

TOWN OF YAMPA – NOVEMBER 2016 NEWSLETTER

WATER METER READING – Water meters will be read on **Wednesday, November 30**. Please help public works staff by having your dog indoors or otherwise secured on that day so as to avoid dog bites. Thank you for your help.

BARKING DOGS – It seems barking dogs are a continual problem, but it has been a noticeably bigger problem the last couple of weeks. Perhaps wildlife is moving through town, change in seasons, more dogs, new dogs, whatever the reason, please be a good neighbor and bring your dogs indoors when they bark. DAY or NIGHT.

ENGINE IDLING – A friendly reminder that engines should not idle for longer than 15 minutes when vehicles are stationary. This is common courtesy whether the idling vehicle is in a residential neighbor or in the commercial districts. You may be accustomed to it, but that may not be the case for the family next door.

WATER TREATMENT FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS AND WATER STORAGE TANK PROJECT AND WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS – Work continues to be on schedule for both the Water Treatment Facilities improvements and the Water Storage Tank installation, with the project being around 86% complete. The next phase of the project includes construction of a pre-treatment facility, replacement of a portion of the transmission line and relocation of the access road and will continue into 2017. For the wastewater treatment facility improvements, the planning and design for the construction of the improvements is in early stages.

AGENDA ITEMS – Agenda items for the December 7 town board meeting are due to the Town Clerk no later than 4:00 pm, Mon, November 28.

TOWN HALL CLOSED – Yampa Town Hall will be closed Thursday, November 24 and Friday, November 25 for Thanksgiving.

SOUTH ROUTT MEDICAL CENTER HEALTH SERVICE DISTRICT – Your friendly, hometown clinic! Open 5 days a week 8:00 AM-5:00 PM. Walk-ins welcome! Come in and get your seasonal flu vaccine – NO APPOINTMENT NEEDED! Did you know we have 5 medical providers to suit your individual wants and needs? We're proud to have some of the best in the area! – Dr. Dan Smilkstein, MD, Dr. Lisa Harner, MD, Dr. Jon Freckleton, DO, Frankie Hannah, PA, Linda Casner, ND; We accept most insurance plans including medicare & medicaid. Call us today for an appointment or come on in! 970-736-8118 – Located at 300 E Main St., Oak Creek, CO 80467, www.southrouttmedical.com Like us on Facebook!

Please join SOROCO AND ROUTT COUNTY YOUTH SERVICES COALITION on November 29th from 6:00-7:30 for a parenting workshop - Free dinner and childcare included! The topic is “**SOCIAL MEDIA II – LEGAL & PSYCHOLOGICAL IMPACTS**” Presented by, Steve Harbison, Rita Rhodes, Megan Wykhuis. The location is the District Office at the high school. Please call 970-819-4206 with questions.

WATER & SEWER PAYMENTS - Payments made by check or money order are welcome in the night drop on the Lincoln Street side of Town Hall. It is best to bring cash payments in during open hours so we can give you a receipt. Exact cash for what is due or having the entire amount credited to your account is required as we do not keep cash on hand. Town hall hours are 9:00 am to Noon and 1:00 to 4:00 pm.

STREET RIGHTS-OF-WAY – Please remember that the street right-of-way is more than just the traveled portions of the street and the town does use the non-traveled portion of the street for snow storage come winter. In some places throughout town, the street rights-of-way are becoming full of residents' personal property. Help yourself and the town by clearing the rights-of-way now of anything that can't be moved on short notice. This does not include the vehicles you drive on a regular basis and move frequently.

SOUTH ROUTT EDC – Debbie Curtis is the point of contact for events happening in South Routt to put on the EDC's website calendar; her email address is: rktoponas@hughes.net. The South Routt Economic Development Council (SREDC) website is <http://www.southrouttedc.com/Home.aspx>.

YAMPA ARTS AND CRAFTS FAIR – A reminder for vendors wanting to participate in the Yampa Arts and Crafts Fair that will be held on Saturday, November 19, to contact Nita Naugle at 970-638-0452 or via email at n_naugle@yahoo.com to get your booth space. The 36th annual fair, sponsored by Edith Chapter #61. O.E.S runs from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm at the South Routt Elementary School in Yampa. Over 60 booth spaces. Lunch is available. Door Prizes, Santa arrives at 3:00 pm. A great opportunity to get your holiday shopping done early!

ASK A FINANCIAL PROFESSIONAL – Free. Confidential. Walk-Ins Accepted. FREE clinics on the first Wednesday of each month, 4-6:00 pm. December 7, January 4, February 1, and March 1. Where: Routt County United Way Office (443 Oak Street, Steamboat Springs). Sample Topics Include: credit, budgeting, investment accounts (such as retirement and college), debt, loans, general banking. Please bring any relevant paperwork with you. Professional interpreters will be available. **RSVP:** Call 970-879-5605 or email lauren@routtcountyunitedway.org to reserve your 20 minute session. Come to one, come to all!

CHRISTMAS TREE PERMITS – Christmas tree permits are available for \$10 each at the Yampa Ranger District, on Roselawn Avenue, phone 638-4516.

THANK A VETERAN – By the time you receive this newsletter, Veteran's Day will have come and gone, but any day is a good day to thank a Veteran and tell him or her how much you appreciate his or her service to our country.

SNIPPETS of HISTORY-ITEMS of INTEREST from NOVEMBER, 1916, YAMPA LEADER
NEWSPAPERS

Fri., Nov. 3....Siege guns of Democracy opened on the helpless citizens of Toponas last Friday evening and the fire was continuous for two hours after which the conscience of the Democratic candidates led by Chairman Monson and Addison Gooding, Jr., who had driven up from Steamboat with a cargo of "eats", came to the relief of the suffering public. Over one hundred citizens gathered at the Middle school house, some coming a distance of over twenty miles, to see the fun and participate in the generous welcome extended to the campaigners--- Another rally was held in the Pleasant Valley Grange hall at which were fully 300 people present, and at the Willow Creek hall in the Williams Fork precinct, when about 200 people greeted the candidates and danced till morning.

-The Yampa Mercantile was broken into Wednesday night and about \$100 worth of merchandise stolen. The thieves cut the panel out of one of the rear doors and after entering took whatever seemed to suit their fancy. This is the third time within the past six months that this store has been robbed.

-Adolph Summer, manager of the 7N ranch in Twentymile Park, has purchased from F. A. Metcalf a six-cylinder 45-horse power Buick touring car.

-The first Sunday show at the Colonial was well patronized and was an unusually good show.

Fri., Nov. 10....Mr. Tom Laughlin who has charge of camp craft gave the Campfire Girls a splendid time last Monday evening. The girls were requested to meet at 6:30 at Miss Grosbeck's but no further explanation was made. They did so and were met there by Mr. Laughlin who loaded them into a bob-sled and took them to his mother's home, the Laughlin Ranch (note-The big white house at the turn to the cemetery). Practical lessons in camp lore were given and in groups of two the girls were required to pack Old Roany from the pack saddle to the last knot. They were taught the proper knots to be tied, etc., all of which made a most interesting lesson.

-High School notes; Mr. Chapman and the Manual Training boys are busily at work putting in the fire escape....The tenth grade German class is doing fine work and can talk nearly as well as the Kaiser....Some of the freshman class failed to get their arithmetic problems on account of having left their answer books at the school house...Lulu Wilson was absent from school Monday. Guess the snow was too deep for her.

-The voting commenced at Yampa at the opening of the polls and in spite of the storm the judges were kept busy all day. The workers had a hard time of it, plowing thru the snow and only a light country vote was polled....The Ladies Aid served oyster stew, baked beans, brown bread and coffee election day at noon, supper time and at midnight. They were liberally patronized by the public and something over fifty dollars in receipts was the result.

- The organization of the Yampa Ski Club is progressing nicely. All interested in having a ski and toboggan course here are requested to meet at the Grand Hotel next Sunday afternoon at two o'clock, when Carl Howelson, the Colorado champion ski jumper will be here and assist in laying out the ski course.

Fri., Nov. 17....Deputy Sheriff J. H. Souther took Thomas Carroll to Oak Creek Wednesday evening where the young man is wanted. Young Carroll is one of the firm of Morgan and Carroll, clothes cleaning artists, recently brot (sic) into the limelight by the escapades of Morgan. Both young men recently became quite popular at Yampa with the young ladies altho both are said to have been married several times.

-This is the time of year when all farm machinery should be under cover. How about yours Mr. Rancher....Something to be thankful for: That we don't have many nights as cold as a few the first of the week. Twenty below is some weather for Routt County....Be an outdoor girl or boy this winter. Keeps you fresh, strong and healthy. Nothing like a daily tramp, a ski trip or an hour on ice skates to put the edge on your appetite and warmth in the blood.

-It has taken over one hundred years for New York to learn there is such a place as the west. The west is coming into its own. We can not help but wonder how long it will take Steamboat Springs republicans to learn there is such a place as Routt County. However rural, portions of Routt County may still continue to pay 98% of the taxes.

Fri., Nov. 24....The regular monthly High School Literary Society program was given at the Congregational Church last Friday evening. A fine audience of parents and friends gathered to enjoy the occasion....Will someone please ask the physics class to please distinguish the difference between diameter and cross section....Janitor Chapman was seen last Tuesday morning with a long stick in one hand, and standing on a small step ladder calmly chastising the pipe of poor Mr. Stove-stoves have to be treated thus that insist on smoking....Eugene Wright intends going to school over on Watson Creek the remainder of the winter.

-Next Tuesday night at Steamboat Springs the Democrats of Routt County are going to celebrate their victory in nation, state, district and county. The big event will be held at the Cabin Hotel. They invite everybody, Democrats, Republicans, Progressives, Socialists and everybody else to come and have a good time.

-The shows at the Colonial Saturday night and Sunday were especially fine. The little play "Celeste" shown Saturday was an artistic piece of work, the scene being laid on the French coast...."The City of Failing Lights" on Sunday drew a good house and was one of the best pictures we have seen this side of Denver. The change in music is also proving very popular. Misses Lindsey and Chapman at the piano and Hugh Williams with the drums, are able to keep things lively.

-Festive Plans Being Made For Thanksgiving....There will be a grand ball at the Masonic hall in the evening with a midnight supper at the Grand Hotel....A big turkey shoot lasting all day Thursday, has been arranged by some of the young men of Yampa and a number of crack shots of the county will be here for the big day. On Monday there will be a turkey shoot in Toponas.