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Sliding by



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Kelly Borgerding launches off a jump on a sledding hill near Willow Court in Steamboat Springs on Monday. Local children who attend Steamboat Springs School District schools were out of class for a staff development day.

Brenner formalizes candidacy

Former councilman vows to protect 'Colorado's playground' in Senate

Brandon Gee
 PILOT & TODAY STAFF

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Former Steamboat Springs City Councilman Ken Brenner formally announced his candidacy for Senate District 8 in a tour of Northwest Colorado on Monday that concluded in front of supporters at the old



Brenner

during which he touted himself as the candidate who will take

Routt County Courthouse.

"I know I can do a great job representing this area," Brenner, a Democrat, told the crowd in an announcement

a balanced approach toward energy development and "who believes in preserving our natural resources."

Brenner, a strength and conditioning coach and owner of a sports medicine clinic, said public service is about "hard work and long hours," values he said he learned growing up on the family ranch south of

Steamboat. Brenner, a third-generation Routt County resident, also spoke about the tragedy that led him in to politics. In 1991, Brenner's sister Patty was killed while jogging when she was hit by a group of teenagers in a pickup.

"My first response was to put

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SKI TOWN USA SNOW REPORT

| Steamboat Ski Area | | | |
|--------------------------|--------|-------------|----------------------|
| New snow — Mid-mountain* | 2 in. | Total snow† | 233 in. |
| New snow — Summit | 2 in. | Trails open | 163/165 |
| Base — Mid-mountain | 63 in. | Lifts open | 17/18 |
| Base — Summit | 78 in. | Conditions | Powder/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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