



Town of Ignacio Newsletter

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Upcoming Events

PLEASE NOTE:

The regular Town Board Meeting is the second Monday of each month.

Town Board Meeting

Mon, October 10, 2022
6:00 PM

Abel F. Atencio Community Room and via Remote Public Meeting

Town Board Subcommittee Meets to Interview Judge Candidates

Thu, October 13, 2022
1:00 PM

Abel F. Atencio Community Room

Town Hall Hours of Operation

Town Hall is now open to the public from 9 AM - 4 PM Monday through Friday. We look forward to serving you. Please do not come into the office if you have cold-like symptoms.

Fall Clean Up

Fall Clean Up will be October 6-9. The burn pile will be open 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM. In order to access the burn pile to drop off approved items, you will need a copy of your current utility bill as proof of residency. No electronics, tires or chemicals accepted. Refrigerators will only be accepted if the Freon pump is removed, and it must be tagged by a licensed repairman.

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month



Weeds

The Town of Ignacio has ordinances in place that require you to maintain your property in a visibly pleasing way by clearing of weeds, bushes that obstructs the line of sight, maintaining lawns, and trash. If you do **ANY digging** in the process of clearing or maintaining your property, you **must** call for line locates (dial 811).

Don't Forget to Fall Back



Change is in the air. Daylight Saving Time ends November 6, 2022 at 2 AM. Set your clock back one hour before you go to bed on November 5.

Service Opportunity

Do you love your community? Do you want to influence the vision and direction of the Town of Ignacio? Now you can! There are multiple openings on the Planning Commission and Board of Adjustment. To learn more about these two opportunities, please visit our website (townofignacio.colorado.gov), hover your mouse over Town Departments / Planning Department, and select the designated link. You can download an application from the Applications, Forms and Licenses page of our website. Once your completed application is received, it will be submitted to the Town Board for review. Individuals who currently own a business or property within Ignacio town limits, but do not live within the town limits, can still serve. You will be notified when your application is up for review, as the Town Board will want to talk with you. If you have any questions, please contact Town Hall.



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 (970-563-9501), or Dispatch (970-563-4401) if you smell gas at any time.



Happy Halloween

Peak time for trick-or-treating is between 5:00 PM & 8:00 PM. Please slow down for trick-or-treaters! Have a safe and happy Halloween. Parents please be sure to check your children's candy, and educate them on the importance of not eating opened candy.

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 (970-563-9501), o diligencia al numero 970-563-4401, si siente olor a gas en cualquier momento.



Ignacio School District

Please be aware that school is back in session and children use the crosswalks daily. Please slow down and use extreme caution during school hours. Follow the laws regarding school bus signals, stop signs and flashing lights to prevent accidents. ISD has gone to a four day school week, Monday through Thursday (unless otherwise exchanged for holidays occurring on Monday). Activity Fridays are available for K-12 students – please visit the website to sign up for Fridays. Breakfast and lunch will be provided on Activity Fridays. School starts at 7:50 AM for the middle and high school and at 7:55 AM for elementary – please have your children to school on time.

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Carbon Monoxide & Smoke Detectors

According to Colorado State Law, every home must have Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Detectors installed. The smoke alarms must be installed both inside and outside of each sleeping room. Battery operated units should have a new battery installed every six (6) months.

Town Burn Pile

To drop off your tree limbs, grass clippings and other organic material at the Burn Pile, please call the on-call number (970-759-3660) to set an appointment. Please note that if the ground is muddy, access to the Burn Pile will be closed until conditions are satisfactory.

NOTE: If people continue to dump unacceptable items, the Burn Pile will be closed indefinitely.

Online Payments

You can pay your Town utility bill **ONLINE!** Go to the Town's website townofignacio.colorado.gov and look for the "Pay Your Bill Online" link at the bottom of the home page. You will be charged a fee of \$1.00 for electronic checks, and \$0.75 + 2.25% of the transaction for debit or credit payments.

You can mail your payment to:
PO Box 459
Ignacio, CO 81137
or drop it in the night drop box (no cash, please).

If you have a cash payment, you can visit Town Hall between 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM Monday through Friday. Thanks!

Southern Colorado Community Action Agency

SoCoCAA is now hiring for multiple positions: Clerical/Dispatch; Substitute Teachers; Monitoring Technicians. Please visit our website at www.sococaa.org or call 970-563-4517.

Ignacio Community Library

Halloween Family Craft Time: Friday, October 21 at 1:00 PM. It's time for witches, goblins, and ghouls! Take a break from waiting on the Great Pumpkin to arrive, and get in the Halloween spirit with spooky crafts, recipes, and decorations. Come and join us at the library as we paint wooden pumpkins, make Halloween decorations and cards. Its going to be fun for the whole family!!

Trunk or Treat at the ICL: Monday, October 31 at 4 PM. Bring the little boys and ghouls in your life to the Library for our Second Annual Trunk or Treat! Last year was such a good time and we're very excited to do it again. There will be games, candy and spooky family fun! We're also looking for volunteers to help us! If you are interested in bringing a car or booth to hand out goodies, or if you would like to donate items, please call us at 970-563-9287 or send an email to lreichert@ignaciolibrary.org.

Changes are Happening at ELHI

The ELHI Community Center would like to announce changes to its Board of Directors and introduce new staffing hires, effective September 1, 2022:

Ann Salviazul resigned as the Chair of the Board.

Lisa Weber (formerly Board Secretary) was nominated as the new Chair of the Board.

Becky Connell (former Board Member at Large) was nominated as the new Secretary of the Board. Cora Shubert was hired as the Facilities Manager, overseeing the building, grounds, tenant needs and all office and scheduling duties (admin@theelhiignacio.org).

Ann Salviazul was hired as the Development Coordinator, working as liaison and outreach to the community, seeking partners, funding, and volunteers (development@theelhiignacio.org).

Our hope and vision is to keep ELHI Center moving forward to continue serving our community.

Celebrate Recovery

Celebrate Recovery (CR) is a 12 Step Recovery Program for anyone struggling with hurt, pain or addiction of any kind. Celebrate Recovery is a safe place to find community and freedom from the issues that are controlling your life. The Ignacio CR group holds meetings every Monday night from 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM at 405 Browning Avenue in Ignacio, CO. For additional information please contact Teresa at 970-779-8133.

Jack-A-Lope Acres

Jack-A-Lope Acres will be offering a 10-acre corn maze, you-pick pumpkin patch, giant swings, trampolines, potato cannons, slides and more activities for kids and adults of all ages. We will be open Fridays 9 AM - 4 PM as well as Saturdays and Sundays from 9 AM - 6 PM. We will offer a semi-private event on Fridays from 4 PM - 8 PM that will include dinner, s'mores, a beverage, potatoes for the cannon, 10-pound pumpkin and a sunset hayride! Purchase tickets online at <https://jackalopeacresfarm.store/collections/tickets>.

Homebuyer Education Classes

HomesFund offers free first-time homebuyer education classes in La Plata County. You have the opportunity to qualify for Down-Payment Assistance Funds by attending one of these classes. To register, go to: <https://homesfund.org/attend-a-class>.

Free Legal Clinics

La Plata County is offering free legal clinics on the second Friday of each month, 4 PM - 5 PM at the Ignacio Community Library. Please call 970-563-9287 if you would like to attend.