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## NEWS RELEASE

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### AREA AGENCY ON AGING BOARD MEMBERS RECOGNIZED FOR YEARS OF SERVICE

WELD COUNTY, CO – This month the Board of County Commissioners recognized Jerry Kearney, volunteer board member for Weld County's Area Agency on Aging. Kearney served with the board for the past three years.

The Area Agency on Aging's mission is to help maintain an individual's independence and dignity in their home and community. They offer many programs for persons 60 years of age and older such as the Family Caregiver Program, Information and Assistance, Ombudsman, a variety of wellness workshops to name just a few. The Area Agency on Aging also works closely with community partners such as Meals on Wheels, North Range Behavioral Health, Catholic Charities, RVNA, Senior Resource Services and Eldergarden to provide much needed services in the community.



*From left: Commissioner Steve Moreno, Commissioner Sean Conway, Commissioner Julie Cozad, Area Agency on Aging Board Member Jerry Kearney, Commissioner Chair Barbara Kirkmeyer, Commissioner Mike Freeman.*

Kearney had a longtime relationship with the organization when he served as manager of the Peer Counseling program at North Range Behavioral Health (NRBH). Following his time at NRBH, he became the coordinator for the Family Caregiver program at the Area Agency on Aging, and after retirement, Kearney decided to serve on the board.

"We want to express our gratitude to Jerry for his commitment to the citizens of Weld County," said Commissioner Chair Barbara Kirkmeyer. "We wish him all the best on his retirement."

Board members serve as ambassadors for the Area Agency on Aging. They are out in the community advocating for senior programs, approve the budget before it is presented to the Board of County Commissioners and set up contracts with partnering organizations.

"It was a pleasure working with Jerry," said Commissioner Sean Conway. "He was a very active and productive member during his time on the board."

The board also recognized Roy Wardell for the eight years he served on the Area Agency on Aging Board. Wardell served as a psychologist and has been a long-time rancher in Weld County. Wardell was unable to attend the meeting.

For more information about the Weld County Area Agency on Aging visit [www.weldaaa.org](http://www.weldaaa.org) or call (970) 346-6950.

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