



# TOWN OF GRAND LAKE NEWSLETTER

## The Soul of the Rockies™

January 2015

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## Snowmobile Season—Town Snowmobile Rules

Snowmobiles are allowed on the streets of Grand Lake under certain rules and restrictions. Regulations are strictly enforced by the Grand County Sheriff's Department. Please follow Town regulations and remind your guests to respect our residential areas. Snowmobile drivers may be ticketed for violations of the following regulations:

- DO NOT JOY RIDE AROUND THE TOWN. GO DIRECTLY TO AND FROM YOUR DESTINATIONS.
- DO NOT SPEED. OBEY ALL AUTOMOBILE TRAFFIC LAWS.
- DO NOT RIDE IN TOWN BETWEEN 11 P.M. AND 6 A.M.
- CHILDREN UNDER 10 YEARS OF AGE MAY NOT OPERATE SNOWMOBILES IN TOWN.
- CHILDREN BETWEEN 10 AND 16 YEARS OF AGE MUST BE UNDER DIRECT SUPERVISION OF AN ADULT OVER THE AGE OF 18.
- ONLY STOCK MUFFLERS ARE ALLOWED.
- RIDE IN SINGLE FILE AS FAR RIGHT AS POSSIBLE IN THE SAME DIRECTION AS AUTOMOBILE TRAFFIC.
- SNOWMOBILES MUST YIELD TO ALL AUTOMOBILE AND PEDESTRIAN TRAFFIC.
- SNOWMOBILES MUST HAVE CURRENT REGISTRATION.
- DO NOT RIDE ON SIDEWALKS OR BOARDWALKS.
- DO NOT RIDE UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOL OR DRUGS.
- **SAFETY ALERT!** RIDING ON THE LAKE IS EXTREMELY DANGEROUS DUE TO OPEN WATER AND THIN ICE.



## Parking Restrictions on Grand Ave.

The Town plows all of Grand Avenue between Vine Street and Hancock Street on Mondays and Fridays during the winter, including the parking spaces. Please keep in mind that there are parking restrictions in effect from 3 a.m. to 7 a.m. for snow removal operations on those days, excluding holidays. Let it snow!

## Welcome New Town Manager

Stop by Town Hall during business hours and meet new Town Manager Jim White. Welcome him to Grand Lake.

**In honor of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, January 19th is a fee free day for national parks, wildlife refuges and other public lands.**

**Enjoy the Rocky Mountains!**

## Free RMNP Centennial Movie Premiere



One hundred years ago on January 26, 1915, President Wilson signed in to law the creation of Rocky Mountain National Park. To commemorate that event, the Grand Lake Women's Club is presenting a Centennial Movie Premiere, "Rocky Mountain National Park: Wilderness, Wildlife, Wonder" at the Grand Lake Community House on Monday, January 26th, at 5:30 p.m. The movie was commissioned by the Rocky Mountain Conservancy to celebrate this birthday of the Park. Refreshments will be served following the movie.

Please encourage friends, visitors, all to come Don't miss this free event.

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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### January 26

RMNP Centennial Movie  
Free  
GL Community House

### January 23-25

27th Annual Three Lakes  
Ice Fishing Tournament

### January 31

Full Moon Ski  
GL Nordic Center

### February 7

Winter Carnival  
100 years of RMNP:  
Wilderness, Wildlife &  
Wonder

### February 7

Antique Snowmobile Display  
and Races on Grand Lake

### February 7

Kauffman House Museum  
Open 1-4

### February 8

Romp & Stomp  
GL Nordic Center

### February 13

Funk & Disco Dance  
GL Community House

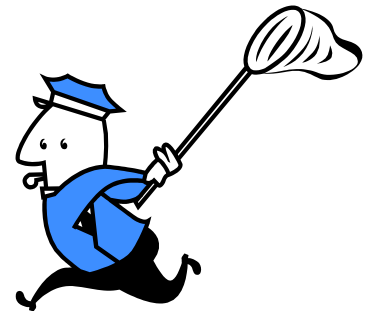
### February 21

Flight for Life  
Poker Run

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## 2015 Dog Tags

Its time to get 2015 Grand County Dog Licenses. Dog tags are available at Town Hall. Come by to register your dog for the year. The license fee for fixed dogs is \$5.00; for intact dogs, the fee is \$10.00.



## Branding Promise Correction



The Brand Promise was incorrect in the previous newsletter. The correct Brand Promise is: "We are Grand Lake. Colorado's authentic mountain lake town, the source of your inspiration, the soul of the Rockies. Choose your path, memories happen the moment you take your first step. This is your life. Breathe deep, get outside and live it."

## U.S.F.S. Seeks Volunteers for Visitor Information

The U.S. Forest Service's Sulphur Ranger District is seeking volunteers to assist with visitor information at its Granby, Colo. office. The Sulphur Ranger District manages some 450,000 acres of National Forest around the communities of Winter Park, Fraser, Granby, Grand Lake and Hot Sulphur Springs. The Arapaho National Forest is a popular destination for snowmobilers, skiers, hikers, campers, boaters and hunters. Visitors come to our Granby office seeking information about places to hike, camp, fish, hunt and boat as well as general information about road and trail conditions, activities and wildlife.

Volunteers would help staff the visitor information desk for 4-hour shifts on Wednesdays from either 8 a.m. to noon or 12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., allowing our interpretive staff to spend more time developing and presenting educational programs to Grand County youth at local schools. If you are interested in what the position would involve, an informational session will be held at 1 p.m. Jan. 27 at the Sulphur Ranger District office, located at 9 Ten Mile Drive. For those ready to sign up, a training session will be held at 9 a.m. on Feb. 4 at the same location.

Please email Katherine Armstrong, at [karmstrong@fs.fed.us](mailto:karmstrong@fs.fed.us) or call 970-887-4117 for more information.

## Town Talk From the Town Manager



January 16, 2015

On Monday this week, January 12, 2015, I delivered some more belongings to our new residence and stayed to observe the Town Board of Trustees meeting that night. I had the opportunity to visit briefly with the Town Attorney, Scotty Krob, who was present to provide an update on the prospect of purchasing the Elementary School from the School District and provided an update on the negotiations with them. There was a good turnout that night.

What a great coincidence to be coming in as the Centennial for Rocky Mountain Nation Park is underway. I'm looking forward to the movie they will be presenting on January 26, 2015!

When I awoke this morning, January 16, 2015, preparing for my second day on the job, I was greeted by a beautiful and colorful sunrise. Welcome to Grand Lake!

My first day on the job yesterday went by quickly as I met at unscheduled, random times with Mayor Judy Burke, Mayor Pro-Tem Kathy Lewis, Trustee Lisa Jenkins, and also met with a former trustee, Jim Peterson. My day continued by sorting through e-mails, reviewing notes from former Manager David Hook, accepting an invitation to a future meeting with Samantha Miller and Diane Butler to discuss the Chamber's activities, visiting the bank to begin preparation for a new account, grabbing a to go lunch from the Sagebrush, stopping at the Post Office and meeting Diane Mahoney, and touring the Public Works facility with Bernie McGinn.

Joe Biller and Tony Rendon greeted me in Town Hall. Ronda Kolinske, Erin Ackerman, and Marti Lund helped tremendously with my office orientation and I met David Johnson and TJ Humble since I missed them when I visited with most of the staff several weeks ago.

During the next two weeks, my wife Amy and I will finish moving the remaining items from our former home and will be settled in here lock, stock, and barrel by January 31, 2015. We are happy to be calling Grand Lake our home.

Stop by Town Hall and say hello if you have a chance. Otherwise, I will be getting out and about to meet with many of you during the next few months and throughout my time here at your businesses and at community events. The first big event will be the Winter Carnival in February. My daughter's birthday is February 7th, so the date is etched in my memory, now for two reasons.

I have appreciated the warm reception I have received here and I am very excited and energized by the challenges ahead! See you around Town!

Jim White

## “Wilderness, Wildlife & Wonder” Winter Carnival is February 7th



Join Grand Lake for our annual Winter Carnival an a day full of events! See why Grand Lake is the Most Authentic Small Town America by participating in a day full of activities from teapot curling & bed sled races to snow golf & human bowling! The event concludes with Winter Carnival Fireworks & also celebrates Rocky Mountain National Park’s Centennial! Schedule as follows:

9:30am TEA POT CURLING on town ice rink 8 teams~ Hot Chocolate~ \$5 entry fee per person~ Top 3 split prize money Contact Scott: 970-390-1292

10am-2pm WILD SNOWMAN CONTEST at town park For KIDS~ Judging at 2pm~ All entrants get a gift certificate for a rubber duckie and ice cream~ Winner Ribbons~ Free entry

11am-2pm SNOW GOLF at town park Hole-in-one~ Golf for kids, gals & guys~ Prizes for use at town businesses

11:00am KIDS WILD STEEPLECHASE at town park Prizes~ Free entry

12:30pm WILDERNESS, WILDLIFE, WONDER PARADE (line-up at bowling alley) Bed Sled Racers, Tea Pot Curlers, King & Queen Candidates, Merchants, etc. ALL ARE WELCOME ALL DAY SNOW SCULPTURES, KING & QUEEN CONTEST, ANTIQUE VINTAGE SNOWMOBILE CLUB OF COLORADO~ Show and Oval Races on the LAKE

12:45pm PARENT/CHILD SLED PULL on main street Free entry~ Bring your own sled 1:15pm BED SLED RACES on main street 3-4 people push bed sled with one rider in it~ Age group 18+~ \$25 entry fee Contact Annie 970-531-1967 or David 406-223-2696

2:00pm HUMAN BOWLING on main street Adult and kid divisions~ 2 lanes, 1 rider in saucer, 2 bowlers aim the sled at 10 empty water jugs~ \$10 entry fee per team~ Kids free~ Cash prizes to adults~ Show up early to sign up at the Human Bowling table

3:00pm SNOW SCULPTURE JUDGING Winners will be announced at the WILDERNESS, WILDLIFE & WONDER BALL

8:00pm THE WONDER FIREWORKS over beautiful Grand Lake

8pm-12am THE WILDERNESS, WILDLIFE & WONDER BALL at Pancho & Lefty’s Acme Band~ King & Queen Finals~ Appetizers served at 10pm~ Drink Specials~ \$10 in advance or \$15 at the door

FOR MORE INFO: DORIS 970-531-0099 OR ANITA 970-531-0564