

## RECREATION THIS WEEK: January 25, 2012

### Recreation Department News...

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#### **MAMMOTH MEN'S 4 ON 4 BASKETBALL LEAGUE BEGINS JAN. 30**

The Recreation Department is hosting a Men's 4 on 4 Basketball League every Monday and Wednesday evening at the MMS gym. The League begins **Monday, January 30 2012** and concludes on April 16, 2012. Teams are admitted into the league on a first-come, first-served basis with 8-person/team maximum. League fees are \$350/team. Fees cover custom jerseys, end-of-season awards, and league administration. For more information please call John at (760) 934-8989 x234 or William at (619) 987-2670. Team and individual sign-ups are taking place now at the Recreation office located upstairs in the Minaret Village Mall.

#### **WINTER INSTRUCTIONAL BASKETBALL LEAGUE FOR 1ST AND 2ND GRADES**

Join recreation staff and coach William for exciting basketball basics on Thursday evenings beginning **February 2, 2012** from 6:00 p.m. at the Mammoth Middle School gym. This program is offered for free and is limited to the first 40 sign-ups. Kindergarteners are welcome with a volunteering parent. Lowered 7ft hoops and smaller balls will be supplied. For more information please call John at (760) 934-8989 ext. 234 or swing by the Recreation Department office located above Giovanni's to enroll and sign the emergency waiver.

#### **RECREATION DEPARTMENT HOSTS "FAME!"**

The Town of Mammoth Lakes Recreation Department is offering a special winter week-long session of Youtheatre scheduled for **Monday, February 27, to Saturday, March 3, 2012**. The show will be "Fame", and rehearsal schedules will be from 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. after school (Mon.-Fri.) with two shows scheduled for Saturday, March 3, 2012 at 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. at the Mammoth Lakes Arts Center.

Registration deadline for the program is Friday, February 17, 2012. The fees for this winter workshop are \$85 for children 7 and up. We will offer a multi-child discount this year. Space is limited and will sell-out fast! Registration is at the Recreation Department Office located above Giovanni's in the Vons shopping center (Minaret Village Mall). For more information please call (760) 934-8989 ext. 234.

#### **Costume requirements:**

"Fame" – Ann will furnish all costumes and props as usual. Everyone needs dance shoes, and for the final number everyone needs to furnish their own clothing in black and red. Lastly, everyone should dress if going to school, however, in clothes fit for stretching and dancing. There is also a 'tap' scene so tap shoes are welcome too. Similar to last winter's Glee Club there will be an audition scene where each child is welcome to sing their favorite song. Ann will work as many children's solos into Saturday's performances as possible. Having the song ready on CD for the first day of practice will be very helpful.

#### **OPEN GYM BASKETBALL**

The Recreation Department in partnership with the Mammoth Unified School District is offering open gym basketball at the MHS gym every Sunday from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. beginning **January 8, 2012**. The cost is only \$2/player per session with the completion of a Town waiver. Program concludes on Sunday, March 25, 2012. Please call (760) 934-8989 ext. 222 for additional information.

## **PICK-UP YOUTH SOCCER**

If you're looking for more soccer, the Recreation Department in partnership with the Mammoth Unified School District is offering pick-up youth soccer at the MHS Gym every Sunday from 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. beginning **January 8, 2012**. The cost is only \$2/player per session with the completion of a Town waiver. Based on demand, games will be 5 v 5 and structured by age division (U8-U10, U12-U15 & U19). Goals and soccer balls are supplied - shin guards and indoor shoes required (no cleats). Program concludes on Sunday, March 25, 2012. Please call (760) 934-8989 ext. 222 for additional information.

## **\$5.00 MONDAYS AT THE MAMMOTH ICE RINK**

Skate every Monday night (non-holiday) between 6:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. for only \$5.00. The \$5.00 rate includes skate rental, and is available for all skating enthusiasts: youth, adults and seniors! Call (760) 934-2505 or visit [www.Mammothicerink.com](http://www.Mammothicerink.com) for all the details. We'll see you on the ice!

## **ICE SKATING LESSONS**

Group lessons are now offered at the Mammoth Ice Rink. Lessons are scheduled for 30 minutes, for a cost of only \$10 per student, with a guaranteed maximum of 8 students per group. Lesson times are 3:30 – 4:00 p.m., 4:30 – 5:00 p.m., and 5:30 – 6:00 p.m. Purchase five lessons in advance and get the 6<sup>th</sup> Lesson FREE! Please call the Mammoth Ice Rink at (760) 934-2505 for reservations or additional information.

## **STICK-TIME AT THE MAMMOTH ICE RINK!**

Get some "Stick time" at the Mammoth Ice Rink every Wednesday during lunch (12:00 – 2:00 p.m.). Anyone can get on the ice and experience an introduction to Ice Hockey. Instruction is provided and normal skating fees apply, skate rentals, sticks, and pucks available - helmets recommended! The Mammoth Ice Rink is owned and operated by the Town of Mammoth Lakes through a partnership with Mammoth Unified School District and Mono County Office of Education. The facility is drug-free, smoke-free and pet-free. We accept cash, credit cards, and personal checks with a valid driver's license. For the complete winter schedule, rates and special promotions visit [www.mammothicerink.com](http://www.mammothicerink.com), see our rack card in all Certified Racks located throughout Mammoth Lakes, or call the Mammoth Ice Rink at (760) 934-2505.

## **ICE HOCKEY**

Drop-in Ice Hockey has been programmed on Wednesday evenings for youth between 6:30 - 8:00 p.m., followed by women's hockey from 8:00 - 9:30 p.m. On Tuesday/Thursday evenings the men take to the ice between 6:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Saturday morning the youth (5-15 yrs) are on the ice, and an open Hockey session has been scheduled on Sunday morning from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Fees for Youth/Women is only \$5.00, Men \$10.00.

## **CONTACT US**

All the summer, fall, winter and Spring events, programs and activities are listed on [www.ci.mammoth-lakes.ca.us](http://www.ci.mammoth-lakes.ca.us) and in the 2011/12 Annual Mammoth Recreation Guide. Please call the Recreation Department at (760) 934-8989 ext. 222 or visit us in the Town Offices – Minaret Village Mall (above Giovanni's) to register for a program, for additional information or to forward your comments and suggestions.

## **NOTIFY ME!**

Receive updates sent directly to your email or phone from the Town of Mammoth Lakes by subscribing to "Notify Me." Found on the left side of [www.ci.mammoth-lakes.ca.us](http://www.ci.mammoth-lakes.ca.us), stay current with Public Service Announcements, Emergency Alerts, Town e-News, Recreation This Week, No Burn Announcements, DNDP updates, bid postings, news flash, calendar items, and more! Make smart decisions, subscribe today!

## **On-Going Recreation Programs...**

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### **GET GYMNASTICS FEVER!**

This year-round program is designed to introduce children from 3-18 years old the wonderful and exciting sport of gymnastics. Offered by Michelle DeJong, a level 8 competitive gymnast and Level 1-5 gymnastics coach, participants will learn to tumble and more in a safe and structured environment. This program is also a recipient of Measure R funding with \$7,000 of gymnastic equipment. Three age sessions are available at the Community Center on Forest Trail.

- 3-5 yr olds – Saturday: 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
- 5-8 yr olds – Saturday: 10:15 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.
- 8-12+ yr olds – Wednesday: 4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. & Saturday: 11:15 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
- 8-12+ yr olds – Tuesday: 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. – Invitation only.

Five session Punch Cards are available for \$60 for the first family member and \$55 for each additional family member. Private lessons are available upon request, please inquire with the instructor. Drop-ins cost \$15 per session are welcome and encouraged - First one is FREE! Please call (760) 934-8989 ext. 222 for more information or to register your aspiring Gymnast!

### **ZUMBA FITNESS - \$5.00 FEBRUARY**

Party yourself into shape for only \$5 this February at the Community Center. Zumba® Fitness offered by Kaysie Williams is programmed every Monday from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

## **Recreation News, Events & Activities in Town...**

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### **MAMMOTH MOUNTAIN IS 100% OPEN!**

Over 4 feet of snow fell on Mammoth Mountain over the weekend, raising their season snow total to 106.5" with a more respectable base depth of 40-60". On Wednesday, January 25, all chairlifts were in operation except Chair 20. This is also **Learn to Ski and Ride Week** at Mammoth Mountain and all one and two and a half hour lessons are 50% off from January 22-27, 2012. What are you waiting for?

Mammoth Lakes isn't just for skiers and snowboarders:

- The Mammoth Ice Rink operates 7-days a week
- Mammoth Nordic Club is now grooming Town XC routes
- All main routes are open at Tamarack XC Ski Center.
- Enjoy tubing with the family at Woolly's Adventure Summit
- Take a romantic dog sled ride
- Shop at one of our premium outlets, including Ralph Lauren Polo and Coach.

- And enjoy fine dining or family fun at one of our many restaurants

Please visit [MammothMountain.com](http://MammothMountain.com) or [Vistmammoth.com](http://Vistmammoth.com) for all the details, specials and happenings in around Mammoth Lakes this weekend.

### **MAMMOTH ATHLETES COMPETE AT WINTER X**

**Winter X Games 2012** will take place this weekend: January 26-29, 2012 at Buttermilk Mountain in Aspen, Colorado. A formidable team of Mammoth athletes will be representing at Winter X. Defending Ski X Gold Medalist John Teller is aiming to make history as the first skier to successfully defend his Ski X title. Kaya Turski is competing in the Women's Skier Slopestyle, along with Greg Bretz, and Jack & Luke Mitrani who will be seeking Halfpipe glory! Check out the athlete bios, event venue details, and the complete schedule online at: <http://espn.com/action/xgames/winter/2012/schedule>.

### **THE TOUGHEST RACE IN THE MOST BEAUTIFUL PLACE**

Organizers of the 6th annual June Lake Triathlon are excited to announce that registration is now open for the toughest race in the most beautiful place. Put Saturday, July 7, 2012 on your calendar, and make your 2012 resolution happen! Register by Tuesday, January 31, 2012 to catch the early bird fee! Prices change on February 1st, so quickly go to [www.junelaketriathlon.com](http://www.junelaketriathlon.com) to register online.

There are two race distance options for adults and youth ages 13 and up: Olympic or Sprint distance both have Adaptive Athlete divisions and can be raced as an Individual or a Group Relay. Kids ages 6-12 race the Kids Mini Tri! For our 3rd year, the Welcome Dinner is hosted by June Mountain. Take a chair lift ride up to the Ski and Summer Chalet to dine with views overlooking the race course and beyond to historic Mono Lake! This event has grown each year and fills up at 500 athletes. We look forward to a successful event with the help of our amazing athletes, sponsors, volunteers, and our non-profit beneficiary Disabled Sports Eastern Sierra.

If you would like to be a volunteer, or have questions about registering or about our June Lake Triathlon training camps, please contact Race Director Alana Levin at (760) 717-0176 or [alana@highsierratri.org](mailto:alana@highsierratri.org). For sponsorship inquiries and to find out how to gain some exposure for your organization at this event, please contact Sandra DiDomizio at (760) 709-6744 or [sandrad@greenfoxevents.com](mailto:sandrad@greenfoxevents.com).

### **EDISON THEATRE PRESENTS 2ND ANNUAL "POETRY OUT LOUD" COMPETITION**

On **Saturday, January 28, 2012** at 6:00 p.m. the Mammoth Lakes Repertory Theatre in cooperation with Mammoth Lakes Foundation presents the 2nd Annual Mono County Finals in the national Poetry Out Loud competition. Artistic Director Shira Dubrovner became aware of the Poetry Out Loud program that launched nationwide in 2006, when Eva Poole-Gilson, a published poet and instructor at Cerro Coso College who resides in Bishop, brought it to her attention last year. Dubrovner quickly embraced the idea of offering the same opportunities to students in the Eastern Sierra that are available to students in much larger, urban communities.

Poetry Out Loud was created by the National Endowment for the Arts and the Poetry Foundation and is administered in partnership with the State Arts Agencies—in this case the California Arts Council. This year's competition at the Edison Theatre is sponsored by the Eastern Sierra Community Bank. It is a contest that encourages the nation's youth to learn about great poetry through memorization and recitation. The program helps students master public speaking skills, build self-confidence, and learn about their literary heritage. POL has grown every year with over 365,000 students competing in 2010-2011.

This year competitors include students from Benton High School, Coleville High School, Lee Vining High School, and Mammoth Lakes High School, all coached by Poole-Gilson. Poetry Out Loud uses a pyramid structure that starts at the classroom level. Winners advance to a school-wide competition, then to a regional competition—the Mono County Competition at the Edison Theatre on January 28, then to the state competition on March 26 in Sacramento, and ultimately to the National Finals in Washington D.C. in May.

### **CMU PRESENTS “TRULY, MADLY, DEEPLY”**

On **Saturday, January 28, 2012**, Chamber Music Unbound presents The Felici Piano Trio and guests Tereza Stanislav, violin and Robert Brophy, viola, in a concert entitled “Truly, Madly, Deeply” with music by Haydn, Schubert, Barber and Elgar. The concert is held at the Cerro Coso College in Mammoth Lakes, and begins at 7:00 p.m. Tickets (\$25 Adult, \$17 Senior) are available online ([www.ChamberMusicUnbound.org](http://www.ChamberMusicUnbound.org)), at Access Art and Business Center, the Inyo Council for the Arts, or at the door on concert nights.

### **ADVENTURE SLIDE SHOW SERIES**

The 2012 Adventure Slide Show Series has begun. Snowcreek Athletic Club hosts a series of eight multi-media presentations with a focus on adventure every Tuesday night in January and February (except Feb 14). Shows start at 7:00 p.m. Below is the line up....put the shows on your calendar! Come early to grab some food and a drink, and please carpool as parking is limited.

Tuesday, January 31st  
Speaker: Cathleen Calkins  
Kamchatka Peninsula: Backcountry Skiing Russia’s Remote Volcanos

Tuesday, February 7th  
Speaker: Dave Nettle  
Italy: A Ski Mountaineering Hut to Hut Adventure in the Ortler Alps

Tuesday, February 21st  
Speaker: Kari Castle  
Peru: Hang Gliding Over the Andes’ Mystical Ruins

Tuesday, February 28th  
Speaker: Marty Lewis  
The Owens River Gorge: A traditional sport climbing paradise

### **2012 LITTLE LEAGUE ONLINE REGISTRATION NOW OPEN**

Mono County Little League invites all baseball players ages 4 – 15 to register for 2012 Spring Baseball. Walk-in registration will be held on the following dates, times and locations:

- Tuesday, January 31 4:00 - 6:00PM at the Mammoth Lakes Library
- Monday, February 6 4:00 – 6:30PM at the Mammoth Elementary School

Additionally, online registration is currently open. Parents are strongly encouraged to visit [www.MonoCountyLittleLeague.com](http://www.MonoCountyLittleLeague.com) to register online, download forms and find additional information. New players are required to provide a copy of their birth certificate and copies of three (3) proofs of residency

(such as driver's license, utility bill, phone bill.) Register by February 6, 2012 and save \$10 per player! For additional registration questions, please contact Carl Underkoffler at (760) 914-0428. Let's get ready to PLAY BALL!

## Upcoming & On-Going Events...

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- On-going: Gymnastics/Tumbling Program at the Community Center
  - On-going: Sunday Night Open Gym Basketball & Pick-up Youth Soccer at MHS (ends March 25)
  - On-going: Zumba Fitness at the Community Center - \$5.00 Februarys'
  - On-going: \$5.00 Monday evening at the Mammoth Ice Rink
  - On-going: Stick-time at the Mammoth Ice Rink every Wednesday lunch
  - On-going: Ice Hockey every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings
  - On-going: Ice Skating lessons at the Mammoth Ice Rink
  - Jan. 23: DSES Wounded Warrior Project
  - Jan. 26-29: Winter X Games
  - Jan. 27: Inyo/Mono League SL
  - Jan. 28: The Unbound Series – Rail Jam
  - Jan. 28: CMU presents "Truly, Madly, Deeply"
  - Jan. 28: "Poetry Out Loud" at the Mammoth Lakes Repertory Theatre
  - Jan. 29: The Unbound Series – Halfpipe
  - Jan. 30: Men's 4 on 4 Basketball League begins
  - Jan. 31: VC's Race 3 (actually Race 2)
  - Jan. 31: Mono County Little League registration at the ML Library
  - Feb. 2: Winter Instructional Basketball League for 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Grades begins
  - Feb. 5: Allan Bard 20k Classic Race
  - Feb. 6: Mono County Little League Registration at MES
  - Feb. 17: Registration deadline for FAME
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