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Gas prices
 Cost of a gallon of regular unleaded fuel on Sunday

Fuel Stop	\$3.05
West Kum N Go	\$3.06
7-Eleven	\$3.06
Western Petro	\$3.03
Bob's Conoco	\$3.10
Hilltop Sinclair	\$3.06
Anglers Kum N Go	\$3.06
Ski Haus	\$3.06
Mount Werner Sinclair	\$3.04
Shell	\$3.06
Shop & Hop	\$3.04
State Average	\$2.88
National Average	\$3.10

Buffalo on the go



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Drew Roberts, who grew up in Steamboat Springs, races around a gate during an NCAA giant slalom race at Steamboat Ski Area on Saturday. Roberts is now skiing for the University of Colorado. For more about the NCAA giant slalom race, see page 21.

STEAMBOAT SPRINGS



Snow will dissipate

A storm that brought heavy snows to the area will be replaced by weaker storms

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SPORTS



As fast as you can

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Buying into buyouts

School Board unsure of what superintendent contract will look like

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STEAMBOAT SPRINGS

The Steamboat Springs School Board learned in August how expensive parting ways with a superintendent can be

when board members bought out former Superintendent Donna Howell's contract for \$270,000.

New School Board President Robin Crossan said Friday that board members have not discussed what contract

terms — including a buyout clause — will be offered to superintendent candidates. But Bob Cito, head of the superintendent search division for the Colorado Association of School Boards, said the School Board should take a cue from

other Colorado districts.

"You will not find many contracts over three years, and it's rare to revisit the contract until the final year of the contract," he said. "No-cause buyouts are

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SKI TOWN USA SNOW REPORT

Steamboat Ski Area

New snow — Mid-mountain*	9 in.	Total snow†	176 in.
New snow — Summit	9 in.	Trails open	160/165
Base — Mid-mountain	47 in.	Lifts open	16/18
Base — Summit	54 in.	Conditions	Packed powder

*24-hour snowfall as of 12:30 p.m. previous day; † total snow beginning Oct. 18 as measured at mid-mountain FOR UP-TO-DATE ROAD CONDITIONS, INCLUDING RABBIT EARS PASS, call 511 or visit: www.cotrip.org



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