

City reaches agreement with peer communities for DIA development

In early June, the city joined its peer communities and Denver to announce a historic agreement which advances the vision of a global airport. The agreement is the first major amendment to the 1988 intergovernmental agreement (IGA) that enabled the creation of Denver International Airport. This new agreement strives to generate jobs through cooperative business development around DIA.

Discussions that resulted in this pact have been taking place since 2013 through the Airport Coordinating Committee (ACC), but Commerce City has been planning land use and infrastructure to support and encourage airport related development since DIA was built in 1995. The city borders DIA to the west and north, with almost 12-square miles of available land directly adjacent to the airport with several mixed-use projects already underway.

“We look forward to working with all parties to advance infrastructure, land planning and marketing efforts that will reaffirm our collective position in the global marketplace,” said Mayor Sean Ford.

The original agreements paved the way for the relocation of overcrowded and outgrown Stapleton International Airport. As part of the 1988 IGAs, Denver and Adams County made commitments that ensured Adams County and its cities would join Denver in reaping benefits from DIA. The new agreement builds on those commitments to strengthen the regional economy.

One of the biggest elements that will impact Commerce City is the lifting of land use restrictions on property in “clear zones.” These areas were intended to create a buffer on the edges of DIA. With the lifting of these restrictions, Commerce City can now receive 100 percent of the tax revenue from any new development in the former clear zones and DIA will retain the lease revenue.

This agreement requires approval from voters in Commerce City, Denver and other Adams County communities this fall. Voters will be able to inspect the agreement and learn more about it before Election Day on Nov. 3.



Derby property owners, businesses and community members provide key feedback at the Derby District Open House held June 17 at the Derby Resource Center. Attendees heard about opportunities and future developments taking place in and around the Derby District.

Elements of the new agreement:

- Denver and Adams County communities would create a 1,500-acre pilot program on DIA to allow a wider spectrum of commercial uses than is currently permitted, even if they are not directly related to airport operations or aviation.
- Adams County and Denver would evenly split tax revenues generated from the new commercial uses on these 1,500 acres.
- Denver would provide Adams County with an upfront payment of \$10 million, to be divided among Adams County communities.
- DIA would retain all of the lease revenue from these new commercial businesses.
- The 1,500-acre pilot program could be expanded with approval from the ACC.
- Denver and Adams County communities would create a regional entity to jointly market these new commercial business opportunities at DIA and the region – and possibly over time plan, fund and develop regional infrastructure.
- Land-use restrictions also would be lifted on property on the edges of the airport. Adams County and overlapping municipalities would receive 100 percent of the tax revenue from new development in the clear zones, while DIA would retain the lease revenue.
- DIA would not seek new commercial businesses that would compete with the nearby Anschutz Medical Campus and Fitzsimons Innovation Campus in Aurora.

To read the complete press release and the terms of this agreement, visit the city’s website, c3gov.com/AERO.

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NEWS BRIEFS



Stand up against crime during National Night Out *Neighborhoods gather to send a message to criminals Aug. 4*

Gather your neighbors for a day of activities, food and fun while raising community awareness about crime in your neighborhood during National Night Out. Send a message to criminals letting them know your neighborhood is organized and fighting back.

The first 20 groups to register their event receive a \$100 gift card to King Soopers, Walmart or Target to use for its Aug. 4 event. Police officers on patrol will visit participating neighborhoods to raise crime prevention awareness, generate support for programs and strengthen police-community partnerships.

"This is a great opportunity to promote police-community partnerships that make our neighborhoods a safer, better place to live," said Officer Anna Bungartz. "This annual event also gives us the opportunity to come together under a positive environment."

Last year, more than 20 neighborhoods in Commerce City participated in National Night Out. From block parties, cooks outs and visits from emergency personnel, National Night Out demonstrates that working together makes a stronger community.

For more information or to register for National Night Out, contact Officer Anna Bungartz, 303-727-3994 or abungartz@c3gov.com.

Keep yourself, and your pet, safe from aggressive animals

Now that the warmer weather is here, residents are getting outside more and enjoying walks in the park with their dogs. When encountering dogs in the public, it's important to stay safe and avoid possible attacks. Thanks to residents reporting aggressive animals, there is a 73 percent decrease in calls for service on aggressive animals.

The Commerce City Police Department's number one priority is keeping the community safe, including pets. Even though the number of incidents regarding aggressive animals is lowering, it is important to remember that all dogs require physical, mental and emotional attention. That is why the police department asks that all dog owners take steps to keep their pet safe:

- Keep dogs on leash at all times outside the home.
- Secure home and property in order to prevent dogs from escaping.
- Observe dogs for any signs of aggression, such as: growling, snapping, raised hackles and showing teeth.
- Do not approach or try to catch dogs that you don't know.
- Interact with your dog. One of the root causes of aggressive dogs or dogs getting loose is due to the lack of social interaction, such as being left by themselves without other animals and/or humans.

As part of its commitment to community safety, the police department requires all officers to receive an additional 4 hours of in-service training on animal behavior each year. This includes how to respond to aggressive dog calls for service.

For more information about dog behavior or how to protect yourself from an aggressive dog encounters, contact the city's animal control or community services officers at 303-288-1535.

City now issuing business licenses for retail marijuana

In a unanimous vote by city council, the city began issuing retail marijuana business licenses on June 2, 2015. While there is no cap on the number of businesses allowed, there are areas that have been identified where these businesses can exist.

The vote lifted a ban that had been in place since 2013. The city has put in place a new licensing program for both medical and retail marijuana businesses and has amended land development, building and fire codes to support safe and thoughtful regulation.

For more information, please visit c3gov.com/marijuana.

Information session for prospective council candidates

Thinking about becoming a candidate for city council? Information for the upcoming November 3, 2015, election is available online at c3gov.com/elections and nomination petitions are available in the city clerk's office beginning August 4, 2015.

City Council seats to be determined in the November 3, 2015, municipal election include:

- Mayor
- Ward II
- Ward IV
- At-large (two seats)

The city will hold an information session for city council candidates from 6-8 p.m. August 6 at the civic center, 7887 E. 60th Ave. The meeting will include discussion of nomination petitions, circulation requirements, political signs, Fair Campaign Practices Act requirements and election committee reporting dates. There will also be an overview of city operations and council duties, with plenty of time to ask questions. For more information about city elections, visit the website or contact City Clerk Laura Bauer at lbauer@c3gov.com or 303-289-3611.



Paradise Island at Pioneer Park scheduled to open in July

The unexpected wet May delayed the pool opening, but construction is moving along on the Paradise Island Pool at Pioneer Park and while we don't have an exact date, the grand opening is planned for some time in July. Follow us on Facebook, Twitter or check the city's website www.c3gov.com for the latest opening information.

Kids of all ages can float down the lazy river, zoom down three water slides, or play games in the sport and leisure pools. There are also spray features for the little ones at the toddler pool.

For a complete list of admission fees and hours, view the summer activity guide or visit www.c3gov.com/paradise.

The game-themed outdoor leisure pool is one of five projects in Commerce City's voter-approved capital improvement plan. The 2-acre site is located on the east end of the park, adjacent to the existing spray ground feature. Learn more about the city's capital improvement projects at www.c3gov.com/QCL.

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Come by the Civic Center, 7887 E. 60th Ave., or watch us live on Comcast Channel 8 or www.c3gov.com on the first and third Monday night.

Summer road maintenance and repair work underway

The city's pavement maintenance philosophy is to make the right repair on the right road at the right time. The city has created a plan for the summer that maintains and improves the quality of roads in Commerce City while managing roadwork schedules to have the least impact on residents as possible.

"One of the greatest challenges any city faces is to maintain, preserve and restore its streets," said Public Works Director Maria D'Andrea. "Due to the large investment into the city's street network it is essential they are managed and maintained in a comprehensive and cost-effective manner."

The city also understands maintaining roads in good condition is priority due to the cost-effectiveness of preventive maintenance versus corrective maintenance. **A few of the larger residential areas receiving upcoming slurry seal maintenance include: Foxton Village, Harvest Meadows, Fronterra Village (east of Laredo Street) and Villages at Buffalo Run East. The areas north of Rose Hill and Pioneer Park, including E. 60th Avenue, will receive some more extensive work that involves replacing the pavement.**

The city's street maintenance crew also performs year-round maintenance such as crack sealing and pothole patching.

The city will do its best to communicate with residents about upcoming projects which may impact traffic or access to homes. More detailed information and a summary of 2015 pavement projects can be found online at www.c3gov.com/pavement. Any comments, concerns, or problems can be directed to the Commerce City Pavement Hotline at 303-289-8118.

Avoid becoming a statistic, Lock It or Lose It

Always report suspicious activity to 911

Vehicles are the primary method of transportation for most Americans and are used to commute to work, school and elsewhere. For some, their vehicles are vital to everyday errands, but what would happen if it suddenly disappeared? What if cell phones, computers or personal belongings went missing?

From January through May of 2015, the police department has had 31 auto thefts and trespasses reported. The department reminds residents to Lock It or Lose It to keep their valuables safe.

"Lock It or Lose It provides residents with simple tips to help prevent vehicles and valuables from getting stolen," said Crime Prevention Officer Anna Bungartz. "It is also important to report all suspicious activity to 911."

Follow these tips to protect your vehicle:

- Never leave a running car unattended.
- Never leave valuables in plain sight or do not leave valuables in your car.
- Always park in well-lit, high-traffic areas.
- Never leave personal information in your vehicle.
- Never leave any keys in the car.
- Do not leave your garage door opener in your car; a thief can use it to break into your house.
- Don't leave your garage door open unattended.
- And the most important tip: Always lock your car when unattended!

If you would like more information on how to prevent vehicle theft or about the Lock It or Lose It campaign, contact Officer Elizabeth Couture at 303-727-3915 or ecouture@c3gov.com

Avoid parking violations. Park in the right place.

Parking permit requirements and tow-away zones are clearly marked on streets, but there are other restrictions not indicated that residents should be aware of to avoid fines.

Tips to avoid a parking fine:

- Park vehicles in your garage if possible.
- Make sure vehicles are registered and in good repair.
- Read signs and notices carefully.
- Do not park on sidewalks.
- Do not block crosswalks.

Truck owners be alert. Tailgate thefts on the rise.

We recommend the following:

- Lock the tailgate if it comes with an integrated tailgate lock.
- Use your garage. If thieves can't see the truck, they can't steal items from it.
- Park with the rear of the truck as close to a wall as possible if an integrated lock or garage is not available.
- Use a hose clamp.
- Buy a tailgate lock. There are different types for different truck models.
- Etch the truck's vehicle identification number (VIN) or personal identification number into the tailgate; this will aid in its recovery and may prevent the theft.

Music in the Park
Pioneer Park
 5950 Holly St.
 Commerce City
2015 Series
 July 9, 16, 23 & 30 • 6-8 p.m.

FREE admission. Bring your own picnic and boogie the night away!

7/9 Reunion, Southlawn, Reunion Pkwy.
 Band: Rudy Grant and the Buffalo Riders

7/16 Pioneer Park
 Band: Walker Williams

7/23 River Run Park
 Bands: René Heredia & Flamenco Dancers and Avoureen Celtic Music

7/30 Pioneer Park
 Band: The Fever Band

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CALENDAR

- July 4 4thFest, Dick's Sporting Goods Park, 6000 Victory Way, 5-9 p.m.
- July 4 Recreation Center closed for holiday
- July 6 City Council Regular Meeting, Civic Center, 7887 E. 60th Ave., 6-10 p.m.
- July 7 Planning Commission, Civic Center, 7887 E. 60th Ave., 6-9 p.m.
- July 8 Teen Night Around Town, Fairfax Park, 6850 Fairfax Dr., 5-7:30 p.m.
- July 9 Music in the Park, Reunion, Southlawn, Reunion Pkwy., 6-8 p.m.
- July 13 City Council Study Session, Civic Center, 7887 E. 60th Ave., 6-9 p.m.
- July 14 Board of Adjustment, Civic Center, 7887 E. 60th Ave., 5:30-8:30 p.m.
- July 14 Commerce City Cultural Council, Civic Center, 7887 E. 60th Ave., 6-8 p.m.
- July 15 Teen Night Around Town, River Run Park, 11515 Oswego St., 5-7:30 p.m.
- July 16 Music in the Park, Pioneer Park, 5950 Holly St., 6-8 p.m.
- July 20 City Council Regular Meeting, Civic Center, 7887 E. 60th Ave., 6-10 p.m.
- July 21 Derby Review Board, Civic Center, 7887 E. 60th Ave., 5:30-8 p.m.
- July 23 Music in the Park, River Run Park, 11515 Oswego St., 6-8 p.m.
- July 21 Quality Community Foundation, Civic Center, 7887 E. 60th Ave., 7-7:30 p.m.
- July 27 City Council Study Session, Civic Center, 7887 E. 60th Ave., 6-9 p.m.
- July 30 Cine en el Parque (Movies in the Park), Fairfax Park, 6850 Fairfax Dr., 7 p.m., FREE
- July 30 Music in the Park, Pioneer Park, 5950 Holly St., 6-8 p.m.
- Aug. 3 City Council Regular Meeting, Civic Center, 7887 E. 60th Ave., 6-10 p.m.
- Aug. 4 National Night Out – Location and times to be determined by participating neighborhoods.
- Aug. 5 Teen Night Around Town, Pioneer Park, 5950 Holly St., 5-7:30 p.m.
- Aug. 10 City Council Study Session, Civic Center, 7887 E. 60th Ave., 6-9 p.m.
- Aug. 13 Neighborhood Outreach, Pioneer Park, 5950 Holly St., 6-8:30 p.m.



The city understands the importance of providing residents with options for disposing of tree limbs. Since the city rolled out its new trash and recycling service and with uncertain weather, some unclear or conflicting information was provided about tree limbs disposal. Here is accurate information about how to get rid of tree limbs:

- Tree limbs may be placed into the garbage can if the lid can still be closed.
- Tree limbs can be disposed of as a large-item pick up. Residents receive five large-item pickups a year and must call Waste Management to schedule, 1-800-482-6406.
- Tree limbs must be cut no longer than 4 feet in length, tied and bundled no bigger than 18 inches in diameter, and weigh no more than 35 pounds per bundle.
- Residents are also able to drop off additional waste items at a WM facility. Search for a nearby facility at www.wm.com. Costs may be associated with disposing of materials.

Thank you for your patience during the transition to new service and we apologize for confusion. We continue to rely on your feedback, so please direct comments to www.c3gov.com/AskC3.



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Second Creek recreation center update

City Council approved a 25-acre property purchase at the regular council meeting on June 15. This acquisition, located on the northeast corner of E. 112th Avenue and Potomac Street, will be the site of the city's new recreation center, one of the five projects identified in the voter-approved capital improvement program.

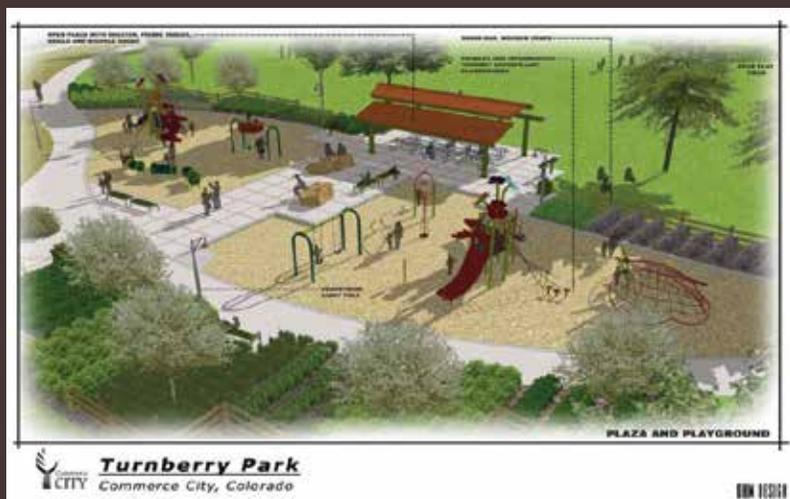
Over the course of the last year, the city completed an environmental investigation that revealed significant high quality wetlands and wildlife habitat. The preservation of this area is important to the city and it will now be reserved for future passive recreational and interpretive uses that will not disturb the habitat or the wildlife that live there.

The new recreation center will be built on the newly purchased acreage adjacent to the wetlands. This site allows for future expansion of amenities, has better construction conditions, and allows convenient access from current and future developments in the area.

The city will begin exploring what programs will be included at the new recreation center. The process will include community input as to what programs are needed in the area – sports programs, day care, senior services, etc.

For more information, visit www.c3gov.com/QCL.

Conceptual designs bring chosen themes to life



The Very Hungry Caterpillar book-inspired theme and a multi-use hard court will be incorporated at the 9.5-acre Turnberry Park, located at 10725 Wheeling St.



The Rocky Mountains theme and a multi-use hard court will be incorporated at the 9.0-acre park at Villages at Buffalo Run East, located at 11698 Chambers Rd.



More images of the park designs are available online at www.c3gov.com/QCL (click on 'parks'). Both parks are expected to begin construction in late 2015 and complete in mid-2016. Details of the grand opening event for Fronterra Park will be announced in next month's Connected.

Commerce City sponsors three residents to attend police academy

Congratulations to the three candidates who made it through the non-certified recruitment process! Justin Anderson, Jessica Behunin and Kristyn Kline will start the Adams County Sheriff's Office Police Academy July 6, 2015.

After a competitive hiring process, Behunin, Kline and Anderson were chosen out of 175 applicants to attend a 20-week training, sponsored by the city. Tuition and equipment are included. Recruits will receive an hourly pay rate of \$18 while attending the academy. The three candidates are committed to the department's core values: trust, respect, excellence, leadership, restraint and demonstrated exceptional character.

This new recruitment strategy enables the police department to continue to build community partnerships, hire residents who have an interest in serving their community, afford additional employment opportunities and assist in building an organization that better reflects the community our officers serve.

In an effort to achieve the police department's vision to be the standard of excellence for public safety and service in this region, the department is committed to hiring police officers from the local community who represent its diversity. Want to join the ranks of excellence and be part of the Commerce City Police Department? Visit c3gov.com/ recruit and check out available jobs.



Justin Anderson



Jessica Behunin



Kristyn Kline

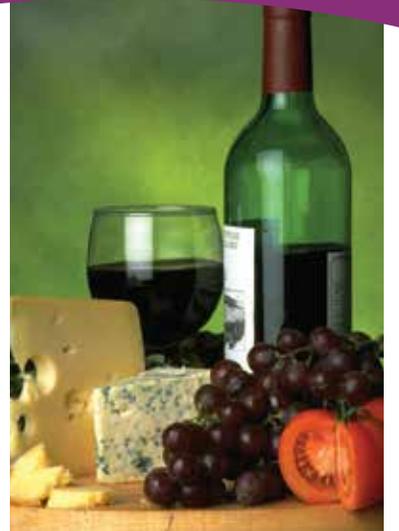
Save the Date.

Quality Community Foundation Annual Wine Tasting and Silent Auction Fundraiser to benefit Commerce City recreation scholarships.

WHEN: 6-8 p.m., October 1, 2015

WHERE: Buffalo Run Golf Course, 15700 E. 112th Avenue

COST: \$25 per person



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COUNCIL CORNER



Guest Column -
Dr. Chris Fiedler,
School District 27J
Superintendent
of Schools

Perspective – How long is something new?

“Thank you” Mayor Sean Ford for allowing me to share my thoughts in this space. It is yet another example of how the Commerce City City Council consistently demonstrates their support of School District 27J.

It will most certainly not come as a surprise that I take this opportunity to discuss the tremendous student enrollment growth across our district in all three communities that we serve, including the northern range of Commerce City.

When I came to 27J in the fall of 2005 to serve as the principal at Thimmig K8 (it was K8 in the beginning), we talked a great deal about how the enrollment in District 27J had nearly doubled from 2000 to 2005, increasing from 5,796

students to 10,450 students. Ten years later, our student enrollment has nearly tripled since 2000, increasing from 5,796 students to 17,103 students this past fall in 2014. I would like to think that those numbers speak for themselves in terms of the need we have for voter funding to add additional space to house and educate our students. As we know, that hasn't been the case, although last November's bond election was extremely close ... heartbreakingly so!

I often hear the rationalization that, “We just built a bunch of new schools.” On that note, consider the following as food for thought:

Thimmig Elementary opened in the fall of 2001. When the doors open there this fall, it will be the 15th school year students have walked through those doors. The kindergartners who started there when the building opened in the fall of 2001 graduated from Prairie View High School not this year, 2015, but last year, 2014. Speaking of the new high school, if that description is accurate, when the doors open at PVHS this fall, it will be the 10th school year that the Thunderhawks are in the building.

In terms of exploring that perspective, I ask, “How long is something, in this case a school or schools, new?”

I suspect the answer is until the next schools open.

Moms, dads, grandmas, grandpas, business owners, longtime residents or recent, it is time for the next schools to open.

We continually look for ways to improve communication with the community and enjoy hearing what you would like to see. Contact Commerce City Connected Editor Julia Emko at jemko@c3gov.com or 303-289-3782 with questions or comments.

CORRECTION:

In the last edition we incorrectly spelled Beverly Weant's name.

Experience MLS All-Star weekend in Commerce City!

The Chipotle MLS Homegrown Game features the best Homegrown players from across MLS vs. Mexico's most successful club.

Chipotle MLS Homegrown Game

Homegrown Team v. Club America U-20s

Tuesday, July 28 • 7:00 pm

Dick's Sporting Goods Park



Tickets only \$10

chipotlehomegrown.com/#welcome



Area youth winners in the Rockies Baseball Skills Challenge

More than 65 participants took part in the Rockies Baseball Skills Challenge competition hosted by the city Saturday, June 13 at Ingram Field at Pioneer Park. The challenge is a baseball competition which allows youth to showcase their talents in base running, batting and throwing. Scores are based on speed, distance and accuracy. The following youngsters earned first place honors in their respective age groups.

Girls

Age Group	Name	Home Town
6-7	Justiss Martinez	Commerce City
8-9	Marisol Miranda	Commerce City
10-11	Desza Munson	Commerce City
12-13	Emmie Coates	Commerce City

Boys

Age Group	Name	Home Town
6-7	Ignacio Villasenor	Commerce City
8-9	Devine Combs	Commerce City
10-11	Cruz Miranda	Commerce City
12-13	Alonzo Ibarra	Thornton

These eight winners now move on to a sectional competition to be held at 10 a.m. on July 12 at Citizens Park in Edgewater, Colo. The Rockies Skills Challenge is a youth program of the Colorado Parks and Recreation Association with the support of the Colorado Rockies. For more information on how to sign up for next year's event, contact Josh Polgar, youth sports coordinator, at 303-289-3705.

PARKS & REC HAPPENINGS

Commerce City Recreation Center

6060 E. Parkway Dr.
303-289-3760
c3gov.com/recreation

Buffalo Run Golf Course

15700 E. 112th Ave.
303-289-1500
buffalorungolfcourse.com

Celebrate National Parks and Recreation Month

Commerce City is home to 17 parks, 25 miles of trails, more than 700 acres of open space, and a championship golf course. With more than 200 recreation opportunities indoors and outdoors, Commerce City has something to offer for everyone. Tag your park, recreation and golf photos on Facebook all month long using the hashtag #commercecityPRG. We'll share the best photos on Facebook.com/CommerceCity



Fall recreation guide

Registration opens August 3.

Look for the guide in your mailbox at the end of July.



Teen Nights Around Town

Join us for a party in a park near you! Enjoy an outdoor party with music, inflatables, games, sports, and food. The best part, it's all FREE. Ages 11-17.

7/8 Fairfax Park 5-7:30 p.m.

7/15 River Run Park 5-7:30 p.m.



Congratulations to the 2015 Junior Golf campers!

Get out and play at Buffalo Run Golf Course!

Golf Divas 9-Hole

2-Lady Team Scramble
Tuesday, July 7 • 6 p.m.

Get Golf Ready I, Session #3

Tuesdays and Thursdays,
July 14, 16, 21 and 23 • 6 p.m.

Nine & Dine

Saturday, July 25 • 5:30 p.m.



The Bison Grill at Buffalo Run Golf Course has extended summer hours now through Labor Day. The restaurant is open Sunday-Thursday from 5:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Friday-Saturday from 5:30 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Call 303-289-7700 for reservations.

Please note, registration for swim lessons is incorrectly listed in the summer guide as opening July 27-29. Swim registration opens July 20-22 for Monday-Friday, session 4 classes only.

Fall Preschool Enrollment Begins July 1



Small class size: two instructors and maximum of 15 children
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Enrollment begins July 1

Kinder Kids Preschool

Kinder Kids introduces children to the fundamentals of reading, writing and science while helping them build social skills through exciting activities that include art, music, movement, dramatic play and storytelling. Children must be 4 years old by Oct. 1, 2015 to participate.

\$126/\$140 is due at time of registration.

This is a non-refundable fee that is applied to September's tuition.

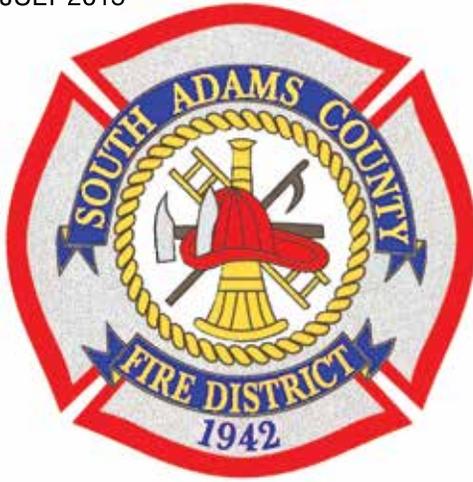
Ages: 4-5

Monday - Thursday 9:30 a.m. - Noon

Download an enrollment packet now at c3gov.com/preschool

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South Adams County Fire Protection District

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Fire safety tip of the month

Fireworks safety

Fireworks are often used to mark special events and holidays. However, they are not safe in the hands of consumers. Fireworks cause thousands of burns and eye injuries each year. People can enjoy fireworks safely if they follow a few simple safety tips:

- Be safe. If you want to see fireworks, go to a public show put on by experts.
- Do not use consumer fireworks.
- Keep a close eye on children at events where fireworks are used.

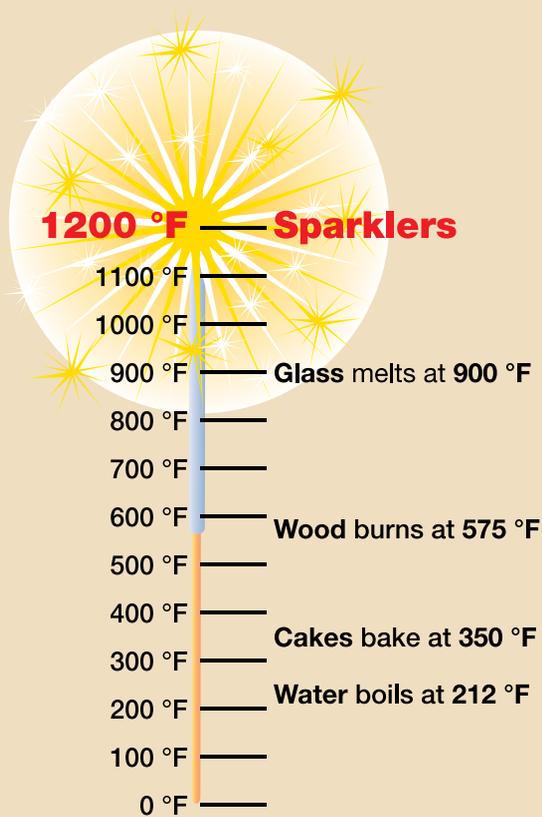
Facts

- Fireworks cause an average of almost 20,000 reported fires per year.
- In 2013, sparklers caused 41 percent of fireworks injuries.

Consumer Fireworks

The National Fire Protection Association is opposed to consumer use of fireworks. This includes sparklers and firecrackers. Even sparklers burn hot enough to cause third-degree burns.

How HOT does a sparkler burn?



Students show appreciation for South Adams County Firefighters and Commerce City Police

On May 16, students from Stuart Middle School's National Junior Honor Society hosted a first-responders appreciation lunch. South Adams County Fire Department and Commerce City Police Department attended. Teacher Norma Coronado said the idea for the lunch, which she hopes will become an annual event, came to her during a trip to the hospital on Easter Sunday.

"During my visit to the ER, I overheard some of the doctors and nurses talking about getting an Easter lunch," said Coronado. "They concluded that there was food in the cafeteria, but they had to pay for their own lunch. It made me think that it wasn't fair for them to have to give up their family time to work on a holiday and there was no one there taking care of them while they were busy taking care of all the patients."

She brought it to the next meeting of the National Junior Honor Society and began discussing who else worked on holidays. "We never think of working holidays... but there are people who do work because our community needs them to," said Coronado. "Two of our characteristics of NJHS are citizenship and character. We strive to teach citizenship by talking about community as early as kindergarten, but as kids age, we start teaching kids to act on things in our community."

The kids' desire to thank their community service workers led to planning the appreciation lunch.

"I'm proud of what they did," Coronado noted. "They selected the day, they selected the choice for the potluck, they volunteered to bring food and drinks, they volunteered to work the afternoon."

After lunch, the firefighters from SACFD brought the kids out to the parking lot so they could explore Engine 23. The kids climbed into the cab, held tools, learned about the apparatus and took plenty of photos.

The students hope this will become a regular event and they are already looking at another lunch for first-responders in the fall.



Students from Stuart Middle School's National Junior Honor Society with members of the SACFD. The students hosted a first responders lunch at the school.

Upcoming SACFD Events:

The 7th Annual Steve Vincel Memorial Golf Tournament

Please join us Saturday, August 1, 2015, for a round of best ball golf at Park Hill Golf Course and a barbecue lunch immediately after.

All proceeds from the tournament go to the Steve Vincel Cancer Fund which supports the firefighters and families of the South Adams County Fire District.

For more information, or if you would like to volunteer, go to www.VincelGolfMemorial.org

54th Annual Spaghetti Dinner

Mark your calendars, the annual spaghetti dinner will be September 12 at Adams City High School.

Get to know your SACFD Fire Fighter

Name: Jeff Woog

Title/Rank: Lieutenant

Work Location: Station 23, C-Shift

Years with the department: 8

What is your favorite part of the job? Seeing countless hours of rigorous training pay off during a major incident.
How has SACFD changed you? It has taught me not to take things for granted, and about life and how it can change in an instant.

Where did you grow up? Thornton, Colo.

If I wasn't a firefighter, I would be a: Pro baseball player.

Three words to describe you: Loyal, compassionate and driven.

Who is your hero? Why? My father. He was a police officer in Commerce City for 41 years. He has taught me to be the person I am today. I hope that I can have such a successful career as he did.



SACFD firefighter Jeff Woog.

www.sacwsd.org

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Help Us Keep Your Water Clean

Providing safe, clean drinking water is a top priority of the South Adams County Water and Sanitation District. Steps are constantly being taken to safeguard our water from the source to your tap. Customers and neighbors can play a big part in helping us ensure that our water remains safe and of high quality.

One way to protect our water supply is by preventing pollution from homes and businesses. Chemicals such as fertilizers and pesticides can pollute waterways if over-applied or used incorrectly. By making sure chemicals are used and disposed of properly, we can keep them from polluting our valuable water resources.

Another way customers can help is by keeping a watchful eye out for suspicious activities around District facilities. These facilities are located throughout Commerce City and include the wells, pump stations, and reservoirs necessary to bring water to your tap. Our community water system is a valuable asset. Thank you in advance for helping us protect it.

Please report anything out of the ordinary such as:

- Suspicious behavior around any of our water or wastewater facilities
- Vandalism or trespassing witnessed at District properties
- Pollution or other actions that could affect the District's groundwater

Notify the District's Environmental Manager at 303.288.2646.

Annual Water Quality Report

In an effort to be more environmentally responsible, the South Adams County Water and Sanitation District will no longer mass print nor mail our Annual Water Quality Report.

This report summarizes the quality of the water that the District provides and how it compares to the standards set by the EPA and the Colorado Department of Public Health. The District is committed to delivering water that meets or exceeds all state and federal drinking water standards. You can be assured that your drinking water is safe.

The direct link to the District's current Water Quality Report is <http://www.sacwsd.org/WQR>. Printed copies will be available upon request by leaving a message at 303.287.6454 or by email at wqinfo@sacwsd.org.



Visit the District's website for additional information and news.
www.sacwsd.org

We also provide online pay options.

Customer Service & Billing Information:
Phone: 303.288.2646
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The Board of Directors for South Adams holds monthly business meetings the *second Wednesday of every month at 7:00PM* in the Board Room of the Administrative Offices located at 6595 East 70th Avenue in Commerce City.

Meetings are open to the public.



The Center for ReSource Conservation is partnering with South Adams County Water and Sanitation District to put conservation into action and we need your help. If you have an in-ground sprinkler system for your lawn, you will save water and money by scheduling a no cost Slow the Flow Water Consultation. Simply schedule an appointment to meet with a Water Conservation Technician at your home. The service usually takes 90 minutes and involves a visual inspection, data collection, and in-depth evaluation. The technician will deliver a clear and actionable list of suggestions to reduce water use and runoff at each property, while keeping landscapes and lawns healthy. Slow the Flow saves an average of 5,000 gallons of water per outdoor watering season for each resident. Collectively, Slow the Flow saved 12.5 million gallons in 2014. That is enough to fill about nineteen Olympic-sized swimming pools! Call 303.999.3824 to schedule your consultation. For more information visit www.conservationcenter.org/slow-the-flow-2

Watering Schedule for Residential Single Family Homes and Duplexes:

Sunday	Even Address
Tuesday	Odd Address
Wednesday	Even Address
Thursday	Odd Address
Friday	Even Address
Saturday	Odd Address

Irrigation shall NOT occur between the hours of 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM

Monday: City, Municipal, Utility, Special Use Permits Only

multi-family, HOAs, nonresidential, and all other properties are permitted flexibility of watering days. These customers are expected to utilize a water budget to achieve irrigation efficiency and water savings.

CALENDAR

July 2015

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The South Adams County Water & Sanitation Board of Directors

Members of the Board of Directors are elected to serve on the board by property owners and residents included within South Adams' service boundary. Directors are elected to serve a four-year term, with two-term limits. Board terms are staggered and elections are held every two years in May.

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Glen Murray President <i>2nd four-year term</i> Expires: 5/2016	Joann Moss Secretary <i>1st four-year term</i> Expires: 5/2016	John Kuchar Treasurer <i>1st four-year term</i> Expires: 5/2018	Mizraim Cordero Director <i>1st four-year term</i> Expires: 5/2018	Aaron Phillips Director <i>1st four-year term</i> Expires: 5/2018