



The GOLDEN INFORMER

City of Golden Community Newsletter

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It's Not Over Yet!



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Everywhere you turn this summer there is news about the severe drought that has hit Colorado. We in Golden are better off than most communities because of many smart and sound decisions made by our City Councils. We have asked you to cut back your water use and most of you have.

The special drought edition of the *Informer* that we sent you in June was widely plagiarized by other water utilities and the copy of it on our website has been downloaded more than anything we have ever published.

That special drought edition must have worked because our water use is down with only voluntary restriction as much as any of the Colorado utilities with mandatory restrictions. Thank you Golden for conserving water.

But the drought just keeps getting worse and with no relief in sight we must continue to conserve. Please try harder, let your car get a little dirtier, your lawn go a little browner, and remind your neighbors to cut back lawn watering now!

Colorado desperately needs rain and early, heavy, wet snow. If we don't receive record levels of moisture soon, very severe restrictions will be imposed everywhere – even in Golden.

We know from our survey that 12% of Golden residents never read the *Informer*, but we need the 88% of you who do to continue cutting your water use, to stay informed, and to work with us to devise an effective, fair, and economically wise response to this incredibly rare and potentially devastating example of nature's cycles.

Thank you Golden for the sacrifices you have made, but remember – it's not over yet!

Mike Bestor
City Manager



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The City of Golden can only provide you with the highest level of service if you maintain contact with City Council members and city staff. Please feel free to contact them at any time by calling or writing to 911 10th Street, Golden, 80401.

City Council meets at 7:30 pm on the second and fourth Thursday of each month and welcomes comments from the public. ♦

Our Communication Survey

We recently completed a professional telephone survey of Golden residents to learn how we can improve our communication with you. This survey shows that 75% of you rate our communication efforts as good, very good, or excellent! That's an amazing score, but communication requires constant effort towards improvement or we will not continue to see those good results. We intend to get better.

65% of you read this publication and 56% use it often to obtain information about Golden. That 56% of our citizens who rely on the *Informer* is up from 33% two years ago which shows our efforts to improve this newsletter are paying off. It also shows that we have a significant obligation to keep the *Informer* accurate, reliable, timely, and an obligation to make it even better. If you have any questions or suggestions about communication efforts here at the City, call (303) 384-8119.



City Expo 2002 Showcases City Issues, Services and Capital Projects

Sept. 14th Brings Displays, Demos and Activities for All

This year the City of Golden will again undertake a unique approach to the annual budget process. On **Saturday, September 14th, from 1:00 am to 4:00 pm**, City departments will be “showing off” to Golden citizens, just what they do here in an event appropriately called “City Expo 2002”. The purpose is not to just tell about upcoming 2003-2004 budget issues and capital improvement projects, but to show as many people as possible that their tax dollars are being well spent through hands-on displays and demonstrations.

Look for the white City Expo tents which will line 10th Street. Citizens will be given a City Passport to have stamped at each location. Completed passports can then be turned in for a drawing.

Golden’s City Council will be strolling around and available to talk to you informally about your great ideas for the 2003-2004 City budget. City Council will also judge each department on its creative approach to help the community understand that departments’ responsibilities. The department winner will receive the coveted Expo Trophy to display in their department for the year. Last year’s winner was the Volunteer Fire Department which provided excellent educational and safety programs.

Citizens can also enjoy participating in a variety of events such as the water treatment plant and lab tours, police dispatch tours, hands-on xeriscape demonstrations and water conservation exhibits. There is a focus this year on community safety, caring and family, and we are providing a range of events and projects that everyone will enjoy.

Come learn about “Adopt a Cop” which encourages safe neighborhoods and community policing. Or, if you dare to, stand in line for a view of the City on the Fire Department’s Tower One truck. Kids of all ages will enjoy the Streets Department Docking Station for snowplow and street sweeper rides and fire department education programs such as puppet shows and Sparky the Fire Dog.

The goal again this year is to provide a hands-on effort with the 2003-2004 Budget and involve the entire community in those decisions. We ask you to come help us with your input and great ideas in making this the best community in the country!

*For more information on City Expo call
(303) 384-8119.*



City of Golden 2003-2004 Biennial Budget Calendar Activities

Date	Action
September 2002	
9/14	City Expo!
9/18	CBAC review of 2003 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)
9/19	Council Study Session review of 2003 CIP
October 2002	
10/10	Public hearing on 2003 CIP
10/16	CBAC review of draft 2003 - 2004 Budget; review of 3rd quarter financials
10/17	Council Study Session review of 2003 - 2004 Budget
10/24	Public hearing on 2003 - 2004 Budget and CIP at Council meeting

For more information concerning the budget process, call (303) 384-8011.

Northwest Parkway Community Input Needed

The City has retained the services of Muller Engineering to do preliminary design work for future improvements to the U.S. 6 and S.H. 93 corridor through Golden. It is important that Golden define the character and design parameters that will guide improvements to this corridor for the next 25 years. If the City of Golden fails to provide this leadership then Jefferson County, Arvada and the Colorado Department of Transportation will design their version of a completed beltway through our community. We are certain that they will not be as sensitive to Golden citizen concerns and community desires.

This preliminary design will follow the recommendations found in the Northwest Quadrant Feasibility Study. To complete this process, significant citizen input is needed and to get this input we are planning six citizen workshops. The first workshop will be an open house as part of City Expo 2002 on September the 14th from 1:00 to 4:00 pm. The consultant, city staff and members of the citizen group CINQ will be available in the Golden City Council Chambers at City Hall to hear your ideas and concerns.

This first workshop will deal with goals and criteria to be used to evaluate all future corridor improvements. Your thoughts are critical to the success of this process, so please stop by between 1:00 and 4:00 pm on September 14th.

TREE CARE DURING TIMES OF DROUGHT

The drought which has plagued our region has reached historic proportions. Lack of significant precipitation that has been hard for people to endure has been just as hard on our plants. Most Denver area water districts have imposed conservation practices which results in added stress for trees, shrubs and grasses.

Most people in the metro area have never had to worry about their plants and trees receiving enough water. Providing regular turf irrigation is normally sufficient for trees and shrubs but the water cutbacks we all currently face means that many plants are receiving less than 50% of their normal ration of water. Many trees cannot remain healthy under these circumstances. Since water is provided regularly and close to the surface, our trees have developed shallow root systems. When that water is taken away, damage will inevitably follow.

So what can we do?

We need to recognize that drip irrigation and site specific hose watering of trees and shrubs is very efficient. Many cities are now to the point of disallowing all sprinkler irrigations but encourage residents to save their trees and shrubs by deep watering.

In spite of the ever tightening restrictions, we can still keep our beautiful trees and shrubs alive and healthy by efficient use of available water. Whether you are using a drip system or a garden hose, slowly soak the root zone around your trees to a depth of 8 to 12 inches once every two weeks. And please make use of the free mulch available across the street from Lions Park and cover that root zone with 3 to 4 inches of water conserving mulch.



Our Golden urban trees will be much less prone to pest and disease if you take these stress reducing precautions.



RTD skyRide Route to DIA

Servicing Golden Area

When heading to DIA for personal or business travel or to pick up a visitor, count on RTD's skyRide for convenient, reliable and affordable transportation. Parking at the Ward Road and Olde Town Arvada park-n-Rides are FREE, and skyRide buses can get you to DIA in under 60 minutes.

Your driver will load your luggage while you take a seat in the comfortable transit coach. Enjoy the ride while you read, work or relax. At the end of the ride the driver will help unload your baggage at the curb, by door 613, on the southeast side of DIA.

Up to three children, ages 15 and under, ride FREE on skyRide with each paying adult.

For information on how to use the skyRide Service or general information about RTD call (303) 299-6000 or on-line at www.RTD-Denver.com.

skyRide Fares at Down-to-Earth Prices	
<i>From Ward Road and Olde Town Arvada park-n-Rides ONLY</i>	
Cash Fares	
One-way Adult	\$10
One-way Senior	\$ 5
Advance Purchase Discount Fares	
Round trip ticket	\$16
10-Ride ticket book	\$75
<small>Cash fares can be paid onboard, exact change only. Discounted tickets can only be purchased in advance at any RTD transit center, the SkyRide counter at DIA, or any King Soopers or Safeway store in the metro area.</small>	

HEALTH WATCH

WEST NILE VIRUS



The West Nile virus has been found in animals and birds in 38 states and is now in Colorado. The virus is spread by the bite of an infected mosquito and can infect people, horses, many types of birds and other animals. On rare occasions West Nile virus infection can result in a severe and sometimes fatal illness known as West Nile encephalitis, an inflammation of the brain. The risk of disease is higher for persons 50 years of age and older and small children. Most infections are mild, and symptoms include fever, headache, and body aches, occasionally a skin rash and swollen lymph glands. More severe infection may cause headache, high fever, neck stiffness, disorientation, tremors, muscle weakness or paralysis.

What can I do to reduce my risk of becoming infected with West Nile virus?

- Stay indoors if possible during the early morning and early/late evening.
- Wear long-sleeved shirts and long pants whenever you are outdoors
- Spray clothing and skin with repellents containing 35% DEET (N,N-diethyl-meta-toluamide).
Important Note: Children should use only a 10% DEET concentration. Repellents may irritate the eyes and mouth, so avoid applying repellent to the hands of children.
- Remove any stagnant water collecting in buckets, bowls, cans, gutters, tires, etc.
- Use screens on windows and doors opened for air ventilation. Repair holes in window and door screens so mosquitoes cannot get indoors.
- Vitamin B, yeast supplements and "ultrasonic" devices are NOT effective in preventing mosquito bites.

Dead birds from the corvid family, if found within 48 hours of the time of death, can be submitted to local health departments, county public health nursing services and local animal control agencies for testing. The birds then will be forwarded to the state laboratory. Birds from the corvid family now being tested include crows, magpies, ravens and jays. Other kinds of birds such as sparrows, starlings, pigeons, finches, robins and blackbirds are not currently being tested.

More information can be obtained by calling the State Department of Public Health and Environment's West Nile virus information hotline at (303) 692-2799 or by logging onto the department's Web site at <http://www.cdphe.state.co.us>. The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment also is now posting daily updates of test results on its Web site. Click on "Summary of Mosquito-Borne Virus Testing Results, Colorado." Updates will be available by 8 am each weekday morning.

The Golden Fire Department is also available to answer questions at (303) 384-8094.

Golden Recreation

Golden Community Center Summer 2002

We had a great 2002 summer from the grand opening of the Splash water park to youth, adult and senior programs. We were very busy and want to thank all of those who participated to make this summer a huge success! Here is a quick recap of our summer events - programs and also programs to look forward to this fall:

Fishing Derby, June 8th - 100 kids, dogs and parents! Thanks to all the city merchants who donated prizes.

C.A.R.A. Youth Track Program, 102 kids, 3 years - 16 years old. Congratulations to all the participants this summer, hope to see you next year.

Battle of the bands, July 20 - 150 kids turned out for this free program. A \$75 gift certificate to Golden Music was awarded to the winner, Left on Maple and \$50 to the runner-up, Corner Four!

Adult Programs

Art and Pottery — 50 participants created works of art and sold some of them at the pottery show and sale on June 22 and 23.

Tennis Lessons — 21 participants, look out Wimbledon!

Softball: Adult Teams — 125 teams — 1,875 individuals participating.

Senior Programs

Seniors have been very busy this summer with trips to the Royal Gorge, attending the Lion King Performance, and Gambling at Bull Durham Casino. Look for more fun programs coming up this fall.

Climbing Wall

The Youth Climbing Team has been formed and we have 14 enrolled. This is a competitive climbing club that will compete locally. Please call us or stop by for more information on how to join.



Upcoming events for FALL 2002 at the Golden Community Center

Stop by the Community Center or call (303) 384-8122 for registration information.

Youth Programs

Let us help your child explore colors, shapes, the alphabet, numbers and crafts while gaining self-confidence and developing vocabulary and social skills. Children will enjoy first-hand experiences through community visitors, field trips, nature walks and holiday activities. This program will help prepare your child for Kindergarten. Our teachers are Director Certified and the program is licensed by the State of Colorado, Department of Social Services.

This is a continuous program and once enrolled your child remains in the program. Class is offered on M/W/F or Tuesday and Thurs. Please register in person since there are forms to fill out and we want to meet your child if possible. For information, please call Mary Ann at (303) 384-8122

Youth In-line Hockey Leagues begin Sept. 7. Please call or stop by the community center to register.

Kid's Night Out West (formerly known as Friday Night Live) will begin September 27. There will be a DJ and dance contests, basketball games and contests, floor hockey, inflatable slides, boxing rings, bungee pull, etc., board games and concessions for extra money. The entry fee is \$10 and parents must sign their kids in and out. This program is for kids in Grades 4th - 8th, NO EXCEPTIONS.

Golden Gigs, Teen Concert Series: Oct. 5 and Nov. 16. Five dollars at the door, come and get your groove on!

C.A.R.A. Co-Ed Youth Volleyball League begins September 10. Ages 12 and under and 13 - 16 yrs old. Pass, Set, Spike!

Golden Recreation

Golden Community Center Summer 2002



Fitness and Exercise

Learn how to lift weights to maximize your time in the weight room! A Personal Trainer can help you learn to use correct form, understand why you do each exercise, and find out how to reach your goals. \$35/ 1 hour session resident, \$42/ 1 hour session non-resident, or call to find out how you can get a discount for multiple sessions! Call today for an appointment (303) 384-8100

Intro to Pilates is a 3-week beginner Pilates class. Pilates strengthens the core muscles and tones your body. Next session starts Mondays, 7:30 - 8:30 pm, Sept. 30 - Oct. 14, then another one Nov. 18 - Dec. 2 \$15.

Tai Chi is 20 easy-to-learn, gentle movements designed to relax and rejuvenate the body while refreshing the mind. Session is Wednesdays, Sept. 11 - Oct. 23 from 6:35 - 7:50 pm \$46/resident \$51 non-resident.

Jazzercise is the original dance exercise phenomenon, combining easy to follow choreography with muscle toning and strength. Golden Community Center offers Jazzercise six times a week. Call (303) 279-6203 for additional information.

Never taken an aerobics class? Or just haven't seen the inside of an aerobics room in a long time? Come to Get Started, a beginning, non-intimidating aerobics class. Learn with other beginners some basic choreography, muscle toning to increase your metabolism, and gentle stretching. Seniors welcome! Tuesdays & Thursdays 9:00 - 9:55 am.

Check out all our other fitness classes at <http://www.ci.golden.co.us/dept/parks/brochure/commwell.htm>.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

Twentieth century western artist and sculptor, C. M. Russell, captured the wonder of the American West with exciting and dramatic scenes. Russell's work choreographed the spirit of the West. He also once remarked, "Friendship is life's greatest treasure." Russell enjoyed the kindness, cordiality, and fellowship of his neighbors. Sometimes, "Charlie," as he was called, rode his horse 15 miles to show a neighbor his latest painting idea. Russell also informed his neighbor of any "strangers or odd occurrences" he might have seen along his way. Russell, like any good neighbor, stood watch over his "neighborhood" of plains, prairie, and pilgrims.



Here in Golden that same "Spirit of the West" continues and our 21st century version of patrolling the plains is the **Neighborhood Watch**. Thirty years ago law enforcement agencies requested a program that could help reduce a rising burglary rate around the United States. The National Sheriffs Association recognized that the unity and cooperative spirit of traditional neighborhoods had changed due to an increasingly mobile society, two household incomes, and extended work commutes. To combat an avalanche of burglary, theft, and vandalism, Sheriffs developed a program to assist them in their law enforcement. That program evolved into what is called **Neighborhood Watch**.

Statistics indicate most dramatically that neighbors who assume an active role in their communities provide a safer, more secure, and more spirited environment — especially for children. Residents within a **Neighborhood Watch** program know who belongs, who doesn't, and what comprises suspicious activity. More importantly, residents begin to work with local law enforcement to resolve criminal behavior within their neighborhood.

Sgt. Bob Tortora leads the **Neighborhood Watch** program for the Golden Police Department. He can be reached at (303) 384-8055. "In order to combat crime, we need the cooperation of Golden residents and **Neighborhood Watch** can be crucial in our doing our job," explains Sgt. Tortora. Tortora, with over 23 years in law enforcement, is a fountain of knowledge in dealing with neighborhood crimes and prevention.

So, what do you do to start a **Neighborhood Watch** program? The Golden Police Department provides a simple four step formula:

First, gather 8-12 of your neighbors who are interested and contact Sgt. Tortora. Then, the sociable sergeant will come to your neighborhood and deliver an educational and enlightening discussion on **Neighborhood Watch**. You'll see a 30 minute video, hear lots of crime data, and learn many useful tips on preventing crime. At the conclusion, Sgt. Tortora presides over a frank question and answer session.

Step number two involves the selection of a "chairperson" or perhaps "co-chairpersons" who will lead the program. The chairperson must, in turn, select block captains. The job of the block captain is to obtain the names, addresses, and phone numbers of each neighbor in their block—also known as the "phone tree." The phone tree is critical. How do you contact "Joe Smith" and tell him about a suspicious activity without a contact number? Most neighbors will be willing to join.

After you've got your phone tree, the third step is a home survey of valuable property. The Golden Police Department furnishes the home survey form and will also loan each neighbor an electric engraver to identify your TV, computer, stereo, DVD player, jewelry, and any other valuables. Ideally, your completed home survey is given to the Golden Police Department for filing. However, if you prefer to keep this information in a safe place in your home, that is just fine. If your home is ever burglarized, the engraving certifies your ownership and assists in the apprehension of the perpetrator.

And finally, once your neighborhood completes these three steps, the City of Golden will install "**Neighborhood Watch**" signs in your neighborhood at no charge. The signs can also serve as a deterrent to criminals. Another distinct advantage of a **Neighborhood Watch** is that the Golden Police will also be available for ongoing education, training, and instruction.

You see, just as a hundred years ago, Charlie Russell's neighbor's appreciated his friendship, your neighbors will too. A **Neighborhood Watch** offers many "Golden" opportunities for a sense of community and well-being. Think seriously about becoming involved in a Neighborhood Watch program.

For additional information on **Neighborhood Watch** you can contact the City of Golden's website at: www.cityofgolden.net or call (303) 384-8055.

Steve Deyo is a freelance writer, author and public speaker. Steve lives in Golden and contributed this article.

What To Pay Attention To And Report

1. Any stranger who enters a neighbor's home when it is unoccupied.
2. A stranger who is roaming or loitering the neighborhood.
3. A person removing items from a neighbors home, car, or backyard.
4. Anyone peering into parked cars or homes.
5. A scream, an explosion, or breaking glass could mean vandalism, burglary or an accident.
6. Persons loitering around schools, parks, or even the neighborhood could be sex offenders.
7. A stranger removing license plates, gas, or items from a neighbor's car.

What A Neighborhood Watch Does

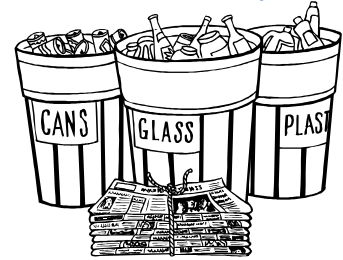


1. Forms a group of concerned citizens who address issues that affect the entire neighborhood.
2. Allows neighbors to get to know one another and understand their routines so that out-of-ordinary activity can be reported.
3. Teaches citizens techniques to reduce the risk of being victimized at home and in public.
4. Trains citizens to recognize and report suspicious activities.
5. Teaches citizens about home security and how to identify valuable personal property.

Benefits of A Neighborhood Watch

1. Establishes a better relationship with your neighbors.
2. Allows issues that effect the neighborhood to be addressed.
3. Prepares you to respond to suspicious activity.
4. Reduces your risk of being a crime victim.
5. Allows you access to criminal activity information.
6. Makes a neighborhood more livable and decreases the fear of crime.
7. Permits the placement of a "Neighborhood Watch" sign.

Why Recycle? Here's Why!



If you are one of Golden's recycling residents who use the small blue dumpsters for commingled papers, here is something you should know. The equivalent of almost 1300 trees and well over 12 million gallons of water have been saved through your efforts, as of the end of July 2002. In addition, enough money has been generated from the sale of this paper to pay for the phonebook recycling provided recently at Safeway. Thanks for participating in this program and remember to look for phonebook recycling again at Safeway when you receive your new directory this winter!

Last Chance! Golden Farmers Market

Saturdays 8 AM to Noon
Through September 7th

Join us at Jackson Street between 12th and 13th.

Featuring:

Fresh Fruits
Fresh Vegetables
Specialty Foods
Sweets & Snacks
Potted Plants
Kettle Corn
Soups & Mixes
Hot Pepper Sauce



(303) 932-6884 or (303) 279-3113

Astor House Museum

www.AstorHouseMuseum.org

Exhibit through September 14

"Working for a Living: 19th Century Occupations". A joint exhibit with Clear Creek History Park.

September 14 11:30 am & 3 pm

Tea Time at the Astor House Museum
"A Lady's Life in the Rocky Mountains"

Join Lynne Swanson as Isabella Bird in this stimulating performance. Ms. Bird traveled extensively in the 1870s and the stories she wrote about her adventures were later compiled into a widely read book, *A Lady's Life in the Rocky Mountains*. Call early for reservations, (303) 278-3557.

Golden Pioneer Museum

www.GoldenPioneerMuseum.com

September 7 9:00 am - 3:00 pm



Garage Sale

The Golden Pioneer Museum and the Astor House are holding their annual fund-raising garage sale at the museum.

Exhibit - September 30 — February 16, 2003

Please Don't Shoot the Piano Player!

An exhibit featuring the music and musical instruments of a bygone era.

For more information about our events, exhibits and hours of operation, visit our web site or call (303) 278-7151.

Golden Public Library

<http://jefferson.lib.co.us>

Library closed Monday, Sept. 2

Features in September/October

- ◆ Chinese Brush Calligraphy
- ◆ Tuesday Night Book Group
- ◆ How to buy and set up the computer you need
- ◆ First Books for Babies
- ◆ Summer reading for Kids & Teens
- ◆ Kid Stuff -
 - Western and Cowboy Music
 - Lights Out! Windsong
 - Environmental Education
 - Foundation and their great horned owl.
 - Storytimes

Call for details (303) 279-4585.

Clear Creek History Park

www.ClearCreekHistoryPark.org

October 25-26 5 pm - 9 pm

Halloween Harvest Festival

(see next page for details)

Exhibit through September 14

"Working for a Living: 19th Century Occupations". A joint exhibit with the Astor House Museum.

Summer Hours

May 18 — September 15 Wed.— Sat. 10 - 4,
Sun. 1 - 4, Tues. by appointment.

For more information about our events and hours, visit our web site or call (303) 278-3557.

The Rocky Mountain Quilt Museum

www.RMQM.org



Through - November 2

Gallery I - Celebrate Diversity

RMQM 2002 Contest Quilts

Gallery II - Last Chance Quilters

Call or visit our web site for our adult and children's classes and lecture series schedules.

For more information about our exhibits and hours of operation visit our web site or call (303) 277-0377.

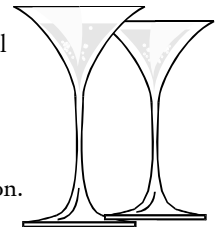
Kiwanis Wine Tasting Community Benefit

Saturday, September 28

7:00 - 9:00 pm

Colorado School of Mines at the Coolbaugh Hall Atrium.

\$10.00 per person.



Call (303) 384-3775 for additional information.

Foothills Art Center

www.FoothillsArtCenter.org

August 31 - October 27

Rocky Mountain National Watermedia Exhibition



Free Events:

Opening Reception

Sunday September 1, 2:00 - 4:00 pm

Gallery Talk with Juror, Louise Cadillac

Thursday September 5, 11:00 am

Annual Watercolor Demonstration Day & Foothills Art & Attic Sale

Sunday September 22, 1:00 - 4:00 pm

Watercolors by Foothills Artists

Exhibit in the Gallery Shops, Foothills II

August 31 - October 27

Visit our web site or call (303) 279-3922.

G.R.E.A.T.

The Golden Resource for Education, Arts, and Theater presents:

Friday, September 13

Casablanca (1942) and Der Fuhrer's Face (1943)

Friday, September 27

The Gold Rush (1925) and Cops (1922)

Friday, October 4

Adventures of Robin Hood (1938) and The Three Little Pigs (1933)

Friday, October 18

Bringing Up Baby (1938) and Mickey's Circus (1936)

7:30 pm in the City Council Chambers
911 10th Street in Golden. **No charge.**

The Jefferson Symphony Orchestra



October 20 7:00 pm

Our 50th Anniversary Kickoff

Selections from our 1953 season surround Beethoven's most danceable symphony and a musical art gallery tour. Pre-concert activities begin at 6:30 pm.

Order your tickets now for the 2002-2003 season. Our offices are located in the US Bank Building at 1801 Jackson Street, Golden, CO 80401. Mailing address: P O Box 546, Golden, CO 80402-0546. Call (303) 278-4237.

Halloween in Golden - Fun for the whole family...

Saturdays, October 12 & 19

3 - 5 pm on the half-hour

HALLOWEEN CEMETERY TOUR

Visit the Golden Cemetery for a look into the lives of some of Golden's famous residents. Our guides will take you through the cemetery and introduce you to some 'ghosts' of Golden's past. You will learn about interesting monuments and unusual inscriptions dating from 1874 to the present. Costumed interpreters, dressed as 19th century Golden notables, will haunt guests of this sacred ground. Due to the popular demand of this event, a formal tea will not be offered. Instead, light snacks and hot beverages will warm you at the cemetery as you embark on the tour. It is about a mile long walk, so bring a flashlight, comfortable shoes, and garlic to keep away evil spirits. Tours are from 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm, on the half-hour. Tours last approximately 1 ½ hours. Tickets are \$10 per person. Reservations are required and can be made at (303) 278-3557. Payment is due upon reservation.

Call the Museum at (303) 278-3557 or visit our website at www.astorhousemuseum.org for more information.

Friday & Saturday October 25 & 26

5 pm – 9 pm

HALLOWEEN HARVEST FESTIVAL AT CLEAR CREEK HISTORY PARK

Our annual "non-scary" event features famous, and not so famous, Colorado characters from the past. Sip some hot cider around the campfire.

Ever wondered how Halloween came to be? What ever happened to all of those eccentric historical characters like Alfred Packer? Looking for an alternative to the gory, scary haunted houses? If so, then come enjoy a historical Halloween at the Clear Creek History Park on October 25 and 26 from 5:00 – 9:00 pm. The Park will be sponsoring its fifth annual Halloween Harvest Festival, with many fun, family-oriented activities for adults and children. Visit with literary and historical characters, listen to non-scary ghost stories around the campfire, watch the blacksmith make coffin nails, make crafts in our children's craft cabin, and more. Admission is \$3 for adults, \$2 for children and just \$7 for the entire family. Once inside the Park, all activities are free.

The Park is located at the corner of 11th and Arapahoe, one block West of Washington Ave. in historic downtown Golden. For more information, please call (303) 278-3557.

Saturday October 26

10 am to 3 pm

HALLOWEEN TREASURE HUNT 2002

Activities begin at the Golden Visitor's Center at 1010 Washington Avenue. Information and clues for each additional treasure stop will be provided along the hunt route. The event will wrap up at the Golden Pioneer Museum, where more fun and games can be anticipated. A safe, educational alternative for the whole family this Halloween. Participants are encouraged to learn about historic Golden while having a great time.

Presented by the Golden Pioneer Museum. Located at 923 10th Street. For more information call (303) 278-7151.

Saturday October 26

CHILDREN'S HALLOWEEN PARTY

Children's Halloween Party Day at Heritage Square, costume party, prizes.

Contact (303) 279-2789.

Thursday October 31

HALLOWEEN CRAZY DAYS

Kids go to downtown merchants for trick or treat.

Contact (303) 279-3113.



Golden Urban Renewal Authority Seeks Board Appointments

Golden City Council announces that two board appointments open on the Golden Urban Renewal Authority. Applications will be taken until 5:00 pm. Wednesday, September 25, 2002. Interviews are tentatively scheduled to be held at the City Council Study Session, in the evening, Thursday, October 3, 2002 in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 911 10th Street.

Regular meetings are held at least once each calendar month, as well as study session and special meetings when necessary.

The terms of appointments are five years. Questions should be directed to Steve Becker, Executive Director, 1111 Washington Avenue, (303) 279-4162.

APPLICATIONS, ON FORMS PROVIDED BY THE CITY CLERK OR FROM THE CITY OF GOLDEN WEB SITE, WILL BE ACCEPTED AT THE OFFICE OF CITY CLERK, CITY HALL, 911 10TH STREET, GOLDEN, CO 80401, UNTIL 5:00 PM., SEPTEMBER 25, 2002.

In Remembrance of September 11th



Thank you to our brave men and women in the Police and Fire Departments not only here in Golden but across the country. We shall always remember your courage and dedication.

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Washington Avenue Bridge Construction Begins This Fall



The replacement of the Washington Avenue Bridge over Clear Creek is planning to start this fall. The replacement completes the recommendations of the Clear Creek flood plain master plan. This bridge is not capable of passing the 100 year flood and its replacement has been planned since 1984.

In addition to flood improvements replacement, the bridge will complete desired trail improvements that were recommended in the Clear Creek Corridor Master Plan. The trail along the north and south sides of Clear Creek will run under the new bridge so those using the trail will not have to cross Washington Avenue. Garden areas along the river will be completed to provide pedestrian access and casual seating overlooking the river, along with separate walkways and plaza areas above the river.

Once approved by City Council, the bridge will be constructed in two phases so that traffic over Clear Creek will continue throughout the project. Work will be completed by summer of 2003. The cost of the project is \$3.5 million and is being funded by the Drainage Utility Fund, the Urban Drainage and Flood Control District, Downtown Improvements Funds, Open Space & Lottery Funds and by the Golden Urban Renewal Authority.

We will continue to provide you with updated traffic and construction reports.



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