

## Yuma County Employees Newsletter

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## Wray Daze Volunteers Needed

Yuma County is planning to host a game booth at this year's Wray Daze Family Fun Night on Friday, August 27. Several Elected Officials are currently coordinating a game and prizes to be offered at our booth and we are looking for volunteers to help administer the game. If you're interested in representing Yuma County by helping at the booth, please contact County Assessor Cindy Taylor at extension 265, or at [ctaylor@co.yuma.co.us](mailto:ctaylor@co.yuma.co.us).

## Yuma County Fair Tickets Now Available Online

As of June 1, 2018 tickets to the two rodeos and the night show at the 2018 Yuma County Fair are available for purchase online. Yuma County has partnered with County Fair Specialists, eTix, to provide an online sales platform for ticket purchasing. Tickets will still be available at the box office during fair and can be purchased in person or over the phone via an on-site box office setup in the County Finance & Administration Office. Employees or community members with questions or needing assistance are encouraged to contact the Finance & Administration Office for assistance. The online ticketing platform can be found through the County website at <https://www.etix.com/ticket/v/13292/yuma-county-fairgrounds>.

## Yuma County Appoints New Veterans Service Officer

Ron Brown, the newly appointed Yuma County Veterans Service Officer is off an running providing support and application services to Yuma County Veterans and their dependents.

Brown is a veteran of the United States Navy, serving one tour in Viet Nam with the Riverboat Patrol Division.

Having recently attended a training for Veterans Service Officers, Brown is establishing easy access points of contact in multiple communities within the County to ensure his availability for all Yuma County veterans and is working on assessing options to increase the support available to veterans currently receiving services as well as to reach out to veterans and dependents who may be eligible for and in need of benefits they are not receiving.

**Welcome, Ron, and thank you for your service to our community.**

### Second Quarter New Employees

*Ashley Danforth, Extension Office*

*Brittany Baughman, Sheriff's Office*

*Charman Adame, Road & Bridge*

*Erin Monheiser, Treasurer's Office*

*Jaden Campbell, Fairgrounds*

*Jeremy Lund, Road & Bridge*

*Jessica Humphrey, Clerk's Office*

*Jessica Olson, Clerk's Office*

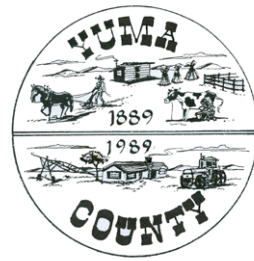
*Jonathan Aagesen, Road & Bridge*

*McKensie Harris, Extension Office*

*Molly Brunk, Sheriff's Office*

*Ron Brown, Veterans Service Officer*

*Tom Kron, Sheriff's Office*



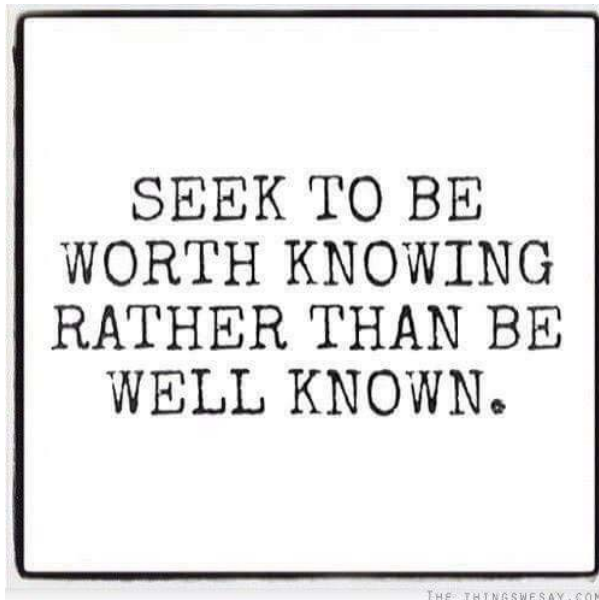
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## Budget Conversations Set to Start

It's the time of year we begin conversations about the 2019 Yuma County Budget. Major statutory changes are set to impact both expenses and revenues in the coming years and County leaders are working to cooperatively assess and address the changes to ensure the continued financial stability and exemplary fiscal responsibility that Yuma County is known for.

Among the changes being evaluated are a required increase in the Colorado state minimum wage, statutory salary changes for Elected Officials at time of election or re-election, and changes in residential property tax assessment rates. Those items, compounded with ongoing concerns such as a flat per-gallon gas tax in an era of fuel economy and a significant slow-down in oil and gas drilling mean County officials continue to employ ingenuity and frugal review of expenses to ensure Yuma County remains stable through tough financial times.



### Dates to Remember:

- 7-4 Independence Day
- 7-16 Payroll Deadline
- 7-6, 7-20 Payables Deadlines
- 7-16 BOCC Meeting
- 7-27 Wray Daze Volunteer Opportunity
- 7-31 BOCC Meeting

## OEM Grant Brings Emergency Radios to Local Organizations in Need

Yuma County Emergency Manager Roger Brown recently completed a training process with the Colorado Rural Health Center and the Northeast Colorado Healthcare Coalition making Yuma County eligible for \$16,000 in grant funding to be used for County emergency preparedness. Brown used these funds to purchase 16 handheld 800 MHz radios with programming to be used in times of emergency. Of the radios received, five have gone to long-term care or mental health organizations within the County, all of which have been trained by Brown on their emergency use. The remaining radios will be retained by the OEM and issued to volunteer support staff during times of emergency.

Have an idea for content? Information that needs shared? Email your suggestions and information to [administrator@co.yuma.co.us](mailto:administrator@co.yuma.co.us) for inclusion in next month's newsletter.