



GRAND CONNECTION NEWS AND INFORMATION FOR GRAND COUNTY EMPLOYEES

August 2016

GRAND CONNECTION



Welcome Grand County's New County Manager Mr. Lee Staab!

Mr. Staab is a graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Engineering, along with a Master's Degree in Structural Engineering from the University of Illinois. Mr. Staab spent 27 years as a career military officer in the United States Army and retired in 2006 at the rank of Colonel. Mr. Staab spent the next 8 years working in the private sector as a senior executive responsible for international engineering and construction management. Most recently, Mr. Staab has been employed with the City of Minot, North Dakota as their City Manager.

The Board of County Commissioners, and Grand County employees, cordially welcomes Mr. Staab to his new position and are excited to begin working with him. Mr. Staab will begin his Grand County career on August 29, 2016.

Middle Park Fair & Rodeo

Celebrating 100 years of Western Tradition

The Middle Park Fair and Rodeo has been a strong and healthy tradition since it was established in 1912. Except during World War II, when the focus was on conflicts in Europe and the Far East, the Middle Park Fair and Rodeo has been an annual celebration of the best of Middle Park with an emphasis on family fun and healthy competition.



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Middle Park Fair & Rodeo Schedule August 11-14, 2016

Thursday, August 11

- ~ 4-H Livestock Shows (Swine, Sheep, Goat, Beef)
- ~ Exhibit Hall Opens to the Public (Open Daily Thru Fair)
- ~ Selection of Livestock Champions
- ~ Junior Rodeo

Friday, August 12

- ~ Round Robin
- ~ 4-H Llama/Alpaca Show
- ~ Cattle Drive on Highway 40
- ~ Ranch Horse Clinic
- ~ 4-Wheeler Ranch Rumpus
- ~ Youth Show
- ~ Branding Party
- ~ Pre-Sale Dinner
- ~ Round Robin & Scholarship Winners
- ~ Jr. Livestock Sale
- ~ Community Dance



Saturday, August 13

- ~ Kids Games
- ~ Ranch Horse Versatility
- ~ Horseshoe Tournament
- ~ Dress Your Small Pet
- ~ Archery Competition
- ~ Grand Entry for Founder's Day Luncheon
- ~ Founder's Day Luncheon
- ~ Rosie O' Hotto Chili Cook-Off
- ~ Ranch Horse Clinic



Sunday, August 14

- ~ Breakfast
- ~ Rodeo Slack
- ~ Church Service
- ~ Antique Tractor Race
- ~ Draft Horse Feed Team Race
- ~ BBQ
- ~ Walk Your Wool
- ~ CPRA/2017 MPF&R Queen Coronation



THANKS TO THE GENEROSITY OF THE GRAND FOUNDATION THE ADMISSION FEE WILL BE COVERED! FOR THIS CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION, FAIRGOERS WILL BE THE GUESTS OF THE GRAND FOUNDATION!



GRAND EMPLOYEES

August Employee Anniversaries

NAME	DEPARTMENT	YEARS of SERVICE
Paul Townley	Road & Bridge	34
Taunia Shipman	Social Services	24
Micah Benson	Road & Bridge	17
Diane Hugley	Public Health	16
Michael Benton	Road & Bridge	15
Randall Stephens	Road & Bridge	12
Nadine Kentfield	EMS	12
Robbin Stapleton	Animal Control	10
Pamela Peschiera	Sheriff	9
Timothy Bock	Coroner	8
Jeremy Bock	Coroner	8
Jason Bock	Coroner	8
Ronald Aylor	Road & Bridge	8
Ann Baer	Home Care	6
Scott Howell	Crusher Operations	5
Sheena Darland	Housing Authority	3
Gregory Dennett	Road & Bridge	3
Heather Gish	Dispatch	1
Charlene Erickson	Clerk & Recorder	1



New Hires

Yakelis Delgado-Gonzales	Senior Services Nutrition
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HR BUZZ



Thanks to all who attended the HIPAA class in July. This class was taught by Dana Mumey, with CTSI. Dana is available to teach a variety of classes. For details on available CTSI training modules please contact HR.



Newsletter Reminder: If you would like to have the Grand Connection Employee Newsletter sent to your personal email account please contact Kristi Moyer at kmoyer@co.grand.co.us or 970-725-3073.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

WOW IT'S FREE!

COMMUNITY CHIPPING PROGRAM

The Grand County Wildfire Council is hosting four community chipping days this summer for private home and property owners. Bring your slash and we will chip it and haul it away for FREE! Unlimited loads!

Proposed dates and locations *(may be subject to change)*

- July 9th **Grand Lake** (approximately 500 GCR 4)
- July 23rd **Granby** (Red Dirt Fire Station at 85 GCR 5301)
- Aug 6th **Hot Sulphur Springs** (51620 US Hwy 40)
- Aug 20th **Kremmling** (Old Park Fire Station at 31 GCR 1935)

All locations accepting slash from 8am to 5pm. Participants MUST follow the Materials Guidelines found at www.bewildfireready.org. Accepted materials include trees, tree branches, small diameter logs, and brush.

Please REGISTER in advance by emailing your name, address and desired drop-off location to: bewildfireready@gmail.com. Pre-registration is preferred, however, drive-ups will be accepted. Contact Brad White at 970-887-3380 with questions. Thank you for helping reduce hazardous fuels in Grand County, making us all safer from the threat of wildfire!

FREE CHIPPING!

Grand County Wildfire Council
bewildfireready.org
PREVENT. PREPARE. SURVIVE.

Grand Employees

I would like to express my gratitude and offer my sincere thanks to the folks who made Boy Scout Troop 104's July 4th Dunk Tank a splashing success this year! Scouts made a whopping \$535 and the tank was a very popular and fun attraction!

Dunkees:

Kristina Ekren, Grand County EMS
 Jane Tollett, Grand County Commissioner
 Richard Cimino, Candidate for Commissioner
 Merrit Linke, Grand County Commissioner (and the first to commit to taking the plunge!)
 Chris Baer, Grand County Road and Bridge Superintendent
 Curtis Lange, Grand County Finance Director
 Brad Geist, Grand County Mechanic

Dunk Tank Transport, Set-up, and Inspection:

Bryan Holley, Grand County Road and Bridge
 Mike Meindl, Grand County Road and Bridge
 Brandon Antonio, Grand County Road and Bridge
 Ken Clark, Grand County Road and Bridge
 Charlie Gumpp, Grand County Road and Bridge
 Tom Clark, Grand County Road and Bridge

Superintendent of Dunk Tank Coordination:

Duane Daley, Veteran's Service Officer

Dunk Tank Filling:

Granby Fire Department

Additional Coordination and Facilitation:

Gayle Langley, Granby Chamber of Commerce

Sincerely,

Katherine Morris



GOOD JOB!

**Congratulations
 Tom Gipp on passing
 your CDL Class A
 License!**

CONNECTION CALENDAR

August 2016

- August 5 ~ Friday Fest/Farmers Market, Granby
- August 6 ~ Winter Park Beer Festival, Winter Park
- August 6 ~ High Country Stampede Rodeo (Military Appreciation Night!), Fraser
- August 6-7 ~ Grand Lake Arts & Crafts Festival
- August 9 ~ BOCC
- August 10 - 14 ~ Centennial Celebration of the MPF&R, Kremmling
- August 12 ~ Pay Day
- August 13 ~ High Country Stampede Rodeo (Awards Night), Fraser
- August 16 ~ BOCC
- August 19 ~ Friday Fest/Farmers Market, Granby
- August 23 ~ BOCC
- August 26 ~ Pay Day
- August 26-28 ~ Gorefest 2016 - Whitewater Rodeo, Family Fun Float and Kayak races, Colorado River/Pumphouse to Rancho Del Rio



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