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HEADS UP: Important Upcoming Items

LINKING LOOKOUT
As you have probably heard, the intersection of 6th Avenue and 19th Street will undergo a major reconstruction in the near future. Residents helped tremendously to decide what the new intersection will look like and how it will function. But there is a lot that goes on behind the scenes that will take place in the upcoming months before major construction can begin.

Although the basic design has been chosen, it’s the responsibility of Golden’s Public Works department to work with construction experts and get every little detail measured and placed. That includes things like environmental clearances, CDOT reviews, and final state and federal approvals. By doing this, the City will then be able to bid out the project and find out real costs to make it happen.

The City will use the title of “Linking Lookout” throughout this process, so look for those words in the Informer and on our website to stay on top of any new developments. The goal is to have the final plans approved by November of this year, but bidding on portions of the project could begin as early as July. Many of the early projects will revolve around utility relocation, so it won’t be very visible.

By the end of this year or the beginning of next year, the construction part of the project should be underway. The City will work to bring you as many updates as possible as the Linking Lookout project progresses.

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS AND SPONSORS
The City of Golden is looking for volunteers to help Golden’s planning for the 2015 USA Pro Challenge, as well as for corporate sponsors for our local events. If you are interested in volunteering or sponsoring, contact Julie Brooks at 303-384-8013 or jbrooks@cityofgolden.net.

GRANT APPLICATION PROCESS TO BE DISCUSSED
During the 2015 budget process money was allocated for various grants, including the popular i-Golden Neighborhood Grants program. City Council will be discussing criteria and the process for making grants during the first quarter of this year. Please check the city website at www.cityofgolden.net/links/NeighborhoodGrants for updates and information on the grant application process.

Nominate Someone for Ethics in Business Awards
The Rotary Club of Golden seeks nominations of businesses and not-for-profit organizations which demonstrate the highest standards of ethical business practice, integrity, and civic and social responsibility. Nominations can be made online at www.GoldenRotaryEthics.org through Feb. 28. This will be the tenth year for Golden Rotary’s Ethics in Business Awards.

Colorado School of Mines ethics students will select the winners of the 2015 Ethics in Business Awards, and winners and nominees will be recognized at an awards luncheon on April 17. For additional information, visit the website or call Jerry Lovejoy at 720-383-4342.

Below is Golden City Council’s monthly calendar. Meetings are held on Thursdays and begin at 6:30 p.m. in Council Chambers at City Hall, 911 10th St., unless otherwise noted.

Feb. 5
Rescheduled regular business meeting

Feb. 12
No meeting

Feb. 19
Rescheduled regular business meeting

Feb. 26
No meeting

Council’s upcoming agendas, packets and meeting minutes are available online under the City Council link at www.CityofGolden.net. Public comment is welcome on the agenda at all regular business meetings.
Our residents are the source of Golden’s strength. The people who call Golden home connect with each other, keep it our homey small town, and work toward a positive vision for our future. They build relationships, learn together, interact, and address issues that affect the well-being of our entire community.

Community connectivity in Golden has its start in our community spaces. Inviting public places attract people and encourage them to spend time with neighbors, friends, and acquaintances. The Community Center is a gathering place for all ages. During special events, Washington Avenue becomes a festive town square. The Clear Creek corridor features places to stop, relax, and appreciate the beauty of our mountain setting. Increasingly, our unique neighborhoods are linked by trails, sidewalks, and bikeways—not just pipelines for automobile traffic. In our shared spaces, friendly smiles and greetings abound. The very existence of public places strengthens our relationships with one another and promotes a sense of community pride. Accordingly, the city is committed to continuing the capital investments necessary to maintain and enhance these spaces.

Physical spaces provide a stage for the conversations that create a cohesive community. In addition to catching up on family and neighborhood news, residents can swap ideas and dreams for Golden. Sometimes the best plans emerge from these casual neighbor-to-neighbor discussions.

However, true community engagement takes place at the next step, when residents and city officials share updates and thoughts. “Free-flowing channels of communication” between citizens and their elected officials generate “public trust and confidence – the civic glue necessary for prosperity – and encourages ... engaged citizenship.” Stephen Goldsmith and Susan Crawford, The Responsive Community: Engaging Citizens Through Data Smart Governance (2014).

The key to a broad-based culture of engagement is the establishment of multiple communication channels that meet the family, health, time, and transportation needs of our diverse residents. For in-depth participation, residents are urged to apply for an appointment to one of Golden’s boards and commissions. Members of the Community Sustainability Advisory Board, the Downtown Development Authority, Fire Pension Board, Golden Urban Renewal Authority, Historic Preservation Board, Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, Economic Development Commission, Planning Commission, and Public Art Commission all proffer important input on specific policies.

In person, more episodic efforts can include attendance at board or council meetings or participation in issue-specific city meetings. There are also multiple electronic ways to contact elected representatives and city staff. Telephone numbers and email addresses are listed on the City’s website at www.cityofgolden.net, as are links to e-comments on council agenda items and the Golden Vision Community Forum. In addition, visiting the website, signing up online for the City’s emailed newsletter, and reading the Informer all update residents on happenings in Golden. Electronic message boards alongside our city streets provide time-sensitive information. All these means may prompt inquiries and comments.

During this cold month of February, please send a message to council and staff on how to maintain Golden’s identity as a comfortable, thriving, and connected hometown. It doesn’t have to be a Valentine – all criticisms are cheerfully accepted and acknowledged. The more people who take the time to advise council, the more we will know where most of Golden residents stand.

This month, consider applying for a city board opening (process and specific openings described on pages 6 & 7) and enjoy the many February holidays, like National Freedom Day, Ground Hog Day, Thank a Mailman Day, Valentine’s Day, Presidents’ Day, and Chinese New Year (a chance to re-boot New Year’s Resolutions). Thank you so much for allowing me to serve our community.

Join in and Engage Change in our Community

By Mayor Marjorie Sloan
The City of Golden and Golden Police Department (GPD) welcomes Captain Joe Harvey to the ranks. He comes to us with 27 years of law enforcement experience. Before starting with Golden Police in January, Capt. Harvey worked for the Greenwood Village Police Department for the past 21 years.

Capt. Harvey knew if he was ever going to leave Greenwood Village, it would need to be for the perfect job in the right city. He wanted an agency that had a unique, family-oriented, creative and participative nature to it. Golden was the right fit. “The Golden Police Department also has a great reputation in the law enforcement community,” said Capt. Harvey. “I hope to stay here for a long time. Golden is a great place to work and I want to make a positive impact.”

The Golden Police Department went through an extensive hiring process to find the right candidate. Many members of the staff, from management to line-level, were part of the process. “We have great people working at the GPD,” said Chief Bill Kilpatrick. “We were looking for someone who could help us get even better and enhance the qualities of the people who work here as well as our role in the community. Part of the responsibility of a great leader is to bring out the best in the employees. Joe’s leadership qualities were superior to any other candidate and we know he’s up to the challenge.”

An intensely loyal and dedicated person, Capt. Harvey gladly accepts that challenge. “Golden’s Castle Rock mesa makes him feel right at home. A husband and father of one-year-old twin boys, he sees Golden as a great place to work and to raise a family. “I am grateful and honored that you have chosen me to be a member of this team. It is a wonderful gift and one that I will not take for granted. I will be dedicated each and every day towards making a positive impact within the department and in this community who trusts us to keep them safe.”

New Golden Police Captain

Changes to Colorado Vehicle Emissions Inspections

This year brings some significant changes to the auto emissions inspection program in the Denver-metro area. Among the changes is the extension of the initial model year exemption for newer vehicles from four to seven years. This change reflects improvements in vehicle technology that allow gasoline-powered engines to start out cleaner and stay cleaner longer.

Beginning in the eighth model year and extending through the eleventh model year, the vehicle inspection process will include an inspection of the On-Board Diagnostics systems. This means if your “Check Engine” light is on, your vehicle will not pass the inspection, so don’t ignore those warning lights.

Other improvements to the inspection process include more all-wheel drive lanes; more inspection options for vehicles that previously could not be inspected on the dynamometer (the “treadmill test”), like vehicles with larger or smaller tires; and the State will now take credit cards for the inspections.

For more information on the changes, visit www.AirCareColorado.com.
If you have ever considered becoming involved with your City government, now is your chance. By joining a board you are serving your fellow citizens and the City. The Golden City Council is currently recruiting applicants to fill terms expiring on the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, Downtown Development Authority Board, Fire Pension Board - Citizen Representative and Public Arts Commission.

Golden’s appointed boards, commissions and committees are crucial for gathering and studying information related to their expertise, then making recommendations to City Council. Some boards are quasi-judicial and have decision-making powers within their areas of expertise and some are advisory boards. The City relies heavily on citizen volunteers to study special community issues, provide staff direction, obtain public comment on key projects and take action or offer recommendations to City Council on any number of matters. These groups are the community’s voice that influences public policy and decisions that impact the entire city.

In 2013 Council adopted a new process to simplify the procedure of interviewing and making appointments to all boards, commissions and authorities. Now, all appointments will begin and end in the month of April of the appropriate year. All appointments are now term limited to two terms.

This year there are four spots available on the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. The mission statement of the board is “To advise Golden City Council and staff on how to best provide safe and comprehensive parks and recreation facilities, programs, and services on behalf of all current and future residents of the City of Golden.”

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, consisting of seven members and one alternate who serve four-year terms, makes suggestions about policies and procedures, fees and charges, acceptance of park land, design of parks, and other projects relating to the Parks and Recreation Department.

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meets on the first and third Tuesday evening of each month. The third Tuesday is the regular meeting date. These meetings take place at 7 p.m. in the Golden Community Center, 1470 10th St. Other study sessions may be scheduled as needed, on Tuesday nights if possible. If this board is of interest to you, take a few minutes and read the information, including minutes of meetings, at www.cityofgolden.net/government/boards-commissions/parks-recreation-advisory-board/

You are also welcome to contact Rod Tarullo, Parks, Recreation and Golf Director at rtarullo@cityofgolden.net or 303-384-8120.

Two spots are available on the Downtown Development Authority (DDA) board. Appointments made this year will be for four year terms. The DDA was created in 2013 and established last year. This board is a great opportunity to have a say in the future of Golden’s bustling downtown area. The DDA is a special district entity authorized and directed by state statute to benefit the economic and community vitality of the downtown area. Beginning in mid 2014, the DDA began to take over downtown benefit programs from the Golden Urban Renewal Authority (GURA), which will begin to focus only on its other URA project areas. The DDA will also be authorized to provide tax increment economic incentives to eligible redevelopment projects, much like GURA was able to do in the past.

The DDA’s first task is to complete and adopt a Downtown Development plan, which will incorporate existing policy direction for downtown from Golden Vision 2030, the City Comprehensive Plan, and various downtown design and planning efforts.. Visit their page at www.cityofgolden.net/government/boards-commissions/downtown-development-authority/.

The DDA generally meets monthly on the third Monday at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 911 10th St.

Questions can be directed to Community & Economic Development Director Steve Glueck at sglueck@cityofgolden.net or 303-384-8095.

The Fire Pension Board - Citizen Representative is a unique appointment in that it is only for two years and deals specifically with the Golden Volunteer Fire Department’s pension plan.

The role of the Citizen Representative is to serve as advisor to the Golden Fire Department Pension Board. Members participate in quarterly meetings, including additional planning sessions as required. (Usually no more than six per year); are required to listen to pension issues, evaluate options, make recommendations, and
vote accordingly; are involved in the evaluation and decision making process relating to issues that affect the City’s Volunteer Firefighters pension program.

Board members are to have a demonstrated interest in the fire department and desire to be involved with the process. Prior pension/financial experience is helpful. Regular meetings are held at least quarterly, as well as study sessions and special meetings when necessary. The term of appointments for citizen participants is two years.

Meetings are held at 5 p.m. at City Hall on a quarterly basis. If you have questions regarding the Fire Pension Board Citizen Representative please contact Jeff Hansen, Finance Director at jhansen@cityofgolden.net or 303-384-8020.

The Public Arts Commission has one vacancy. The Commission has the responsibility of promoting, selecting, acquiring and maintaining public art to fulfill the City’s Art in Public Places program.

Commission members administer the provisions of the Public Art Commission defined in the Golden Municipal Code, and adopt policies and guidelines necessary for such administration. The Commission meets the first Thursday of the month from 9 to 10:30 a.m. For more information contact Julie Brooks at jbrooks@cityofgolden.net or 303-384-8013.

**The process for remitting applications for any board position, interviews and appointments will be as follows:**

The application process will be online and administered by the City Clerk. All applications shall be remitted electronically.

Applications are available as a pdf, or word document on the City website on the page of applicable boards.

Applications are due to the City Clerk’s office, sbrooks@cityofgolden.net, no later than 5 p.m. on Thursday, March 12.

Interviews will be held on April 2 at the City Council Study Session beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers. Be sure to save the date! If you have any questions you are welcome to contact City Clerk Susan Brooks, by phone 303-384-8014 or email sbrooks@cityofgolden.net.

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**9-1-1 CATCHING UP TO TECHNOLOGY**

Coming soon, you will be able to text an emergency message to 9-1-1 in Jefferson County. Golden will be among several other cities including Lakewood, Arvada and Westminster, to implement the service in the first quarter of this year. Most cell phone carriers have figured out a way to catch up with technology to make this possible. Verizon, AT&T, Sprint and T-Mobile are on board. Not all carriers have the capability, so if you are unsure, you can call your provider to find out.

A text sent to 9-1-1 will go to emergency dispatchers, who are logged in to a secure website to see the messages. If you are in an area where the texting service is not available, you will be sent a bounce-back text alerting you. At that point, you will need to call 9-1-1.

ALWAYS make the call to 9-1-1 from a landline or cell phone first if at all possible.

It is important to note that the text service should only be used when calling is not a viable or safe option. This service will be very useful to those who are hard of hearing, deaf, or speech-impaired. Some other examples would be:

- The caller is facing a threatening situation and a voice call could increase the threat.
- The caller is injured or suffered a medical condition and cannot speak.
- The caller is in a remote location and can only send out a text message.
- Phone lines and cell phone towers are overwhelmed and only a text can get through.

One thing to keep in mind, when you text to 9-1-1, it is harder to pinpoint your exact location. The location service for texting is much broader, whereas phone calls have a different location service that makes pinpointing a particular location more reliable. So if you are texting your emergency, it is important to include your location and the nature of your emergency as part of the first message. Other factors to consider are that text message length is limited to 160 characters, slang and abbreviations should be avoided for the sake of clarity, and communication is limited to text between texter and dispatcher. Photos and video cannot be sent to dispatchers through this method. These limitations may change as technology advances.
As the City of Golden grows as a cycling community, the Golden Police Department (GPD) is making an effort to educate both cyclists and drivers on state traffic laws and their responsibilities to each other while on the road. In 2015, the GPD will be publishing several lessons based on common causes of accidents in the community and common misunderstandings and lack of knowledge of specific laws. The goal of the GPD is to educate citizens in this area of bicycle traffic so we all have a better idea of what is legal for us to do on the road and why we do what we do on the road when it comes to vehicle and bicycle interactions. If you have any questions regarding any of the lessons or are interested in bicycle safety classes, contact Officer Dan Hyde at 303-277-8746.

42-4-1003(1) (b)
OVERTAKING A BICYCLE ON THE LEFT
1. The driver of a motor vehicle overtaking a bicyclist proceeding in the same direction shall allow the bicyclist at least a three-foot separation between the right side of the driver’s vehicle, including all mirrors or other projections, and the left side of the bicyclist at all times. In scenario 1, a driver may legally pass a bicyclist provided they can do so with the ability to give the bicyclist three feet of space and not endangering on-coming traffic.

42-4-1412(5) (a)
OPERATIONS OF BICYCLES ON A ROADWAY
2. Any person operating a bicycle upon a roadway at less than the normal speed of traffic shall ride in the right hand lane as far as judged safe by the bicyclist unless: preparing for a legal left hand turn, overtaking a slower vehicle, or taking reasonable, necessary precautions to avoid a hazard. As per Colorado State Statute 42-4-1005 (3) it is unlawful for a vehicle to cross a double yellow line to pass a vehicle. But there are exceptions when passing a bicyclist (see Exception in next paragraph). In scenario 2, if a bicyclist legally takes a lane and it is safe for the vehicle to cross a double yellow line to pass, the vehicle has the legal right to pass the bicyclist.

42-4-1005(4) (d)
EXCEPTION TO 42-4-1005 (3)
3. The provisions of 42-4-1005 (3) provide an exception to the rule when a driver of a vehicle passing a bicyclist that’s moving in the same direction in the same lane, can safely pass the bicycle without interfering with, impeding, or endangering other traffic lawfully using the highway. In scenario 3, if a bicyclist legally takes a lane and it is safe for a vehicle to cross a double yellow line to pass, the vehicle has the legal right to pass the bicyclist.

Next lesson: If a vehicle is unable to cross a double yellow line to pass a cyclist safely, isn’t the bicyclist impeding traffic?
The Golden Fire Department has a new apparatus designed to make water rescues more efficient. The Water Rescue truck replaces a truck that was over 20 years old and was becoming unreliable and insufficient for the needs of swift water rescue. But the purchase would not have been possible if it weren’t for money from casino gambling.

So what’s the connection between Golden’s rescue efforts and gaming? If you guessed Clear Creek Canyon you would be right. The main road between the metro area and the casinos is Highway 6 up Clear Creek Canyon. Golden Fire responds to Clear Creek from Highway 58 to Highway 119 at the Gilpin County line. For over 35 years Golden has provided coverage in the canyon and with the impact of gaming in the communities of Black Hawk and Central City, there has been a considerable increase in traffic on the road, and subsequently, traffic-related accidents. Golden Fire responds to over 100 emergency calls in Clear Creek Canyon each year. But the State understands it should not fall upon the shoulders of Golden taxpayers to fund those responses.

A portion of taxes and fees paid to the State by casinos are allocated to a gaming impact grant fund administered by the Department of Local Affairs. The purpose of the grant program is to provide financial assistance to communities like Golden that are impacted by the gaming industry. Both Golden’s Police and Fire departments respond to calls for service that are gaming related including auto accidents, vehicles in the creek, swift water rescues, hiking and climbing injuries, DUI’s, canyon closures, reckless driving and much more.

The City of Golden receives grant funding each year, usually in excess of $100,000, to cover the annual operating costs associated with responding to canyon calls. This takes the burden off of Golden taxpayers. In addition, the City periodically receives additional funding for new or replacement equipment needed to respond to those calls.

This year, Golden Fire’s new $400,000 water rescue truck was about half-funded by gaming grants and the other half came from monies budgeted by the City of Golden. The new truck is totally self-contained with ample storage for all necessary rescue gear, a rope rescue system and a battery operated hydraulic rescue tool commonly referred to as the “jaws of life.” The addition of this truck will help Golden Fire to be self-sufficient when responding to canyon calls, which could be the difference of life and death for the victims. Golden is not required to respond to canyon calls because the area is outside city limits. But for several decades, the City has taken on the moral responsibility due to our proximity to the canyon. For this, the State recognizes and rewards our efforts.
Feb. 2
Groundhog Day

Feb. 7
Coffee with a Councilor
Enjoy coffee and conversation with some of your City Councilors at 10 a.m. at Bean Fosters, 720 Golden Ridge Rd. For details call Councilor Saoirse Charis-Graves at 303-709-7529 or scharisgraves@cityofgolden.net.

Feb. 14
Valentine’s Day

Feb. 15
JSO Concert
Critically acclaimed violinist Gregory Walker will be the featured guest artist at the Jefferson Symphony Orchestra’s concert. Walker will perform the dramatic Brahms Concerto for Violin, Op.77, in D Major. 3 p.m. at the Green Center on the Colorado School of Mines campus, 924 16th St. For tickets and information, call 303-278-4237 or visit www.JEFFSymphony.org.

Feb. 19 through 21
Colorado Environmental Film Festival
A three-day film festival featuring compelling and thought-provoking films to raise awareness of a wide variety of social, economic and environmental themes. American Mountaineering Center, 710 10th St. Visit www.CEFF.net for details and tickets.

Feb. 19 through 21
The Cripple of Inishmaan
by Martin McDonagh

Feb. 16
Presidents’ Day

Feb. 19
Chinese New Year
Year of the Sheep

Feb. 19 through 21
Beyond Words: Contemporary Book Art
This exhibition showcases a variety of artwork inspired by books, from designer bookbinding to sculptures made from books. Foothills Art Center, 809 15th St. For information on hours and tickets, visit www.FoothillsArtCenter.org or call 303-279-3922. (More info also on p. 19).

Feb. 19 through 28
Ethics in Business Call for Nominations
Nominate a Golden business or not-for-profit organization for an Ethics in Business award, presented annually by the Rotary Club of Golden. Nominations must be turned in by Feb. 28 and can be made online at www.GoldenRotaryEthics.org.

Through March 8
The Cripple of Inishmaan
A comic tale in the great tradition of Irish storytelling, set in the 1930’s. Miners Alley Playhouse, 1224 Washington Ave. For tickets and show times call 303-935-3044 or visit www.minersalley.com.

Through March 22
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Stories and Investigations of Quilts
Quilter Bobbi Baugh explores quilts through story-telling and in the role of artist-as-archaeologist, digging for things unseen and unexpected. Her collaged works draw on both the traditions of hand printmaking and art quilting. Rocky Mountain Quilt Museum, 1213 Washington Ave. For details call 303-277-0377 or visit www.rmqm.org.
Exploring Technology in the Arts: Students from Bell Middle School’s Musical Theater program recorded a song at KOSI 101.1 studios to learn about the technology behind music production. The song aired on the radio on Dec. 19. Read more about Bell Middle School’s accomplishments on p. 17.

Through Oct. 11
Calendar Girls to Cowboys
Coors released its first illustrated ads in 1893 in the form of calendars, and that was the beginning of a long history of advertising for the native Golden company. Check out the evolution in Calendar Girls to Cowboys: The Art of Selling Coors. Golden History Center, 923 10th St. For details, hours and tickets call 303-278-3557 or visit www.GoldenHistory.org.

FREE
Sales and Use Tax Workshops
The City of Golden is hosting FREE Sales and Use Tax workshops taught by our professional staff of auditors and geared toward individuals who need to learn sales and use tax concepts on an in-depth level.

The workshops will be held in the Golden City Hall Conference Room, City Hall, 911 10th St.
January 7, 2015........... 8:30 to 10 a.m.
March 4, 2015............ 8:30 to 10 a.m.
Although these classes are free, space is limited.
Please call 303-384-8024 for your reservation.

FREE
Building Use Tax Workshop
The City of Golden is hosting a FREE Building Use Tax Workshop taught by our professional staff of auditors. Class is geared toward individuals who need to learn about building use tax concepts on an in-depth basis.

The workshop will be held in the Golden City Hall Conference Room, City Hall, 911 10th St.
February 5, 2015 .... 8:30 to 10 a.m.
Class is free, but space is limited.
Please call 303-384-8024 for your reservation.
Each year, Golden’s Parks and Recreation Department offers trees to residents at cost. By buying and planting the trees offered, residents are getting a good price and the City benefits by having more trees in its urban landscape which thrive in our environment.

This year, there are nine deciduous tree species offered through the tree sale. Trees available will include Peking tree lilac, Big Tooth maple, ‘Hot Wings’ Tatarian maple, Washington hawthorn, Chanticleer pear, Goldenraintree, Turkish filbert, Shumard oak and Bur oak. Descriptions of these trees are available at www.cityofgolden.net/links/TreeSale.

The tree lilac, both maples, the Bur oak and the filbert are sold in approximately 15-gallon containers and are priced at $80-$90 dollars each; the hawthorn, pear, Goldenraintree and Shumard oak come in approximately 7-gallon containers and cost $55 each.

All trees have been grown in air-pruned rootball containers which allow for a healthier root system than can be found in most other plastic pots. Heights vary from 5’ tall to 9’, depending on species and container size. Quantities are limited, with a total of only 56 trees available.

Trees must be paid for at the time of ordering and can be purchased between March 1 and April 15, while supplies last. Proof of residency is required. Visit www.cityofgolden.net/links/TreeSale for more information or contact the Forestry office at 303-384-8141 or dhigh@cityofgolden.net.

**Time for Trees!**

Starting in 2015, all waste haulers will be required to provide volume-based pricing for households in Golden. Haulers are required to submit applications to the City by Feb. 27 and notify customers of the changes. Here’s how the program may affect you:

- **City Waste & Recycling Program customers:** For customers already participating in the City’s Pay As You Throw (PAYT) service, no changes will be made.
- **Homeowner’s Association households:** For households in a HOA that receive curbside service, contact your current waste provider to discuss upcoming changes or obtain quotes from other waste haulers.
- **Multi-family households (condos, apartments, etc.):** No changes to your existing dumpster service. To add recycling service, please contact your waste hauler.
- **Commercial or business customers:** No changes to your existing dumpster service. To add recycling service, please contact your waste hauler.

For more information or to contact licensed haulers for quotes, visit www.cityofgolden.net/links/trash.
Nominations Open For 2015 Golden Sustainability Awards

Do you know someone who is a stand-out supporter of sustainability? Someone who is committed to energy conservation or is an avid recycler? The Community Sustainability Advisory Board is soliciting nominations for outstanding individuals and groups who have committed their efforts toward achieving a more sustainable city. We are looking for nominations for the following categories:

- Student
- Individual
- Business
- Community Group

Nominations will be accepted between Feb. 1 through March 16 and applications can be downloaded from the sustainability page of the city website at www.cityofgolden.net/government/departments-divisions/sustainability/golden-sustainability-awards. For more information, contact Theresa Worsham at 303-384-8117 or tworsham@cityofgolden.net.

Help Restore More Water in Colorado

We know you’ve been recycling paper since before it was cool, but did you know that recycling paper is doing environmental double-duty? Recycling a pound of paper, less than the weight of your average newspaper, saves about 3.5 gallons of water. Buying recycled paper products saves water too, as it takes about six gallons of water to produce a dollar’s worth of paper sourced from trees. So keep doing what you’re doing, and your favorite trees in Golden will thank you. And so will Clear Creek.

Provided by Kathleen Doyle. Source: Change the Course Alliance 11/12/14.

Colorado Environmental Film Festival

INSPIRING CINEMATOGRAPHY

Environmental activists are rethinking how we inhabit our planet – and you can too at the 9th annual Colorado Environmental Film Festival (CEFF). The festival runs from Thursday, Feb. 19 through Saturday, Feb. 21 at the American Mountaineering Center, 710 10th St. in Golden.

The CEFF is the largest film festival of its kind between the coasts and this year’s films combine stellar filmmaking, beautiful cinematography and compelling storytelling. For many of the films, this will be the only place to see them. The CEFF presents thought-provoking films and dialogue that raises awareness of a wide-ranging collection of interconnected ecological, social and economic themes. More than 45 films will be shown during the three-day event. Tickets are available for the films, some of which are free. Visit www.CEFF.net for details.
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 2014 and cannot be claimed as a dependent on any other person’s tax return. The refund amount for 2014 is $50. This will be adjusted for partial year residency in Golden and partial year at age 65.

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 approval notification
• 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 approval notification
• 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:

Name: Mr(s). ____________________________________________

Age: ________________ Date of Birth: ______________________

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Address: ____________________________________________ Golden, CO ZIP: __________

Phone: ________________________________________________

How many months did you reside in the city limits of Golden during 2014? _____ 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, 2015.

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 _________
Celebrate Health!
*Friday, Feb. 6, 10:30 a.m.*
Celebrate Health! is a monthly wellness program featuring a variety of healthy living opportunities for adults of all ages. The first Friday of each month we offer healthy refreshments and presentations on a variety of wellness topics. For more information or to make an appointment for one of our services, please call 303-384-8130.

**Chair massages** $13 for 15 minutes

**Reflexology sessions** $13 for 15 minutes

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**UPCOMING TRIPS & EVENTS**

**Molly Brown House Museum #15029-1**
Historic Denver’s Molly Brown House Museum is among the most visited historic sites in the state of Colorado, and one of only a handful of sites nationally dedicated to the interpretation of a woman’s story. Margaret “Molly” Brown’s activism, philanthropy and passion are demonstrated through educational programs, exhibits and stewardship. Open for more than 43 years, the Museum serves nearly 50,000 people every year, including 10,000 youth.

*Tuesday, Feb. 17, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.*
Tour starts at 10:30 a.m.
$15 (Transportation and admission included. Bring money for lunch.)
Exertion Level: 4
Register/Cancel by Feb. 5.

**Highlands Ranch Mansion Tour #15030-1**
The 121-year old building, known as the Highlands Ranch Mansion, is a namesake of the 30-year-old community of Highlands Ranch. The Mansion is open to the public for community and private events, conferences, tours and education programs. After an 18-month renovation, the Mansion is a focal point in the community where residents can gather, celebrate and experience the lifestyle of years gone by at this western estate.

*Thursday, Feb. 26, 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.*
Tour starts at 10:30 a.m.
$15 (Transportation and admission included. Bring money for lunch.)
Exertion Level: 2
Register/Cancel by Feb. 13.

**Byers-Evans House Museum #15031-1**
You will learn about the Evans family and their involvement in Denver’s early development. The home has been beautifully restored to the period between 1912 and 1924. Polished wood finishes, brightly patterned wallpapers, ornate mantels, and period draperies form a backdrop for the rich variety of Evans family furnishings.

*Friday, March 13, 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.*
Tour starts at 1:30 p.m.
$15 (Transportation and admission included. Bring money for lunch.)
Exertion Level: 3/4
Register/Cancel by March 2.

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For more information:
- Stop by The Front Porch, upstairs at the Community Center, 1470 10th St.;
- Call 303-384-8130;
- Subscribe to the Front Porch Newsletter ($8/year);
- Check out the Recreation brochure; or
- Visit www.cityofgolden.net/links/frontporch.
Small Group TRX
TRX is a revolutionary suspension training that uses your body weight for resistance to add more toning, upper body and core strength in a timed interval format. TRX is low impact with a high intensity approach to fitness training. Great for all fitness levels, especially rock climbers!

Tuesdays
12 - 12:45 p.m.
Feb. 3 - 24
March 3 - 24
$48 Resident, $53 Non-resident
Instructor: Talle Hogrefe

Yoga/Cycle
Enjoy a combination of 30 minutes of intense cycling followed by 30 minutes of alignment conscious flow yoga. A great class to maximize cardio and rejuvenate your mind and body in one hour!

Fridays, 6 - 7 a.m.
Feb. 6 - 27
March 4 - 25
$27 Resident, $32 Non-resident
Instructor: Talle Hogrefe

Adventure Summer Day Camp Registration is Right Around the Corner!
The Golden Community Center offers Jr. Summer Day Camp (Ages 5-9 years) and Adventure Summer Day Camp (Ages 9-12 years). Our state-licensed summer camp programs are full days with drop off between 7:30 to 9:30 a.m. and pick up between 4 to 6 p.m. Both programs offer one field trip per week for an additional fee on odd weeks via lottery as follows: Tuesdays 5-6 years, Wednesdays 7-9 years (for Jr. Day Camp) and Thursdays 9-12 years (for Adventure Day Camp). Splash Water Park field trips will start week two and rotate every other week. There is no additional fee for Splash field trips. Indoor swim days will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays for Jr. Summer Day Camp and on Wednesdays for Adventure Summer Day Camp.

Fee:
$30 per day residents /$35 per day non-residents - Splash field trips included.
*Odd week field trips have additional fees and will vary depending on the field trip destination. Registration for field trips will be available via lottery in May.

How to Register? First, submit your child’s emergency packet (form available online) and immunization record. Addresses and phone numbers must be provided or the child’s registration will be on hold. Complete the lottery registration online within the two days noted below for your residency status at rec.cityofgolden.net under Day Camps. Click the shopping cart wheel for each individual day you would like, as well as the $25 registration fee activity number 54320-99, and submit. Upon completion, your registration is now waiting for the lottery on Wednesday.

LOTTERY REGISTRATION DATES:
The initial lottery for incorporated City of Golden residents is Monday, March 9 and Tuesday, March 10.
The initial lottery for un-incorporated Golden and non-Golden residents is Monday, March 16 and Tuesday, March 17.

The Emergency Packet and immunization record must be submitted for lottery registration to be approved.
After nearly a decade of service, the President of the Colorado School of Mines (CSM) will retire this year. President M.W. Scoggins made the announcement back in November. He is the university’s 16th president.

Detailed in a press release from CSM are the many achievements of Dr. Scoggins during his tenure. Here are just a few highlights of his legacy.

- Increasing the graduation rate for undergraduate students to 75 percent, and freshman retention rates to 94 percent.
- Growing faculty headcount by nearly 35 percent to 277, and establishing the financial resources to grow to 305 in the upcoming year.
- Nearly doubling the annual sponsored research to more than $60 million.
- Breaking university fundraising records in three consecutive years, raising more than $47 million in 2014, and increasing the Mines endowment to $271 million.
- Transforming the Mines campus through an investment of more than $230 million dollars in new buildings, facilities and other capital improvements.
- Creating the Colorado Scholars scholarship program to ensure that a Mines education remains affordable for the brightest students in the state with the greatest financial need.

In his communication to campus, Scoggins said, “The dedication, excellence, and work ethic of Mines students, faculty, staff, alumni and friends are the true hallmarks of this extraordinary institution. I look forward to thanking the many individuals who have contributed so much to the success of Mines. In the meantime, our work continues as we strive to advance Mines’ stature as a premier research university.” Dr. Scoggins will continue to serve as president until his successor is available.

**BIG ACHIEVEMENTS AT BELL MIDDLE SCHOOL**

Exciting things continue to happen at Bell! 8th grader Ethan Cranston has successfully passed through the first round of a national NASA 3D Printer in Space challenge for grades 6 through 12. His 3D design of a comb for astronauts moved on to the next level in a competition for items that can be created in space and have important functions for the astronauts. Bell’s 3D printer was purchased with money donated by the City of Golden.

The iSTEM program, created by teachers and administrators at Bell, continues to flourish despite news that funding from the school district will no longer be available for a program director. Bell has received input from the accountability community and staff to prioritize the needs at the school. Principal Bridget Jones is working to maintain the program director position as well as the traditional and honors pathways using the student-based budgeting program. The program was expanded to include 6th graders who have been designing computer applications that have real-world applications in gaming and scientific research.

“I have seen so much student engagement and achievement in our iSTEM program. Enrollment has increased and become a grade 6-8 pathway. Student achievement scores are increasing as a result of the program,” said Jones. “A director is essential for community outreach, professional development for teachers, continuous curriculum development and maintaining the fidelity of the program.” The iSTEM Steering Committee is working with Jones to help maintain the position and marketing the programs at the neighborhood school for the variety of learners.

On another note, Bell’s PTA is working toward acquiring funding to remodel the “Bell Backyard.” Plans include a mural, sitting areas, shade structures and ‘kid friendly’ hangouts. Students are expected to be involved in the design process.
Golden History Museums often ends up with more stories than can be included in any given exhibit. “Calendar Girls to Cowboys: The Art of Selling Coors,” which is now open at the Golden History Center, is no exception. Deviating slightly from the advertising storyline, we gave a nod in the exhibit to what was one of Golden’s infamous watering holes: the Goosetown Tavern. Located across the street from Coors’ north office building at 10th and Vasquez Streets, it was a regular hangout for many folks.

Researching the old bar provided an opportunity to interview longtime bartender, Jeanne Dalesandro. Jeanne moved to Golden in 1965 and immediately got a job with Coors Porcelain, where she was employed until 1978. While working at Coors she became acquainted with the Goosetown Tavern during her lunch breaks. Soon after leaving Coors she was hired by Sam Wayland, owner of the Goosetown Tavern (later Sam’s Land), where she bartended and occasionally cooked. Jeanne stayed on until the bar closed for good in 1998.

“It was a dump deluxe, but everyone had fun,” said Jeanne. Tavern regulars may best remember Jeanne for her gravelly voice and excellent memory for remembering names and taking food and drink orders.

According to Jeanne, Sam was a fixture in the bar and great to work for. He was very fair, had a great sense of humor and at times was nicer to the help than the customers. Rare for a bar, Sam even offered paid vacations to his employees. “Boy I miss that place…I never dreaded going to work at Sam’s,” said Jeanne.

The tavern was a booze and beer place, according to Jeanne. It was also a regular hang-out for all of the tradespeople from Coors. She said it was not uncommon to see Coors family members, Pete, Joe, Bill, and even the now retired MillerCoors CEO, Leo Kiely there with his body guards. Denver Post columnist, Dick Kreck, was a regular too. The Goosetown was a place where blue and white collar workers mingled comfortably, taking out their places along the bar or in the four booths.

Learn a little more about the Goosetown on your next visit to the Golden History Center, and view dozens of years’ worth of photographs in a special collage. Visit GoldenHistory.org for operating hours and a link to the Museums’ Facebook page where you can share your own memories of the tavern.
Beyond Words: Contemporary Book Art

Now through March 22 at Foothills Art Center

From design bookbinding to intricately detailed sculptures made from books to monumental installations featuring books, this exhibition will showcase a variety of works of art inspired by... you guessed it... books. The juror is book artist Alicia Bailey who also is the owner of Abecedarian Gallery in Denver. To complement the juried portion of the exhibition, FAC is inviting several highly accomplished book artists who are truly doing exceptional work in the field. Invited artists include Brian Dettmer, Monique Lallier, Adele Outteridge, Susan Porteous, and Claire Van Vliet. The Foothills Art Center is at 809 15th St. For tickets and exhibition hours, visit www.foothillsartcenter.org or call 303-279-3922.

Record Holiday Crowds

It is estimated that nearly 10,000 people came to Golden’s Candlelight Walk this past December. That makes it the largest holiday event in Golden’s history! The Golden Chamber of Commerce coordinated the event with support from the City of Golden and Visit Golden. It took about 45 minutes for the giant crowd to make its way down Washington Avenue, which sparkled with candles.

For the first time, the stage for the event was moved from the street and into Parfet Park so that the stage could be expanded. On stage was CBS4 Meteorologist Ed Greene who introduced a talented number of singers and dancers to perform. There were some issues with sound, but you can bet that the Chamber is already problem-solving to make next year even bigger and better! A heart-felt thanks to the performers, volunteers and groups who helped to put on the event.
2015 Summer Employment Opportunities

The City of Golden will soon be accepting applications for seasonal and part-time positions at the Golden Community Center, the Splash Aquatic Park and Fossil Trace Golf Club.

Opportunities include:
- Lifeguards
- Swim Instructors
- Youth Sports Coach
- Day Camp Leader
- Day Camp Coordinator
- Parks, Forestry, Cemetery Maintenance
- Golf Maintenance
- Pro-Shop Guest Services at Fossil Trace
- Cashiers and Food & Beverage Workers at The Splash

Be sure to check out our website at www.cityofgolden.net/work/jobs/ for job availability.