people put in a lot of work to make today's activities special and unique as well as the rest of the weekend, which is filled with all kinds of activities from a parade to a demolition derby to a great fireworks display to a concert by Gloriana to a rodeo, a dance, a basketball tournament and a history lesson with the recreation of the Meeker Massacre.

But let us remember the day. I have been very fortunate to have visited Europe, Southeast Asia, Canada, Mexico, Central America, South America and even spent a day in Morocco, in Northern Africa. What interesting places these are — each offering a unique culture, food, customs and personalities.

But I have been equally fortunate to have visited (at least the airports in some cases) all 50 of our United States.

While the U.S. offers a shorter history, it is also long on unique cultures, food, customs and personalities.

Canada has tough, free-spirited folks who like their wide-open spaces; Mexico has the friendliest people who are ready to open their hearts to anyone willing to become involved in their language and lifestyles.

Central and South America offer much the same as Mexico, yet each country is unique in its own way. And the history/ruins to be found in these regions are intriguing and spell-binding.

Europe has a long history, and a good portion of that history is known to us because of our elementary educations and because a lot of what started there centuries ago has been brought to this country. From

Stonehenge to Vatican City to The Hague and the many castles dotting from Eastern Europe to the west coast of Ireland, history is common, easy to find, easy to visit and easy to enjoy.

History is even more complete when one visits Southeast Asia. Evidence of history goes back thousands of years, and this area of the globe offers what is probably the most diversity in people, customs, temples and foods.

Probably the most intriguing of my travels included the one day I spent in Morocco.

From the Casbah in Algiers to petting camels to seeing some of the most beautiful views of the Atlantic and Strait of Gibraltar to the incredibly friendly people and flavorful foods, Morocco is another experience



unique to those I found elsewhere. But you know what?

These United States offer equally diverse cultures, people, food, traditions and dialects as the nations covering the rest of the globe.

From the Inuit of Alaska to the Pan-Asians native to Hawaii to the Creole or Cajuns in Louisiana to the cautiously friendly folks in the Ozarks and Appalachians to the good old-fashioned folks at home in the Bible Belt and throughout the Midwest, people are people and they are just as proud of their surroundings, lifestyles, customs, foods and football teams as anyone else on this planet.

The Mainers like their lobster and the tough outdoor-filled winters. The Floridians don't mind finding an alligator in the yard or seeing one wandering down the street. Minnesota and Wisconsin natives look forward to ice fishing and the Texans gloat that everything is bigger there while they live by the code of the Old West

and enjoy their barbecue.

Those in Washington State like their rains and their proximity to all types of outdoor activity year round; Californians take great pride in their beaches and sunshine.

And those in the Rockies are pretty fond of their views from the top of Pikes Peak or crossing Togwotee Pass and watching the Tetons appear. New Mexicans take pride in their unique Hispanic history, their Hatch chilies (rightfully so) and Montana and Idaho take pride in their diversity, independence and incredible mountain ranges.

My favorite foods worldwide are, in order, Thai, Greek and classical French, but a good ribeye, even a hotdog, a lobster roll and spicy Cajun crawfish are often just as good.

In the grand scheme of things, there is still no better place overall than the ol' United States.

A trip around the globe is great, but there is nothing quite like putting your feet back on U.S. soil.

Utilities and most other things are cheaper here, the people of this country are just as friendly and genuine, the driving is much easier, even on the heavily congested highways of Southern California, and you have a choice of what climate you wish to call home.

Vehicle traffic is lighter here, gas is cheaper here than in any area of Europe, food is cheaper most of the time, utilities are lower here, income taxes are among the lowest on the globe and we have an ease of travel — by bike, car or plane — not seen anywhere else on earth.

You bet I am happy to call myself an American. I can vote in elections, I can voice my opinions and, most of all, I can visit anywhere in this country I want to and find people who are happy to see me in their loved neck of the woods.

The U.S.A.? There is no place quite like it and you can't beat it!

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## RIO BLANCO COUNTY DAYS GONE BY

The Meeker Herald — 100 years ago  
■ Mrs. Catherine L. Welch, mother of Mrs. DeBord, died Friday

afternoon. Deceased was born in New Jersey in September 1833 and died in Meeker June 27, 1913.

■ The late J.W. Hugus was in on one of his occasional trips to Meeker. Mr. Hugus was accompanied by Mr.

F. Chatterton of Fort Steele, Wyo.

■ The first evidence that the Fourth was on us was the merry-go-around which shipped in from the railroad and the traveling photographers. That merry-go-around was just the thing for the rank and file of Meeker kids. The 10-cent charge didn't seem to affect the business very much.

■ Settlers on upper Strawberry Creek turned out en masse on

Wednesday and Thursday, June 25 and 26, and made a fine showing of work on the Strawberry road, which connects Meeker with western Moffat County.

The Meeker Herald — 50 years ago

■ Charles Harrell was flown to Denver last week after being shot twice by a posse from the Powder Wash oil field area. It seems Harrell drove out into the Powder Wash section and started shooting at Joe Gutierrez, a rancher in that area. A group from the Powder Wash field came to Mr. Gutierrez' rescue and when Harrell tried to run a road block they shot his tires. He left the car and ran to a nearby wash and started shooting at the posse, which returned his fire and wounded him in the arm

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# Searching for a school superintendent; what a parent learned

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

**RANGELY I** I haven't been the parent of school-aged children for long. As of this fall, I'll be the mom of a kindergartner and a first-grader. I'm still negotiating the learning curve to understand what kids and teachers need from me at school.

There are permission slips to remember and snacks to bring. There's getting into the classroom to support the instructors and show my kids that all of this matters, a lot. There are opportunities to get more involved (like in the PTO—I haven't, yet) and keep developing relationships with my kids' staff, future teachers and administrators.

So far, if I had to grade myself as a parent of school-aged children, I'd give myself a B-minus, maybe a C-plus. My performance is only just above average. I'm the one who tends to forget my kid's snack day, no matter how many times it's labeled "EVENT" in my phone (capitals as shouting reminders absolutely intended). I get into the classroom to help many weeks but I miss some, too. I have to be reminded to show up for the book fair or allow my child to go on field trips. And my kids haven't even hit the in-school lunch grades yet.

The odd thing is that, despite

these misses on the most superficial of levels, I've had no problem assuming that I basically know what's happening in the schools. Based on the hour or two spent popping open milk containers and building block castles; based on the fact that I'm a teacher myself (let's face it, folks: teaching college does not equate to understanding the inner workings of K-12 education); based on biannual parent-teacher conferences and keeping up in a casual way with the goings-on in the district, somehow I've fooled myself into believing these markers have earned me a golden "All You Need to Know" ticket with which I can pat myself smugly on the back.

The problem is that from there follows an egregious assumption: that what I see on the surface is some sort of absolute reality.

Over the last couple of years, I have seen teachers using best practices but managing large classroom numbers with flagging resources. I've seen people come to work smiling and thought that meant job security and satisfaction. I've seen programs that have made a dent - but just a dent - in social dysfunction that runs far deeper than the average school day is long.

I've also been swayed by the rhetoric we read these days in every magazine, blog rant and Pew poll: that kids these days just don't care.

They report that teachers are underpaid, overworked and burnt out. They report that we're in the midst of a failing school system that's not reviving, no matter how much money we pump into it.



The statistics are sobering, and there's probably some truth to the rhetoric and what I've assumed from my blithe flits through the classroom. But looking from the outside in is a far cry from understanding the challenges and triumphs public school teachers, staff and administrators live day to day.

I beheld a glimpse of that truth last week as I sat on an interview committee for the RSD RE-4 superintendent's position, which was appointed to Matt Scoggins on Friday. The process ripped that golden ticket from my hand and had me saluting my fellow interviewers - and both superintendent candidates - all the way out the door.

*Until then, I didn't get it, and if I'm being honest, I still don't. But in spending time with these people for a few brief hours, I observed this:*

■ I saw two candidates whose

passion for public education and the purpose it serves was evidenced in their words, their resumes and their eyes.

■ I saw staff and teachers who want their administrators to understand, in a deeply empathetic way, their day-to-day struggles and successes.

■ I saw educators who approach their vocations with an intensity that leaves them equally exhausted and convinced that doing it well is critical to the health of a future generation and nation.

■ I saw people with very real concerns about state mandates looming on the horizon and their desire for a leader who can help guide them through the maze of those requirements.

■ I saw teachers who want to be held accountable so they can attain the standards pressing down more insistently with each school year.

■ I saw individuals who understand that larger social issues can pull the rug out from best-laid plans and that these issues have to be dealt with more holistically than with detentions and extra worksheets.

■ I saw administrators, staff and teachers who have seen superintendents come and go and who have strong beliefs about the traits a superintendent needs to move the district forward.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Visit our 100-year-old museum in Rangely

Dear Editor:

This past June marks the 100th anniversary for the final painting touches, two months later than expected, on the second oldest building in Rangely — the school house located at the Rangely Museum.

The school house was a replacement for a 19-year-old log school building that was found burning at 8 a.m. on April 10, 1911.

The cause of the fire is in dispute, but one common account is that it was caused by a dispute between cattle and sheep men.

The school was apparently fenced in and was reached by two gates. This would suggest there were two fences but no photograph of the school has been found to prove this.

As early as 1888, some White River cattle men threatened any Utah sheep men coming into Colorado. But in 1911, and for many later years, there were no permanent sheep people in the Rangely area.

Any sheep people at this time would have been transients from Utah. The most direct route would be to go southeast and cross the White Rive where the present eastern Rangely bridge is located. This would have been several blocks east of the school location.

The only other reasonable route would be to cross the White (a bridge then) about 12 miles west of Rangely and take the river road eastward into Rangely.

A second possible cause for the fire, according to the last surviving

grandson of Charles Hefley, is that it was deliberately set by Hefley (on whose land the school was located) because of a dispute between he and the school board.

The nature of this dispute, if any, is unknown. On the school board were president John Kenney (the grandfather of Kenneth Kenney), secretary Rosa Rector (the grandmother of Cheryl Robertson) and T.J. Divine (whose wife, Cora, was the half sister of Rosa's husband, Jim).

A third possible cause for the fire, held at first but soon discarded, is that it was a defective flue in the fireplace. A possibility, that it was a natural fire, as far as it is known, has not been suggested. However, the general consensus is that the fire was deliberate and the Hefley family story seems the most likely.

The first location of this school and into the late Forties was where the office of the Adora Inn is now located. It had been moved several times before its present and final resting place.

Pay homage to this aging 100-year-old beauty by visiting her at the museum.

Robert Haag  
Rangely

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## RBC DAYS GONE BY: Ivey takes over at CNCC

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and leg. He was taken to Craig and later to Denver.

■ Hunters planning to take to the field this coming hunting season should note several innovations approved by the Game and Fish Commission. Muzzle loaders take their place among the list of legal weapons starting this hunting season if the firearm is 40 caliber or larger.

■ The oil and gas industry accounted for more than \$13.5 million in revenue to state and local government during 1962, a tax study by the Rocky Mountain Oil and Gas Association showed this week.

■ 1963 marks the 75th anniversary of the opening of A. Oldland & Co., the oldest mercantile store in Rio Blanco County. In commemorating this 75th milestone, Mr. and Mrs.

John Oldland, who now manage the store, are having open house this week and will have special sales throughout the months of July celebrating their 75th anniversary.

■ Dr. Nathan A. Ivey, the new dean of Rangely Junior College, took over on Monday of this week. He succeeds Dr. Williams A. Medesy, who now becomes president of the Mesa College at Grand Junction.

*The Meeker Herald — 25 years ago*

■ Faced with one count of horse theft and four counts of forgery, local rancher Vern Wagner was found not guilty on all counts late Tuesday afternoon in Meeker by a nine-man, three-woman jury.

■ One of the highlights of this year's Fourth of July celebrations was the presence of the Ute Indians who came from southern Colorado to

participate in the weekend's events. The Utes were invited to come be a part of the Meeker Massacre Pageant and to demonstrate their dances as a symbolic move toward re-establishing friendship with the White River country and the people here. It had been more than 100 years since the Utes had visited and performed their ceremonies in the Meeker area.

■ With some help from WREA employees, the long-awaited boiler for the swimming pool finally arrived last Friday, and thanks to Larry Cowling and son, was installed shortly thereafter. The pool is now warm and enjoyable again and is again taken advantage of by hundreds.

■ It was almost a double record weekend for the Meeker Massacre "Run for Your Life" race this past July Fourth.

Colowyo Coal Co. employees and their families now have a Professional Employee Assistance Program center available in Meeker to help them, confidentially, with a wide variety of problems.

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they don't. Our committee didn't vote, but we sent what we saw as the candidates' strengths and challenges to the school board, as did the other committee.

On Friday, the bottom line was this: the board voted Scoggins in as Rangely's new superintendent. Some of us got our man and some of us didn't. And now it's the board's vision and Scoggins' followthrough that either will or will not take this district to a new level and a better place.

Will Scoggins be able to negotiate the learning curve required to make that happen? I certainly hope so. Will he need as much support as possible to do it? You bet.

This week, I return to my old post to look, once again, from the outside in. From there, I will venture this much — that the old saying keeps its potency for a reason: A house divided against itself cannot stand.

Unless the wise faculty, staff and administrators who make up the heart of this district and know its intricacies give Scoggins and the board a fighting chance to get it right - no matter their prior allegiances - that effort will most certainly fail.

The losers then won't be the group or faction that falls on one side or another of some imaginary dividing line. It'll be our kids.

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*Rangely Times — 50 years ago*

■ A 3,000-acre spruce budworm-control project on Pike National Forest was called off at the last moment this week by the U.S. Forest Service. Dwight Hester, branch chief, forest pest control, of the Rocky Mountain Region office, Denver, said the aerial spraying project "was all set to go - and suddenly the worms started dropping dead off the trees."

■ Mr. W.F. McCoy, mayor of Rangely, Mr. I.W. Cramer and Mr.

## What is the Unpardonable Sin? (4)

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

### Examples of this Trait (cont.)

Continuing our consideration of Matthew 12:31-32, last time we noted vivid examples of this trait of deliberate, calculated, and impudent unbelief.

*Fourth*, King Herod the Tetrarch is a truly dramatic demonstration of the unpardonable sin. Mark 6:20 says some-



■ **Dr. J.D. Watson**

thing very enlightening about Herod: "Herod feared John, knowing that he was a just man and an holy, and observed him; and when he heard him, he did many things, and heard him gladly."

"Feared" is the Greek verb *phobeō*. It actually comes from a verb that does not even appear in the New Testament *phobomai*, which literally means "to flee" and was used mostly by the Greek writer Homer. Later it referred to the physical emotion of fear, terror, and anxiety. It sometimes means respect, awe, and reverence, as in veneration of the gods. It is, of course, from this word group that we get the English *phobia*, an irrational fear of something. Why did Herod fear John the Baptist? Because he realized who John represented and recognized who empowered him.

But Herod had a problem, namely, his desire to marry Herodias, the wife of his brother Philip, unlawfully (Lev 18:16). So, Herod had to make a choice, and of course, he made the wrong one. It is Luke's account of this, however, that really paints the horrible picture: "But Herod the tetrarch, being reproved by [John] for Herodias his brother Philip's wife, and for all the evils which Herod had done, Added yet this above all, that he shut up John in prison" (Lk. 3:19-20, emphasis added).

Later, of course, Herod went on to have John beheaded simply to please the offended Herodias (Mk. 6:27). Ignoring the evidence of Who empowered John and disregarding what John said, Herod chose wrongly and willfully.

But that is not the end of Herod's story. Still racked

by guilt, upon hearing of the spreading fame of Jesus, Herod cried in terror, "This is John the Baptist; he is risen from the dead; and therefore mighty works do show forth themselves in him" (Matt. 14:2). Still later, Herod even tried to kill Jesus (Lk. 13:31).

It is then that Herod's true unpardonable state is revealed when Jesus was brought before him. Luke 23:9 declares, "[Herod] questioned with [Jesus] in many words; but he answered him nothing." J. Sidlow Baxter masterfully concludes here:

"The voice of God which had been knowingly and systematically silenced in [Herod's] life will not speak any more! In his rage and frustration, Herod now has Jesus "set at naught" by his soldiers, and "mocked"; but Jesus remains mute. The voice of God speaks no more. The man who would not shall not . . . Such is the unpardonable sin, and such is the process leading to it" (emphasis Baxter's).

*Fifth*, Jesus' lament over Jerusalem. In a replay of history, Jerusalem is again in the depths of sin. As Jeremiah did in his day, it is our Lord Himself who weeps this time:

"O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, thou that killest the prophets, and stonest them which are sent unto thee, how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, and ye would not! Behold, your house is left unto you desolate" (Matt. 23:37-38, emphasis added).

Like the belligerent Pharisees in our main text, the nation itself was too far gone to repent. While some would come to believe at the Day of Pentecost, and while Israel will be grafted back into the "olive tree," a symbol of privilege (Rom. 11), many in that generation (and in our own) are unpardonable. We'll conclude our series next time.

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### BLM YOUTH HIKE ...



Local youth helped the BLM install a permanent trail registry while on a hike with BLM staff on May 14. Youths participating in the project ranged from 9 to 11 years of age.

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### SHEEPHERDER HELPERS...



Rangely's Juan Chumacero, Sr., left, and Colorado Mesa University Spanish professor Tom Acker, left, were recognized for their service to sheepherders and other Hispanic immigrant groups on June 23. Both men received the John Kiernan Award at a ceremony and dinner celebrating the third anniversary of Western Colorado's Hispanic Affairs Project (HAP), a non-profit organization focused on "leadership formation, community organizing and advocacy" for Hispanic immigrants. For decades, Chumacero and his wife, Aurora, have sought out the sheepherders in the area, building relationships with and materially assisting the mostly Peruvian and Mexican migrant workers. Acker, who sometimes works with Chumacero, helped found the HAP and works for Colorado immigrant rights among other social justice projects. Chumacero said that while the ceremony was wonderful, he never expected the recognition and that he and Aurora find deep satisfaction in connecting to isolated sheepherders living and working in difficult, rugged conditions.

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## Free fishing clinic set at Steamboat Lake

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Registration for the event will begin at 9 a.m. at the park. Young anglers between the ages of 6-12 will have an opportunity to learn the basics of fishing from Colorado Parks and Wildlife officers, including fish identification, casting, cleaning their catch and rules and regulations.

"We will focus on having a great time while learning valuable skills," said District Wildlife Manager Libbie Miller of Steamboat Springs. "Fishing is a great way for kids to enjoy the outdoors and we look forward to seeing them come out for a fun-filled day."

Miller stresses that fishing teaches kids important lessons about

Colorado's natural resources. She reminds parents, siblings, grandparents, or anyone who has time to take a kid fishing that it is an enjoyable and memorable experience.

"Kids will remember fishing trips forever," added Miller. "Once they learn the basics, it could lead to a lifelong love of the outdoors."

After the clinic, participants are invited to spend the afternoon at the park and attend a lesson on how to do a Gyotaku, a Japanese fish printing arts and crafts project, beginning at 3 p.m. Later that evening, everyone can enjoy a fireworks display at the park.

The Kid's Fishing Clinic is free; however, each vehicle that enters the park must display a Colorado State Parks annual pass or \$7 daily pass.

Parents and guardians must stay with their children during the clinic and are reminded to dress for the weather and bring all necessary supplies, including water, snacks, sunscreen and insect repellent.

### 4-H CLEANUP...



COURTESY PHOTO

Members of the Rangely 4-H Club and several of their parents cleaned up a mile of Highway 139 on June 17 as part of the Adopt-A-Highway program. 4-H coordinator Jayda Lewis said the turnout was better than she expected. "I think everyone had a good time," she said. "They all had really good attitudes, which made it fun." Lewis thanked Rio Blanco County deputy sheriff Rich Garner for his help managing traffic during the cleanup.

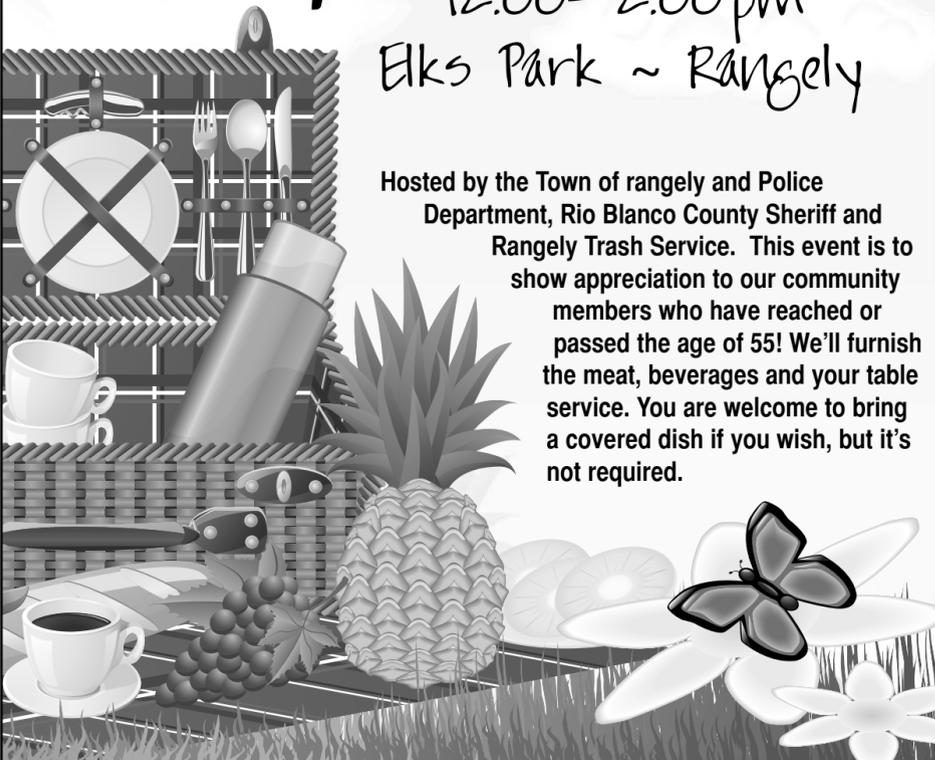
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## AIR ATTACK...



HEATHER ZADRA

Coulter Aviation of Meeker completed its third round of mosquito spraying Monday around and outside the city limits of Rangely on Monday. This was their first of three spraying runs that will take place during the summer.

# First round of aerial spraying complete

By HEATHER ZADRA  
Special to the Herald Times

**RANGELY** | The Town of Rangely completed aerial insecticide spraying earlier this week, the first of three rounds scheduled through the summer months.

Coulter Aviation of Meeker, the company that does the spraying, uses Kontrol 30-30 around Rangely but not directly in town, Rangely Town Manager Peter Brixius said. Product advertisements claim that the insecticide is safe to use around crops, livestock, residential areas, and woodlands.

Brixius said that the town uses the aerial spray, slow-release insecticide briquettes, and a malathion fog to help control insect populations in town.

"The planes don't actually spray in town," Brixius said. "They hit all of the areas around town and get almost out to the dam, then go a little bit west of us downriver. In town, we focus on parks, the golf course—where there are a lot of green areas."

However, Brixius isn't aware of an effective agent to treat the seemingly higher population of gnats this year.

"There is no spray that I'm aware of that deals with gnats," he said. "The only thing we can control is mosquitoes. Gnats are kind of a seasonal thing. They live by their own rules."

## WELLE: Many challenges

► Continued from Page 1A

general manager of WREA in 2001, following Joe Holeyfield, Welle was quick to point out that it isn't his success alone, but many people's success within the electric co-op that the company was able to deal with the county's population/employment explosion from 2007 through 2011.

"When the boom began, we were challenged with building the co-op up to handle the rush, and several people should get credit for that," he said. "Our need was to serve the customer and we had a heck of a time getting that done—but we did."

"We had to expand our lines, our personnel and our overall operation to upsize in order to do what needed to be done," he said. "We all did a great job in a short time, and the overall effort made by everyone really makes me proud."

Welle said the company grew from an 18-megawatt system in 2007 to 130 megawatts by 2011. In the same timeframe, business soared from \$5 million in sales in 2007 to \$65 million in 2011.

"That, by any business standards, is incredible growth," Welle said. "And since then, the company has stayed fairly stable. We've seen small dips and then small rises, but we have pretty well remained stable the last two years despite the drop in business and population since the peak in 2011."

Regarding personal successes, Welle is proud that he was able to rise to the head of a multi-million-dollar association through the "boots to suits" method, meaning he started at the bottom and got to the top without benefit of a college education or diploma.

"This is a tough way to rise through any corporation and even tougher now," he said. "But it can still be done. I believe I have had a great career although it was filled with challenges, mandates and regulations—and it will continue to get even tougher."

Customer satisfaction is another topic that brings pride to Welle and his co-workers.

"Every three years a national customer satisfaction survey is done," Welle said. "In the last survey, we came in No. 2 in the nation with a 92 percent satisfaction rating from our co-op customers."

"This company gives customer relations a very high priority, and I am very proud of our relationship with our customers," he said.

"We may not fare as well next time due to the fact that Gov. Jon Hickenlooper signed Senate Bill 13-252, which will raise our rates because of what we will have to pay for the electricity. It won't be this company hiking rates but the necessary rate increase pass-through

brought about by the law because it is going to cost us more to buy electricity in the first place."

Regarding frustrations, Welle said, "There are many. Most importantly we need affordable, reliable electricity. We can all agree to some extent on global warming, but when you add the politics involved, a true lack of science involved and an incredible array of regulations by the feds and the state, it becomes almost too much to deal with."

"I felt a lot of optimism with Gov. Hickenlooper; his background has served the state well," Welle said regarding SB-252. "I believe he may have higher political hopes and he needs business backing from the Front Range for that."

"SB 252 was pushed quickly and quietly through at the end of the (legislative) session," he added. "We know he had misgivings on SB-252, and he did the right thing in addressing the bill."

"However, I don't agree with him signing what he knew was flawed legislation into law," Welle said. "There are several major gaps in the law and we have strong hopes that in the next legislative session, the bill will be fixed."

Welle is concerned about the short-term effects.

"We in the rural areas of Colorado could see some major increases over a very short time frame," he said. "We know that wind power is affordable; solar is not—more technology is needed."

"What we don't need is another mandate from the state," he said. "There is already research going on, and we co-ops will work to do what we can to fix SB-252 and to deliver power as economically as possible."

Regarding Welle's future, full and immediate retirement won't become a reality for a while.

"I will continue to consult for the co-op for a while and work with Tri-State (WREA is one of 44 co-ops in Colorado that own Tri-State)," Welle said. "We will be staying in Meeker although we may visit the southern climates during the winter."

"My career here in Meeker and with WREA has been such an honor and pleasure," he said. "It has been a very challenging career but just as rewarding."

"It is time to go," he said. "I have wanted to do more fishing and relaxing."

"We have a good mix of members on the WREA board; they are younger in age and you can see the changes in their mindset," Welle said. "The co-op is in good hands, and I see a good choice in Alan Michalewicz to take over on Oct. 1. He will be here in August, so I expect him to be fully ready to jump right in and lead WREA where it needs to go in the future."

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# 128th Annual Meeker RANGE CALL Celebration

## JULY 4-7, 2013



**Ethel Starbuck, 95, and Joe Sullivan, 93, will serve as grand marshals for the Range Call Annual Fourth of July Parade on Thursday. The couple stands out among long-time residents for their involvement in the community and the many projects they have undertaken and completed throughout many years.**

COURTESY PHOTO

## MARSHALS: STARBUCK, SULLIVAN

By HALLIE BLUNT

Special to the Herald Times

**MEEKER** I In the universal quest of living life to the full, perhaps success can best be measured by how sincerely you give of yourself, maintain a positive outlook and take every opportunity to make each day a time to enjoy, to give and to share with someone.

Ethel Starbuck and Joe Sullivan, the grand marshals of the 2013 Meeker Range Call Parade, have achieved that kind of success so fully it has strengthened, and possibly lengthened, their lives. Now 95 and 93 years old, respectively, the couple remains active in the community.

Ethel came to Meeker in 1941. She had been a teacher at Adams State College in Alamosa, Colo., after receiving her bachelor's degree from the University of Northern Colorado in Greeley and her master's degree in business education at Western State College in Gunnison, Colo.

When she arrived in Meeker, "We had two horseshoe shops and a grain elevator," she said. She worked first as a substitute teacher while her two children were small. In 1953, she accepted a full-time teaching position as the business education teacher and taught for 30 years before her retirement in 1983. She was an exceptional teacher. A picture of the United States Air Force Thunderbirds is framed above a letter from Captain Tony Seely, thanking her for her influence. When her picture was posted on Facebook recently, former students responded, all echoing the influence she had on them.

A parent whose three children were taught by "Mrs. Starbuck" said, "She was probably the best teacher for the kids, ever." She had a way ... with the kids in a sincere, intelligent,

respectful manner, and the result was an educational model worth copying.

Through the years, Ethel was also involved in other facets of the community. She was a member of the Meeker Investment Group, served as the Chapter B.A. of the P.E.O., was a member of the Meeker Golf Association, the Colorado Education Association and the National Education Association. She regularly attended photography classes at CNCC.

Joe came to Meeker in 1946 after World War II. He volunteered for the Army Air Corps the day after the attack on Pearl Harbor and was sworn in on Dec. 10, 1941. He served four years, working as a crew chief on B-24, B-26, A-20, B-29 and C-47 airplanes in Biloxi, Miss. After returning to Meeker, he raised wheat. Joe was a member of the Soil Conservation District, president of the Colorado Wheat Growers Administrative Committee, chairman of the town's planning commission for 10 years, a member of the Mined Land Reclamation Commission of Colorado for seven years, a member of the ASC Committee, which administered farm programs for Rio Blanco County, and as a board member of the White River Historical Society and co-chair of the Milk Creek Battlefield Park Project.

"I believe very strongly in history," he said. His work on the Milk Creek project is worth the trip. The military monument has been relocated near the Indian monument and a fence and beautiful entry into the site erected. The Milk Creek Battle was an important military encounter between the U.S. Army and the Native Americans. The Milk Creek project intends to provide both perspectives.

Together, Ethel and Joe have always enjoyed horseback riding,

ranching, fishing, reading, dancing, photography and traveling. The two took a boat trip from the Ladore Canyon entry to Dinosaur in 1995. They became very involved in Elderhostels — also known as road scholar programs — which are educational trips around the country and abroad. Ethel received an award for attending 30 Elderhostels. Joe and Ethel have visited Central Arizona College; Seashore Methodist Assembly in Biloxi, Miss.; Austin Peay State University in Clarksville, Tenn.; Kansas Cosmosphere and Space Center in Hutchinson, Kan.; Wonder Valley Ranch and Conference Center in Sanger, Calif.; and Road Scholar in Tucson/Rio Rico, Ariz. They have driven to their destinations, often taking the opportunity to visit combined families along the way. On their trip to Biloxi, they took a quick detour north to Memphis and even took a ride on a modern cotton picker along the way.

Both are members of the United Methodist Church of Meeker.

"Rio Blanco County is the center of the universe for us," they said. "It has the nicest scenery and the nicest people."

They have seen the community change a lot since 1941, from being primarily agricultural to being more energy and service-based now. But their love for the area and their friends and their families has not changed.

Ethel's many great-grandchildren are a source of pride and joy.

Joe and Ethel are an example of how to show respect for one another: they never interrupt and they truly listen when the other speaks. They converse in a gentle, intelligent and sincere manner.

They plan on continuing to ride and be active in the community as long as possible.

## A history of the Meeker Massacre Pageant

Special to the Herald Times

*Editor's note: A cornerstone of each year's Range Call celebration is the re-enactment of the Meeker Massacre. The pageant was first presented in 1938 and has undergone considerable changes over the years as can be seen from this story, published in the July 4, 1968 edition of the Meeker Herald:*

**RBC** I Mrs. Weaver Barrett is now well under way in the gathering of information concerning past pageants of the Meeker Massacre, which will be summarized and preserved for her own use and possibly for the historical society.

Mrs. Barrett, county superintendent of schools, has very capably and willingly served as director, and in the reading of past reviews of the pageant, she has already expressed her anticipation in next year's presentation with the possibility of bringing back into the pageant parts that were once a part of the early show.

The first record of the pageant being presented was in 1938. Taken from the June 20 files of the *Meeker Herald*, Mr. Lytle commented:

"We said there are all kinds of entertainment planned and there will be a pageant which will portray the history of the White River country from the time of the coming of the Spaniards up until after the valley was settled by the rancher and stockman. There is a wonderful historic setting and LaRoy Purdy and the Auxiliary are putting in hours and hours of hard work to make it a success."

In 1939, the second presentation was again given, and this time titled "Echoes of the Past."

"The ladies of the Auxiliary have worked for months on this program, which took so well last year. There will be a larger cast than last year and better lighting effects."

In 1940, Douglas Sanderson directed "Echoes of the Past" with the assistance of Grettle Porter,

Dorothy Tillinghast and May Norman, together with a cast of 150 people. The show was presented two nights and there was some disappointment as the crowd did not justify the two performances, and, in a word of appreciation published from Douglas Sanderson, we read, "Due to the lack of people to take part, we were forced at the very last to entirely eliminate four new scenes which were to have taken place on the hillside and cliffs east of the grandstand."

It was then dropped until 1954, when Mrs. Barrett finds it was again revived by Lenore Kyner, the Sheriff's Posse and the Chamber of Commerce. This was under the direction of Eddie May. It was a part of a variety program including the Koshare Indians and fireworks by the firemen. Lenore Kyner did much research and wrote a script for the continuity and action.

The following year Elliott Roosevelt revised this material and became the narrator and director for the one given the following year, titled "The Last Days of the Utes." From the Rocky Mountain News reprint we read the following account of the production.

The *Rocky Mountain News* gave the Meeker celebration some fine publicity in their Tuesday edition. Bill Breneman, their roving reporter who is better known as "Willie Columbine," was in Meeker Sunday and Monday for the celebration.

The following is Mr. Breneman's story:

**Ol' West Roars Back To Life in Meeker**

Meeker, July 4: The old west roared back into lust life in this Western Colorado town Monday as more than 7,000 persons jammed in to celebrate the Fourth of July. Every hotel and motel has been long sold out and Cliff Meyers, president of the Commercial Club, Meeker's Chamber of Commerce, said even camping space was at a

premium.

**Attack Recreated**

The highlight of the weekend celebration was the re-enactment of the Meeker Massacre by the Mounted Sheriff's Posse of Rio Blanco County.

Sheriff Russell Harp and Undersheriff Frank Beck led more than 250 townspeople and ranchers in recreating the famed Indian attack before a crowd of thousands at the fairgrounds.

Elliott Roosevelt, son of the late President Franklin Roosevelt, who now operates a commercial cattle ranch on the White River, 22 miles east of Meeker, narrated the events, which led up to and through the famous tragedy, the last stand of the Utes in Colorado.

Again the idea was dropped for a number of years.

During the winter of 1957 and 1958, the Range Call Committee with the Chamber of Commerce discussed the possibility of having the pageant. In '58, Curtain Call, a local little theater group, was asked to organize and produce it. They accepted and appointed a committee: Frank Cooley, Bob White, Jim Wilson, Sue Ann Smith and Rex Hester. Dorothy Barrett was asked to be the director and it is in this capacity that she continued.

At that time a great deal of research was done that spring; book lists and document lists were studied by members of the committee. Mrs. Dorothy Croisant was asked to write a script which might be used as a narration for the action. This is included in Mrs. Barrett's scrap book.

From all these sources, John Wix, who happened to return to Meeker in 1958, wrote the script which he narrated with such meaning and expression that the audience is thoroughly captivated.

Some additions and changes are made each year, but history remains history and authenticity is still the backbone in the planning.



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The Meeker Pageant will start at dusk Friday, July 5 at the Rio Blanco County Fairgrounds in Meeker.

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Volunteers, from left, Fernando Quintero and Thony Juarez of Luke Renninger Log Homes, James Morrell, Troy Claussen, and Jorje Salas, who is also with Luke Renninger Log Homes, put the finished wiring and walls up Monday in time for the unveiling of the Rio Blanco County Veterans Memorial on the front lawn of the Rio Blanco County Courthouse in downtown Meeker. The statue will be unveiled and dedicated following the Fourth of July Parade on Thursday. The VFW chapters in Meeker and Rangely raised \$120,000 in cash or in-kind work to complete the statue, which honors all veterans of all wars and peacetime from Rio Blanco County. Former Marine Sgt. Tom Kilduff, past commander of the Meeker VFW, said Rio Blanco County has one soldier still missing in action from Vietnam, U.S. Air Force Capt. Mark Giles Danielson, who had his AC-130A shot down June 18, 1972.

## MEMORIAL HONORS COUNTY VETS

By SEAN McMAHON  
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**MEEKER** The ground was broken in early June on the lawn and sidewalk at the Rio Blanco County Courthouse, but the statue and the stone/concrete construction of the actual Rio Blanco County Veterans Memorial will be unveiled and dedicated in downtown Meeker on Thursday after the parade.

The memorial honors the first soldiers who garrisoned Rio Blanco County and continues to honor all men and women in the Armed Forces up through the current conflicts in the Middle East and Afghanistan – of all ranks and service.

The sculpture is a joint venture between VFW Post No. 5843 in Meeker and VFW Post No. 5261 in Rangely.

Joe Dungan, the veteran services officer for Rio Blanco County as well as for VFW Post No. 5843, said, "This is a memorial to all the men and women of Rio Blanco County who have ever fought for our county."

He said the county commissioners approved the memorial and then the VFWs set about raising their goal of \$93,500 in cash.

"Along with the cash goal, we had many people and companies help out with in-kind donations," Dungan said. "All together, the project has raised about \$120,000."

Dubbed "Sacrifice and Resolution," the sculpture is a bronze of a 1-1/4 -life-sized modern-day infantry soldier, sculpted by Meeker resident John Kobald.

Kobald grew up in Illinois and started creating art under the guidance of his father, Ray, who is also a widely respected artist.

John has said he is honored to create this sculpture since he is part of a military family – his father was in the U.S. Air Force, his brother a Navy



pilot and John was a commissioned officer in the U.S. Army. John's paintings and sculptures are in private, corporate and public collections around the world.

The location in front of the courthouse is a reminder of our freedoms and of those who served to protect them. The soldier will face west, "vigorously climbing upward with the evening sun to highlight his features," a fundraising brochure states.

The base will be constructed of the same stone that is on the courthouse and will hold plaques for military branches.

The brochure also states, this is "a memorial to the first pioneers, many of whom fought in the Civil War and who established the nation's first

service organization, the Grand Army of the Republic. The memorial honors those who served in the Spanish-American War and World War I. Those two wars alone were a watershed moment for America, a time when an isolationist nation involved itself in world affairs and began the rise to the economic and military power that America is today.

"From Europe to the far Pacific, our soldiers defended freedom in World War II. Our men held back the threat of communism subsuming Asia during the Korean War. In Vietnam we protected the defenseless. More recently, our military has defined and taken down numerous threats to American interests world wide, emanating from the Middle East."

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Barn Dance	9pm - 1am	Fairgrounds

### FRIDAY, JULY 5

Pre-Pageant Entertainment	7pm	Fairgrounds
Meeker Massacre Pageant	Dusk	Fairgrounds

### SATURDAY, JULY 6

Milk Creek Battle Site Tours	10am	Museum
CPRA Slack	8am	Fairgrounds
Twang & Bang Tournament	9am-1pm	Gun Range
CPRA Rodeo	2pm	Fairgrounds
Concert- Gloriana	7pm (Gates open @ 5pm)	Fairgrounds
— opening act Last Men On Earth		
Barn Dance	10pm - 1am	Fairgrounds

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# 128th annual Range Call Celebration kicks off today

— Gloriana to headline annual Range Call concert Saturday night —

Special to the Herald Times

**MEEKER** Endurance, perseverance and stubborn tenacity were characteristic of Meeker's pioneer settlers. Today's residents share those same traits, living in a community that continues to survive, thrive and succeed in spite of booms and busts, droughts and floods, times of plenty and times of want.

In 1855, those early settlers came together to celebrate the birth of our nation and perhaps to celebrate another year of beating the odds. Many small towns in the late 19th century held community-wide Fourth of July activities with horse races, picnics, parades and speeches. To these traditional events, the town of Meeker added a community rodeo.

Dubbed "Range Call" in the late 1930s - Meeker's Fourth of July celebration evolved into a three- or four-day summer festival with world-class entertainment, one of the best fireworks displays in the state, historical reenactments performed by local residents, and, yes, rodeo. Meeker's Range Call carries the honor of being the longest-running annual rodeo in the state of

Colorado.

This year's festivities began Wednesday night with a free showing of "The Music Man" and continue through Sunday.

Highlights include the Meeker Massacre Pageant (a theatrical reenactment of the Meeker massacre) on Friday, musical groups Gloriana and Last Men On Earth in concert Saturday, a community Independence Day parade on Thursday, followed by a host of downtown amusements including an open air art exhibit, free live music and the dedication of the new Rio Blanco County Veterans Memorial at the Rio Blanco County Courthouse following the parade. The demolition derby on Thursday before the fireworks, the CPRA rodeo on Saturday, and a multitude of other family friendly events add to the fun and frolic, as well as the annual barn dances, on Thursday from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. and Saturday nights, from 10 p.m. to 1 a.m.

The ever-popular Ranch Rodeo - where local ranches have a chance to compete with each other for prize



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The Run for Your Life 5K Walk/Run will start the July 4, celebration with registration starting at 6:30 a.m., the run starting at 7:30 a.m., and the walk at 8 a.m.

money and coveted belt buckles — will begin Sunday at 11 a.m. and will include the kids events, held during the CPRA rodeo.

New this year: Jump for Jesus, a free motorcycle stunt show, will be held Sunday at 5 p.m. at the fairgrounds with free admission.

While a wide range of the weekend's events are free, you don't want to miss out on the rest of the fun during Range Call. Tickets are \$35 for adults, \$30 for kids under 12 and seniors over 55. Kids five and under are free.

Ticket prices do not include the pancake breakfast, 5K walk/run race or root beer floats. Single-event tickets are available at the gate, but the purchase of a Range Call wristband is by far the best bang for your buck.

Tickets are available for purchase online at [www.meekerrange-call.com](http://www.meekerrange-call.com), at the Meeker and Rangely chambers of commerce, at Shepard's Office Outfitters, Meeker Drugs and Wendell's Wondrous Things in Meeker and at at Murdoch's in Craig and Clifton.

## Run for Your Life 5K race

**MEEKER** Since 1979, locals and visitors alike have gathered in the early morning hours on July 4 for another kind of parade - the Run for Your Life 5K walk/run.

In the last 30-plus years, the annual race has grown to encompass hundreds of participants from all age groups.

The Herald Times was the original race sponsor, followed by the fire department, Meeker High School's cross-country team and the Eastern Rio Blanco Metropolitan Park and Recreation District.

The 5-kilometer course, just a little more than three miles, winds throughout Meeker's downtown residential area, covering familiar territory for most of the participants.

The top male and female finishers in the walking and running races receive prizes. Everyone receives a T-shirt for his or her \$15 registration fee. Registration starts at 6:30 a.m. The running race begins at 7:30 a.m. and the walking race at 8 a.m.

## Jumping for Jesus

**MEEKER** More than 65 years old, Gene Sullivan is the oldest and longest touring motorcycle jumper in the world today. His first professional program took place in August 1970 in Colorado.

Sullivan met Evel Knievel in late 1969, when his father, Prescott Sullivan, interviewed the famous stunt rider in San Francisco before the Cow Palace jump and fight with the Hell's Angels. The younger Sullivan stayed after the interview and ended up being hired as Knievel's personal bodyguard.

In May 1972, Sullivan had an encounter with Jesus Christ and left Knievel's organization. In 1978, Jump for Jesus Evangelism was formed.

The program, which includes Sullivan jumping a 30-foot gap and jumping through a wall of fire, has been performed in hundreds of locales around the world.

Sullivan lives in Billings, Mont., with his wife Ceci and four of their six children and 11 grandchildren. Visit [www.jumpforjesus.net](http://www.jumpforjesus.net) for more information.

The Jump for Jesus program will be performed Sunday at 5 p.m. at the Fairgrounds. It is a free event.

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# Celebrating America's 235 years of freedom

— Meeker VFW doesn't hold back —

By **TOM KILDUFF**  
VFW Post 5843 Commander  
Special to the Herald Times

**RBC |** One of the pillars of VFW's foundation is the promotion of patriotism. Love of country is high on our agenda, for it is the very basis for military service. What prompts many young Americans to join the armed forces is a genuine desire to defend their nation. Public displays of patriotism are relatively rare these days in the mainstream media. One place, however, that does not hold back is Meeker, Colo.

Officially kicking off on Flag Day and ending on Independence Day, there are occasions for a genuine outpouring of patriotism, no question about it.

"I just think our veins are filled with red, white and blue blood!"

It is refreshing to see such unabashed pride openly expressed at a time when it is too often dismissed by some as old-fashioned. Most veterans I know wholeheartedly agree that America is an exceptional nation. Though this may not be fashionable to say in certain circles, I believe it to be true. Our history and Constitution are evidence enough. America's Revolution, as it has been called, produced 'the first new nation.' Our

nation's ideology consists of a unique combination of individual liberty, equality of opportunity, popular governance and freedom to prosper.

Our national identity was molded by our Puritan roots, political republicanism and democraticism, social mobility, expansive population and rugged frontier spirit. These and other shared values made us the nation we are today.

As critics are quick to point out, of course, we have not achieved perfection. Yet, blemishes and all, America is still a nation that has much to be proud of. Ours is a past that must be passed down to "one generation after the next."

VFW Post 5843 carries patriotism and our nation's history into all of our Meeker schools, from preschool to the 12th grade.

So, let's celebrate America loud and clear, especially on holidays like Flag Day and Independence Day. By doing so we will send a message that America's history is worthy of recognition and praise. No one knows this better than the nation's war veterans.

Our VFW Post wants all veterans, war or no war, to come out from wherever you are standing in the parade and fall in behind us to show your "Patriotism to America."

## Meeker Range Call fireworks display still happening Thursday

**MEEKER |** People might think they have to head to the big city for a decent fireworks display, but Meeker residents and Range Call attendees know better. Thanks to a dedicated team of volunteers and community support, Meeker's annual Fourth of July fireworks display gets better every year.

The fireworks show in Meeker began almost 30 years ago with "a few guys" — Bren Sullivan, Roger Clare and Jim Riegel, among others. Unlike many towns, Meeker's fireworks show is entirely dependent on public and private donations.

The fireworks are ignited from the top of the hill near Highland Cemetery. A team of 11 people, plus four fire department trucks and an ambulance, take time away from their own families on the Fourth of July to create a display that's easily comparable to any of the larger communities in the region.

The 11-person team includes three "can tenders," six loaders and two shooters. The loaders load the shells. The can tenders keep the lids on the trash cans in case there is a low break or a fire. The shooters have their own bank of shells.

The loaded fireworks can't be left unattended, so two crew members wait for dusk to fall.

After the 35- to 40-minute show the team stays around for an hour or so to check for stray sparks. The following day, the 4-H Sheep Club cleans up the area.

Donations can be sent to the Meeker Fire Department.

The proximity of the fireworks to town makes for great viewing from almost anywhere, but Meeker Town Park and Circle Park are perennial favorites. From those vantage points, the fireworks seem to be directly overhead. A collective round of "oohs" and "aahs" from the crowd accompanies the display in a fitting close to the celebration of our nation's independence.

This year's fireworks display will begin at dark on Thursday.

## CHAMBER OF COMMERCE HOSTING SEVERAL EVENTS

Special to the Herald Times

**RBC |** The Meeker Chamber of Commerce is excited to bring residents and Meeker visitors the Fourth of July Parade and downtown activities.

This year's parade, themed "Keeping Traditions Alive," is being sponsored and organized by the Meeker Chamber of Commerce. It is recommended that folks find or bring a comfortable seat to Main Street by 10 a.m. between Seventh and Fourth streets to watch the best "hometown" parade in Colorado.

After the parade, make your way to the courthouse lawn for the Rio Blanco County VFWs' unveiling of the Rio Blanco County Veterans Memorial bronze sculpture titled "Sacrifice and Resolution." This

sculpture is one of the first modern soldier memorials in the United States and the first in Colorado.

This memorial honors the men and women of Rio Blanco County who served in the armed forces of the United States during peace and war.

Gear up for fun family activities downtown following the sculpture dedication.

The Eastern Rio Blanco Metropolitan Recreation and Park District (ERBM) will be hosting the DJ, the bounce house and water inflatable; Faith Baptist Church will be hosting the barbecue; Meeker United Methodist Church will be offering pies for sale; Emmanuel Baptist church will be offering popcorn, sno-cones and great interactive puppetry; the Meeker Arts and

Cultural Council, Meeker Education Foundation and the Wagon Wheel OHV Club will each have information booths set up; Outdoor Adventure 4-H and the Girl Scouts will be selling parachute chord bracelets and offering fun games; the FCCLA will be hosting the annual Watermelon Eating Contest; Meeker Classic Sheepdog Trials will be welcoming all to participate in their "Minute-to-win-it" games; the Meeker Chamber of Commerce will have an information booth set-up and will be selling circus tickets and Meekeropoly games; and the Rio Blanco County Historical Society will be selling root beer floats.

The ERBM Recreation and Park District will also be hosting this year's "Main Street Madness" 3-on-3 basketball tournament starting at 1

p.m. on the old elementary school courts. Rounding out this year's downtown events will be the Rio Blanco County Historical Society's Bank Robbery Re-enactment at 3 p.m. in the intersection of Sixth and Main streets.

Folks should arrive early for the Rio Blanco County Masonic Lodge pancake breakfast at 7 a.m., and the ERBM Recreation and Park District's "Run for your Life" 5K run/walk, with registration at 5:30 a.m.

Plan to stay the day participating in great community activities.

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# Award-winning musical trio Gloriana

Special to the Herald Times

**MEEKER I** From the band's earliest days, the members of Gloriana have always known that good things take time. The country trio first came together in 2008, when brothers Tom and Mike Gossin moved into Rachel Reinert's Nashville apartment. Together they spent months in cramped quarters, surviving on Ramen noodles while trying to shape their sound.

"Gloriana are three people who have played music for their entire lives," says Mike. "But we never really caught a break until coming together. Tom and I played in bars for 10 years, but it wasn't until the three of us got together that we knew we had something special."

That something special has held Tom, Mike and Rachel together through all manner of personal and professional struggles over the past several years: from relationship upheavals, to the departure of bandmate Cheyenne Kimball, to long stretches away from loved ones on the road, to wondering whether their music would ever catch fire.

Fortunately it did when Gloriana's 2009 self-titled debut album soared to No. 2 on the Billboard Country Albums chart propelled by the gold-certified single "Wild At Heart." That same year, they spent two years on the road with Taylor Swift and won an American Music Award for Breakthrough Artist and a coveted American Country Music award for Top New Vocal Group in 2010.

It's been a minute since that heady time, but the wait has been worth it. The band's first single "Kissed You Good Night," from A Thousand Miles Left Behind, achieved several career milestones for Gloriana. It was the fastest-rising single of their career, certified GOLD by the R.I.A.A., and is the fifth most-played song on Country Radio for 2012.

There is no question that their new music marks the beginning of a new chapter in the group's creative evolution - a willingness and confidence to write songs taken from personal experience and introspection.

Gloriana released its new single "Can't Shake You" and it has quickly become a standout track from A Thousand Miles Left Behind with fans routinely commenting on how relatable the song is for the struggles to move on after a break up.

"Can't Shake You," written by Tom Gossin, Stephanie Bentley and James Slater, is currently climbing the charts with the accompanying video in rotation at CMT and GAC.

The members of Gloriana come by their bona fide songwriting talents through a lifetime steeped in music.

Born in the upstate New York town of Utica, Tom and Mike were raised by parents who "worshipped songwriters," Tom says.

"My dad was always saying, 'Hold on, we've got to put the right song on for this' before anything could happen," he said. The boys, who both took up piano at age four, had an old-school upbringing, complete with Sunday dinner at their grandmother's house after church with their entire extended family clustered around a folding table.

"My dad was a truck driver and my mom cut hair in our kitchen for extra cash," Tom said. "Being from a poor family and living in the middle of nowhere — our lives were a country song. My parents were born and raised in Utica. People don't leave the area. I was the rebel kid who was like, 'I'm going to get the hell out of here, you just watch.'"

After graduating from high school at age 16, Tom enrolled at the University of North Carolina in Wilmington, then dropped out two years later to focus on music. By this time, Mike had followed him there and the brothers began playing gigs five nights a week, anywhere they could, to make money.

"My mom was like, 'Are you sure you don't want to go to community college?'" Mike recalls. "I said, 'No, Mom, this is going to work, trust me.' Before the brothers knew it, 10 years had passed.

"It breaks you down," Mike said. "It makes you look at yourself and wonder, 'Am I doing the right thing?'"

The Gossins decided to move to Nashville, which is where they met Florida native Rachel Reinert, who lived in Marietta, Ga., and Santa Ana, Calif., before signing a publishing deal at 16 and moving to Music City at 18 to launch a career as a singer-songwriter. Tom and Mike moved into her spare bedroom.

"They slept in the same bed with a mound of pillows separating them," Rachel says with a laugh. The group spent the next six months getting their sound together before sending a demo to Serletic's Emblem Music Group, which signed the band and set their



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**Musical group Gloriana will perform Saturday, July 6. Opening for Gloria In the Colorado group Last Men On Earth.**

burgeoning career in motion.

Their final show before hitting the road for two years with Swift in 2009 was at the sports bar Wild Wing Café in Columbia, S.C., where they were literally paid in chicken wings. Next thing they knew, Gloriana were performing for thousands of people at an arena in Evansville, Ind.

For the past three years, they have toured constantly, opening for such artists as Alan Jackson, Jason Aldean, The Zac Brown Band and Brooks & Dunn. In 2010, the band launched its first nationwide headlining trek, "The Long Hot Summer Tour."

"The first night we opened for Alan Jackson, we asked him if he had any advice for a group starting out, and he said, 'Man, it's all about the music; make sure you stay true to the music,'" Mike said.

"I think through the growth of this band and all the ups and downs of this roller coaster ride that we've been on, it feels like we've finally found our place. 'A Thousand Miles Left Behind' is it; it just feels right," Mike continued. "This is us, Gloriana, singing about where we are in our lives and the experiences we've had. That's what country music is all about."

The Last Men On Earth will play Saturday at the Fairgrounds with country trio Gloriana. Gates open at 5 p.m. and the concert starts at 7 p.m. Tickets are available online at [www.meekeerrangecall.com](http://www.meekeerrangecall.com) or at the gate.

## Kids' events add to the fun at Ranch Rodeo

**MEEKER I** Don't miss the Ranch Rodeo and Calcutta, which start at 11 a.m. Sunday at the Rio Blanco Fairgrounds.

Local ranches — some of which have been around as long as Range Call itself - compete in events taken from daily ranch life, like trailer loading.

The Ranch Rodeo is accompanied by another thoroughly enjoyable spectator sport: the Kids' Events. There's nothing quite like watching a herd of toddlers tumble into a heap of straw in search of treasures.

Sponsored by the Eastern Rio Blanco Metropolitan Park and Recreation District, the Kids' Events provide a show for the ranch rodeo crowd as well as some fun entertainment for hot, thirsty kids who might just be bored watching the rodeo.

Children as young as 1-year-old and up to the age of 12 "compete" in all kinds of activities designed to show kids a good - albeit messy - time.

Held on the track in front of the grandstands, the Kids' Events are free with admission to the Ranch Rodeo and begin after the Calcutta during the Ranch Rodeo on Sunday at 11 a.m.

Be prepared for dirty, wet or gooey kids to join you in the grandstands afterward!

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**MEEKER I** White River Museum at 565 Park St. is open every day. Colorado's only curio museum. See fascinating exhibits such as Teddy Roosevelt's chair, Native American exhibits, pioneer art and artifacts and much more!

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■ The Rio Blanco County Pioneer Association's famous root beer floats and pastries will be served during and after the Range Call parade, 10 a.m., July 4; during and after the Bank Robbery Re-enactment, July 4 at 3 p.m., and before and during the concert at the fairgrounds on Saturday, July 6, 5 p.m. Fundraisers support the White River Museum programs and projects.

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Complementing the rodeo action each year are a variety of enjoyable events including concerts, the annual barn dance, historical reenactments, plenty of food and activities downtown.

The Fourth of July parade is always a highlight of Range Call and is accompanied by other smaller local events such as a pancake breakfast, 5K run, and root beer floats provided by the Rio Blanco County Historical Society. Join us once again in 2013 as we celebrate the 128th Meeker Range Call.

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(Above) With the theme "Gone but not Forgotten," Pioneers Medical Center won "Best of Show" for its float in the annual Range Call parade. (Right) The Meeker Arts and Cultural Council Range Call parade float. (Bottom left) Local attorney Joe Fennessy walked tall in the parade, promoting the 2012 Capitol Christmas Tree which is coming from Meeker. (Bottom right) Santa and Mrs. Claus rode on the White River National Forest's float in celebration of the Colorado Christmas Tree.



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**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2013**

- 7 am Preliminary Runs 42 dogs
- 9 am Artisan & Food Festival; Art Contest

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2013**

- 7 am Preliminary Runs 42 dogs
- 9 am Artisan & Food Festival; Art Contest
- 5-7 pm Art Contest Reception & Lamb Cook Off (Wilber Barn Trial Site)

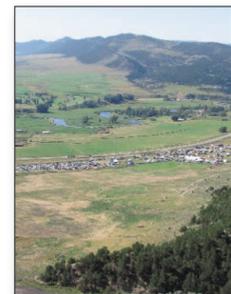
**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2013**

- 7 am Preliminary Runs 41 dogs
- 7-9 am Pancake Breakfast, RBC Masons (Trial Site)
- 9 am Artisan & Food Festival; Art Contest Demonstrations
  - Spinning, weaving, felting, leatherwork, pottery (in vending area)
  - Educational displays & Seminars: (education tent)
    - BD Training & Ownership; range mgmt. & predators, sheep shearing, wool waulking
  - Celtic Music, bagpipes (vending area)
  - WBC Rescue, FAA Petting farm, sheep camps
- 1-8 pm PEO Quilt Show (Old elementary school downtown)
- 1:30-4 pm Flyball and Agility Demonstrations
- 8:30 pm Film Away to Me (Old elementary school lawn-town)



**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2013**

- 7 am Semi-Final Eliminations, 30 dogs
- 7-9 am Pancake Breakfast, RBC Masons (Trial Site)
- 9 am Artisan & Food Festival; Art Contest Demonstrations
  - Spinning, weaving, felting, leatherwork, pottery (in vending area)
  - Educational displays & Seminars: (education tent)
    - BD Training & Ownership; range mgmt. & predators, sheep shearing, wool waulking
  - Celtic Music, bagpipes (vending area)
  - WBC Rescue, FAA Petting farm, sheep camps
- 9-5:30 pm PEO Quilt Show (Old elementary school downtown)
- 9-10:45 am Flyball and Agility Demonstrations
- 10:45-12 am Border Collie Handling Demo/Workshop (agility course)
- 12-1:30 pm Lunch Break
- 1:00 pm Stock dog Handling Demonstration
- 1:30 am Flyball & Agility Demonstrations
- 4-9 pm Free Celtic Rock Concert (Court House Lawn)
- 5-7 pm Lions Club Barbeque (Court House Lawn)
- 7 pm Jackpot Competition (Fairgrounds)



**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2013**

- 7-9 am Pancake Breakfast RBC Masons (Trial Site)
- 8:00 am Opening Ceremony
- 8:30 am Final Round - (First 6 of 12 dogs)
- 9 am Artisan & Food Festival; Art Contest Demonstrations
  - Spinning, weaving, felting, leatherwork, pottery (in vending area)
  - Educational displays & Seminars: (education tent)
    - BD Training & Ownership; range mgmt. & predators, sheep shearing, wool waulking
  - Celtic Music, bagpipes (vending area)
  - WBC Rescue, FAA Petting farm, sheep camps
- 9-10:45 am Flyball and Agility Demonstrations
- 10:45-12 pm Border Collie Handling Demo/Workshop (agility course)
- 12-1:30 pm Lunch Break
  - Woolgrowers Barbeque
  - Stock dog Handling Demonstration
- 1:30 pm Runs resume (last 6 dogs)
- 1:30-3 pm Flyball & Dog Agility Demos
- 4:00 pm Awards Ceremony (time approx.)



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# HISTORY AND LEADERSHIP OF PAGEANT 2013

## — 2013 Meeker Massacre Pageant: 'Twilight of the Ute Empire' —

Special to the Herald Times

**MEEKER** I All are welcomed to Meeker and the 128th Range Call celebration, and it is hoped that you will enjoy the 2013 presentation of "The Twilight of the Ute Empire."

On behalf of the cast and production staff, we will share with you how the pageant came to be, and has been enjoyed by appreciative audiences for many decades.

For more than 70 years, hundreds of Meeker residents have participated in the annual production of the Meeker Pageant. Some of them have participated continuously for decades and others for the first time. Performers represent a broad spectrum of community members, including young children, high school students, families, community leaders and senior citizens. Experienced veterans share their knowledge of the many parts with newcomers and so the continuity of the event is assured and enjoyed. Players have a great sense of

pride in their roles, telling the story of the Native Americans, colorful figures, courageous pioneers and the historical significance of these events, which shaped the community. Over the years and even today some of the players are direct descendants of the pioneering families who settled in the White River Valley and raised their families here.

The Meeker Pageant is a truly volunteer community effort and a premier event of the 128-year-old Range Call Fourth of July celebration. It would not be possible without the many talents and dedicated efforts of each volunteer player.

The present script for the pageant titled "The Twilight of the Ute Empire," was written by Margaret King and has evolved from the original effort by LaRoy Purdy, who conceived the idea of the historical re-enactment in 1938.

Among the notable script authors, narrators and pageant directors over the years are John



Highlights include a Wild West Variety Show and the Meeker Massacre Pageant (a theatrical re-enactment of the so-called Meeker Massacre).

Wix, Lenore Kyner, Dorothy Barrett, Elliott Roosevelt (son of President Franklin D. Roosevelt), Margaret King, Lynn Cooley, Syble

Barney, Hal Pearce, Steve Wix, Dave Cole, Ryan Stewart, Jason Hightower and Laurie Zellers.

Historical accuracy, balance and impartiality are essential elements of this production. Directors continue to research documents and interview descendants of the pioneers and Native Americans whose ancestors lived during those times. Accordingly, adjustments to the script have been periodically made over the years by a variety of authors and directors. Those efforts are reflected in this year's performance.

After a more than 130-year separation, a landmark effort toward reconciliation with the Northern Ute Tribe was made by local residents in 2008, with the hosting of a powwow that brought Utes from their Ft. Duchesne, Utah, reservation to Meeker. The events featured the Ute dancers in full regalia, cuisine, art, artifacts and cultural presentations to interested audience members and school children.

Notable presenters included

Roland McCook, renowned Ute historian and preservationist, and a direct descendant of Chief Ouray's wife, Chipeta. Clifford Duncan, also a noted Ute cultural icon and spiritual adviser for the powwow shared his insights. Others who were direct descendants of the pioneers met with direct descendants of some pioneer ranching families who had known and were friends with some of the White River Utes before their departure to Utah. New historical insights from the Ute perspective were shared by Roland McCook. Many ideas were envisioned toward ongoing reconciliation and openness between the two communities.

One of the topics was the Meeker Pageant's depiction of the conflict of 1879, which was felt to be in need of better balance and accuracy. It is to that end that changes have gradually been brought about in the production, and, with appropriate research in pursuit of historical accuracy and balance, will continue.

## Range Call Bank Robbery re-enactment a favorite of holiday events



The Rio Blanco County Historical Society serves root beer floats after the Bank Robbery re-enactment.

Special to the Herald Times

**MEEKER** I One of Meeker's claims to fame was the dramatic attempted robbery of the Bank of Meeker on Oct. 13, 1896.

As people have retold the event, there were a few hectic moments where bullets flew and danger was lurking. But, when the crisis was over, three "wanna be" bank robbers were dead.

Northwest Colorado Heritage relayed the incident this way:

"As the story goes, Jim Shirley and his gang tried to follow in the footsteps of Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid and thought they could easily pull off this banking heist. But Shirley underestimated the quick

draw citizens of Meeker as they quickly killed the thieves after just a few short minutes of a rowdy bullet exchange.

"News spread quickly throughout the nation of the adeptness of these frontiersmen, and the message was heard loud and clear to bandits far and wide: 'Don't Mess with Meeker.'"

Join us once again as Rio Blanco County Historical Society re-enacts the historic event right on the original location of 6th and Main streets, where the scenes will unfold as they did the day Jim Shirley and his gang went down in local history.

RBCS will be selling their famous root beer floats immediately following the parade until after the bank robbery re-enactment.



The first bank robbery in Meeker happened in 1896 and will be re-enacted Thursday, July 4, in downtown Meeker at 3 p.m. The RBC Historical Society puts on the event and serves root beer floats after the performance.

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# Meeker Range Call July 3 - 7



**July 3**

## FREE Movie Under the Stars

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**July 4 • Pancake Breakfast 7-10am** Sponsored by the RBC Masonic Lodge



**July 4**

## Run for Your Life • 5K Run/Walk

Run begins 7:30am • Walk begins 8:00am • Courthouse Lawn  
\$30. Register July 4 at Courthouse, 5:30-6:30am. No registrations after 6:30am.  
Registration includes t-shirt.



## July 4 Range Call Parade 10am • Main Street



**July 4**  
RBC Veterans Memorial  
Bronze Sculpture  
"Sacrifice and  
Resolution"  
dedication immediately  
following the Parade  
Sponsored by the VFW

## July 4 Downtown Activities

Following the Sculpture Dedication

FREE BOUNCE HOUSE, INFLATABLES, DJ, MUSIC • BY ERBM  
Following Sculpture dedication 'til 2pm

BBQ LUNCH • Faith Baptist Church • \$8

PIE SALES • Meeker United Methodist Church

Fun Filled Interactive Booths

ROOT BEER FLOATS • RBC Historical Society • \$4

WATERMELON EATING CONTEST



**July 4 • Bank Robbery Reenactment • 3pm • FREE**  
• Sponsored by Rio Blanco Historical Society



**July 4**

## Main Street Madness 3-on-3

Basketball Tournament

1 - 3pm • Old Elementary School  
Day of Registration & check-in Noon-1pm.  
\$40/team  
Day of registration does not include t-shirt



## July 7 Kids Events

11am RBC Fairgrounds  
FREE with admission to Ranch Rodeo



OBITUARY

Elizabeth 'Beth' Tucker

Dec. 28, 1932 ~ June 12, 2013

Elizabeth "Beth" Tucker, 80, of Grand Junction, passed away of natural causes before dawn on June 12. She was born to the late George and Sophie Foster on Dec. 28, 1932, in Craig, Colo.

Beth graduated from Moffat County High School in 1950 and attended Colorado State College of Education in Greeley. She was married from 1953-1978 to the late Vern Tucker, who worked in road construction. Together with their children they lived in towns on the Western Slope of Colorado, including Meeker, Craig and Dinosaur. They also lived as far away as Rossville, Kan. and spent several years together in Price, Utah.

As a mother, the words "mediocre" and "average" were not part of her vocabulary. She expected her children to do well in whatever they were interested in, whether it be academics, the arts or sports. While her children were growing up, she never missed a sporting event, a play or musical performance. She never missed a parent-teacher conference. She was a Cub Scout leader and taught girls sewing through 4-H. She taught her children the difference between right and wrong.

Beth followed several career paths during her lifetime, most notably being president for several years of the PTA for Reeves Elementary School in Price. She was instrumental in bringing the Head Start program to the school. It was under her direction that children from lesser financial means were fed breakfast as well as lunch in the school cafeteria.

While in Meeker, she served the Meeker Chamber of Commerce and was also deeply involved in Club 20, a group representing 20 Colorado counties who lobbied in Denver to protect the water rights of the Western Slope, ensuring that water would not be diverted to the Front Range. She was also, for a time, head of the Methodist's Women's Group.

It was in her later years, when she became the assistant manager at Courthouse Square, an apartment building for people with low incomes in Denver, that she truly found her calling. While her job description



Elizabeth Tucker

included collecting rents, overseeing the maintenance work of the seven-story building and bookkeeping. Beth went beyond her expected duties. She found (online) free or low-cost tickets for sporting

events and theatrical productions for the residents of Courthouse Square.

She busied herself, on her own time, taking resident after resident to medical appointments, sporting events, shopping and productions dealing with the arts. She assisted residents in finding government or private funding for health concerns and income shortfalls.

When she retired, she moved to the Grand Junction area, living first at The Oaks and then spending her final years at Eagle Ridge.

Beth loved sports. Her favorite teams included the Broncos, the Rockies and Nuggets as well as the University of Colorado's women's basketball team and the Tennessee Lady Volunteers. She loved to crochet, knit and embroider. She loved music, a love she has passed on to all her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She loved to sing. She loved to dance.

She is gone too soon.

Beth is survived by: her sister, Edith May, 94, of Cheyenne, Wyo.; a brother, Donald Foster, 90, of Phoenix, Ariz.; her children, Norman Tucker, of Bloomfield, N.M., Gary Tucker of Los Angeles, Calif., Verleen Tucker of Steamboat Springs and Paul and Keith Tucker of Grand Junction; two grandsons, Roy and James Neil Brumback of Longmont and Lafayette; and two great-grandchildren, Dylan and Makenna Brumback of Longmont.

Beth's Celebration of Life will be held at 11 a.m. on July 13 at the United Methodist Church in Meeker. A private interment will be held at Craig Cemetery in Craig.



The 117th Avenue Allstars from Denver joined the 101st Army Dixieland Jazz Band for a concert on the Rio Blanco County Courthouse lawn on June 21. More than 200 residents and visitors gathered to listen to a wide variety of tunes from the two bands, sponsored by the ERBM Recreation and Park District and enjoyed free root beer floats handed out by the Meeker Chamber of Commerce. The next concert on the courthouse lawn will be July 12, featuring the Cowboy Dave Band at 6 p.m.

SEAN MCMAHON

4-H LIVESTOCK JUDGING ...



The Rio Blanco County 4-H Livestock Judging Team fared well June 20 at the Colorado State Livestock Judging. Front row, from left, are team members Madi Shults and Maclaine Shults; back row, from left are team coordinator Clint Shults and member Sam Baylie. Not pictured is Ty Dunham. All members are holding ribbons for fourth overall team, fourth in reasons, third in swine and first-place in sheep judging. Madi Shults was fifth in swine, ninth in reasons, 10th in sheep and ninth high individual overall. She was named to the Colorado All-State Judging Team and received a \$250 scholarship to Colorado State University. Maclaine Shults was reserve champion in reasons, champion individual in sheep, fourth in swine and fourth overall. She was also named to the Colorado State All State Judging Team and received a \$250 scholarship to CSU.

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MEEKER-OPOLY GAME IS HERE



Meeker is "Meeker-opoly"! Many Meeker businesses have become part of the historical game as property, cards, money and photos to create Meeker-opoly! These games will be available for sale starting July 4th at local stores and events. Meeker-opoly will make great gifts and be fun for the whole family on game night!

BUSINESS HAPPENINGS

ART SHOW AT THE UPSTAIRS GALLERY

Through the month of July, the Upstairs Gallery, 592 Main Street #11, will be presenting an art show called "Glimpses of Meeker". Artist Pat Daggett will be showing her paintings of Meeker. Photographer Neil Bennett will present his faces of Meeker photos.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

More details about these JULY events can be found on our Community Calendar on our website  
www.meekeorchamber.com

Please visit our website to add your own public event! Items in bold are sponsored by the Meeker Chamber of Commerce. Events sponsored by others are indicated

- Jul 3 - Jul 8 128th Meeker Range Call
- Jul 3 "Active Adult" Game Day -Cards and Coffee (ERBM)
- Jul 4 **Downtown Parade**  
Upstairs Gallery Art Show  
"Glimpse of Meeker" (all month)  
Meeker Sportsman's Club Meeting
- Jul 8 Downsizers Unanimous
- Jul 9 'Active Adult' Gentlemens Club (ERBM)
- Jul 10 "Active Adult" Game Day -Cards and Coffee (ERBM)
- Skeeter the Clown at Meeker Public Library**
- July 12-14 Yoga Mountain Retreat at Ute Lodge
- Jul 13 Culpepper & Merriweather Circus**
- Jul 16 'Active Adult' Gentlemens Club (ERBM)  
Town Council Meeting
- Jul 17 "Active Adult" Game Day -Cards and Coffee (ERBM)
- Jul 20 Search & Rescue Poker Run
- Jul 22 Downsizers Unanimous
- Jul 23 'Active Adult' Gentlemens Club (ERBM)
- Jul 24 "Active Adult" Game Day -Cards and Coffee (ERBM)
- Jul 24 Range Call Meeting
- Jul 28 - Aug 5 Ripple Creek Lodge : Flat Tops 40 Pack Trip
- Jul 30 Historical Society Board Meeting
- Jul 30 'Active Adult' Gentlemens Club (ERBM)
- Jul 31 "Active Adult" Game Day -Cards and Coffee (ERBM)

UPCOMING EVENTS

CULPEPPER AND MERRIWEATHER CIRCUS

Saturday, July 13, Showtimes at 2pm and 4:30pm, Rio Blanco County Fairgrounds. Sponsored by Meeker Chamber of Commerce.



This year's lineup includes an All-Star group of performers and entertainers that include: Miss Simone and her amazing single trapeze, Miss Paulina's proud prancing ponies, The Arlise Troupe on their wild and crazy unicycles, Natilie's American Eskimo Escapades, The Ayala's with unforgettable foot juggling, a rediculus Rola Bola and certainly a hair raising Hair Hang! But, lets not forget our favorite performing Jungle Cats, Solomon, Delilah & Francis, presented by Mr. Trey Key, that will certainly have you on the edge of your seats!

Advance tickets are \$10 adult, \$6.00 for children ages 2 to 12 and seniors 65 and older, children under 2 are free, Tickets are available at: Meeker Chamber of Commerce, Wendell's Wondrous Things & Cuppa Joe @ Wendell's, and Meeker Drugs. On show day tickets will be \$13.00 for adults and \$7.00 for children.

Don't miss Skeeter the Clown: Children and adults of all ages are invited to a special reading and activity session with Skeeter, the Culpepper & Merriweather circus clown, on Wednesday, July 10, 10am at the Meeker Public Library.



## Rangely tees off on Meeker 28-10

— RBC Cup returns to Cedar Ridges Golf Course in Rangely —

By **BOBBY GUTIERREZ**  
bobby@theheraldtimes.com

**RBC I** “We bought it and then never saw it again, Rangely golfer Linda Gordon said of the Rio Blanco County Cup, a match-play format tournament played between the two golf courses in the county, with the winner displaying “The Cup” and having bragging rights for the next year.

The first Rio Blanco County Cup tournament was played at Cedar Ridges Golf Course in Rangely, with Meeker the following year, alternating courses the past five years.

The two-day event matches pairs from each course playing the first nine holes in a best-ball format and then switching to a scramble format for the second nine, before team captains determine the individual 18-hole matches to be played the second day.

Rangely won the cup the first year, but it has been displayed in the clubhouse at Meeker Golf Course for the past three years and Rangely set the tone to return “The Cup” the first day.

Six men’s and three women’s pairs were matched up Saturday, and Rangely teams won six of the nine matches and tied (worth .5 point) one to lead 6.5 to 2.5 after the first nine holes. After switching to a scramble format at the turn, Rangely won all nine matches and led 15.5-



(Above) Several members of Cedar Ridges Golf Course are pictured together after winning the Rio Blanco County Cup, a two-day, match play tournament in Rangely. Rangely displayed “The Cup” after the first year but Meeker won the past three in a row. Pictured are Terry Richardson, Chris Hejl, Leilanie Morgan, Robby Elam (holding “The Cup”), Robbie Morgan, Ryan Elam, Rick Brady, Brian Mackay, LaVella Justus, Teresa Richardson, Cori Elam, Linda Gordon, Caleb and Jon Templeton, James Maybury and Jeff Blankenship. (Left) “The Cup” will be displayed in the clubhouse at Cedar Ridges Golf Course.

Feola.

In the men’s match play Sunday, Meeker’s Jeff Asslin, Lex Collins and Pat Walsh, beat Rangely’s top three golfers, Clark Edwards, Robby Elam and Chris Hejl respectively, and Rangely’s Terry Richardson beat Larin Crase.

Meeker’s Deloy Cook, Kyle Frary and Bryce Ducey beat Eric Hejl, Jason Cox and Ryan Elam, respectively, and Rick Brady tied with Mike Walker and he also played and beat Meeker’s Ted Stewart.

Rangely teammates Bryan Mackay and Robbie Morgan beat Greg Ackerman and Corky Patterson while Meeker’s Brady Jensen beat James Maybury. Rangely father and son Jon and Caleb Templeton beat Scott Cressy and Jimmy Lawson, and Jerry Blankenship, who barbecued for everyone Saturday, beat Meeker’s Joe Powell.

“We want to thank the Rangely men and women for their hospitality and special thanks to Jeff Blankenship for doing the barbecue,” Meeker team captain Bryce Ducey said.



2.5 after the first day of play, with 20 individual matches to be played Sunday.

“We just dominated them,” Robby Elam, team captain for the Rangely golfers said. “The only thing better would be if J.C. (Watt, defending Meeker Men’s Club champion) was here to take some of this pain.”

The individuals were evenly matched Sunday in the men’s play, where each team won seven and tied one but Rangely won

all five of the women’s matches and swept the Meeker women both days.

“The Meeker women don’t win in Rangely,” Meeker golfer Lex Collins said.

“We tried to show no mercy,” LaVella Justus said. “We haven’t had the cup for a long time.”

In Sunday’s match play, Rangely’s Ellen Boudreaux defeated her sister ,Patty Edwards, Teresa Broderick defeated Meeker’s Susie Sprod and Linda Gordon beat Jill Massey. Rangely’s Leilanie Morgan showed no mercy against Melissa Lawson and Cori Elam defeated Meeker’s Danielle



Rick Brady is pictured teeing off No. 1 at Cedar Ridges Golf Course. Brady played two matches Sunday, winning one and tying another.



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## Meeker I wins recreational league baseball tournament

By **BOBBY GUTIERREZ**  
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**MEEKER I** With only eight players on the field in the championship game, Meeker I went undefeated in the annual 8-10 Recreational League tournament and won the championship on their home field in Paintbrush Park, finishing the season with an 11-1 record.

“We had nine kids on the team all year,” Jason Hightower, who along with Jim Hanks, coached the championship team. “For one reason or another, we played more than half the games with less than nine players on the field.”

Meeker I beat Hayden I in the first game of the double elimination tournament, then beat Flint Personnel from Craig, before beating Craig’s Northwest Title in the semifinals to advance to the championship undefeated.

Meeker II beat Professional Paint then lost to Flint and won two more games in the consolation bracket before being eliminated. Rangely’s team was eliminated after two games.

Flint Personnel won three games in the consolation bracket and earned their way into the championship game but their streak would end there as Meeker I defeated them again to win the season-

ending tournament.

“With 8-9-10 baseball you never know what you are going to get,” Hightower said. “We were young but our team made huge strides all season. The last couple of games of the regular season they got it and we started to play baseball. We were lucky enough to stay on the winner’s side in the tournament and win. It was fun to coach them.”

Meeker II was missing teammate Kyle Wagnild and Coach Hightower said the team played hard “with Kyle on their minds.”

“This one’s for Kyle,” Hightower said one of his players yelled after the win.

## LEBLANC ...



Former three-time Colorado state champion and four-time Division I All-American Joe LeBlanc demonstrates a “cheap tilt” on defending state champ T.J. Shelton during a free clinic he gave in Meeker on Monday. LeBlanc is currently an assistant coach at the University of Indiana and will host technique camps in Grand Junction on July 13, in Hayden on July 16 and at Denver East High School on July 17-18 before returning to Indiana.

## HURRICANE SEASON ...



Twenty-seven Rangely Hurricanes swam in Craig in the annual ABC Meet and participated in 160 events. Final results were not available for early press time, but according to their coach, “All did well.” Seven Hurricanes — Andrew Morton, Nora Gianinetti (pictured left), Korrynn Wenzel, Mary Scoggins, Corbin Lucero, Patrick Scoggins and Alex Black — all won high-point trophies in their age and gender divisions. Most of the Hurricanes will swim in Delta on Saturday and Sunday and six will travel to Colorado Springs to swim in the Colorado State Games on Saturday and Sunday.



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### CEDAR RIDGES GOLF COURSE MEMBERS Rangely Duffers

Golfers from Cedar Ridges Golf Courses showed no mercy in winning back the Rio Blanco County Cup from Meeker, dominating the match-play tournament 28-10.

### MEEKER I Meeker 8-10 Baseball Team

Meeker I went undefeated in the Recreational League tournament held on their home field in Paintbrush Park to win the championship with only eight players.



## BEARS CLOSE NATIONAL MONUMENT ...



Several recent sightings of black bears near where visitors travel have caused the closure of two campgrounds at Dinosaur National Monument until further notice. The bears present a danger to visitors, and safety precautions are being taken.

COURTESY PHOTO

## RBC DAYS GONE BY: White River has good water

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M.E. Whitener, who attended the Governor's Forum in Steamboat Springs last Wednesday and Thursday, feel it was a profitable meeting for Northwest Colorado.

Colorado State Patrol has returned to Craig after attending a nine-month course at Northwestern University Traffic Institute in Evanston, Ill.

The Jaycee-ettes turned out Saturday June 29 to help clean up Rangely.

Jack W. Brown, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jo Brown of Rangely, was discharged from the Navy on June 20 after four years of service, and he returned home last week.

Rangely Times — 30 years ago

Glen M. Huntington began his duties last Monday as the new administrator for the Town of Rangely. Huntington comes to the community from Brighton, where he served as city manager, with 58 full time municipal employees under his direction. He also served as city manager of East Prairie, Mo., a town of approximately 4,000 population, prior to his employment in Brighton.

At the last regular meeting of the Rangely Town Council, it was agreed to shut off all users on the

Rector Water Line on July 1, due to their failure to present an acceptable contract to the town for water purchases. This action served to accomplish what the town had been requesting for the past 90 days.

Rio Blanco County residents invested \$3,524 in United States Series E-H Savings Bonds during May to swell the county's five-month investment for the year to \$29,029, County Bond Chairman C.J. Wilson announced today.

Contrary to some unofficial local "experts," the water in the White River is of high quality and in general meets the State Water Quality Standards, according to a survey conducted by the Colorado Department of Health's Water Pollution Control Division.

Rangely Times — 20 years ago

Dr. Kenneth Molen, dentist, is now associated with Dr. Clark Crookston at the Rangely Clinic for several days per week. Prior to moving to Rangely, Dr. Molen practiced

in Denver and New Mexico for seven years.

Rangely's first Little Britches Rodeo will be held at the Rangely Fairgrounds on July 23 and 24 at 2 p.m. each day. This is for ages 8-18.

The 4-H Ghostriders Horse Club is sponsoring the third annual Rangely 4-H Open Horse Show on Saturday July 9 at Columbine Park Fairgrounds.

John A. Gordon, Jr. was among a graduation class of 211 students at the 138th Commencement exercises June 4th at Knox College, Galesburg, Ill.

At a meeting with the Raw Water Users the consensus was for the town to take over and run the raw water system. Town Manger Don Peach thought that "maybe (we should) send to Water Committee" but Mayor Jim Sinclair preferred to "air this out."

Frances Green asked if the system could be expanded to include others (no definite answer) and whether the town had the money to take it over.

## TEENS: Jobs scarce

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When a teenager has to be gone on weekends for sports or clubs even in the summer, they can't work. When a teen's parents are going to be gone for the weekend and the student must join them, they can't work. It becomes very difficult for a student to be there, leaving the employer in a tight spot.

Also when an employer has to train a new student employee, they may be wasting their time and money. An employer will often train a student worker just before they graduate, then that student leaves for college or some other prospect.

"It's never a waste of time for the first job," said Ma Famiglia manager Adam Buisker. Ma Famiglia currently employs four high school students. They estimated that about 20 high school students come in looking for a job each year.

Buisker insisted that it is important for high school students to learn to work and gain skills for their future.

Cassie McGuire, owner of Parts City Auto Parts, said she also gets about 20 applicants each year while she currently employs two high school students.

She also agrees that she is teaching teenagers the skills to use in the future.

"I need my job to keep me out of trouble," said incoming senior Brianna Holding.

"It's a matter of being in the right place at the right time and knowing the right people," said incoming junior Amber Holding. She just happened to be in the right place at the right time twice as she currently works at Ma Famiglia and at the Marvine Ranch.

Taylor Slaugh, also an incoming senior at Meeker High School, is currently unemployed, but not for lack of trying. He has applied at two local businesses and numerous area ranches.

Slaugh said he needs a job to pay for insurance on his vehicle and gas to get around.

At a State Farm Insurance office in Meeker, a good-student discount and a Steer Clear (allowed only if the student driver has no tickets or accidents) discount are offered, with

each discount taking 20 percent of the cost of insurance. But even with those discounts, the insurance is still double that of an adult, said Jennifer Leader and Shery Brandis of State Farm.

The average insurance cost for a teenager with these discounts comes to about \$250 per month, Leader and Brandis said. That brings the cost to an estimated \$3,000 per year.

Currently, the average cost of one year at a four-year college is \$22,092, according to the National Center for Education Statistics.

Gas in Meeker has been running about \$3.89 per gallon. If a student fills a 30-gallon tank twice a month, that adds up to \$2,800 per year, bringing the gas cost of a vehicle and an average cost for a year at college to \$27,892.

With the minimum wage at \$7.25 per hour, it would take 3,847 hours a year to meet those costs while the average full-time job in the United States is 2,080 hours a year.

Living without the protections afforded at home also takes money.

A student could never make enough to pay their entire way in the near future through part-time work or even full-time employment at minimum wage.

Another problem facing Meeker teens is that there is no single telephone number or location for a prospective employer to call if they are looking for an employee, nor is there a central location for teens to register or leave a number if they are looking for work.

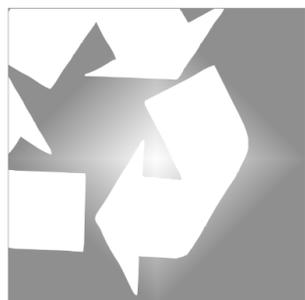
"What this county needs is more jobs," said one student who only wanted to be known as "John" (not his real name). "I've heard it said that there are no employees available here, but I disagree."

John said he didn't want to give his last name because his parents expect him to stay around here and work as a ranch hand, and he does not want to do that.

"We need more jobs so we can learn how to succeed in the working world," he said. "Then, not all the teens will be unqualified and untrained and they will know at least a part of what it takes to succeed in the working world if they want some kind of job other than rancher or oil field hand."

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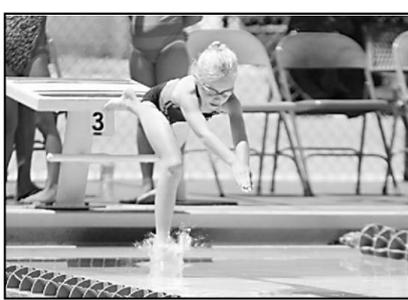


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Aug. 3 & 4 ~ Couples Classic  
Aug. 17 ~ Ladies Club Championship  
For summer activities, call the Rangely Recreation Center at 675-8211 or visit [www.westernrioblanco.org](http://www.westernrioblanco.org) for a list of activities!



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Aug. 17 & 18 - Meeker Couples  
Sept. 14 - OFC Seniors  
Visit the Meeker Rec Dist. [meekerrecdistrict.com](http://meekerrecdistrict.com) @ 101 Ute Rd. or call 878-3403 for Summer information!



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**White River Electric Association, Inc.**  
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485 Market St., Meeker, CO  
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**White River Convenience**  
793 East Market, Meeker, CO  
**878-5353**

# VETERAN'S MEMORIAL SET FOR DEDICATION



By SEAN McMAHON  
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**MEEKER** Several volunteers worked over the weekend to mount the statue of the soldier atop the stand that together make up the Rio Blanco County Veterans Memorial on the courthouse lawn in downtown Meeker.

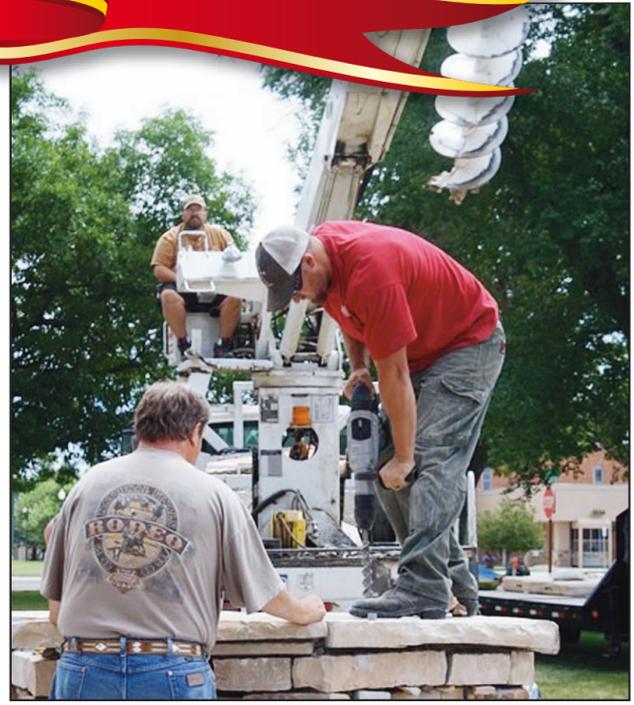
The memorial honors the first soldiers who garrisoned Rio Blanco County and continues to honor all men and women of all ranks and service who served in the Armed Forces up to and through the current conflicts in the Middle East and Afghanistan.

The sculpture is a joint venture between VFW Post No. 5843 in Meeker and VFW Post No. 5261 in Rangely.

Dubbed "Sacrifice and Resolution," the sculpture is a bronze of a 1-1/4 life-sized modern-day infantry soldier sculpted by Meeker resident John Kobald.

The statue will be unveiled and dedicated after the Fourth of July parade Thursday.

PHOTOS BY PATTIE TERP



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### LEGAL NOTICES

**Notice of Public Hearing for the Rangely Water Treatment Plant for the Town of Rangely, Colorado**  
July 9, 2013 at 7:30PM  
Rangely Town Hall

**209 E. Main Street, Rangely, Colorado**  
Rangely Water Treatment Plant

A public hearing will be conducted for informing citizens and soliciting public input, written or oral, regarding the Rangely Water Treatment Plant and Preliminary Engineering Report (PER). The PER is a report detailing the project consisting of Town of Rangely Phase 2 WTP Improvements. The report is being submitted to the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) to qualify the Rangely Water Treatment Plant for a State Revolving Fund Loan.

The Town of Rangely seeks financial assistance for Phase 2 Improvements, which will continue the work begun in Phase 1 to replace aging equipment and restore critical process redundancy and reliability.

**Estimated Cost of the Project is \$1,948,000 + Inspection and Management Costs**

Copies of the Preliminary Engineering Report are available for public review prior to the Public Hearing at the following location:

Rangely Town Hall  
209 E. Main St., Rangely Colorado 81648

The point of contact for the Rangely Water Treatment Plant is Alden Vanden Brink (970) 675-2221 or (970) 675-8477.

**Rangely Water Treatment Plant**  
Alden Vanden Brink  
Utilities Supervisor

All interested citizens and groups are invited to attend and participate in the public hearing.

By: Lisa Piering, Clerk/Treasurer  
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### NOTICE OF PROPOSED DECISION

The Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety proposes to Approve Permit Revision Application No. 8, submitted by Blue Mountain Energy, Inc for a coal mining permit at the Deserado Mine (Permit No. C-1981-018). Permit Revision #8 is a permit revision adding an additional 1656.3 acres to Blue Mountain En-

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ergy's permit area. No additional surface disturbance is being proposed as a part of this action. The revised mine plan undermines only one additional non-mine structure, the Red Wash Reservoir No.3 and additional sections of Rio Blanco County Road 65 and 73. Federal Coal Lease COC-74813 is pending and includes the area of proposed changes. The Deserado Mine is an Underground operation located in Rio Blanco County, approximately 7 miles Northeast of Rangely, Colorado. Coal interest is Federal, and the surface to be affected is Federal and privateland. The permit area encompasses approximately 11,988.71 acres.

This proposed decision is based on a finding that the proposed operation will comply with all requirements of the Colorado Surface Coal Mining Reclamation Act, Section 34-33-101, et seq., C.R.S., and the regulations promulgated thereunder.

Copies of the proposed decision, including any stipulations, are on file for public inspection at the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, Room 215, Centennial Building, 1313 Sherman Street, Denver, Colorado 80203 and at the Rio Blanco County Clerk and Recorder, 500 Main Street, Meeker, CO 81641. Persons with an interest that may be adversely affected by the proposed decision may request a formal hearing before the Mined Land Reclamation Board on the proposed decision. Such request must be made within thirty (30) days of the initial publication of this notice, must be in writing, and must state with reasonable specificity the reasons for the request and the objections to the proposed decision.

Publish: July 4 and 11, 2013  
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### Public Notice of Petition for Change of Name

Public notice is given on 6/17/13 that a Petition for a Change of Name of a Minor Child has been filed with the Rio Blanco Court. The petition requests that the name of Christopher Jess O'Neal be changed to Christopher Jess Ashcraft.

/s/Susan Mills  
Clerk of Court  
/s/ Jean Jensen  
Deputy Clerk

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#### ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Butterfly-Burrell Road Maintenance Project Notice #: PKA-14-720

This project is located in Rio Blanco County, Colorado, approximately 21 miles northeast of Meeker, in the Upper Coal Creek area of the White River National Forest.

The project will entail maintenance work on two (2) sections of Forest Service Roads (FSR); FSR 250 (4.25 miles) and FSSR 260 (1.90 miles) near Yellow Jacket Pass, in Rio Blanco County, Colorado. A sample of work includes, clearing and grubbing roadside vegetation, removal and installation of culverts, various types of drainage excavations, blasting operations, roadbed reconditioning, and application of magnesium chloride. A more detail description of work to be performed is provide under the Project Work Description. All work will be completed according to the Work List Description for each section of road and U.S. Forest Service (USFS) Standard Work Specifications. There will be a mandatory pre-bid meeting at the United States Forest Service, Blanco Ranger District office located at 220 East Market Street, Meeker, Colorado on July 23, 2013 at 10:00 a.m.

All bids must be submitted in person or by mail no later than August 6, 2013 at 2:30 p.m. Sealed bids can be mailed to: Division of Reclamation, Mining & Safety Sealed Bid 1313 Sherman Street, Suite 215 Denver, CO 80203 For additional information or questions please contact Kristin Miranda, Department of Personnel/General Support Services, (303) 832-8106 or kristin.miranda@state.co.us Published: July 4, 2013 Rio Blanco Herald Times

The Board of County Commissioners will hold a regularly scheduled board meeting on Monday, July 08, 2013, at the County Administration Building, 200 Main, Meeker, CO

#### TENTATIVE AGENDA

10:45 a.m. Board of County a. Pledge of Allegiance b. Changes to the Agenda c. Consideration of the June 24, 2013, Board Meeting d. Motor Vehicle Publication List for June 2013 e. Treasury Publication List for June 2013 f. Appointment of Person designated to receive claims pursuant to C.R.S. 24-10-109 911 Emergency Telephone Service Boards (2)

### LEGAL NOTICES

g. Other 10:55a.m. County Assessor – Renae Neilson 2013 Protest and Valuation Report

11:00 a.m. Finance Department – Chris Singleton

a. Payroll & Overtime for June 2013

b. Payroll Benefits/Withholding for June 2013

c. Accounts Payable for June 2013

d. DSS Payments (EBT and AP) for June 2013.

e. 2012 Audit – Financial Statements & A-133

11:25a.m. Contracts and Agreements Dept of Human Services:

a.DHS –5 County IGA

b.GRANT AWARD AGREEMENT Grantee: Rio Blanco County Dept of Social Services Total Amount of Award \$33,056

Award # 14-11-16 Congregate Nutrition Services

c.GRANT AWARD AGREEMENT Grantee: Rio Blanco County Dept of Social Services Total Amount of Award \$11,944

Award # 14-11-43 Home Delivered Meal for Colorado Seniors

11: 35 a.m. Road and Bridge – Dave Morlan

a. Road & Bridge-Monthly Update

11:45a.m. Public Comment

11:50a.m. County Commissioner Updates

OTHER COUNTY BUSINESS

If you need special accommodations please call 970-878-9573 in advance of the meeting so that reasonable accommodations may be made. Please check the County's website for an updated agenda. www.co.rio-blanco.co.us/commissioners Published: July 4, 2013 Rio Blanco Herald Times

**RIO BLANCO COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING**  
July 11, 2013, 7:00 P.M.  
**RIO BLANCO COUNTY WESTERN ANNEX BUILDING**  
17497 HIGHWAY 64  
RANGELY, COLORADO

The tentative agenda as follows:

1. Roll Call  
2. Additions/Changes to Agenda  
3. Approval of Minutes  
4. New Business:

Public Hearing Reviews

a)W.C. Striegel, Inc. CUP #13-2 – the applicant, W.C. Striegel, Inc., is requesting a Conditional Use Permit to construct a new 85-ft x 50-ft office building (11,107 sq ft in size) at their existing location of 17030 Highway 64, RangelyCO, 81648. The subject property, zoned Moderate Industrial, is located in the SE1/4 of Section 34, T2N, R103W, 6th P.M., PIN# 138334400008.

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5. Administrative Matters: NONE

6. Old Business:

7. Adjourn

Copies of the application(s), regulation(s) and/or resolution(s) may be examined in the office of the Development Department at the Rio Blanco County Administration Building, 200 Main Street, Meeker, Colorado, or you may call (970) 878-9580 for more information between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Persons needing special accommodations for the meeting, please call the Development Department office at (970) 878-9580 giving at least five (5) working days notice so that adequate accommodations may be made. Published: July 4, 2013 Rio Blanco Herald Times

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TOWN OF RANGELY

The Rangely Town Council will hold a public hearing at 7:30pm, Tuesday July 9th, 2013 in the Court Room of the Municipal Building at 209 East Main Street, Rangely, Colorado for the Reading on the following:

SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE 678 (2013) - AN ORDINANCE FOR THE REGULATION OF TRAFFIC BY THE TOWN OF RANGELY, COLORADO; ADOPTING BY REFERENCE THE 2010 EDITION OF THE "MODEL TRAFFIC CODE"; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH; PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF; AND AMENDING CHAPTER 10.14 OF THE RANGELY MUNICIPAL CODE TO LIMIT THE NUMBER OF LAWFUL RIDERS ON AN OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE.

SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE 679 (2013) - AN ORDINANCE REGULATING CERTAIN OVERNIGHT AND EXTENDED PARKING OF DEFINED VEHICLES ON THE STREETS, ROADWAYS AND ALLEYS OF THE TOWN OF RANGELY.

Reading and Adoption of Emergency Ordinance 680 (2013) - AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF RANGELY, COLORADO, ESTABLISHING THE "TOWN OF RANGELY WATER ENTERPRISE"; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR OTHER ACTS IN CONFLICT HERewith AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

All interested citizens and groups are invited to attend and participate in the public hearing.

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**MEEKER SANITATION DISTRICT**  
July 10, 2013

**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

1. Call to order  
2. Additions or Changes to the Agenda  
3. Approval of Minutes  
4. Public Comments  
5. New Business

A. Hospital Sewer Main  
B. Paul Kindall, 795 5th Street,

Sewer Line Problems

6. Old Business  
A. Disinfection Upgrade Progress  
B. 8th Street Sewer Main

C. Plant Report

7. Attorney

8. Board  
A. Delinquent Accounts  
B. Approve Current Bills

9. Recess

This agenda is subject to change without further notice. Agenda is posted at the office of the Meeker Sanitation District.

265 8th Street.  
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**RANGELY JUNIOR COLLEGE DISTRICT**  
Board of Trustees

Regular Session

Johnson Banquet Room

Monday, July 8, 2013 12 noon

AGENDA

1.0 Call Meeting to Order

1.1 Changes to the Agenda

2.0 Consideration of Previous Minutes

2.1 Approval of the Monday, June 10, 2013 RJCD Regular Session Meeting Minutes

3.0 Action/Discussion Items

3.1 Business

a. Ross Hall Quit-Claim Deed-Linda Gordon

b. Rector Renovation Update-Russell George-J. Botelbergh

4.0 CNCC College Report-Russell George

5.0 Designation of Election Official-Linda Gordon

6.0 Payment of RJCD Bills-Linda Gordon

7.0 Other

8.0 Adjournment

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**LEGAL NOTICES**

**RIO BLANCO COUNTY  
2013 WASTE TIRE DISPOSAL PROJECT  
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL**

**PROJECT NAME, LOCATION AND GENERAL SCOPE OF WORK**

**2013 WASTE TIRE DISPOSAL PROJECT**  
Rio Blanco County is seeking proposals for the proper disposal of between 5,000 and 7,500 waste tires located at the Wray Gulch Landfill.

**CONTRACT DOCUMENTS**  
Contract Documents shall be available online at [www.govbids.com/scripts/co1/public/home1.asp](http://www.govbids.com/scripts/co1/public/home1.asp), or on the county's website at [www.co.rio-blanco.co.us](http://www.co.rio-blanco.co.us) on the Public Announcements page, or at the Rio Blanco County Road and Bridge Dept., 570 Second Street, Meeker, CO on July 3, 2013.

**VENDOR QUALIFICATIONS**  
Vendor must be certified with the Colorado Department of Health and Environment – Hazardous Materials and Waste Management Division - Waste Tires as a registered Tire Hauler and, if appropriate, as a registered Tire Processor and/or End User.

**PROJECT SUPERINTENDENT AND QUESTIONS**

Cory Silva, Landfill Manager, (970) 942-7281 (cell)/(970) 878-9590, Fax (970) 878-3396. Mailing address: Rio Blanco County Road and Bridge Dept., 570 Second Street, Meeker, CO 81641. All vendors must examine the site and become familiar with all site conditions. Any questions regarding this project are to be directed in writing to Jennifer Morlan before July 16, 2013 at 4:00 P.M. at the above address or fax number.

**WORK SCHEDULE**  
Work Schedule is flexible but shall begin approximately August 1, 2013 and be complete before November 30, 2013.

**PRE-BID MEETING**  
No pre-bid meeting is planned for this project.

**PROPOSAL SUBMITTALS**  
Vendor shall include all information required by the contract documents. Proposals shall have Vendor's name, address, "2013 WASTE TIRE DISPOSAL PROJECT" and bid opening date written on the sealed envelope.

Mail or hand-deliver to the Rio Blanco County Board of County Commissioners, P.O. Box 1, 200 Main Street, Meeker, CO 81641 Thursday, July 18, 2013 at 4:00 P.M., OR, Hand-deliver to the Rio Blanco County Board of County Commissioners, 200 Main St., Meeker, CO until 11:00 A.M. on the date of bid opening, Monday, July 22, 2013. No bids shall be received Friday through Sunday, July 19 through July 21, 2013.

**BID OPENING**  
Bids shall be opened and read in public at 11:15 A.M. on Monday, July 22, 2013 at the Commissioners' Meeting Room at 200 Main St., Meeker, CO. Bids submitted after 11:00 A.M. shall be returned unopened. Bids submitted and opened shall not be withdrawn for 30 days thereafter.

**BID AWARD**  
The Rio Blanco County Board of County Commissioners reserve the right to reject any or all bids; to waive any informalities in bids; and to accept the bid that, in the opinion of the Board, is in the best interest of the County of Rio Blanco, State of Colorado. The County also reserves the right to negotiate changes in specifications with successful vendor.

RIO BLANCO COUNTY

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Dated: July 1, 2013  
By: Shawn Bolton, Chairman  
Publish: July 4 and 11, 2013  
Rio Blanco Herald Times

Worksession with WRB Park & Rec Board: (Rangely Parks Agreement 5:30 pm)

**AGENDA  
RANGELY BOARD OF TRUSTEES (TOWN COUNCIL)**

Regular Meeting of July 9, 2013  
\*\*\*\*\*7:00 P.M.\*\*\*\*\*

Council Chambers - Municipal Building

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Invocation
4. Pledge of Allegiance
5. Minutes of Meeting
6. Approval of Minutes of June 11, 2013. (Submitted)
7. Petitions and Public Input
8. Changes to Agenda
9. Public Hearings (7:30)

A. Public Hearing second and final reading Ordinance 678: An Ordinance for the Regulation of Traffic by the Town of Rangely, Colorado; Adopting by Reference the 2010 Edition of the "Model Traffic Code" Repealing All Ordinances in Conflict Therewith; And Providing Penalties for Violation Thereof.

B. Public Hearing second and final reading Ordinance 679: An Ordinance Regulating the Parking of Vehicles on the Streets, Roadways and Alleys of the Town of Rangely; and Amending the Administrative Fees Charged in Municipal Court Cases Involving Deferred Judgment and Sentences.

C. Public Hearing Emergency Ordinance 680 (2013); An Emergency Ordinance of the Town of Rangely, Colorado, establishing the "Town of Rangely Water Enterprise"; repealing all ordinances or other acts in conflict herewith and declaring an emergency.

D. Public Hearing regarding the Rangely Water Treatment Plant and Preliminary Engineering Report (PER). The PER is a report detailing the project consisting of town of Rangely Phase 2 WTP Improvements.

E. Public Hearing Resolution 2013-04; A Resolution of the Town of Rangely Water Enterprise approving a Loan between the Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority and the Town of Rangely Water Enterprise in the principal amount of not to exceed \$1,500,000 for the purpose of financing improvements to the Town of Rangely water facilities; authorizing the form and execution of a loan agreement and a governmental agency bond evidencing the loan; providing that the governmental agency bond shall be payable only from revenues of the Town of Rangely Water Enterprise; and prescribing other details in connection therewith.

F. Public Hearing to review Liquor License renewal Pinyon Tree Liquor

9. Committee/Board Meetings

10. Supervisor Reports – See Attached

11. Report from Officers

A. Town Manager Update

12. New Business

A. Discussion and action to approve May 2013 Financials

B. Discussion and action to approve June 2013 Check

**LEGAL NOTICES**

Register  
C. Discussion and action to approve Ordinance 678: An Ordinance for the Regulation of Traffic by the Town of Rangely,

**COMBINED NOTICE - MAILING  
CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 13-05**

To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust: On April 5, 2013, 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): William J. Pool and Joanne L. Pool

Original Beneficiary(ies): Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Ally BankCorp.

Current Holder of Evidence of Debt: Owen Loan Servicing, LLC

Date of Deed of Trust: July 25, 2012

County of Recording: Rio Blanco

Recording Date of Deed of Trust: August 14, 2012

Recording Information (Reception Number): 304434

Original Principal Amount: \$313,000.00

Outstanding Principal Balance: \$311,037.76

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

**THE LIEN FORECLOSED MAY NOT BE A FIRST LIEN.**

**LOT 1, LITTLE RANCHO ESTATES, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF FILED FEBRUARY 10, 2000, AS RECEPTION NO. 266593, COUNTY OF RIO BLANCO, COLORADO.**

The property to be foreclosed is:

**Also known by street and number as: 310 Little Rancho Drive, Meeker, CO 81641. THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ALL OF THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY ENCUMBERED BY THE LIEN OF THE DEED OF TRUST.**

**LEGAL NOTICES**

Colorado; Adopting by Reference the 2010 Edition of the "Model Traffic Code" Repealing All Ordinances in Conflict Therewith; And Providing Penalties for Violation Thereof.

**COMBINED NOTICE - MAILING  
CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 13-07**

To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust: On April 22, 2013, 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): David Bray

Original Beneficiary(ies): Countrywide Home Loans, Inc.

Current Holder of Evidence of Debt: Bank of America, N.A.

Date of Deed of Trust: April 15, 2004

County of Recording: Rio Blanco

Recording Date of Deed of Trust: April 20, 2004

Recording Information (Reception Number): 278324

Original Principal Amount: \$79,380.00

Outstanding Principal Balance: \$59,054.84

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

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

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

**Alcoholics Anonymous**  
Mon. 8 pm, Weds. 7 pm, Fri. 7 pm  
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

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

FOOD BANK of the Rockies mobile pantry truck will be in Rio Blanco County providing Food assistance to community member. Scheduled Dates for 2013 are: August 1, and September 26. The Food Bank will be at the Meeker Fairgrounds from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

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

**PISTOL RIVER LEATHER**  
The 4th of July is **INDEPENDENCE DAY**. The Revolutionary War was fought to rid us of oppressive, overbearing, and socialist government. Let's remember that and take our State and Country back!  
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**LEGAL NOTICES**

**NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS**

Notice is hereby given that Rio Blanco County (hereafter referred to as the "Sponsor" or "Owner"), will receive sealed bids for **Rangely Airport Auto Parking Drainage and AWOS Site Improvements Project**, A.I.P No. 03-08-0047-10, State Project No. 13-4V0-01, at the Rangely Airport. The project involves the following:

Auto Parking Lot Drainage Inlet, Manholes and Piping.  
Electric Power and Sitemwork for new AWOS  
The bids must be prepared on forms supplied by the Owner and filed with the Rio Blanco County Commissioners, either:

BY MAIL at P.O. Box 1, ATTN: Teresa Anderson, Meeker, CO 81641, with the envelope clearly marked with the name of the bid, and received no later than 4:00 PM July 19, 2013.  
OR HAND DELIVERED to Rio Blanco County Commissioners, 200 Main Street, County Administration Building, Meeker, Colorado 81641 with the envelope clearly marked with the name of the bid no later than 11:00 AM July 22, 2013. Hand delivered bids will be accepted ONLY on the date of the bid opening. Delivery of bids by all commercial carriers is considered to be BY MAIL and not HAND DELIVERED.  
The bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the Board of County Commissioners meeting in the presence of the bidders and their representatives on July 22, 2013 at 1:00 PM. The Bidder (proposer) must supply all the information required by the bid or proposal forms and specifications.

No bids will be received after the specified hour and date. Bids that are not prepared and filed in accordance with proposal requirements and conditions of the specifications may be rejected. The low bidder for a bid schedule or combination of bid schedules shall be determined based on the lowest responsive bid that fits the Owner's priorities and funding constraints.

Bids may not be withdrawn after the time fixed for opening them. The County reserves the right to waive irregularities in the bids and reject any and all bids.  
All bids 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.

Minimum wage rates as established by the Department of Labor are applicable to the work performed on this project.

The proposed construction contract, together with detailed drawings and specifications for the construction of the work are available for inspection at the Rangely Airport Manager's Office or by contacting Samantha Lopez at (970) 878-4349. The same may be obtained from the office of the Engineer, GDA Engineers, 1508 Stampede Avenue, P. O. Box 338, Cody, Wyoming 82414, (307) 587-3411, for a non-refundable reproduction charge of \$80.00. Interested parties may register and view the plans and specifications at [www.gdaengineers.com](http://www.gdaengineers.com). Online contract documents are for use by subcontractors and suppliers in preparing quotations to prime bidders. All prime bidders must purchase a hard copy of the Project Manual and the Plan Set from GDA Engineers.

The proposed contract is under and subject to Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, as amended, to the equal opportunity clause and the Standard Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Construction Contract Specifications including the goals and timetables for minority and female participation.

There is no DBE percentage requirement for this project.  
A Certification of Nonspecialized Facilities must be submitted prior to the award of the proposed contract, including any subcontracts in excess of \$10,000.00.

All bidders are advised to examine the site to become familiar with all site conditions. The project will be shown to interested Bidders at 1:00 PM on July 12, 2013 local time, at the airport in Rangely, Colorado.  
BY ORDER OF RIO BLANCO COUNTY.

/s/ Samantha K. Lopez  
RBC Airport Projects Coordinator

Publication Dates: July 4 and 11 and 18, 2013  
Rio Blanco Herald Times  
Rangely Airport I-1 Notice to Contractors  
Auto Parking Drainage and AWOS  
Site Improvements Project

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

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COMING SOON: New paintings of Meeker buildings and surrounding area at The Upstairs Gallery-July 4th

**JAK'S PRODUCE**  
Fresh veggies, fruit & Palisade peaches!  
Friday afternoon July 5 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
Saturday, July 6, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
on 7th Street between Market & Water Streets • Meeker  
More info. (970)216-9650

**PIONEERS MEDICAL CENTER,**  
a community oriented medical center with high patient standards, is hiring for the following positions:

- PRN:**
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**FULL-TIME [eligible for benefits]:**

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Submit Resume and/or Application to:  
Pioneers Medical Center, HR,  
345 Cleveland St., Meeker, Colo., 81641  
Visit our Web site at:  
[www.pioneershospital.org](http://www.pioneershospital.org)

**Pioneers Medical Center**  
Phone: (970) 878-5047 Fax: (970) 878-1385  
345 Cleveland, Meeker, CO 81641  
Eastern Rio Blanco County Health Service District

**APPLIANCES**

FRIDGIDAIRE AIR conditioner, 15 amp., 220 volt, window mount, used one summer. \$200. (970)878-4874

**FARM & RANCH**

ALFALFA AND grass mix \$7 a bale. Call (970)675-8759.

**GUNS**

**KELLEY'S GUNSMITHING**  
Would like to buy quality guns and optics  
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**LOST & FOUND**

LOST: FISHPOND fishing pack with 4 boxes of flies and digital camera on Saturday, June 22, near boat ramp at River Camp RV Park or boat ramp 8 miles downstream.

FOUND: COIN Purse found at 820 3rd St Yard Sale on June 15. Call (970)877-5162 and describe.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

**ASK ABOUT OUR CNC MACHINING**  
Can't get a metal part? We can make all kinds of parts. We have CNC Machine equipment, lathe and tooling to do the job. Contact Phil at Family Automotive and Machine. (970)878-5606.

**PERSONALS**

I'LL BE closed from May 27 through July 8. Company is coming. The Seamstress. (970)878-3193

**PETS**

SCHNAUZER PUPPIES. Exotic colors, mature 8-13 pounds. Do not shed. \$500-\$700. Call (970)675-8759.

**PETS**

OLDE ENGLISH Bulldogges for sale, two females left. Brindle, white. Call Jamie at (970)755-5543.

**WANTED**

WANTED: ELK and Deer land owner tags. Any season. Call Dave (435)586-8257.

**YARD SALES**

MEEKER: WOMEN'S and Boys clothes, Men's workboots, and much more. 7800 Country Road 7 (Strawberry Creek) Friday July 5, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday July 6, 8 a.m. to ?

**HELP WANTED: FULL TIME**

**MAINTENANCE WORKER:** Position performs a variety of skilled tasks at the apprentice level in all phases of construction, maintenance, and operation of Public Works activities. Applicant must be able to pass physical and have a current CDL with the ability to pass the A test. Ability to operate heavy construction equipment is a plus. The Town of Rangely offers an excellent benefit package which includes pension plan, Medical, Dental, Life and Short Term Disability. Benefits include Vacation, Holiday and Sick Leave. To apply submit a completed application to the Town of Rangely at 209 E. Main Street, Rangely Colorado 81648. Applications may be obtained at the Town of Rangely and are also available at our website ([www.rangely.com](http://www.rangely.com)). Position is Open until filled. EOE

**HELP WANTED: FULL TIME**

CHAMBER OF Commerce Director  
The Rangely Chamber of Commerce is currently seeking a 20-30 hr week Chamber Director. Duties include promote membership, develop and coordinate promotional activities, report to RACC Board, data entry, and website. Must have strong written and verbal communication skills, strong computer skills, knowledge of Quickbooks, EXCEL and Word. Please fax cover letter and resume to 970-675-2271 or mail to Rangely Chamber, 209 E Main Rangely CO 81648

**HELP WANTED: GENERAL**

MA FAMIGLIA Restaurant is looking for reliable individuals for kitchen positions to include: Delivery, dish, prep, expeditor and cook. Mostly evenings with some days. Apply in person at 410 Market Street.

Be part of our community of positive people making a difference and.....  
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Substitute Teaching is a fulfilling job for anyone. Men and Women alike who are looking for a chance to express their creativity can become a substitute teacher. Reasons to become a Substitute Teacher:  
\* Anyone who is looking to become a future teacher can "preview" the whole teaching field  
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\* It's a great way to earn a second income  
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**HELP WANTED: GENERAL**

tomorrow  
\* Substitutes can be influential to students  
\* Helping others (teachers) is rewarding.  
\* Flexible work hours  
\* Substitute teaching can be fun!  
\* College degree is not required  
\* Background check/fingerprinting is required  
How to become a substitute teacher  
Visit the Rangely School District Central Office at 402 W Main to fill out a Background consent form, Finger printing card and further instructions for the online Educator Licensing Application. 0

Recreation Coordinators The ERBM Recreation & Park District is seeking two Recreation Coordinators; one full time (36-40 hours) with benefits, one part time (24-35 hours) with benefits; hiring range \$10.80-\$13.20/hr. Duties include, but are not limited to: assist in select phases of implementing and coordinating recreational programs and special events such as gym supervision, officiating, coaching, scorekeeping, etc. Requirements include, but are not limited to: applicant must be 16 years of age or older, be available to work early morning, evening, split and/or weekend shifts. A completed ERBM Recreation & Park District job application is required for consideration and should be returned to ERBM Recreation & Park District, Attn: Human Resources, 101 Ute Rd, Meeker, CO 81641. 970-878-3403. Applications are available at the Meeker Recreation Center and on the website, [www.MeekerRecDistrict.com](http://www.MeekerRecDistrict.com). Complete job description is available upon request and online. Applications will be accepted through Friday, July 12, 2013. ERBM Recreation & Park District is an equal opportunity employer.

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**BUSINESS DIRECTORY**  
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402 W. Main St., Suite 139 Rangely, CO 81648 (970) 675-5455 (800) 440-3418

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Insurance and Financial Services Agent  
**FARMERS**  
592 Main St., Suite 16, P.O. Box 2488 Meeker, CO 81641 Meeker/Rangely  
Bus: 970.878.3400 Cell: 970.201.4104  
Fax: 970.878.5713  
[cshults@farmersagent.com](mailto:cshults@farmersagent.com)  
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970.675.3003  
[rangelycollision@centurytel.net](http://rangelycollision@centurytel.net)  
714 Prospect St. ■ Rangely, CO 81648

Call 675-5033 or 878-4017 to place your ad in the Business Directory **TODAY!**

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To place a 25-word COSCAN network ad in 82 Colorado newspapers for only \$250, contact your local newspaper or call SYNC2 Media at 303-571-5117.

**GUN SHOWS**  
SERTOMA GUN SHOW  
July 6&7, 2013 at the Event Center at Rustic Hills, 3960 Palmer Park Blvd., Colorado Springs CO, 80909.  
719-630-3976 For Reservations

**HELP WANTED - DRIVERS**  
25 DRIVER TRAINEES NEEDED!  
Learn to drive for Swift Transportation at US Truck.Earn \$750 per week!  
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**Stressed?**  
Blazin' Trails and Pioneers Medical Center invites you to a Stress Management Workshop on **July 17th, 2013 at St. James Episcopal Church-Richard's Hall at 12:00 Noon**. Lunch will be served.  
Faye Peterson with Upward Living will be presenting how to recognize the signs and causes of stress overload. You will learn how to stop it before it hijacks you. Class includes a self-assessment and a demonstration of stress management techniques.

**BLAZIN' TRAILS**  
Journey to a Healthier Me  
**Stress Management Luncheon**  
Wednesday July 17th, 2013 12:00 Noon  
St. James Episcopal Church-Richard's Hall  
Presented by:

This workshop is free to **Blazin' Trails** participants -remember to bring your passports to collect your stamps for attending!  
Members of the public are invited to attend for a small fee of \$5.00.  
Please RSVP to:  
• Margie Joy 970-878-9317  
• Jamie Wood 970-878-5047  
[jwood@pioneershospital.org](mailto:jwood@pioneershospital.org)

Blazin' Trails is a community-wide program. The program is funded through a grant from our local United Way- Meeker Human Resource Council. The funding is made possible by corporate support provided by XTO Energy and ColoWyo Coal Company. Blazin' Trails is managed as a partnership between Pioneers Medical Center, Meeker Recreation Center and Pioneers Healthcare Foundation, with special thanks to Meeker Drugs.

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Registered Psychotherapist  
Certified Life Coach  
(720) 383-2983

**HELP WANTED:  
PART TIME**

**RIO BLANCO COUNTY PERSONNEL DEPARTMENT**  
STAFF ASSISTANT- Rio Blanco County is currently accepting applications for a Staff Assistant for the Public Health Office in Rangely. Applicants must have 2 years of previous office or medical experience, 1 yr bookkeeping experience, computer proficiency, and a valid Colorado drivers license. This position provides Medicaid billing and general office duties. 24hrs/wk. \$14.74/hr. To apply, submit a completed RBC application to the Human Resource Department at P.O. Box 1, Meeker, CO 81641. Applications can be obtained from the Personnel Dept or downloaded from our website at www.co.rio-blanco.co.us/personnel. For information call (970) 878-9570. Deadline is July 12, 2013. Announcement #1318 EOE

**HELP WANTED:  
SEASONAL**

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

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and have full range of motion. Rio Blanco County will train and certify for Flagger Certificate. \$15.71/hr. Position to start immediately. Applications can be obtained from the HR Dept, 200 Main Street, Meeker, or downloaded from our website at www.co.rio-blanco.co.us Application deadline: July 10, 2013. Job # 1320 EOE

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1970 CHEVY Chevelle 454 Super Sport, Cold A/C, automatic, asking \$8999, (720)336-8361/hund51@juno.com

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HONDA 1988 GL1500 Motorbike for free. If interested contact jamesbeller312@yahoo.com

**HOMES: MEEKER**

1350 SAGE Ridge Road 4BR3 BA home on double lot in Sage Hills. Large deck with beautiful, unobstructed views. Many extras. \$240,000. See photos at Western-slopefsbo.com. Call (970)878-3228.

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FSBO: 555 Shaman Trail, BEAUTIFUL CUSTOM HOME with Panoramic Views of Mountains on 5 acres. Private Neighborhood, animals allowed. 6 BDR, 4 BA, in-law suite/guest suite. Complete radiant heat, both floors (super efficient). Two fireplaces. Convenient to town, schools, etc. Town water and natural gas. Insulated and sheetrocked 1095 square foot three car garage with storage above, in addition 240 square foot office. Wrap around deck with 165 square foot covered private space. Fully custom, designer, architect's home. 4776 square foot, \$569,900. Only \$119.13 per square foot. Photos and more information at western-slopefsbo.com. Call (970)878-4238. Must see.

FSBO: 2 BDR, 1.5 BA townhouse, comfortable floor plan, nice backyard. Just finished a complete remodel on home, please call for more information. (970) 629-9714.

**LAND/LOTS**

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

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**RENTALS: MEEKER**

EXCEPTIONALLY CLEAN, SPACIOUS, 2 BDR apt. Hot water heat, water, sewer, trash paid. Lease/Deposit required. NS,NP. (970)878-4592.

2 BDR, 1 BA townhouse, with washer and dryer, small pets okay. \$525/month + deposit. Call (970)878-5367 or (970)878-3736.

FULLY FURNISHED, 2 BDR, 2 BA apartments, in unit W/D, utilities included. NS & NP. 14 month lease: \$800 month with FIRST & LAST months FREE! \$1500 deposit to move in. 6 month: \$900/month, rent due at move-in. Month to month: \$1400/month, rent due at move in. Western Exposures Realty (970)878-5877.

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Rocky Mountain Storage & Rentals 5x10, 10x10 storage units available in town. 878-0085 or 878-3700.

**RENTALS: MEEKER**

12TH STREET APARTMENTS 2 BDR, 1 BA, heat, hot water, cable included. Call (970)261-1441 or (970)878-3739.

STORAGE DEPOT 10x25 unit. 878-4808.

3 BDR, 1.5 BA, nicely furnished townhouse. Washer & dryer included, NS, water, trash & sewer included. \$775/mo. + security deposit. 878-5858.

2 BDR, 1 BA apartment, repainted, \$450/month plus electricity. Call (970)878-3363.

2 BDR, 1.5 BA in a new triplex. Call (970)878-3363

2 BDR, 1.5 BA townhouse. \$525 per month plus deposit. Small pet okay. Call (970)878-5367

3 BDR, 2 BA full unfinished basement, all utilities paid, washer and dryer \$1000 per month. Pets welcome (970)878-5755.

APARTMENT FOR rent. 2 BDR, 1 BA, \$500 per month include utilities. Call (970)878-5026.

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

**RENTALS: MEEKER**

NOW FOR RENT: 2 BDR 1 1/2 BA townhouses. Prices vary from \$300 to \$500 per month. Call (970)220-2043

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

**RENTALS: RANGELY**

NEW 1180 square foot 3 BDR, 2 BA home. Low down, low monthly. Available for immediate occupancy. (970)260-9039.

RV SPACES in Rangely available. Rent \$350/month, utilities included. Now also leasing mobile home spaces! Contact Christy (970)589-9249.

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(970)675-2259**

RV Spaces for rent. Manager: Heath Gebauer (970)675-2259 (970)846-4293 Fax: (970)675-5509

RANGELY apartment for rent. 2 BDR, 1 BA, no pets. (970)778-5040.

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**1217 MAIN STREET**  
2 lots, 1 1/2 story home, 1 car attached garage and 1 car detached garage/shop.  
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**Featured Property of the Week**

1246 Cleveland Street, Clean Tri-level home, 1280 SF total living area. Located on a dead end street close to Ute Park. Call for a showing today.

- ◆ 566 Rimrock Dr.~ Fully furnished home on 5 acres, good water, views. \$270,000
- ◆ NEW LISTING ~ 866 Cleveland Street, cute home lots of extras, motivated seller ... \$199,000
- ◆ 2257 County Road 6 ~ New Home on 23 acres. .... Price Reduced to \$309,000
- ◆ 1217 Main Street ~ Cute home on a corner lot ..... \$149,500
- ◆ 1343 Sage Ridge Rd. ~ Ranch w/ full basement ..... \$219,000
- ◆ 1160 Mimi Circle ~ 2 story home, 3 bdrms, 2.5 baths ..... Sale Pending \$195,000
- ◆ 569 Larry Lane ~ beautiful 2+ bedroom home, corner lot, etc ..... \$189,000
- ◆ 1368 Robert Street ~ 4 bdrms, 2 baths, quiet location .... NEW PRICE \$175,000
- ◆ 560 5th Street ~ Large home with rentals & shop ..... \$185,000
- ◆ 517 Park Avenue ~ COMMERCIAL PROPERTY, great location ..... \$170,000
- ◆ 242 Park Ave. ~ Oversized lot, cute house, Large Metal Shop. .... \$145,000
- ◆ NEW LISTING: 713 Hill Street ~ 1 1/2 story home on large corner lot, pine trees, across from park. .... \$125,000.
- ◆ Vacant Lot - 1280 Garfield, includes water tap. Make Offer ..... \$25,000



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- ◆ 3103 Moffat County Rd 104, Skull Creek Flats, Dinosaur, 1,792 sq ft single family home w/ 360 sq ft addition, all on a total of 30 acres, numerous out buildings, include 1200 SF pole barn and finished 1008 SF frame built garage. \$219,000
- ◆ 315 8317 N. Grand Ave. Duplex: Attractively renovated. Each unit has 1,200 SF, 2 Bed, 2 Bath, W/D hook-up, carport for each side. Priced to Sell! \$139,500 Excellent income property, both sides rented.
- ◆ RIMROCK CAMPGROUND- 73179 HWY 64/Meeker- Great income property, 14.5 acres offering 1,435 SF home w/ 238 SF att. front office, numerous cabins & outbuildings, single wide mobile home rental. Good producing water well, 30 full RV hook-ups w/2 primitive sites, tent sites and fully laundry area w/ coin-op machines. Large established shade trees. Have to see this one - Priced to move \$438,000
- ◆ 6320 County Rd 7 Great location and view. Five acres with 3 BD, 2 BA home. Reduced! \$189,000
- ◆ 1886 County Rd 8 One of a kind property, w/ approx. 1/2 mile of White River Frontage. Great views, 3 BD, 2 3/4 bath home / large deck on south side, det. work garage, exceptional fishing and close to town! \$365,000
- ◆ 1301 Sage Ridge Road, frame built home w/ 4 BD, 2 3/4 baths, L-shaped deck to enjoy the awesome views! carport, detached workshop/garage, 20,000 + SF lot, sprinkler system & lots more! \$317,000
- ◆ 820 4th Street, 4,000 +/- SF home on 18,000 SF corner lot, great location and views. 3BD 2BA, Huge laundry rm, office and storage on main level. Fully finished basement w/ 1BD, 3/4 BA & Lg family/vec room, storage & more storage. 2 car GA, 5' cedar fenced backyard, big patio, detached 370 SF shop. \$317,000
- ◆ 1188 County Rd 63: Unique property with secluded location, 5+ acres. 3 Bedrooms 1 1/2 bath home, small pond, several outbuildings and 4 car carport. \$170,000
- ◆ 487 Agency Drive Perfect setting 5 acres, close to town, with your own forest of trees. 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath with room to expand, att. 2 car garage & large detached out building/shop, Extra Storage & features Like new! \$487,000

1153 & 1163 Market Street ~ SOLD | 208 E Rio Blanco ~ SOLD | 1025 Jill Drive ~ SOLD

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**RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY**  
789 8th Street - Unique and immaculate 5 BD home with income potential. Large property with separate apartment, garage and storage areas. \$475,000  
NEW 1407 Silver Sage Road - 4 BD, 3BA, custom-built home with 3 car garage and panoramic views, one of the highest quality homes in Meeker. \$439,000  
NEW 1411 Silver Sage Road - Beautiful ranch style home, 4 BD, 2.5 BA, large garage. \$380,000  
NEW, 1365 Robert St., 4BD, 2BA, sensational and beautifully crafted home in Sage Hills. Offering a luxuriously designed kitchen and living room with a gorgeous outlook over the White River Valley. NEW CONSTRUCTION. \$340,000  
1145 Michael Cr. 3BD, 2BA home located in a quiet neighborhood with garage and rec room. \$204,000. SHORT SALE, MAKE OFFER  
New --- 1045 Lance Cr. --- 5 BD, 2 BA home with custom garage and large yard on a quiet cul-de-sac. \$198,500  
RANGELY --- 267 Crest St., nice 4 BD, 2 BA home in a quiet neighborhood. Great yard and sunroom, garage and carport. \$195,000  
780 11th Street --- Remodeled 3 BD, 2 BA bi-level home with fenced yard. \$167,900  
1170 Cleveland Street, large home with full basement, family room, rec room, carport, nice trees. \$158,900  
675 11th Street - 4 BD, 2 BA home with attached garage, metal storage and hot tub. Ready for offers! REDUCED! \$139,000  
1021 Main St. 4 BD, 2.25 BA ranch style home with large living room, new detached garage. UNDER CONTRACT! \$139,000  
781 12th St. 2 BD, 1.5 BA, Townhouse. Asking \$30,000 --- MAKE AN OFFER!

**COMMERCIAL PROPERTY**  
1036 Shults Drive --- 32 unit apartment complex built in 2008. Will consider partnerships. \$2,900,000  
317 East Market St. --- 4.25 acres including a Commercial Building, large workshop and 3 acre vacant lot with highway frontage. \$975,000.  
1287 W. Market Street, 8,000 Sq.Ft. Commercial Building on 4 Lots on Highway, Great Rental Property. \$575,000.  
317 East Market St. - 3 acre building site located at the east end of Meeker. It is shovel ready with access to Hwy 13. \$425,000.  
NEW 290 4th St. - 4BD, 2.5 BA, 3,893 Sq. Ft. commercial building on corner lot in the downtown area of Meeker. Previously used as Savings & Loan business. Currently being rented as a home. \$330,000  
NEW 206 Market Street - Main floor retail space with residential basement, large metal shop. \$159,000

**RANCHES**  
Two Ranches, 344 acre ranch and 611 acre ranch. Great for livestock, hay and hunting. Call Onea Miller.  
Premier Hunting Ranch. --- 2,000 acres deeded, plus 14,000 acre BLM Grazing Permit priced at \$1,800 per deeded acre.  
RIVER RANCH ON THE YAMPA  
This attractive ranch borders public lands and has over a mile of Yampa River Frontage, includes, 126 +/- acres, a 5 bedroom, 4 bathroom, 4,348 sq. ft., 3 story home, outdoor riding arena, barn and hay meadows. Located west of Craig, CO. \$1,900,000.

**VACANT LAND**  
43902 Highway 13 --- 2.5 acres of commercial land in Curtis Creek. \$250,000  
41 vacant lots in Sanderson Hills subdivision. These are nice lots located on the northwest side of the Subdivision. \$250,000 for all or 7 lots at \$6,200 per lot. OWNER FINANCING  
48 Acres - 5 miles south of Meeker, joins BLM, open to trades or offers \$235,000  
99 acres --- vacant land that joins the BLM. \$139,000  
15,000 SQFT. 6th & Water Street --- Mixed Zoning. \$120,000  
4.5 lots on 8th St. \$100,000  
182 Main Street --- Oversized mixed use vacant lot. - \$85,000  
23105 Highway 13 --- 5.09 Acres with water well and electricity. \$77,000  
4 Lots in Cross L Estates --- Possible owner finance. \$74,000 - \$77,000. \$250,000 for all  
20 Acres along Strawberry Creek --- Mixed grass/alfalfa meadow with creek running through property. \$70,000  
6.79 acres Cross L Estates - Irrigated hay meadow, domestic water, electricity & views. Time to build a new house! Reduced to \$65,000  
1417 Silver Sage Road --- Two vacant lots, Reduced to \$55,000 for both. MAKE OFFER!  
2 adjoining fantastic vacant lots in Sage Hills --- Reduced to \$35,000 each.  
41 developed lots in Sanderson Hills Re-subdivision, including Streets, Curbs, Electricity, Gas. Priced at \$29,000 each or \$25,000 each in packages of 5 lots. Call for details. Contractors,

**RURAL RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES**  
40000 Hwy 13 --- Hacienda Rio Blanco, 6,211 sq.ft. Spanish Style Home on 6 acres with River Frontage. This amiable home is located about 1.5 miles from town and is an enjoyable place to live. \$695,000  
439 Agency Drive - Magnificent 4 BD, 3 BA log home on 6+ acres. New barn, high end appliances and amazing views, just minutes from Meeker. \$525,000  
945 RBC Rd. 14 - 5 BD, 3 BA, custom log home on 5 acres, located approximately 25 miles up the White River. Reduced to \$475,000  
NEW 3778 RBC Rd. 13 - 35 acres with water rights, hay field, pastures and beautifully remodeled 4BD, 2BA home. \$399,000  
281 RBC Rd. 57 --- Beautiful log home with 3 BD, 2 BA on 1.4 acres. 10 miles east of Meeker on the Flat Tops Scenic Byway. \$349,000  
NEW 283 Love Lane, 3BD, 2BA home on 3.57 acres with new metal workshop, horse barn, fenced pasture. Great family home. \$319,000  
73229 Highway 64 --- Beautiful 38 acres, 3 BD, 2 BA. Private canyon setting with trees and rock outcroppings. \$265,000!  
20285 RBC Rd. 8 Spacious home on 1.7 acres, located 20 miles up the White River. \$265,000  
200 Rim Rock Drive, 2bd, 2ba Home on 5 acres in Buckskin Valley, includes an area for horses. Good Location. \$181,000 SHORT SALE  
Log Cabin on 3 acres with pond and well. \$160,000.

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**HOMES IN MEEKER ...**  
NEW 973 Pinyon St. - 3 BR, 2BA home on corner lot, fenced yard, garage. \$139,000  
NEW 830 Water St.- 3 BR, 2BA one level home, fenced corner lot. Garage. Move in ready. \$175,900  
NEW 787 12th St.-3BR, 2 BA home on 2+ lots, barn, garage, \$169,000 - LEASE OPTION  
NEW 585 Cleveland St.- 3BR 3BA home like no other in the heart of Meeker, attention to detail in every area. Schedule a showing. \$449,000  
NEW 601 Pine St.- Lg corner lot in N. Meeker with a 1 bedroom log home, storage shed, trees. \$69,000  
NEW 145 5th St.-Log home near downtown, 2+ BR, 1BA, large deck, heated garage with shop area \$155,000  
1089 Pinyon St.- Lg lot with a nice 3 BR, 2 BA bi-level home, big new Trex deck, awesome views. \$145,000  
970 9th St.- 4 BR 3-1/2BA log home, large lot, carport. \$175,000  
939 Park Ave.-4BR, 4BA home. Updated kitchen, granite countertops, new S.S. appliances, new flooring, new jetted bathtub, new deck, attached garage and a huge heated shop. \$234,900 REDUCED!  
11 East Main St.- 3 to 4 bedroom log home, 1.75 baths, living & family rooms, oak floors. REDUCED \$193,500  
562 Larry Lane-Corner lot, 1 level, 3 BR 2BA, fenced yard, garage, deck. \$148,000 MAKE AN OFFER!  
643 12th St.- 4 BR, 2 BA bi-level home. Garage, carport, fenced back yard. \$140,000.  
375 Pine St.- 5 BR, 3 BA home, big corner lot, fenced yard, garage, trees. \$260,000. SOLD!  
711 Cleveland-large corner lot, 3 BR, 2BA home, nicely remodeled, 1 level, garage. \$179,900 SOLD!

**RANCHES --- RURAL RESIDENTIAL --- HUNTING PROPERTIES...**  
NEW 950 CR 14- Mountain cabin 26 miles up river. 2 BR, 1 BA with great views, in the woods. \$289,000.  
NEW 12916 County Rd. 8- Amazing home and views, 35 acres, 2+BR, 1 BA, garage, outbuildings, private park like setting. \$400,000  
NEW 1337 Meath Dr.- 35 acres 9 miles east with a nice 3 BR, 2 BA home, pastures, views. \$265,000.  
NEW 13245 CR 8- 5 acres 14 miles up-river, well, trees, nice 3 BR, 2 BA home, decks, garage, oak floors. \$360,000  
NEW 444 Agency Dr.-4 BR 3-1/2 BA log home, over 3,500 sq. ft. on 5 acres, barn, irrigated pasture, attached garage, near golf course. What a deal! \$369,000.  
NEW 4637 CR 77 irrigated acres, 2 story home, barns, shop, sheds, pastures, good water. \$690,000.  
850 County Rd. 10-32 acres with 2 log homes, 2 wells, 2 septic systems, 2 electric meters, shop, garage, fenced, pond. \$695,000 REDUCED  
Rivier Property- CR 12- 5+ acres 28 miles up river, with 2 BR, 1 BA cabin, good well, fish pond. \$295,000  
510 Meadow Lane -6.92 acres with 2,332 sq. ft. 2 story home, 3 BR, 2 1/2 BA Private river setting, pond, hot tub, gazebo, Great horse property! REDUCED \$399,000  
2000 County Rd. 119 Forest Service cabin on Ute Creek, 1BR, 1BA, \$85,000  
710 Shaman Tr.- 3+ BR, 4BA, Custom built 4,534 sq ft home on 5 acres, great views, garage. \$448,000  
24530 County Rd. 8- A-frame cabin on small acreage, up-river, vacation home, views! \$169,000  
615 Shaman Trail- Home on 8.8 acres near schools. 3,654 sq ft + 3 car garage. \$415,000 SALE PENDING!  
40 Acres up South Fork- Lots of trees, water, 4 BR, 2 BA lodge, Nat. Forest access. HUNTING! \$585,000.  
13051 CR 8- 52 Acres, 14 miles up river, 2 living quarters buildings, garage, hunting. \$435,000.

**BUSINESS & INVESTMENT ...**  
109 Market St.-3+ lots on the corner of 1st & Market. Great location. \$350,000  
Rifle, CO-9 vacant lots near City Hall & new theater, excellent investment opportunity. \$1,800,000.  
Rio Blanco Store- Great potential, 3/4 acre on Hwy 13, 3,000 sq ft store, café, living quarters. REDUCED \$130,000.  
Silt, CO- 15 Acre River Front Commercial- 1-70 frontage road, just off of Silt exit, next to Holiday Inn Express. Excellent visibility & access. Utilities to boundary. Water rights. \$950,000.  
304 4th St. Commercial building on corner lot downtown, great office space, 4,437 sq. ft. \$220,000  
265 6th St.- 3,208 sq ft commercial building, downtown, Make an offer. \$50,000 SOLD!

**RAW LAND AND HOMESITES ...**  
NEW 860 Shaman Trail- 5.5 acre lot just east of Meeker, Ute Terrace Sub., town water, awesome views. \$80,000  
Ridge Estates- 2 to 9 acre lots. Community well, irrigation water to each site. Prices reduced, additional discount available. Prices starting from \$75,600. 1 mile south of town.  
Ridge Estates - Lot 30. SALE PENDING  
Meadow Lane-33 acre hay meadow with 2,880 sq. ft. barn, horse stalls, tack room, irrigated land, year around spring, private setting. 4 miles west of Meeker. \$255,000  
Rivier Property- 19.6 Acres 12 miles west. Irrigated hay, good home sites, river. \$150,000.  
Several nice building lots on Mimi Circle and Michael Circle priced between \$22,500 and \$25,000.  
20 Acres, Strawberry Creek Minor Subdivision. Lot 3, \$63,000.  
Little Beaver Estates- Lot 4: 35 acres, fenced, good pond, leafing shed, great site. REDUCED TO \$79,000.  
Little Beaver Estates- Lot 5: 35 acres, good pond, pasture. Partially fenced. \$83,000.  
Little Beaver Estates- Two 35 acre lots bordering DOW hunting land. Lot 11- \$95,000, Lot 12 SALE PENDING!  
Little Beaver Estates 35 acre lot bordering Division of Wildlife public land, Lot 14. \$100,000  
50 Acres 15 miles south of Meeker, west of Hwy 13. Great homesites and views. REDUCED to \$65,000!  
1187 Park Ave.- 2 corner lots, zoned for multi-family, lots of trees. Town Ditch. \$65,000.  
100 acres 29 miles east of Meeker, surrounded by Nat Forest, covered with Aspens. \$1,395,000.000.

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314 E. Rangely 3Bd/1.75Bath Singlewide Manufactured home 1,242.5 sq ft \$85,000  
205 E. Raven 1981 Cozy Townhouse 2 Bd/1.75 Bath 941 sq ft living space \$89,900  
703 E. Rangely Ave. Ranch-style 2Bd/1 Bath 2 Detached Garages Built in 1947 943 sq ft \$119,500  
281 Crest, Foreclosure, Ranch over full basement w/garage, 3Bd/2.5Bath, \$161,900  
121 Foothill Dr. Update home 3Bd/1 Bath 2 car garage Built in 1946 1,797 sq ft \$168,400  
1101 Tanglewood Ln. Well kept 3Bd/2 Bath Built in 1982 1,512 sq ft \$169,900  
226 Morrison Ave. Bi-level next to park 3Bd/2 Bath 1,686 sq ft 960 sq ft garage \$183,000  
233 S. White Beautiful Bi-level Home 5 Bd/2 Bath 1,642 living sq. ft Built in 1975 \$184,000  
208 Hillcrest Cir Spectacular views 3Bd/1.75 Bath w/sauna Built in 1983 1,960 sq ft \$185,000  
606 S. Stanolind Ave. Gorgeous 4Bd/3.5 Bath Built in 1996 3,123 sq ft \$310,000

**COMMERCIAL**  
111 Foothill Dr. 6 plex Great Investment Property \$350,000  
402 W. Main Multi-Purpose Building 4.5 Acres Built in 1960 & remodeled in 2000 \$2,500,000

**LOTS/LAND**  
3 lots in Ridgeway Sub. Various Prices  
202 W. Main St. Great corner location \$35,000  
Redwood Estates Approx 1/2 acre building lot \$28,000  
Lake St. 2 Lots, 10,000 sq. ft. total \$28,000  
2 Fantastic Lots La Mesa Sub \$50,000 each  
College View 10 lots, +/- 4 acres near CNCC \$150,000  
Lot 1 & 2 in the Chase Subdivision \$15,000  
HWY 64/Rivier Rd. 3 parcels of land: 18.97 acres, 3.47 acres, 1.77 acres sold separate or together. All 3 parcels \$695,000

Skull Creek Estates Approx 3 1/2 acres \$25,000  
2842 Shale Dr. Lot size 2.479 acres \$38,000  
820 Main St. Commercial lot 18,564 sq ft total \$41,770  
1351 La Mesa 11,659 sq ft \$43,000  
3.76 acres Down River on CR 2. River front \$30,000  
Mesa Dr. 2 lots each 5,000 sq ft \$29,000 total  
Rio Blanco County Rd. 2 19.7 acres on river

**We SELL your listing!**  
146 Foothill Dr. Sale Pending | 17460 Hwy 64 Sale Pending | 1041 Halfturn Sale Pending  
104 W. Rangely Ave. Sale Pending | 227 S. Stanolind Sale Pending | 210 Hillcrest Ave. Sale Pending  
246 E. Rangely Ave. SOLD

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