



TOWN OF CENTER NEWSLETTER

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CENTER CITIZENS' OPINIONS SHOWN IN SURVEY RESULTS

Do you remember the community survey that was recently sent out to us by Keith Brockhurst, Americorps Volunteer? Twenty-five citizens responded. Following is a summary of the results. If you want your voice to be heard, watch for future opportunities to express your opinion.



The most common responses to short questions:

What do you feel is Center's greatest need?

1st: Housing; 2nd: Gathering and Recreation Space; 3rd: (tie) Community Pride/Restaurants

What would you like to see in Center?

1st: Restaurants; 2nd: Coffee Shop; 3rd: Recreation Center

What kind of employment opportunities would you like to see in Center?

1st: Trade/Skilled Jobs; 2nd: Retail Jobs.

Folks expressed that:

1. They wish we had more restaurants in Center.
2. They feel we do not have enough good community space for parties, weddings, or other gatherings.
3. They feel that young people would not be happy with their employment and career opportunities in Center.
4. They have to leave Center for entertainment.
5. Center could provide more space and activities for kids and teens.

Of those 25 who completed the survey, 84% live in Center; 60% are Hispanic or Latino; 68% are female. The median age is 38, and most are employed in education or health care.

This give us information about opinions of some Center residents. We would like to hear from more people and Keith will be offering more surveys to come. Please think about the future of Center and what we all can do together to make things happen.

TRUNK OR TREAT COMING ON OCTOBER 30

Halloween is right around the corner and the Trunk or Treat event is again being planned for all Center ghosts and goblins. It will be held on Saturday, October 30 at the school parking lot. Watch for further information.



IRRIGATION SEASON ENDING—KUDOS TO OUR WATER SAVERS!

It's time to put away our hoses for another winter season coming up. Last day for watering is October 15.



**Give
Yourself
a Pat
on the
Back**

And here's a pat on the back: We've done a better job of conserving water this year. Our water usage is down by several million gallons. Good job, folks!

Speaking of winter, it's also time to check all our smoke and fire detectors and replace batteries as needed. Furnaces should be serviced and prepped for winter, and chimneys should be cleaned.

2020 AUDIT COMPLETED AND APPROVED

Wall, Smith, & Bateman presented the 2020 audit to the Town Board at the September 28 meeting. The audit was approved and is being sent to the office of the Colorado State Auditor. The audit will be available on the Town website at www.centerco.gov.

A message from...

PROUD MILITARY PARENTS AND SUPPORTERS

What are we about? Originally a group of military parents that now includes supporters who want to support our recently recruited Valley Active Duty Military Members with cards, care packages, "Send Off" ceremonies for new recruits, etc.

Please join us for our next Send Off ceremony to support Chris Arthur from Creede, recently recruited to the Marines!

October 23 @11:00 am, held at Faith Hinkley Memorial in Monte Vista, corner of Hwy 285 & 160

For more information on donations or how to become a member, call Kelly Avila 719-580-6280

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR OCTOBER

October 11, Monday: Columbus Day, Town Hall closed all day.

October 12, Tuesday, 4:00 pm: Board workshop on Town Hall mural and covid funding, Town Hall.

October 12, Tuesday, 6:00 pm: Town Board Meeting, Town Hall.

October 26, Tuesday, 6:00 pm: Town Board Meeting, Town Hall.

October 30, Saturday: Trunk or Treat, School parking lot. Watch for flyers for details

October 31, Sunday: Halloween.



***Please check Nixel or the Post Office bulletin board for any late-breaking decisions on meeting times.**