

Englewood Citizen

November-December 2013

Northwest Greenbelt debuts new playground

Saturday, November 2 marks the official reopening of the Northwest Greenbelt Playground at West Vassar Avenue and South Tejon Street in Englewood's Baker Neighborhood. The community is invited to join the celebration.

Over the last several months, Englewood's Parks crews have overseen the renovation of the playground, using Open Space Grant funds from Arapahoe County. The old playground was over 20 years old and had begun to show signs of its age.



Here's a sneak peek at the new playground equipment at the Northwest Greenbelt. The new playground will feature updated equipment, a rubberized fall zone surface, and an ADA-accessible walkway.



The new playgrounds will have rubberized surfaces in the fall zones.

The playground now sports two separate playground areas: one for children ages 2 to 5, the other for children 5 to 12. The equipment has been upgraded with colorful modern equipment, a rubberized fall zone surface, and an ADA-accessible walkway.

The Parks and Recreation Department is planning a celebration event to show off the new playgrounds. Neighbors are invited to the grand reopening, which will be held Saturday, November 2 at 10 am at the Northwest Greenbelt playground (corner of West Vassar Avenue and South Tejon Street). Light refreshments will be served.

For more information on this and other Englewood parks projects, visit www.engagewoodgov.org.

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City of Englewood

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303-762-2300

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**Saturday, November 2
10 am**

Corner of W. Vassar Ave.
and S. Tejon Street

Help us celebrate the grand
reopening of the Northwest
Greenbelt Playground!



Jim Woodward
Mayor Pro Tem
City Council, At Large

Message from City Council

As I prepare to leave office in November, I want to take this opportunity to thank the citizens of Englewood. It has truly been an honor and privilege to serve the past nine-plus years representing the citizens of Englewood as a Council Member, Mayor Pro Tem and Mayor. Originally appointed in 2004 based upon my professional business experience, and community and volunteer service to the city,

I have experienced an incredible education and appreciation of our city government and its dedicated staff.

I experienced some of the hardest city budget financial decisions that had to be made during the great recession of recent years. I believe that the councils and staff I have had the privilege of working with have always had the best interests of our citizens and businesses at heart in making very difficult decisions, some that were unpopular. Coming from the private sector business and having created, overseen, and been accountable for decades of budgets, I have learned that governmental budgeting is not an equivalent comparison to the private sector. The unfounded and ill-informed description by some that our annual budgets have been unbalanced just isn't true. If it were, we would be non-compliant with the Colorado Constitution's Tax Payer's Bill of Rights, would not carry the favorable Bond Ratings we have earned and would bear enormous debt. I believe our city's budgets have been responsible providing the least impact to services to our citizen taxpayers. We maintain enviable reserves, and have attained 29 consecutive annual Governmental Budget Accounting Awards.

Since moving to Englewood in 1977 I have always been impressed with the "home town" feel of our community and the diversity of our citizens. There is a healthy willingness to be engaged with one's time and energy in volunteering to make our city genuinely a place to want live, work and play. Our population differs from the average city in our active participation as evidenced by the number of our city's boards and commissions, volunteer school organizations, youth sports groups, service clubs, faith based community involvement and grass roots movements. I have certainly had issues and disagreements with some but strongly believe in their right to be heard. We are a forward-thinking community, and no, we will not be returning to the 1970's or '80's as some suggest.

In closing, based upon my years on Council, education, research and being actively engaged at the metro, regional and national levels, I believe Englewood's future is brighter right now than it may have ever been.

Thank you for your years of encouragement and support.

Annual Holiday Bazaar!

Saturday, November 2
9 am to 4 pm

Malley Center • 3380 S. Lincoln

Get an early start on your holiday shopping! Over 90 artisans will be selling handmade items at this popular annual event.

Top 50 Exhibit

featuring artwork by the top 50 finalists in the Student Art Contest for the 2014 Englewood Calendar

**On display through
December 2**

in the 2nd Floor Atrium of the Englewood Civic Center (1000 Englewood Parkway)

NOTE: As this edition of the *Englewood Citizen* goes to print, the results of the November Election are not yet known. The newly elected City Council Members and Municipal Judge will be sworn in to office during the November 18, 2013 City Council meeting. The Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem will also be selected during this meeting. (The Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem are chosen by the City Council from among their members in accordance with City Charter.)

Check Englewoodgov.org for news on the outcome of the Election.

Leaf & Tire Drop-off

Sponsored by Keep Englewood Beautiful

Looking for a way to recycle fall leaves and old tires? KEB's annual Leaf and Tire Drop-off is your answer!

The event is open to City of Englewood and City of Littleton residents. The drop-off is for residential recycling only. No materials will be accepted from commercial or service companies.

For further information, please visit www.Englewoodgov.org/KEB or contact KEB at 303-762-2345.

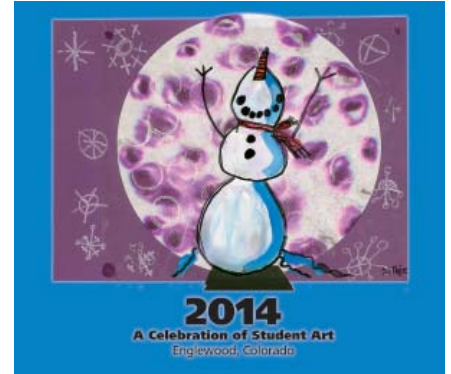
Dates: Sunday, November 3 and Sunday, November 10

Times: 10 am to 2 pm

Location: Mountain States Wood Recyclers
2300 W. Radcliff Avenue

Fees: \$2 per un-mounted tire
\$5 per tire on rim
Additional fees for oversized tires. No tractor/monster tires.

Details: Please leave bags open for easy disposal. No charge for leaves. No grass clippings, branches, or other yard waste accepted. Please bring correct change.



2014 Englewood Calendars available December 3!

Englewood's 2014 student art calendars will be available beginning Tuesday, December 3 at the following locations:

- **Englewood Civic Center**
3rd Floor City Manager's Office
1000 Englewood Parkway
- **Englewood Library**
1st Floor Englewood Civic Center
1000 Englewood Parkway
- **Englewood Recreation Center**
1155 W. Oxford Avenue
- **Malley Center**
3380 S. Lincoln Street

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

Congratulations to our 2014

Calendar Artists: Tess Bray (East High School); Sophie Castro (All Souls School); Emilee Cirbo (Clayton Elementary); Aushia Davis (Englewood Middle School); Billie Dornfeldt (Clayton Elementary); Alize Galvan (Englewood High School); Jake Hurtado (All Souls School); Isaiah Mendez (Cherrellyn Elementary); Shawn Michaelis (Colorado's Finest Alternative High School); Vincent Pino (Clayton Elementary); Dominic Priefert (Clayton Elementary); Jamie Valdez (Colorado's Finest Alternative High School); Russell Watson (Charles Hay Elementary)

Storytimes and more at the Library

New Storytimes at the Library

The Englewood Public Library has added new storytimes to its lineup:

BabySteps (birth to 18-months of age) Wednesdays at 2:30pm & Fridays at 10:15 am

Preschool Storytimes Thursdays at 10:30 am and Fridays at 11 am

Preschool/Family Storytimes Saturdays at 10:30 am

The Library is also hosting a series of programs for children with STEM themes (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math).

STEM Programs

Saturday, November 2 • 2 pm

Energy: Now and Forever
Celebrate National Chemistry Month

Friday, November 8 • 1 pm

Creatures of the Night with the Denver Zoo

Monday, December 23 • 1 pm

Meet the Wildlife Experience Trainers (and some animals)!

Englewood Public Library

1000 Englewood Parkway
303-762-2560

www.Englewoodpubliclibrary.org

Reminder from the Englewood Fire Department: Change your clock, change your battery!

Daylight Savings Time ends Sunday, November 3

Remember to test and change the batteries in your smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors when you change your clocks back from Daylight Savings Time. Sometimes saving a life can be that simple – Change your Clock, Change your Battery.

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During Fire Prevention Week in October, Englewood Firefighters visited Englewood's elementary schools to educate students about the importance of fire prevention. This year's theme was "Preventing Kitchen Fires." By the end of the week, the firefighters had shared fire prevention and safety tips with over 1,700 students from grades K-6.

Coffee with a Cop

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

**Tuesday, November 5
8 - 10 am**

The Brew on Broadway (BoB)
3445 South Broadway

**Wednesday, December 18
8:30 - 10:30 am**

Starbucks
Bates & Broadway

Fire permit fees approved

Beginning January 1, 2014 a new Fire Fee Schedule will be in effect for plan review, permits, and inspections. The new fee schedule and permitting process will more accurately reflect the costs associated by the Englewood Fire Marshal's Office and will provide valuable information to the Fire Department for inspections and pre-incident planning.

The approved Fire Fee Schedule is based on an analysis of fee structures in the metro area and is authorized under the 2012 edition of the International Fire Code, which Englewood follows. City Council approved the Fire Department's new schedule of permit fees in October.

Protecting yourself against fraud

**Wednesday, Nov. 13
5:30 - 7 pm**

Englewood Police Department
3615 S. Elati Street

Englewood Police Detective Joe Fowler will conduct a presentation on protecting yourself against fraud and the increasing cyber-threat. Pre-registration requested; please call Toni at 303-762-2490 to sign up.



**BROKEN TEE
ENGLEWOOD**

Special deals on unlimited driving range passes!

5-Month Pass (November - March) = \$139
4-Month Pass (December - March) = \$129

Visit the Pro Shop or brokenteegolf.com for details.

Broken Tee Golf Course 2101 W. Oxford Avenue
www.brokenteegolf.com 303-762-2670

Budget award

Congratulations to Englewood's Department of Finance and Administrative Services Department for receiving a "Distinguished Budget Award" for the 2013 City of Englewood Budget document. This is the 13th consecutive year the City has received this award.

Snow Plow Priority Routes

Winter is right around the corner and Englewood's crews are ready to hit the streets when the snow comes. Snow plow routes in Englewood 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. Englewood's primary grid streets include Broadway, Dartmouth, Oxford, Logan, and Tejon.

2. Secondary Grid Streets

Streets or avenues that create links to the primary grid streets are included in the secondary grid. Examples include Delaware, Clarkson, Huron, Kenyon, Quincy, and Tufts.

Snow Phone Line:

303-762-2520

Snow Email:

snow@englewoodgov.org

To report a problem area related to snowy weather, leave a message on the Snow Phone Line or send an email to the address listed above.

3. Residential Streets

Residential streets are typically not plowed unless they have steep hills with chronic icing problems or if a snow emergency is declared. If snow accumulates more than eight inches, crews will "V" plow the centers of all residential streets.

The streets are usually only plowed once to avoid closing off the driveways of those residents who have already shoveled out their sidewalks and driveways.

Residents can report problem areas on the Public Works Department's Snow Phone Line (303-762-2520) or Snow Email (snow@englewoodgov.org).

The state highways running through Englewood (Bellevue Avenue, U.S. 85, and U.S. 285) 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.

**URBAN ABSTRACT
RURAL GRID**

OPENING RECEPTION **NOVEMBER 9, 5-9PM**
MOA INDOOR GALLERY SHOWING THROUGH MARCH 8, 2014

ENCAUSTICS BY PATRICIA AARON CERAMICS BY CHANDLER ROMEO



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LIGHT WORKS BY TYLER MCCALL



CONCERT SERIES

Friday, November 15 • 7:30 pm

Felonius Smith Trio

Blues, acoustic country & ragtime

Saturday, November 23 • 2 pm

Beethoven & Mozart, featuring the Ivy Street Ensemble

Friday, December 20 • 7:30 pm

Christmas with Maree McRae

Featuring award-winning singer/songwriter Maree McRae

See the entire 2013-2014 Concert Season lineup at englewoodarts.org.

Hampden Hall

2nd floor of the Englewood Civic Center, 1000 Englewood Pkwy.

Tickets & information at englewoodarts.org.

Aquatics program garners award

Englewood's Parks and Recreation Department recently received a Columbine Award from the Colorado Parks and Recreation Association for innovation in programming.

The department was recognized for teaming up with USA Swimming's "Make a Splash" program

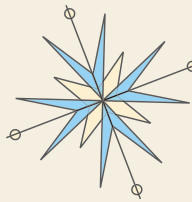


to expand awareness about the importance of water safety.

Since 2010, the Parks and Recreation Department has given away \$14,000 in scholarships for free or reduced-price swim lessons to children who might not otherwise have an opportunity.

Catch the holiday spirit!

with Keep Englewood Beautiful's Holiday Decorating Event



If you love to decorate your home or business for the holidays, check out KEB's annual Holiday Decorating Event. The is open to residents and businesses.

- **Entry forms available beginning Monday, November 18**

Entry forms available:

- Online at www.engagewoodgov.org/KEB
- Englewood Library (1000 Englewood Parkway)
- Community Development Department (1000 Englewood Pkwy, 3rd Fl.)
- Englewood Recreation Center (1155 W. Oxford Avenue)
- Malley Center (3380 S. Lincoln Street)

- **Display dates:** December 3, 2013 through January 4, 2014

- **Commission viewing (judging):** Tuesday, December 10, 2013

- **Entry Deadline:** Monday, December 2 at 4:30 pm

- **Awards announced December 16:** The awards will be announced during the December 16 Englewood City Council meeting.

- **More information:** For more information on KEB's Holiday Decorating Event, visit www.engagewoodgov.org/KEB or call 303-762-2342.

HOLIDAY events

Tree Lighting

Monday, December 2 • 5:30 pm

1000 Englewood Parkway

Join us as the Mayor lights up the Christmas Tree in front of the Englewood Civic Center.

Holiday Parade

Saturday, December 7 • 10 am

Englewood Parkway

The Englewood Chamber of Commerce is planning its Holiday Parade. The parade will run from South Acoma Street west on Englewood Parkway to the Civic Center. If you are interested in participating, contact the Chamber: www.myengagewoodchamber.com.

Santa Calling

Weds., Dec. 11 • 5:30-7:30 pm

Sign up your child (pre-school through 7 years old) for a call from Santa! Register by December 9. See your winter *Play Englewood* guide or engagewoodgov.org for details.

Warm up the Winter Nights

Friday, December 13 • 6 pm

**Englewood Recreation Center Gym
1155 W. Oxford Avenue**

Free family-friendly holiday movie. Bring pillows, blankets, and chairs. Refreshments will be available to purchase. See your winter *Play Englewood* guide for details.

Breakfast with Santa

Saturday, December 14

8:30 and 9:30 am seatings

Malley Center, 3380 S. Lincoln St.

Enjoy breakfast with Santa, featuring all-you-can-eat pancakes. Tickets are \$4.50/ages 2-10; \$5.50/11 and up; and free for anyone under 2 years of age. Tickets are available at the Malley Center, Englewood Recreation Center, and online at www.engagewoodrec.org.



The Mayor will light the Christmas Tree in front of the Englewood Civic Center (and all the lights along Englewood Parkway) at 5:30 pm on Monday, December 2. The community is invited to join the festivities.

Free Workshop for first-time homebuyers

Wednesday, Nov. 6
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.

City of Englewood Holiday Closures

Thanksgiving:

Thursday, November 28

All City facilities Closed (except Broken Tee Englewood Golf Course)

Friday, November 29

Englewood Civic Center and Library Closed; Malley Center and Recreation Center Open

Christmas:

Tuesday, December 24

Englewood Civic Center Offices and Library Closed; Recreation Center and Malley Center Open 8 am - 2 pm

Wednesday, December 25

All City facilities Closed

New Year's:

Tuesday, December 31

Englewood Civic Center Offices and Library Closed; Recreation Center and Malley Center Open 8 am - 2 pm

Wednesday, January 1

All City facilities Closed (except Broken Tee Englewood Golf Course)

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

Email: info@engagewoodgov.org

City Council seeks volunteers for Boards and Commissions

Interested in getting more involved in your local government? The City of Englewood has a variety of boards and commissions that help guide policies and programs on issues ranging from library services to planning and zoning.

Several of these boards currently have vacancies and City Council is looking for interested community members to fill the seats. If you have an interest in volunteering to serve on one of these boards, visit our website for more information and an application form.

For more information, visit www.engagewoodgov.org/boards-commissions. The deadline for applications is Friday, January 3. City Council will interview candidates on January 13.

List of Boards & Commissions

Alliance for Commerce in Englewood
Board of Adjustment and Appeals
Budget Advisory Committee
Code Enforcement Advisory Committee
Cultural Arts Commission
Election Commission
Englewood Housing Authority
Firefighters Pension Board
Keep Englewood Beautiful
Library Board
Liquor Licensing Authority
Malley Center Trust Fund
NonEmergency Retirement Board
Parks and Recreation Commission
Planning and Zoning Commission
Police Pension Board
Transportation Advisory Committee
Urban Renewal Authority
Water and Sewer Board

New Business Update

As space allows in the *Englewood Citizen*, we like to keep the community informed about new businesses in Englewood. The City of Englewood welcomes the following new businesses:

Costa Vida Mexican Grill
101 W. Hampden • costavida.net
Opening soon, a new Mexican restaurant featuring fresh, all-natural ingredients prepared from scratch each day.

Ryan Bloom's Drum Lessons
4170 S. Pearl • 719-659-0542
bloomdrums.com
Professional drum and percussion lessons for all ages. Private lessons at this dual drum set equipped studio or in your own home.

Saint Patrick's Brewing Company

4750 S. Santa Fe Circle #2
303-718-7575

stpatriksbrewco.com

Featuring specialty world-class artisan lager beers crafted by master brewer Chris Phelps.

Have a new business?

If you have opened a new business in Englewood, please let us know and your business could be profiled in the *Englewood Citizen* (as space allows). Email us at info@engagewoodgov.org and make sure to include the business name, address, phone number, website address, and a brief description of your business.

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Upcoming Events

Sat. Nov. 2	Malley Holiday Bazaar Malley Recreation Center, 3380 S. Lincoln Street	9 am - 4 pm
Sun. Nov. 3	KEB's Leaf & Tire Drop-Off Mountain States Wood Recycling, 2300 W. Radcliff Ave. (See page 3)	10 am - 2 pm
Mon. Nov. 4	Englewood City Council Meeting Englewood Civic Center – 2 nd Floor Council Chambers	7:30 pm
Tues. Nov. 5	Election Day	
Sat. Nov. 9	MOA Art Opening - See page 5 or visit www.moaonline.org for details.	5 - 9 pm
Sun. Nov. 10	KEB's Leaf & Tire Drop-Off Mountain States Wood Recycling, 2300 W. Radcliff Ave. (See page 3)	10 am - 2 pm
Mon. Nov. 11	HOLIDAY - Veterans Day Englewood Civic Center Offices and Englewood Library Closed.	
Wed. Nov. 13	EPD Presentation on Fraud Englewood Police Department, 3615 S. Elati Street (See page 4)	5:30 - 7 pm
Mon. Nov. 18	Englewood City Council Meeting Englewood Civic Center – 2 nd Floor Council Chambers	7:30 pm
Thurs. Nov. 28 & Fri. Nov. 29	HOLIDAY - Thanksgiving Englewood Civic Center Offices and Englewood Library Closed. (Englewood Recreation Center & Malley Center closed Thanksgiving; open Friday)	
Mon. Dec. 2	Tree Lighting at Englewood Civic Center	5:30 pm
	Englewood City Council Meeting Englewood Civic Center – 2 nd Floor Council Chambers	7:30 pm
Sat. Dec. 7	Englewood Chamber's Holiday Parade Englewood Parkway from Acoma to Englewood Civic Center (See page 6)	10 am
Sat. Dec. 14	Breakfast with Santa Malley Center, 3380 S. Lincoln Street (See page 6)	8 - 10 am
Mon. Dec. 16	Englewood City Council Meeting Englewood Civic Center – 2 nd Floor Council Chambers	7:30 pm
Tues. Dec. 24 & Wed. Dec. 25	HOLIDAY - Christmas Englewood Civic Center Offices and Englewood Library Closed. (Recreation Center & Malley Center open partial hours Tuesday; closed Christmas)	
Tues. Dec. 31 & Wed. Jan. 1	HOLIDAY - New Year's Englewood Civic Center Offices and Englewood Library Closed. (Recreation Center & Malley Center open partial hours Tuesday; closed New Year's Day)	

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.

Love to do taxes?

The Malley Center is seeking volunteer tax counselors for its annual tax preparation assistance program.

To be a certified counselor, volunteers must complete a five-day training program, pass a test, and be a stickler for accuracy. Volunteers must also be available every Friday between February and April for tax form preparation.

Please call Joyce Musgrove at 303-762-2660 by December 6 if you are interested in volunteering.



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