

20 Amazing Colorado Destinations Located on BLM Public Lands

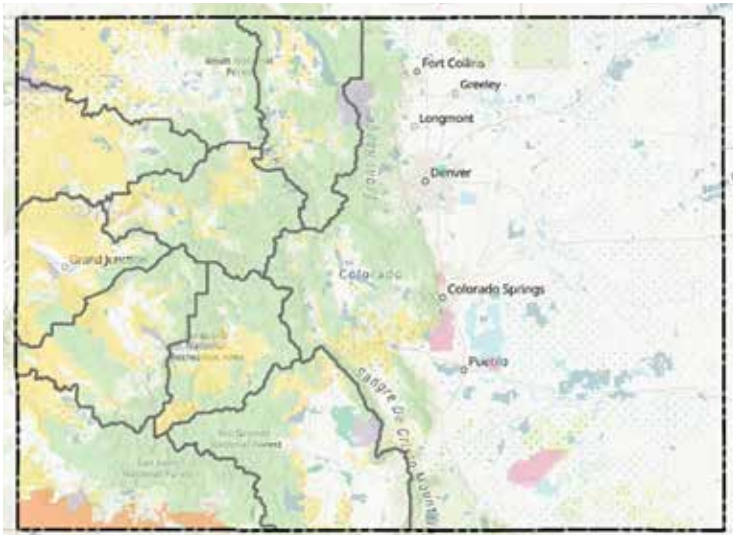


Special to the Review
BY WES ADAMS WITH 99.9 KEKB

BLM Colorado manages almost 8.4 million acres of public lands in the Centennial State. These are the places we go hiking, mountain biking, camping, fishing, and enjoying a night out under the stars. Scroll on to check out 20 must-visit Colorado destinations on BLM lands in western Colorado.

Map of BLM Land on the Western Slope

Colorado's BLM cares for over 8 million acres of public land in Colorado for you and me to enjoy. BLM lands bring in over \$8 million to our state's economy and boost Colorado's tourism numbers in a big way. Which popular features are located on BLM land? Scroll on to check out 20 locations everyone should go see at least once in Colorado.



BLM Lands in Western Colorado

The yellow-shaded areas are public lands in Colorado managed by BLM.

BLM Lands in Mesa County

A closer look at the BLM lands in Mesa County including Dominguez Escalante National Conservation Area, Dominguez Canyon Wilderness, Unaweep Seep Nature Area, and lots of other beautiful places.

Zapata Falls

Location: Zapata Falls
City: Mosca, Colorado
Elevation: 9,088 feet
BLM Administrative Field Office: Royal Gorge Field Office

Yampa River Preserve

Location: Yampa River Preserve
City: Hayden, Colorado
Elevation: 7,833 feet.
BLM Administrative Field Office: Little Snake Field Office

Walden Reservoir

Location: Walden Reservoir
City: Walden, Colorado
Elevation: 8,048 feet.
BLM Administrative Field Office: Kremmling Field Office



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Rangely District Hospital CEO Corner

BY KYLE WREN

Greetings from Rangely District Hospital! Enthusiasm is high this blustery spring (or second winter) as we continue our commitment and efforts to provide the highest quality of care to you and your families. Since last quarter's Rangely Review publication, there have been several updates for the community and initiatives impacting the Hospital. Let's break down the way RDH spent the remaining COVID funds:

- **Installed Patient Lifts in 3 of the 4 In-Patient Rooms & Upgraded Long-Term Beds**

A company called Arjo installed 3 state-of-the-art Lift Systems in our patient rooms. We have similar lifts in our Long-Term Care rooms and they were needed in our In-Patient rooms.

Apart from aiding the patient when moving them from the bed to a wheelchair, or helping them out of bed, it provides safety for valued RDH employees, preventing injury from repetitive lifting. The COVID funds also allowed us to purchase 10 new patient beds!

- **Updated our Call Light System**

We updated our Emergency Call Light System. Beacon Technology will be updating the system April 10th throughout the Hospital. This will allow employees to respond to appropriate areas of the Hospital in a timely manner during an emergency. All Call Lights and Pull Cords (for both employee and patient use) will be relocated.

- **Purchased a 132-Slice CT Scanner**

Rangely District Hospital is pleased to offer our community a new CT scanner. The GE Revolution Maxima features innovative AI-based Auto Positioning. When a patient is mispositioned during a CT Scan, it may lead to up to a 38 percent increase in dose of radiation. This AI-based centering for patients assures that they receive the lowest possible dose of radiation and also includes leading dose reduction software called ASiR-V™. Together, these core technologies provide you with everything you need to get the right diagnosis, the first time, at the lowest radiation dose possible.

Your CT experience doesn't end with the generation of a high-quality image either! You also need intelligent applications that continue to support you once those images reach the Reading Room. Our new CT scanner includes a collection of smart applications for cardiac, stroke, oncology and metal artifacts. Smart MAR (Single Acquisition Metal Artifact Reduction) reduces metal streaking caused by hip replacements and other metal in the body in order to visualize soft tissue around the joint(s) that we could not see before.

Truly great imaging performance is more than just a beautiful clinical image. For high-throughput environments, how you get to the image is just as important as the image itself. And we know every step in the process matters. We consider how quickly a scan can be set up, how easily our applications can be applied during the scan and how effectively a Technologist can send quality images to the Radiologist for a report from the images they acquire. All of this goes into the improved imaging performance you can now expect with Rangely Hospital's new CT scanner, the GE Revolution Maxima.

- **Continued Work: Minor Procedure Room Upgrade & Negative Air Installation**

Stay tuned for further updates about the Surgical Suite Upgrade, Negative Air Installation and new Service Lines that RDH will be bringing to our community. We plan to host an Open House in October that will showcase the project, with more information coming soon via our website and social media sites.

- **Passed the Fire and State Inspection**

The Hospital went through a couple of inspections recently. RDH is required to be inspected by the State every three years and have the Fire Inspection every five years. Last State Inspection was in 2017, so we were due for another. We appreciate our staff for helping gather documentation for the State inspectors and showing them the facility. It takes a lot of time to gather everything for them and appreciate our team in fielding their requests. We have responded to the State and they have accepted our Plan of Correction for a couple of policies that weren't in place. The fire inspectors came last March 2022 and then performed their final inspection last month. We are pleased to reassure you that we are in good standing with both departments!

- **Began Transitioning "Home Health" to a new "Home Visit Nursing Program"**

We're excited to announce the transitioning of Rangely District Hospital Home Health to a Home Visit Nursing Program under Rangely Family Medicine.

As of April 17th, 2023, we are transitioning referrals and services to the Home Visit Nursing Program. If you, or someone you know, needs Home Health services from March 8th through April 16th, please reach out to us and we will provide the best services for your needs through Rangely District Hospital Outpatient Services during this transition.

Our goal in this transition is to serve more members of the community while we continue to work closely with our Rangely Family Medicine providers. Nursing services will continue to be a part of the Home Visit Nursing Program under Rangely Family Medicine. Physical Therapy services and all after hours services will now be offered through

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Police Policy and Procedures and Why They Matter

BY TIRYNN HAMBLIN, CHIEF OF POLICE

What is policy and procedure in policing?

Law enforcement policies and procedures are the rules and standards by which agencies operate, the guidebook that helps Officers navigate the challenging and potentially dangerous scenarios they face every day.

What is the difference?

- A policy mandates, specifies, or prohibits conduct in order to enhance law enforcement’s mission, ensure coordinated compliance with applicable laws and regulations, promote operational efficiency, and/or reduce institutional risk.
- A procedure is a description of the operational processes necessary to implement policy.

Why are policy and procedures important?

Policies help protect our community and our Officers by providing a written standard on how Officers interact with the public and conduct themselves. A consistently updated policy, which reflects changes in the law and updated best practices helps reduce liability for the Town of Rangely.

Procedures help Officers deal with situations that come up where there is no applicable policy. There are just too many “what if” scenarios to make policies that would encompass them all.

Since January 1st, 2019, the Rangely Police Department has used policy provided by Lexipol. Lexipol is the nation’s leading provider of policy, training and wellness support for first responders and public servants. Lexipol is widely used by law enforcement throughout the State of Colorado for this reason. Lexipol provides a policy that is constantly being reviewed and updated when the law changes in Colorado.

I am proud to report that the Rangely Police Department has achieved gold level recognition in 2022 as part of the Lexipol Connect Customer Recognition Program, which recognizes law enforcement agencies for excellence in policy maintenance and training.

The Lexipol Connect Program tracks the Rangely Police Department’s performance on five metrics proven to measure success in policy management. The Rangely Police Department achieved gold recognition for consistent and effective policy dissemination to personnel, timely policy updates as laws change, and officer training on policies.

Up-to-date policy and ongoing training are a priority for our agency, and we are honored and excited to be recognized for our continued commitment to serving the Town of Rangely in this way. This recognition would not be possible without the dedication of all our personnel to reading, understanding and acknowledging policy updates and completing Daily Training Bulletins (DTBs). This is the highest level of recognition currently offered by Lexipol.



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- 1/2 Page - \$100
- 1/4 Page - \$55
- 1/8 page - \$40

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BLM continued...

Unaweep Seep Nature Area

Location: Unaweep Seep Nature Area

City: Gateway, Colorado

Elevation: 7,048 feet

BLM Administrative Field Office: Grand Junction Field Office

Spring Creek Basin

Location: Spring Creek Basin

City: Norwood, Colorado

Elevation: 7,400 feet

BLM Administrative Field Office: Uncompahgre Field Office

Sand Wash Basin

Location: Sand Wash Basin

City: Maybell, Colorado

Elevation: 8,200 feet

BLM Administrative Field Office: Little Snake Field Office

San Luis Hills

Location: San Luis Hills

City: Manassa, Colorado

Elevation: 9,206 feet

BLM Administrative Field Office: San Luis Valley Field Office

Roan Plateau

Location: Roan Plateau

City: Rifle, Colorado

Elevation: 9,920 feet

BLM Administrative Field Office: White River Field Office

Pumphouse Recreation Site (Kremmling)

Location: Pumphouse Recreation Site

City: Kremmling, Colorado

Elevation: 6,955 feet

BLM Administrative Field Office: Kremmling Field Office

Penitente Canyon

Location: Penitente Canyon

City: Del Norte, Colorado

Elevation: 8000 feet.

BLM Administrative Field Office: Royal Gorge Field Office

Little Book Cliffs Wild Horse Area

Location: Little Book Cliffs Wild Horse Area

City: Palisade, Colorado

Elevation: 7,421 feet

BLM Administrative Field Office: Grand Junction Field Office

Hartman Rocks Rec Area

Location: Hartman Rocks Rec Area

City: Gunnison, Colorado

Elevation: 7,941 feet

BLM Administrative Field Office: Gunnison Field Office

Guffey Gorge (Paradise Cove)

Location: Guffey Gorge (Paradise Cove)

City: Guffey, Colorado

Elevation: 8,891 feet

BLM Administrative Field Office: Royal Gorge Field Office

Fruita Paleontological Area

Location: Fruita Paleontological Area

City: Fruita, Colorado

Elevation: 4,514 feet

BLM Administrative Field Office: Grand Junction Field Office

Doterso Crater Recreation Site

Location: Dotsero Crater Recreation Site

City: Dotsero, Colorado

Elevation: 7,300 feet

BLM Administrative Field Office: Colorado River Valley Field Office



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20 places continued...
Dominguez Escalante National Conservation Area
Location: Dominguez Escalante National Conservation Area
City: Delta, Colorado
Elevation: 8,200 feet.
BLM Administrative Field Office: Grand Junction Field Office / Uncompahgre Field Office

Dominguez Canyon Wilderness
Location: Dominguez Canyon Wilderness
City: Grand Junction, Colorado
Elevation: 7,726 feet.
BLM Administrative Field Office: Uncompahgre Field Office

Dinosaur Hill
Location: Dinosaur Hill
City: Fruita, Colorado
Elevation: 4,726 feet
BLM Administrative Field Office: Grand Junction Field Office

Canyon of the Ancients National Monument
Location: Canyon of the Ancients National Monument
City: Dolores, Colorado
Elevation: 7,500 feet.
BLM Administrative Field Office: Tres Rios Field Office

Canyon Pintado National Historic District
Location: Canyon Pintado National Historic District
City: Rangely, Colorado
Elevation: 5,466 feet.
BLM Administrative Field Office: White River Field Office

Animas Forks
Location: Animas Forks
City: Silverton, Colorado
Elevation: 11,200 feet
BLM Administrative Field Office: Gunnison Field Office

Alpine Loop Scenic Byway
Location: Alpine Loop Scenic Byway
City: Ouray, Silverton, Lake City
Elevation: 12,800 feet.
BLM Administrative Field Office: Gunnison Field Office



Upcoming Events In Rangely

Pool Easter Egg Hunt

April 6 @ 5:30pm
Recreation Center
See page 17 for more details

Glow in the Dark Egg Hunt

April 14 @ 8:45pm
Elks Park
See page 21 for more details

Chamber Director Meet 'n Greet

April 20 @ 6pm
CNCC Weiss Conference Room

ROAR

April 27-30

CNCC Graduation

May 6

Rangely High School Graduation

May 21

February Crossword Results

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Please Join
Rangely Police Department



For coffee with a cop event!
Pull up a chair and grab a cup of joe with the officers that serve your community.
This event is an opportunity for the citizens of Rangely to ask questions, voice concerns, and get to know the officers in the neighborhood!

Date:
Every third
Saturday

Location:
Gio's Family
Dining

Time:
10am



Rangely Real Estate Market

BY KAREN REED, RAVEN REALTY

The Market

The Rangely market is as unique as the town itself. Trends have been changing though out the years as the market has been adapting to the demand as well as the lack of demand for homes, apartments, duplexes, and triplexes. After the 2020 pandemic, people have been hungry for rural homes. This graph from “National Association of Realtors”, shows the latest sales stats from February of 2023.

Overall, the current sales market trends have been decreasing over the past four months. The decrease of 2023 market stats are directly affected by the raising of Federal Interest Rates and less interest of cash buyers. The rental market has still been strong as the rising rates, buyers, and renters change with the estimated home values.

The Median Estimated Home Value \$168K

Change Over Last Month ↓ 0.87%
Change Over Last 3 Months ↓ 1.19%
Change Over Last 12 Months ↑ 1.69%
Change Over Last 24 Months ↑ 7.64%

Comparison

	Rangely	Rio Blanco County	Colorado	USA
Median Estimated Home Value	\$168K	\$224K.	\$549K	\$342K
Estimated Home Value 12-Month Change	+1.7%	+4.9%	+6%	+9.3%
Median List Price	\$236K	\$295K	\$576K	–

Local statistics as of the end of February, 2023
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Karen Reed, Broker

Karen Reed is a licensed Realtor with Raven Realty, LLC in Rangely Colorado. She has over 20 years experience with the local market.

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The Library is the G.O.A.T (and sometimes has real live goats!!!!)

BY AMORETTE HAWKINS, LIBRARIAN

There is always something going on at your local Library! We are always up for visitors whether they have two legs or four!!

The Library staff (and anyone who is anyone in this town) were out and about at a Night at Hogwarts. We gave away some fun prizes including some wizard bookmarks and Harry Potter straws as well as a Lego set and the Harry Potter children's illustrated books. This is an event that you don't want to miss!!!!

We are planning to make another appearance at the Children's Health Fair on April 14th. Be sure and stop by our booth to see what fun giveaways we have to offer our youngsters! In case you didn't know-Miss Rita always has the good stuff!!!!

The Library is excited to announce that we have a new employee. Her name is Megan Carter and she is our Fill In Librarian and works Friday afternoons. Please stop in and welcome her.

We are open Monday thru Friday from 10:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. Storytime is EVERY Tuesday-year-round at 10:00 A.M.! You can find us on Facebook @www.facebook.com/RangelyPublicLibrary and you can find our catalog at <https://rangelyregionallibrary.follettdestiny.com>.

Summer is around the corner and the Library will once again be having our Summer Reading Program for all ages! Look for more details in the next issue of the Rangely Review!



Colorado Northwestern Partnerships Working for Students

BY LISA JONES, PRESIDENT

In the February issue of CNCC Corner, I presented Colorado Northwestern's 2023-28 Strategic Plan as well as an update on activities underway addressing one of our Strategic Priorities-Focus on the Student. I promised to spend the next several editions focusing on one priority and aligned institutional activities. The priority of focus this month is Partnerships. On February 10, 2023, an industry partner and friend Captain Ray Phillips posted a photo on his LinkedIn page congratulating four young pilots at a United Airlines "Wings Ceremony" held that same day. The four pilots and first officers, Stefan Comina, Efrain Cabrera, Nicholas Rubba and Chris Phillips are also graduates of Colorado Northwestern. CNCC's part 141 designation, due to stricter FAA monitoring, allows our pilot trainees to be prepared for private and commercial pilot (in 60 hours less time) licensure in less time. This saves students time and money. Some students pursue a bachelor's degree to expand their options and accelerate their career trajectory. These four students obtained a bachelor's degree from Metropolitan State University (MSU), a strong partner of CNCC, and transfer destination for many Colorado Northwestern students. In any industry, mentorship and industry partnerships help students secure the best opportunities. In fact, students with mentors and industry connections have a two-thirds chance of making it to the top 20% of opportunities and earnings. United Airlines stepped in as industry partner with Captain Ray Phillips as these students' mentors.



One core mission of a community college is to produce graduates who can join a workforce and contribute to society and the economy. In doing so, CNCC incorporates one of its values and that is to nurture meaningful and mutually beneficial partnerships. We want our graduates to join a workforce where they can earn a family supporting wage in jobs that will be available and around for the foreseeable future. Based on the Bureau of Labor Statistics, over the next decade 18,000 new pilots will be needed annually. The current Boeing Pilot and Technician Outlook concludes that the aviation industry will supply more than 602,000 commercial airline pilots worldwide over the next 20 years. Outstanding partnerships include: Agreed goals, common values, trust, mutual respect, great communication, and a balanced return. The partnerships with MSU and Captain Phillips that resulted in opportunities for these pilots are examples of the types of partnerships CNCC wishes to continue cultivating as we strive to fulfill our mission and promise to the students and the communities we serve.

Blankets of Love

BY NICOLE RABY

In February, members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints Relief Society organization gathered their talents and tools to make blankets for the Rangely EMS personnel to offer to patients in an emergency. The Relief Society organization is comprised of the women members and strives to provide relief for women and families through education and service.

Relief Society Activities Coordinator Nicole Raby organized the service opportunity. The blankets were made with tremendous love and came from a variety of materials. Some Sisters quilted blankets at their home, some were sewn flannel, and some were made of fleece and tied together as the heart of the activity. The activity was a wholesome fellowship and included conversations of the desire to comfort during tragedy and trauma and warm uplifting moments between women of all ages.

It is the desire of the Relief Society that patients feel wrapped in their love and the love of Our Savior in their time of trauma to feel the hope of comfort and healing.





CEO continued...

Outpatient Services at Rangely District Hospital. Reach out to us at (970)675-4231 if you or someone you know are interested in more information.

- **Foundation Board Update**

The Rangely District Hospital Foundation has selected a new President, Keely Ellis. Keely recently joined the Foundation and with her expertise will aid in moving the Foundation along. The 2023 Foundation Board Members are:

- President: Keely Ellis
- Secretary: Jeannie Caldwell
- Treasurer: Frank Huitt
- Hospital Board Representative: Ron Granger

We are still looking for one additional Board member. If you would like to join the Foundation Board please contact Jodi Dillon for an application. She can be reached at (970)675-4225 or by email Jodi.Dillon@rdhosp.org.

- **Marketing/Foundation Coordinator**

We have hired Rangely native Raquel Petersen as the Marketing/Foundation Coordinator. I'm excited for her to join our team. Raquel hit the ground running and is already working on several grants. She has experience in non-profits, grant writing and marketing. It is our goal at RDH to make our patients number one and with that in mind we are seeking new ways of reaching out to support the Hospital and expand services.

- **Hospital Board Update**

The Hospital Board had three vacancies and three applicants. Diane Sizemore, Brad Casto and Wes White put in nominations for the Board seats. Since there were only three applicants the Hospital will not hold an election. Shad Peters terms out this May. Shad has spent 8 years on the Hospital Board. He has supported the Hospital and its employees through some tough transitions. We appreciate Shad for his selfless service. The swearing in of our new and reappointed candidates will be May 25th during the regularly scheduled Board meeting. Our Board and Hospital are committed to serving you and your family.

- Attended the Colorado Hospital Association Conference (Westminster, CO during the second week of March) Finally, Diane Sizemore went with Jodi and I to visit with several other Colorado Hospitals at the Colorado Rural Hospital Conference in Denver. Diane was able to meet with board members from other rural hospitals. A few of the breakout sessions we attended include:

- Rethinking Rural Health
- The Future of the Health Care Workforce
- Practical Solutions for Rural Health Care Workforce Training
- Recruitment and Retention
- Federal and State Legislative Updates

I would like to focus on one piece of legislation that would greatly impact our Hospital. HB 1215 would ban hospitals from charging facility fees for most outpatient visits. This would financially be detrimental to Colorado Hospitals. As written, according to CHA this would be a 9-billion-dollar financial hit to all of Colorado Hospitals and 7 million to ours here at RDH. If passed this bill would close our doors. This bill was just introduced and has several other hurdles to go through before becoming law. I encourage you to educate yourself as these bills are brought forward. Additional healthcare bills can be found at cha.com under the 2023 ADVOCACY tab. Overall, we enjoyed the conference.

We look forward to continuing to provide the level of excellence in care that our community expects and deserves. As always, thank you for your support of Rangely District Hospital, and we look forward to seeing you around town (and hopefully at our Community Health Fair on April 1st)!

Rangely High School Girls Bball Finishes Strong

BY KIRSTEN LOWRY

The Rangely High School Girls Basketball Team finished in seventh place in the 2A CHSAA division on the season.

Overall the Lady Panthers finished with a 19-6 record with an 8-0 record in the 2A/1A Western Slope League and a 4-2 mark in the CHSAA 2A State Basketball tournament. The Lady Panthers will look to return to Loveland in the 2023-2024 campaign as they only graduate one senior, Mackenzie Manchester. The core group of 11 players will return next year and will look to defend their league, district, and regional titles. Returning will be Ryann Mergelman, Annika Cantrell, Kastyn Dembowski, Emma Smith, Miah Wren, Miley Chism, Ashlynn Ducey, Katelyn Cox, Emmeree Wagner, Lexi LeBleu, Jade Miller, Addison Scott, and Aubrey Kenney.





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Regional Agricultural Feasibility Supports Livestock Producers & Meat Processors

(Northwest Colorado) The Community Agriculture Alliance (CAA), Colorado State University (CSU), Northwest Colorado Development Council (NWCDC), and Colorado Northwestern Community College (CNCC) are developing a regional agricultural infrastructure feasibility study for Moffat, Rio Blanco, and Routt Counties. The feasibility study will gather input from agricultural producers to support efforts to secure future federal grant opportunities. It is funded by a \$25,000 grant from the Just Transition Fund (JTF), a national philanthropic initiative that supports communities and organizations that are impacted by the changing coal economy.

The intent of this project is to report what we hear to business owners and policymakers to enact change and create a food ecosystem that supports more value-added agricultural and food processing activities. Value-added activities involve further processing or packaging raw ag products to help earn more money from farm products. For example, ranchers can package beef and sell directly to consumers or further process it into jerky or sausage.

“Our agricultural sector is one of the key pillars of our economy,” said Tim Redmond, NWCDC Chair and Routt County Commissioner. “The NWCDC, CAA, CSU, CNCC, and our community partners are dedicated to growing this important sector to diversify the economy, which is critical in the face of the sunset of coal.”

The study will begin with in-person or virtual interviews with our producers in Northwest Colorado to better understand processing, storage, distribution, barriers, and marketing needs. The feasibility study will identify opportunities for our community to come together to overcome the challenges facing our livestock producers in Northwest Colorado. We are asking for producers to sign up for the study, by clicking the [Google Form Link](https://forms.gle/T5u2pzpCRA33b7Ss8): <https://forms.gle/T5u2pzpCRA33b7Ss8> or email Libby Christensen, Ph.D, CSU Extension, Statewide Food and Agriculture Specialist at libby.christensen@colostate.edu.

Through a series of NWCDC Ag Producer Meetings last November in the three counties, we’ve heard about the challenges facing livestock producers. To be able to make regulatory or economic structural changes, we need to systematically capture these experiences. Ranchers will have access to the study to help them apply for grants and loans.

Have something you would like to contribute. Submit articles, events or photos to The Rangely Review at rangelyreview@gmail.com



What Does It Mean to Bleed Green?

BY AMORETTE HAWKINS

“Live, love, thrive in your community. Take pride in knowing that you are part of a small and exclusive group of proud, battle-hardened people who crafted this town out of a dried-up desert. You are part of a heritage molded from dirt, forged from oil, carved from coal. Like it or not, your blood doesn’t run red. Once you step on the field, once you dawn the green and white, once you become a Panther, your blood runs green baby!” Kent Collins – Nick’s best friend and teammate

The Bleed Green Lancaster #17 Foundation, with a Board of Directors consisting of Rangely High School graduates, was created to honor the late Mikey and Nick Lancaster who played football for the Rangely Panthers and both wore the #17 jersey. They also each earned All-Conference Honors during their High School careers and went on to play College football. Nick earned All-State Honors at the quarterback position-something his older brother was extremely proud of him for. Their mutual love of football was one of the many things they bonded over



Photo credit: Dalton LeBleu

When Nick returned to Rangely to help coach his hometown panthers in 2009, he was shocked to find a much different financial climate than the one he had experienced in his glory days. Instead, he found a program in much need of equipment, uniforms and no travel funds for its players and coaching staff. He found himself helping to raise funds and contributing from his own pocket for things that both the team and individual players needed.

Unfortunately, both brothers are gone. Mikey passed away in 1992 and Nick in 2017. After Nick’s passing, a memorial fund was set up in his name with the proceeds to benefit the Rangely High School football players. The money that was contributed would be used for things that both the team and individual players need, but that the school has no budget dollars for and that creates hardships for individual families. In 2021 the Bleed Green Lancaster #17 Foundation was formed. The family has been blown away by all the love and support shown by those donating to his fund and attending the events held in his name. It has provided much healing to his family, extended family and friends as well as put a positive spin on a heartbreaking event in our lives. There is no doubt in our hearts and minds that Nick would be extremely honored to be a catalyst for others to give to a program that he so dearly loved.

The Bleed Green Lancaster #17 Foundation is honored to partner with the family of longtime former resident Matt Grenfell’s family by accepting donations in his name. These donations will be used to provide for the needs of the Rangely Youth Sports for players from families with hardships for registration fees, physical checkups and equipment needs.

Watch for details in upcoming issues of the Rangely Review for the 4th Annual Nick Lancaster Memorial Golf Tournament (June 3rd) and the 6th Annual Nick Lancaster Memorial Football Game (TBA).

The Bleed Green Lancaster #17 Foundation is a 501(c)(3) organization. <https://bleedgreenlanaster17.team/>.

Gear Up for Summer!

BY CANDRA ROBIE, CHAMBER DIRECTOR

With the snowing and spring break in the rear view, this means summer is right around the corner. What plans do you have to enjoy the soon to come warm weather? Things happening in Rangely this summer:

- CNCC Commencement Ceremony held on May 6th at 2pm.
- Cedar Ridges will hold the first tournament of the season on May 13th, Bernie’s Tourney. The Bleed Green tournament will be next, held on June 3rd.
- RHS Commencement Ceremony held on May 21st.
- LARPING (Live Action Role Playing) event held at the Camper Park May 25th-28th.
- Kenney Reservoir is always open for swimming, boating and other fun activities.
- 4th of July festivities hosted by our local Recreation and Park District.
- Camping around our local areas makes for great memories without traveling too far.



Thanks for the Warm Rangely “Welcome Home”!

My name is Raquel Petersen and I am eager to “re”-introduce myself to the residents of Rangely as I move home to work at Rangely District Hospital (RDH) as the Foundation Coordinator and Marketing Director.

I was born and raised in Rangely, and am excited for the opportunity to move back to my hometown. I grew up hunting, fishing, and camping and I can’t wait to make amazing new memories through my adventures moving back. I left Rangely at the age of 17 in 2005 and have lived in Vernal, Utah since.



Let me give you some highlights of what I have done while I have been away!



While raising my son, James, I worked full time at Utah State University’s Uintah Basin Campus. They were amazing and paid half of my tuition as an employee benefit. I started off running equipment for professors before being asked to become the Lead Registrar for the Vernal and Roosevelt Campuses. As I pursued my three degrees I was promoted to the Administrative Assistant to the Executive Director of the Uintah Basin Campuses. During that time, I learned valuable skills that have translated into my personal and professional life. As I was graduating with my dual bachelor’s degrees in Business Administration and Economics, I was honored to be the Commencement Speaker which allowed me to share my plans for my future with friends, family, and community members.

After graduating from USU, I began working as a Child Protective Caseworker for the Division of Child and Family Services in Duchesne County, Utah. *I know what you are thinking—how does business and social work go together?!* I had a plan, though, I assure you. I trained hard and sincerely enjoyed my work as a certified forensic investigator for kiddos. I learned so many lessons from the families, law enforcement, the court system, and children’s justice centers that would help me pursue my goals. You see, for nearly 10 years I had been volunteering with a board of community members with a goal of starting a non-profit organization that specialized in domestic violence impacting men, women and children.

In 2019 when funding was secured, I was selected as the Business and Grants Manager for that non-profit, which we called Friends Against Family Violence (FAFV). I was a founding member of FAFV, as well as their first full-time paid employee. I helped transition the Shelter in Vernal from a state-run program to a community-based program that serves Uintah, Daggett, and Duchesne Counties, as well as Rangely and Dinosaur. Over the next year I was able to secure over \$5 million dollars in grant funding, community donations, and funds raised through events. Their facility is now operating transitional housing, and hosting a variety of trauma-informed services that are available at no cost to community members who are suffering.

In February 2023, my parents (Ron and Stormie Carson) called me with an “opportunity too good to be true”. They told me that Rangely District Hospital was searching for someone with experience in grant writing. After significant consideration, I applied at RDH and was thrilled to be offered the position in March. I am passionate about ensuring that my hometown, friends, and family have access to the healthcare they need, while valuing a small, safe community. I will be developing & maintaining a comprehensive fundraising program while managing donor relations, coordinating & organizing special events, & seeking grant opportunities.

Seeing the opportunities that Rangely has created for us who want to come home is remarkable and I can’t wait to hear how we can provide services for you and your families through the Rangely District Hospital Foundation. Feel free to reach out to me about volunteering, donating, and events any time via email at rpetersen@rdhosp.org. Be sure to say hi as you see me around town, and thank you for the warm Rangely “welcome back”.

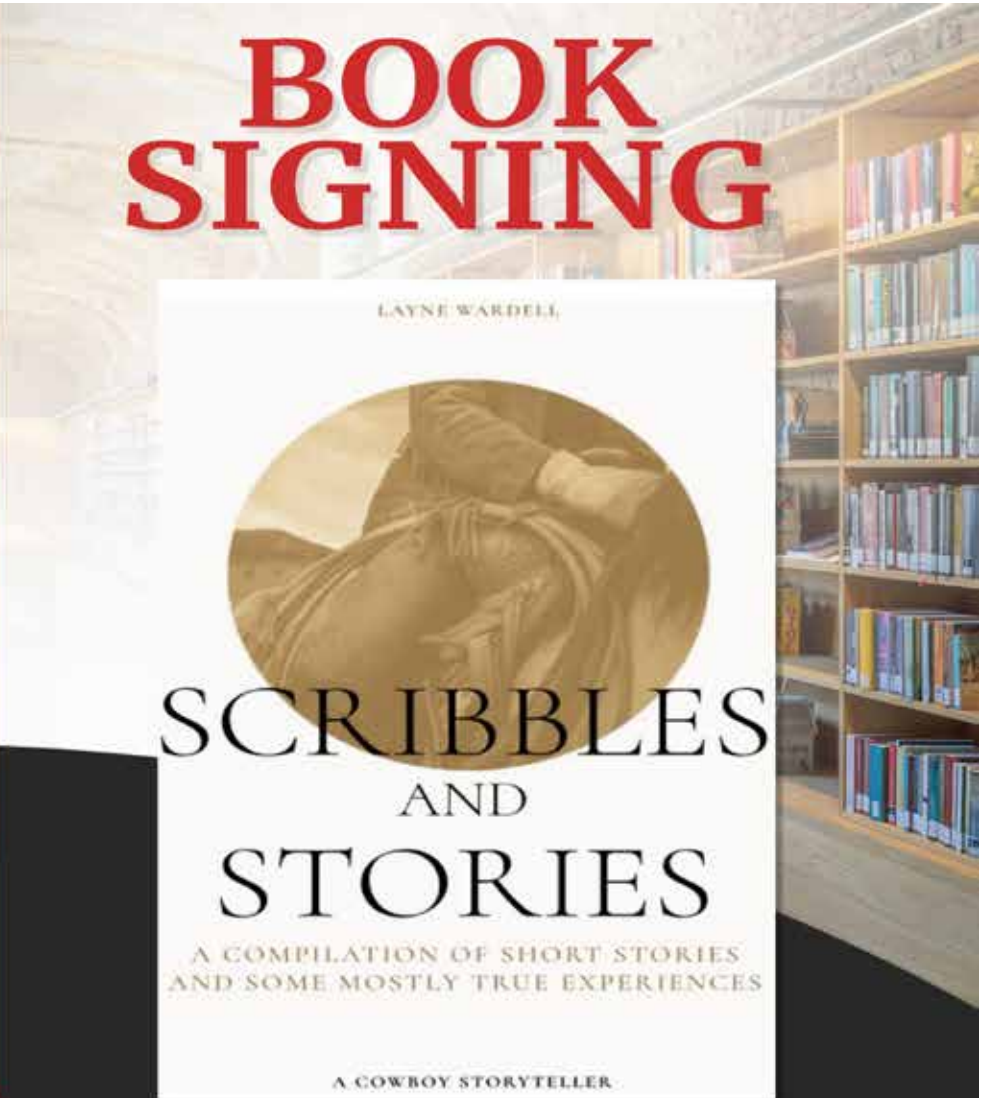


Don’t forget to follow Rangely District Hospital and the Foundation’s Facebook pages, and check our website regularly for updates.

More coming soon!



Layne Wardell
The Cowboy Storyteller



Layne Wardell is a fourth generation resident of the small town of Rangely located in the NW corner of Colorado. In Scribbles and Stories, Layne compiled a sharp, funny, and (mostly) honest collection of short stories and real-life experiences from a man who grew up hunting, roping, ranching, and riding horses in Northwest Colorado.

This cowboy storyteller's retrospective collection will make you think, make you laugh, and leave you wondering which stories are mostly true. The book is a must read!

Layne will be available to meet and sign his book at the following locations and times. Books will be available for purchase at the events. Refreshments will be available as well.

Rangely Regional Library	Uintah County Library, Vernal, UT
FRIDAY- MARCH 24th	SATURDAY- MAY 13th
4:00PM - 6:00PM	3:00PM - 5:00PM

Girl Scout Cookie Donation

BY JEANNIE CALDWELL, MARKETING COORDINATOR

On March 17th, Troop Leader Ashley Carslay and her daughter Jayden Carslay, made the trip to Rangely to present our Hometown Heroes aka First Responders, with girl scout cookie donations. Jayden is seven years old, a Daisy, and is in first grade in Meeker.

The Town of Rangely would like to acknowledge this gift and say thank you to Girl Scout Troop #13082 for the donation. Girl Scout Troop #13082 has 13 girl scouts. We want to thank each one of them and their leaders! What an awesome gift! You are appreciated.



Pictured from left to right: Lieutenant Rich Garner, Shanna Kinney, Jayden Carslay, Ashley Carslay, Officer Kyle Baker and Deanna Morgan

**Immediate Release**

March 10, 2023

Media Contact:Christine Rambo, NWCDC Project Manager
crambo@upsizems.com | 318.557.0609**NWCDC Leadership Selected for Two National BRECC Coal Communities Initiatives**

(Northwest Colorado) Through a nationally competitive application process, Northwest Colorado Development Council (NWCDC) leaders have been selected to participate in two National Association of Counties' (NACo) Building Resilient Economies in Coal Communities (BRECC) *Action Challenge* and *Commitment Coalition* initiatives.

The NWCDC regional team will receive coaching support from community and economic development experts as part of the BRECC Action Challenge. The regional team is led by Routt County Commissioner Tim Redmond and includes Dean Sasha Nelson, Colorado Northwestern Community College (CNCC), and Christina Oxley, Colorado Department of Labor and Employment's Northwest Workforce Area.

"It is the goal of the NWCDC to provide our communities with resources to research and develop projects that increase economic strength, diversity, and resiliency," said Commissioner Redmond, NWCDC Chair. "This initiative will allow each community to pursue projects that fit their vision and direction. The BRECC action challenge will fill the gap by providing expertise to our impacted region. The opportunity to receive coaching from experts that have real-life experience with coal-impacted communities will be instrumental and reassuring to the process."

The second BRECC Commitment Coalition initiative was awarded to Moffat County Commissioner Melody Villard. She was selected to participate in a national network of 20 leaders from local, regional, and state governments as well as the nonprofit and private sectors from coal-impacted communities around the country. The BRECC Commitment Coalition is a peer learning network that will deepen their knowledge of economic resilience through virtual workshops and in-person site visits.

"As we face a loss of nearly half of our property tax revenue, for Moffat County to carry out the services and the most basic needs of our residents, we must find ways to quickly implement ideas, actions, and out-of-the-box thinking for future success," said Commissioner Villard, NWCDC Vice Chair. "My goal would be to focus on actions that can be taken with the most immediate and long-lasting impact on stabilization and future growth."

In Northwest Colorado, the NWCDC serves the counties of Moffat, Rio Blanco, and Routt, and their seven communities, which face the impending closure of two coal-fired power plants and subsequent mine closures. NWCDC communities underwent DOLA Roadmaps Transition planning and adopted a regional strategic plan to diversify the regional economy. The NWCDC project team supported member communities and stakeholders in applying for the BRECC initiatives.

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Rangely Area Chamber of Commerce Update

BY JODI DILLON, CHAMBER BOARD PRESIDENT

The Chamber of Commerce has hired a new director. Candra Robie served as the Interim Chamber Director from January 24th – March 15th. Candra was asked to come on and assist with phone calls, returning emails, and the Chamber's largest and most well know event, Crab Crack. With three weeks of prep for the Crab Crack the Chamber was able to raise just shy of \$8,000. The Chamber would like to again thank all of the donors and those who attended this successful event.

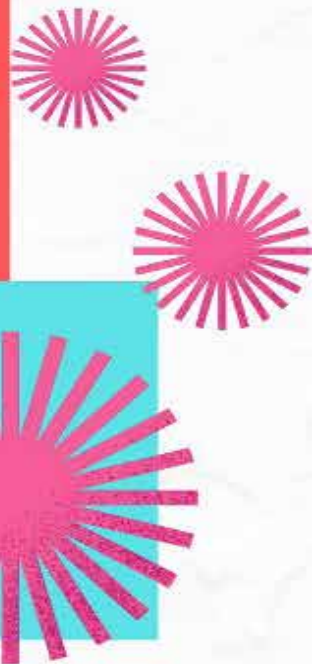
The Chamber will be hosting a meet and greet with the new Executive Director and members of the Chamber Board on April 20th at 6pm in the Weiss Conference Room at CNCC. This is not just an opportunity to meet the Chamber representatives but an opportunity to network with other business owners and a chance to discuss what the needs are from our business and how the Chamber can help with all of those needs.

ROAR is coming up quickly! The annual event will be held on April 27th-30th. Please come out and join us for guided trail rides of the surrounding area, along with raffle prizes and an OHV rodeo to end the weekend.

Message from the new director, "I am so very excited for the opportunity to work with the businesses and for the community I love. I cannot wait to dig in and begin working more closely with our Chamber members to see how the Chamber can help them grow and develop." – Candra Robie



How can the Chamber help you?



Join us on April 20th @ 6:00pm in the Weiss Conference Room at CNCC for a social gathering to discuss what businesses need or want to see from the Rangely Area Chamber of Commerce. This is a great opportunity for local owners to discuss new items and discover what may be needed from one another.

This will also be a great time to meet our new Executive Director, Candra Robie, along with members from the Chamber Board.

RANGELYCHAMBER.COM - 970.675.5290

NWCDC continued...

NACo is a national membership organization that represents the needs and interests of counties from across the United States. Through programming like BRECC, NACo supports county efforts to continue serving and creating opportunities for their county residents.

“Coal communities play a vital role in our nation’s economic growth,” said Matt Chase, NACo CEO and executive director. “We are committed to helping coal communities increase the resilience and strength of their economies by leveraging NACo’s close relationships with local and federal stakeholders.”

BRECC is a Community of Practice initiative supported by the U.S. Economic Development Administration. BRECC’s programming will build local capacity to pursue a wide range of economic revitalization strategies, including workforce retention and development, infrastructure and alternative energy, placemaking and outdoor recreation, entrepreneurial ecosystems and business development, and sustainability and funding planning.

“The U.S. Economic Development Administration is committed to supporting coal communities currently facing and experiencing transition,” said Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Economic Development Alejandra Y. Castillo. “Through the Building Resilient Economies in Coal Communities initiative, we’re delighted to recognize and support the 20 local leaders and eight community teams who were selected to participate in the Commitment Coalition and Action Challenge. They represent the innovative, entrepreneurial leadership that is needed to help coal communities across America build and access new opportunities for growth in the years ahead.”

About NACo

The National Association of Counties (NACo) strengthens America’s counties, including nearly 40,000 county elected officials and 3.6 million county employees. Founded in 1935, NACo unites county officials to advocate for county government priorities in federal policymaking; promote exemplary county policies and practices; nurture leadership skills and expand knowledge networks; optimize county and taxpayer resources and cost savings; and enrich the public’s understanding of county government.

About NWCDC

Northwest Colorado Development Council (NWCDC) is an intergovernmental agreement between Moffat, Rio Blanco, and Routt Counties and the member communities, Craig, Hayden, Meeker, Oak Creek, Rangely, Steamboat Springs, and Yampa. Together these communities work collaboratively to diversify the regional economy and to support workforce development, affordable housing, access to child care, and regional transportation.

Rio Blanco Pioneers Association Hosts 111th Dinner and Dance

BY JAN ZUBER

The Rio Blanco Pioneers Assn. will be hosting their 111th Dinner and Dance on June 3, 2023. The event theme this year is “A Country Barn Dance”. Dave Main and Friends will provide listening and dancing musical entertainment. Activities will be held at the Freeman Fairfield Center, 200 Main St., Meeker. Doors open at 5pm for the Social Hour. Everyone and their significant other (or guests), with ties to Rio Blanco County is invited. This means there is no age limit, or requirement to reside in the county. Registration forms will be available at the Meeker and Rangely Chamber of Commerce offices. On line reservations will also be available soon online at the website rbcpioneers.org. Also “Capture Our Culture” will be recording oral histories at the event. Please contact ed@rbchistory.org or call 970-878-9982 to schedule a time.



Pool Easter Egg Hunt

We will section the swimming pool off into age groups. There will be prizes for the golden eggs found, so "hop" on in & don't forget to bring a waterproof bag to collect your treasures.

FREE with a donation to the RANGELY PUBLIC SCHOOLS BACKPACK PROGRAM!

**Items for donation include, but not limited to, individual prepackaged items. *granola bars, fruit snacks, oatmeal, cup o' noodles...

Economic Development - Investing in Rangely

BY JEANNIE CALDWELL, MARKETING COORDINATOR

I remember the first time I drove through Rangely thinking to myself, “this is a great little town.” There is a certain charm found in small towns that can’t be found anywhere else. Certainly, the way of life far exceeds those of larger cities. That was four years ago.

Today when I drove down Main Street, the changes that have been made really stood out to me. Since it happened over a four-year period, the changes may seem subtle to some; but tremendous improvements have occurred in our community!

First, just last year Main Street, via the Main Street Open for Business Grant, invested in two of our local businesses, to improve the appearance. Silver Sage RV Park received

funds for new fencing as well as new signs. Professional Touch received a beautiful new storefront to include signage. How amazing are these improvements. They made a tremendous difference in the appearance of our Main Street.

Other projects include, the town installed a new pocket park between Town Hall and the Rangely Regional Library which replaced failing concrete. The walking path up Kennedy Drive was paved and solar lights were installed on the path as well as a beautiful bench. Both projects were paid for by CDOT Revitalizing Main Street grants.

Moosehead Lodge was purchased by Kodi Nelson, who has made tremendous improvements to the property, which are quite visible and include a sauna as well as a hot tub. Blue Mountain Inn added a beautiful digital sign.

The old Budget Host, now beautifully named The Outside Inn, was purchased and the new owners invested a lot of money to renovate the rooms.

Giovanni’s Italian Grill was purchased by Samantha Herrera and renamed Gio’s Family Dining. Sam completely renovated the inside of the restaurant.

The flowerpot project, which is headed up by Janet Miller and TREAD, includes beautiful flowers on our Main Street during the summer months and is improved upon each year. The flowers add so much beauty to our community.



Of recent, Rangely True Value has begun renovating the outside of their building. True Value has made gorgeous choices in the design of the storefront. They have invested a lot of money to bring about this very nice appearance.

While I can’t mention every investment which has been made in the community over the last four years I can state without hesitation that there were many and the dollar amounts were tremendous.

Are all of these things’ economic development? Of course they are. The purpose of community economic development is to revitalize, develop and rehabilitate affordable housing, promote sustainability, attract investments, build wealth, encourage entrepreneurship, investment in existing businesses and creating jobs. In recent

years, Rangely has seen several of these items taking place, which is a step in the right direction.

Economic development is a slow-paced monster which occurs over a long period of time. The investments being made in our community are making a difference. It will be interesting to see where we land over the next five years. GO RANGELY!





Building Skills, Building Sheds

BY CRANDALL MERGELMAN, AG TEACHER

The Rangely High School Ag Mechanics and Power Structure classes spent the first half of the school year developing skills in the area of construction management. In doing this, the students of RHS have built two storage sheds that will be used by the school for the athletic programs and PE classes. These sheds are things that these students have taken pride in building and have developed skills that they can continue to use at home or in future careers.

The construction of these sheds helped the kids build upon skills and develop new skills that were needed for this construction project. The school year started with students honing their skills in measuring, developing plans and bills of materials, and tool usage. The students learned information and skills such as actual dimensions of lumber and the difference between treated lumber and common lumber. The students started the project by developing their plans and drawings to put together an order of lumber. When construction started we followed the plans the classes developed and built the floors, walls, and roof structures. In building the floors students learned how to build the skids, and to build them out of treated lumber, as well as how to lay out the floor joist system to account for the use of the building. Once the floor was done, the class started on the walls. Students learned the proper spacing of studs and what the different parts of the walls are. They constructed the walls while learning what a header, double top plate, and trimmer studs are.



The challenging part of building sheds usually comes to building the roof. The students learned the math behind having a 4/12 pitch to the roof and how we can build the trusses for this roof. When we got the math figured, we worked to design and build our own trusses. 26 trusses later, the students had them all constructed and ready to put on top of the walls. This is when the sheds were finally seen out in front of the High School shop as we towed them out of the shop and began putting the trusses on. From here the students learned how to put on a very basic fascia and how to prepare the roof for drip edge and shingles. The final part of this project was building the doors. The students learned how

to square the doors, build their own frames, and installing the hinges and latches.

Building the sheds was a fun learning experience. The students definitely developed skills that could allow them to help in the construction of projects. These sheds will be around for a long period of time and have become something that these students can look at and be proud that they were the ones that built these.

LeBleu Named Rangely High School Head Football Coach

BY JEANNIE CALDWELL, MARKETING COORDINATOR

Keenan LeBleu was recently hired as the Head Coach for the Rangely Panther's High School Football team. Coach LeBleu graduated from Rangely High School and was a very successful athlete during his high school years. He especially excelled on the football field and lead his team to the state semi-finals in 2003. Keenan has been an assistant coach to the Panther Football Team for the past nine years.

Congratulations Coach LeBleu!



2023 Rangely OHV Adventure Rally

BY EMMA BAKER, CHAMBER BOARD MEMBER

The birds are chirping and the trails are beckoning to many OHV riders after making it through one of the toughest winters this region has seen in a long time. Cabin fever has almost permanently set in and the R.O.A.R. Committee has been busy getting all the details nailed down for the 6th annual Rangely OHV Adventure Rally set for April 27-30. Early registration is open until April 1 for \$80 and after April 1 registration is \$85.

This year may see a few of the guided trails altered from previous years as there’s still so much snow on the ground and two of the planned trails pass through some tough high country that usually have pockets of snow through the beginning of June. But as always R.O.A.R. is determined to host a one of a kind event in some of the most remote areas and exquisite high dessert trail riding in the state of Colorado. Coined “Colorado’s Tire Capital” the small town of Rangely looks forward to drawing in riders from all over the United States to explore the 360 miles on the Wagon Wheel OHV Trails-West system that are located between 4 to 35 miles from the center of town and most accessible without trailering.



New to the event will be a Welcome Mixer on Thursday night as everyone is coming in to town, checking in at registration, signing up for guided rides and exploring the R.O.A.R. Expo with several OHV related vendors as well as additional food and local small business vendors this year. The guided rides will kick off first thing Friday morning following a presentation by our Rangely Police Department on the Town’s OHV ordinances and will wrap up that evening with the famous Shrimp Boil at Elk’s Park and followed by the night ride to Kenney Reservoir.

Saturday will start off early again with more guided rides and finish at Columbine Park for a Pulled Pork Dinner and the annual OHV Rodeo with Barrels, Pole Bending, Flag Race and the Hide Race. Raffle ticket winners will be announced after the dinner and in between events at the OHV Rodeo so make sure you’re in attendance to win some of the great Raffle items our amazing sponsors have donated! That afternoon will also be a Poker Run that is being put on by Rio Blanco County Search and Rescue to fundraise for their volunteer group that responds to an average of 20 search and rescue missions a year. The Poker Run will be \$25 per Vehicle/Hand and you’ll also be able to purchase an additional Poker Hand for \$10.



All event schedules, vehicle registrations, extra meal tickets, merchandise, raffle tickets, OHV Rodeo event registrations and Poker Run hands can be found and purchased ahead of time at the following link: <https://www.jotform.com/app/230396620008147>. For any further questions please reach out to the Rangely Area Chamber of Commerce at 970-675-5290 or rangelychamber@gmail.com

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1. Sloping surfaces

2. Phrase in some disco names

3. Kind of spray

4. Uncontrolled contraction

5. He can't stand the heart

6. Towering trees

7. --- d'etat

8. Holbrook or Linden

9. Compact quip

10. Maintenance

11. Mushroomed

12. Zeus' spouse

13. Nimble

18. Finishes first

23. For follower

25. "Good grief!"

26. Full of modern gadgetry

28. Made the first bid

29. Popular pants since 1850

30. Eurasia's mountain range

31. TV's Griffin

32. Equestrian sport

33. Heavenly bear --- Major

34. Campus cadet org.

35. Super-duper shindig

39. Waste time

40. Fizzy drink

42. A good one will thicken

43. Roofed porch

45. Galápagos critter

46. Brink

49. Fracas

50. Asunder

51. Stuffs

52. Flood prevention

53. Make readable

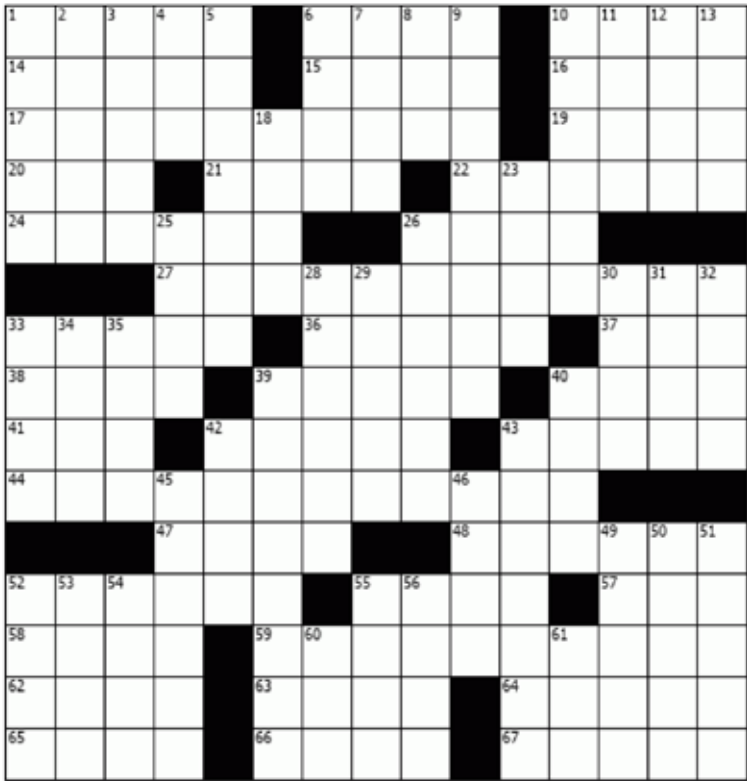
54. Strike relentlessly, as hail

55. Abrasive granules

56. Postfixes

60. Score 100 percent

61. Cupid's mo.



- ACROSS
1. Vocalizes vociferously

6. Resound

10. Grunting sounds

14. One way you can say that

15. Type of shark

16. Get ready

17. Vodka cocktail

19. "The Galloping Gourmet"

Graham

20. Woods tour

21. Smoke trace

22. Margin for error

24. Extremely serious

26. Honeybee hub

27. Place to get your fill

33. Word with development or sprawl

36. Falk of "Columbo"

37. --- Speedwagon

38. Type of test

39. Prying bar

40. Sandburg of poetry

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41. Main and Oak (abbr.)

42. Become frantic

43. Swedish import

44. Greek guy's sore spot?

47. Like Poe's bug

48. Some stageplays

52. Sheriff's surrogate

55. All atwitter

57. Clean air grp.

58. Creative nugget

59. Ground floor unit with a yard

62. Ceramist's oven

63. Amino attachment

64. Last name in farm equipment

65. Kett of comics

66. Exacts revenge on

67. Assists the bad guy

Two Girls, One Small Town Podcast

BY JEANNIE CALDWELL, MARKETING COORDINATOR

We are excited to announce that the podcast, Two Girls, One Small Town, will be pushing out podcasts again in the very near future! The podcast will feature a new co-host, Katie Dillon. Katie will bring a lot of fun energy to the podcast as she has a great sense of humor. On top of that she has been in Rangely for many years, graduating from Rangely High School, where she was part of the cheer team. She is currently employed with Rangely District Hospital.

They also have a new Facebook page where you will find information regarding the podcast as well as links to each new episode. The name of the Facebook page is Two Girls, One Small Town, Living Our Best Life! New podcasts will be available in the near future! Stay tuned!



Glow in the Dark Easter Egg Hunt

When: April 14, 2023

- 8:45pm

Who: 6 years and older

- Younger than 6 are welcome but must be accompanied by an adult.

Cost: \$10.00 per participant

Min: 6

Registration Deadline: April 12, 2023

Join us in Elk's Park to hunt for eggs in the dark. You will need to bring a flashlight and something to put your eggs in. Prizes to be won by all!

EASTER
EGG HUNT!

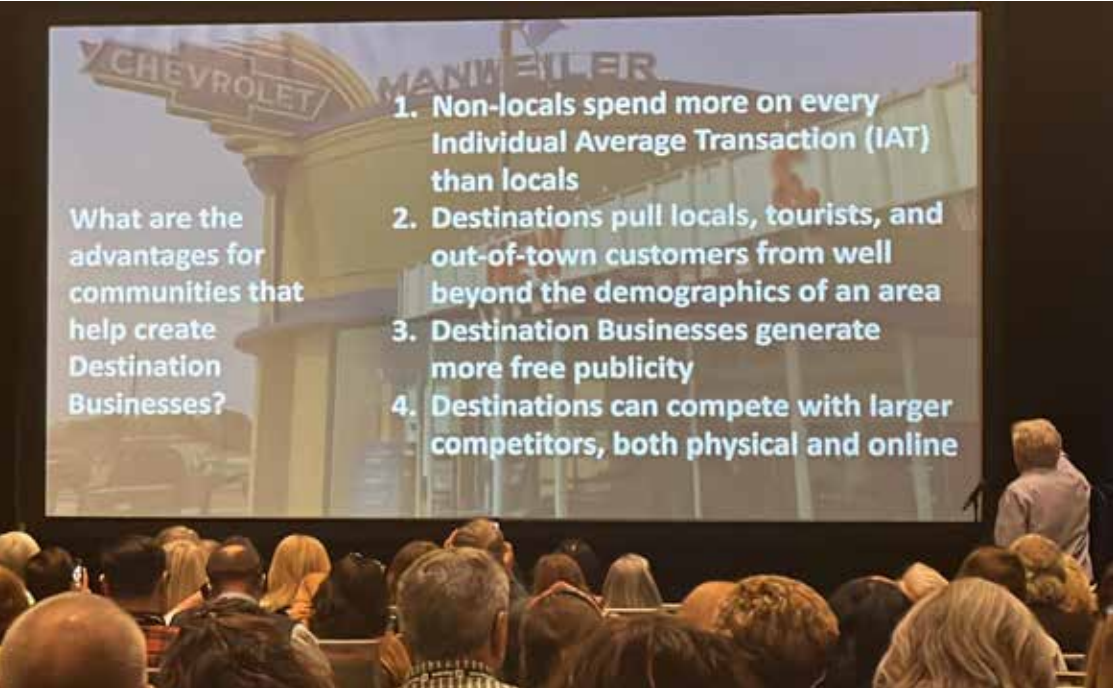
2023 Main Street Now Conference

BY JEANNIE CALDWELL, MARKETING COORDINATOR

The Main Street Now Conference for 2023 was held in Boston, Massachusetts. The conference is a one-of-a-kind event, providing attendees with an opportunity to convene and learn about the innovative methods and practices that make the Main Street Approach one of the most powerful economic development tools in the nation.

Jeannie Caldwell, who is the Executive Director for TREAD, attended the conference. She attended the Opening Plenary and was able to connect with other Main Street Directors around the country, especially those located in Colorado! A few of the classes she attended ranged from Main Street's Role in a Strategic Community Plan, Remote Worker Attraction, Recruiting Volunteers and Activating Empty Lots as Community-Focused Business Spaces.

TREAD has been a tremendous asset to the Rangely community. The education provided is incredible! Thank you, Colorado Main Street, for accepting the Town of Rangely as a Main Street community!



TOWN OF RANGELY

2023 Drinking Water Quality Report

For Calendar Year 2022

Public Water System ID: CO0152666

Esta es información importante. Si no la pueden leer, necesitan que alguien se la traduzca.

We are pleased to present to you this year's water quality report. Our constant goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. Please contact LISA PIERING at 970-675-8476 with any questions or for public participation opportunities that may affect water quality.

General Information
All drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791) or by visiting epa.gov/ground-water-and-drinking-water.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immunocompromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV-AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk of infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. For more information about contaminants and potential health effects, or to receive a copy of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and microbiological contaminants call the EPA Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (1-800-426-4791).

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

- Microbial contaminants:** viruses and bacteria that may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.
- Inorganic contaminants:** salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.
- Pesticides and herbicides:** may come from a variety of sources, such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff, and residential uses.
- Radioactive contaminants:** can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.
- Organic chemical contaminants:** including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are byproducts of industrial processes and petroleum production, and also may come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment prescribes regulations limiting the amount of certain contaminants in water

Our Water Sources

Sources (Water Type - Source Type)	Potential Source(s) of Contamination
WHITE RIVER (Surface Water-Intake)	EPA Hazardous Waste Generators, EPA Chemical Inventory/Storage Sites, Permitted Wastewater Discharge Sites, Aboveground, Underground and Leaking Storage Tank Sites, Solid Waste Sites, Existing/Abandoned Mine Sites, Other Facilities, Commercial/Industrial/Transportation, Low Intensity Residential, Urban Recreational Grasses, Quarries / Strip Mines / Gravel Pits, Row Crops, Small Grains, Pasture / Hay, Deciduous Forest, Evergreen Forest, Mixed Forest, Septic Systems, Oil / Gas Wells, Road Miles

Terms and Abbreviations

- **Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL)** – The highest level of a contaminant allowed in drinking water.
- **Treatment Technique (TT)** – A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.
- **Health-Based** – A violation of either a MCL or TT.
- **Non-Health-Based** – A violation that is not a MCL or TT.
- **Action Level (AL)** – The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment and other regulatory requirements.
- **Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL)** – The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.
- **Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG)** – The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.
- **Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG)** – The level of a drinking water disinfectant, below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.
- **Violation (No Abbreviation)** – Failure to meet a Colorado Primary Drinking Water Regulation.
- **Formal Enforcement Action (No Abbreviation)** – Escalated action taken by the State (due to the risk to public health, or number or severity of violations) to bring a non-compliant water system back into compliance.
- **Variance and Exemptions (V/E)** – Department permission not to meet a MCL or treatment technique under certain conditions.
- **Gross Alpha (No Abbreviation)** – Gross alpha particle activity compliance value. It includes radium-226, but excludes radon 222, and uranium.
- **Picocuries per liter (pCi/L)** – Measure of the radioactivity in water.
- **Nephelometric Turbidity Unit (NTU)** – Measure of the clarity or cloudiness of water. Turbidity in excess of 5 NTU is just noticeable to the typical person.
- **Compliance Value (No Abbreviation)** – Single or calculated value used to determine if regulatory contaminant level (e.g. MCL) is met. Examples of calculated values are the 90th Percentile, Running Annual Average (RAA) and Locational Running Annual Average (LRAA).
- **Average (x-bar)** – Typical value.
- **Range (R)** – Lowest value to the highest value.
- **Sample Size (n)** – Number or count of values (i.e. number of water samples collected).
- **Parts per million = Milligrams per liter (ppm = mg/L)** – One part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.
- **Parts per billion = Micrograms per liter (ppb = ug/L)** – One part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000.
- **Not Applicable (N/A)** – Does not apply or not available.
- **Level 1 Assessment** – A study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system.
- **Level 2 Assessment** – A very detailed study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why an E. coli MCL violation has occurred and/or why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system on multiple occasions.

Detected Contaminants

RANGELY TOWN OF routinely monitors for contaminants in your drinking water according to Federal and State laws. The following table(s) show all detections found in the period of January 1 to December 31, 2022 unless otherwise noted. The State of Colorado requires us to monitor for certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants are not expected to vary significantly from year to year, or the system is not considered vulnerable to this type of contamination. Therefore, some of our data, though representative, may be more than one-year-old. Violations and Formal Enforcement Actions, if any, are reported in the next section of this report.

Note: Only detected contaminants sampled within the last 5 years appear in this report. If no tables appear in this section, then no contaminants were detected in the last round of monitoring.

Disinfectants Sampled in the Distribution System						
TT Requirement: At least 95% of samples per period (month or quarter) must be at least 0.2 ppm <u>OR</u> If sample size is less than 40 no more than 1 sample is below 0.2 ppm Typical Sources: Water additive used to control microbes						
Disinfectant Name	Time Period	Results	Number of Samples Below Level	Sample Size	TT Violation	MRDL
Chlorine	December, 2022	<u>Lowest period</u> percentage of samples meeting TT requirement: 100%	0	2	No	4.0 ppm

Lead and Copper Sampled in the Distribution System								
Contaminant Name	Time Period	90 th Percentile	Sample Size	Unit of Measure	90 th Percentile AL	Sample Sites Above AL	90 th Percentile AL Exceedance	Typical Sources
Copper	08/24/2021 to 09/02/2021	0.02	10	ppm	1.3	0	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits
Lead	08/24/2021 to 09/02/2021	0.8	10	ppb	15	0	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits

Disinfection Byproducts Sampled in the Distribution System								
Name	Year	Average	Range Low – High	Sample Size	Unit of Measure	MCL	MCLG	Typical Sources
Total Haloacetic Acids (HAA5)	2022	38.38	19 to 63.2	5	ppb	60	N/A	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection

Disinfection Byproducts Sampled in the Distribution System								
Name	Year	Average	Range Low – High	Sample Size	Unit of Measure	MCL	MCLG	Typical Sources
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM)	2022	59.68	32.3 to 80.4	5	ppb	80	N/A	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection

Total Organic Carbon (Disinfection Byproducts Precursor) Removal Ratio of Raw and Finished Water								
Contaminant Name	Year	Average	Range Low – High	Sample Size	Unit of Measure	TT Minimum Ratio	TT Violation	Typical Sources
Total Organic Carbon Ratio	2022	1.84	1.02 to 2.55	12	Ratio	1.00	No	Naturally present in the environment
*If minimum ratio not met and no violation identified then the system achieved compliance using alternative criteria.								

Summary of Turbidity Sampled at the Entry Point to the Distribution System						
Contaminant Name	Sample Date	Level Found	TT Requirement	TT Violation	Typical Sources	
Turbidity	Date/Month: Aug	<u>Highest single</u> measurement: 0.38 NTU	Maximum 1 NTU for any single measurement	No	Soil Runoff	
Turbidity	Month: Dec	<u>Lowest monthly</u> percentage of samples meeting TT requirement for our technology: 100 %	In any month, at least 95% of samples must be less than 0.3 NTU	No	Soil Runoff	

Inorganic Contaminants Sampled at the Entry Point to the Distribution System									
Contaminant Name	Year	Average	Range Low – High	Sample Size	Unit of Measure	MCL	MCLG	MCL Violation	Typical Sources
Barium	2022	0.04	0.04 to 0.04	1	ppm	2	2	No	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits
Fluoride	2022	0.15	0.15 to 0.15	1	ppm	4	4	No	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which

Inorganic Contaminants Sampled at the Entry Point to the Distribution System									
Contaminant Name	Year	Average	Range Low – High	Sample Size	Unit of Measure	MCL	MCLG	MCL Violation	Typical Sources
									promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
Nitrate	2022	0.1	0.1 to 0.1	1	ppm	10	10	No	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits

Secondary Contaminants**						
**Secondary standards are <u>non-enforceable</u> guidelines for contaminants that may cause cosmetic effects (such as skin, or tooth discoloration) or aesthetic effects (such as taste, odor, or color) in drinking water.						
Contaminant Name	Year	Average	Range Low – High	Sample Size	Unit of Measure	Secondary Standard
Sodium	2022	47	47 to 47	1	ppm	N/A


Violations, Significant Deficiencies, and Formal Enforcement Actions


No Violations or Formal Enforcement Actions


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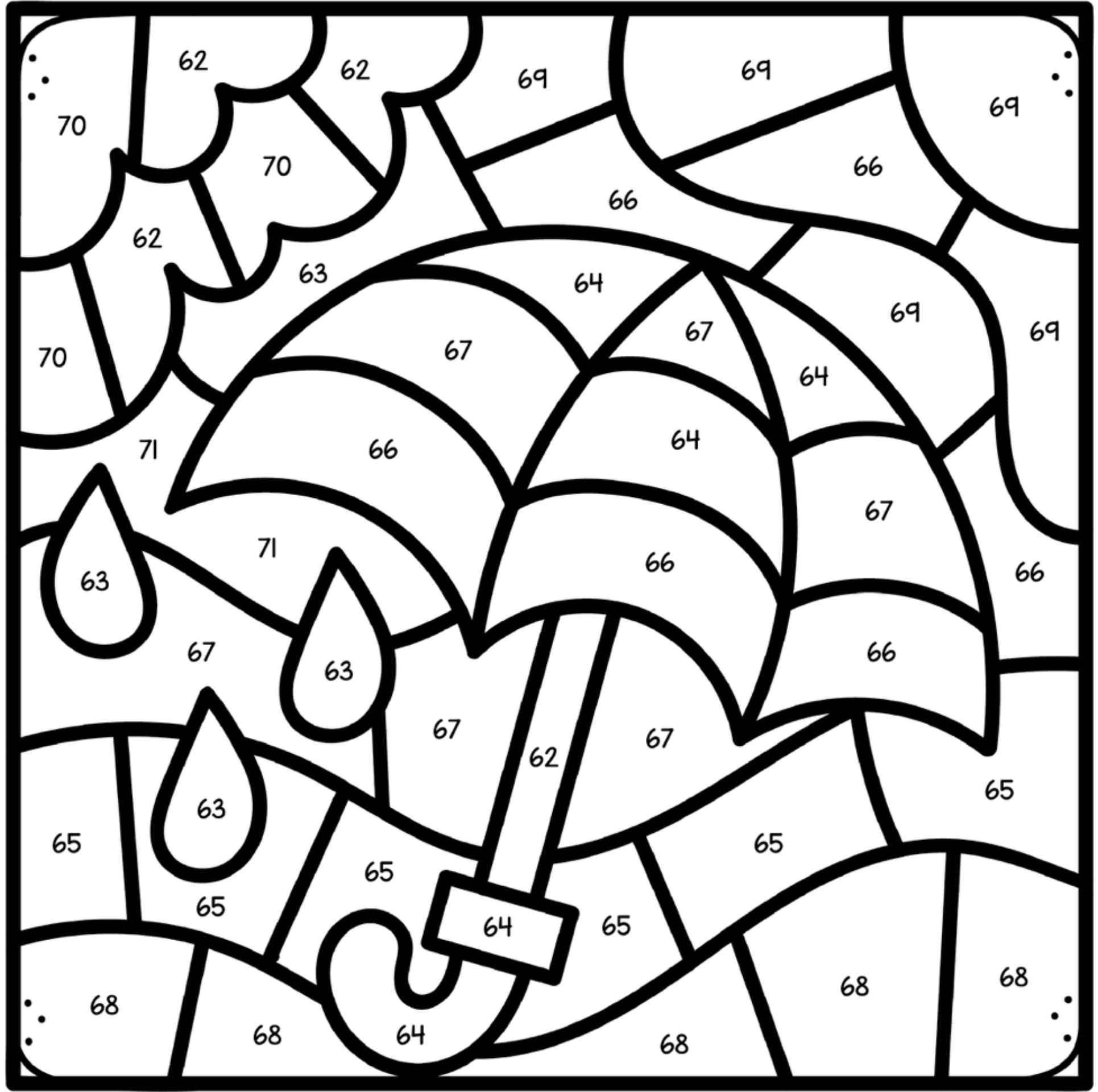
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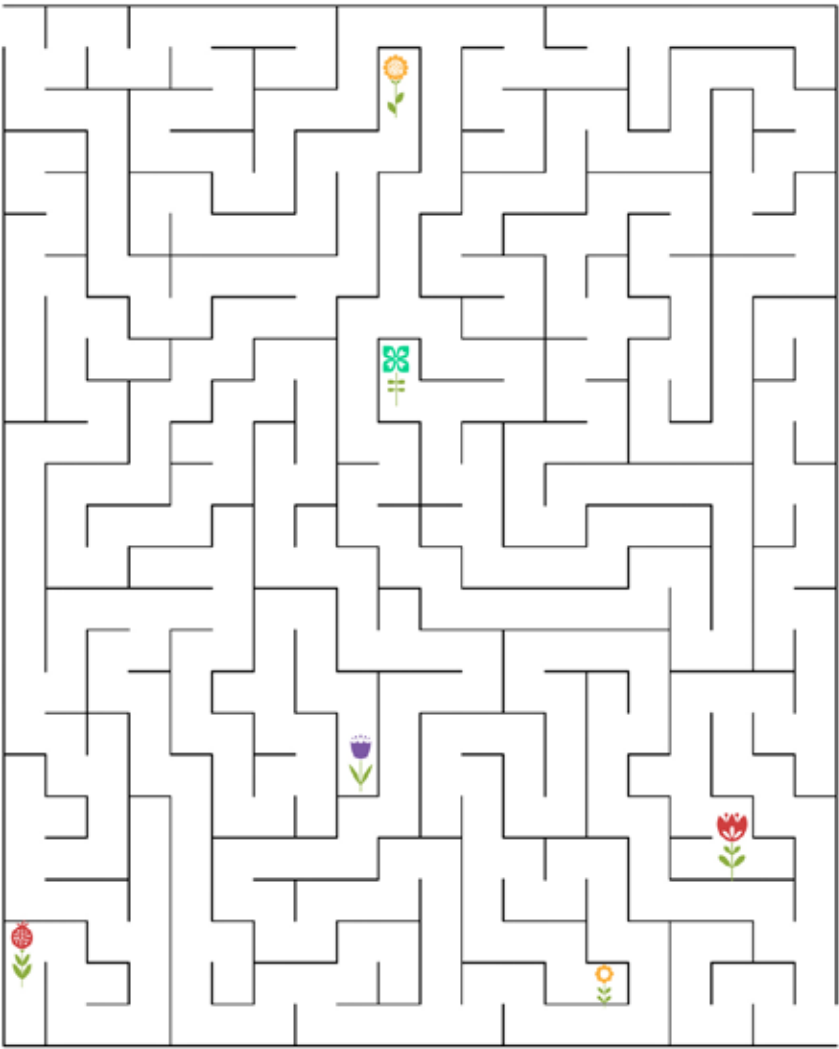
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Help Buzzy Reach His Friends!






Spring Word Scramble for Kids

Unscramble the words below to discover a few of our favorite things about spring!

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