



# The HUDSON CONNECTION



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## VISIT OUR NEW WEBSITE

[www.hudsoncolorado.org](http://www.hudsoncolorado.org)

Residents, business owners, visitors, and internet surfers alike can now learn more about the Town of Hudson via the information superhighway. The newest edition of our website made its debut on December 23<sup>rd</sup>. Our website features eight primary categories of information each containing drop down menus highlighting more in-depth topics to explore.

In the category **Our Town**, web viewers will learn more about the Town's history, the Board's goals and objectives, and community events. Photographs of town events and projects, as well as various town maps are located here too.

Information on elected and appointed officials for the Town of Hudson, board and commission vacancies and other volunteer opportunities, as well as links to Weld County and the State of Colorado can be found in the **Government** category.

Residents will find the **Department** category particularly useful as the Town's administration and staff are listed here with job descriptions and email contact information.

**Documents & Forms** contains an extensive list of printer-friendly materials including board and commission meeting agendas and minutes, the Municipal Code, Comprehensive Plan, Fee Schedules / Utility Rates and more.

Information about the public schools and colleges

servicing our citizens can be found in the **Resident** category. Other items of interest include information for voters, drivers' license and motor vehicle registration, and local tourist attractions.

The **Business** category provides links to the many resources available to small business owners for starting and/or growing their business.

**Public Safety** category offers contact information for agencies such as the Weld County Sheriff's Office, Hudson Fire Protection District, Platte Valley Medical Center, SAFEbuilt Building Inspections, and other vital information as it becomes available.

The final category, **Utilities**, provides links and contact information for the various service providers to the residents and business owners located in Hudson.



We invite you to visit our website at [www.hudsoncolorado.org](http://www.hudsoncolorado.org) frequently for the latest in town news and project updates. Your comments and questions are always welcome and can be sent to Town Hall via our email address at [info@hudsoncolorado.org](mailto:info@hudsoncolorado.org). We will be continuing to work on the site to make improvements. Our hope is that it will become a useful tool for the community to use in keeping up on events affecting the community.

## PAVING UPDATE

The paving project is about 90% complete, with Birch Street and the remaining paving west of Beech Street scheduled to be completed by January 22<sup>nd</sup>. Work on streets east of Beech Street will begin about that time, with Fourth Avenue, Fifth Avenue, Cherry Street, Date Street and Evergreen Street being completed in that order. If good weather continues, the project should be substantially complete by mid- to late-February. After that, the Town will be working with the contractor to complete “punch list” items, the final small detail work and corrections.



We didn't get the project done by Thanksgiving, as we originally planned. It looks like it will run about three months longer than the original completion date. While a number of unforeseen factors contributed to the delays along the way, we won't make excuses. We apologize for the inconvenience and only hope that the citizens of Hudson will enjoy the completed project and that the 100+ years of unpaved streets will become a distant memory. Thank you for your patience.

For paving updates through the end of the project please visit our new website. Call Town Hall if you have questions or concerns about the project.

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## H1N1 FLU SHOTS STILL AVAILABLE

The Weld County Dept. of Public Health & Environment is still holding walk-in clinics for H1N1 flu shots every Friday from 1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at 1555 N. 17<sup>th</sup> Ave, Greeley. Call (970) 304-6420 for information

## WASTE WATER PLANT NEARING COMPLETION

After years of planning, design, financing and construction, the new wastewater treatment plant is almost complete. The \$5 million plant, designed for



an initial capacity of up to 500,000 gallons of wastewater per day, will initially serve the Hudson Correctional Facility. The Town hopes to be able to proceed with the \$3 million second phase this year, abandoning the lagoons and connecting the existing town with the new plant through a lift station and a new sewer main line.

Waste water treatment might not be a particularly romantic subject for most people. But it is an important component of a community and one of the essential services provided by your Town. A grand opening and public open house will be scheduled for this spring.

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## HUDSON FIRE DISTRICT UPDATE

Hudson Fire finished 2009 with a record amount of calls, 544 for the year. And we are finally starting to get under way with the new station. Demo has started by the Board office. Hopefully weather will permit for construction to start. Also the tornado sirens are up. We just have to finish getting power to two of them. Hopefully that will be done soon.

## GREETINGS FROM THE LIBRARY!

Terri Redden, director

Have you ever thought you might want to be more involved with your local library? We currently have a board position open. Give us a call if you have a desire to serve the community in this way.

Stop in the library and check out our new micro roasted coffee machine, we have added **bigger** cups now. Choose from Black coffee, French Vanilla, Café Mocha, Cappuccino, Hot Cocoa and a variety of Hot Teas. It's a deal at .50 a cup.

Book club selection for the February 5, 2010 discussion is "Animal Vegetable, Miracle" by Barbara Kingsolver. Book club meets the first Friday of every month at Hudson Public Library at 6:00 p.m. and is open to everyone.

We are starting Homework Help on Wednesdays. Please bring your homework questions to the library from 3:30 p.m. to 5:45 p.m. Marci will be organizing the program. Marci has previously taught at the night school at Weld Central.

The "Pillowsitters" story time with Tami is every Friday at 10:30 a.m. The 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of each month is our **drop in** craft day from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Story time benefits not only the children but parents enjoy meeting after the reading time.

Please visit the HighPlains library website at [www.mylibrary.us](http://www.mylibrary.us). The website has an online catalog. If an item is not available at our library it can be obtained by putting a hold on it and brought to our library via courier.

The library website contains more than an online catalog, it also has online databases. Most of the databases are available from your home computer. One of the many sites is **Consumer Reports and Consumer Reports Buying Guide**.

Please feel free to call Hudson Public Library at 303-536-4550 with any questions.

*"Children are made readers on the laps of their parents"* Emilie Buchwald

## CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY

## PROGRAMS A SUCCESS

Santa visited Hudson again and agreed, considering the recession, not to promise too many ponies! A large crowd gathered at Town Hall to see Santa and to hear the Hudson Elementary School choir, under the direction of Laura Winters.



Winners of this year's house lighting contest were:  
1<sup>st</sup> – 155 Dahlia St.  
2<sup>nd</sup> – 29 Sunset Ct.  
3<sup>rd</sup> – 542 Cherry St.  
4<sup>th</sup> – 42 Elm St.

Winners will receive a credit on their utility bills. Congratulations to all of the winners and thank you to everyone who decorated this holiday season. You all helped to make our holiday brighter.

## FOODSHARE AMERICA IN HUDSON OFF TO A GOOD START

Eleven people participated in our first month of food distribution in December 2009, earning \$15.00 toward an accumulative food credit. Food Share America offers a variety of affordable food packages that change monthly. Each package purchased through the Town's distribution site qualifies for \$1.00 of food credit, which will help fund food packages for local families in need. Next order deadline is Monday, February 15, 2010. Package pickup is Friday, February 16, 2010 5:00 pm at Town Hall. Any questions please contact Linnette Barker at the Town Hall or order on-line at [www.sharecolorado.com](http://www.sharecolorado.com).



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*The Hudson Municipal Election scheduled for April 6, 2010.*

*If you are you interested in running for an elected position for the Hudson Board of Trustees, nomination petitions will be available at the Hudson Town Hall on February 12, 2010 for circulation beginning February 15, 2010.*

**IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT  
THE TOWN HALL AT 303-536-9311.**

**REMEMBER... Town Board meetings  
are open to the public. Agendas are posted  
in the Town Hall window and at the Post  
Office.**

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