



The Town Board will meet on Thursday, December 8th at 6:00 p.m. The public is invited to participate virtually on Zoom at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81449378638>, or on the Town's Facebook page.

Newsletter

December 2022

Town Board Matters

Town Hall will be closed on Monday, December 26th and Monday, January 2nd in observance of Christmas Day and New Year's Day holidays.

Town officials want to thank the Routt County Commissioners for their financial support of planned work on the Sheriff Reservoir and Dam. In November the Commissioners agreed to donate \$80,000 to help fund installation costs to install a new headgate and operating equipment, allowing for the replacement of 68-year old operating equipment that allows for water to flow out of the reservoir for municipal uses. Without their generosity the Town would not be able to complete this project in 2023 and replace the worn out equipment in advance to additionally required reservoir and dam improvements.

Free Music Event

GRAMMY Award – nominated artist SaulPaul has garnered an international reputation as a musician with a message. Part rapper/part singer-songwriter, SaulPaul is an entertaining artist who blends his voice, his guitar, and his loop pedal to create a live show that is nothing less than an experience. SaulPaul shares his art with his heart and has been inspiring audiences through his music. From performing at two TEDx Talks, five Super Bowls, America's Got Talent, SXSW, the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, and Austin City Limits, SaulPaul has performed nationally and internationally in theaters, concert venues and festivals across the country.

We are so excited to have this award winning musician perform at Soroco! This is a community-wide FREE event for all ages. The concert will be Tuesday, December 6th at 6:00 p.m. in the **Middle School auditorium**. Soroco was chosen as one of the 100 schools across the nation to be visited by SaulPaul. His "Be the Change" tour is changing lives and creating unity. We are proud that he chose SOROCO!

Hope to see you there!

Oak Creek Ice Rink, Rossi Meadow, and Moffat Avenue Sledding Hill

As the snow starts to fall we plan to open up our winter recreation facilities, including the Oak Creek Ice Rink, Rossi Meadow X-Country ski trails, and the Moffat Avenue Sledding Hill. Stayed tuned for updates on openings!



Please address your letters to:
Santa
123 Elf Road
North Pole, 88888

More info at:
<https://www.uspsoperationsanta.com/>

The **Plastic Pollution Reduction Act** was adopted by the State legislature and is known as HB21-1162. This act will impact all Colorado consumers and retailers starting January 1, 2023 with staggered implementation through 2023-24. The act bans plastic bags (phased) and bans polystyrene containers. There are some exceptions, such as small retailers that provide retail and restaurant services in Oak Creek. The Act requires a fee when retailers provide paper bags for customers, so please be aware when shopping out-of-town, and bring your own reusable bags to avoid charges, or an armload of merchandise. Town officials will be reviewing implementation of local regulations in early 2023.

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

Happy Holidays from the Oak Creek Police

"Chief Ralph," Officer Christensen, Officer Flint and CSO Rossi wish you the best of times with your family and friends this season.

We ask you to be careful while traveling on the roads in, through, and around Colorado. On average forty people lose their lives in motor vehicle crashes in Colorado each December. While weather conditions contribute to these crashes and fatalities; you are sharing the roads with impaired drivers, you are sharing the road with careless drivers, and you are sharing the roads with inexperienced drivers. You need to be on your "A" game to lower your risk of crashing. Remember to decrease your speed, increase your following distances, and increase the amount of time you give yourself to get to your destination. Decrease the number of risks you take and decrease your chance of a crash and injuries to you and others.

See you next year! - Ralph Maher

The South Routt Library District is accepting applications for the position of Library Director.

This position will entail the management of two library facilities, the supervision of staff, management of all library operations, and a variety of administrative and technical activities including budget and computers. Anticipated 32 hours with the possibility of flexibility for the right candidate. For salary and application details, please visit <https://southroutt.colibraries.org/employment-opportunities/>



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/>

HollyFest

It's time to get in the Holiday Spirit! HollyFest will be on Saturday, December 10th. There will be community activities throughout the day, a Tree Lighting Ceremony, fireworks, and Caroling. Many local businesses will also have Shopping Specials going on during the day and evening. Flyers will be around town soon with more details; information will also be coming up on our Facebook page at "Town of Oak Creek" or on our website at townofoakcreek.com.

Christmas Lighting Contest

The Town of Oak Creek will be hosting a Christmas light contest. **Sign up your home** at the Oak Creek Town Hall by December 23rd and enter to win utility gift certificates awarded for Best Residential Décor. **Contestants must sign-up to win!**

Shop Local

Make sure to Shop Local this Holiday Season. Save your receipts and every \$100 spent at South Routt businesses gets you an entry in our prize drawing. Start collecting receipts from South Routt business starting on Saturday, November 19th until December 29th. Names will be drawn and winners will be contacted on December 29th. The grand prize is a one night stays at The Lodge Casino in Blackhawk and a buffet for two at the Season's Café. There will also be a prize of a hot air balloon ride for two adults at Wild West Ballooning, along with many other local prizes. If you are a business owner in the South Routt area, please consider donating a prize at the Oak Creek or Yampa Town Hall.

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