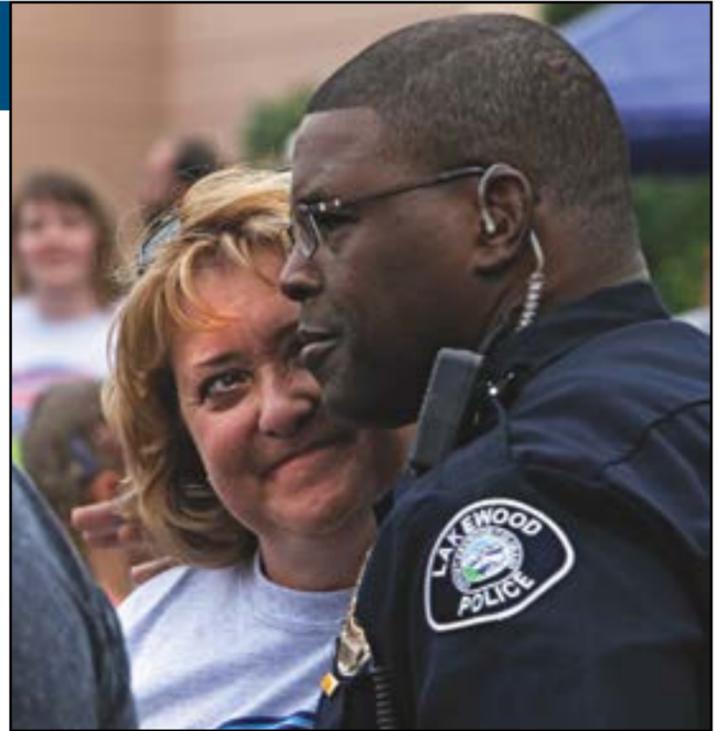


Making a connection



Lakewood Police Agent Dutch Smith's time spent with a Lakewood resident exemplified National Night Out's mission of building appreciation, support and respect between police and the community.

To our Lakewood community,

On Aug. 2, National Night Out was observed in cities around the country. For years NNO has been an opportunity for neighborhoods to get together with representatives of their local law enforcement agencies. It is a time for each to show their appreciation, support and respect for one another while enjoying an abundance of fellowship.

This year in Lakewood, there were over 45 organized NNO neighborhood events. The events were attended by an average of approximately 30-35 residents from each of the respective neighborhoods. Uniformed agents from the Lakewood Police Department attended each event in a show of support and solidarity with those whom we proudly serve and protect.

What was somewhat unexpected was the overwhelming amount of concern, support and admiration shown to our agents by the hundreds of attendees that evening.

Many of you took the time to express to our agents that you believe in them and deeply care for their safety. The hugs, handshakes and homemade gifts are tangible indications of a community and police department that share a thriving relationship.

Following the many recent tragic events in our nation stemming from poor police-community relationships, the many words of encouragement, reassurance and confidence bestowed upon our agents that evening were truly an inspiration to us all. The show of support came from the same businesses, churches and neighbors who showed up at our doors, in our lobby or at the side of a patrol car with gifts of food, flowers, cards and letters and sent emails

following heartbreaking news such as that from Dallas and Baton Rouge.

There are several places within our building where one can see the Mission Statement of the Lakewood Police Department. It reads, "The men and women of the Lakewood Police Department will protect and serve with integrity, intelligence and initiative. **Working with our community** we will bring justice to those who commit crime and disorder in our city."

The more than 400 employees of the Lakewood Police Department reaffirm our commitment to you that we will work to maintain your trust and to understand the community we work with and rely upon. Thank you,

The men and women of the Lakewood Police Department



Bicycle helps family roll forward



Never underestimate the power of a bicycle in the life of a child. The Lakewood Faith Coalition understands that power. For one struggling Lakewood family that the coalition helped recently, the bicycle meant even more because it would make getting food on the table a little easier.

When the coalition learned from a Lakewood elementary school that a local family needed help in all sorts of ways, the coalition connected with the City and other agencies. That collaboration resulted in an array of support for

the family but maybe none more important than a donated bicycle.

Keeping the momentum rolling, a Lakewood bicycle shop provided a free overhaul of the bicycle, and community members contributed a new bicycle helmet and lock. The 12-year-old boy couldn't stop smiling when he received the bike this summer, providing him a delightful sense of normalcy and a great way to get to school this fall. It also offers a quick ride to the grocery store that will be valuable for the family.

The coalition also learned from a

property manager about an opening for a home, which would allow the family to move from a local shelter. Reaching out to Jefferson County Human Services provided a way to get the deposit and the first month's rent for the family, and the coalition worked with local nonprofits to get furniture for the family's new place to live. A family engagement liaison for Jeffco Public Schools encouraged the mom to get involved with her children's school, which provided a support network to a family without one.

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Letter from the mayor



Spirit of community

I would like to thank the Lakewood Police Department and the community for making the 2016 National Night Out a great success. With more neighbors participating than ever I had the opportunity to stop by several and was thrilled to see neighbors interacting, sharing food and getting to know one another. I also observed an amazing outpouring of support for our brave and dedicated police agents. While we got a little afternoon rain, it didn't stop the barbecues, games, music and conversation. Neighbors getting to know neighbors is a critical component of community health, which is something I've focused on this year through my "Spotlight on Lakewood" health series and other City programs.

Power of partnership

A few years ago the City launched a program called Lakewood Linked. This program builds on neighbors knowing one another and identifying resources to meet the needs within our unique neighborhoods. Lakewood Linked began with connecting volunteers to help with neighborhood projects and encouraging neighborhoods to use Nextdoor.com, an online opportunity for residents to share information and make connections. Lakewood Linked has continued to work on building a healthy community by adding business and faith communities to help address critical needs and find solutions through the power of partnership with the neighborhoods. I would like to share with you two examples of what this program is doing now. One group headed by the Lakewood Faith Coalition (LFC) has been finding ways to better serve our children in our high-need schools. Some of this work was recently recognized through our 2016 All-America City Award. This partnership between the schools

and the coalition is now focused on six Lakewood elementary schools, and the LFC recently met with the administrators of these schools to see what their needs are. These schools have now been "adopted" by different members of LFC, and work will begin to enrich and enhance the lives of not only the students but also their families and the neighborhoods surrounding the schools through initiatives such as clothing drives, food backpacks and tutoring. This concept of "schools as hubs" as a way to address our community's challenges has great potential, and if you would like to be a part of this important work, please visit Lakewood.org/neighbors.

Spirit of service

The second example of Lakewood Linked's efforts involves our service clubs. We are very fortunate to have many great service organizations in Lakewood, and these groups such as Kiwanis, Rotary, Optimists and the Elks do great things in supporting the community. So what would happen if we "linked" them with some of the groundwork that

Lakewood Linked has established in creating partnerships to meet our community's challenges? We are examining just that, and I am excited that we will be meeting with all of our service groups this month to better understand what they are doing and to see if we can create a partnership to support their mission and build a stronger community.

I also want to remind folks that fall is budgeting time for the City, and the process for shaping the City's 2017 budget begins this month during a Sept. 19 study session. Finding out what is going on is as easy as watching the study session from the comfort of your own home online at Lakewood.org/Live8.

I hope you had an amazing summer and as the nights get cooler, the kids settle back into school and the leaves begin to change, remember together we will do great things!

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Council Corner

Ward 1



Ramey Johnson



Charley Able

Residents' hospitality, hard work reinforce collaborations

The Ward 1 community gathered in front yards, homes, city parks, businesses and community rooms to observe National Night Out on Tuesday evening, Aug. 2, hosting neighbors, police agents and firefighters in what has become the Lakewood Police Department's largest annual community event.

We attended nine of the 10 events in Ward 1, including Wednesday night's National Night Out observance at St. Paul's Episcopal Church along with the church's monthly dinner for the community.

The warm welcomes and gracious hospitality we received reinforce our strategy as your Ward 1 Council members to work as a team to ensure our neighborhoods and businesses are represented to the best of our combined abilities.

One of those collaborative efforts involves the thorny issue of off-campus parking and

drop-off traffic at Lakewood High School. Since last spring, we have been working to fine-tune the plans put in place over the past few years to limit the impacts of overflow student parking on nearby neighborhoods. And the problems are compounded by the evening and weekend use of school facilities and ballfields by other groups.

This time around, the school district has agreed to take a more active role in working with us to find a combination of solutions to ensure that the neighbors of LHS do not bear an undue burden on their privacy or property.

Ward 1 is home to the city's latest Sustainable Neighborhood, the area now designated as the South of 6th neighborhood. The neighborhood was recognized Aug. 22 at an event at Civic Center Plaza before joining four other Lakewood neighborhoods in receiving Outstanding Sustainable Neighborhood recognition during the City Council meeting that night.

According to a City of Lakewood press release, the South of 6th

neighborhood "is working to create better connections with its children and teens through its Youth Connections Initiative, and part of that initiative has included fire station tours for the youth. The neighborhood created the 'Ask an Arborist' program to increase their knowledge of local trees, and it organized a protein food drive in the neighborhood to donate to the Action Center." Those efforts and others by South of 6th resulted in the distinction of becoming Lakewood's newest certified Outstanding Sustainable Neighborhood through the City's Sustainable Neighborhoods Program.

Other neighborhoods sharing that designation are Ward 1's Eiberhood (part of which is in Ward 2 as well), Ward 3's Belmar neighborhood and Lake Lochwood

Village and the Southern Gables neighborhoods in Ward 5. Those areas participating in the program use "workshops, projects and events that enhance the livability of their neighborhoods and reduce residents' ecological footprint," according to the press release, earning designation as either a Participating Sustainable Neighborhood or an Outstanding Sustainable Neighborhood. That achievement is recognized with a sign that is erected in the neighborhood, and the neighborhoods must win recertification annually.

Five neighborhoods have participated in the Sustainable Neighborhoods Program since its inception in 2012.

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Economic Development

What's new? What's renewed?



Belmar's Hyatt House is "new."

"If I have seen further than others, it is by standing upon the shoulders of giants."

— Isaac Newton

"What's new in Lakewood?" is a question we're often asked in the Economic Development office. Our answer usually involves the many development projects under construction. It's easy to answer when earth movers and construction cranes are creating impossible-to-miss, new buildings. But the deeper truth is most of our local economy is built on a foundation of businesses that were "new" years, or even decades, ago. These stalwart projects are the giants of our community, and our Lakewood economy depends on a foundation of these long-running developments. Today, Lakewood's economic success is built on the shoulders of giants.

It's easy to get excited about a newly opened store, restaurant or development project. The reality is the developments opening today

will be paying dividends to the community for decades to come — just as the developments that were new years ago are bolstering our lives today. Not only should we appreciate what's new, but we should also express gratitude for the projects that have been a part of our community for years.

Colorado Mills, for example, has propelled Lakewood's economy for nearly 15 years. Two generations of Lakewood residents have secured their first jobs at the Mills. Sales taxes collected by retailers has helped pay the salaries of police agents, recreational instructors and road crews. We are thankful for the investments the City and the Mills put into place all those years ago. We're also grateful that businesses in Mills still provide community and economic benefits today.

In a community like ours, development becomes redevelopment, and a cycle of renewal makes for a lot of "what's new" to be about "what's renewed?" Belmar, for example, recently turned 12, but you don't have to

go too far to find a resident who remembers that the commercial development at Wadsworth and Alameda was once Villa Italia Mall. Villa Italia was new in 1965, Belmar was new in 2002, and the Hyatt House is new in 2016. Business owners in Belmar and City leaders deserve our gratitude for what they invested back in the day and also for contributing to what's new or perhaps, renewed today.

We generally assume anything we build today will be here 20 to 40 years from now. If we build it right, developments will easily provide benefits to the community for several decades. Greenlighting these projects are big decisions, and as much as we'd like to see a new one start each week, we also know each project is a monumental undertaking. The investors who put millions of dollars on the line only pursue a project in consultation with City staff after great deliberation and research.

While projects often provide community benefits, they also sustain our community economically. Developments provide jobs for local residents. Frequently they generate the sales and property taxes used to pay for public safety, recreational amenities, roads and the utilities infrastructure we need to make our community great.

On Lakewood's West Colfax corridor, "what's renewed" has an interesting twist: Casa Bonita was recently granted historical

designation — it's new that it has become historic. If you talk to the long-timers on West Colfax, they remember when Casa Bonita used to be a department store. As new construction at the Lamar Station Plaza brings new jobs and investment to where Casa Bonita is located — what's renewed — is clearly standing on the shoulders of what was new nearly a half century ago.

While our economic development efforts often yield a development that is new, it's important to realize our successes last year — or in the last 10 years — are still fueling our success today. We're in it for the long haul and even when some people may struggle to remember "what's new" in Lakewood, our economic development efforts — past and present — are creating something new in the community.

We should appreciate the new and the renewed. When a new building is under construction in Lakewood — and there are dozens of them — take a moment to fully appreciate the decades-long investment being made. And, when you visit a Lakewood business you've patronized for years, make sure to thank them for putting in the investment all those years ago.

**Lakewood's
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Lamar Station Plaza is "renewed."

Welcome to



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

Listed below are openings of new businesses and important milestones.

Arahant Medical Center

7525 W. 10th Ave.
720-209-8537
ArahantHealth.net

Comprehensive Chiropractic

1890 S. Wadsworth Blvd.
720-458-0487
ComprehensiveColorado-chiropractors.com

Cookie Cutters Hair Cuts

7660 W. Virginia Ave., Suite B
303-625-3190
HairCutsAreFun.com

Dream Dance Studios

12860 W. Cedar Dr., Suite 110
303-238-9651
DreamDanceStudios.com

El Bohio Criollo Cuban Cuisine

2080 Youngfield St.
720-630-8319

Pro Image Sports

14500 W. Colfax Ave.
ProImageSports.com

MILESTONES

Great Frontier Brewing

First year anniversary
2010 S. Oak St.
720-328-1758
GreatFrontierBeer.com

Urban Companies

30th Anniversary
44 Union Blvd., Suite 110
303-989-7000
UrbanCompanies.net

CIDER DAYS 2016

Cider Days, Lakewood's signature fall festival, returns with gusto to Lakewood Heritage Center on Oct. 1 and 2. Attendees can taste, try and buy "everything apple" while enjoying unlimited amusements including live music, performances and the perennial favorite tractor pull.

In addition to all of the family-friendly activities, Cider Days is home to Colorado's largest hard cider tasting with more than 15 local and national cideries participating, offering over 50 ciders to sample. Because of overwhelming popularity, the hard cider tasting has been expanded to both Saturday and Sunday and will be open from noon to 4 p.m.

Cider Days is the complete apple experience with apple pressing, apple cider by the glass or gallon, an apple pie-eating contest, an apple bake-off and more.

Cider Days hosts the same great experience Saturday and Sunday, and your admission covers all activities and entertainment although the hard cider tasting requires a separate ticket. Save the date to join your friends and neighbors at this annual event that celebrates Lakewood's agricultural heritage. There is no better way to welcome the fall than with Cider Days.

If you're interested in volunteering at Cider Days, contact Karla Grahn at 303-987-7868 or KarGra@Lakewood.org. For the full entertainment lineup, tickets and information, visit Lakewood.org/CiderDays.



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- Live Entertainment
- Historic Demonstrations
- Tractor Pull
- Apple Bake-off
- Apple Pie Eating Contest
- Cider Pressing
- Food and Craft Vendors

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 801 S. Yarrow St. | 303.987.7850

Lakewood.org/CiderDays
[Facebook.com/LakewoodHeritageCenter](https://www.facebook.com/LakewoodHeritageCenter)

Sustainability

Discover your role in Lakewood's sustainable future



Do you ever find yourself wondering how you can make an impact in your community? Maybe you see opportunities to contribute, but can't seem to find the right match for your skill set or interests. Lakewood's Sustainability Division needs individuals like you.

The Lakewood Sustainability Cooperative, or Scoop for short, is a

network of Lakewood community members who are passionate about sustainability and are ready to contribute to a stronger, healthier Lakewood. As part of Scoop, we at the Sustainability Division will share upcoming events, projects and other sustainability-related opportunities with Scoop participants who have matching interests and expertise.

What kind of experts are we looking for? Maybe you know where the best walking and biking paths are to nearby grocery stores or parks. Maybe you've worked for an energy company for the past 20 years. Maybe you have a thriving backyard garden or a knack for

photography, or you are a local business owner or an independent artist. We need your help to creatively address sustainability issues in our community. You are the experts, and we hope to connect with you and together build a thriving and resilient Lakewood.

Joining Scoop is simple. Visit Lakewood.org/Scoop to learn more about the program and sign up. You can also call 303-987-7686. Through the application, you will have the chance to tell us about your background and interests. When a project comes up that matches your interests, we will email you with an opportunity to

participate. Scoop is a great way to contribute to your community while celebrating your unique skills.

If you are interested in keeping up with sustainability news in Lakewood, don't miss our monthly Lakewood Sustainability e-newsletter. We have regular stories about community efforts, City projects and informational articles on sustainability concepts. Subscribe by visiting Lakewood.org/SustainabilityNews.

Boards & Commissions

Make a difference in your community

Become a leader by serving on one of Lakewood's boards and commissions, which can really make a difference for just a few volunteer hours a month. Applications are available at Lakewood.org/GetonBoard. For additional information, contact Ethen Westbrook at 303-987-7661 or EthWes@Lakewood.org.

Advisory Commission for an Inclusive Community has several openings. ACIC advises City Council by researching specific issues of interest to Lakewood residents and making recommendations for potential action to City Council. Members should plan to attend a minimum of two meetings

a month. Applicants must attend both a full commission meeting and a committee meeting before submitting an application. For more information, visit Lakewood.org/ACIC. **Deadline to apply: Oct. 21.**

Board of Appeals has one opening. This board decides appeals from any order, requirement, decision or determination made by the codes administrator. Meetings occur as needed but typically are four or five times a year for one to two hours for each meeting. Members must be qualified by experience and training to decide on matters involving building construction. **Deadline to apply: until filled.**

Arts & PARKS



NATIONAL PUBLIC LANDS DAY

8 a.m.-noon, Saturday, September 24
 Bear Creek Lake Park
Lakewood.org/BCLPEvents

National Public Lands Day is the nation's largest, single-day volunteer effort for public lands. BCLP volunteers will help the park collect invasive plants, build and maintain trails and remove trash to keep the park clean. Please register at Lakewood.org/BCLPEvents.

FREE! EXHIBIT: "WHAT LAKEWOOD MEANS TO ME"

Exhibit runs October 1 through 30
 Corner Gallery, Lakewood Cultural Center
Lakewood.org/Exhibits

CIDER DAYS

10 a.m.-5 p.m., October 1 & 2
 Lakewood Heritage Center
Lakewood.org/CiderDays

Lakewood's signature fall festival, Cider Days, returns October 1 & 2 for two full days of entertainment, performances, tours and tasty harvest treats.

VITALY: AN EVENING OF WONDERS

7:30 p.m., Friday, October 7
 2 p.m., Saturday, October 8
 Lakewood Cultural Center
Lakewood.org/LCCPresents

Vitaly, a world-class illusionist, is known for magical feats such as erasing people's faces from their own driver's licenses and causing a paintbrush to paint on its own.

ADULT SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

9 a.m.-6 p.m., Saturday, October 8
 Lakewood Park & Addenbrooke Park
Lakewood.org/Recreation

City of Lakewood is pleased to offer the 7th Annual Swing Away for the Cure softball tournament, with divisions for men's and coed teams. Register by October 4 at 303.987.4804.

HISTORIC LUNCHEON: GOLD IN AURARIA CITY

Noon- 2 p.m., Tuesday, October 11
 Lakewood Heritage Center
Lakewood.org/Luncheons

Enjoy a delightful lunch at the Lakewood Heritage Center Schoolhouse, followed by a presentation about Auraria's historic architecture and diverse communities. Lunch is at noon, lecture at 1 p.m. Preregistration is required.

HAUNTED TRAIL ADVENTURE

4-7 p.m., Saturday, October 15
 Bear Creek Lake Park
Lakewood.org/HauntedTrail

Experience Bear Creek Lake Park with all its ghoulish magic in an evening of ghostly trails and tales. Walk along the Owl Trail and discover critters of the night. We'll have games and even a visit from a few "live" owls. Registration is required, visit Lakewood.org/HauntedTrail.

PUMPKIN CARVING WORKSHOP

6:30-8 p.m., Thursday, October 13
 Lakewood Cultural Center
Lakewood.org/Register

Learn to create a superb carved pumpkin under the guidance of Barry Brown, master pumpkin carver! The workshop includes a fun carving demonstration with tips and tricks, followed by you and your partner carving into your very own prescooped pumpkin. All materials provided, ages 7 and up welcome. Register with activity number 379104-01.

LEARNING AT LUNCH: BARRIERS AND SOLUTIONS IN HOMES

11 a.m.-12:30 pm., Friday, October 14
 Lakewood Link Recreation Center
 or
 12:30-2 p.m., Friday, October 21
 Clements Community Center
Lakewood.org/Register

Join us for lunch at either session to hear a presentation on how medical conditions can affect your mobility in and around your home. Learn ways to overcome barriers in addition to a variety of adaptations that can make your life easier. Preregister using activity number 322303.

Sign up to receive the latest arts, parks and recreation news at Lakewood.org/Publications.

Playground progress

Playing outside is getting a little more modern in Lakewood with playgrounds in five neighborhood parks getting a makeover.

City Council approved \$1 million in the 2016 Annual Budget to update five playgrounds, and the playgrounds were selected based on existing conditions and needs. All the chosen playgrounds involved replacing aging wooden and metal playground components.

Bonfils-Stanton Park at 6800 W. Kentucky Ave. was the first to receive new equipment in July after neighbors helped select the final design that the children are playing on today.

The play area at Founders Park, 7351 W. Florida Ave., is under construction. The renovation includes new play structures, basketball half court, shelter and seating, which were all items that were picked as priorities by neighbors through a survey conducted in the spring. The play area is due to open by the end of the year.

Neighbors surrounding Sutherland Shire Park at 10600 W. Kentucky Drive and Westborough Park at 9600 W. Dartmouth Place took surveys in the spring to determine the direction for the playground designs. Neighbors

also enjoyed ice cream as they walked through the parks to discuss designs and ideas with park planning staff members in July. Thanks to such robust public participation, both playgrounds are now in the design phase and are due to open next spring.

The fifth and final park to receive a new playground through this initiative is Hilltop Park at 9766 W. 22nd Place. Again, neighbors took a survey last spring where they answered questions about their preferences for play equipment. This playground will move into the design phase in early 2017.



To stay up to date on the progress of these projects, call 303-987-7800 or visit Lakewood.org/Projects.



Ways to keep your yard free of wildlife, pests

With overripe fruit dropping from trees in your yard, fall is a good time to take an inventory in and around your house to eliminate items that can attract wildlife and pests. Fallen crab apples and other fruit certainly can attract foxes, coyotes, raccoons and rodents to pay you a visit or even take up residence. Rodents and rabbits can then attract predators to your yard. Review the following tips for ways to keep wildlife living wild and not in your yard.

- Remove food sources in your yard. Do not leave pet food outside because it attracts rodents, rabbits, raccoons and coyotes to your yard.

- Secure pet food in areas inaccessible to wildlife, particularly mice, voles and rats.

- Remove water sources. Don't leave your pet's drinking dish full of water on your patio or deck.

- Get rid of piles of branches, grass clippings and yard debris, broken concrete and unwanted building material in and around your house. These can provide both food and shelter for rodents, rabbits and raccoons.

- Make sure that your home and outbuildings are as rodent-proof as possible by keeping foundations in good repair and eliminating

overhanging trees that provide a pathway to roofs and windows. Rabbits, mice and rats can gnaw through a wide variety of material.

- Secure all garbage in storage containers with tight fitting lids. In multifamily complexes, make sure the communal garbage disposal area is well-secured and regularly emptied.

- Maintain control of your pets at all times. Pets allowed to roam outside alone are at risk for predator encounters.

- If you have a compost pile, use an enclosed composting system or do not put food scraps in your compost pile.

- Do not feed wildlife. Putting out food for animals like foxes and deer seems harmless, but repercussions can be disastrous. It's bad for animals — think of it as junk food for wildlife — and dangerous for humans. The food can attract predators such as coyotes, bears and mountain lions, which become less wary, more emboldened and more likely to attack pets and people.

If help is needed with pests such as rabbits, mice, rats or other rodents, contact a professional pest control company. For more information, contact Jefferson County Public Health at 303-271-5700.

PARTNER NEWS

News from our partners in government

Update of Downing Reservoir work on Federal Center

The Denver Federal Center is a federal office park that is managed by the U.S. General Services Administration and houses more than 28 different government agencies on a 623-acre campus in Lakewood. During World War II, the DFC was the site of the Denver Ordnance Plant, a munitions manufacturing plant for the war effort. Because of the variety of prior activities and its long history, the campus is undergoing work that the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment and GSA formally agreed to, which involves investigating whether these prior

activities had any detrimental or lasting impact on the environment and to remediate impacts as needed.

It was determined that the Downing Reservoir area, near West Sixth Avenue and South Kipling Street, needed remediation. In July 2015, GSA awarded the Downing Reservoir Project to Environmental Chemical Corp. for the remediation and reconstruction of the pond. The project is expected to be completed by July 2017.

Ultimately the project area will consist of a new pond that will feature park bench areas and

a peninsula that will allow for tenants and visitors to relax and enjoy the area. GSA will apply seeding, wetland plantings and native flower plantings to promote pollinating species.

The project team has been able to repurpose some of the clean soil it encountered and trucked it to a location north of the intersection of Fifth Street and North Avenue on the campus by the DFC solar array. The new soil will help GSA create a new, level location for locating future solar panels. A total of 560 loads of clean soil was trucked to the new location for a total of

6,260 tons. Soil that was not clean was properly disposed of off-site by following the state regulations for such material.

GSA noted that this project has been and continues to offer significant contracting opportunities that promote economic growth locally and with small businesses. Currently, this project employs about 58 workers and almost 86 percent of those employees work for a local small business.

For more information, visit the project website at GSA.gov/DowningReservoir.





Cleanup Days: free way to rid your house of unwanted items

Here's your chance to clear out old appliances, furniture, electronics and other items from your house and get them reused or recycled during Lakewood's free citywide Cleanup Days from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 8 and Sunday, Oct. 9 at Jeffco Stadium, 500 Kipling St.

You can drop off items for free with the exception of televisions and monitors containing cathode ray tubes found in older box-like TVs and monitors. CRT televisions

and monitors will cost \$15 to drop off (cash only). Your flat screen television likely does not contain a CRT and can be dropped off for free.

You need to bring proof that you live in Lakewood and allow plenty of time to drop off items as Cleanup Days are popular and heavily attended. You will enter the site from Kipling Street and will exit onto the Sixth Avenue Frontage Road.

Once again this year, the City will be a partner with Lakewood-based arc Thrift Stores to provide this service to residents. Through this partnership, arc Thrift Stores provides its expertise in diverting more than 39 million pounds of household and other items annually from the landfill, allowing those items to be reused or recycled and making every day Earth Day.

Useable items received during Cleanup Days will be sold in arc Thrift Stores, which provide funds for programs for children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities in Jefferson County, where the stores were founded. Donations of gently used household items, clothing, small appliances and small furniture will be accepted during Cleanup Days as well.

Items accepted at cleanup

- Furniture, mattresses, box springs and bed frames
- Appliances including stoves, ovens, dishwashers, washing machines, dryers, refrigerators freezers, microwave ovens and wood stoves
- Sinks, toilets, bathtubs, carpet, flooring, doors and windows
- Electronics including televisions, computer monitors, computers, LED, LCD and Plasma TVs free (\$15 fee per TV/monitor containing CRT)
- Engine blocks, car parts or small gas engine equipment
- Regular recyclable items such as plastic bottles, newspaper, glass, cardboard and cans

For a complete list of items accepted during Cleanup Days, please call 303-987-7193 or visit Lakewood.org/Cleanup.



Items not accepted at cleanup

- Landscaping materials and fencing
- Yard waste including trees, branches, shrubs
- Scrap lumber or drywall
- Household chemicals, paint, fuel tanks or cans, propane bottles, light bulbs
- Gravel, asphalt, rock, sod, earth, concrete, brick, blocks, pavers or roofing material
- General household trash or loose debris that would normally be picked up by a residential trash service
- Materials or debris from a private contractor's work
- Tires

Good News From page 1



The Lakewood Faith Coalition's effort to support this beleaguered family exemplifies the City's Lakewood Linked project, and it reflects the community collaborations demonstrated in the projects that won Lakewood a 2016 All-America City Award.

"It's great to have these success stories," said Reg Cox, one of the coalition's leaders. "This is the kind of thing we are working toward every day, and it's really meaningful when

we are able to help turn things around for a family."

The Lakewood Linked project, launched three years ago, is focused on linking neighbors with neighbors, residents with businesses, churches with businesses and businesses with schools. Lakewood Linked has resulted in businesses donating or providing price-reduced paint for residents to remove graffiti. It also helped launch the online

tool Nextdoor.com in the city, which now has more than 100 Lakewood neighborhood sites. It has supported cleanup days and neighborhood projects where volunteers are matched with those needing help. Learn more at Lakewood.org/neighbors.

The Lakewood Faith Coalition is an organization of 75 churches working to build partnerships with neighborhoods, schools and nonprofits. Learn more at

LakewoodFaith.wixsite.com/LakewoodFaith.

The All-America City Award is a national recognition of cities using trailblazing efforts to bring residents, businesses, nonprofits and local governments together to tackle the community's challenges. Learn more at Lakewood.org/AAC.



FREE for veterans and their families



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Stay Informed

We've launched a new way to keep up with Lakewood's festivals, exhibits and activities, and you don't even have to check a calendar. Just watch "Calendar Events" on Lakewood's YouTube channel at YouTube.com/KLTV8.

It's also the place to watch videos on timely topics such as tips for keeping your pet safe and warm during cold weather or shaping up your golf game with tips from Lakewood's golf pro. Lakewood's videos and programs are also available at Lakewood.org/Lakewood8 and on Comcast cable channels 8 and 880.

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Help plan the future of our history



This fall will be the kickoff for updating the master plan for the Lakewood Heritage Center, the City's museum that preserves local history. Your thoughts and ideas on the center's future are critical to creating a new master plan, so please stay tuned for upcoming meetings and other opportunities for public participation at Lakewood.org/LHCPlan.

The center's first master plan was created in 1996 with the help of residents and community

members. It established the center and festival grounds at 801 S. Yarrow St. as a 20th century museum focused on Lakewood's history through the 1960s but left ideas for following time periods to be defined later. The plan has resulted in significant improvements to the museum and to its programs. But it's time to revisit the 20-year-old plan, to assess progress and to incorporate Lakewood's history from 1960 to the present.