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OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE CITY OF EVANS

Evans, Colorado

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Officers Peppas, Wardlaw, Gallegos and Commander Phipps joined over 300 officers statewide to provide 5000 Christmas gifts to hospitalized young ones at Children's Hospital. Well done gentlemen!

Holiday Closure

The City administrative offices will be closed Monday, January 2, for the New Year's holiday. Regular business hours will resume at 8 am, Tuesday, January 3.

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www.evanscolorado.gov



Preparation for Winter Driving

Driving in winter can be a challenge, especially when blizzard and icy conditions can seem to come out of nowhere. Always check the weather before a trip and prepare ahead of time. If the weather is frigid, warm up the car before you drive it. To prevent carbon monoxide poisoning, never leave a vehicle running in an enclosed area, such as a garage. The Consumer Product Safety Commission warns that a car running in an attached garage is never safe, even with the garage door open.

If the forecast looks iffy, wait out the storm if possible. If you must travel, make sure you share your travel plans and route with someone before you leave.

If you become stranded in an unfamiliar area, do not leave your car. Light flares in front and behind the car and make sure the exhaust pipe is not blocked by snow, mud or other object.

Besides checking the weather, it's important to have a mechanic check the condition of the following vehicle systems before heading out on the road:

- * Adequate all-season or snow tires
- * Ignition
- * Brakes
- * Wiring
- * Hoses and fan belts
- * Spark plugs
- * Air, fuel and emissions filters, and PCV valve
- * Distributor
- * Battery
- * Tire wear and air pressure
- * Antifreeze level and free line
- * Window washing fluid



Be Ready for Trouble

The National Safety Council recommends **having these items in your car at all times:**

- Properly inflated spare tire, wheel wrench and jack
- Shovel
- Jumper cables
- Tow strap
- Tire chains
- Bag of salt or cat litter for better tire traction or to melt snow
- Tool kit
- Flashlight and extra batteries
- Reflective triangles or flares
- Compass
- First aid kit
- Windshield cleaner
- Ice scraper and snow brush
- Matches in a waterproof container
- Scissors and string or cord
- Nonperishable, high-energy foods like canned nuts
- Drinking water
- Blankets, mittens, socks and hats

It may seem like a lot to do, but in an emergency, it could mean the difference between reaching a safe destination and disaster.



Cold Weather Pet Tips

* Outdoor cats like to get into warm places when the weather is cold. Be sure to check under your car before starting it. Bang on the hood or honk the horn prior to starting your car to scare them away.

* Make sure products like antifreeze and windshield wiper fluid are out of reach of your pets. Make sure to clean up any spills or cover open containers to avoid your animal from drinking it. Products made with ethylene glycol taste sweet to animals. Avoid using products with this ingredient and use propylene glycol based products instead. These do not taste as good and many animals will avoid these.

* NEVER leave your animal unattended in a car during cold weather. The cold air is trapped inside your car and animals, especially those with short hair and low body fat, can freeze to death or suffer from hypothermia.

* Be sure to wipe off your pet's stomach and feet, and even between their toes, when they have been outside. Clumps of snow and ice can also build up between the toes of animals, leading to frostbite. Chemicals such as lime rock salt or calcium chloride salt are often used in the winter to help melt ice and snow. If licked off the paws these chemicals can cause illness when ingested.

* If your pet spends a lot of time outdoors, give it extra calories when it is cold out, to help keep it warm. Also make sure your pet has a supply of fresh water, NOT snow or ice. Heated water bowls can be purchased if needed.

* NEVER shave your pet's hair down to the skin during the cold winter months! A longer coat will provide more warmth. For short haired dogs, a sweater or doggie coat can help provide additional warmth. If you bathe your pet during the winter, make sure they are completely dry before allowing them outside. A wet pet can develop hypothermia, or other cold related illnesses.

* A warm place to get out of the cold is a must for any dog or cat that spends time outside. Make sure that place is off the floor or ground and away from drafts. The shelter must be enclosed/insulated with a roof and big enough to allow the animal to turn around, stand up or lay down. Provide warm bedding in the form of old blankets, towels or straw, to give them someplace to keep warm. Make sure that bedding is dry. If it gets wet, replace it. Insulation or a heater may be provided, but use caution...heaters and heat lamps must be kept clear of bedding and other flammable materials. A heat source too close to the animal can also cause "sunburn".

For more information about pets and cold weather, please visit the ASPCA at www.aspc.org. For pets or other animals in distress in cold weather, contact Weld County Dispatch 970-356-1212 and choose option 4.

Signs of Hypothermia in Dogs and Cats

Hypothermia means that the body temperature has fallen below normal. For cats, the normal range is 100 F – 102.5 F. For dogs, 100.5 F – 102.5 F. If an animal's body temperature gets too high or too low, serious health problems can occur. Get your animal seen by a veterinarian immediately.

Signs of hypothermia in dogs and cats:

- Depression
- Lethargy or weakness
- Shivering
- Stupor
- Muscle Stiffness
- Difficulty breathing
- Fixed and dilated pupils
- Low heart and respiratory rate
- Coma



Kid's Car Seats

As temperatures start to dip we bundle our children up to prepare them for the elements, but even with good intentions, a bulky coat and a car seat is a dangerous combination.

We all want to keep our children warm while traveling in the car, but there are ways to safely transport children in the cold weather while still keeping them warm.

As a general rule, winter coats should not be worn underneath the harness of a car seat. A bulky coat under a child seat harness can result in the harness being too loose to be effective in a crash. Here is a simple way to check if your child's coat is too big and bulky to wear under their harness:

- ❄️ Put the coat on your child, sit them in the child seat and fasten the harness. Tighten the harness until you can no longer pinch any of the harness webbing with your thumb and forefinger.
- ❄️ Without loosening the harness, remove your child from the child seat.
- ❄️ Take the coat off, and put your child back in the child seat and buckle the harness straps, which are still adjusted as they were when he was wearing the coat.
- ❄️ If you can now pinch the webbing between your thumb and forefinger, then the coat is too bulky to be worn under the harness.

Source: Consumer Reports, February 25, 2016



Need Some Help? If you have any questions regarding safely securing your child, please call the Evans Fire Protection District. They have certified car seat technicians on every shift, every day. 970-339-3920.

The Evans Fire Protection District is asking for your help.

Fire hydrants not only get covered by falling snow, but snow from plows and shoveling can bury them. Valuable time is lost if firefighters have to dig out a hydrant when responding to a fire. Help out by clearing hydrants near your house. Hydrants should have 3 feet around them free of snow so that firefighters have space to work and access the hydrant. This small act could save lives and property.





Pictured left to right:
Commander Jason Phipps, Sergeant Jon Trahan,
Commander Dan Ranous, and Chief Rick Brandt.

Officer Promotions

Congratulations to two of our finest on their recent promotions! Dan Ranous (center right) was promoted to Commander, and Jon Trahan (center left) was promoted to Sergeant.

These gentlemen have worked hard for our community and we are very proud of them.

Well done!

Water and Sewer Board Vacancy

There are 2 positions currently open on the Water and Sewer Board for the City of Evans. Qualifications for one open position includes residing within the city limits, the other open position does not require living within city limits, but in the area, and having an interest in the future of Evans especially with regards to utilities (potable water, non-potable water, wastewater, and storm drainage).

The Water and Sewer Board meets the 3rd Thursday of every month at 3:30 p.m. It reviews and makes recommendations to City Council on annual minimum utility rates, water rights, prices for items such as water meters, annual budgets, and also acts as an appeals board on items that are a variance from policies established by ordinance or resolution as applied to individual customers.

If you are interested in being appointed by City Council to this volunteer advisory board, please ask for an application at the customer service window at the Evans Community Complex. Applications are also available on the City website Board & Commission Application.

For more information about Water and Sewer Board please contact Fred Starr, Public Works Director at (970) 475-1110 or fstarr@evanscolorado.gov.



City Seeks Applicants for City Council Ward 3 Vacancy

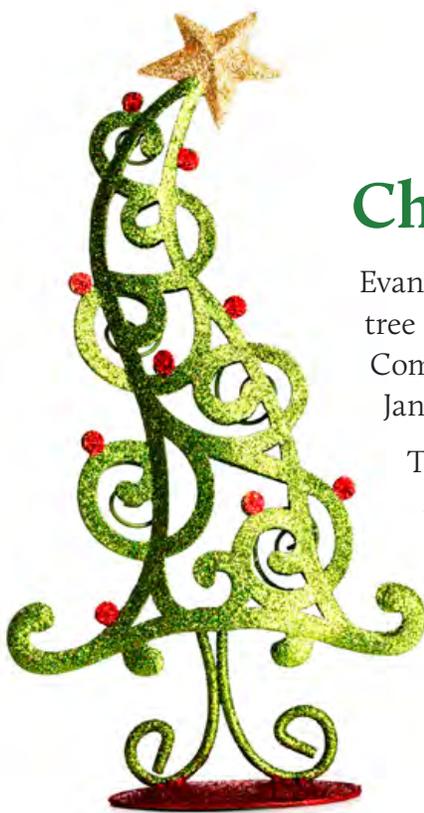
The City of Evans is seeking applicants to fill a vacancy on the Evans City Council for Ward 3. The term of this Council position is until April, 2018, with the option to run for re-election at that time. The City Council typically meets at 6:00 p.m. on the first and third Tuesdays of each month.

Any person interested in applying to fill this vacancy must be: a citizen of the United States, at least eighteen years of age, a registered voter in the City of Evans, and a resident of Ward-3 for thirty days immediately prior to being appointed.

Any person interested in applying to fill this vacancy cannot: hold any other public office, or be a convicted felon.

All interested candidates must e-mail or deliver a complete application to the City Clerk's Office, at 1100 37th Street in Evans, by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, January 23, 2017. Applications can be found on the City's website at www.evanscolorado.gov or picked up from the City Clerk's Office. Interviews with qualified applicants will be held on the evening of Tuesday, January 31, 2017.

For additional information, please contact the City Clerk at: (970) 475-1104.



Christmas Tree Recycling

Evans residents who wish to recycle their old Christmas tree may do so by dropping it off at the Evans Community Complex located at 1100 37th Street between December 26 and January 13.

Trees should be dropped off inside the roped off section in the southwest corner of the parking lot.

Trees must be free of any type of decoration, wires, ropes, plastic bags, nails, screws, or any other foreign material.



Which Evans Business Do You Think is Award Worthy?

Evans Spotlight Event

The Entrepreneurial Spirit Award

The entrepreneur takes a vision and turns it into reality. This award recognizes a business which has developed an innovative product or a valuable new service, or one which has adapted and improved a current product or service to keep pace with the times and the needs of its clients.

The 2016 award for Entrepreneurial Spirit went to The Human Bean

The Community Support Award

This award recognizes a business or business person whose civic and community service goes beyond “normal” responsibilities, creating a lasting and beneficial impact for all residents. The nominee should be someone who sets an example for commitment to public service, while maintaining a strong business image.

The 2016 award for Community Support went to Happy Life Gardens

The Newcomer Award

Many factors go into the decision a business makes to establish themselves in any given location. Evans wants to be the kind of Community that is business-friendly and we want to acknowledge when a business chooses us as their home base of operation. This award recognizes a business that chose to move to Evans from elsewhere. The Newcomer Award is a new category for 2017.

The Resilience Award

There is a natural cycle of ups and downs in any business; based on the economy, shift in trends and a whole host of other factors. The Resilience Award is designed to recognize a business who has overcome a uniquely hard event or series of hardships and continued to thrive. This award is a new category for 2017.

NOMINATION FORM

The City of Evans and the Evans Economic Development Advisory Council, co-sponsors of **The 2nd Annual Spotlight Event and Excellence in Business Awards**

Please complete this form and return it to:

City of Evans Economic Development
1100 37th Street
Evans, CO 80620

or email to: apugliese@evanscolorado.gov

Nomination deadline: Friday, January 13, 2017

Nominator _____

Nominator Phone _____

Nominator email _____

Relationship to nominee _____

Nominee Business Name _____

Name of Owner _____

Nominee Business Mailing Address _____

Nominee Contact Phone Number _____

Circle One Award Category:

Community Support
Resilience

Entrepreneurial Spirit
Newcomer

Only one category per form. A business may be nominated for more than one category, but a separate form must be used for each.

IN ADDITION TO THIS FORM, please submit a ONE page, double spaced explanation to support that the nominee should be recognized with this award.

All nominees will be notified of their nomination and will receive a questionnaire that requests information about their business which they would like to have considered in the selection process. A selection committee made up of the Evans Economic Development Advisory Council members will review all applications and select award recipients in each category. Recipients and nominees will be acknowledged in media venues and must be willing to participate in interviews and photo sessions. Awards will be presented at the Spotlight Event March 30, 2017 at the Riverside Library and Cultural Center in Evans.





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Registration Dates: December 5 - January 1
Session 1 Dates: January 4 - February 8

Registration Dates: January 16 - February 12
Session 2 Dates: February 15 - March 22

Registration Dates: February 27-March 26
Session 3 Dates: March 29-May 3

When: Wednesday 5:30 - 6:30pm

Cost: \$24



A Chance to Dance

An adaptive and inclusive dance program for all ability levels
5 – 9 year olds and 10 – 13 year olds



- Beginning Movement: 4 – 6 year olds
- Beginning Ballet: 6 – 8 year olds
- Beginning Jazz: 6- 8 year olds
- Ballet I: 9 – 12 year olds
- Teen Jazz: 15 – 18 year olds

Days and pricing varies by class.

Extreme Soccer:

3rd – 6th grade

Registration January 16 – February 19

- \$45 for the program
- \$15 for Evans reversible blue & white jersey
- Practices begin the week of March 6
- Games begin March 18

Evans Recreation Center

Monday-Thursday 5:30am–9:00pm

Friday 5:30am–7:00pm

Saturday and Sunday 8:00am–12:00pm

The Evans Community Complex will be CLOSED
December 31 and January 1.

We wish you a safe and happy holiday season!

Call 970-475-1125
for more information

Volleyball

Focus on Fundamentals

Kindergarten-8th grade

Registration January 2 – 22

Program runs each Friday from January
27th-February 17th

- \$15 for children registered for Evans Volleyball program
- \$20 for children that are not registered in Evans Volleyball

Hot Shot Volleyball

Kindergarten – 2nd Grade

- \$35 - Registration ends January 22
- Teams practice once per week at the Evans Community Complex or a local school.

Extreme Volleyball

3rd – 8th Grade

- \$45 - Registration ends January 22
- Teams practice twice per week at the Evans Community Complex or a local school.

Volleyball is played through Northern Valley Athletic Association (NVAA), which includes the towns of Eaton, Estes Park, Evans, Fort Lupton, Keenesburg, Kersey, LaSalle, and Platteville. Games can be played at any of these sites during the season.

- \$15 jersey if child does not already have Evans reversible blue & white
- Practices start the week of February 20
- Games start March 4



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Contact Information

Emergency Services	911	
After Hours Non-Emergency	(970) 356-1212	
Building Inspections	(970) 475-2211	
Building Permits	(970) 475-1120	
Business Licenses	(970) 475-1109	
City Clerk	(970) 475-1104	
City Council	(970) 475-1104	
City Managers Office	(970) 475-1108	
Code Enforcement	(970) 475-1115	
Community Development	(970) 475-1120	
Court	(970) 475-1123	
Employment	(970) 475-1161	
Engineering/Mapping	(970) 475-1160	
Evans Cemetery	(970) 475-1104	
Fire Prevention/Reports	(970) 475-1118	
General Information	(970) 475-1170	
Police Department	(970) 339-2441	
Pothole Hotline	(970) 475-1183	
Recreation Programs	(970) 475-1125	
Senior Programs	(970) 475-1129	
Stormwater Hotline	(970) 475-1183	
Water and Sewer Billing	(970) 475-1170	

Local Agencies

Evans Area Chamber of Commerce	(970) 330-4204	
Small Business Development Center	(970) 351-4274	
Upstate Colorado	(970) 356-4565	
Greeley/Evans School District	(970) 348-6000	
Weld County	(970) 356-4000	

City Schedule

All meetings held at
The City of Evans Community Complex
1100 37th Street Evans, Colorado,
unless otherwise noted.
Call (970) 475-1170 for more information.

Find agendas, minutes and packets online
by clicking on the icon below.

www.evanscolorado.gov/citycouncil



Regularly Scheduled Meetings

- **City Council Work Sessions**
First and Third Tuesdays at 6:00 pm
- **City Council Meetings**
First and Third Tuesdays at 7:30 pm
- **Planning Commission**
Fourth Tuesday at 6:00 pm
- **Economic Development Advisory Council**
Second Tuesday at 5:30 pm
at Crabtree Brewing, 2961 29th Street
- **Water and Sewer Board**
Third Thursday at 3:30 pm
- **SBDC Small Business Counseling**
Every Wednesday beginning at 9:00 am
Riverside Library and Cultural Center
- **Evans Fire District Board of Directors**
Fourth Monday of each month

