

TOWN OF YAMPA – OCTOBER 2015 NEWSLETTER

WATER USAGE GALLONS CHANGED IN SEPTEMBER – In September, the gallons of water allowed at the base rate of \$32.00 per month, went back to 5,000. Any usage over the 5,000 gallons will be billed at the metered rate of \$1.65 per thousand gallons or increments thereof. The September usage is displayed on your October bill.

WATER TREATMENT FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS & WATER STORAGE TANK UPDATE – Duckels Construction continues work at both the Water Treatment Facility and Water Storage Tank site. Thank you to everyone for your cooperation during the work on Third Street.

CHIMNEY CLEANING BRUSHES – The Yampa Fire Department has a chimney cleaning brush available for residents to use. The brush is kept at Montgomery's General Merchandise; phone 638-4531, if you wish to use it. The Department requires a \$10 deposit, which is returned when the brush is returned to Montgomery's General Merchandise.

2016 BUDGET – The Town of Yampa's budget process is underway. Citizen input is welcome. Watch for notices at town hall and the post office for budget workshops.

CEN\$IBLE ENERGY – CUSTOMER REBATE PROGRAM- A reminder that the Cen\$ible Energy rebate program that started earlier this year is available to all YVEA customers (both residential and small business) and has \$13,400 left to give out in rebates for energy efficiency work and supplies this calendar year. Rebates apply to LED bulbs, air sealing, energy assessments/audits, Energy Star appliances, and programmable thermostats. Find out more at www.CensibleEnergy.org or you may call or email Suzie Romig, Energy Outreach Coordinator, Yampa Valley Sustainability Council, via 970-871-9299 ext.104, direct 970-367-1950, or suzie@yvsc.org with any questions. If you aren't able to do a rebate form online, printable rebate forms can be found at <http://www.censibleenergy.org/downloadable-pdfs.html>. Rebate applicants simply need their YVEA customer number and their receipts from work/supplies completed within the last 180 days.

AGENDA ITEMS- Agenda items for the November 4 town board meeting are due to the Town Clerk by 4:00 pm, Monday, October 26.

FLAT TOPS SCENIC AND HISTORIC BYWAY – Thank you to the locals who participated in the assessment kick off meeting in September. The information that John Anarella and Barbara Hart from the Yampa Ranger District and Ken Montgomery from Montgomery's General Merchandise shared at the kickoff meeting was extremely helpful to the assessment team. Amy Oakes at the Yampa Ranger District provided helpful information the morning of the assessment as well.

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: rdtoonas@hughes.net. The South Routt Economic Development Council (SREDC) website is <http://www.southrouttedc.com/Home.aspx>.

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.

RECOMMENDED – WINTERIZE VACANT AND SECOND HOMES FOR WINTER – As Yampa has several residents who leave for the winter or have second homes that don't get many visits in the winter, may we suggest that you hire a plumber who is qualified to winterize your home. This involves shutting off the water supply to your home at the curb stop and blowing air through all the pipes in the house with an air compressor. A plumber will properly drain water heaters, sprinkler systems, and any appliances that use water. A good winterization on a house will cost you some money obviously, but possibly thousands less than what you would pay for clean up, repairs and the hassle. Pouring anti-freeze in drains and toilets is not enough.

HALLOWEEN – SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31 – Lets work hard at keeping it a safe night for little ghosts and goblins.

YAMPA ARTS AND CRAFTS FAIR – A reminder for vendors wanting to participate in the Yampa Arts and Crafts Fair that will be on Saturday, November 21, beginning at 10:00 am, to contact Nita Naugle at 970-638-0452 or via email at n_naugle@yahoo.com to get your booth space.

WELCOME TO AUTUMN – DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1.

SNIPPETS of HISTORY-ITEMS from OCTOBER, 1915, YAMPA LEADER NEWSPAPERS

Fri., Oct. 1....School house in Twentymile burned. Last Friday night the school-house on Trout creek was burned to the ground. It is thought the fire was of incendiary origin and the matter was placed in the hands of Sheriff Chivington for investigation. There has been considerable feeling in the district over school matters the past year. School was to have opened there Monday. The loss to the district will be about \$1,000 with no insurance.

-School Notes; Examinations in Physics, Caesar and Plane Geometry were held this week. Professor Hyatt says they weren't very flattering but that he will take the blame.

-Call Phone by Number and Aid the Operator; If you want quick and accurate service just give the request of the central office a little attention and call your party by number. This will avoid many mistakes and delays and greatly facilitate the service.

-Curfew to be Rung Commencing Monday; Commencing Monday evening the marshal will ring the curfew at 8 p.m. and all children under 16 years of age must be off the streets by that time or suffer the penalty.

Fri., Oct 8....J. P. Gates, original owner of the one-time famous Rock Creek Roadhouse, rode over from his ranch in Burns Hole first of the week and spent several days in town. Mr. Gates is one of the pioneer ranchers of the Burns country, where he located (on) government land. Tuesday evening a special dinner was given at the Brady Restaurant with Mr. Gates as host....A splendid five-course banquet was served, interspersed with old-time reminiscences and stories.

-At 7 o'clock Wednesday morning, Oct. 6, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Reed. Miss Pearl Adella Reed and Mr. Clarence Earl Crowner were united in marriage....This wedding united two of the pioneer families of the neighborhood, both young people being born and raised here.

-Chas. Simon has set Saturday, Oct 23, for the opening show in the Woodmen of the World hall and will give the people of Yampa one of the best and cleanest picture shows in the county....Everything new and up to date. Come and see the first real picture show and electric light in Yampa....The first show of The Colonial Theater will be given for the benefit of the W. O. W. building fund. Come and help them out.

Fri., Oct 15....A very enjoyable house party was given last Friday-to Saturday by Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Lindsey at their ranch home. There are never so many guests at the Lindsey ranch but what Auntie can find room at her table and in her heart for a few more. Mr. Lindsey sent his largest farm wagon to accommodate the party. Paul Elgin was the driver and might have been seen leaving town, very crowded but very happy, with two young ladies on the driver's seat and six more on the other seats....The party attended the hard times dance at the Lancaster schoolhouse Fri. night....

-Remember the dance at the Masonic Hall Saturday night. (Oct. 16)

Fri., Oct. 22....The new Colonial Theater will open Saturday night....has installed a Motograph picture machine....operated by electricity and uses electric lights with one of the very finest silveroid screens for displaying the pictures....The theater has a seating capacity of about two hundred and is fitted with comfortable chairs.

-The Perry family has moved from the ranch above Toponas to Yampa for the benefits of the Yampa school. Some of the men folk will remain at the ranch to care for the stock...R. C. Dunkley of the famous Dunkley valley was attending to business the first of the week...S. C. Reid accompanied his niece, Mrs. C. S. Brown. As far as Denver on her return to her home in Birmingham, Ala.

-Lawyers get busy and Oak Creek is the victim. Mayor Cleaver and Trustees Eller and Raney admit charges which are the basis for suit brought by citizens of Oak Creek, asking that a receiver be appointed for the town. The charges are of mismanagement of the town business by the trustees, and the outcome will be watched with interest. It has not yet been learned what the defendants will answer.

Fri., Oct. 29....Work on the Copper King mine located on Yarmony mountain is being hurried forward since they received returns on the recent shipment of ore which went better than ten dollars per ton. They are now working twenty men at the mine and expect to put on more soon.

-School Notes....The girls have organized the Camp Fire Girls of Yampa. This is an order corresponding to the Boy Scouts....We fear some dire results on account of tardiness. Please teacher, don't hurt us....Those Freshmen grow like weeds. Two more to their credit this week, James Wilson and George Outland.

-The mystery surrounding the finding of remains of an unknown man near Yampa a few weeks ago was again revived this week when Undertaker Koeppen received an inquiry from Mrs. Mary Harper of Denver who is endeavoring to locate her husband. The description of the man found at Yampa and her husband were quite similar but the peculiarities of the teeth of the Yampa man make it certain he is not Mr. Harper.

-Don't miss the big Mask Ball at the Masonic Hall tonight.