

Englewood Citizen

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Focus on community and business growth

As we head into the new year, there are welcome signs of an upswing in new businesses and redevelopment across Englewood. City Council is placing a strong emphasis on working with current and potential businesses and partnering with other agencies to set the stage for even more positive growth for our community.

As evidence of forward movement in the economy, Englewood is seeing several new developments coming out of the ground. King Soopers is planning two brand new stores—a smaller store with an emphasis on fresh and organic products at the Kent Place development (near University and U.S. 285) and a larger new updated store will replace the current store at Centennial shopping center (near Federal and Belleview). In addition, the former Flood Middle School property boasts a prime redevelopment opportunity, as do several other sites throughout the community.

With the recently passed school ballot measures, Englewood's School District is poised to enact plans for a new updated campus that has the potential to increase school populations and allow for district-wide improvements.

The economic boost extends beyond businesses. 2011 showed an increase in building permit applications over the previous two years. Many residents are investing in the community by building new homes and upgrading existing homes.

We are optimistic about the future of the community but recognize that there is still work to be done. Last summer, the City conducted a Retail Analysis and Site Development Assessment Study that provided valuable information to help evaluate new opportunities. Recent City Council discussions have led to a plan for an economic development summit to help guide business attraction and retention efforts. Englewood's Mayor, Randy Penn, has also scheduled informal monthly meetings with the business community to foster an open dialogue and engage local businesses in helping guide the City's efforts.

If you want to keep up to date on new businesses in Englewood, check our "New Business Update" in every edition of the *Englewood Citizen* newsletter. For more information on the City's economic development efforts, please visit our website at www.Englewoodgov.org.



A recent wintry morning provided a scenic backdrop at CityCenter Englewood.

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Randy Penn
Mayor
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Message from City Council

As I step into my new role as Mayor of Englewood I would like to share with you some of my plans for the City over the next two years. My goals include budget stability, citizen engagement, economic development, and strengthening our partnerships. Each of these efforts will require input, vision, and leadership from all City Council Members. We are elected to represent a diverse set of constituents and

we must work together to address the needs of the community and create visionary plans for Englewood. We also need input from the City Manager, all City Departments, and the City's Board and Commissions.

I believe the City of Englewood has weathered the economic downturn of the last four years admirably. Council has made necessary cuts while still continuing to deliver full services to the citizens. Our 2011 revenues are up 5.2% over 2010 figures and while we have utilized some reserves over the last four years, we estimate the City will end the year with a healthy 23% total fund balance. We will continue close monitoring of the budget and the economic cycle in the years to come.

Communication is a challenge for all of us in this fast-paced world and the City must continue to improve its communication with the citizens. We want to engage more citizens in the decision-making process as we deal with important issues impacting the community. The City Council welcomes input from the community and will be considering more proactive ways to engage all in the process.

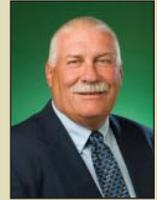
Economic development will also be a critical component for the community's health over the next two years. The City must find ways to help new and existing retail and commercial businesses reach their goals and thrive.

We must work to collaborate with others who have a stake in the success of our community. These partnerships should include Englewood Schools, the downtown Business Improvement District, the Greater Englewood Chamber of Commerce, employers within Englewood, RTD, and the many other partners who have Englewood's best interests at heart.

I see a bright and positive future for Englewood. This can only be accomplished with cooperation from all that are involved: the citizens, the City Council, the City departments, the employees, the retail and commercial businesses, and all other groups that want to see positive changes. There are many valuable assets in Englewood and they need to be maintained and improved. I urge all citizens to communicate with your respective council members and the City.

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Englewood City Council meetings are normally 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.

New Business Update

As space allows in the *Englewood Citizen*, we like to keep the community posted on new businesses that have recently opened or will open soon. The City of Englewood welcomes the following new businesses:

S-Line Motorsport

3360 S. Platte River Drive #103

303-934-7373

www.s-linemotorsport.com

Providing custom engine building, engineering, and performance tuning for European motorcars. S-Line Motorsport specializes in Audi, Porsche, and Volkswagen.

Top Drawer Cabinetry

2745 S. Shoshone Street

303-781-8333

topdrawer-cabinetry-denver.com

Featuring custom cabinetry designs based on the client's ideas, needs, and wishes. Turn your dream kitchen, family room, bath, or bedroom into a reality.

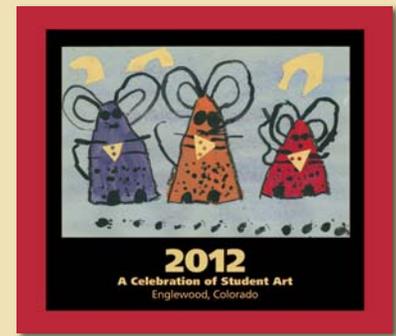
Billy's Gourmet Hot Dogs

2950 S. Broadway

303-284-2714

www.billysgourmethotdogs.com

Billy's Gourmet Hot Dogs will be opening its second location right here in Englewood featuring a variety of signature hot dogs and other specialty fare.



Get them while they last!

Englewood's 2012 Student Art Calendars are going quickly. Pick up yours today at one of the following locations:

- **Englewood Civic Center**
1000 Englewood Parkway
City Manager's Office and
Cashier's Desk (3rd Floor)
- **Englewood Public Library**
1000 Englewood Parkway
- **Malley Center**
3380 S. Lincoln Street
- **Recreation Center**
1155 W. Oxford Avenue

The Englewood calendars are free of charge to Englewood residents and will be available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Broadcast your business in 2012

The *Englewood Citizen* newsletter is distributed free of charge to every mailing address within the City of Englewood. In each edition, we highlight new businesses that have opened in our community.

If you have opened a business in Englewood in the past few months, or if you plan on opening

a new business, please let us know and your business could be profiled in the *Englewood Citizen* (as space allows). Send us an email (to commdev@englewoodgov.org) and make sure to include the business name, address, phone number, website address, and a brief description of your business.

Mayor launches business meetings

Englewood's Mayor, Randy Penn, invites business owners, managers, and associates to join him for coffee and an informal dialogue on ways the City of Englewood can help attract and retain businesses.

Mayor Penn has announced monthly meetings that will be held on the last Wednesday of each month from 7:00 to 8:30 am

at various businesses throughout Englewood. The ideas and suggestions generated by the discussions will be shared with City Council and staff as they work together with the business community to help foster positive growth.

Visit www.englewoodgov.org for the meeting schedule and more information.

Free! Workshop for first-time homebuyers

Thursday, January 5
5:30 – 9:30 pm

Englewood Civic Center

2nd Fl. Community Room, 1000 Englewood Pkwy.

Register online at the Colorado Housing Assistance Corporation's website (www.coloradohousingassistance.org) or call 303-572-9445, ext. 3 and leave your name and number. For general information on the class, call Englewood's Community Development Department at 303-762-2349.

Library Update

New hours for 2012

The Englewood Library will have new expanded hours in 2012:

Mon. - Thurs: 10 am to 8:30 pm
Friday & Saturday: 10 am to 5 pm
Sunday: 1 to 5 pm

The Library will also have new Storytime hours in 2012:

Teetertots Storytime

Mondays or Tuesdays • 10:30 am
Join us for our popular toddler program for children from 18 months to 3 years of age, accompanied by their caregiver. Stay afterwards for a playgroup session. Space is limited; register in advance at the Library's Children's Desk. Call 303-762-2560 for information.

Once Upon A Thursday

Thursdays • 10:30 am
The Thursday storytime is designed for children ages 3 to 5. Younger children are welcome if accompanied by an adult.

Stories & Me

Fridays • 10:30 am
Join us for this fun-filled program for children 3 to 5 years of age who can attend storytime independent from their caregiver.

Family Read Out

Saturdays • 3:30 pm
The entire family is invited for a Saturday afternoon storytime. Our children's librarians will share favorite stories for all ages. No registration required—just come on in!

More Library Activities:

Valentine's Day

Children's Program
Wednesday, February 8 • 4 pm
Join storyteller Dan Overholser and make a Valentine's Day card. Refreshments will be served. Register at the Children's Desk or call 303-762-2560.

Date or Hate – Book Speed

Dating for Teens 12 and up
Sunday, February 12 • 2 to 3 pm
Spend a few minutes each with several books new and old. Take home the ones you want; leave the ones you don't. Refreshments will be served.

Brown Bag Book Club

Third Thursday of each month
12:15 to 1:15 pm
Join fellow book lovers on January 19, bring a lunch, and enjoy a lively discussion of *Room* by Emma Donahue.

Second Chapter Book Sale

The Library offers a wide selection of used books at low prices. All proceeds go to the Friends of the Library. Come browse anytime.

Englewood Public Library

1000 Englewood Parkway
www.engagewoodpubliclibrary.org
303-762-2560

News from Neighborhood Services

Police caution against leaving your car running unattended

by Police Impact Team Supervisor Christian Contos

With cold weather upon us, the Englewood Police Department would like to remind residents not to leave your cars running and unattended.

Every winter, the Police Department receives reports of cars being stolen while they are left running and unattended. We all enjoy getting into a warm car, but leaving a car running can tempt thieves. Many cars are stolen simply because they are left

running and unattended, both at residences and at local businesses.

A locked vehicle is not a deterrent to a determined car thief. If you leave your car running and unattended, not only do you run the risk of having it stolen, you also run the risk of receiving a parking ticket. Unattended running vehicles constitute a parking violation according to Colorado's traffic codes.

Please join the Englewood Police Department in helping to protect your property by turning off and locking your car and taking belongings with you if you are going to leave your car unattended.

For more crime prevention tips and resources, visit the Police Department online at www.engagewoodgov.org.

Deadline nears for Board and Commission applications

Interested in volunteering to serve on one of our boards and commissions?

The deadline to submit applications is Wednesday, January 11, 2012 by 5 pm. City Council will interview applicants on Monday, January 23.

If you are interested in applying, please visit our website (www.Englewoodgov.org - Inside City Hall, Boards and Commissions) or call the City Manager's Office at 303-762-2310 for more information.

Snow Plow Priority Routes

Englewood's crews are ready to hit the streets whenever we have heavy snows. Snow plow routes are prioritized based on the amount of traffic traveling on each thoroughfare. Streets are plowed in the following order:

1. Primary Grid Streets

Primary grid streets include main thoroughfares, as well as streets adjacent to hospitals and schools.

2. Secondary Grid Streets

The secondary grid includes streets or avenues that create links to the primary grid streets.

3. Residential Streets

Residential streets are generally not plowed unless they have steep hills with chronic icing problems or if a snow emergency is declared.

The Public Works Department has a message system in place so residents can report problem

areas. To leave a message via telephone, please call our Snow Line at 303-762-2520. To submit the report by e-mail, send it to snow@englewoodgov.org.

Bellevue Avenue, Santa Fe Drive, and U.S. 285 are state highways and are maintained by the Colorado Department of Transportation.

For more information on snow removal prioritization and policies, visit the Public Works Department's web pages on www.Englewoodgov.org.

Snow Phone Line:

303-762-2520

Snow E-Mail:

snow@englewoodgov.org

To report a problem area related to snowy weather, leave a message on the phone line or e-mail listed above.

MOA partners with Art Students League on *Demo & Dialogue* series

The Museum of Outdoor Arts (MOA) is collaborating with the Art Students League of Denver on a "Demo & Dialogue" series. The events, which take place in the MOA Studios, feature local artists in an informal setting. This is a great opportunity to watch artists in action and join a lively dialogue

about techniques and inspiration. The events are free, with no reservations required, but space is limited.



Museum of Outdoor Arts

1000 Englewood Parkway (2nd Floor, Englewood Civic Center)
www.moaonline.org

Upcoming Demo & Dialogues:

Saturday, January 14 • 1 - 3 pm

Studio Landscape with Doug Dawson

Saturday, February 25 • 1 - 3 pm

Japanese & Chinese Calligraphic Strokes as Art with Homare & Mamiko Ikeda

For details on the Demo & Dialogue series and other MOA events and exhibitions, visit the Museum's website at www.moaonline.org.



Snowflakes on display...

Kenneth Libbrecht's photographs of snowflakes taken under a microscope will be on display in the atrium of the Englewood Civic Center (1000 Englewood Parkway) through February 16, 2012.

Thanks to the Museum of Outdoor Arts for arranging this special exhibition.

Englewood Arts presents *Chamber Music of the Masters*

The Aldea Trio • Saturday, January 28 • 2 pm
Featuring the music of Beethoven and Schumann on violin, cello, and piano

Duo Esprit • Saturday, February 11 • 2 pm
with guest flutist Brook Schoenwald, featuring the music of Debussy, Bax, and others



Hampden Hall at Englewood Civic Center

(2nd floor of the Civic Center) 1000 Englewood Parkway

Tickets: \$15/Adults • \$12/Seniors • \$5 Students. Tickets may be purchased at the box office one hour before the performance. Visit www.engagewoodarts.org for more information.

Coffee with a Cop

Join officers from the Englewood Police Department for coffee and discussion.

Tuesday, Feb. 7 • 9 - 11 am

Meet the Police Impact Team at
Solid Grounds Coffee House
871 Englewood Parkway

Tax preparation assistance programs

Every Friday from February 3 through April 13 from 9 am to 4 pm at the Malley Center, trained volunteers will offer free assistance with income tax preparation. The tax preparation program is designed to help complete simple tax returns for those in need and is aimed at low- and middle-income taxpayers, with consideration given to those ages 60 and older.

The volunteer tax counselors have been trained and certified by the I.R.S. and A.A.R.P.

All returns will be processed and electronically filed using a computerized tax program. Please bring all documents reporting income, interest, dividends, pensions, property tax receipts, any other allowable deductions

Malley Tax Preparation Assistance Program

Fridays, February 3 - April 13
9 am to 4 pm by appointment

Malley Center

3380 S. Lincoln Street
303-762-2660

and copies of your 2011 tax returns.

This is a popular program so be sure to schedule your appointment in advance! Please call 303-762-2660 or stop by the front desk at the Malley Center (3380 S. Lincoln Street) to schedule your appointment. Appointments will be scheduled up to three weeks in advance starting Monday, January 30, 2012. For more information, contact 303-762-2680 or visit www.engagewoodgov.org.



Tax Help Colorado is another free program that provides income tax preparation assistance to low- and moderate-income taxpayers throughout Colorado to make sure they get the Earned Income Tax Credit if they are eligible.

The free tax preparation assistance centers are located throughout Colorado. The location nearest Englewood is Arapahoe Community College in Littleton. For more information on the Tax Help Colorado program, visit www.piton.org/eitc.

Police Department offers training

The Englewood Police Department holds regular classes to help residents learn how to protect themselves and the community.

Citizen Self-Defense Class Saturday, Jan. 21 • 9 am - 2 pm

Registration is required. Contact Toni at 303-762-2490 or tarnoldy@engagewoodgov.org to register.

Citizens Police Academy (March - May 2012)

Registration is now open for the spring Citizens Academy. Visit www.engagewoodgov.org for more information.

CERT Training in March

Join the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) and learn how to help during emergencies.

Visit www.engagewoodgov.org for details and registration information on these and other training opportunities.

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.

Website: www.engagewoodgov.org

E-mail: info@engagewoodgov.org

Englewood Parks & Recreation

Offering opportunities to stay fit and have fun in 2012!

The Englewood Parks and Recreation Department wants to help residents kick off the new year with a fitness challenge and lots of opportunities for fun.

2012 Fitness Challenge
January 7 through March 25
*Sponsored by HealthONE
Swedish Medical Center*

Fitness Challenge Kick-Off:
Saturday, Jan. 7 • 8 am to Noon
Englewood Recreation Center
1155 W. Oxford Avenue

Get fit in 2012 with the Englewood Recreation Center's Fitness Challenge! When you enroll in the program, you will receive a Fitness Challenge Swipe Card. Each week your card is swiped at least three times, you will be entered into the weekly prize drawing. At the end of the challenge, participants who have

worked out three times a week for ten weeks will be entered into the grand-prize drawing.

Night of the Stars
Talent Show for K-12 performers
Auditions: Sat. Jan. 28 12 to 2 pm
Englewood Recreation Center
1155 W. Oxford Avenue

Calling all singers, dancers, musicians, and more. Performances are judged and awards given in the categories of voice, dance, and variety (no bands, please). Registration deadline is January 20.

Tournament of Games
Thursday, Feb. 2 • 10 am to 3 pm
Malley Recreation Center
3380 S. Lincoln Street

Try your hand at Nintendo Wii Bowling, Bunco, and Table Tennis during this fun day of games and

friendly competition. For game-players age 55 and older. Space is limited; tickets are \$10. Call Cheryl at 303-762-2660 for details.

For details on these and many other activities and events, check your winter *Play Englewood* guide, visit www.engagewoodgov.org, or call 303-762-2680 for more information.

Check with the Englewood Recreation Center for special deals on passes throughout January!



Safety tips from the Fire Department

Answers to smoke detector questions

What is that chirping sound?

When your smoke or carbon monoxide detector starts to make a chirping sound, that means it's time to change your batteries. Check the back of the smoke detector for the type of batteries the manufacturer recommends; not doing so could cause damage to the smoke detector or even start a fire. Residential smoke detectors should be replaced every 10 years.

When you change the battery on your carbon monoxide detector, be sure and check the year the detector was made. These devices should be replaced every five to seven years depending on the manufacturer.

Are wireless smoke detector systems effective?

The Englewood Fire Department recommends that interested parties fully research wireless smoke detector systems before purchasing one. The systems allow owners to link smoke detectors to a control panel, which can also be linked to other devices like burglar alarms, security cameras, etc. The control panel can be programmed to contact authorities when one of the alarms linked to it goes off.

This technology is relatively new and more research may be needed to determine its effectiveness. The individual detectors in the systems are currently battery

operated only, which means if the batteries are worn down, the detectors won't work. These types of systems also require the owners to hire a monitoring company for the automatic alert function to work. The Englewood Fire Department has also heard reports of communication inconsistencies between the manufacturer and monitoring companies.

The Fire Department reminds residents that smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors save lives. A minimum of one smoke detector on each level of your home is recommended. For more information on smoke detectors and additional safety tips, visit www.engagewoodgov.org.

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Upcoming Events

Fri. Dec. 30 & Mon. Jan. 2	HOLIDAY (New Year's Eve/New Year's Day Observed) City of Englewood Offices Closed for the New Year's Holiday.	
Sat. Jan. 7	2012 Fitness Challenge Kick-Off Englewood Recreation Center, 1155 W. Oxford Ave. (see page 7)	8 am - Noon
Sat. Jan. 7	Denver Nuggets Skills Challenge (ages 7-14) Englewood Recreation Center, 1155 W. Oxford Avenue	11 am
Mon. Jan. 9	Englewood City Council Meeting Englewood Civic Center – 2 nd Floor Council Chambers	7:30 pm
Mon. Jan. 16	HOLIDAY (Martin Luther King Jr. Day) City of Englewood Offices Closed for the Holiday	
Tues. Jan. 17	Englewood City Council Meeting Englewood Civic Center – 2 nd Floor Council Chambers	7:30 pm
Sat. Jan. 28	Englewood Arts Concert: Chamber Music of the Masters Hampden Hall, 1000 Englewood Parkway (see page 6)	2 pm
Mon. Feb. 6	Englewood City Council Meeting Englewood Civic Center – 2 nd Floor Council Chambers	7:30 pm
Tues. Feb. 7	Coffee with a Cop Solid Grounds Coffee House, 871 Englewood Parkway (see page 6)	9 - 11 am
Sat. Feb. 11	Englewood Arts Concert: Chamber Music of the Masters Hampden Hall, 1000 Englewood Parkway (see page 6)	2 pm
Sat. Feb. 18	Stage C: Englewood Live Hampden Hall, 1000 Englewood Parkway (www.stagec.com for details)	7 pm
Mon. Feb. 20	HOLIDAY (Presidents' Day) City of Englewood Offices Closed for the Holiday	
Tues. Feb. 21	Englewood City Council Meeting Englewood Civic Center – 2 nd Floor Council Chambers	7:30 pm
Thurs. Mar. 1	Neighborhood Watch/Volunteer Meeting Englewood Civic Center – 2 nd Floor Community Room	6:30 pm
Fri. Mar. 2	Night of the Stars Youth Talent Show Hampden Hall, 1000 Englewood Parkway	6 - 8 pm
Mon. Mar. 5	Englewood City Council Meeting Englewood Civic Center – 2 nd Floor Council Chambers	7:30 pm

Due to space constraints, we don't have room to list all meetings or events. Please check the Calendar of Events on www.engagewoodgov.org for a complete listing.

Lost your pet? Need a pet?

Check with the Humane Society of the South Platte Valley!

The City of Englewood has a partnership with the Humane Society of the South Platte Valley. If you have lost your pet, it may have been taken to the Humane Society Shelter. If you are looking for a new pet, there are lots of pets at the shelter waiting to be adopted into loving homes.

The Humane Society of the South Platte Valley is a full-service animal shelter offering adoption, lost and found, euthanasia and animal disposal services, as well as a donor-subsidized spay and neuter clinic offering surgeries at a reduced cost.

The humane society takes in over 2,000 animals a year and serves as the sheltering facility for the cities of Englewood, Littleton, Sheridan, Lone Tree, Cherry Hills Village, and the towns of Parker and Columbine Valley.

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