# DE BEQUE TOWN NEWSLETTER

### LETTER FROM THE MAYOR

Greetings and Salutations! Spring is finally here! Is it possible to celebrate the abundance of moisture this winter while begrudging the seemingly never-ending mud? I guess it is a conundrum we are all faced with this season! Easter is earlier this year, falling on April 9th. Do you know why Easter is a moving holiday? Since the actual date of Jesus Christ's crucifixion and resurrection was not recorded, it was set on a lunar calendar. What is known as fact is His resurrection happened after the Jewish holiday, Passover. So, the Orthodox churches of old decided to set Easter on the Sunday immediately following the 1st full moon after the spring equinox. This is

also why Easter is known for bunnies and eggs signs of fertility and renewal of life. The pagans celebrated this same time of year (not technically the same day) as the awakening of spring, warmer weather, new babies and new crops. Western civilization has combined the two into one day I guess for the sake of convenience. While some people don't like the combination due to the festivities of Easter distracting from the Christian message, I like to think they go hand in hand. Christ brought hope and renewal, love and rebirth. What a perfect time of year to celebrate all those things! Seems like it was part of the plan, doesn't it? Hoping all of you have a Blessed Easter holiday!

Once the warmer weather arrives, the projects the Town has planned this year will be warming up as well. We don't yet have a date for breaking ground on the new Community Hall. Just a bit more red tape and it will be on its way! Care' is sending out RFP's on sidewalks, new BBQ in park and other projects on the to do lists. She is also busy seeking and submitting grants to help cover the costs of both large and small. Read further in this Newsletter for April activities Marge has lined up for you!

Shanelle Hansen, Mayor

#### **APRIL 2023**



## Special points of interest:

- Municipal Court 2 p.m. April 6th.
- P & Z Mtg. 6 p.m. April 11th.
- WHD Mtg. April 18th. 6 p.m.
- BOT Mtg. April 25th. 6 p.m.

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# Municipal code/Bikes, Skateboards

13.04.025 Use of Bicycles, Skateboards, and Similar Devices on Minter Avenue Sidewalks Prohibited. Any person who knowingly operates or uses a bicycle, skateboard, roller skates, or roller blades on the sidewalks within the

Minter Avenue right-ofway, between Third Street and Fourth Street, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. commits a non-criminal municipal offense. (Ord. 281 §1, 2003).



### Inside Story Headline

#### **DE BEQUE:**

**EASTER EGG HUNT.** Saturday April 1, 11 a.m. SHARP! Ages 0-12years. Playground Park.

T-BALL/COACH PITCH: Starting the week of April 17th.. Practices will be held twice a week. T-Ball = PK-K. Coach Pitch = 1st and 2nd graders. COACHES NEEDED!! 970-283-5475 x 105



SPRING CRAFT FAIR: April 22nd. 9 a.m.—3 p.m. De Beque Community Center. Booth spaces are available. \$15 per space. 970-283-5475 x 105 SPACES STILL AVAILABLE.

#### **COMMUNITY YARD SALE:**

JUNE 10TH. 8 A.M.—3P .M. SIGN UP AT THE TOWN HALL AND YOUR ADDRESS WILL BE ADDED TO THE MAP. DEADLINE JUNE 5TH. MAPS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE TOWNHALL, POST OFFICE AND DE BEQUE COUNTRY STORE.



### Local Churches

#### De Beque Church

317 Minter Ave. De Beque, CO 81630 Sunday School: 9:30 –10:30 a.m. Sunday Service: 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday Bible Study: 7 p.m.

Pastor John Doden

# JOIN US IN PRAISE AND WORSHIP!



#### Open Bible Fellowship

697 Denver Ave. De Beque CO 81630

Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.

Church Service: 10:30 a.m.

Pastor Bill Nichols 970-201-6446

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE

7 a.m. at OBF.

#### FOOD BANK

Third Wednesday of the Month is food bank. 3:30—5:30 p.m. OBF

### SPRING CLEAN-UP

It is that time of the year to start cleaning up around your house/yard. There will be a dumpster located at the back of the Community Center for the TOWN OF DE BEQUE RESIDENCES starting APRIL 3RD. NO TIRES, BATTERIES, APPLIANCES or ELECTRONICS ALLOWED!!

PLEASE DO NOT leave items outside of the dumpster. THANK YOU! Please keep in mind that following the rules will ensure this program continues in the future. If not, the dumpster will be discontinued. ON A SIDE NOTE! Western Metals Recycling will take your refrigerators for free! Refrigeration must be in tact!! NO CUT LINES! 645 4th Ave. GJ. 513-419-6178. NO SATURDAY DROP OFFS!

HAPPY SPRING!

#### De Beque Transfer Station

Address: 2155 45.5 Rd

• **Phone:** (970) 283-5690

**Hours of operation:** Second and fourth Saturday of each month from 9 am to 2 pm

Please notify the Town of any broken irrigation risers or issues. (970) 283-5475

# Local Advertising

#### RAMBLERS ROOST

Rooms for friends and family Their home away from home. \$42.00 per night \$225.00 a week



FREE COVID TESTS available at the TOWN HALL!

## NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING PRICES

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## Earth Day 2023

What will you do? This is the moment to change it all—. It takes unstoppable courage to preserve and protect our health, families, and livelihood.... TO-GETHER we must invest in our planet!

A partnership for the planet. To build a healthy planet for our children and their children . . . . . time is short.

Activities you could do and new habits to start.

Connect with nature, rather than video

games or T.V. indoors ...

Organize an Earth Day scavenger hunt. ... Hang birdseed ornaments. ... Teach children to recycle. Learn how to compost. Plant trees. Go paperless.. Turn off lights that don't need to be on. Use cloth grocery bags instead of plastic ones. Try shampoo bars instead of the bottled variety. Make cleaning products using lemon and vinegar.. Stick to the three Rs: Reduce, Reuse and Recycle. Lower your carbon

footprint by reducing trash output.



# Recipe of the Month/Creamy Herbed Easter Ham and Pea Pasta Salad

Kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper

1/3 cup mayonnaise

1/4 cup chopped fresh flat-leaf parsley

3 tablespoons sour cream

2 tablespoons finely chopped fresh chives

2 tablespoons chopped fresh mint

1~1/2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice

8 ounces dried penne or pennette

1 1/2 cups frozen peas, thawed

1 cup diced ham.

Bring a large pot of salted water to a boil. Whisk together the mayonnaise, parsley, sour cream, chives, mint, lemon juice, 1/2 teaspoon salt and a few grinds of pepper in a large bowl. Add the pasta to the boiling water and cook according to the package directions. Three minutes before the pasta is done, add the peas to the pot. Drain and rinse under cold water to cool; add to the bowl with the dressing. Add the ham to the bowl and toss to combine. Season with salt and pepper. The pasta salad is best if served right away.

ENJOY!

### KARAOKE NIGHT



















THANK YOU TO ALL WHO ALL ATTENDED! IT WAS A BLAST!!