

Voters asked about retail marijuana

Lakewood voters will see a question on their Nov. 4 ballot asking whether they want to ban retail marijuana stores from opening in the city. Voting “for” the ballot question will be a vote to ban such retail stores, and voting “against” it will be a vote to allow such stores to open in Lakewood.

The question will appear on the same ballot that Lakewood voters will use to vote on candidates for governor and other statewide races. The Nov. 4 election will be by mail ballots only. For more information about registering to vote in Lakewood, please call 303-987-7080 or visit www.Lakewood.org/Vote.

The question Lakewood voters will see on the ballot is below.

Shall it be unlawful to operate a retail marijuana store at any location within the City of Lakewood?

For Ballot Question _____

Against Ballot Question _____

The City Council decided to put the question about the retail marijuana stores on the ballot during the July 14 City Council meeting after a lengthy public hearing to take public comment. The video of the meeting is available at

www.Lakewood.org/CouncilVideos.

Also at the July 14 meeting, the City Council voted to ban marijuana businesses other than the retail stores. The council banned the cultivation, manufacturing and testing of retail marijuana in the city as well as hash oil production and recreational marijuana social clubs.

Voter-approved Amendment 64

allows those 21 years old or older to possess and use retail marijuana. The amendment also allows cities to ban commercial businesses related to marijuana and to ask voters about banning such businesses.

The City Council's actions in July have no effect on existing medical marijuana centers currently operating in the city. Since 2010, the City has regulated the opening and operations of medical marijuana centers in the city, and it has capped the number of medical marijuana centers allowed in the city. Medical marijuana centers are permissible under Amendment 20 approved by a statewide vote.



Art along for the ride

This whimsical, eye-catching artwork at the Oak Station is called “Tread Lightly” and is part of the public art the Regional Transportation District added to each of Lakewood’s seven stations. The artwork covers a broad range of styles, so take a look on page 4.

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PERMIT NO. 16

POSTAL PATRON

Help us sort it out *Changes at the recycling center*

All recyclables must be sorted at the Quail Street Recycling Center starting Sept. 15. The sorting will keep our costs down so we can continue to serve you.

A complete description of what is accepted at the center and where it should be placed is shown on page 7, and this information applies only to the center and not to any curbside recycling you use.

For more information about recycling options in the city, visit www.Lakewood.org/Recycling.

If you have questions or concerns, please call the City’s Environmental Services Division at 303-987-7190.

Since the center opened in December 2011, Lakewood residents have done a terrific job by already sorting 80 percent of the recyclables they bring to the center at 1068 Quail St. Now, the remaining 20 percent of items need to be sorted to make the center as cost-effective as possible.

Residents have recycled more than 3,000 tons of materials through

the center during its operations. About 300 vehicles visit the center each day, and residents even donate to the center to the tune of more than \$75 a week. This reflects the community’s dedication to recycling and sustainable living practices.

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Go in-depth
Look for links in bold and go online to Lakewood.org to watch videos, see photos and read more.



Letter from the **mayor**



Powerful example of dedication and commitment

On the night of July 5, we were all once again reminded of the bravery and professionalism of our Lakewood Police agents and of the dangers they potentially face on every shift they work.

Responding to a wife's request to perform a welfare check on her husband, Agents Jonathan Key and Kimberly Collins were confronted by an assailant who seemed to have been lying in wait for the police to show up. As he drove slowly toward the house, Agent Key was the first to be injured when bullets from what appeared to have been a long-range rifle pierced the windshield

of his patrol car. He was struck in his bulletproof vest and in his upper arm. Coming to his aid on foot, Agent Collins was also shot, suffering a severe wound to her leg. Thankfully, both agents survived their ordeals.

This is a seemingly inexplicable tragedy. If the allegations are true, why on earth would someone intentionally target law enforcement agents who are not only trying to do their job, but also explicitly trying to help him? Perhaps time, the judicial system and even doctors will help us understand such a motive.

Fortunately (if such a word can be used in this situation), the events of that night are also a remarkable story of what went *right*. It's a story of preparation, of training so timely and precise that on-site triage likely kept both agents from suffering even further complications from their wounds. It's a story of teamwork, communication, coordination and of camaraderie.

Ultimately, of course, it's a story of courage, as arriving agents sought to apprehend a dangerous suspect while also protecting their

fellow fallen agents and innocent bystanders in the neighborhood.

I believe that one unintended outcome of this series of events is an affirmation of what many in this community have known for a very long time: With the Lakewood Police Department, we are served and protected by devoted and committed agents. We all know how courteous, perceptive and respectful Lakewood agents are during their routine daily interactions with everyone. But this is a powerful example of agents' willingness to risk their lives for the community during such a rare and extraordinary moment of crisis.

There has always been a special bond between the people of Lakewood and *their* Police Department. From 1969, when we were one of the first cities in the country to require a college degree for agents, residents have held the department in high esteem and even felt a special sense of pride that is absolutely unique to Lakewood. Those feelings have been registered over and over again in recent weeks through countless expressions of

both condolence and gratitude directed toward the wounded agents and the department. On behalf of our more than 400 sworn and civilian personnel, I want to pass along their sincere appreciation for your ongoing support.

This incident is a reminder of the potential danger involved in law enforcement work virtually anywhere in the country. We owe a deep debt of gratitude to those who choose to serve their communities through this honored profession. It is also important to keep in mind how rare and isolated such an occurrence really is and how lucky we are to have the men and women of the Lakewood Police Department behind us each and every day.

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Council **Corner**

Ward 4



David Wiechman



Adam Paul

Ward 4 full of individuals dedicated to improving neighborhoods

We hope that you are enjoying this beautiful summer and taking advantage of the many wonderful options Lakewood has to offer! We have spoken in previous columns of the value of community. Recently the City Council adopted the Healthy Eating Active Living (HEAL) Resolution, confirming the City's commitment to encourage healthy opportunities and choices for our community's members. A few recent examples highlight this commitment by bringing new opportunities to those in Ward 4 such as Green Mountain Recreation Center opening newly redone outdoor courts for a wildly popular game called pickleball.

To continue with the theme, the Community Resources Department recently conducted a survey of Glennon Heights residents about attitudes regarding the local park and pool. As a result of the overwhelming feedback from the neighborhood, the Glennon Heights pool will now be open in the evenings until 8 p.m. on weekdays until Aug. 16. Thank you to the residents and staff for working to make this happen.

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Foothills Field of Dreams is closer to a reality. This example of a private-public cooperation is working to rehabilitate the sport fields at Foothills Elementary School. A few weeks ago, a reception was held to recognize the hundreds of donors who contributed tens of thousands of dollars. These donations have been matched by a grant from Great Outdoors Colorado, and the groundbreaking for the first phase is now scheduled for Aug. 15.

These wonderful things don't just happen by government resolutions, but rather they happen through the dedicated actions of individuals who take pride in their community, seeking to make Lakewood such a great place to live, work and thrive.

A healthy community isn't just about recreation; it also encompasses community building, which includes the daily actions of our residents. For example, so far this year the civic association for the Green Mountain Estates neighborhood has held an Easter egg hunt in the local park, sponsored a neighborhoodwide garage sale where two dozen individual families held their sales on the same weekend, and sponsored a neighborhood cleanup that provided free dumpsters to haul away the junk the regular commercial haulers can't take. This is an example of a voluntary homeowners association hard at work, one that we encourage other neighborhoods to organize.

Another example is the Glennon Heights neighborhood. After the spring rains resulted in an explosion of weed growth, a group of local

residents spent one Saturday morning cleaning out the weeds that had buried a trail from West Center Avenue to the open space behind Glennon Heights school (see photo below). These examples highlight two wonderful and dedicated groups working together for their neighbors. Thanks for your hard work and dedication. As an incentive to encourage you and your neighbors to come up with ways to improve your part of town, the City's annual Neighborhood Participation Program offers local groups up to \$50,000 for neighborhood improvement projects. For more information, go to

www.Lakewood.org/NPP

As you drive around the area, you may see new neighbors. We would like to welcome you to Lakewood and encourage you to meet your neighbors, join Nextdoor.com and sign up for ward meeting reminders and the Friday Report at www.Lakewood.org/StayInformed. These are great ways to stay connected, and if a need or issue arises, a resource to find resolution. Enjoy your summer, and we look forward to working with you to build a better community.

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Lakewood businesses using innovation to stay ahead

In my job as deputy city manager and economic development director, I come across interesting facts and businesses in Lakewood every day. Did you know that the modern smoke alarm was invented in Lakewood by accident? Engineers at a company called Statitrol on Union Boulevard were researching ways to reduce static electricity. In the 1960s, employees were allowed to smoke on the job, and the tobacco smoke affected the results of the company's research. Local scientist Duane Pearsall looked at this challenge in an innovative new way, and the modern smoke detector was born. Statitrol is one of many examples of how Lakewood businesses use innovation to their advantage.

Lakewood Economic Development recognizes the need for our businesses to be on the forefront of new ways to do business, manufacture products and think creatively. Nationally, while many economic development organizations focus on attracting large corporations to their communities, Lakewood has taken an additional approach. We focus on attracting, retaining and expanding both large and small businesses, from entrepreneurs to retailers and manufacturers to home-based businesses. We help contribute to our community's success by working with businesses on their novel ideas that could result in having a tremendous impact.

How is the City of Lakewood innovative? The answer is we do things differently. We know our business climate and value small businesses. We have partnerships with the county, other cities, nonprofits, business improvement districts and grant funders to ensure we maximize our impact. We proactively prepare for development

and get behind the trends of the future. More than 10 years ago, when the Regional Transportation District announced that the 13th Avenue corridor would be the site of the W line light rail, Lakewood embraced the change. Study after study shows that lifestyles are shifting toward urban living. To continue to make Lakewood attractive to new residents from all age groups and to provide more options for our current residents, the City expanded opportunities for the areas around the light rail stations to have a mix of housing, offices and shops in a more urban-style, pedestrian-friendly development, which our residents said they wanted to see around the stations. To stay relevant, government must value innovation as equally as businesses do.

And Lakewood businesses do. Seventy-eight percent of Lakewood businesses have fewer than 20 employees. Small businesses make up the backbone of our city and nation. But simply increasing revenue and operating a business for oneself does not necessarily mean innovation. What makes a small business innovative? Being open to new trends and shifts in the marketplace. Being proactive instead of reactive. Being open to new technologies and ways of doing things. Businesses that embrace the resources that are available — such as attending networking events, joining trade shows, getting to know their local economic development organization and participating in civic life — are a few ways to be successful.

Both large and small businesses in Lakewood are not only being innovative themselves, but they are examples of companies that seek out creative ways to take advantage of other's innovations. Terumo BCT, Lakewood's largest employer with

1,600 employees, is a manufacturer of blood component and cellular technologies. This Japanese company has expanded its global headquarters in Lakewood and has manufacturing facilities all over the world. With its unique business model of blood collection and processing technology combined with germ-reducing methods of production, the company is continually inspired to be innovative and be leaders in its field.

Lakewood's capacity to innovate doesn't stop at working to secure the expansion of a global headquarters for an international company. Every year we are proud of the Lakewood winners at the Colorado Companies to Watch event. This program recognizes Colorado companies that are developing valuable products, creating quality jobs and contributing to economic growth and individual independence through the use of innovation and ingenuity.

In recent years, Lakewood-based companies such as HomeSphere and Precision Media Solutions were honored for their contributions to the economy through this program. HomeSphere, the only company of its type, provides lead-generation and customer loyalty rebate programs by connecting the residential construction industry to product manufacturers, distributors, builders and homeowners using the latest technology. Using the power of the Internet, this company creates economies of scale to provide equal benefits to both large and small builders. Precision Media Solutions uses innovative technology and creative design to maximize a homeowner's investment in custom electronics systems. Combining climate control, automated lighting, security systems, audio-visual equipment and home theaters,

this company provides simplified answers to the complex world of electronics installations. Both of these companies understand the necessity for innovation — both with their own business models and with staying on top of available technologies and knowing industry shifts.

How can Lakewood innovators and entrepreneurs jump on the innovation bandwagon? You can start by attending the Jefferson County Innovation Faire on Sept. 12 and 13. Innovators, new creative entrepreneurs and inventive thinkers will all be there to showcase pioneering products and systems. The opportunity to network with like-minded thinkers and innovators will be invaluable to learning everything from starting a business to market realities. You can visit with the Jefferson County Business Resource Center, which can help you outline a business plan, understand your expected cash flow and give you candid assessments of your product or service's feasibility. And you can call Lakewood's Economic Development team at 303-987-7730. We are here to be your personal concierge as you expand or start up your venture. We are here for you!



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

Grand openings

Ageless Face and Skin has opened in the Studio One salon.
7843 W. Jewell Ave.
303-918-9693

To submit a listing, visit www.Lakewood.org/GrandOpenings.

Green Leaf Massage Center
11098 W. Jewell Ave., Unit A-5
303-984-4209
GreenLeafMassageCenter.com

Kristen Mary Photography for wedding photography and portraits
951-318-8750
www.KmPhotography.com

Metro West Housing Solutions broke ground on Cityscape apartments for older adults at Belmar.
West Virginia Avenue and South Reed Street
www.MwhSolutions.org

Success and Communication has opened.
7475 W. Fifth Ave., Suite 312
720-722-3585
www.BreakThroughPerformanceAcademy.com

The UPS Store has opened in Lakewood City Commons
7830 W. Alameda Ave., #103
303-263-1348
www.TheUPSStoreLocal.com/6494

OP Nail and Spa, 1545 Quail St.
303-205-1871

Moves and anniversaries

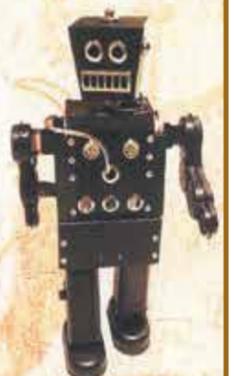
Vela Insurance Agency celebrated its 16th anniversary.
5285 W. Louisiana Ave.
720-550-6527
www.VelaInsurance.net

Stack Subs has moved to 420 S. Teller St. in Belmar from 85 S. Union Blvd.
303-641-6167
www.StackSubs.com

www.JeffCoInnovators.org • 303-993-7473

JeffCo Innovation Faire

9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Friday & Saturday
Sept. 12-13
Warren Tech Campus
13300 W. Second Place
Lakewood



Artsy W Line



"Color Field" at the Federal Center Station



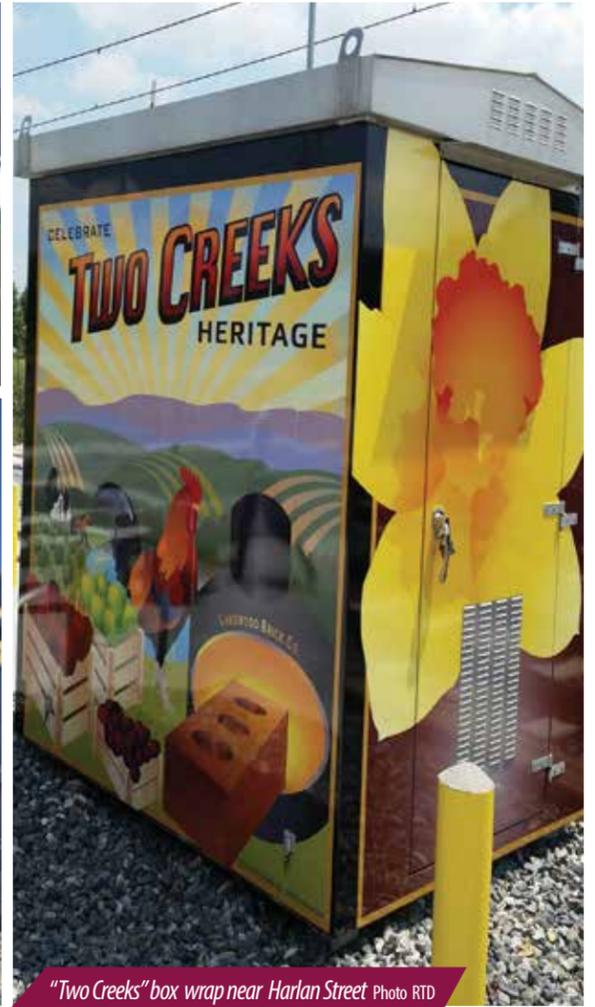
"Color Field" at the Federal Center Station Photo RTD



"Winds of Change" at the Garrison Station



Box wrap near Lamar Station

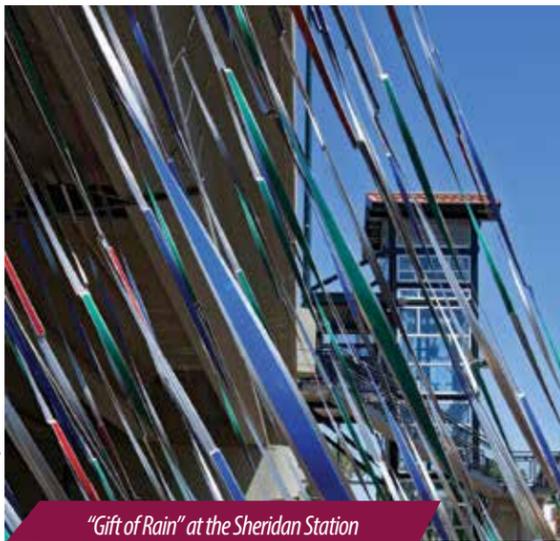


"Two Creeks" box wrap near Harlan Street Photo RTD

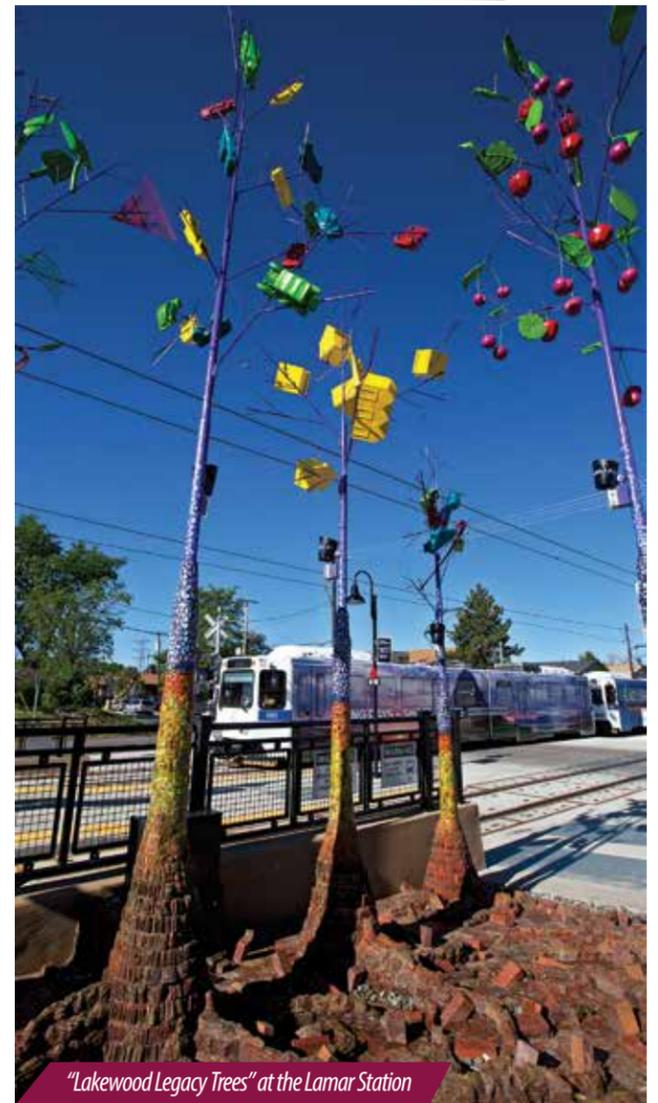
Art along for the ride

The Regional Transportation District's Art-n-Transit program for the W line has brought artwork to the stations, in windscreens, as wraps for relay and communication boxes and in the canopies, railings or walls along the line. The artwork was picked by committees consisting of Lakewood residents and business owners from the neighborhoods surrounding each station as well as Lakewood City Council members and City staff, RTD staff and representatives from the arts community. Lakewood contributed funds for artwork used in the windscreens and pieces at the Lamar, Lakewood-Wadsworth and Oak stations.

Art-n-Transit's mission is to enhance the design and quality of RTD's transit projects. Since 1994, the program has used public art as a way to create a sense of community and identity, celebrate culture and history and discourage vandalism and graffiti. Learn about the artists at www.RTD-fastracks.com/wc_212.



"Gift of Rain" at the Sheridan Station



"Lakewood Legacy Trees" at the Lamar Station



"Rain and Sun" at the Lakewood-Wadsworth Station



Windscreens at the Garrison Station

News from our partners

Jefferson County District Attorney Peter Weir Presents

COMMUNITY SAFETY AWARENESS DAY



Safety Fair

August 23, 2014
Saturday
9:00 AM - 1:00 PM
 Jefferson County Fairgrounds
 15200 West Sixth Ave., Golden, CO

Free On-Site

- Document shredding - limit 5 boxes.
- Small electronics recycling (nominal fee).
- Prescription round-up.
- CHEEZO's child internet safety programs.
- Credit reports printed and reviewed by a bank officer.
- Bicycle Rodeo for kids - free helmets
- Parking lot shuttle.

Safety Tools & Tips for the Entire Family

- Birds of Prey
- Bike Rodeo for kids
- Teen driving safety
- Free 911 cell phones for seniors
- Bounce castles, face painting, craft tables
- Living safely with wildlife
- Water and boating safety
- Child seat belt checks
- Alzheimer's information
- Safe-proofing your home
- Fire safety
- Health and wellness tips
- Investment fraud
- Prescription abuse
- Fraud and ID Theft safety
- And much, much and more!

80 booths offering activities, giveaways and valuable information

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sip. taste. celebrate!
 Join us for a **food & wine tasting**
 benefitting Heritage, Culture & the Arts in Lakewood.

TICKETS
\$25 before
October 15.
\$35 at the
door

6 p.m., Thursday, October 23

Lakewood Cultural Center | 470 S. Allison Parkway
 Tickets are available at: Lakewood.org/Tickets | 303.987.7845

Benefiting the HCA Alliance, whose mission is to secure resources and create awareness for heritage, cultural, arts and educational programs of the City of Lakewood Heritage, Culture & the Arts Division.



The Race with THE POINT



Ralston House

5K

ENDURANCE CHALLENGE

Run/Walk to Benefit Ralston House in 2014
Saturday, September 13th
The Plaza at Belmar Shopping Center
464 South Teller Street, Lakewood
Race Start Time: 11:00 a.m.

For details and to register online: www.ralstonhouse.net
 For more information, call us at 720-898-6744 or email: airlando@arvada.org



When neighbors start talking, good things happen



Lakewood Linked

Our community becomes stronger when we all work together to meet the needs in our neighborhoods, find solutions to challenges and offer assistance and help. That's the idea behind Lakewood Linked, Mayor Bob Murphy's initiative to foster collaboration, communication and cooperation.

Visit www.Lakewood.org/Neighbors to learn about success stories that Lakewood Linked has inspired.

What can you do?
 Connect with the businesses, churches and schools in and around your neighborhood. They are part of the neighborhood and often are ready and willing to support neighborhood projects.

Create a neighborhood support network to assist those who need help with tasks such as snow shoveling, leaf raking or yard cleanup.

Arrange a block party to get to know your neighbors and learn who needs help.

What are you accomplishing in your neighborhood?
 Send your great stories, solutions, photos and important ideas for supporting your neighborhood to www.LakewoodLinked@Lakewood.org.

What do you know about Lakewood's certified creative district?
 Visit www.40WestArts.org



Mark your calendar

for the West Metro Veterans Fair
2-7 p.m., Sept. 24

Link Recreation Center
 1295 S. Reed St.
 For more information, email norbri@Lakewood.org.

See what's new in Lakewood's parks

Some of the city's oldest parks have received terrific updates and sprouted innovations that combine functionality with beauty and health.

At **Lakewood Park**, 150 S. Kipling Parkway, a new playground with fun spinning equipment challenges the young and the young at heart to hang on and have a blast, and it replaces a 25-year-old, outdated playground. Park improvements also include new sidewalks that help visitors better navigate the park, which was built in the 1960s before Lakewood was incorporated as a city.

Lakewood Park is one of the city's most heavily used, and it features ball fields, tennis courts, two reservable picnic shelters, an open lawn area and flower beds. The playground and new sidewalks cost \$275,000 and were paid for by Colorado Lottery funds and money Lakewood receives from the Jefferson County Open Space sales tax.



Check out the A-Z park list, the reservable shelters and the City's bicycle map at www.Lakewood.org/Parks.

At **Morse Park**, 8180 W. 20th Ave., the rain garden is in full bloom. The rain garden replaced an unattractive and deteriorated concrete basin that collected stormwater. That runoff now collects in the rain garden and nourishes the drought-tolerant plants before draining through a sand filter to clean the water before releasing it. The beautiful form is certainly functioning well. The project was partially funded through the City's Neighborhood Participation Program, which provides grants for projects that neighborhood groups submit as items that will improve their neighborhoods.

At **Mountair Park**, 5620 W. 14th Ave., the community farm operated by Sprout City Farms is yielding bundles of fresh produce. Residents conceived of the idea for a community farm in the park as a way to provide healthy, sustainable food to the community. Those who bought shares in the farm receive produce weekly, and the public can stop by the donation-based farm stand to pick up some produce from 4 to 6 p.m. starting Aug. 22. The farm also will have a free Farm Fiesta from 1 to 4 p.m., Aug. 16 that will include games, activities, music, snacks and farm tours.

Lakewood Heritage, Culture & the Arts

SCFD Scientific Cultural Foundation
CITY'S WAY TO POSSIBLE

CIDER DAYS 2014

10 a.m.-5 p.m. October 4 & 5

Cider Pressing • Organic Cider • Apple Bake-off • Historic Demonstrations
Live Entertainment • Antique Tractor Pull • Vintage Farm Machinery
Admission includes unlimited kids' amusements! Child \$4 • Adult \$7
LAKEWOOD HERITAGE CENTER ↑ 801 S. Yarrow St. ↑ 303.987.7850

Lakewood.org/CiderDays

FootHills, TEDFORD KATZ, St. Anthony Hospital, Timbuk Toys, MULLER, ASPIRE

LAKWOOD TRAIL RUNNING SERIES

Series of 4 races
September 3, 10, 17 & 24
Wednesdays at 6 p.m.
Bear Creek Lake Park
15600 W. Morrison Rd.

- Races vary from 4 miles to 8 miles.
- All courses are run on dirt trails unless changed due to weather.
- All races begin and end at Pelican Point.
- Prize drawings will be held after race completion. Must be present to win.
- Park entry is free for registered participants.

\$60 for the series before Sept. 1
\$65 for the series after Sept. 1
\$25 for an individual race

Information: PolZim@Lakewood.org | 303.987.4807
Online registration will close the day prior. Lakewood.org/Register

Lakewood Recreation, Runners Roost, Mizuno



Wildlife in the city

Visitors to Bear Creek Lake Park capture some great shots of wildlife, and the park's motion-activated cameras provide a peek at our wild neighbors such as this deer on the move. Check out all the excellent park photos at [Facebook.com/BCLP](https://www.facebook.com/BCLP), and join in on the conversations underway on the City's social media by visiting the "social media center" at www.Lakewood.org/StayInformed.

What goes where?

From page 1

Aluminum Cans
Place in plastic rollable bins

- aluminum beverage cans

(No food residue, no aluminum foil, ties, or steel cans)

Glass
Place in rolloff marked for glass

- glass bottles and jars

(No food residue or lids)

Plastic (#1-5 and #7)
Place in rolloff marked for plastics

- plastic bottles with caps half-way screwed on
- plastic tubs and lids
- clamshells
- waxed milk cartons
- waxed juice boxes

(No food residue, no plastic from dinner plates, no prescription bottles, no Styrofoam or Plastic #6)

Cardboard
Place in shed marked for cardboard

- flattened corrugated cardboard

(No food residue or wet cardboard)

Paper
Place in rolloff marked for paper

- non-bagged shredded paper, newspaper with inserts, paperboard (cereal boxes, mac and cheese boxes, etc.), white and colored paper, wrapping paper (not foil-lined), hard- and soft-cover books, magazines, catalogs, phone books, junk mail, envelopes with and without windows, brochures, pamphlets, shiny-coated paper, carbonless receipts, post-it notes, manuals with glue-bindings, file folders with plastic tabs, staples, paperclips, binder clips

Scrap Metal
Place in rolloff marked for scrap metal

- aluminum (not cans)
- metal lids
- steel
- stainless steel
- iron, cast iron
- lead
- copper
- zinc
- brass
- alloys
- appliances and above materials not containing hazardous chemicals and are more than 50% metal and are items that residents can place in the rolloffs without assistance

(No refrigerators, microwaves, electronics, aerosol cans, propane or compressed gas cylinders, drums, munitions, bullets, military range scrap, fluorescent bulbs or ballasts, turnings, borings, oily scrap, radioactive/hazardous waste/chemicals)

Not Recyclable

- plastic bags and wrap
- bags containing recyclables
- trash
- electronic devices
- hazardous materials and chemicals
- compressed gas tanks
- Styrofoam (Plastic #6)
- food-soiled anything
- food or organic waste
- waxed paper and waxed cardboard
- wet or soiled paper and paper products
- carpet or cloth
- light bulbs
- liquids
- mirrors, window glass, plates, dishes and glasses

Enroll in Lakewood's free civics course

It's never too late to learn what you missed in high school. Enroll in Lakewood's free Civics 101 course to experience a court trial and learn how your local tax dollars are spent. The course will cover a variety of topics, and it is designed to increase Lakewood residents' knowledge of and participation in City issues.

The course will be 6 to 9 p.m. on Tuesdays, Sept. 30-Nov. 25 at Lakewood City Hall, 480 S. Allison Parkway. Civics 101 is open to Lakewood residents, and participants must be able to attend all nine sessions to register for the course.

To register, fill out and submit an application online under the "Citizen Academies" page at www.Lakewood.org/StayInformed or use the one below. The deadline to register is Sept. 5

CIVICS 101 APPLICATION

Deadline to apply: Friday, Sept. 5, 6-9 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 30-Nov. 25, 2014

Return form to City Manager's Office, 480 S. Allison Parkway, Lakewood, 80226, or fax to 303-987-7063.

Name _____
Address _____ ZIP code _____
Phone (home) _____ Work or cell _____
Name & Phone number for a contact in case of an emergency _____

Why does Civics 101 interest you? _____

What experiences, if any, have you had with the City of Lakewood?

Lakewood 2025: Moving Forward Together

The process to update the City's Comprehensive Plan and to create the City's first Sustainability Plan continues with a committee and work groups formulating important elements of the plans based on the comments and views provided by the public during the series of community meetings last fall.

For the Comprehensive Plan, City staff is currently working with the Comprehensive Advisory Committee to assist with developing the goals and action steps for the plan. The committee consists of the Planning Commission, residents who represent each City ward and business representatives from the registered business organizations in Lakewood. The public's input received at last fall's community open houses are guiding the vision and goals that will be contained in the Comprehensive Plan.

For the Sustainability Plan, six work groups are focused on developing information on specific sustainability topics to aid in the development of the plan. Each work group consists of experts in the specific sustainability topic as well as residents, community members and City staff.

These plans are essential

documents that lay out the vision for the city's future. The Comprehensive Plan sets a vision for land use, transportation and economic development and identifies policies and goals to achieve that vision. The plan provides critical guidance by articulating what community members want to see in their city and how they want their values reflected in the choices City officials make. The Sustainability Plan will provide specific goals for issues such as reducing emissions and waste and promoting energy conservation. The City Council will use these documents as the framework for future decision-making regarding quality of life and sustainable development patterns and efforts.

The City will have community open houses in early 2015 to receive comments from the public on the draft versions of the Comprehensive Plan and Sustainability Plan. Please visit www.Lakewood.org/MovingForward to stay up to date on the development of these plans through meeting summaries, upcoming meeting announcements and other important information.

Apply for neighborhood grant

Would your neighborhood benefit from having a new playground in the neighborhood park? Apply for the City's Neighborhood Participation Program at www.Lakewood.org/NPP.

Get Involved

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Comments, concerns, questions?

You can let the City know about any comments, concerns or questions you have by filling out the Comment Card below and mailing it back to the City for a response.

If you prefer, you can always let us know your thoughts by using Request Lakewood available at www.Lakewood.org/RequestLakewood. Each request that comes to Request Lakewood is tracked to ensure that an answer is provided in a timely manner. Residents, of course, can always call, starting with the main City phone number, 303-987-7000.

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To create open communication between residents and the City of Lakewood, we are providing this card for your comments or suggestions. After filling it out, clip it out and mail it to City of Lakewood, City Manager's Office, 480 S. Allison Parkway, Lakewood, 80226-3127.

Name** _____
 Address _____ ZIP _____
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