

Looking@Lakewood

It's time to celebrate the Earth

Learn how to shrink your environmental footprint and make more sustainable choices while enjoying food, drinks, live music and more at Lakewood's annual Earth Day Celebration.

It's a great mix of a free festival and sustainability education, and it all happens 11 a.m.-4 p.m. on April 27 at the Lakewood Heritage Center, 801 S. Yarrow St. Earth Day is internationally recognized as a time to increase awareness and action on environmental and sustainability issues, so spring into the season with fresh ideas for better ways to live. Get more information at Lakewood.org/EarthDay and join us on social media at #LakewoodEarthDay.

The sustainable backyard returns to provide material about rain barrels, urban agriculture, composting and more. Information on electrical cars, tiny homes and energy-efficient renovations will also be part of the celebration. Free bicycle valet service will be provided by the Lakewood Bicycle Advisory Team.

Kids will play a bigger role in this year's celebration because Dunstan Middle School students will display a kid-friendly version of Lakewood's Sustainability Plan that they wrote and illustrated (see story on page 7), and they will explain what steps kids can take to help their families live more sustainably.

A climbing wall will let children test their strength, and kids can participate in a seed planting project.

Adults will be able to enjoy music from the Rocky Mountain Steel Band, Turkeyfoot, Thunder & Rain, and the 14ers. A free Zumba class and fitness drums will be available.

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Dunstan Middle School students ride a local bus to learn about more sustainable transportation.

Sustainability through the eyes of kids

What's the best way for kids to understand what Lakewood's Sustainability Plan means for how they live? Let them write the plan themselves.

Dunstan Middle School science teacher Audrey Hoffa dedicated an entire elective class to Lakewood's Sustainability Plan, and her 32 students worked through each chapter to write a kid-friendly version with artwork, photographs, illustrations and ideas all developed



Illustration by Ryley Salazar

by the middle school students. "Sixth-graders at Dunstan Middle School are very concerned about the potential impacts that not sustaining our environment could have for the future of Colorado and the rest of the world. So, we are deciding to not take that risk and go a different way, a way that is more environmentally friendly and would help everyone

out," sixth-grader Patrick Davis wrote about the project. "A singular kid can make a lasting impact on the world, and (we) in Ms. Hoffa's class aim to be those kids."

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Grants, donations expand city projects and programs

Old-style narrow streets that have no sidewalks give the Bonvue neighborhood in central Lakewood a rural charm. But seventh and eighth grade students end up walking in the streets close to traffic as they head to and from Creighton Middle School each day because of the lack of sidewalks.

Lakewood's Resource Development Program helped change that by assisting the Public Works Department in securing a Safe Routes to School grant of \$435,125. Lakewood will now be able to build a sidewalk on First Avenue from Garrison Street to the entrance of the school grounds using far less of the city's funds than expected.

On one day recently, more than 100 students were walking in the roadway along First, which becomes filled with cars and buses bringing students to and from school. Next year, that number is expected to grow because 300 sixth-graders will start attending Creighton, making the sidewalk project even more important.

This Safe Routes to School grant serves as an example of the important work that the Resource Development Program performs by

supporting efforts to secure money that bridges the gap between available city funds and financial needs of city services and programs. With the sidewalk on First, the grant made it possible to get this expensive stretch of sidewalk built sooner.

The program focuses on securing business and cash sponsorships, donated items and assistance such as grants from foundations and other organizations. These resources from other organizations and agencies improve city projects, support Lakewood programs and extend their reach and impact. As an example, last year the Colorado Sports Hall of Fame provided \$5,000 in "camperships" for children and adults with disabilities to attend Camp Paha, a summer day program where campers participate in important life skills training and outdoor activities. The scholarships broaden the opportunity for attending the camp to more residents in the community.

Lakewood also recently received a three-year grant worth about \$78,000 each year from Tony Grampsas Youth Services to assist Lakewood Recreation programs

such as the after-school activities at Carmody and Creighton middle schools, the Summer Fun Camps at Deane and Molholm elementary schools and the Teen Summer Action programs. The Tony Grampsas grants support programs promoting an active and healthy lifestyle within Lakewood that also include leadership and other education.

Companies throughout Lakewood also frequently step forward to assist. Business sponsorships and contributions from partners including Foothills Credit Union, Centura Health, Alameda Connects, Cardel Homes, Automotive Avenues and Vitalant have strengthened Lakewood's events and exhibits.

If you're interested in supporting a city event, venue or program, please contact Emily Andrews at 303-987-7871 or emiand@lakewood.org.

CELEBRATE WITH US!



Lakewood is turning 50 this year. Find stories and anniversary events on pages 4 and 5.

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Letter from the Mayor



Council outlines topics to discuss this year

There is a lot going on in the city. We continue to celebrate Lakewood's 50th Anniversary, so please visit Lakewood.org/50 to learn more about our great events and activities. Thank you to those who participated in the trivia question in my last column by answering that the original name of Lakewood was Jefferson City. Do you know the answer to this: How many water providers serve Lakewood residents? Contact me with your answer to win a prize.

City Council hosted its annual planning session and recently finalized the goals for this year. In addition to the ongoing topics council is addressing now, the following items will be

added. Parkland and open space acquisitions utilizing the \$8.5 million from voters saying "yes" in November to lifting the Taxpayer's Bill of Rights (TABOR) limits on the city budget. Thank you residents! Better understanding of water resources in Lakewood: What assets do we have, what are the latest updates from our providers and what can the city do to help preserve this precious resource? Sustainability: Are we meeting the goals of Lakewood's adopted plan, and if not, what can we do to meet them? Our stormwater system: We have great needs, so what projects can we tackle now and how do fund them? Housing: A committee has been formed, and topics that could be addressed include affordability and housing options. The council will also look at issues related to special districts and urban renewal. It will be a busy year!

City Council has been hard at work and will continue to have a full agenda tackling important issues related to development. Mixed-use zoning, building setbacks and design and parking will be addressed. I encourage you to stay engaged and participate in the Development Dialogue (visit Lakewood.org). As the city has grown, important adjustments are being proposed based on your feedback, and it's important that we continue to work

together on a shared vision for our great city. As part of Lakewood's anniversary this year, the American Association of University Women recently hosted a mayoral forum. The event featured video interviews from former mayors Jim Richey, Linda Shaw and Linda Morton. Participating live were former mayors Steve Burkholder and Bob Murphy, plus myself as current mayor. I learned a lot from listening to the different mayors, all of whom faced unique issues during their tenure. My takeaway: As a city, we will always face challenges, and the best solutions are found when the community comes together to solve them. This type of collaboration is the Lakewood way.

A couple of quick highlights include the City Council unanimously passing a hotel/motel licensing ordinance. This new law has been years in the making, with the goal to reduce crime while protecting the owners, patrons, neighbors and first responders. With nearly 3,000 calls for service to some of these locations in 2017, it's clear something needed to be done. I also want to give a shoutout to the 40 West ArtLine, which won another award, this time from the Colorado Business Committee for the Arts for taking an innovative approach to advancing cultural vitality. Congratulations to

40 West Arts, the neighborhoods and city staff who have worked together on this. This is another great honor! Lastly, I want to touch on two final items. First, please do your part in helping to keep our streets safe. Distracted driving is at an all-time high. Please don't text and drive and slow down and obey the rules of the road. Pedestrians, please use sidewalks when available and cross in designated crosswalks. Second, many in the city use Nextdoor, the social media site for neighborhoods. It can be a great tool, but it can also spread misinformation like a wildfire. I have heard from many concerned and confused residents seeking to find facts related to posts they have read on the site. Please do your best to be factual, and if you ever have a question about the city, please reach out to me or someone else with the city. Differences in opinion are important; however, purposely misleading information only seeks to bring division.



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Council Corner

Ward 2



Jacob LaBure

Moving the city forward: Police, Potholes and Parks

As your representatives we feel confident in saying we've made great strides in enhancing our infrastructure, making our city safer, cleaner and better prepared for the future. Last year, we asked voters to pass the ballot question to lift the Taxpayer's Bill of Rights (TABOR) limits on the city's budget, and Ward 2 soundly passed the measure along with the rest of the city. These monies will allow additional opportunities to increase green spaces, improve infrastructure and add police agents because we know these issues are core community values and important to Ward 2.



Sharon Vincent

Infrastructure: This year at our council planning session we made infrastructure our No. 1 priority, particularly our stormwater drainage issues. Addressing our infrastructure is a serious safety and economic issue in Ward 2. As your council members, we are committed to seeing projects break ground as soon as possible to ensure we protect the neighborhoods, enhance the quality of life and protect your property.

Safety: We are committed to enhancing safety in Lakewood. Therefore, we just passed new licensing requirements for motels and hotels. This provides an additional tool for our agents to address those lodging businesses that have persistent and relentless criminal activity on their premises. Those businesses will be required to address issues with a variety of best practices that have been proven to reduce crime.

Parks: Thanks to you, we are examining opportunities to protect Lakewood's quality of life by purchasing more parkland and open space in the city. Council will be working to determine the framework for purchasing possible properties and how those purchases can be distributed throughout the city. We will provide updates as they become available.

Because of your support we were able to invest an additional \$2 million in equipment to keep our police agents safe and to assist in their crime prevention efforts. Thanks to your investments, we also have \$2 million more dollars for sidewalks and other infrastructure improvements.

Last year many residents expressed the desire for additional Community Service Officers in the Police Department, and we added four in this year's budget. CSOs handle noncriminal and nonviolent calls so that sworn police agents can focus on handling emergency situations. This improves the department's ability to provide as much service to residents as efficiently as possible, and we passed the budget to ensure that two additional police agents were added as well.

There's a lot to be excited about, and there's a lot more work to do. It's an honor to serve you, and we appreciate hearing your thoughts on

how we can make Lakewood better. We will continue to provide updates as they become available, and please reach out to us at any time.

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City Manager
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Splash into summer



Get your pass to fun in the sun

If staying fit and enjoying some pool time is on your to-do list this summer, consider buying a Summer Fun Pass to gain unlimited access to Lakewood Recreation centers, outdoor pools, spray park and Carmody splash pad. Passes go on sale at recreation centers on May 1 and are offered at an early bird discount through May 24. You can use your pass through Sept. 30.

Lakewood's outdoor pools at Carmody Recreation Center and Morse Park will open Saturday, May 25. New this year, Carmody is opening a splash pad near the pool. Join us for the grand opening celebration on May 29 for free admission and complimentary hot dogs at noon.

Ray Ross Splash Pad will open on May 18, weather permitting, and admission is free. Surfside Spray Park, \$1 admission, offers another low-cost option that's especially fun for kids and families.

City Council has approved a significant investment to update the Glennon Heights Pool and bathhouse, which will be closed this summer for renovation.

Visit Lakewood.org/RecCentersAndPools or call 303-987-7800 for details.

Watersports at Bear Creek Lake Park

Longtime concessionaire Chuck Blood, who retired in September 2018, operated Soda Lakes Water Ski School and the marina at Bear Creek Lake Park for 31 years. It's estimated that he worked with more than 13,000 waterskiers and was beloved by park visitors and staff. A new era will begin this spring when concessionaire Rocky Mountain Ski + Wake will provide waterski, wakeboard, wakesurf and tubing experiences starting May 25 on Little Soda Lake. Rocky Mountain Paddleboard will rent kayaks, pedal boats and stand-up paddleboards for use on Big Soda Lake starting on May 11. Reservations are being accepted now at RockyMtnSkiAndWake.com and RockyMtnPaddleboard.com.



summer camps

Lakewood.org/Camps

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We recognize that older adults play a key role in the vitality of our neighborhoods, networks and lives.

Visit Lakewood.org/OlderAdults or call the Clements Community Center at 303-987-4829 to learn more about activities and events.

Older Adult WELLNESS FAIR

MAY 17 2019



9 a.m.–noon
Charles Whitlock Recreation Center, 1555 Dover St.

Drop in!
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For more information:
Lakewood.org/OlderAdults

- * Activities and free demo classes.
- * Balance tests by personal trainers.
- * Health assessments, blood screenings and blood pressure checks.
- * Cane and walker safety assessment.
- * Over 70 local resources and vendors.
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Welcome to



GRAND OPENINGS

LISTED BELOW ARE OPENINGS OF NEW LAKEWOOD BUSINESSES.

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Butterfly Journey Counseling and Play 1600 Carr St., Suite 3 720-608-9875 ButterflyJourneyCounseling.com	The Tour Insiders 1595 Iris St. 303-980-6483 TheTourInsiders.com
Fairfield by Marriott Denver West/Federal Center 140 S. Union Blvd. 303-233-3133 Fairfield.Marriott.com	Truth Barbershop 5220 W. Mississippi Ave., Suite D 720-341-4682 Facebook.com/TruthBarbers
Kona Ice of Lakewood Food Truck 303-551-1513 Kona-Ice.com	5281 Exclusive Homes Realty 12340 W. Alameda Parkway, Suite 100 720-699-9166 5281ExclusiveHomes.com

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

Lakewood's 50th Anniversary Celebration

Anniversary artwork celebrates past and present

Lakewood as a city might only be 50 years old, but its roots run to the days of the pioneers, with testaments to that history standing near South Garrison Street and West Center Avenue in a corner of Addenbrooke Park.

A solitary stone fireplace from the Addenbrooke family home remains there along with a windmill, which represent the farm that three generations worked for more than 100 years. Now this historical niche will be home to artwork commemorating the city's 50th anniversary. It's a fitting spot because the artwork highlights those who laid the foundation for the community that exists today while reflecting those who are part of the community now.

"Echoes and Reflections: Lakewood's 50th Anniversary" is a large-scale sculpture that will be installed this fall. The piece will incorporate mirrored stainless steel in shapes that mimic the structure of the long-gone house.

"I hope to reflect the past and the present by recreating the echoes or fragments of the homestead, such as doors, corners and windows, that once stood as the Addenbrooke family home," said artist Collin Parson. "By using mirror polished stainless steel, these elements would pay homage to the past, yet literally reflect the current environment and all the people who occupy it now and in the future."

Parson's artwork is inspired by the sense of inclusion and place, metaphorically exemplified by this historical landmark. Those who visit will see echoes of the house and reflections of themselves. Parson's artwork was chosen from submissions by more than 30 artists from across the country. Lakewood's public art committee selected the piece after an extensive review process that included online voting on three finalists at Lakewood.org/50 and review by a public art selection panel.

The piece will be centered on the fireplace, which was constructed from stones collected from around the world that became part of the family's home built in the 20th century. But the farm began long



before in the 1870s when John Edward Everitt arrived from Ohio and homesteaded land south of West Alameda Avenue between what is now Garrison and Kipling streets.

He initially built a makeshift home of fabric stretched over a wooden frame with a roof made from large tins used to ship tea. He eventually married, and his daughter married George Addenbrooke. The Addenbrooke's son Tom farmed the land for years and told stories of President Franklin Roosevelt's visit to the nearby Remington Arms Plant making ordnances for World War II while he worked in his fields. The plant evolved to become the current Federal Center.

Along with "Echoes and Reflections," five separate temporary community arts projects will also be created in the five City Council wards of the city as part of Lakewood's yearlong celebration. Addenbrooke is also the site of permanent artwork called "Snapshot" installed to commemorate the city's 25th anniversary in 1994. [\[A\]](#)

ARTIST PROFILE

Collin Parson's passion for this anniversary artwork comes from his deep connection to Lakewood. Parson is a local arts administrator, artist, curator and designer who was raised in Lakewood and has enjoyed Addenbrooke Park throughout his childhood and as an adult with his wife and children.

He currently serves as the director of galleries and curator for the Arvada Center for the Arts and Humanities. His work has appeared in frequent exhibits and public art installations including in Greenwood Village, Boulder and the University of Denver. He has received numerous awards including Westword's 100 Colorado Creatives. His degrees are from CU and Regis University. Learn more at CollinParson.com.



**PLANT A TREE
FOR THE
NEXT 50 YEARS**

*to celebrate Lakewood's
50th Anniversary*

For more information, visit Lakewood.org/50.



Snap it and submit it

Show us what you love about Lakewood for the 50th anniversary photo contest. Two winners each month receive prize packages.

Lakewood.org/50

**LAKEWOOD'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY
FITNESS
CHALLENGE**
**50 AND GOING
STRONG!**

Celebrate the city's 50th anniversary by completing 50 sessions of any Lakewood Recreation class (general admission or registration) by the end of 2019.

The first person to complete the challenge will receive an award. Everyone who completes 50 classes will earn a prize and a chance to win other prizes.

Register at the front desk of any Lakewood Recreation center and get started today!

For more information:
CamFer@Lakewood.org or 303-987-5423.



Washington Heights: from education to the arts

Washington Heights Arts Center didn't start out as the "artistic center of the universe," as students and teachers at the center like to call it.

As one of the oldest historic buildings in Lakewood, Washington Heights began as a rural schoolhouse. It was built in 1898 on land donated by a prominent state politician. Similar to present-day schools, its name came from the subdivision that was laid out in the area in 1888.

The largest room in the center is the original classroom, where pottery classes are currently taught. The schoolhouse was built without indoor plumbing. A second room was added on the northside sometime between 1911-1912. In 1920, the front portion of the schoolhouse was built, but it took until the mid-to-late 1920s before indoor bathrooms were added.

About 30 students in grades first through eighth attended each year from 1908 to 1910. In the 1920s, grades through 11th were added, but seniors had to finish high school elsewhere in Jefferson County or Denver. In the 1930s, students attended Washington Heights

through 10th grade and then moved to Lakewood High School.

When the school closed in 1968, it was the oldest continuously operated school in Lakewood and one of the oldest in the country. It is still the oldest school building remaining in Jefferson County, and it is listed in the Colorado State Register of Historic Properties. Lakewood acquired the building in 1998 from Foothills Park and Recreation District, which had used it for recreation classes.

The city is currently making improvements to the building that will ensure its longevity. Much of the work is unseen rehabilitation and maintenance on items such as floor supports and a new heating and cooling system. Work began earlier this year, and the center will reopen later this spring. Updates are available at Lakewood.org/WashingtonHeights, where the announcement for the reopening celebration will also be made. [▲](#)

INSPIRE ARTS WEEK

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INSPIRE Arts Week 2019 brings together more than 20 art partners for a weeklong celebration of our community's tremendous creative culture. This year, in honor of Lakewood's 50th Anniversary, INSPIRE Arts Week invites residents and visitors to join us in an exploration of how art inspires us, honors our past, enlivens our present and shapes our future.

This year's lineup is sure to excite and INSPIRE! Take part in dozens of free or low-cost creative activities throughout Lakewood:

- First Friday Art Walks in 40 West Arts District and the Arts on Belmar.
- 40 West ArtLine walking and biking art experience.
- Artsy happenings at Rocky Mountain College of Art + Design, Belmar Library, Lakewood Arts Council and Red Herring Art Supply.
- Studio tours, sculpture scavenger hunts, a 1969-themed Rockin' Block Party and more! [▲](#)

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To honor Lakewood's 50th Anniversary, the city is proud to announce the publication of "A Half-Century of Transformation: Lakewood, Colorado, 1969-2019." This 160-page illustrated hardcover book builds on the early history of the area and covers the complex, but as yet, underexplored period of Lakewood from incorporation to the present day. It is a celebration of how Lakewood has grown over the last five decades into the city it is today.

Reserve your copy by May 31 at the preorder price of \$29.95. After the book is released in mid-June, the price will be \$34.95. Order in-person at the Lakewood Heritage Center's 20th Century Emporium, 801 S. Yarrow St., or online at bit.ly/Lakewood50Book. Shipping is available for an additional fee. Please call 303-987-7850 with any questions. [▲](#)

Find out if you live in a flood hazard area

Heavy spring thunderstorms are strong reminders that some Lakewood properties lie in flood hazard areas even though they don't normally appear to be in danger. Flooding can happen in high, medium or low-risk flood areas. To understand your property's flood hazard risk, visit or write Lakewood's Public Works Department, 470 S. Allison Parkway, 80226, call 303-987-7500 or submit a request for this free service at Lakewood.org/DrainageAndFloodPlain. The city's Public Works staff is also available to visit your property to discuss potential flood hazards.

Public Works can provide you with detailed flood plain information including Federal Emergency Management Agency flood insurance rate maps and studies, local community flood hazard area delineation study maps, flood depth data, elevation certificates, landslide hazards, historic flood events and location of designated wetlands in the National Wetlands Inventory.

Learn about your flood risk and other National Flood Insurance Program resources online at FloodSmart.gov.

TIPS FOR LIVING IN OR NEAR A FLOOD HAZARD AREA

Insure your property

- Check to see if you have a current flood insurance policy for your property. Flood insurance is recommended for everyone because standard homeowners' and renters' insurance policies do not cover flood losses. Property owners can insure their buildings and contents, and renters can insure just their contents. There is a 30-day waiting period before policies become effective, so plan ahead.
- Lakewood has entered a federal program that provides discounted flood insurance premiums for any property owner in the city whether or not the building is in a flood hazard area. For flood insurance and premium details, contact your insurance agent. To search for an agent by your ZIP code, contact the National Flood Insurance Program at 888-435-6637 or FloodSmart.gov.

Protect your property

- Analyze the slope of the ground around your foundation. Check to see that water drains away from your foundation a minimum of seven to 10 feet on all sides.
- Check your gutters and downspouts to see that they drain away from your foundation. Use splash blocks as necessary. Make sure that your downspouts do not drain toward your neighbor's foundation. Remember, standing water in your yard can seep into a basement.
- Help keep drainageways clean so they can carry flood flows. Do not dump or throw debris into gulches, ditches or streams, including branches, grass clippings, garbage, dirt and concrete. Debris can accumulate and block drainageways, increase flooding hazards and is not permitted by city law.
- Report dumping in gulches, ditches or streams and potential problems such as blocked culverts to the Public Works Department at 303-987-7500.

Protect yourself and others from flood hazards

- During heavy rainfall, stay alert for warning signals (sirens, television, radio, websites


and social media). Evacuate if directed to do so.

- Plan evacuation routes to higher ground if necessary.
- Avoid walking or driving through flood waters. Just six inches of moving water can knock you down, and two feet can sweep your vehicle away.
- Prepare, plan, stay informed. Visit Ready.gov.

Build responsibly

- Always check with Public Works at 303-987-7500 to ask about development requirements before you build, remodel, fence, regrade, fill or otherwise alter your property. All development within the flood plain requires a special permit from Lakewood.

Protect natural flood plain functions

- Keep in mind that urban drainageways function as conveyance systems for storm runoff and flood events. Help keep Lakewood's gulches and streams clear and clean by properly disposing of any trash, debris or motor oil. Follow directions when using fertilizers, pesticides and weed control chemicals. 

ONLINE RESOURCES

FLOOD AREAS: Lakewood.org/DrainageAndFloodPlain

FLOOD INSURANCE: FloodSmart.gov

FLOOD PREPAREDNESS: Ready.gov



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VACCINATION & DOG LICENSE CLINIC

All friendly, leashed dogs and their families are welcome!

FEATURING:

- K-9 & Agility Demonstrations
- Pet-Friendly Vendors
- Adoptable Pets

Saturday, June 1, 2019
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

O'Kane Park, 7101 W. First Ave. (First & Newland St. in the East Pavilion)

License your dog for \$20 at the Lakewood Animal Control Tent
Available for all Jefferson County residents. Cash or check accepted.



LOW-COST SERVICES:

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Rabies Vaccine - \$15	Microchip - \$25 (regularly \$40)

We accept cash, Visa, MasterCard and Discover.

Vaccinations provided by SpayToday, NeuterNow!


A special thank you to O'Kane Neighborhood Association & Alameda Gateway Association

For more information, visit Lakewood.org/DogLicenses

New law limits youth access to vaping

Lakewood recently passed a new law to limit teens' access to vaping, e-cigarettes and similar devices to help protect youth from becoming dependent on nicotine. Stores must check purchaser's IDs and can't sell the products to anyone under 18 years old. All stores selling these products must get a city license, and Lakewood will inspect stores to ensure they are complying with the new city law. If they are not,

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a store's license can be suspended or revoked similar to how the liquor licensing program works. Lakewood has also created a logo that conveys a clear and strong message about the purpose of the law, and it will be used on information provided to the stores as well as on educational material that will be developed for the public. 



Annual outdoor siren test May 8 at 11 a.m.

All 26 outdoors sirens in Lakewood will be activated for a test.

Test includes a long siren wail, then a test voice message, followed by another long wail.

Informational video and more at Lakewood.org/sirens.

(Test will be canceled if tornado warning or watch is in place on May 8.)


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The celebration includes the Beer Garden, featuring beers donated by Avery, Crazy Mountain and Odell breweries. All the garden's proceeds will go to Jovial Concepts, a local nonprofit promoting community and stewardship.

More than 50 vendors will provide information about climate change impacts, solar energy, bicycle safety, electric cars, healthy eating, protecting wildlife and eco-shopping. Festival-goers will also be able to grab a bite from a variety of food trucks.

This is family-friendly and zero-waste event, and the annual contest for the artwork to promote the celebration named Lakewood resident Joyce Martinez's swirling blue marble of Earth as the winner.

"I've lived in Lakewood 35 years. After retiring in April, I am able to participate in the community and play with my art," Martinez said. "I worked in a company that was involved in space endeavors, so the blue marble depiction of Earth is near and dear to me."

The celebration is sponsored by Alameda Connects, Ace Hardware of Jewell Square, Gravina's Window Center of Littleton and Lifetime Windows & Siding. 

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For more information, visit Lakewood.org/EarthDay
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Earth Day Electronic Recycling

Recycle old or broken electronics from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 777 S. Yarrow St. next door to the festival. Details at Lakewood.org/EarthDay.



Earth Day Volunteer project

Bear Creek Lake Park will host a volunteer project to honor Earth Day, and volunteers of all ages can work on projects throughout the park on April 27. Details at Lakewood.org/BCLPevents.




Illustration by James Nguyen

Kids from page 1

Each chapter includes action steps for what kids can do to help sustainability. For example, the kid-friendly plan recommends, "Tell your parents not to idle their cars," and "Make a carpool map in the school so that...there are fewer cars on the road to get to school, which means less traffic and less idling." Read the plan at Lakewood.org/KidsPlan.

The students also took field trips to Lakewood's Carmody Recreation Center to learn about improvements that make the building more energy efficient to reduce the emissions of greenhouse gases, and they visited Jeffco Public School's Warren Tech farm to learn about local food and organic farming that support a sustainable economy.

The elective class was a result of a partnership with Lakewood's Sustainability Division.

"This is a natural partnership because the very core of sustainability is ensuring our decisions do not compromise the quality of life for future generations," said Sustainability Manager Jonathan Wachtel. 

CARMODY PARK

OUTDOOR FITNESS ZONE

in partnership with  Centura Health.




The state of the art outdoor fitness zone will allow patrons, regardless of fitness level, to focus on cardiovascular fitness, resistance training, and core/ab work, all in one convenient outdoor area. Some of the equipment is wheelchair accessible.

The outdoor fitness zone is strategically placed so that parents will be able to supervise their children at the adjacent universal playground and athletic fields while simultaneously getting a workout of their own. Outdoor fitness zones are an important part of the City's plans for the future, allowing residents to be active and healthy without financial barriers.

Carmody Park, 2200 S. Kipling St.
Lakewood.org/CarmodyPark

FOOTHILLS ANIMAL SHELTER



LICENSE TO PARTY

Microchipping and licensing your pets gives you and your furry friends lots of reasons to celebrate. For starters, it makes it easier for lost pets to return home. Plus, licensing fees go directly to the shelter to continue our mission of helping animals in need. Get the party started by licensing and microchipping your pet at

FOOTHILLSANIMALSHELTER.ORG

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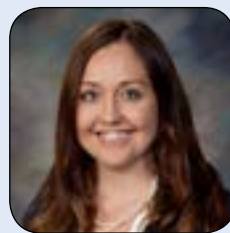


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Mayor's Inspiration Award accepting nominations

Who inspires you? Recognize that person by submitting a nomination for the Mayor's Inspiration Award, designed to honor the remarkable people and organizations in our community. Inspiring work that is having a significant impact is happening all over the city, and these awards will recognize contributions in community engagement, collaboration, inclusiveness, diversity, innovation and community impact in 2018. Nominations will be accepted from April 15 through July 1 and can be submitted online at Lakewood.org/MayorsAwards. Multiple awards could be given in each of the following categories:

- Youth: any individual under the age of 18
- Individual: any individual age 18 or older
- Organization: any business, association, service organization, nonprofit, team or a group
- In memoriam: a special category for Lakewood's 50th Anniversary. Nominate someone who made an impact during his or her time in Lakewood.

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"TO INSPIRE
IS TO IGNITE PASSION
FOR COMMUNITY."
- Mayor Adam Paul
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Mayor Adam Paul and City Council look forward to hearing about the inspirational efforts, and winners will be selected in August. An awards ceremony will take place in the fall during Colorado Cities & Towns Week. The Lakewood Advisory Commission recommended creating the awards to acknowledge those who have a significant impact in the community. The program also carries forward the values of the All-America City Award that Lakewood received in 2016 and 2011 by recognizing the ideals for which the city received the award. For more information about the awards or the nomination process, please contact Kaitlin Gault at 303-987-7050 or kaigau@lakewood.org.



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