



Town of Mammoth Lakes

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Town News

Week of July 11, 2011

News from the Town Manager

Town Council Meeting– July 20

The next regular meeting of the Town Council will be held on Wednesday, July 20, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. in Suite Z in the Minaret Village Mall. Visit the [Streaming Media Archive](#) to review the previous meeting minutes or view the webcast Town Council meeting.

Mammoth Lakes Police Department Graduates First Community Police Academy

On Thursday, June 30, 2011 ten members of the first Mammoth Lakes Community Police Academy received Certificates from Police Chief Dan Watson for completing their eight weeks of training and celebrated with a barbecue at the Police Station. The Community Police Academy was recommended by Officer David Scobie who became aware of a similar program while visiting relatives in Oregon. Officer Scobie volunteered to coordinate a similar program in Mammoth Lakes.

The course consisted of eight weekly hour sessions of three hours. The topics included tours of the police station, use of force, firearms training, narcotics, DUI, traffic enforcement, and meeting with the District Attorney. Nearly every member of the Police Department served as instructors. It is anticipated that future Community Police Academies will be held approximately every six months, depending on community interest. Anyone interested in attending a future Academy should contact Officer Scobie at (760) 934-2011 ext. 55, or at dscobie@mammothlakespd.org.

Projected Average Resort Occupancy

Friday, July 8 - Saturday, July 9 = 52%
(39% July, 2010: up 13% in 2011)

Sunday, July 10 - Thursday, July 14 = 42%
(31% July, 2010: up 11% in 2011)

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Community Development

Sierra Valley Neighborhood District Planning Report & Recommendations – July 20

The Town Council will review the Draft Sierra Valley Neighborhood District Planning Study at their July 20 meeting in Suite Z, Minaret Village Shopping Center beginning at 6:00 p.m. The public is encouraged to attend and provide comments and input on the draft Study. For more information, please contact: Ellen Clark, Senior Planner: eclark@ci.mammoth-lakes.ca.us or (760) 934-8989 ext. 269. The Draft Study is available at the Town offices, and on-line at <http://www.ci.mammoth-lakes.ca.us/index.aspx?NID=397>

Lakes Basin Special Study (LABSS) Draft Report Out for Public Review!

The “Lakes Basin Special Study Preliminary Management Concepts” draft report is now available for public review and input! The culmination of months of data gathering and three public meetings, this report lays out four different management scenarios that could be applied to the Lakes Basin in the future, as a way of keeping this popular area rich with recreation opportunities and environmentally sustainable for the long-term.

Whether or not you attended the public meetings held last fall, please review this important document and provide your feedback to the LABSS partners (the Inyo National Forest, the Mammoth Lakes Trails and Public Access Foundation, the Town of Mammoth Lakes, and Friends of the Inyo) by taking the online questionnaire. The draft report is available for download as a PDF by clicking on the LABSS graphic on www.mltpa.org. Instructions for participating in this public-input process are listed on the LABSS draft report web page as well as on the opening pages of the PDF. The questionnaire can be accessed from the web page as well as directly from the PDF.

Public feedback on “LABSS Preliminary Management Concepts” will be received through **August 15, 2011**. Your opinions, suggestions, and engagement with this process continue to be critical to the success of the Lakes Basin Special Study and to the long-term sustainability (and enjoyment) of the Lakes Basin itself. If you have questions about this process, or about LABSS in general, please contact MLTPA by emailing LABSS@mltpa.org or calling (760) 934-3154.

Community News

Blue Sky Festival – July 8-10

Move your feet. Feel the beat! Meet us outdoors at the 3rd Annual Mammoth Blue Sky Fest, July 8-10, 2011, a three (3)-day festival that celebrates food, wine, music, and adventure in the breathtaking Eastern Sierra!

Join us in tasting new culinary creations, sipping fine wine, tasting great beers, enjoying new adventures, learning from leading authorities, listening to world-class music - all under the blue skies of Mammoth Lakes and the Eastern Sierra!

The festival provides a great opportunity for expanding one's horizons, but also a way to support education and local arts programs for Mammoth Lakes and the Eastern Sierra. This year introduces the festival's association with the Mammoth Lakes Foundation and the Mammoth NOW Education Foundation. Proceeds from the event's food and wine festivities, the Blue Sky Food & Wine Experience, and live and

silent auctions will benefit both of these great organizations. Visit <http://blueskyfest.com> for a complete schedule of events and to purchase your tickets.

Blue Sky Festival Partners with NOW Education

The Mammoth Lakes Foundation is partnering with the Mammoth Schools NOW Education Foundation on a silent auction including wine, art, trips, Disneyland and Sea World tickets, and more! There is no charge to walk through the silent auction on Friday between 12:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. and Saturday between 12:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. in Edison Hall on the Cerro Coso College campus. Raffle tickets are still available to win a trip to Hawaii! Plus, there are still a few tickets available for the Food & Wine Experience (\$175). All proceeds from the auction go to support education in Mammoth Lakes. For more information, check out www.blueskyfest.com/benefit.

Special Events and Programs Celebrating Devils Postpile's Centennial

Devils Postpile National Monument will be hosting a series of special events to celebrate its centennial birthday, "A Century of Conservation 1911-2011". The following is a list of special events that will be taking place from July 7 - 9, 2011 in addition to regularly scheduled ranger led programs.

- July 8 &9, 10:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. - Wilderness, Trails, and Forest Service Packers Drop by the Reds Meadow Cabin to learn about the history of the US Forest Service packing in the valley and meet some very special four legged guests.
- July 8 &9, 12:00-2:00 p.m. - The History of National Park Service Horse Patrol Join National Park Service Ranger Billie Patrick at the Rainbow Falls Hitching Post any time between 12-2:00p.m. to see National Park Service horse patrol in action and learn about its history.
- July 8, 2:00-3:30 p.m. - The Geology of the Devils Postpile and the Reds Meadow Valley
Join Geologist Wes Hildreth on a 1.5 hour geologic tour to learn about the astounding geology of Devils Postpile and the Reds Meadow Valley. Meet at the Devils Postpile Ranger Station.
- July 8, 8:00 p.m. - John Muir and the Sierra Club
Meet at the Mammoth Lakes Welcome Center for a 1 hour living history presentation by local John Muir expert Lee Stetson.
- July 9, 7:00-10:30 a.m. - Bird Banding Demonstration
Drop by the Devils Postpile Amphitheater to learn about bird banding and bird monitoring in Devils Postpile from Point Reyes Bird Observatory Eastern Sierra Project Director Stella Moss.
- July 9, 1:00-4:00 p.m. - The Geologic Story of the Reds Meadow Valley
Join Geologist Wes Hildreth on a moderate 3 hour hike to sample the in-depth geologic story of Devils Postpile and the Reds Meadow Valley. Wear hiking shoes or boots. Meet at the Devils Postpile Ranger Station.
- July 9, 8:30 p.m. - Layers of Stories: Nature and History in the Middle Fork Valley

Join National Park Service Historian Christopher E. Johnson to learn about the engaging history of the monument and the valley. Meet at the Devils Postpile Amphitheater.

For more information, contact Devils Postpile National Monument at (760) 934-2289 or the Mammoth Lakes Welcome Center at (760) 924-5500.

Recreation Highlights

The Toughest Race in the Most Beautiful Place

The [June Lake Triathlon](#) is this **Saturday, July 9, 2011** at the June Lake Swim Beach. Events this year include USAT Sanctioned Kids Mini Tri (6-12 years), and the original Sprint and Olympic races! With an estimated 500 participants and over 100 volunteers, the event continues to grow positioning the Eastern Sierra as a premiere high altitude fitness destination. Prizes are presented from local ceramic artists, photographers and painters. Visit www.highsierratri.org/junelake.html for additional information, race schedules, course layouts and more!

Racer packets are available at the following locations & times:

- July 8 - June Lake Swim Beach (race site) between 10:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
- July 8 - June Mountain Ski Area Chalet between 5:00-8:00 p.m. at the Welcome Dinner.

Racers must pick up their OWN packet and be present with Photo ID and USAT card (if you are a current USAT member). RELAYS - ALL members of the relay team must be present to pick up packet as well.

Race Reminders: Shuttle only from June Mountain Parking Lot or ride your bike in from other points. Shuttles have bike racks. Water temp recorded yesterday at 64 degrees! GOOD LUCK!

Full Day Spaghetti & Meatballs Sports Camp – July 11

The Recreation Department is now hosting the Spaghetti & Meatballs Sports Camp All Day! Replacing the Challenger British Sports Camp, this popular camp runs Monday – Friday from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. for ages 6-13 (July 11-15, 2011). Enjoy active sports including beach volleyball, basketball, frisbee golf, flag football, geocaching, swimming, and much more. Excursions into town are also planned with a lunch or two out, and possibly a movie. Look for the daily schedule at the Recreation Office. Cost is only \$125 for the week, with half day options available. Call the Recreation Department at (760) 934-8989 ext. 222 to register.

Adult Summer Softball League is Underway!

The Recreation Department has closed enrollment for the 2011 adult softball season and is welcoming back 8 returning Men's teams and 12 returning (and new) coed teams. First night of play is 5:15 p.m. Tuesday, July 5, at Shady Rest Park. Coed will play every Tuesday and Thursday nights, Men's league plays Mondays and Wednesdays. The snack bar will be open courtesy of the Mammoth Lakes Women's Club, so come on down and see what summer softball is all about at Shady Rest Park.

Adult Softball Tournament

The Men's 'E' Softball Tournament is scheduled on July 16 & 17, 2011. A round-robin format will be used with 1st and 2nd place individual awards, 1st, 2nd and 3rd place team trophies, and two MVP awards. Only ASA approved aluminum barreled bats allowed. For information call Grover Swick, Tournament Director: (760) 963-4902, or email hardlinedrives@gmail.com. A \$100 deposit is due 2 weeks before the tournament (Entry fee: \$350).

Footloose Sports Rides this Week

There is a lot of riding to be done this week now that the holiday is over so we hope you can join us for some of these scenic and fun rides.

- Saturday: Benton Crossing Ride- meeting at 8.30 a.m. for a 9:00 a.m. ride. This is a scheduled Blue Sky Fest ride of about an hour and a half.
- Sunday: Scenic Loop ride - meeting at Footloose Sports at 8.30 a.m. and leaving at 9:00 a.m. to take advantage of the new surface on the scenic loop.

Mammoth Lakes Farmers Market

Farmers Market is back in Mammoth every Wednesday between 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. until the end of summer. Grab your re-usable shopping bag and get over to the Luxury Outlet Mall on Main Street for some home grown produce, arts & crafts, entertainment and more. For vendor information contact: info@greenfoxevents.com, (760) 709-6744 or Facebook us.

Mammoth Mud Run

Stomp through mud pits! Crawl on your hands and knees underneath obstacles! Haul your body up and over walls! And that's just a partial listing of what you'll have to do. The 1st Annual Mammoth Mud Run tests your endurance and strength in a series of obstacles, mud pits and more over a span of 5 kilometers. It's fun. It's dirty. It will leave you breathless. Join us for the highest Mud Run in California on Saturday, August 27, 2011 at the Village at Mammoth/Canyon Lodge. For more information and to register visit www.MammothMountain.com/MammothMudRun.

Mammoth AYSO Registration

Register your player or yourself as a volunteer parent, coach or referee by June 30, 2011. Registration & volunteer forms are available at the Town of Mammoth Lakes Recreation Department Office (above Giovanni's) Monday - Friday, between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. A player will be guaranteed placement on a team if registered prior to July 1, 2011. After July 1, and before August 1, 2011 players are requested to complete forms, submit late payment fees of \$10/player and wait to be placed – space available – on a team.

The current player fees are \$60 per child or \$50 / \$40 for second or third child (please bring birth certificates for new players). Fees include new uniform, team photo, great coaching, tournaments and awards! Age Divisions: U5 Coed / U6 Coed / U8 / U10 / U12 / U15 & U19. For complete registration information, call (760) 709-2481, email: Mammothayso@gmail.com or visit www.Mammothayso.com.

Six Unforgettable Days in the Sierras

Mammoth Mountain is excited to announce the return of the Mammoth Unbound Camp. The camp provides a unique opportunity for kids between 8-15 to visit Mammoth and experience everything the Sierras has to offer. Over the course of six, fun-filled days campers will participate in geocaching, skateboarding, mountain biking, rock climbing, zip lining as well as a day of hiking and rafting in Yosemite, before finishing the week with a horseback riding adventure through the mountains where they will camp overnight and sleep under the stars. Campers will be housed in same sex rooms at the Mammoth Mountain Inn with 24-hour supervision from our highly qualified staff. A 7-to-1 camper to counselor ratio ensures plenty of private attention for your child. All food is also included and the diverse menu will have healthy options for all. Camp dates are July 10-15, July 24-29 and August 7-12, 2011. Contact Pam Lonza at (760) 934-0795, email plonza@mammoth-mtn.com, or visit www.MammothMountain.com/SummerCamps for all the details or to make a reservation.

Sierra Club, Range of Light Activities

- Sierra Club evening hikes every Wednesday. See <http://nevada.sierraclub.org/rolgroup/>
- Sierra Club Outings every Sunday. See <http://nevada.sierraclub.org/rolgroup/>
- Sierra Club Social and Program: Tuesday July 19, Hayden Cabin Museum BBQ.
- Go to <http://nevada.sierraclub.org/rolgroup/> for details.
- Sierra Club Hike with Birders Steve Brad & Ken Wells, Saturday July 30. <http://nevada.sierraclub.org/rolgroup/>

ON-GOING RECREATION PROGRAMS...

Sharpen Up Your Stroke at the Community Center Tennis Courts

Tennis lessons are now being offered by USPTA Tennis Professional Tom Sherry at the Community Center Tennis Courts. Clinics, camps, and private lessons for all ability levels are scheduled every Tuesday through Thursday that emphasize stroke production and strategy. The Mammoth Lakes Tennis Club (MLTC) has programmed a number of special events hosted at the Community Center Tennis Courts, including the new "Sunday Social" beginning on June 19, 2011. Socials get underway from 9:30 a.m. till 12:00 p.m. with snacks provided by the MLTC. For more information about the tournaments and socials, contact MLTC president Gail Lonne at (760) 934 0150 or glonne@verizon.net. To purchase your tennis lesson punch cards, please call (760) 934-8989 ext. 222, visit www.townofmammothlakes.com or pick up a copy of the new 2011/12 Annual Mammoth Lakes Recreation Guide available throughout town. Tennis Lessons will be unavailable on Thursday, July 7 and 14, 2011. Sorry for any inconvenience. The Youth Tennis Camp begins Monday, July 18, so call and reserve your spot today!

Party Yourself into Shape!

Zumba® Fitness is offered every Monday by Kaysie Williams from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the Mammoth Lakes Community Center, 1000 Forest Trail (near The Village). Zumba® Fitness is an exhilarating, effective, easy-to-follow, Latin-inspired, calorie-burning dance fitness-party™ that's moving millions of people toward joy and health. Participants don't even have to know how to dance. Just move your body and follow

the instructor's lead. It's easy! Participants can purchase a 10 class punch card for \$77.50 or a 5 class punch card for only \$42.50. The Drop-In rate is \$10 per class. For more information or to register call (760) 934-8989 ext. 222. Feel the music and let loose!

Learn to Swim this Summer at the Whitmore Pool

The Whitmore Pool is your venue for swim lessons of all ages and abilities this summer. Located adjacent to the ball fields on Benton Crossing Road, this unique outdoor aquatic facility has a 360-degree view of the Eastern Sierra, including the Glass and White Mountain ranges. Stroke Improvement classes are offered every Monday and Wednesday from 8:15 a.m. – 9:15 a.m. between May 11 - June 15, 2011, and Mondays only from June 20 - August 8, 2011. Cost is \$10 per day. American Red Cross Swim Lessons are progressive lessons offered for all ages. The Whitmore Pool staff will help you place your child in the correct level and provide information regarding times of the specific class needed. Classes are subject to cancellation due to low enrollment if the minimum class size of 3 students is not met. The first session begins June 27 between 10:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. for Tiny Tot, and level I, between 11:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. for Tiny Tot, II, III. Please call the Whitmore Pool at (760) 935-4222 for reservations or stop by to make arrangements.

Get Gymnastics Fever!

This year-round program is designed to introduce children from 3-18 years old the wonderful and exciting sport of gymnastics. Offered by Michelle DeJong, a level 8 competitive gymnast and Level 1-5 gymnastics coach, participants will learn to tumble and more in a safe and structured environment. This program is also a recipient of Measure R funding with \$7,000 of gymnastic equipment. Three age sessions are available at the Community Center on Forest Trail and are all on schedule for February, 2011.

- 3-5 yr olds – Saturday: 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
- 5-8 yr olds – Saturday: 10:15 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.
- 8-12+ yr olds – Wednesday: 4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. & Saturday: 11:15 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Fees are only \$50/month (8 sessions) for residents and \$60/month for non-residents. Five session Punch Cards are available for \$50 and Private lessons are available upon request at \$20 for 30-45 minutes. Drop-in's are welcome and encouraged - First one is FREE! Please call (760) 934-8989 ext. 222 for more information or to register your aspiring Gymnast!

Never Have a Slow Day in Mammoth!

The eagerly awaited 2011/12 Annual Mammoth Lakes Recreation Guide is now available! The 32 page guide is the definitive source for recreation in Mammoth Lakes packed-full of programs, events and activities for kids of all ages. Whether you're looking for family fun at our many parks, challenging your endurance on our many trails or replenishing your spirit in the great outdoors, we hope you'll take advantage of what our team has created, and what awaits you in Mammoth Lakes...Your recreation Nirvana!

Look for a plethora of new camps including mountain biking, a Grom Mania and Wave Rave Concrete Kommandos Skate Camp, the Challenger British Sports Camp, the AYSO Advanced Soccer Camp and our hugely popular climbing, wilderness and

Youth theatre camps. There is also an extensive sports & recreation events calendar, summer/winter trail map, and information on our aquatics, tennis and gymnastic programs.

A big "thank you" to our many partners involved in producing the guide: our service providers who created the diverse programming activities; our advertisers who provided the financial support and the Town's Staff who keep it all together. For additional information about recreation in Mammoth Lakes or to register for a camp or program please visit www.townofmammothlakes.com or call the Recreation Department office at (760) 934-8989 ext. 222. Make it a great day!

Sports & Recreation Calendar

- On-going: Gymnastics/Tumbling Program at the Community Center
- On-going: Zumba Fitness at the Community Center
- On-going: The Whitmore Pool is open – swim lessons...
- On-going: Little Sluggers Begins at MES (ends June 29)
- On-going: Tennis Lessons every Tuesday/Thursday
- On-going: Main Street Farmers Market every Wednesday
- On-going: Footloose Sports Tour of Mammoth Bike Challenge
- On-going: Coed Softball League
- On-going: Men's Softball League
- June 29: Reds Meadow Road OPEN
- July 8-9: June Lake Triathlon and Festival
- July 8-10: Blue Sky Festival
- July 11: Spaghetti & Meatballs Sports Camp – All-day
- July 11: Swim Lessons Session 111
- July 12: Mammoth Sharks Swim-a-Thon
- July 12: Recreation Commission Meeting
- July 13-17: Mammoth Lakes Jazz Jubilee
- July 16-17: Adult Softball Tournament, Men's E
- July 17 – ESV Wildrose Summit Ride
- July 18: Swim Lessons Session 1V
- July 18: Youth Climbing Camp 1
- July 18: Youth Tennis Camp
- July 20: Grom Mania Skate Camp
- July 21: Mammoth Trails Meeting
- July 24: ESV Crowley/Rock Lake Pie Ride
- July 25: Wilderness Camp
- July 25: Swim Lessons Session V
- July 27: Mountain Bike Camp

Public Service Announcements

Carbon Monoxide Detectors Save Lives

The Town of Mammoth Lakes has launched a community outreach effort to inform community residents that on July 1, 2011 many homes will be required to install carbon monoxide detectors.

The Federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimate that carbon monoxide kills approximately 500 people each year and injures another 20,000 people nationwide. In an effort to prevent these accidental deaths and injuries, the

California legislature enacted SB 183 (Lowenthal) which mandates owners of dwelling intended for human occupancy to install carbon monoxide devices in existing dwelling units having a fossil fuel burning heater or appliance, fireplace, or attached garage.

CO devices must be installed in all specified single-family dwellings by July 1, 2011. All other specified dwelling units must have CO devices installed by January 1, 2013.

The Office of the State Fire Marshal (SFM) has developed a list of certified CO devices that meet the requirement specified within the Carbon Monoxide Poisoning Prevention Act of 2010.

For a complete list of currently approved devices please visit the SFM's website at http://osfm.fire.ca.gov/licensinglistings/licenselistings_bml_searchcotest.php. Under the search categories provided select Carbon Monoxide Alarms and Carbon Monoxide Detectors for a complete list of devices.

Further details contained within the Carbon Monoxide Poisoning Prevention Act of 2010:

- Owners shall install CO devices in a manner consistent with building standards applicable to new construction for the relevant type of occupancy if it is technically feasible. See the 2010 California Building Code, Section 420.4, and the 2010 California Residential Code, Section R315.
- CO devices shall produce a distinct audible alarm.
- CO devices may be combined with a smoke detector, if the combination device meets all specified SFM listing and approval requirements.
- Violation of Health & Safety Code Section 17926 is an infraction punishable by a maximum fine of two-hundred dollars for each offense.
- A local enforcement agency shall provide the property owner a 30-day notice to correct.
- Local jurisdictions are authorized to adopt ordinances requiring CO devices if the ordinance is consistent with the requirement of this bill.

For a full list of this legislation's stipulations please review the Department of Housing and Community Development's Information Bulletin 2011-01 at <http://www.hcd.ca.gov/codes/shl/infobulls/IB2011-01.pdf>.

The Bears are Back!

It is time to remind all our residents and visitors that it is our responsibility to KEEP WILDLIFE WILD. The best way of doing this, and preventing bears from becoming dependent on humans for food, is to follow these common sense rules:

- Never feed any wildlife, or leave food out for bears or other wild animals.
- Securely store food and fragrant items such as shampoo and deodorant in an airtight container. When camping, use a bear-proof box.
- Don't leave food, even in a cooler, in a car, tent, or other unsecured location.
- Don't leave pet food outdoors or use a bird feeder. Bears love bird seed!
- Always deposit trash in a bear proof trash can or dumpster.
- Keep your car locked and your garage door closed.
- Close and lock ground floor windows when no one is home.

It is not unusual to see black bears wandering through town. Enjoy them, but keep your distance. If you see a bear that is misbehaving (such as trying to get into a

trash dumpster, vehicle, or building) call 911 immediately. The Town's Wildlife Specialist and police officers are trained to handle situations such as this. Bears are shy and generally afraid of people. If you feel threatened by a bear, yell or bang on something to scare the bear away. If by chance a bear enters a structure looking for food while you are inside, make a lot of noise and go into another room, close the door, and call 911. The bear will most likely be more frightened than you and leave.

It is also time to remind everyone that all wildlife, including deer, are on the move. When driving, especially at dusk and dawn, be on the lookout for wild animals crossing the roadway. Striking a deer or bear can be fatal – not only to the animal, but also to people in the car.

For more information on co-existing with wildlife in Mammoth Lakes, contact the Town's Wildlife Specialist Steve Searles at (760) 937-BEAR or Lieutenant John Mair at (760) 934-2011 Extension 44.

New Rule Before School Opens in the Fall!

All students entering grades 7-12 this fall must provide proof of having immunization against whooping cough ('Tdap') before starting school. In light of California's recent and ongoing whooping cough (pertussis) epidemic, there is no reason to wait for the new school year. Besides, the first day of school is busy enough as it is without having to "get shot"!

This new school requirement applies to all public and private schools, and includes students who are home schooled. California's parents are being urged not to wait for the new fall school year, since there will be no grace period. Under the new law, students will not be allowed to start school without proof of vaccination. All schools will be subject to selective review and audit.

If a child does not have health insurance, or is only partially insured, your child's doctor or the Mono County Health Department can provide information about the Vaccines for Children Program which provides free or low-cost vaccines. The Tdap vaccine is also available at Von's.

Be sure to add this to your "to do" list, and have your child vaccinated before you get distracted by all the fun summer activities. The first day of school will arrive before you know it! For more information, please visit www.ShotsforSchool.org, or call us at (760) 924-1830 for more information.

Leash Law Reminder

Mammoth residents and visitors are reminded that the Town has a leash law, and it is a violation of the ordinance to allow your dog to run loose off of your property. While budget cuts eliminated the Animal Control Officer position, the laws pertaining to controlling your pets did not change, and you can still be cited by Mammoth Lakes Police Department officers if your dog is at-large. The Police Department is currently receiving a large number of complaints from several neighborhoods, and will be targeting patrol time in those areas when possible to apprehend loose dogs and to cite their owners. In addition to the citation fine, you could also be charged boarding fees by Mono County Animal Control if we choose to impound your dog at the Whitmore Shelter. At-large dogs are a traffic hazard, and even the most well behaved dog can bite if provoked. If your loose animal causes a traffic collision or injures/bites someone, you would likely be liable for damages, which could add up to thousands of dollars. Please respect your neighbors, AND your pet and obey the leash law.

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Town Outdoor Lighting Ordinance

In 2003, the Town implemented an outdoor lighting ordinance to eliminate light pollution and preserve views of our starry skies. The outdoor lighting ordinance was adopted to encourage residents to administer a lighting system that not only promotes public safety and night-time ambiance but to maximize energy conservation. To eliminate glare and light trespass into neighboring properties and roadways, the outdoor lighting fixtures on your property should be shielded and re-directed to shine downward or changed out to a lower wattage. More information about responsible lighting can be found at www.crlaction.org.