



City snow plan ready for winter storms

The City's snowplowing plan for winter storms focuses on keeping major streets drivable to ensure traffic can flow throughout the city and emergency vehicles can reach all parts of Lakewood. Once these streets are plowed and maintained, crews move on to plow minor and smaller streets.

The City has 26 snowplows that operate on a 24-hour schedule during storms. When blizzards hit Lakewood, the City also can call on a fleet of up to 15 privately owned motor- graders under contract to help the snowplows keep roads passable. The City spends about \$1.2 million annually on snow removal, which amounts to spending about \$8 per resident.

Plowing priorities

Lakewood's snowplows first work on 125 miles of Priority 1 streets, which include Lakewood's major arterial and collector streets such as West Alameda and West Jewell avenues and Bear Creek Boulevard. During major snowstorms, the wind and heavy snow accumulation requires plows to work and rework these major streets to keep them open, preventing crews from moving on to smaller streets in the city.

The next set of streets in the plan is Priority 2 and 3 streets, which are 119 miles of minor collector streets, hilly areas and school and shopping areas. A map of the Priority 1, 2 and 3 routes is available at Lakewood.org/Maps or by calling 303-987-7900.

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Strange fall foliage

The high reservoir level in Bear Creek Lake Park created by flood waters flowing from the mountains made for a strange sight after the water receded. The water level climbed high enough to submerge much of the cottonwood trees near the reservoir, killing the foliage below the water. The tops of the trees above the water still put on a wonderful display of fall color, but the unique "bathtub ring" look on the trees left an impression on park visitors. Read more about the effects of the high water in the park on page 4.

PHOTO: Lakewood resident Carol Kaune

Portrait of success

This may be a town crazed for Broncos quarterback Peyton Manning, but there's another quarterback whose physical abilities and adaptability are nearly as awe inspiring.

Dominic Laurita, 12, plays flag football in the City of Lakewood's Middle School Sports Program, where he performs in multiple positions including center, receiver and quarterback. He throws left-handed as quarterback, making him even more of a standout in the position.

But he doesn't come by his left-handedness freely. Dominic has cerebral palsy, a central motor dysfunction affecting his movement and posture. For Dominic, it mostly affects the right side of his body, leaving him a larger range of motion

on his left.

"Dominic is a wonderful kid, full with energy. When it came down to playing football, his disability did not slow him down. He was out there on the field snapping the ball at center, throwing the ball as QB as well as catching the ball as a receiver," his coach Oscar Colmenero said.

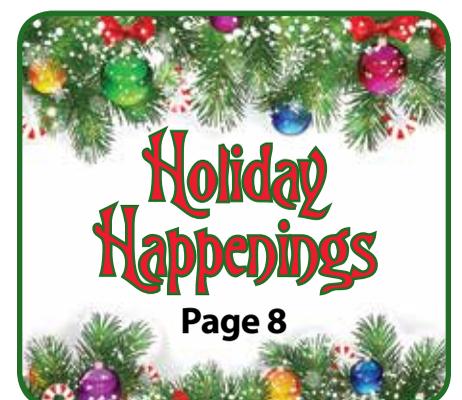
"Dominic is a leader on the team, always helping others when things got tough on the field with a simple smile and loud encouraging words."

The middle school program, one of several youth sports programs offered through Lakewood Recreation, fulfills an important role in serving students in Lakewood. It not only offers after-school activities to keep kids physically active and engaged in a positive activity, it also is fully inclusive, allowing kids with

all abilities to participate. For more than 20 years, the City has offered the program as Jeffco Public Schools has been unable to continue to offer middle school sports.

The City currently offers cross-country, flag football, cheerleading, volleyball, basketball and track to all

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*Lakewood
City Council would like
to wish everyone the
happiest holiday
season.*

Mayor Bob Murphy
Karen Kellen & Ramey Johnson, Ward 1
Cindy Baroway & Scott Koop, Ward 2
Pete Roybal & Shakti, Ward 3
Adam Paul & David Wiechman, Ward 4
Karen Harrison & Tom Quinn, Ward 5



Letter from the mayor

Location, leadership, community links create a livable city

Lakewood recently received yet another honor by being named one of the Top 100 Most Livable Cities in America. The ratings are based on a variety of factors, including economics, housing, transportation, education, health care and infrastructure, along with social and civic capital. Very simply, the ratings and accompanying press release from Livability.com state that Lakewood is one of America's best places to live, work and play. But we knew that didn't we!

I lead off this last column of the year with this exciting news because this is the time of year when we traditionally wind down, pause to reflect and give thanks for all our blessings. For me, the privilege of living in a wonderful place like Lakewood is where I start to say thanks. We are fortunate to live in a thriving city located minutes from both downtown Denver and the Rocky Mountains. We have a wonderful climate of course, but I expand the definition of that word beyond our gorgeous weather to also mean "culture."

We have a culture of civic engagement, with people eager to get involved in helping their community. Civic engagement can take many forms of course, from volunteering at places like your neighborhood school or the Action Center to participating in your church's food drive. It all emanates from a foundation of wanting to share our knowledge, experience and even prosperity with our neighbors. Civic engagement can also mean service on our City's boards and commissions or even running for elected office.

With election week behind us, I have to say I am personally thankful to those who have and will serve on City Council. Because of term limits, we must say goodbye to two great leaders in Sue King in Ward 3 and Diana Wilson in Ward 5. Sue went about her work quietly, but the results of her commitment will stand the test of time. Among her many accomplishments, Sue was a driving force behind the founding of Jefferson County's first Boys and Girls Club at O'Connell Middle School. Diana's leadership voice was strong within City Council and the City, but also across the state. Her tenure was

highlighted by years of service on the board of the Colorado Municipal League, culminating in her election by her peers as president of this prestigious organization. We will miss both Sue and Diana, but we are also thankful that two great new leaders, Shakti in Ward 3 and Karen Harrison in Ward 5, are ready and eager to begin their work.

I am thankful that Lakewood is a safe community, with a strong financial foundation, terrific schools, more than 7,000 acres of parks and open space and a growing arts scene. I am grateful for the new W light rail line and the many potential positive life choices that come with this new form of transportation. I value the world-class health care, the community partnerships and the thousands of new direct and indirect jobs St. Anthony Hospital has brought into Lakewood.

Mostly I appreciate all of you. Every week, someone stops me in the grocery store or gives a quick call or email, just to tell me what they love about Lakewood. A little over a year ago I had a vision about a concept now called Lakewood Linked that first encourages neighbors to get to know each other, and then asks all of us to do whatever we can to offer help to someone who may need it. Today, I can report that more than 80 neighborhood organizations have joined Nextdoor.com, the social website that encourages neighbors to talk with each other.

Many years ago, before I ever held elected office, someone provided a great favor to my family. In return he asked only one thing: "Someday, someone will ask you for your help. Just say yes." That is the true spirit of a real community, just the kind we have right here in Lakewood.

Best wishes to everyone for a safe, healthy and happy holiday season!

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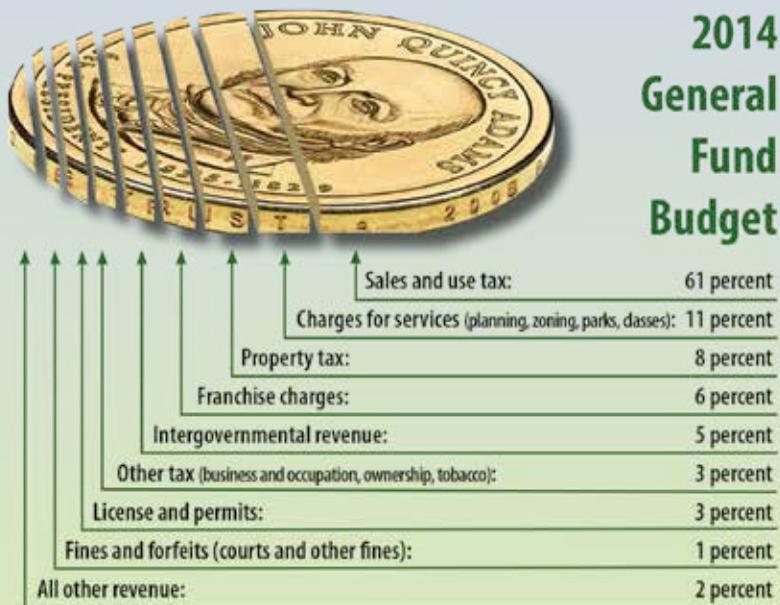
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2014 Annual Budget

The City Council has approved \$103.7 million for the 2014 General Fund budget, which pays for the majority of the City's services and operating expenses. The budget includes funding for annual programs such as street repaving, strategic investments in infrastructure such as City buildings and other items and the addition of positions to aid in the review process for construction projects as that segment of the economy begins to pick up. For more information on the 2014 Annual Budget, visit Lakewood.org/Budgets.

Where does the money come from?



Where does the money go?

Percentages based on 2014 General Fund



Public Safety 47 percent

- Police patrols
- Crime investigations
- Traffic enforcement
- Crime prevention
- Crime victim support
- Prosecutors
- Municipal Court
- Animal control
- Code enforcement



Community Resources 20 percent

- Parks, trails and open space
- Recreation centers, pools and programs
- Family and children's services
- Heritage, culture and the arts



Planning and Public Works 18 percent

- Snow and ice removal
- Street improvements, paving, repair and sweeping
- Traffic management
- Building inspections and permits
- Community planning
- Land development services
- Streetlighting



Internal Services 11 percent

- Job postings and hiring
- Employee training
- Accounting
- Budgeting
- Billing
- Purchasing
- Tax collection
- Computer purchases and support
- Technology planning



Governance and civic involvement 4 percent

- City Council
- City Manager's Office
- Citizen relations and public information
- KLTv8, City website and *Looking @ Lakewood*
- Elections
- Citizen boards and commissions

Welcome to



Grand Openings & Milestones

Listed below are openings of new businesses or important milestones and news about companies in Lakewood.

New Business

BizCard Express, 2099 Wadsworth Blvd., Unit C, 303-233-1400, www.bizcardexpress.com

Colorado Mills Mall, 14500 W. Colfax Ave., has seen a whirlwind of new openings. **Earthbound Trading, Torrid, Robert Wayne Footwear, Journey's Kids, Forever 21, Lucky Brand Jeans Outlet and Great American Cookie and Pretzelmaker** opened, www.coloradomills.com.

CPR Cell Phone Repair, 5066 S. Wadsworth Way, Unit 114, 303-948-1553, www.cpr-littleton.com

Dickey's BBQ, 1509 Wadsworth Blvd., www.dickeys.com

Firestone Complete Auto Care, 575 S. Vance St., 303-936-0254

Flora Massage, 3225 S. Wadsworth Blvd., Unit B, 720-335-8824, www.facebook.com/floramassage

Go Green Warehouse, 1000 S. Wadsworth Blvd., 720-236-1340, www.gogreenwarehouse.org

Kazoku Sushi, 10665 W. Colfax Ave., 303-238-1199, www.kazokusushicolorado.com

Kismet, 364 S. Teller Ave., 303-934-2116, www.kismetaccessories.com

Metro West Housing Solutions will soon open 110 one-, two-, and three-bedroom apartments a half block from the Lamar Station, 720-508-7400, www.mwhsolutions.org

Northwestern Mutual, 825 Simms St., www.northwesternmutual.com

Pho 2 Love, 6593 W. Colfax Ave., 303-233-1900, www.pho2love.com

Pho Saigon Vietnamese Noodle House and Grill, 7057 W. Alaska Drive, 303-922-6100, www.phosaigonbasil.com

Renew Chiropractic, 8015 W. Alameda Ave., Unit 270, 720-493-5885, www.renew-chiropractic.com

Tay Thein Buddhist Temple, 7777 Morrison Road

Valkarie Gallery, 445 S. Saulsbury St., www.valkariefineart.com

Vent Masters, 11575 W. 13th Ave., 303-233-1025, www.ventmasters.com

World of Beer in Belmar, 7260 W. Alaska Drive, 303-934-2304, www.wobusa.com/belmar

Anniversaries One year

Dr. Dafne Ellis, Lakewood Orthodontics, 255 Union Blvd., Unit 430, 303-988-2780, www.lortho.com

Stack Subs, 95 S. Union Blvd., www.stacksubs.com

Whole Health Center, 4260 S. Wadsworth Blvd., 303-980-4260, www.wholehealthcenter.com

30 Years Westhaven Apartment Homes, an active adult living community, 303-237-2878

35 Years House of Imports, 12203 W. Colfax Ave., 303-232-2540, www.houseofimports.com

Moves/Expansions

Facility Engineering Associates, 405 Urban St., Suite 300, 303-984-7300, www.feapc.com

Wystone's Tea in Belmar has moved into the space formerly occupied by the Press Coffee at 7150 W. Alaska Drive, www.wystonestea.com.

To submit a listing, visit Lakewood.org/Grandopenings.

Bear Creek Lake Park begins its recovery



The flood waters flowing from the mountains into Bear Creek Lake Park produced dramatic images during the fall, but the park has begun the recovery process with the help of an outpouring of community members providing volunteer work.

The park, with more than 2,500 acres, is open. But some park facilities will remain closed for the coming months including parking lots and sections of several trails. The goal is to have all facilities open for the 2014 summer season.

Mountain bikers, horseback riders and other park users must abide by closures of park facilities, particularly trails, for their own safety and to protect the park's ecosystem, said Regional Park Supervisor Drew Sprafke. Riding

or hiking on muddy trails that are closed creates long-term damage to trails, he said.

During the winter, the reservoir will be open to ice fishing, but it is closed to motorized boating until the spring. For the latest status on trails and closures, call 303-697-6159 or visit Lakewood.org/BCLP.

"The park did suffer, but in the end it did what it was supposed to do. We are thankful that it protected people downstream of the park," Sprafke said. "We have a lot of work ahead of us, and the support from the community plays an important role in helping the park recover."

During the height of the fall floods, the water level in Bear Creek reservoir rose about 55 feet above normal, taking in flood waters from 236 square miles in the mountains,

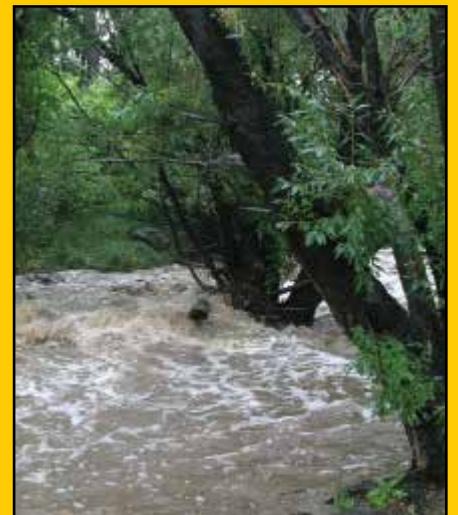
starting at Mount Evans, that drain into Bear Creek. The dam and reservoir capacity can handle a rise in the water level to 109 feet above normal. The dam was built in the 1970s by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers as part of a three-dam system that includes Cherry Creek and Chatfield dams built to protect the metro area from 100-year floods. The corps operates the dam and its spillways.

The high water level fully or partially submerged trees and foliage in the park. Trees partially submerged should completely mend while recovery of fully submerged trees won't be known until spring and will depend on whether the trees were dormant when the water hit. The strong odor in the park is rising from

decomposing organic matter and should dissipate over time.

More than 150 community members, high school students, Boy Scout troops and others have donated more than 500 hours of volunteer time, removing flood debris, picking up litter and rebuilding trails. Residents also have donated money, and the park has a link at Lakewood.org/BCLP for online donations.

Repairs to the park are expected to cost \$200,000 to fix a variety of items from foot bridges, restrooms, docks and piers to picnic shelters, benches and signs. The City is exploring a variety of avenues including grants and federal assistance to help pay for the repairs.



Take survey on City plans

Tell us how you want Lakewood to evolve, change, grow and become more sustainable by taking surveys at Lakewood.org/MovingForward. Several topics including transportation, economic development and sustainability are covered in the surveys, which will be available through the end of the year.

Your responses are part of the community discussion about how to update Lakewood's Comprehensive Plan, an essential City document that lays out the vision for the city's future. The discussion also includes creating the City's first Sustainability Plan, an important step in making Lakewood more sustainable to meet ecological and economic challenges.

The City has completed the first phase of the community discussion through a series of open houses in the fall, and the comments and

ideas shared at the open houses and through the surveys will help staff, the Lakewood Planning Commission and working groups develop specific goals and policies for these plans. The City will have more open houses in the fall of 2014 to receive comments and ideas on the proposed goals and policies. The goal is to have the two plans completed by spring 2015.

The Comprehensive Plan, developed in 2003, needs updating because much has changed

since then. The W light rail line is operating, Belmar is a thriving part of downtown Lakewood, the St. Anthony Medical Campus is open and other changes have occurred. The new plans will help guide the Planning Commission and City Council on land-use and other decisions with an eye toward 2025.

If you would like to receive emails for upcoming public meetings about the plans, please call 303-987-7523 or sign up at Lakewood.org/MovingForward.

Federal grant helps neighborhoods

A federal grant that Lakewood receives each year for community improvements will be used to support neighborhood cleanup events in low-income neighborhoods, assist with rehabilitating single-family homes and provide playground improvements and child-care scholarships to Head Start preschool for the year covered by the grant, which runs through May 2014.

Known as the Community Development Block Grant or CDBG, the program is designed to help create viable communities by providing decent housing, creating a suitable living environment and expanding economic opportunities, particularly for residents with low and moderate incomes.

In addition to approving where the funds are spent for the current

program year, Lakewood City Council has approved the 2013-2017 Consolidated Plan, which identifies local housing and community needs and outlines strategies to meet those needs by using the grant. Public comments, meetings and surveys helped develop the five-year plan, which identified the priorities for using the grant during the coming years on neighborhood

improvements in targeted low-income areas, housing rehabilitation and improvements and support services for low-income and special-needs residents.

For more information, visit Lakewood.org/CDBG or contact Amy DeKnicker, manager of the program, at 303-987-7522 or amydek@lakewood.org.

Remember to license your dog

Foothills Animal Shelter is dedicated to reuniting lost pets with their families. To help these efforts, the shelter has taken over the administration of the pet licensing program from Jefferson County Animal Control as of July 2013.

Pet licensing benefits include helping get more lost animals home, keeping our community safe by requiring current rabies vaccinations and supporting the lifesaving care Foothills Animal Shelter provides our community's 8,500 homeless pets each year.

Register your pet online at FoothillsAnimalShelter.org/License, or register by mail or in person at 50 licensing locations including the shelter, 580 McIntyre St., with the form provided.

For more information, call 303-278-7577.

FOOTHILLS ANIMAL SHELTER		Foothills Animal Shelter Pet License Certificate		
		<small>All dogs in unincorporated Jefferson County or the cities of Arvada, Edgewater, Golden, Lakewood, Westminster or Wheat Ridge are required by ordinance to be vaccinated against rabies and licensed with Foothills Animal Shelter. Voluntary cat licensing is offered for identification purposes.</small>		
<small>Please print clearly and fill in all applicable information.</small>		<small>Foothills Animal Shelter Licensing c/o PetData PO Box 141929 Irving, TX 75014-1929</small>		
Owner Last Name		Owner First Name		Rabies Tag #
Residential Address (required)		Apt #		Rabies Vacc. Date
City		State	Zip	Vacc. Exp. Date
Mailing Address		Vaccinating Clinic		
Primary Phone		Work Phone	Alternate Phone	
Email Address		Benefits of Licensing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Immediate notification if your missing pet is found. • Avoid receiving a fine for having an unlicensed dog. • Help cover operating costs of Foothills Animal Shelter. 		
Species	Breed (if unknown, list breed most resembles)	Sex	Annual License Fees Unaltered pet <input type="checkbox"/> \$30.00 Spayed/neutered (altered) pet <input type="checkbox"/> \$15.00 Replacement for lost tag at time of renewal <input type="checkbox"/> \$ 0.00 Replacement for lost tag prior to renewal <input type="checkbox"/> \$ 5.00	
		<input type="checkbox"/> Spayed/Neutered <input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered		Donation Donations support the orphaned pets at Foothills Animal Shelter.
Pet Name	Color(s)	Weight	Age/DOB	Total Enclosed \$ _____
Microchip #	New License Tag #		License Issue Date	License Exp. Date
		Reference # from Mailing	Licensing Location	
If the pet owner would like to opt out of online license tag lookup, please check here: <input type="checkbox"/>				
For questions, call 303-278-7577 or visit www.FoothillsAnimalShelter.org/License.				



Reserve park shelters online

Reserving a picnic shelter in one of Lakewood's parks for upcoming birthday parties, reunions and other family gatherings is even easier now with online reservations.

The online feature is a smooth, simple option available around the clock, seven days a week. It lists the shelters by alphabetical order or by available calendar dates. Credit card payments are accepted, and there is no added fee for making online reservations. Once your reservation is made, the permit is sent to you by email. Please visit Lakewood.org/ShelterRentals for reservations, or call 303-987-7800 for more information.

As an added bonus, you also can lock up reservations for 2014 beginning Dec. 2 — a new option for residents who previously had to wait until January to make reservations for the calendar year.

Not sure which parks are nearby or which shelters can be reserved? The City's website provides a map to allow you to pinpoint the park you want while providing you park hours, the park's amenities and location, so visit Lakewood.org/apps/InteractiveMap.aspx.

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four middle schools in Lakewood, which are Dunstan, Creighton, Carmody and O'Connell. This year, 433 students have participated in the City's program, and Dominic's achievements are just one of many the program has helped students accomplish.

Dominic is a typical, sports-obsessed seventh-grader who loves the Avalanche and attends Creighton but cheers for the Chicago Bears. His favorite class is writing, particularly personal narratives because he can share his life experiences with others. His approach to sports is no different than the rest of his teammates: He adapts his abilities to suit each sport and position he plays.

Dominic also plays baseball, occasionally playing pitcher, a high-drama and quick-thinking position he especially enjoys. His mother, Lori, says he worries a bit about his ability to field a line drive while on the mound, as his glove stays tucked under his arm while pitching, leaving him somewhat defenseless.

Always engaging and happy, Dominic interjects, "No Mom, YOU worry!"

His mom notes that because Dominic is such an adaptable player, he has only played regular sports. "Since he was very small, Dominic has always had a ball in his hands," she said.

His passion for sports has served him well in his role as big brother to 2½-year-old Jaxon, who was born prematurely and was tracheotomy-dependent, spending the first 1½ years in the hospital. Dominic kept his brother's spirits up by including him in whatever sports play he was doing. Because Dominic did not treat Jaxon differently, he now shows the same enthusiastic love of sports.

"Dominic will never let his disabilities slow him down because he is and will always be a champion," coach Colmenero said. "He is a great kid and will go on to do great things."

Reflecting his tenacity and spirit, Dominic said he wants to become a professional athlete or coach, and the advice he would give any team is simple: "Try the best you can."

Learn more about Lakewood's Middle School Sports Program at Lakewood.org/MSSP. The City also offers Recreation Inclusion Services for Everyone (R.I.S.E), with more information available at Lakewood.org/RISE.



LAKEWOOD Lights

December 6 & 7
5:30-8:30 p.m.

Official lighting ceremony with Mayor Bob Murphy featuring Green Mountain High School's Shadows of the Mountain Choir 5:45 p.m. (Friday night only)

Free

Photo with Santa
Tractor-pulled Hayrides
Ornament Making Craft
Museum Tours



Lakewood Heritage Center
801 S. Yarrow St. | 303.987.7850
www.Lakewood.org/HolidayLights



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Several of the major roads in Lakewood are state highways, and the Colorado Department of Transportation plows these roads, which include West Sixth Avenue, West Colfax Avenue, Morrison Road, Hampden Avenue, Kipling Parkway and Wadsworth and Sheridan boulevards.

Residential streets

Lakewood has about 242 miles of residential streets that are not part of the priority routes, and these streets are plowed only when snow depths are seriously impeding vehicle mobility and melting is not expected to occur quickly. Plowing residential streets costs the City a minimum of \$75,000 for each snowstorm, and the City considers the conditions and weather forecast before deciding whether to plow residential streets.

When residential streets are plowed, a snowplow will attempt to make two passes on a street, and snow will be plowed to each side of the street. This creates snow

“windrows” across driveways that residents are responsible for clearing. The biggest obstacle preventing completion of two passes is vehicles parked on the street.

Plows will attempt to complete two passes straight into cul-de-sac and dead-end streets, but plows are too large to plow around the curve of cul-de-sacs or up and down dead-end streets.

During major snowstorms only, residents can report concerns about unplowed streets online through the winter storm alert featured at Lakewood.org or by calling 303-987-7950. Because of the volume of calls during large snowstorms, the phone number only takes messages, and calls are not returned.

Ice built up in streets and gutters in neighborhoods after storms can also be reported to the same phone number, but crews must wait for warm, sunny weather to use motor-graders to rip ice apart and push it to the sunny side of the street for melting.

Sidewalks and bus stops

After blizzards, it often takes everyone working together to dig out, and residents are encouraged to check on elderly or disabled neighbors to help shovel their sidewalks and driveways. If you are able to provide snow shoveling assistance to individuals in your area, the City encourages you to organize an effort to assist your neighbors who may need some help.

The City also accepts volunteer applications for SnowPALS to create a pool of volunteers ready to go when residents call for snow shoveling help. If you are able to provide this support, please visit Lakewood.org/SnowPALS, email volunteer@lakewood.org or call 303-987-7393.

The City requires sidewalks and business driveways to be cleared within 24 hours after the end of a storm. Sidewalks left unshoveled create icy conditions hazardous to pedestrians, children walking to school and those in wheelchairs. Residents with concerns about sidewalks that aren't shoveled after a storm can call 303-987-7975.

Private companies that sell advertising on bus shelters and benches are responsible for many of the bus stops in Lakewood. Those private companies clean and maintain those bus stops, while the Regional Transportation District is responsible for park-n-Rides.

Materials used on streets

The City sprays a light application of liquid anti-icing material, which is magnesium chloride, on some major streets prior to snow developing. This anti-icing material prevents snow from bonding to the pavement and makes plowing more effective.

Once snow accumulates, these major streets are treated with a solid deicing product known as Ice Slicer, a red salt that will melt the snow and provide traction.

The streets treated with a combination of liquid anti-icing material and solid deicer include Simms Street, Union Boulevard, West Alameda and West Jewell avenues and Garrison and Indiana streets. Other priority routes are treated with a sand-salt mixture.

During large snow events, updates on snow removal operations are available at Lakewood.org, on KLTv8 cable channel 8 and through the City's Twitter feed, @LakewoodColo. These updates include a general status of snowplowing operations, a tentative schedule for completing plowing operations and information on whether residential streets will be plowed.

Emergency Call Center

The City has the ability to open a 24-hour call center during major snowstorms to drive essential employees such as doctors, nurses, fire and police personnel to and from work in City-owned, four-wheel drive vehicles. The call center also assists patients who need to get to dialysis or other critical, but nonemergency, medical appointments.

During large storms, the City posts information at Lakewood.org about how to contact the call center, but the call center is only opened during blizzards or severe, sustained snowstorms. When the Emergency Call Center is activated, Lakewood residents can call 303-987-5412 to request nonemergency transportation assistance.

Annual investments in City streets

Lakewood spent more than \$7 million for the annual street resurfacing program in 2013 to repave City streets, repair damaged concrete curbs, gutters, sidewalks and drainage cross pans and apply sealcoating to lengthen the life of asphalt.

This year, 36 miles of streets received both concrete repairs and repaving. An additional 11 miles of concrete repairs were made on other streets in advance of repaving them in 2014. Sealcoating also was applied to 17 miles of streets.

Some of the larger streets to receive new asphalt this year included Kipling Street, sometimes known as “old Kipling,” from West Jewell Avenue to where it reconnects with Kipling Parkway. It also included Garrison

Street from West Sixth to West Colfax avenues and West 26th Avenue from Kipling Street to Wadsworth Boulevard.

The City worked jointly with the City of Edgewater to repave Pierce Street from West 20th to West 26th avenues and West 20th from Wadsworth to Sheridan boulevards.

To review the list of streets that received new asphalt, concrete repairs or sealcoating, visit Lakewood.org/

RepairsToStreetsAndSidewalks.

Repaving is used for streets with failing pavement or surfaces in such poor condition that driving on them is uncomfortable. In these cases, a layer of old asphalt is stripped away in a process called rotomilling, and then a new layer of 1 to 2 inches of asphalt is laid down. On larger City streets, striping material for lane markings is inlaid with the new asphalt, greatly improving their longevity and visibility, particularly at night.

Sealcoating is a preventative measure to seal streets against the effects of the weather, and it

is performed primarily on streets in good condition to extend their life. The City uses a reclaimite penetrating sealer, which is a semiclear penetrating oil sprayed on the pavement. Sand is then applied, and after 24 hours, the excess sand is swept from the street. The sealer initially makes streets look blotchy and damp. But within three to four months, the sealer fully penetrates the streets, and they returned to a uniform gray color.

For more information, contact the Street Maintenance Division at 303-987-7950.

Holiday Happenings

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Lakewood Lights

Free photos with Santa and hayrides
5:30-8:30 p.m., Dec. 6 & 7
Lakewood Heritage Center
801 S. Yarrow St.

Mayor's tree lighting featuring
the Shadows of the Mountain Choir
from Green Mountain High School
beginning at 5:45 p.m., Dec. 6 ONLY.
www.Lakewood.org/Holidaylights
303-987-7850

Timothy P. & The Rocky Mountain Stocking Stuffers

Entertaining arrangements of
original music and holiday favorites
7:30 p.m., Dec. 6 & 7
2 p.m., Dec. 7 & 8
Lakewood Cultural Center
470 S. Allison Parkway
www.Lakewood.org/Tickets
303-987-7845

Annual Holiday Show & Sale

Colorado and designers featured
through Dec. 23

10-2 p.m., Tuesdays-Saturdays
5-9 p.m., Thursdays
Lakewood Cultural Center
470 S. Allison Parkway
www.Lakewood.org/Exhibits
303-987-7756

Belmar Twofer Holiday Date Night

2 for 1 dining with voucher from
Belmar Information
5-9 p.m., Dec. 17
464 S. Teller St.
www.belmarcolorado.com
303-742-1520

"Nutcracker"

Holiday classic performed by the
Dawson/Wallace Dance Project
1 p.m., Dec. 15 & 22
2 p.m., Dec. 14, 21 & 23
5 p.m., Dec. 15 & 22
7 p.m., Dec. 14 & 21
Lakewood Cultural Center
470 S. Allison Parkway
www.Lakewood.org/Tickets
303-987-7845

Skate with Santa

Santa is at The Rink in Belmar
1-3 p.m., Dec. 14 & 21
464 S. Teller St.
www.belmarcolorado.com
303-742-1520

Young Entrepreneurs Marketplace

Holiday gifts made by young
business owners
10-2 p.m., Dec. 14
401 S. Pierce St.
www.yacenter.org/YEM

Historical Luncheon:

Holiday music from the Big Band Era,
and guest speaker is singer Michael
Angiolilo
1-2 p.m., Dec. 17
Lakewood Heritage Center
801 S. Yarrow St.
www.Lakewood.org/Holidays
303-987-7850

Snow Full Moon Hike

A winter adventure
5 p.m., Dec. 17
Bear Creek Lake Park
15600 W. Morrison Road
www.Lakewood.org/BCLP
303-697-6159

Winter Solstice Celebration

A night hike to celebrate the first
day of winter
6-8 p.m., Dec. 21
Bear Creek Lake Park
15600 W. Morrison Road
www.Lakewood.org/BCLP
303-697-6159

Belmar Winter Solstice Party

Live music, ice carving and free skating at
The Rink for those wearing winter white
4-8 p.m., Dec. 21
464 Teller St.
www.belmarcolorado.com
303-742-1520

City holiday closures

Christmas Eve, Dec. 24
Christmas Day, Dec. 25
New Year's Day, Jan. 1

Holiday lights recycling

Recycle old, broken, unused light
strings and bulbs
7 a.m.-5 p.m., Dec. 26-Jan.5
Lakewood Recycling Center
1068 Quail St.
www.Lakewood.org/Recycling
303-987-7190

Chainsaws + Chisels Ice Carving Event

Noon-2 p.m., Dec. 21 & 29
439 S. Teller St.
www.belmarcolorado.com
303-742-1520

Noon Year's Eve on The Rink

Celebrate the new year at noon
Noon, Dec. 31
464 S. Teller St.
www.belmarcolorado.com
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