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Town of Ignacio Newsletter



LEAP

The Low-income Energy Assistance Program (LEAP) begins November 1 and runs through April 30. LEAP is a federally funded program and is administered by Discover Goodwill of Southern and Western Colorado. It is designed to help eligible low-income households with winter home heating costs. It is NOT intended to pay the entire cost of home heating. To apply, call 1-866-775-5327, pick up an application at Town Hall, or download the application from www.discovermygoodwill.org/LEAP **AFTER** November 1. **If you received assistance last year, you need to reapply this year with the application that is mailed to you.**

Election on April 3, 2018

Three Trustee seats on the Town Board and the position of Mayor are up for election on April 3, 2018. If you would like the opportunity to influence the vision and direction of your home Town and serve your community, please be sure to pick up a nomination packet from Town Hall on or after January 2, 2018.

In order to qualify as a candidate, you must: be eighteen (18) years of age by April 3, 2018; have resided in the Town of Ignacio for the 12 months immediately preceding April 3, 2018; be a registered elector in Precinct 24; complete the nomination petition and obtain a minimum of ten (10) valid signatures of registered electors from within the Town. These petitions must be completed and turned into the Town Clerk by the end of business day on January 22, 2018.

The polling place for this election is the Abel F. Atencio Community Room, 570 Goddard Ave., from 7AM to 7PM. If you do not know whether you are a registered elector or not, please log onto the Secretary of State website (<http://www.sos.state.co.us/pubs/elections/vote/VoterHome.html>) and click on "Find my Registration." If you have any questions, please contact the Town Clerk at 970-563-9494.

Leonard C Burch Day



The Board of Trustees issued a proclamation that the Town of Ignacio will celebrate Leonard C Burch Day as a holiday to honor this Native American leader of the Southern Ute Tribe. As a result, Town Hall Offices will be closed on Monday, December 11.

If you would like to learn about who Mr. Burch was and why this holiday was created in his honor, please go to the following website: <https://www.southernute-nsn.gov/culture/leonard-c-burch-day>



Christmas & New Year Holidays



Town Hall will be closed on Monday, December 25, 2017 in observance of the Christmas Holiday and again on Monday, January 1, 2018 in observance of New Year's Day. We hope that you have a special time with family and friends during this holiday season!



Upcoming Events

Town Hall Offices Closed: Mon, December 11th in observance of Leonard C Burch Day

Town Board Meeting: Tue, December 12th, 6:30PM at Town Hall

Planning Commission Meeting: Wed, December 13th, 6:00PM at Town Hall

Town Hall Offices Closed: Mon, December 25th for Christmas Holiday

Town Hall Offices Closed: Mon, January 1st, 2018, for New Year's Day

Chamber of Commerce Meeting: Wed, January 3rd, 2018, 8:00AM at Sky Ute Casino





Holiday Schedule for Trash Pickup

Christmas and New Year are on Mondays this year. Please note that trash pickup will happen on Thursday, December 28, 2017 and Thursday, January 4, 2018 (instead of Wednesdays as usual). Thanks.



Christmas Tree Disposal



You can take your Christmas Tree to the Burn Pile on Quichas Hills Ave on or after December 26. For your convenience, the Burn Pile will be open (weather permitting) between 8AM and 5PM Tuesday through Friday, December 26-29, 2017 and January 2-5, 2018.



Snow Removal

Please keep in mind that it is unlawful to plow, shovel, push, or place snow from privately owned property onto or into any street, road, alley, or highway in the Town. If you shovel the snow onto your lawn, it will help keep the grass and plants moist for a greener lawn next Spring.



Licenses for 2018



Animal and Business Licenses must be renewed by December 31 each year. Reminder letters have already been sent to those who currently have these licenses, and we appreciate your prompt response to these letters. Thank you for doing business in our Town and for abiding by the requirements of the Municipal Code.




Frosty's Craft Fair

Come support La Plata County Independent Youth Performing Arts & Studio 2B @ ELHI by coming to FROSTY'S CRAFT FAIR on Saturday, Dec. 9th at Bayfield High School. * FOOD * VENDORS * SILENT AUCTION * LOTS of Door Prizes! FROSTY'S FUN ZONE in Aux gym from 11a-2p for kiddos ages 3-9! FROSTY & FRIENDS Fun Run @ Noon - FROSTY'S Birthday celebration @ 1P (with special guests POPPY & PIKACHU!) Bring your camera!! Vendor/other info: 970-903-4294

Online Payments

You can pay your utility bill **ONLINE!** Go to the Town's website (www.townofignacio.com) and look for the "Pay Your Bill Online" link at the bottom of the home page. There is a convenience fee of \$1.00 for checks, and \$1.00 + 2.25% for debit or credit card payments.

As always, you can mail your payment, drop it in the night drop box (no cash, please) or come to Town Hall during regular business hours (8AM-5PM Monday-Friday). We are always happy to see you! 



Si huele gas natural

en su casa o negocio, salga inmediatamente, sin pagar los interruptores de las luces, especialmente en el área que se siente olor a gas. ESPERAR a usar su teléfono celular hasta que ya no pueda oler el gas. Llame al número local de emergencias 911, al Departamento de Bomberos al teléfono 563-9501, o diligencia al numero 563-4401, si siente olor a gas en cualquier momento.

Town Dumpsters

Dumpsters located at Town Parks and Facilities are not intended for personal use. Signs at each location detail usage allowance. Illegal dumping will result in possible fines and citations. Please do not use dumpsters illegally. Thank you for your understanding.



If you smell natural gas

in your home or business, leave immediately! Do not turn light switches on or off, especially in the area you smell gas. Do not use your cell phone until you are outside and can no longer smell any gas. Call 911, the Fire Department (563-9501), or Dispatch (563-4401) if you smell gas at any time.



Carbon Monoxide & Smoke Detectors



According to Colorado State Law, every home must have Carbon Monoxide and Smoke Detectors installed. The alarm must be installed within 15 feet of the entrance to each bedroom (or other room lawfully used for sleeping purposes), or in any location otherwise specified by a state or local building code. Battery operated units should have a new battery installed every six (6) months.