

# Ignacio July Newsletter

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## Upcoming Meetings

- **Chamber of Commerce**  
Wednesday, July 6 8am  
at the Casino
- **Planning Commission**  
Thursday, July 7 6:30pm  
at Ignacio Public Library
- **Public Hearing** for the  
subdivision of land in  
the Rock Creek II Subdi-  
vision, Tuesday, July 12  
at 6:45pm
- **Town Board Meeting**  
Tuesday, July 12 at  
7:00pm

**Volunteer for Ignacio Bike Week!**  
Call 563-0344 for more info

## REMINDER

Any unpaid utility account will be assessed a \$10.00 late fee if paid after the 25th of the month.

Any account that has not been paid by the 5th of the following month will be turned off at 8am on the 5th. A \$50.00 reconnect fee will also be assessed.

To reconnect it is required to pay both the late and the reconnect fees. The owner or tenant will need to be home to reconnect the natural gas.

## Summer Watering Tips

Now that it seems the summer weather is here to stay, we are all having to water our plants and lawns more to keep them healthy and green. There are many different sources of information about watering tips, but the Colorado State University Extension Office has some of the better and most user friendly suggestions available.

- **Water at Night or in the Evening**

Water between 6pm and 10am to keep water from evaporating and to make sure plants are not burned.

- **Has it Rained?**

Skip watering on days when we get a 1/2 inch or more of rain.

- **Water According to Needs**

Check the amount of water needed for plant types. Some plants need more or less; shade (or lack of) can make a large difference in amount of water needed. By watering according to needs, it is much easier to keep plants and lawn healthy.

- **For Grass/Lawns:**

Remember to aerate in the spring and fall to help relieve compaction and to allow for better water, air, and fertilizer penetration.

- **For Flowers/Veggies:**

Flowers may need less water than grass.

Apply mulch near the base of the plants to help reduce evaporation

- **For Trees**

General landscape watering will provide plenty of water for established trees.

Trees do best when water soaks deep into the soil near the feeder roots.



*Animals left outside in the summer heat will need access to shade and plenty of fresh water.*

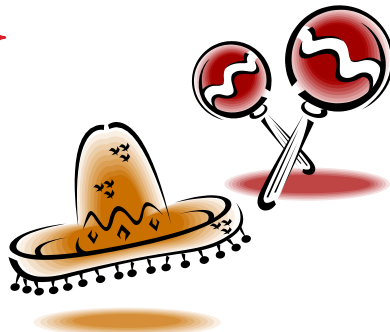
## San Ignacio Fiesta

The 111th year of the San Ignacio Fiesta will be held Saturday July 30th through Sunday July 31st this year.

Plan on bringing the family to this town-wide event. There will be something for everyone: parade, softball, live music, car cruise, a horseshoe tournament, as well as the Fiesta Mass and Fiesta dinner.

Please see the insert with this newsletter for more information and dates/times of all the events.

Have a safe and enjoyable event, hope to see you there!



## Community Corner

All dogs within Town limits must be registered with the Town of Ignacio. As per the Town Ordinances it is illegal to have unregistered dogs.

Also please check that your pooch is safe and secure in your yard when you leave.



Special thanks to all the volunteers who helped paint Town Hall on Saturday, June 25th!

Last week I attended the Colorado Municipal League Annual Conference in Vail on a scholarship from CML. At the conference were representatives from municipalities from across the state, large and small. I was excited to meet people from other small communities around the state.

After talking with so many people, I lost count. It was obvious that as small as our town is, our concerns and issues in Ignacio are not terribly different from everybody else's.

However the similarities with other communities, we are unique. One thing that was very apparent when talking to other representatives is

that our small town has heart. We care about our town, we look out for one another. In this day and age, this is something special.

I was and am proud to represent our community. Thanks to CML who provided this opportunity.

*-Miriam C. Gillow-Wiles*

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## Celebrating Community Norms in Ignacio

Celebrating Community Norms Coalition is a group of La Plata County community members from all aspects of the county working towards positive youth development in our community through the following goals:



Developing assets to increase healthy behavior.

Using a science-based approach to correct misperceptions, attitudes and behaviors to promote positive community norms.

Positively impacting community norms by supporting parent education and advancing policies designed to reduce youth use of alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs.

In 2008 and 2009 surveys of La Plata County youth in grades 6–12 showed that 28% of parents or other adults model positive responsible behavior. And 39% of youth in the same grades believe their parents possess a favorable attitude toward drug use.

The best way to help kids thrive is to have open and honest communication. Ask your kids about their day, about their friends, and get to know their lives. Show them you care.

The burned house at 775 Browning is currently under demolition! The asbestos will be removed soon by certified asbestos removal contractor.

Thank you to the community members who helped in this process and thanks to everybody for their patience.

*Tall weeds at intersections make it difficult for cars and trucks to see pedestrians, especially children, who may be trying to cross the road.*

*Please take the time to mow or weed whack.*

