Polling Places

Ward 2 voters’ polling place is Fire Station No. 4, Heritage Road (151 State Highway 93).

Ward 4 voters’ polling place is City Hall, 911 10th St.

Wards 1 and 3 voters are not voting in this special election.

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April 7 Study Session
April 14 REGULAR MEETING
April 21 Study Session
April 28 REGULAR MEETING

Council’s upcoming agendas and previous meeting minutes are available online at www.cityofgolden.net under the City Council link, or by calling Deputy City Clerk Karla Leibelt at 303-384-8015.

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Two New Councilors to Be Elected April 5

Tuesday, April 5 was set as a special election day in Golden after Ward Two Councilor Marcie Miller and Ward Four Councilor Gwyn Green resigned Jan. 13. Golden’s City Charter requires a special election be held if a seat on Council will be vacant for more than 180 days.

Only registered voters in Wards 2 and 4 are eligible to vote in this special election. They will choose two new Councilors to represent them through the end of the term in January 2006, when whomever is elected in the regular November election will be sworn into office.

This issue of the Informer marks the first time the City of Golden has offered to publish all the candidates’ profiles in an attempt to help better educate the Golden citizenry about its choices this election. All candidates were given the opportunity to submit 550 words and a photo for publication. Their submissions have not been edited.

Ward 2 information and candidate profiles are on Pages 18 through 22.

Ward 4 information and candidate profiles are on Pages 23 through 25.

If you are not sure which ward you live in, whether you are registered to vote, or if you need to request absentee voting, you must contact the City Clerk’s office at 303-384-8015. Or, more detailed information about the special election is available on the City’s Web site at www.cityofgolden.net at the top of the page under “Special Election.”

Council Commentaries Now Online

Golden City Councilors adopted a resolution March 3 that enables them to post commentaries on their individual pages of the City of Golden Web site, www.cityofgolden.net. Previously, the Councilors had no way to communicate their opinions on various issues with the public through the City’s Web site.

Since adoption of the resolution, three Councilors Karen Oxman, Dave Ketchum and Lynne Timpeiro have posted commentaries about their experiences on City Council. The Councilors said they believed these commentaries would be helpful to citizens considering a run for Council in the April 5 special election. The commentaries also give the public an inside look at the responsibilities of a Councilor and the issues they face while serving the City in this capacity.

News items informing the public that new commentaries have been posted will be sent to those who sign up on the City’s site for a subscription. Check out the new commentaries and subscribe to www.cityofgolden.net today!

Farewell to Miller, Green and Welcome New Councilors April 7

The public is invited to bid farewell to Councilors Marcie Miller and Gwyn Green, and help welcome their replacements at a party from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Thursday, April 7 in Council Chambers at City Hall, 911 10th St.

Green left her seat vacant immediately after announcing her resignation Jan. 13, and Miller said she would leave her seat after the new Councilor elected to her seat takes office. The two new Councilors elected in the April 5 special election will take the oath of office and be seated at the April 7 Council meeting following the party, provided a recount is not necessary.

District/Ward Meetings Set for Spring

District/Ward meetings provide citizens an opportunity to hear updates on local issues relevant in their wards and districts, as well as to interact directly with their Council representatives.

A meeting for citizens of District 1 with an emphasis on Ward 1 will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 3 at the Golden Community Center.

A meeting for citizens of District 2 with an emphasis on Ward 3 will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 17 at the Golden Community Center.

Mark your calendars and watch for more information in the May issue of the Informer.
The time for Golden residents to make their voices heard on transportation issues is now.

A key meeting in Golden on Tuesday, April 26 offers citizens an opportunity to help influence the location of new roads or road improvements, as well as what they will look like.

The stakes are high.

The meeting will be held from 4 to 8 p.m. at Colorado School of Mines Green Center, 924 16th St. It marks an important step in what’s being called the Northwest Corridor Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), an initiative by the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) to assess traffic solutions for our region.

Few would dispute that the region needs road improvements to respond to existing and future traffic. The only question is what solutions make most sense for the region.

Some outside interests are promoting a high-speed, multilane tollway through Golden, roughly along state Highway 93 and U.S. Highway 6 to C-470. In the lingo of the EIS process, this option has become known as “Tollway Alternative TB” or the “western alignment” because it’s the furthest west of the nine options still being considered.

Such a tollway has raised concern among Golden citizens because, among other things, it would slice through our City, cutting our community in two.

But it has another significant downside, one that should concern everyone in the Denver metro region. The western alignment would do little to reduce the amount of time residents in the region spend behind the wheel, despite a likely price tag of more than $1 billion, including hundreds of millions of general tax dollars.
In fact, of all the transportation options being considered in the Northwest Corridor EIS, it performs the worst in terms of reducing driving times.

Nevertheless, there is real concern that this western alignment may be chosen. The April 26 meeting is an important opportunity for Golden citizens to go on record that this would be a gigantic mistake. In fact, it is the final opportunity for public input before alternatives are eliminated and the EIS is drafted. More public comments will be taken on the draft EIS, but it will be significantly more difficult to get eliminated alternatives back on the table at that point.

Here are some key points to include in your comments to CDOT:

• The western alignment is the wrong solution because it won’t do enough to improve transportation in the region. In fact, of all the alternatives on the table, it does the least to reduce the time drivers will spend behind the wheel.

• Because it’s located so far to the west, a tollway along the western alignment won’t attract a sufficient number of drivers to pay for itself. As a result, it will need massive state or federal subsidies, reducing funds available for other pressing transportation needs.

• Golden is willing to do its part to address regional transportation needs, but it’s poor policy to make any one community shoulder the whole burden itself. Golden’s Muller Study plan for improving State Highway 93 should be considered in conjunction with major improvements to other north/south arterial roads, such as the Indiana/McIntyre corridor.

• Because the western alignment would go so far west, it wouldn’t do much to ease current congestion, and would instead be likely to promote growth around areas that are currently characterized by trails and open space.

• CDOT has said publicly that it will not include speed control and other critical mitigation elements called for by Golden in the western alignment, despite Golden citizens having outlined specific mitigation measures for State Highway 93 in the Muller Study.

Citizen participation is crucial at this stage of the EIS. Show up and let CDOT know that a high-speed, multilane tollway through Golden won’t solve traffic problems in the region, but will negatively impact your quality of life.

The City of Golden is encouraging its citizens to support CDOT’s regional arterial alternative, which is called the RB/RC alternative. This plan is most complimentary to the City’s Muller Study and includes improvements to State Highway 93 and other north/south arterials, without building any beltway. Having multiple viable transportation routes running north/south will give drivers multiple options and keeps any one neighborhood from shouldering the entire region’s traffic burden alone. Furthermore, the CDOT’s own data shows that this alternative reduces driving times in the region most significantly.

Golden does not endorse a beltway along State Highway 93 or the Indiana/McIntyre corridor, because a beltway will not solve traffic problems in the region. Golden maintains that taxpayers shouldn’t have to pay millions to build a road to promote private development.

For more information on the Northwest Corridor EIS, call 303-384-8132 or visit www.bettertrafficsolutions.com and sign up for regular updates.
City Celebrates Earth Day

Earth Day, which began in 1970, is now celebrated by millions of people worldwide. This year is its 35th anniversary, and around the world, hundreds of thousands of nongovernmental organizations, governments, and schools, among others, are making plans to declare that they are part of something extraordinary: a worldwide movement to protect our planet, our children and our future.

Hundreds of major events will take place around the world this Earth Day, in communities large and small, classrooms, parks and, of course, in Golden.

The City’s Environmental Services Division will present its programs at an Earth Day celebration from 1 to 5 p.m. Friday, April 22 at Shelton Elementary School, 420 Crawford St. The public is welcome to attend after 3 p.m.

The City is one of several participants setting up special booths at the event, which is sponsored by the Shelton Elementary School PTSA this year. Environmental Services staff will give educational presentations on water quality, pollution prevention, recycling and water conservation.

Plenty of other hands-on activities related to the Earth and all its natural wonders will be available, including presentations on the greenhouse effect, global warming, recycling, composting and hybrid automobiles. The Colorado Mountain Club Youth Education Program will present an avalanche awareness series. The Environmental Protection Agency will conduct water quality demonstrations showing macro-invertebrates (bugs we can see) in Clear Creek. The National Renewable Energy Laboratory will offer free cookies baked in a solar oven as part of its solar energy demonstration. Lookout Mountain Nature Center and Jefferson County Open Space will jointly conduct an animal migration and river journey. CSU master gardeners will discuss xeriscaping, and Tri-R Recycling will give a presentation on recycling opportunities. A hand-on composting station will also be demonstrated.

There will be giveaways and prizes. Free coffee will be available, and food items will be for sale. For more information or to volunteer, call Lori Gregory at 303-277-9908 or Debbie Goeldner at 303-277-9630.

The City’s Environmental Services Division also is coordinating the annual April art show in celebration of Earth Day. Artwork by first through sixth grade students at both Mitchell and Shelton elementary schools will be on display at City Hall, the Golden Public Library children’s room and upstairs at the Golden Community Center through the end of the month. The artworks were inspired by nature, use recycled materials or otherwise represent an environmental theme.

The public is invited to come learn more about what we all can do to make a difference in our community and our Earth! For more information, call the Environmental Services lab at 303-384-8188.

Adopt-A-Spot for Earth Day and Beyond

The City of Golden needs groups and individual volunteers to be part of its Adopt-a-Spot program. Much like the Adopt-a-Street program, adopters are responsible for keeping a specific site (rather than street) free of trash and debris. The City helps by providing trash bags, gloves and safety vests.

To apply, call 303-384-8155 and request an application form. You can commit to a one-time pickup or set up an agreement for a one year period.
Recycling Program Shows Continued Success

The City of Golden’s recycling programs continue to prove successful. More than 276,000 pounds of paper were recycled in 2004, with more than 162,000 pounds collected from the Splash Recycling Center alone. This volume of recycled paper saves more than 2,300 trees, nearly 1 million gallons of water and more than 550 cubic yards of space in local landfills.

Golden residents also recycled nearly 100,000 pounds of plastic, aluminum, steel, tin, glass and plastic.

One ton of recycled #1 plastic saves more than 7 cubic yards of landfill space, and one pound of recycled #1 plastic saves 12,000 BTUs of energy.

And did you know that 29% of recycled #2 plastic goes into making new bottles? These #2 plastics are also used to make lawn and garden products, such as plastic lumber, lawn edging and other injection molding products like buckets, crates and car parts.

Every ton of steel recycled saves 2,500 pounds of iron ore, 1,400 pounds of coal and 120 pounds of limestone. The steel industry recycles more than 19 billion steel cans into new products every year. That’s about 600 cans recycled every second!

Using recycled aluminum requires 95% less energy than producing can sheet material from raw materials, and it can be formed into a new can on a retailer’s shelf in as few as 60 days. Approximately one-half of every aluminum can today is made from recycled aluminum.

Please remember to separate your recyclables when taking them to the Splash and other area recycling centers.

The paper bins can be used for newspapers, magazines and catalogs, junk mail, office paper, colored paper and glossy paper.

Phone books and cardboard cannot be recycled in the paper bins at this time. The commingled recyclables bin can be used for aluminum cans, steel/tin cans, #1 and #2 plastics, and glass. Please do not discard yogurt containers, plastic bags or deli containers in the commingled bin.

The City of Golden, Coors Brewing Co., Ball Corp. and Lookout Mountain Youth Services Student Council thank everyone for helping to keep the Splash Recycling Center clean and successful. Keep it up!

For more information on recycling or directions to the Splash location, call 303-384-8183.

Volunteers Recycle for Front Porch

The Senior Program at the Golden Community Center has its very own recycling program in the form of four die-hard collectors of donated and discarded aluminum. Known as the “Can-Eating Sharks,” Ralph Frang, Clyde Harber, Jack McKay and Bob Vogel spend at least one morning a week, and sometimes two, touring the trash sites of Golden collecting aluminum cans for recycling. Proceeds from these bountiful recycling collections are divided equally between the Coors Volunteer program and the Golden Community Center Senior Program. From January – December 2004, the seniors program benefited from more than $3,780! These donated funds go toward large purchases for the Community Center and Seniors Program, such as furnishings, memorials and supplies, and also help with the program purchases that keep things happening – all thanks to these fine gentlemen who volunteer their time, their negotiating skills, their weather-endurance, their muscles and their very, very hard work. If you would like to thank any (or all) of them, please stop by the Front Porch at the Community Center. Their contributions truly provide both financial and moral support to the Senior Program.
Spring has sprung, and as the buds on our plants open and blossoms grace us with their beauty, we might remind ourselves of the many benefits we enjoy from the presence of the plants, and in particular, trees.

Trees, of course, provide much needed shade from the often intense summer sun. This shade can cool buildings, as well as people, lowering air conditioning use. Trees trap air pollution particles and release oxygen, freshening the air. They slow storm-water run off by not only holding water in their canopies, but also minimizing erosion through the spread of their root systems.

Trees provide shelter and food for wildlife, and have been shown to enhance property values. Perhaps above all, trees add largely intangible benefits of beauty and a sense of well-being that we are often unaware of, but which would be sorely missed if absent from our city environment.

For all these reasons and more, we should plant and care for our trees as the valuable assets they are.

With that in mind, every Spring, Golden celebrates Arbor Day with a tree-planting observance ceremony. At the same time, the City will receive the honor of designation as a TREE CITY USA for the 15th consecutive year. This award acknowledges that Goldne has demonstrated a commitment to public tree care and it encourages citizens to appreciate and plant trees where ever appropriate.

The Arbor Day ceremony will be held at 9:30 a.m. Friday, April 15 in the Fossil Trace Golf Club parking lot. Shelton Elementary School second graders will attend and help plant a tree.

Consider an Arbor Day celebration of your own this year by planting a lovely green plant or tree in your own yard.
Mock Council Takes on Smoking Ban

Who says that kids don’t count? Students in this year’s Junior Leadership Golden class are proving just how much young civic leaders can make a difference by influencing the debate on big issues.

From 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, April 13 in Council Chambers at Golden City Hall, 911 10th St., Junior Leadership Golden will convene a mock City Council session to discuss a no smoking ordinance, similar to the one Arvada has enacted and that a citizens group has recently proposed to Golden City Council.

Seven students will role play council, and 22 other Junior Leadership students will speak during public comment. Golden City Attorney Jim Windholz will assist students in running the meeting.

Parents, City Council and the public are invited and encouraged to attend.

Congratulations to the following students who were chosen to sit on the mock Council: Mayor Kendra O’Brien and City Councilors Amy Braun, David Cooper, Eric Goldman, Amanda Pros, Britten Russell and Christen Tyus.

Please Join Us!
- Student mock City Council hearing on smoking ban
- 6 to 8 p.m.
- Wednesday, April 13
- City Hall, 911 10th St.
New Businesses Abound at Coors Technology Center

Several new businesses and uses have come to the fore at the Coors Technology Center in Golden. These new neighbors are helping to generate a new sense of economic vitality in this commercial area. These new companies also employ dozens of people from the area. Here are some quick descriptions of these businesses and the creative ways they are contributing to the community.

**UTILITY NOTIFICATION CENTER OF COLORADO, INC.** (UNCC) bought approx. 2.2 acres at 16361 Table Mountain Parkway in the Coors Technology Center in 2002, and built an approximately 12,000 square foot building, which opened in 2004. It serves as a call center for utility locations for the construction industry.

**COGNITIVE SOLUTIONS, INC.** leased 42,628 square feet in 2004 at 4403 Table Mountain Drive. They manufacture and service UPC (universal product code) inventory devices and labels.

**C.F. MAIER** bought 2.8 acres in January 2003 and built an approximately 15,880 square foot building at 16351 Table Mountain Parkway for the manufacture of fiberglass components. C.F. Maier is a German-based company with another facility in Lamar, Colo.

**SUMMIT DOPPLER** leased 4,400 square feet at 4620 Technology Drive in February 2005. Summit manufactures ultrasound diagnostic devices for diagnosing vascular disease.

**EPILOG LASER** bought a 3.67 acre site in April 2004, and broke ground on an approximately 28,000 square foot building in February 2005 for the manufacture of laser engraving equipment. The anticipated completion date for the facility is set for October.

**HARLAN BAKERIES** bought the 8-acre site with a 68,266 square foot facility formerly occupied by the Hakushika Sake Brewery on Feb. 28. Harlan Bakeries makes bagels, pies and cakes and is currently located in leased premises in north Denver. Harlan plans a major remodel and expansion of the 4414 Table Mountain Drive facility during 2005. The bakery employs about 85 people.
Several historic 20th century houses in the 1600 block of Maple Street on the Colorado School of Mines campus may not be saved, despite joint efforts by many to move them.

The City’s Planning and Development Department and Historic Preservation Board have worked with Colorado School of Mines officials, Golden Landmarks Association and local residents to try to find a place to move three historic homes. They are endangered by the school’s plans to build a recreation center on campus.

In a partnership between the City of Golden and CSM, the historic homes were up for a transfer of ownership if the new owners were willing to move the buildings to new locations. While relocation in Golden would have been preferred, consideration would have also been given to relocating the buildings elsewhere if it was the only available option for saving the homes.

The deadline for finding new ownership for the homes was in early March, but interested parties are still being encouraged to contact the City’s Planning Director Steve Glueck at 303-384-8095.

The homes include:

- **The Van Tuyl residence, 1207 16th St.** — was home to two CSM professors and a social activist.
- **The Kimball residence, 1616 Maple St.** — was home to a prominent Golden merchant and constructed after the City lifted restrictions on the expansion of water lines following a water shortage in 1909.
- **The Doolittle residence, 1620 Maple St.** — was home to two CSM professors and a social activist.

The City of Golden commend CSM and the citizens for their continued efforts to preserve Golden’s rich history.

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**How Your Local Government Works**

**Benjamin Franklin Was Right ...**

Benjamin Franklin was right: “Nothing is certain but death and taxes.”

It’s that time of year again and, as one tax joke goes, “There are two types of people who complain about paying taxes: men and women.”

Though most people dislike paying taxes, they are what enable government to provide a range of services that citizens rely upon and demand. Without adequate taxation, vital infrastructure decays or isn’t constructed, and various community programs and amenities get cut. Taxes are levied by federal, state and local governments (which include municipalities, counties, school districts and special districts).

Golden is a Home Rule city and, therefore, the tax structure is different than that of the State of Colorado or other taxing jurisdictions.

Chapter XIV Section 14.1 of the Golden City Charter addresses taxation. It states that City Council has the authority to levy and collect taxes for municipal purposes. Council may levy and collect property taxes, special assessments for local improvements, sales and use taxes and excise taxes. The City Charter, however, states that no income tax, sales tax or excise tax can be levied until such tax has been approved by a majority of the electors voting at a regular special election. The TABOR Amendment to the State Constitution also requires a vote for all new taxes.

The Finance and Administrative Services Department at the City of Golden controls all public monies, including tax revenues, which are just one source of revenue. Other sources of revenue include service charges, intergovernmental transfers, license and permit fees, fines and forfeitures, interest, and so on. The majority of revenues, however, come from taxes, the bulk of which are sales and use taxes.

Golden’s Finance Department hosts seminars on the sales and use tax system for business owners. For information about the sales and use tax seminars, contact Hollie Turtle at hturtle@ci.golden.co.us or call 303-384-8023. Information about the Sales Tax Code, Chapter 3 of the Municipal Code, is also available online at www.cityofgolden.net.

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Genevieve Hale is pursuing a master’s degree, and is participating in an internship at the City of Golden.
**Code Q & A**

**Q:** Does the City of Golden have any laws concerning weeds and landscaping?

**A:** Yes. City Ordinance No. 5.05.030 requires any owner or occupant of any property, whether private residence or business, to maintain all plant growth to under 8 inches in height. Trees, shrubs and bushes are excluded from the height restrictions.

Also, any fire hydrant located on any property must be accessible for a minimum of three feet around the circumference of the hydrant for maintenance and readily visible from the street.

If you have any Code Enforcement related questions please call the Golden Police Department at 303-384-8045 and ask to speak to a Code Enforcement Officer, or check out the Municipal Code on the City’s Web site, www.cityofgolden.net.

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**Keep Clear Creek Clean**

The City of Golden storm sewer system is designed to collect naturally occurring storm water, rain and snowmelt and deposit it into Clear Creek, untreated. By depositing landscaping material in the streets or allowing other pollutants, such as oil, fertilizer or pesticides, to reach the sewer system from your property, the quality of Clear Creek begins to degrade. The City of Golden has two ordinances specifically prohibiting either action.

Ordinance No. 13.30.140 prohibits discharging or spillsing any substance other than naturally occurring stormwater runoff into the City’s storm drainage system. Ordinance No. 5.01.070 prohibits temporary placement of landscaping in the right of way, other than that authorized for snow removal activities, on any public roadway. Anyone who violates either ordinance could be charged and face penalties of up to $999 or six months in jail.

Please help keep Clear Creek clean by cleaning up any excess pollutants on your property and covering or damming any landscaping material seepage. If you have questions or concerns, contact Environmental Services at 303-384-8188, Police Code Enforcement at 303-384-8045, or visit Environmental Services online at www.cityofgolden.net.

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**Reserve Officer Laid to Rest with 21-Gun Salute**

On Feb. 25, Golden Police said goodbye to one of their own. Reserve Officer Tom Clark was laid to rest at Ft. Logan Cemetery with full military honors after he died Feb. 18 of natural causes.

The sounds of the Golden Police Honor Guard’s 21-gun salute echoed throughout the cemetery while family, friends and officers paid their last respects. Uniformed officers and deputies from multiple local and federal agencies were present for the ceremony.

Clark was honorably discharged from the Navy in 1968. He showed his commitment to community service by working with the Denver Police Reserves, the Denver Rescue Unit and the Adams County Sheriff’s Reserve programs for a total of seven years before coming to Golden.

Clark started with the Golden Police Department in 1999 and amassed hundreds of volunteer hours, working both the street and special functions. Clark was known as someone always willing to take the extra step and do more than was requested. He was relied on by officers and command staff alike for his dedication to the department and his commitment to the community.

Clark’s positive impact on the Golden Police Department and the Golden community will be felt for years to come. His friendship, dedication to duty and willingness to help anyone in need will be deeply missed by all who had the honor of knowing him.
Now at the Golden Pioneer Museum is a thoroughly researched display on the Golden Police Department, telling its history and listing our police leaders back to the founding of Golden’s permanent government in 1871.

Before these, others were elected to serve and protect Golden, but it is no surprise they were not listed because information on them is hard to find. They were Golden’s first officials who served before Golden even had a government: Justices of the Peace James McDonald and Reuben Borton, and Constables Isham Hardy and Munroe H. Bailey, elected Jan. 2, 1860.

Golden heretofore was a society being built from scratch. Aside from the town company controlling its property, Golden had no government. It was up to the citizens to keep the rough element in check. A lynch mob’s pre-emptory hanging of Edgar Vanover on Sept. 5, 1859, was used to set an example, and Golden’s unusually large presence of women (for a Gold Rush town) also served to moderate lawlessness.

A December citizens trial set Henry Martiney free. However, when the Jefferson Territorial provisional government mandated town officials be elected, Goldenites seized the opportunity to organize law and order, and elected law officers for our first municipal officials.

Virtually nothing is yet known about Golden’s original officers. Isham Hardy was likely a brother of Dr. Isaac E. Hardy, a prominent downtown merchant later elected to the Common Council. Bailey later served as Golden’s first City Clerk under that government. Justice Borton was an attorney who built one of our first frame houses at 717 12th St. He served as Constable, helped found Golden’s Masonic Lodge and served on the Common Council. James McDonald was a member of the Boston Company, Golden’s first business, who helped found the City of Golden in 1859. While serving as Justice, he presided over Golden’s first legal tribunal, which took place 145 years ago at this time.

A man called Fulsom (alias King or Gregory) was charged with breaking into and stealing clothing from the St. Vrain, Golden City and Colorado Wagon Road tollhouse, and he plead not guilty. Judge Eli Carter and Richard T. Davis were his prosecutors, while attorney John F. Kirby counseled Fulsom, in the hope that whatever was done “would be the result of sober, conscientious judgment and not of heated and excited passion ... that the prisoner would receive nothing but Justice at the hands of an impartial jury.” Witnesses testified that Fulsom possessed stolen clothing and left some with them. After only 15 minutes, the jury returned a verdict of guilty. Squire McDonald sentenced Fulsom “to 10 days hard labor on the streets, with a chain and ball attached to his leg, and then to leave the country.” Since Golden had no jail, this was the only realistic punishment, short of whipping or hanging him. Four days into the sentence, just after April Fools Day 1860, Fulsom fooled everyone by removing the ball and chain, and on the morning of April 3, “turned up missing.”

Golden’s first chapter of law enforcement closed quickly, but we have come a long way since then, electing our first Marshall William C. Simpson (proprietor of the Simpson House hotel at 600 Water St.) eight days later, followed by the permanent establishment of government, election of succeeding Constables and Marshalls, and ultimately forming a full police force and municipal judges.

Rick Gardner is a Golden historian. He operates www.gardnerhistory.com, a Web site devoted entirely to the history of the City of Golden.
**MARCH 30**

**Special Election Candidate Forum**
The Leadership Golden Alumni Association and The Golden Transcript are sponsoring a candidate forum for the upcoming Golden special election. Please join us from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Wednesday, March 30 at Miners Alley Playhouse, 1224 Washington St. (above Foss General Store). The evening’s moderators will be E. Tom Hughes, President of Leadership Golden Alumni Association, and Mitch Pugh, Editor of the Golden Transcript. For more information, contact Sandy Algermissen at 303-279-3281 or sandyalg@msn.com.

**THROUGH APRIL 15**

**Free Tax Forms**
Again this year, tax forms are available free at all Jefferson County public libraries. The most frequently used state and federal forms and instruction books may be picked up at all Jeffco libraries. AARP Tax Aide counselors will be available by appointment. Dates and appointment information are available at the libraries and at [http://jefferson.lib.co.us](http://jefferson.lib.co.us).

**APRIL 14**

**Coffee with Councilors**
Ward 1 Councilor Dave Ketchum and District 1 Councilor Lynne Timpeiro meet for coffee, conversation and maybe even a light breakfast at 7:30 a.m. the second Thursday of each month at Cousins (formerly Jake’s), 17695 S. Golden Road, near Johnson Road. The restaurant is smoke-free and the coffee is free. Golden citizens, particularly those in District One, are encouraged to stop by.

**APRIL 16**

**Golden Landmarks Book Sale and Private Auction**
The Golden Landmarks Association is holding a book sale and silent auction from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday, April 16 at Golden United Methodist Church, 1500 Ford St. The proceeds from the sale and auction benefit a restoration fund for the Astor House Museum’s collection. In addition to the sale and auction, book binder Marilyn Skiba will give a presentation on book restoration at 1 p.m. Individual estimates on book restoration will be available for $3 per book beginning at 2 p.m. Bring your family Bibles or other heirloom books that are in need of repair. For more information, visit [www.goldenlandmarks.org](http://www.goldenlandmarks.org) or call 303-279-1236.

**Antique Advertisement?**
Cycle enthusiast Steve Stevens has decorated his antique high-wheel bicycle with an advertisement for a very special book. The Golden Pioneer Museum is selling “Golden City Tastes and Traditions” cookbook at the Golden Visitors Center on the corner of 10th Street and Washington Avenue. Stop by and see all the Visitors Center has to offer and pick up your copy of this unique cookbook while supplies last! Visit [www.goldenpioneer museum.com](http://www.goldenpioneer museum.com), or call the Visitors Center at 303-279-3113.
APRIL 23

Spring Concert
The Children’s Choir of Golden and the Westside Flyers Violin Ensemble will present their Spring Concert at 7 p.m. April 23. The concert, featuring music of peace from around the world, will be held at Calvary Great Hall on the corner of 14th and Arapahoe streets. Tickets are $9 for adults, $5 for seniors and $3 for children ages 6 through 11. Children younger than 6 are free. Call Allison Olsson at 303-279-2932 for info.

APRIL 20

Teen Poetry Readings
Teens are invited to read and discuss poetry at 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 20 during a “Poetry Cafe” at Golden Public Library. Refreshments will be served and young people may bring a favorite poem, or read their original work.

THROUGH JUNE 11

Typing, Biking and Women’s Dress exhibit
What do a sewing machine, typewriter and the bicycle all have in common? All three were developed in the late 1800s and went on to create a revolution in women’s clothing. Come learn more at this exhibit now through June 11 at the Astor House Museum, 822 12th St. Call 303-278-3557 or visit www.astorhousemuseum.org.

MAY 3 & MAY 17

District/Ward Meetings
City District/Ward meetings provide Golden citizens an opportunity to hear updates on local issues relevant in their wards and districts, as well as to interact directly with their Council representatives.

A meeting for citizens of District 1 with an emphasis on Ward 1 will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 3 at the Golden Community Center.

A meeting for citizens of District 2 with an emphasis on Ward 3 will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 17 at the Golden Community Center.

Mark your calendars and watch for more information in the May issue of the Informer.
The Golden Community Center is located at 1470 10th St., on the north edge of Lions Park. You can register for any of the following classes and more online at www.goldenrec.com or by calling 303-384-8100. Please let us know that you read about us in the Informer.

### Activity Calendar

**Kundalini Yoga**

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**Yoga 101**

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### Sign Up for Summer Softball

The summer softball season is just around the corner and league sign-ups have already started. Golden has men’s, women’s and co-ed divisions ranging from recreational to competitive.

Summer leagues will start at the end of April, so sign up now. Information is available at [www.cityofgolden.net](http://www.cityofgolden.net), or contact Athletics Coordinator Becky Richmond at 303-384-8194 or brichmond@ci.golden.co.us. Let her know you read about it in the Informer!

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**Intro to Pilates**

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**Tai Chi Chuan Sun Style, Part 1**

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**Exercises You Can Do at Home**

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We have a large array of fitness and wellness classes that are covered under the Community Center’s general admission fee, as well as professional personal trainers. Please come in and check us out!
This summer, give your child a head start in learning to play golf. The junior golf program at Fossil Trace Golf Club offers a unique variety of instruction to better educate the junior golfer. The junior golf program will give your junior golfer the knowledge and skills needed to enjoy the game.

Instruction will be provided in a fun learning environment and includes instruction on putting, chipping, pitching, bunker play, full-swing mechanics, on-course play, practice tips and drills, and rules and etiquette.

All junior golfers participating in a group camp or clinic program will receive a gift package valued at $50.

For more information or to register, call 303-277-8750, or visit www.fossiltrace.com/Junior.html.

Summer Camp at the Community Center

The Golden Parks and Recreation Department offers a State-licensed day camp for children ages 6- to 12-years-old during the summer months, winter holiday break and spring break.

Children enjoy weekly field trips, outdoor activities, cooking experiences, special interest guests (music, sign language, magicians, etc.), arts and crafts, games, swimming, gym and playground time, climbing, and much more. Trips to The Splash at Fossil Trace aquatics park will be scheduled during the summer day camp.

Camp hours are from 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. weekdays. Children may enroll weekly or daily based on availability. A payment plan is available for those registering for a minimum of 7 weeks for Summer Adventure Day Camp. Camps are staffed with a ratio of no less than one counselor per 15 children. All campers are required to bring a sack lunch.

Summer Adventure Day Camp enrollment has already begun, so sign up today! The weekly cost is $120 for residents, or $125 for non-residents. The daily rate is $28 resident or $33 non-residents.

For more information on Golden Parks and Recreation day camps, call Youth Program Supervisor Tracy Hagelund at 303-384-8124 or thagelund@ci.golden.co.us. Or visit www.cityofgolden.net/parksandrec.
Special Election to be Held April 5

Ward 2

If you live in Ward 2, pictured right, you will have the opportunity to elect a new City Council representative in a special election scheduled Tuesday, April 5. Ward 2 Councilor Marcie Miller announced her resignation Jan. 13 and will step down when her replacement is sworn in.

The new Councilor you choose to represent you will hold office through the end of the term in January 2006. Whomever is elected in the regular November election will be sworn into office at that time.

All of the Ward 2 candidates’ profiles are being published on the following pages in an attempt to help better educate you about your choices this election. All candidates were given the opportunity to submit 550 words and a photo for publication. Their submissions have not been edited.

If you are not sure whether you are registered to vote, or if you need to request absentee voting, you must contact the City Clerk’s office at 303-384-8015. More information about the special election is available online at www.cityofgolden.net at the top of the page under “Special Election.”

Candidate Profiles

Profiles for candidates running for Ward 2 are included on Pages 19 through 22. Candidates include:

- Kimberly Brock
- Arthur Chen
- David Lack
- Barbara Paden

Voting Information for Ward 2

If you are a registered voter in Ward Two, you may vote between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 5 at your polling place, Fire Station No. 4, Heritage Road near Colfax (151 State Highway 93).

If you cannot vote on election day, please contact the City Clerk’s Office at 303-384-8014 for absentee information.
My name is Kimberly Brock and I am running for City Council—Ward 2. My husband and I have been Golden residents for nine years. We started out in a rental home, but after 6 months we knew we wanted to stay in Golden. So we purchased our first home.

We’ve since started a family and have moved to a bigger home. And in each case, we’ve always remained in Ward 2.

I am running for City Council because I love Golden, I understand what it means to live in Golden and I want to do what I can to keep Golden a special place; a place that my children and others can enjoy and appreciate for all of its qualities.

In 2000, I was a member of Leadership Golden. This is where I learned the most about city government and about all the people that work behind the scenes to keep this city going. I have been a volunteer tutor at the Golden Library, and I have interviewed for seats on local commissions.

I strive to be active in our city by experiencing local events or just keeping up to date with local news. It is my belief that everyone has a civic responsibility whether it is casting a vote or running for office. This is what makes a democracy work.

My professional experience in Marketing has afforded me the opportunity to manage many different client relationships—large and small, national and local. This experience has allowed me to hone my skills at strategic thinking and negotiation among multiple groups. I am a good listener and I am dedicated to seeing a project through fruition.

As a working mother I am concerned about our education system. I think that Golden schools K-12 should be the schools of choice, not just the School of Mines. Parents should feel confident about sending their children to the local school down the street without any consideration of taking them miles away.

When it comes to affordable housing, I believe there is a need in Golden. However, I think there is a clear differentiation between “affordable housing” and “subsidized housing.” I support affordable housing. Regardless if you are a family of four or single, you should still have an opportunity to buy a home in Golden at a reasonable price.

I will continue to support the fight against the towers on Lookout Mountain. There are reasonable alternatives that do not affect the same number of families as there are in Ward 2. We don’t need a super tower here.

I think Council needs people who are engaged in this city and are aware of the happenings around them on a local level, as well as a regional and national level.

I believe that I possess the qualities and skills necessary to represent my fellow neighbors and voice their concerns for all city matters.

I would be thrilled and honored if elected to City Council on behalf of Ward 2. Please just remember to exercise your right and vote.

Thank you for your consideration.
Hello. My name is Arthur Chen, and I am running for City Council.

You have a very short time to get to know me, so I will be direct. Golden is home to me, my wife and our two children. I serve on the city’s Historic Preservation Board, and I am a member of the current Leadership Golden class, which is a program designed to educate residents about our community. Because of its dramatic topography, colorful history and small-town character, Golden is unique. However, it faces many challenges. I want to help tackle those challenges and preserve Golden’s distinctive character.

I oppose the new broadcast tower on Lookout Mountain. Radio frequency emissions are just another dangerous form of pollution. Increased levels of radiation from the so-called “supertower” will be bad for Golden, especially if links with cancer are found. I also oppose any beltway configuration that runs along state Highway 93 or U.S. 6. From my time spent in the Northeast, I can tell you that many communities living in the shadow of a multilane highway rarely live up to the promise of economic development and often exist with the stigma of ever-present highway noise and poorer air quality.

Golden also has many opportunities. My agenda will focus on the neighborhood that I hope to represent, Ward 2.

In nine short years, light-rail will arrive in Golden. It would be a travesty if the station at the Jefferson County Government Center were to be called just that. I propose that the city get on board and create a true gateway to Golden at the intersection of U.S. 6 and Heritage Road—a transportation-oriented development to be named “Apex at Golden”. The village would have two- and three-story buildings with retail space on the street level and housing units upstairs, narrow tree-lined streets and wide sidewalks. Trails and open space would run to the north and west, while ample parking would be located to the east. Golden’s light-rail station should not be the end-of-the-line but a destination where visitors get a glimpse of our majestic valley.

Second, I propose a pedestrian tunnel at the intersection of U.S. 6 and 19th Street. The tunnel would begin someplace west of U.S. 6, run northeast under the highway and then end up on the Colorado School of Mines campus. Since it is their nature at CSM to bore through the earth, the faculty and students should be heavily involved with the project. During its construction, the tunnel should serve as a hands-on class. Once completed, beside its functional purpose, the tunnel would double as an engineering and geological exhibit.

The deal to conserve South Table Mountain is a fitting tribute to City Councilwoman Marcie Miller. Through her hard work and determination, the mesa will now be enjoyed by many generations to come. In a similar vein, I propose that Golden adopt a dark-sky ordinance to help conserve our nighttime skies. It is my hope that we will always be able to see and express our wonderment for the stars above.

In closing, I ask the residents of Ward 2 for your trust, confidence and support. If you too share this vision of Golden, please cast your vote for me on Tuesday, April 5th. I will make you proud; I will not let you down.
My name is David Lack, and it would be a privilege and an honor to represent my friends and neighbors in Ward 2 on the Golden City Council. I hope voters in this Ward will see that I have the qualities to be a worthy choice for Councilor – enthusiasm, experience, commitment, common sense, and desire to work for a strong, vibrant community.

My desire to serve is related to my strong commitment to my family. My wife, a Colorado native, is Tami. We have two sons, Jonathan and Thomas, who are students at Shelton Elementary School. We came to this area in 1998 to care for Tami’s ailing parents. In our search for a place to live, we quickly settled on Golden, built a house, and moved here in 1999. We chose Golden because of the desirable attributes of the community, its charm, friendliness, sense of identity and quality of life. We decided that this was the place where we wanted to raise our children. We know we made the right choice.

I have been involved in the community in several ways. For two years, I served as President of the Shelton Elementary PTSA. I am now serving a term as the PTSA Vice President. While it is a lot of extra work, it is very rewarding to work with a group dedicated to the enhancement of the educational experience of our community’s children. I have also taught in the gifted and talented program at Shelton.

For four years, I served on the Board of Directors of Alternative Homes for Youth, a non-profit agency providing residential treatment for troubled teens. At one time, AHFY had two facilities in the Golden area. I am now on the staff of AHFY as we continue to fulfill our mission.

In 2001, a friend convinced me to enroll in Leadership Golden. It was a great experienced where I learned a great deal about the town I had already come to appreciate. After graduating from the program, I agreed to join the Leadership Golden Steering Committee. I am now in my third year on the committee, and looking forward to a fourth year. I would like to continue my service to Golden as a member of the City Council.

Golden is a strong community and a great place to live. As a community, however, we face several issues. I believe that the planned extension of the Northwest Parkway would be a disruptive intrusion, and, therefore, I oppose it as currently conceived. Another issue close to the heart of many people in Ward 2 is the planned supertower on Lookout Mountain. Before such a project goes any farther, the County should carefully consider and resolve all the health and safety issues. If the tower is a health hazard, the City of Golden must continue to urge the County to seek alternatives. I also believe that the Council must find ways to attract more businesses to Golden and manage our growth in such a way as to strengthen our community.

During the days leading up to the election, I hope that the voters of Ward 2 will find out more about me and the qualities that I could bring to the Council. I encourage all voters in the ward to cast their ballot on April 5.
My name is Barbara Paden, and I’m running for Golden City Council from Ward 2. It’s a great honor to live in a country in which citizens with a passion can become involved in their government.

I was born in San Diego, a city like Golden which supports an active, healthy lifestyle. My bachelor’s and master’s degrees were earned at UCLA. I was fortunate to attend UCLA on a softball scholarship, and won NCAA championships in 1982 and 1984. I received my Doctor of Podiatric Medicine degree from CCPM in San Francisco, and completed my three year surgical residency at Kaiser in Walnut Creek, California.

I married Matthew Paden, a Colorado native, in 1991. We arrived in Colorado in 1994, but didn’t achieve our dream of living in Golden until 2002.

Currently I’m in practice with my husband Dr. Matthew Paden, and our partner Dr. Gary Fisher as the Wheat Ridge Foot and Ankle Center. I’m a past Chief of Podiatry Services at Exempla Lutheran Medical Center, and am active in residency education at Pres/St. Luke’s. I’m Board Certified by the American Board of Podiatric Surgery. In May 2004, I reduced my hours at the office to care for our son, Hunter, whom we adopted from Russia at the age of seven months. Everyone who has met him knows that he is the sweetest, easiest baby, and has added immeasurable joy to our lives.

We’ve lived in the Stonebridge neighborhood since June 2002. Golden is a jewel of a town, not just in Colorado, but in the world. It combines the best of small town living with amenities of the Denver Metro area. All of our experiences here, from the assistance we’ve received in starting our practice from local Golden physicians, to our son’s care at Canyon Point Kindercare, to the welcome we’ve received at Calvary Episcopal Church, make this our permanent home. It’s time to give back.

While I may be a novice in the political process, I have a history of taking on difficult challenges and succeeding. Every organization needs an occasional influx of new voices and ideas. Golden may be on the right track, but there will be hurdles ahead. The C470 Beltway, continuing drainage issues, smoking ordinances, and balancing the needs of local business with needs of the community, all will require a logical, measured approach.

Council members will need to take into account the needs of all citizens, not just a vocal few.

Please visit my website at www.Padenforgolden.com to learn more. Thank you for your time and your vote.
Special Election to be Held April 5

Ward 4

If you live in Ward 4, pictured right, you will have the opportunity to elect a new City Council representative in a special election scheduled Tuesday, April 5. Ward 4 Councilor Gwyn Green announced her resignation Jan. 13 and stepped down immediately, leaving her seat vacant until a new councilor is sworn in.

The new Councilor you choose to represent you will hold office through the end of the term in January 2006. Whomever is elected in the regular November election will be sworn into office at that time.

All of the Ward 4 candidates’ profiles are being published on the following pages in an attempt to help better educate you about your choices this election. All candidates were given the opportunity to submit 550 words and a photo for publication. Their submissions have not been edited.

If you are not sure whether you are registered to vote, or if you need to request absentee voting, you must contact the City Clerk’s office at 303-384-8015. More information about the special election is available online at www.cityofgolden.net at the top of the page under “Special Election.”

Candidate Profiles

Profiles for candidates running for Ward 4 are included on Pages 24 and 25. Candidates include:
• Barbara DesMarteau
• Jacob Smith

Ward 4 Voting Information

If you are a registered voter in Ward 4, you may vote between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 5 at your polling place, Council Chambers at City Hall, 911 10th St.

If you cannot vote on election day, please contact the City Clerk’s Office at 303-384-8015 for absentee information.
Barbara DesMarteau is an experienced executive with 20 years of diverse leadership and management experience in the public and non-profit sectors. Currently she is the Director of the Adams County Human Development Department, which includes the One Stop Career Centers, Office of Community Development, and Head Start. Until this year, the county libraries were also under her leadership while the transition to an independent library district was official in 2005.

Adams County with a population of over 370,000 residents includes 10 cities and towns. Barbara is one of 9 cabinet level departments directly reporting to the Board of County Commissioners. Through her department, Barbara oversees a staff of over 170 and a departmental budget of $13 million. She also oversees three countywide boards, which include the Adams County Workforce Investment Board, the Adams County Head Start Policy Council, and the Adams County Community Development Advisory Board. Barbara continues to act as the Board of Commissioners’ liaison with the new Rangeview Library District and the Board of Trustees.

Before joining Adams County, Barbara served as the Executive Director of the Mi Casa Resource Center for Women; a non-profit community based organization with several locations in Colorado. Additionally, Barbara managed human services programs for the Arizona Department of Economic Security, Community Services Administration in Phoenix, Arizona.

Barbara completed the Senior Executive Program for State and Local officials at Harvard University, John F. Kennedy School of Government. She has completed the International Career Advancement Program at the University of Denver and the Head Start-Johnson & Johnson Management Fellows Program at the Anderson School of Business at UCLA. Barbara currently serves on the Adams County Economic Development Board, Audubon Colorado Board of Directors, Institute for Mestiza Leadership Board and the Museo de las Americas (Museum of the Americas-Art) Board of Trustees.

Barbara attended graduate school at the University of Kansas, and has a Bachelor of Arts degree in Sociology from Fort Hays State University in Hays, Kansas. Barbara is an alumnae member of the National Hispana Leadership Institute in Washington, D.C.

Barbara’s extensive experience in government makes her highly qualified to serve on the City Council. As an appointed official for Adams County, she works directly with elected officials and has significant knowledge of federal and state funding resources. Barbara has excellent problem solving skills and ability to look at old problems in new ways. She has dedicated herself to leadership development for herself and others and has built a solid reputation for ethical leadership and integrity. Most importantly she has to courage to lead, the skills to build consensus and the commitment to serve.

Barbara is running for the City Council to bring her experience, expertise, high energy and enthusiasm for public service to the table. She is dedicated to sustaining the city’s quality of life, preservation and conservation. Her platform includes:

• Focusing on retention and support of downtown and economic development in Golden.
• Continued resistance to C-470 going through Golden
• Responsible growth
• Support for jobs
• Water storage and conservation planning

Barbara is a Colorado native. She and her husband Lee have been married for over 30 years. They reside at the Village at Mountain Ridge homes in Golden. Barbara enjoys golf, walking, reading and is an aspiring writer.
I am running to serve on the Golden City Council because I’ve made Golden my home. I want to protect the things that make Golden special and help shape the future of our community.

My first priority is to stop the beltway. We have some very real transportation challenges and I am committed to solving those challenges. We know, for example, that we can improve on safety, congestion, and noise on Highway 93. We know that our neighbors to the east have some very real congestion problems on their north-south arterials. I am committed to working with our neighbors – Arvada and others – to solving these challenges. But building a superhighway that cuts through Golden is not the answer. It will harm property values, increase noise and pollution, and severely degrade our quality of life. This is a difficult fight but it is a fight we can win, and I am committed to ensuring that the proposed superhighway through Golden is never built.

Preserving Golden’s small town quality of life and our historic character is another priority. This means protecting the integrity of our historic neighborhoods, and I currently serve on the Golden Historic Preservation Board because I know how important this is. It also means supporting our robust arts and culture community, maintaining our exceptional network of open space and trails, and keeping our community safe.

A third priority is ensuring that our downtown district continues to flourish. We need to make sure that locally owned business can thrive, that we retain a good diversity of stores, that downtown remains a hub of our community, and that we maintain the downtown district’s unique and historic character.

Finally, I am committed to promoting open and accessible city government.

It should be easy to understand and participate fully in the decisions that city staff and City Council are making. City staff and City Council should be accountable to their constituents.

Gwyn Green, the former City Council member in ward 4 and now a member of the State Legislature, has endorsed me for the Golden City Council. In her endorsement she wrote:

“I wholeheartedly endorse Jacob Smith for City Council. He has the experience and leadership skills to help Golden win the fight against the proposed new beltway. He cares deeply about the community, and he has the integrity, commitment, and vision to make an outstanding city councilor.”

I am honored by Gwyn’s endorsement and the support of so many others in the ward. I want to serve on the Golden City Council because I care deeply about and want to protect the things that make Golden special. Thank you for considering voting for me in the April 5 Special Election.
STAR City Employees
(Special Thanks And Recognition)

Congratulations to the following City of Golden employees:

Judy Cherne
Court Administrator

Judy Cherne has worked for the City of Golden for 37 years — making her the longest consecutively employed City employee in known history. Cherne started off as a combination Municipal Court clerk and cashier for the City. She said that she helped process bicycle and dog licenses at the time, and several people helped answer the phones at the front desk. She even worked in Police dispatch while the regular dispatchers took their lunch breaks.

As the court expanded, Cherne’s clerk duties became full time. Eventually, she was promoted to the court administrator position, which she will retire from on June 3, after 37 years of dedication to the City.

“It is a great tribute to Judy that she has given 37 years to the City of Golden,” said Finance Director Jeff Hansen, who is Cherne’s direct supervisor. “Through her hard work, guidance and leadership, the Golden Municipal Court is very highly regarded throughout the State. Judy is very diligent and professional regarding her duties and the role of the court. Yet, she is a very warm and caring individual with a wonderful sense of humor. It has been my pleasure to work with her and she will be missed very much.”

Kay Wooley
Fire Safety Educator and Administrative Assistant

Fire Safety Educator and Administrative Assistant Kay Wooley said goodbye to City of Golden staff March 5, but she isn’t going far. After 16 years of service with the Golden Fire Department, Kay is going to work in fire safety with North Metro Fire Protection District.

“Kay has been and is 100% committed to ensuring that Golden’s Fire and Life Safety Public Education Program is of the highest quality,” said Fire Chief John Bales.

Bales credits Wooley with having built a core group of volunteer firefighters who have taken up the cause of reaching out with dynamic education programs to high risk audiences, such as pre-schoolers and the growing senior citizen population.

Through the implementation of the child safety seat program, Wooley and the other car seat technicians certified more than 200 child and infant safety seat checks and installations during 2004.

“One of the things I will miss the most is Kay’s clown characterization of Sally Safety, which has become an icon of fire safety programs in Golden,” Bales said. “We wish her the best in her new endeavors.”

Did You Know...
The City of Golden has 205 part-time and seasonal employees.

Golden has 91 volunteers, including 53 volunteer firefighters.

Golden was voted one of the Top 10 Best Places to Work in the metro area by the Denver Business Journal in 2004.

We currently have 40 job openings with availability for 100 positions.

Apply online at www.cityofgolden.net or call the Job line at 303-215-8882, Option 6000.

The Golden Informer
The sales tax refund is limited to senior, low-income or disabled individuals who have lived within the city limits of Golden for at least 90 consecutive days in 2004 and cannot be claimed as a dependent on any other person’s tax return.

The refund amount for 2004 is $40. This will be adjusted for partial year residency in Golden.

Please check one box only:

- **Senior Refund** (must be 65 years or older)
- **Low Income Refund**
  - *Proof required.* Attach a photocopy of one of the following:
    - State of Colorado Property Tax/Rent/Heat Rebate Form 104PTC
    - Proof of Medicaid benefits
    - Proof of LEAP eligibility
    - Proof of eligibility for food stamps
- **Disabled Refund**
  - *Proof required.* Attach a photocopy of one of the following:
    - State of Colorado Property Tax/Rent/Heat Rebate Form 104PTC
    - Proof of full benefits from Social Security Disability Income, SSI or the Department of Human Services
    - Proof of total disability from a public or private insurance plan

Please print or type:

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Name: Mr(s).
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Address: ________________________ Golden, CO ZIP: __________
Phone: ________________________

How many months did you reside in the city limits of Golden during 2004? _____ months

Were you claimed as a dependent on any other person’s income tax form?  yes  no

Signature: ________________________ Signature: ________________________

*This form must be submitted by no later than April 15, 2005.*

**Refund Donation Option:**
You have the option to donate your refund to a City of Golden program or department by checking one of the boxes below:

- Golden Volunteer Fire Department
- Golden Cemetery
- Golden Senior Front Porch
- Other City program or department (please identify): ________________________

**Office Use Only:**
Account #013031-6190 STR Vendor # __________ Received __________ Payable __________
The City of Golden is now accepting applications for seasonal and part-time positions at the Golden Community Center, The Splash at Fossil Trace aquatic park, and Fossil Trace Golf Club. Check out the opportunities listed here and on our Web site at http://www.ci.golden.co.us/Employment.asp. You can also subscribe at http://www.ci.golden.co.us/Login.asp to be notified by e-mail each time a new job is posted.

2005 Seasonal Employment Opportunities

For more information or to apply:
visit www.cityofgolden.net,
stop by City Hall at 911 10th St.,
or call the Jobline at 303-215-8882,
Option #6000.

City of Golden

MAINTENANCE
Cemetery, Parks, and Forestry
Maintenance Workers
20-40 hours/wk
Start @ $10.00/hr

RECREATION
Customer Service Representatives
Youth Program Leaders
Day Camp Leaders
Batting Cage Attendants
Field/Gym Supervisors
$6.50-$11.25/hr
Fitness Instructors
Personal Trainers
$10.50-$21.90/hr

THE SPLASH AQUATIC PARK
Lifeguards & Swim Instructors
Cashiers
Concession Workers
$6.50-$11.25/hr
Food & Beverage Asst Manager
$10 -$12/hr
Food & Beverage Manager
Aquatic Park Manager
$13-$15/hr

FOSSIL TRACE GOLF CLUB
Guest Services
$6.50-$11.25/hr
Maintenance Workers
$7.50 to $14.00/hr

A City of Golden application must be submitted for employment consideration.

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