



Town Hall will be closed on Monday February 15<sup>th</sup> for Presidents Day.

# Newsletter

February 2021

## Town Board Matters

The next Town Board meeting will be held virtually on February 11, 2021 starting at 6 p.m., and we urge you to attend from the comfort of your home via Zoom or Facebook. The public is asked to participate via Zoom or Facebook Live to maintain the 10 person and social distancing rules. Masks are required if you do attend. The Facebook Live event will be broadcast through the Town of Oak Creek's Facebook page. **Join Zoom Meeting at** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81449378638>, Meeting ID: 814 4937 8638.

**COVID-19 updates** are available online at Routt County's COVID-19 webpage:

<https://www.covid19routtcounty.com/>

For local updated information this website will provide you with COVID-19 updates, vaccination information, community resources, and more. **Routt County Public Health is testing anyone with COVID-19 symptoms and anyone who has been a close contact of someone who has tested positive for COVID-19, make an appointment.**

For those people who participated, thank you for the gift of your holiday lights this past December. The Town had many homes and businesses decorated brightly at night that beautifully lit up our community. This year due to COVID-19 no one was asked to sign-up for the annual **Christmas Lighting Contest**; everyone with holiday lights was included in a drawing. The three winners of the contest were awarded \$25 utility gift certificates for their lighting displays at 200 Grant Avenue, 415 S. Sharp Avenue and 512 Willow Bend.

**Kodiak hockey** will be having an Alumni Game on February 21<sup>st</sup>, 10:30 am, at the ice rink.

### Utility Assistance Available

The Town of Oak Creek has received grant money from the **Colorado COVID-19 Relief Fund** to help with utility bills. This is **for citizens and businesses** that have been financially affected by COVID-19.

**Applications are available** at Town Hall, the Post Office, and on [townofoakcreek.com](http://townofoakcreek.com).

**Applications are due February 10, 2021.**

Any questions? Call 970-736-2422 or email [ali@townofoakcreek.com](mailto:ali@townofoakcreek.com) or [sandy@townofoakcreek.com](mailto:sandy@townofoakcreek.com)



Did you know? LiftUp Routt County provides more than 600 snacks daily free to kids in Routt County through their Rocket Pack Program and they need your help! You can donate snacks directly and find guidelines online at: <https://liftuprc.org/what-we-do/#rocket-packs> or you can make a monetary donation via check and mailed to LiftUp Routt County, 2125 Curve Court, Steamboat Springs, CO 80487 or securely online at: <https://liftuprc.org/>

**Shop locally for gifts, take the family out for a meal, and support South Routt businesses.**

**Snowmobiles are not allowed to operate on Town streets.** Side-by-sides are, however ALL rules of the road must be followed.

The police department is also aware of snowmobilers and side-by-side operators travelling on the private property of others. Though we have not received any complaints where the property owner wishes to attempt prosecution, we remind you that it is illegal to use another person's land without their permission.

Finally, we have evidence of motorized vehicle use in the Town's parks. Use of motorized vehicles in Town parks can result in citation, impound/seizure of the motorized unit and the possibility of a ban from Town parks for any activity.

Remember that the Town has given permission to operate certain off-road vehicles on the roadways in Oak Creek. That privilege can be revoked for any one person or the community as a whole without notice and with limited cause.

Respect the rights of other people to the exclusive use of their property. Respect the privilege of using certain units on our roadways. Respect the last bastions of relative peace and solitude in our community by not using motorized vehicles in our parks.

Ralph Maher-MCJ  
Chief of Police

## **The South Routt Library District is seeking a VOLUNTEER TREASURER**

If you are interested in community activism and helping the South Routt Library District move forward with our exciting goals, as well as having a financial background, there is a vacant volunteer board position for treasurer. Please visit the Oak Creek or Yampa libraries to pick up a trustee application packet if you are interested. You can also call either library (Oak Creek 970-736-8371 or Yampa 970-638-4654) with questions.

## **The South Routt Library District - Oak Creek Library is located at 227 Dodge Avenue, Oak Creek, Colorado, 80467.**

The libraries will begin 2021 with a new **Bingo Program** for adults and kids. Pick up your bingo card from either library and start reading! Once you have read five books and marked the bingo card with consecutive squares, bring it in for a prize drawing. More than one bingo card can be entered in the drawing. The prizes will be \$40 in South Routt bucks (one winner each for a child and an adult). The South Routt bucks can be spent at any business in South Routt. The drawing ends 2/26/2021.

The libraries have the **Ancestry database** on all patron computers as well as other upgrades thanks to the Help Colorado Now Grant. Chromebooks are also available for in-library use for students that need access.

Via a grant from the Colorado Library Consortium, each library has a hotspot to check out to patrons. If this program is successful, additional hotspots will be applied for with the grant. These hotspots are provided through T-Mobile. If interested, please contact either library (Oak Creek - 970-736-8371 or Yampa - 970-638-4654).

Hope to see you in 2021 with continued 25% capacity and masks. A happy and healthy 2021 to all!!

Thanks.

Debbie Curtis  
Library Manager

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