

Englewood Citizen

March/April 2009

Englewood's Parks Division busy planning for spring

With spring right around the corner, Englewood's Parks Division is gearing up with plans that will add a little more color and a few more shade trees to the community.

Call for flower garden

volunteers: The Parks and Recreation Department is seeking volunteers to plant and maintain the flower gardens in some of Englewood's neighborhood parks. Volunteers can design their own gardens from the Parks Division's plant list. Parks crews will prepare the garden beds and will order and deliver the flowers. The volunteers get to plant the beds and tend them throughout the summer.

If you are interested in putting your green thumb to work in an Englewood park, contact the Parks Division at 303-762-2523 or 303-762-2542.



Volunteers tended this flower garden at US 285 and Broadway last summer.

Help us celebrate Arbor Day on April 18!

For 24 consecutive years, the City of Englewood has been designated a "Tree City USA," by the National Arbor Day Foundation. This honor is bestowed upon cities throughout the country who have made a commitment to their community forestry programs.

In keeping with our commitment to trees and in honor of Arbor Day, the Parks Division and Keep Englewood Beautiful are holding a tree seedling give-away on Saturday, April 18 from 8 am to Noon at Centennial Park. The free seedlings include both flowering trees and shade trees and will be given away on a first-come, first-served basis.

Table of Contents

Message from City Council.....	2
Author Open House.....	3
Hampden Hall Art Wall.....	3
Used Book Sale.....	3
Water Main Flushing Notice.....	4
Election 2009.....	4
2009 Citizen Survey.....	5
Fire Department Safety Tips.....	5
Neighborhood Watch/Volunteer Meeting.....	5
Graffiti Paint Out.....	5
Ah, Mozart! Concert.....	5
Tutoring Help for Students.....	6
Malley Fitness Challenge.....	6
News from Neighborhood Services.....	7
New Business Update.....	7
Fence Project Information.....	7
Upcoming Events.....	8
Great Egg Hunt.....	8

City of Englewood

1000 Englewood Parkway
Englewood, CO 80110
303-762-2300

englewoodgov.org

Arbor Day Celebration

Saturday, April 18
8 am to Noon

Centennial Park
4630 S. Decatur Street
(north parking lot)



Wayne Oakley
City Council Member
District 4

Message from City Council

As I gathered my thoughts in preparation for this article, my mind locked onto a subject that is probably on the minds of most people—that of today’s economy and the prospects for the future. Knowing that I had discussed the prospects for the future in the last article I wrote for the *Citizen* a year ago, I decided to go back and read the article and see if my crystal ball was indeed working.

In order to have a fighting chance, I immediately convinced myself that nobody could have predicted what has happened to the stock market and the failure of some of our largest financial institutions. This would give me a way out, right? Well not a way out, but at least an excuse.

I did state that our revenues had picked up and things were looking a little better in the preceding months but that could reverse as quickly as it started. I wouldn’t say that revenues reversed but they did taper off in light of everything that happened during the last four months of 2008. Fortunately there were some other things in play that have served as an equalizer.

It takes a couple of months after the first of the year for the final figures to all come in and an assessment is made regarding near term revenues and expenditures based on the preceding year’s figures. This is the time when city staff and Council work together on budget adjustments and strategies to move forward through the year.

In the meantime, two of the biggest redevelopment plans that were in the works last year are now on hold because of the economy. One of them is the “Kent Place” redevelopment at Highway 285 and University and the second is the “Masonic Square” project at Lincoln and Hampden.

A third redevelopment that appears to be at a standstill is the old Flood Middle School site at Broadway and Kenyon.

We hope all three of these projects will start up again as conditions improve. Keep an eye on our Web site and future issues of the *Englewood Citizen* for updates as they become available.

Englewood City Council

Jim Woodward
Mayor
At Large



John Moore
Mayor Pro Tem
District 2



Joe Jefferson
District 1



Bob McCaslin
At Large



Wayne Oakley
District 4



Randy Penn
District 3



Jill Wilson
At Large



Englewood City Council meetings are held the first and third Mondays of each month. The meetings are open to the public and interested parties are welcome to attend. If you plan to attend a meeting and you have a disability requiring auxiliary aids or services, please notify the City of Englewood (303-762-2405) at least 48 hours in advance of when services are needed.

Did you know Xcel Energy offers rebates on energy-saving measures like insulation, water heaters, and energy-efficient furnaces? For details, log on to www.xcelenergy.com, click on “Colorado,” then search the site for “Heating & Cooling Rebates” or call 1-800-895-4999.



Meet the Faces Behind the Books

Colorado Author Open House: Sunday, April 19

Book lovers young and old are invited to "Meet the Faces Behind the Books" at the Englewood Library's 10th Annual Colorado Author Open House on Sunday, April 19, 2009 from 1 to 3 pm.

Meet the Faces Behind the Books

**Sunday, April 19
1 to 3 pm**

Englewood Public Library
1000 Englewood Parkway

The Library will host nearly 60 authors from across Colorado at this year's open house, including mystery writers, history buffs, gardening experts, poets, children's authors, and more.

Open House visitors can chat with authors and have their books signed. Books will be available for purchase at the Library the day of the event.

For a complete list of authors scheduled to attend the open house, visit englewoodgov.org.

Hampden Hall offers art wall for artists

Hampden Hall at the Englewood Civic Center is opening its walls as a temporary exhibit space for



Hampden Hall is a 192-seat cultural arts center with space for performances, art exhibits, and more.

local artists. If you would like to have your artwork displayed at Hampden Hall, contact Carol McGuigan at 303-762-2317.

Did you know that Hampden Hall is also available for rent?

Hampden Hall, located on the second floor of the Englewood Civic Center (1000 Englewood Parkway) offers space for musical performances, theatrical productions, art exhibits, and assembly events. For details on Hampden Hall, visit englewoodgov.org or call Carol McGuigan at 303-762-2317.

Englewood Schools Student Art Show

throughout April in the Library

Artists' Reception

**Thursday, April 9
4:30 - 6:30 pm**

Englewood Public Library
1000 Englewood Parkway

Used Book Sale at the Library

■ **Thursday, April 9**
4 - 7 pm

■ **Friday, April 10**
10 am - 2 pm

■ **Saturday, April 11**
10 am - 2 pm

Lots of books (plus CDs, DVDs & other materials, too)!

Englewood Public Library
1000 Englewood Parkway

Sponsored by the Friends of the Library. All proceeds help fund Library programs and materials.

Library launches book review blog for teens

The Englewood Public Library has launched a blog where teen readers can find book reviews, recommended reading lists, information on teen programs at the Library, and other library-related news. Readers can also post their own book reviews, offer opinions or suggestions, and comment on other readers' posts.

Visit the "Teen's Cool Cafe" blog on the Library section of www.englewoodgov.org.

The *Englewood Citizen* newsletter is published every other month by the City of Englewood to provide residents and businesses with news and information about the City. If you have questions or comments, please call the City Manager's office at 303-762-2316. This newsletter is available in alternative format upon request.

Web site: www.englewoodgov.org
E-mail: info@englewoodgov.org

Free First-time Homebuyer Workshop

Wednesday, March 18
5:30 - 9:30 pm

Englewood Civic Center
2nd Floor Community Room
1000 Englewood Parkway

Register online at the Colorado Housing Assistance Corporation's Web site (www.coloradohousingassistance.org) or call 303-572-9445, ext. 3 and leave your name and number.

For general information on the class, call 303-762-2349.

Water main flushing begins April 20 *Residents may experience minor impacts*

During the week of April 20, Englewood's Utilities Department will conduct its annual "spring cleaning" by flushing water mains throughout the city. The flushing process clears out sediment and residue that have built up in the water mains throughout the year.

The 2009 flushing project will begin Monday, April 20, and will continue through that week. Crews will flush the water mains throughout the entire City, working around the clock until all mains are cleaned. Due to the nature of the project and the limited time available to complete

it, crews are not able to provide prior notification of their daily schedules.

Water service will not be interrupted, but it is possible that some customers may notice small amounts of residue in their water during the flushing process. If you experience discolored water, run the cold water until the residue clears.

Please contact the Englewood Utilities Department at 303-762-2635 if you have questions about the flushing process.

Candidate criteria for the November 3, 2009 Election

During the November 3, 2009 Election, Englewood voters will elect three City Council Members: one representative from District 2, one from District 4, and one At-Large representative. Voters will also elect a Municipal Judge.

Residents interested in running for any of these offices should be aware of the criteria and the nomination process, detailed below.

City Council Criteria

To be eligible for the office of City Council Member, residents must meet the following criteria at the time of the election:

- Must be a U.S. citizen;
- Must be at least 25 years of age;
- Must be a registered elector of the City of Englewood (and must have been one for one year immediately preceding the election);
- District Candidates must be residents and registered electors of their districts; and

- No member of the Council shall hold any other public office or employment for which compensation is paid from any municipality.

Municipal Judge Criteria

To be eligible for the office of Englewood Municipal Judge, a candidate:

- Shall be an attorney-at-law admitted to practice in Colorado;
- Shall have had a minimum of two years' experience in the active practice of law; and
- Shall be a registered elector of the City of Englewood.

Nomination Process

Each candidate for City Council and for Municipal Judge must be nominated by petition signed by at least 50 registered electors residing within the municipality, or the district, from which the officer is to be elected.

The petitioning process takes place in August. Only petitions obtained from the Englewood City Clerk's Office may be circulated.

Information Packets

Residents interested in running for City Council or Municipal Judge may pick up a Candidate Information Packet beginning July 1, 2009 in the City Clerk's Office, located on the third floor of the Englewood Civic Center, 1000 Englewood Parkway.

Fair Campaign Practices Act

It is vital that anyone interested in running for office contact the Englewood City Clerk's Office for information regarding the Fair Campaign Practices Act.

For further information on the election, or on running for office, contact the City Clerk's Office at 303-762-2407.

Englewood prepares for Citizen Survey

The City of Englewood is planning a Citizen Survey to gauge citizen satisfaction with City services and to help offer direction on setting priorities for Englewood's future.

The survey will be sent to approximately 1,200 randomly-selected households in late April. Those who are selected will receive a postcard the second week of April notifying them that they have been chosen to participate. If you are one of the randomly chosen, we hope that you will answer the survey candidly and thoroughly.

The survey, which will be conducted by the National Research Center, is part of the National Citizen Survey offered by the International City/County Management Association (ICMA). The ICMA national survey provides a proven and cost-effective template for measuring community opinions. The survey will be customized for Englewood,

but is standardized enough to allow us to measure Englewood's results against the results of hundreds of other communities across the country.

While only those households randomly selected will be able to fill out the 2009 Citizen Survey, we always welcome feedback from our residents. If you would like to let us know how we're doing, log on to englewoodgov.org, click on the "Contact Us" link at the bottom, and send us your opinions.

The results of the survey will be available in late June or early July. An overview of the results will be included in the August/September edition of the *Citizen* newsletter. The complete reports will be posted on Englewood's Web site and will be available for public review in the Englewood Public Library and the City Manager's Office.

Safety tips from the Fire Department Safe appliances mean a safer home

by Englewood Firefighter Mark Jacobson

Our Colorado weather sometimes offers unseasonably nice days, but frosty mornings remind us that it is still the winter season. This is a good time to review home safety, and properly-working appliances are a critically important part of home safety. The suggestions below offer reminders about keeping them in good working order.

The furnace has been working hard to keep you warm all winter. Have you checked and/or replaced your furnace filters recently? Have you checked to make sure the area around your furnace is clean and free from debris and dust?

Do you test your smoke detectors monthly to make sure they work?

One commonly overlooked home appliance is the water heater. The temperature on your water heater should be set no higher than 120° Fahrenheit. A setting of 140° or 160° is dangerously high, as it takes only a few seconds for skin to burn at such temperatures.

More Safety Tips from the Fire Department are available on our Web site at englewoodgov.org.

There is still cold weather ahead. Enjoy it safely!

Neighborhood Watch Block Captain and Volunteer Meeting

Thursday, March 26

6:30 - 8:00 pm

Englewood Public Library

Perrin Room (1000 Englewood Parkway)

This meeting is for anyone who volunteers for the Englewood Police Department or anyone who would like to. This includes Citizens Academy and Community Emergency Response Team alumni and Graffiti Paint Out and 4th of July volunteers.

Please RSVP to Community Relations Specialist Toni Geier at 303-762-2490.

Graffiti Paint Out

Saturday, March 28
8 -11 am

Join other neighborhood volunteers to help clean up graffiti in the community.

If you would like to help with the Graffiti Paint Out, call Community Relations Specialist Toni Geier at 303-762-2490 for details.

Englewood Arts presents

Ah, Mozart!

Sunday, March 15 • 2 pm

A celebration of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart and his endearing music.

 **Hampden Hall**
at Englewood Civic Center
1000 Englewood Parkway (2nd floor)
Tickets may be purchased at the door or by calling 303-806-8196.
www.englewoodarts.org

Students: Need help with homework? *Library offers online tutoring service*

Students – are you struggling with math, science, English, or social studies? The Englewood Library’s free online tutoring service, TutorVista, may help!

TutorVista is free to patrons and offers students from Kindergarten through beginning college direct access to professional tutors.



Students can use TutorVista on the computers at the Library or from home computers using the barcode on the student’s Englewood Public Library card.

Once connected, students can ask the professional tutors as many questions as they like. The service is provided seven days a week from 3 to 11 pm Mountain Time. To access TutorVista, visit the Library’s online resource pages on Englewood’s Web site (www.Englewoodgov.org).

The Museum of Outdoor Arts presents



Object Project

Five Objects – Fifteen Artists
February 20 – May 23, 2009

M O
A O

Fifteen artists were given these five objects and asked to incorporate them into their paintings in any manner they chose. The result is an extraordinary expression of the unique vision of each artist.

MUSEUM of Outdoor ARTS
Museum of Outdoor Arts
1000 Englewood Pkwy. (2nd floor)
moaonline.org

Malley Fitness Challenge *Challenge kicks off Monday, April 6*

Malley Center members can make a commitment to get fit by participating in the Malley Fitness Challenge, a seven-week program that runs from April 6 through May 22.

When you enroll in the challenge, you will receive a fitness challenge card. Each time you exercise at Malley, present the card at the front counter. Participants who work out three or more times a week during the challenge will be eligible for prize drawings.



The Fitness Center at Malley offers a variety of exercise equipment.

To register, stop by the Challenge Kick-Off event on Monday, April 6 from 8:15 am to 12:30 pm at the Malley Center, located at 3380 S. Lincoln Street.

The Malley Fitness Challenge ends with a celebratory “Fitness Challenge Finishers” party.

For details on the Malley Fitness Challenge, visit or call the Malley Center.

Mark your Calendars!

Join South Suburban Park Foundation as it celebrates its 30-year anniversary and the completion of the Big Dry Creek Trail.

5K Legacy Walk & Big Dry Creek Trail Celebration

Sunday, May 3, 2009

Big Dry Creek Trail

(Broadway & Rafferty Gardens Avenue)

8 am: Check-in

9 am: Ribbon Cutting

9:15 am: 5K Walk

Visit www.sspf.org for more information and to register for the 5K Legacy Walk.



News from Neighborhood Services

Friendly trash removal tips

by Code Enforcement Officer Marilyn Lamb

Let's Keep Englewood Beautiful starting from our alleys, throughout our properties, and out to our front curbs.

All households and businesses are required by the Englewood Municipal Code to have trash removal service at least once a week. For a current list of licensed haulers, call Englewood's Licensing Division at 303-762-2422.

City Codes do not allow trash in the alley or by the curb except on the day of the trash pick-up. Trash should be stored in covered containers with a secure lid to keep animals out and trash from

blowing. Do not deposit grass clippings, branches, or leaves into the alley or street gutters. Bag or bundle these items and store them until trash pick-up day.

When trimming branches away from alley rights-of-way and public sidewalks, cut the branches into three or four foot lengths and tie them into manageable bundles for your weekly trash service pick-up. Call your trash removal company to find how much they will take each week.

If you have large items to discard, like furniture, appliances, building materials, or even vehicles, you

The Englewood Police Department's Neighborhood Services Division contributes a regular column to the newsletter. Neighborhood Services includes Code Enforcement, Community Relations, Traffic Enforcement, and Parking Enforcement. The article in this edition discusses trash removal.

may want to consider donating them to a charitable organization or recycling them. If they are in poor condition and cannot be reused, contact your trash hauler for information on fees and policies for discarding large items.

For details on City Codes regarding trash removal, visit www.engagewoodgov.org. For information on recycling services, check with your trash hauler or visit www.colorado-recycles.org.

New Business Update

The City of Englewood welcomes the following new businesses:

Cuttn' It Loose

901 Englewood Parkway #100
303-795-8240

This new full-service salon recently opened in CityCenter Englewood.

Signs on Broadway

2738 S. Broadway
303-761-1058

This new sign shop will open soon in a newly remodeled building near Yale and South Broadway.

Colore Pizzeria Moderna

2700 S. Broadway #A

This new gourmet pizzeria is coming soon to the new Gateway Building at Yale and Broadway. The building is Englewood's first LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) certified mixed-use building.

New Chamber Web site

The Greater Englewood Chamber of Commerce recently launched a new Web site:
www.myengagewoodchamber.com

Corrections We inadvertently listed incorrect information in the January/February edition for two businesses profiled in the New Business Update. We apologize for the inconvenience. The correct information is listed here.

Colorado Marble & Granite
1875 W. Adriatic Pl. • 303-777-4242
Natural stone & granite countertops

Molly's Closet
3995 S. Broadway • 303-789-7407
Women's consignment clothing

Spring means new fence projects

As warm weather approaches, the City of Englewood often sees an increase in fence construction. Our Community Development Department offers the following friendly reminders to help your fence project go smoothly:

- Englewood's zoning code regulates the location, height, and materials for fencing.
- A permit and site plan are required for new or replacement fencing.
- Apply for a fence permit at the City of Englewood's Building Division, 1000 Englewood Pkwy. (3rd floor). A permit is normally issued in less than five days.

For more information on fencing requirements, contact the Community Development Department at 303-762-2342.

Clip & Save!

Upcoming Events

Mon. March 2	Englewood City Council Meeting Englewood Civic Center – 2nd Floor Council Chambers	7:30 pm
March 2-8	Malley Center Closed for Maintenance	
Sun. March 8	Daylight Savings Time Ends - Set your clocks back	
Sun. March 15	Englewood Arts presents Ah, Mozart! Hampden Hall at Englewood Civic Center (See page 5.)	2 pm
Fri. March 20	Night of the Stars Youth Talent Show Hampden Hall at Englewood Civic Center	7 - 9 pm
Mon. March 23	Englewood City Council Meeting Englewood Civic Center – 2nd Floor Council Chambers	7:30 pm
Sat. April 4	Great Egg Hunt Miller Field, 3600 S. Elati Street (See page 8.)	10 am
Mon. April 6	Englewood City Council Meeting Englewood Civic Center – 2nd Floor Council Chambers	7:30 pm
Thurs. April 9	Englewood School District Art Show Reception Englewood Public Library, 1000 Englewood Parkway	4:30 - 6:30 pm
Fri. April 10	"Stage C" Performance at Hampden Hall 1000 Englewood Parkway (Visit www.stagec.com for details)	7 pm
April 9, 10 & 11	Used Book Sale at the Library Englewood Public Library (See page 3.)	
Sat. April 18	Arbor Day Celebration Centennial Park, 4630 S. Decatur St. (See page 1.)	8 am - Noon
Sun. April 19	Author Open House at the Library Englewood Public Library (See page 3.)	1 - 3 pm
Mon. April 20	Englewood City Council Meeting Englewood Civic Center – 2nd Floor Council Chambers	7:30 pm
Sun. May 3	5K Legacy Walk & Big Dry Creek Trail Celebration Visit www.sspf.org for details (See page 6.)	8 am
Mon. May 4	Englewood City Council Meeting Englewood Civic Center – 2nd Floor Council Chambers	7:30 pm

Great Egg Hunt

Saturday April 4
10 am sharp

Miller Field
3600 S. Elati Street
\$1 per child (at the gate)

Springtime fun for youth ages 1-8 years of age. Bring your basket and hop on down!

The hunt begins promptly at 10 am.
Gates open at 9:30 am.

In case of bad weather, call the Activities Hotline at 303-762-2598.



The City of Englewood
1000 Englewood Parkway
Englewood, Colorado 80110
303-762-2300
www.engagewoodgov.org

PRSR STD
U.S. POSTAGE PAID
Englewood, CO.
Permit No 534

*****ECRWSS**
POSTAL CUSTOMER