



**Town of Mammoth Lakes**

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## Town News

Week of July 18, 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. Some of the agenda items include:

- **Consent Agenda:** 1). Approve the Lease Agreement between the Town of Mammoth Lakes and the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power for the Whitmore Track and Sports Complex. 2). Approve the Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Solid Waste Fee Agreement with Mono County to continue the program and schedule of solid waste parcel fees. 3). Approve the Resolutions Implementing Personnel-Related Actions Approved In the FY 2011-12 Interim Budget: (1) Amending Union Agreements with the Management Employees and General Employees Associations to Implement Twelve Days of Unpaid Furloughs for the Fiscal Year; (2) Amending a Union Agreement with the Police Officers Association to Suspend for a Year Stand-By Pay for Call-In Duty, Suspend for a Year Holiday Pay, and Authorize Overtime Payment to Police Officers for Actual Time Worked on Holidays While the Holiday Pay is Suspended; (3) Authorizing Compensation and Benefits for the Unrepresented (“Executive”) Employees, Including a 4.5% Cost-Of-Living Adjustment Effective July 1, 2011 and Twelve Days of Unpaid Furloughs for the Fiscal Year; (4) Adding the Position of a Financial Analyst /Revenue Specialist to the Unrepresented (“Executive”) Category and Authorizing the Salary Range for the Said Position; and (5) Clarifying Titles and Confirming Compensation for Certain Part-Time Positions. 4). Approve the Resolution amending the Fiscal Year 2011-12 Interim Budget adopted on June 22, 2011, to delay the elimination of a police officer position through December 31, 2011, as a result of receiving \$73,160 in net additional revenue from the State of California. 5). Approve the Fiscal Year 2011-12 Interim Funding Agreements Supported by Discretionary Sources: (A) Recommended Scope, Deliverables, and Funding for Intellectual Equity Resort Consulting; and (B) Status on All Other Agreements.
- **Public Hearings:** 1). Consider request from Mono County Sheriff’s Search and Rescue for the Waiver or Reduction of Development Impact Fees, Affordable Housing Fees, Permit Processing Fees, and Public Art Fees. 2). Approve the Resolution confirming the existing Assessment Diagram and the assessments proposed in the Engineer’s Report for Fiscal Year 2011/12 for Juniper Ridge Benefit Assessment District No. 1993-1. 3). Approve the Resolution for the levying of annual assessments for Fiscal Year 2011/12 for The Bluffs Benefit Assessment District No. 1993-4.
- **Policy Matters:** 1). Accept the Sierra Valley Neighborhood District Plan. 2). Provide direction regarding an Economic Stimulus Program. 3). Schedule interviews of Planning Commission applicants.

## **Town is Hiring!**

Two job openings in the Finance Department have been posted on the Town's website: <http://ca-mammothlakes.civicplus.com/jobs.aspx>. Both job openings, for the Financial Analyst/Revenue Specialist and the Accounting Assistant I, will close on **Monday, August 1, 2011** at 5:00 p.m.

## **Renew Dog Licenses Before August 1st to Avoid Late Fee**

Town of Mammoth Lakes dog licenses expire on June 30, 2011 and non renewals become delinquent August 1, 2011 resulting in a \$5 fee increase. Tags for the 2011/12 license year are now available at the Police Department, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Please bring proof of a current rabies vaccination (shot must be effective through May 2012) and a veterinarian certificate of spay/neuter if the animal is fixed. With the delinquent fee added, tags are \$18 for spayed/neutered dogs, and \$35 if unaltered. License fees may be paid by cash, check or debit/credit card. State law and Town ordinance require all dogs four months old or older have a current rabies shot and a Town license.

## **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 PD 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.

## **Calls for Service/Officer Observations**

212, including 1 business/building check

## **Crime Incident Reports**

29 reports, including 5 arrests

## **Traffic Stop/Citations/Traffic Collisions**

45 stops; 9 citations; 0 parking citations; 0 skate park citations; 3 collisions

## **Animal Control Incidents**

3 incidents; 0 reports

## **Wildlife**

9 calls; 3 reports

## **Projected Average Resort Occupancy**

Friday, July 15 - Saturday, July 16 = 63%  
(66% same weekend in 2010, down 3% in 2011)

Sunday, July 17 - Thursday, July 21 = 44%  
(41% same midweek in 2010, up 3% in 2011)

## **Twitter**

Follow 'TownofMammoth' daily on Twitter at [www.ci.mammoth-lakes.ca.us](http://www.ci.mammoth-lakes.ca.us).

## **Community Development**

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### **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](mailto: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](http://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](mailto:LABSS@mltpa.org) or calling (760) 934-3154.

## **Community News**

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### **23rd Annual Mammoth Lakes Jazz Jubilee**

Experience hot jazz in the cool sierra at the Mammoth Lakes Jazz Jubilee from July 13 – 17, 2011. All music styles are catered to including cajun, big-band, swing, 50's & 60's rock 'n' roll, Dixieland and more! Catch your favorite bands at one of 9 locations throughout Mammoth Lakes: Grumpy's Tent, The Holler (Sam's Woods Site), Big Top Tent (The Village parking lot), Whiskey Creek Restaurant, Little Eagle Lodge, The Rafter's, Mammoth Lakes Performing Arts Center, Mammoth RV Park and Petra's Bistro & Wine Bar. Visit [www.mammothjazz.org](http://www.mammothjazz.org) for a complete list of bands, schedules and badge information.

### **"Carmageddon" Arrives Friday!**

For those folks traveling from Los Angeles to Mammoth Lakes on the 405 this weekend, we would strongly encourage you to use an alternate route. The northbound side of the 405 will be closed for 10 miles and southbound for four miles for the demolition of the south half of Mulholland Bridge. The freeway will close between Interstate 10 and U.S. 101, also known as the Ventura Freeway. The shutdown is scheduled for **Friday, July 15, 2011** with ramps closing as early as 7:00 p.m., freeway lanes starting to close at 10:00 p.m. and the highway fully closed by midnight. The route will reopen at 5:00 a.m. on **Monday, July 18, 2011**.

Summer travelers to Mammoth Lakes can fly directly from Los Angeles International Airport (LAX), every day thru the summer season on [Alaska Airlines](#). Flight # AS2196 departs LAX at 4:45 p.m. and arrives at Mammoth Yosemite Airport (MMH) at 5:55 p.m. Call Alaska Airlines at 1 (800) 547-9308 for information and reservations.

With the 405 Freeway set to be closed from late Friday until early Monday, JetBlue is offering a 'Carmageddon' flyover. The airline said it would offer \$4 fares each way from Long Beach Airport to Bob Hope Airport in Burbank.

### **Inyo National Forest Begins Implementing Travel Management Decision**

Crews have begun the hard work of converting words on paper from the 2009 Travel Management Decision into actual on-the-ground actions. As you travel through the Inyo National Forest this summer, you will likely see a diverse array of volunteers, partners, and Forest crews placing signs on newly designated routes, disguising and blocking unauthorized routes, and fixing problem sections of system routes to ensure that routes will be stable and can remain open for motorized use. Other specialists are analyzing what additional future treatments may be needed to stabilize or naturalize unauthorized routes, or to convert these to non-motorized uses. These more intensive restoration efforts require additional planning, and will include public involvement.

The Inyo National Forest Travel Management Decision signed by Forest Supervisor Jim Upchurch in August of 2009 made determinations about which roads and trails on the Inyo National Forest would be designated for motorized uses. Of 1,700 miles of previously undetermined routes, just over 1,000 miles were added to the National Forest Transportation System (NFTS), for a total of approximately 2,360 miles of designated NFTS roads and trails. A Motor Vehicle Use Map (MVUM), the legally-binding depiction of designated roads and trails, was developed in early 2010. Additionally, the decision required the Forest to perform certain repairs (mitigations)

on newly-designated routes within five years; in many cases, these mitigations will open routes for motorized traffic, which will then show on future versions of the MVUM. The decision also provided for the placement of signs and small barriers and/or disguising to help reduce confusion about which routes are open for motorized use. All routes remain open to non-motorized recreation, such as equestrian, biking or foot travel.

Much of the work is funded through grants from California Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation (OHMVR) trust fund, which are primarily financed from state gas taxes. Forest funds for road and trail maintenance, as well as recreation and resource funding sources are also used in support of the Travel Management program. State OHMVR funds were utilized in a joint effort with the California Trail Users Coalition (CTUC) to develop a high quality color recreational map of the north half of the Forest's motorized trails and roads. The CTUC recreational maps (which normally sell for \$3.00) and the official MVUM maps are currently available free of charge at all Inyo NF offices and visitor centers. The CTUC will release a map of the south half of the Forest later this year.

The Forest Service is looking at creative ways to accomplish the vast amount of work on the ground, including using Student Conservation Association, Youth Conservation Corps, Friends of the Inyo stewardship crews, student interns, and various volunteer groups such as the Eastern Sierra Four Wheel Drive Club and others. The Forest encourages individuals to contact one of these groups if you'd like to participate in their efforts. If your group is interested in assisting with the Travel Management effort, or if you're curious about the Forest's Adopt-A-Trail program, please contact your local Ranger District Office or Marty Hornick at the Forest Supervisor's Office (contact info below).

The Forest will host public meetings pertaining to Travel Management implementation and related projects later this summer. Stay tuned for more information on these meetings.

If you have any questions or observations about the Inyo National Forest Travel Management implementation, please contact Marty Hornick at 760-873-2461 or [mhornick@fs.fed.us](mailto:mhornick@fs.fed.us).

### **3rd Annual June Lake Loop Mountain Music Festival**

The June Lake Loop Mountain Music Festival Association happily presents the third annual June Lake Loop Mountain Music Festival, July 28th – 31st, 2011, in the historic June Lake Loop (Highway 158 in Mono County). This year's four-day festival at five venues around the loop includes a broad musical repertoire and events for the whole family: world class country, folk, honky tonk, classic and alternative rock music acts; exceptional local musical talents; a five-day kid's music camp (starting July 25th to July 30th); dancing; and an encore performance by a national favorite, Emily Wells.

Jewel of the High Sierra, June Lake Loop, offers fishing, hiking, horse-back riding, swimming, fine dining, two famous pubs and a world-class spa – all in a stunning environment. Music has always been in the heart of the Loop, with impromptu concert gatherings springing up in the meadows, in the pubs, and in the parking lots. The Mountain Music Festival celebrates this rich history with incredible music, food, dancing, and fun. Tickets for each event range from \$10 to \$20 and are available on-line or on the day of the show at each venue. All-event passes are also available for \$60 online or at The LOOP Hub (June Lake Reservations – near the post office).

Profits will support "The June Loop Lake Women's Club Scholarship Fund". Thanks go out to our venues and sponsors: The Sierra Inn, Trout Town Joe's, June Mountain, Double Eagle. Write Now Poetry Society, Art Beat Foundation, AmTam Enterprises, the Mono County Tourism Commission, Mono Council for the Arts, The Walter Lantz Foundation, The Highlands, Victory Lodge, The Michaels Family, and D Cross.

For tickets, directions, more details, music, and additional press materials head to: [www.junelakemusic.com](http://www.junelakemusic.com) or search June Lake Loop Mountain Music Festival on Facebook! See you on "The Loop!"

### **SCE Planned Outages**

Southern California Edison will soon be performing maintenance on the electrical system in the areas identified below. In order to perform this work safely, SCE must temporarily interrupt electric service and turn off power. This outage will allow SCE to upgrade aging infrastructure, make needed improvements, and complete other repairs. This temporary service interruption may cause some inconvenience, and SCE appreciate your understanding as we work to increase system reliability for the future.

Outage Status: Scheduled  
Outage Alert Num: 462189  
**Starting at: July 21, 2011 8:00 a.m.**  
**Ending at: July 21, 2011 12:00 p.m.**  
# of Residential customers affected: 8  
# of Commercial customers affected: 0  
# of Traffic Control meters affected: 0  
Outage Boundary: MONTEREY PINES RD SOUTH OF PINEHURST DR

Outage Status: Scheduled  
Outage Alert Num: 462148  
**Starting at: July 21, 2011 12:30 p.m.**  
**Ending at: July 21, 2011 4:30 p.m.**  
# of Residential customers affected: 7  
# of Commercial customers affected: 0  
# of Traffic Control meters affected: 0  
Outage Boundary: SHADY REST

## **Recreation Highlights**

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### **Youth Tennis Camp**

The first of two Youth Tennis Camps begins **Monday, July 18, 2011** at the Community Center Tennis Courts from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Tom Sherry our new tennis professional has programmed a fun and exciting camp that not only emphasizes stroke production and strategy, but an introduction to the wonderful world of tennis! The Youth Tennis Camp is only \$125/player for 5-days and is for ages 7-18 years. Please feel free to contact Tom directly at (707) 365-9361 for more information, or register at the Recreation Department Office located above Giovanni's.

### **Men's Softball Tournament & Home Run Derby – July 16/17**

Saturday and Sunday, July 16-17, the Recreation Department is hosting a softball tournament at Shady Rest Park – games begin at 8:00 a.m. each morning and go until the evening. We have 13 teams playing, most from out of the area. For more information please email or call Tournery Director, Grover Swick, at (760) 963-4902 or [hardlinedrives@gmail.com](mailto:hardlinedrives@gmail.com). The Mammoth Lakes Women's Club will be staffing the snack bar, come on out and support a great cause!

To kick off the weekend tournament there is a home run derby planned for Friday evening, July 15, on Shady Rest field #1 with check-in at 4:00 p.m. There will be a \$10 buy-in for all participants and to pass the first round batters will get 10 swings and have to hit at least 5 out of the park.

### **Summer of Stewardship This Saturday at Horseshoe Lake – July 16**

The Mammoth Lakes Trail System Summer of Stewardship continues this Saturday, July 16, 2011 with support from Mammoth Pet Shop and the Old New York Deli & Bagel Company! Grab a friend, neighbor, spouse, or child and head out to the Horseshoe Lake parking lot at 8:30 a.m. to help us welcome this beloved recreation area (and the McLeod Lake Trail) into our warm and sunny summer.

Volunteers of all ages and stripes are welcome to participate in the day's events, which will include trail maintenance, trash pickup, lakeshore beautification, and possible snow removal—all dependent on how clear we are of the white stuff left over from this epic winter. Through a generous grant from the National Forest Foundation's Ski Conservation Fund, MLTPA and Friends of the Inyo will reward volunteers with a hearty lunch; local businesses such as Roberto's and Michelle Mather Massage will provide free raffle prizes, and Old New York is throwing in a bagel breakfast before we head out on the trail.

We don't want to turn anyone away, so please dress appropriately: sturdy close-toed shoes, long-sleeved shirt, long pants, sun protection/bug spray, an extra layer, and eye protection (sunglasses are fine). Groups of all kinds are welcome, so spread the word! Visit <http://www.mltpa.org/> for more information or find us at <http://www.facebook.com/MLTPA>.

### **Grom Mania Skate Camp - NEW FOR 2011 – July 20**

Designed for beginner to intermediate skaters, the Grom Mania Skate Camp begins on Wednesday, July 20, 2011. The all day (9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.) camp will meet daily at the Shady Rest Skate Park for drop-off and pick-up. In addition to a heavy

emphasis on street scene skateboarding, the camp will also travel to summer hot spots and enjoy activities like bowling, swimming, and vert skating. Helmet, elbow pads and kneepads are required. The cost is only \$100 per session or \$35 per day, for ages 7-13 years. Register at the Recreation Department Office located above Giovanni's or call (760) 934-8989 ext. 222.

### **DRAFT RecStrats Implementation Plan Available For Review**

The Recreation Commission is soliciting final comments from the public on the Draft RecStrats Implementation Strategy Report. The report is available on the homepage of the Towns Website: [www.townofmammothlakes.com](http://www.townofmammothlakes.com).

Public comments will be accepted until **Wednesday, July 27, 2011** and should be submitted to Stuart Brown, Recreation Manager & Public Information Officer ([sbrown@ci.mammoth-lakes.ca.us](mailto:sbrown@ci.mammoth-lakes.ca.us)) or by fax to (760) 934-7493.

Please focus your comments in the following areas:

#### **Part 5: Workshop Results**

- Review for any linkages or identified elements that might have been overlooked or are missing (pages 15-23).

#### **Part 6: Project List**

- Review Preliminary Project List (page 24) for any elements that might have been omitted; review Consolidated Project List and Final Consolidated List for clarification, duplication, and/or omissions.
- Review Non-Linkage List of Community Identified Elements (page 30) and provide suggestions for how to address these elements that didn't naturally link to other categories. Specifically, what should the Town of Mammoth Lakes do in regards to these elements?

#### **Part 7: Recommendations (page 31)**

- Proposed Project Feasibility Study: provide feedback and/or suggestions regarding the proposed implementation timeline (short to long-term view) and/or project feasibility study process (page 32).

Thank you in advance of your comments and we appreciate your passion to help Mammoth Lakes be the best alpine recreation community in the country.

### **Adult Summer Softball League Standings**

The 2011 Adult Summer Softball League is underway. Softball standings are posted weekly on the Town's website: <http://ca-mammothlakes.civicplus.com/index.aspx?nid=331>. Coed plays 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.

### **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](mailto: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](http://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](mailto:Mammothayso@gmail.com) or visit [www.Mammothayso.com](http://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](mailto:plonza@mammoth-mtn.com), or visit [www.MammothMountain.com/SummerCamps](http://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...**

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### **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](http://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.

- 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 Youtheatre 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](http://www.townofmammothlakes.com) or call the Recreation Department office at (760) 934-8989 ext. 222. Make it a great day!

## **Sports & Recreation Calendar**

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- 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 13-17: Mammoth Lakes Jazz Jubilee
- July 16: Summer of Stewardship at Horseshoe Lake
- July 16 – ESV Wildrose Summit Ride
- July 16-17: Adult Softball Tournament, Men's E
- July 18: Swim Lessons Session 1V
- July 18: Youth Climbing Camp 1 – sold out!

- July 18: Youth Tennis Camp
- July 20: Grom Mania Skate Camp
- July 20: Mammoth Lakes Music Festival (ends August 5)
- 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**

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### **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/licenselisting\\_bml\\_searchcotest.php](http://osfm.fire.ca.gov/licensinglistings/licenselisting_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](http://www.ShotsforSchool.org), or call us at (760) 924-1830 for more information.

### **Notify Me!**

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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](http://www.crlaction.org).