



FREE



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

Fuel Stop.....	\$3.85
West Kum N Go.....	\$3.91
7-Eleven.....	\$3.87
Western Petro.....	\$3.91
Bob's Conoco.....	\$3.99
Hilltop Sinclair.....	\$3.89
Anglers Kum N Go.....	\$3.91
Ski Haus.....	\$3.89
Mount Werner Sinclair.....	\$3.89
Shell.....	\$3.90
Shop & Hop.....	\$3.89
State Average.....	\$3.60
National Average.....	\$3.65

Colorful Colorado



LARRY PIERCE/COURTESY

Early-morning light highlights the changing fall aspens Friday at the base of Rabbit Ears.

Green going gold

Commission supports downtown Inspiritu Verde plan

Brandon Gee
 PILOT & TODAY STAFF

STEAMBOAT SPRINGS

The Steamboat Springs Planning Commission showed Thursday that it is willing to bend a little for projects that commit to green building practices.

Commissioners voted in support of a development plan and final development plan for Inspiritu Verde (translated "inspired green"), a proposed 4,711-square-foot, mixed-use development at the northeast corner of Fourth and Oak streets. The project, which would replace two yellow, stucco 1949 duplexes with two new buildings, aims to be the first in the city to earn a "gold" Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design, or LEED, certification from the U.S. Green Building Council.

Commissioners reasoned that the project's public benefits, which include a voluntary affordable housing unit and storm water and sidewalk improvements in the public right-of-way, compensated for its variances from the Community Development Code. Variances include a 34 percent increase in the allowable ratio of floor space to lot area,

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STEAMBOAT SPRINGS



Devastating loss

City sports coordinator Kit Rice passes away at 47

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SPORTS



Chiefs stop Broncos

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LOTTO



Saturday night's Cash 5 numbers: 7-17-22-23-31
 Drawings are held Monday through Saturday.

WEATHER



Afternoon storms.
 High of 75.
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