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Mayor's Matters

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Greetings!

The holidays are just around the corner and I hope it is a safe and wonderful time for you. A couple of weeks ago, I sent out an e-mail notifying each of you about a change in the way the City will manage the distribution of the *Mayor's Matters* e-newsletter. Based on the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA), any e-mail distribution list is accessible to open record requests. Therefore, every e-mail was deleted and the database no longer exists. Beginning with this edition of *Mayor's Matters*, a copy will be forwarded to you via my private e-mail distribution list. As in the past, a pdf file will be created and uploaded to the City website as another way to access the newsletter. I apologize for any inconvenience this issue may have caused, and I hope that you continue to find *Mayor's Matters* a valuable and reliable source of information about what is going on in the City.



Mayor Jerry DiTullio

Discovery Park Grand Opening

Members of City Council and I were present for the grand opening of Discovery Park located at 38th avenue and Kipling held on Saturday October 9th. The celebration included a ribbon cutting, sculpture dedication, live music and refreshments!

Information on the Discovery Park project including naming, Phase III, and details of the funding sources can be found [here](#).

Funding for the sculpture at the park is still needed and more donations would be greatly appreciated. Citizens interested in making a tax-deductible donation to the Mayor's Public Art Initiative can do so by clicking [here](#) and following the prompts.

**Low cost spay and neuter clinics**

When: November 20, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Drop off by 8 a.m.

Where: Wheat Ridge Police Department Parking Lot, 7500 W. 29th Ave., Wheat Ridge, CO 80033

Cost: \$50, includes vaccinations

For more information, call 303-751-5772, extension 727.

Save the date!

Mark your calendars for the **Annual Holiday Lighting Ceremony** scheduled for Sunday, December 5 at 6 p.m. at the Wheat Ridge Recreation Center.

Click [here](#) for more information or call 303-231-1300.

Scam targets Seniors

The Wheat Ridge Police Department has issued a warning to area citizens about a scam targeted at Seniors. The criminals attempt to get important financial information which can then be used to rip citizens off. For more information, click [here](#).

Green Tip

Replace those old Christmas lights with more efficient and



Wheat Ridge Police Department awarded the 2010 Crystal Globe for Distinguished Services

On November 6, the Jefferson Foundation awarded the Wheat Ridge Police Department the 2010 Crystal Globe for Distinguished Service Award. The award was presented at the Foundation's 25th Annual Crystal Ball held at the Arvada Center.

The Crystal Globe Award recognizes those who have given outstanding service to improve the quality of education in Jeffco Public Schools. This year's award was presented to all of the law enforcement agencies in Jefferson County for the many services and support these agencies provide to Jeffco Schools, including the School Resource Officers (SRO) who mentor students and ensure they are educated in a safe environment. For additional information on the award, click [here](#).

Mayor welcomes Clancy's Irish Pub to Wheat Ridge

On October 22 I had the privilege, along with members of City Council, to attend the re-opening of Clancy's Irish Pub. The grand opening of Clancy's is important for a number of reasons. First, it brings another dining option into the community. Second, it shows that dedicated business owners can find opportunities in Wheat Ridge to not only create a successful business but to also help reinvest our City.



Wheat Ridge receives Smart Growth Implementation Assistance Technical Award from EPA

environmentally friendly LED lights. You will save yourself some money in energy costs and make the neighborhood look better while taking an environmentally proactive position.

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The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) chose eight communities to receive technical assistance on sustainable growth and development issues. The assistance will help local governments address infrastructure constraints, protect water quality, set development standards, and create options for housing and transportation. The EPA will work in collaboration with its partners at the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and Department of Transportation (DOT) to help communities become more environmentally and economically sustainable as part of the agency's broader work through the Partnership for Sustainable Communities.

Click [here](#) to learn more about this award and for additional information.

Passport to Wheat Ridge

Enterprise Wheat Ridge and the Wheat Ridge Economic Development Division is encouraging everyone to shop Wheat Ridge this holiday season with a program called Passport to Wheat Ridge. Here's how it works:

- Spend more than \$5 in any Wheat Ridge business.
- Ask the cashier of the business to sign your passport to validate your purchase.
- Fill your passport up with eight transactions.
- Drop completed passports in a drop box at a designated location by 5 p.m. on December 31st.
- Prize drawing will be held at the January 11, 2011, Enterprise Wheat Ridge meeting. You do not have to be present to win.

DESIGNATED PASSPORT PICK UP AND DROP OFF

LOCATIONS:

1st Bank at 4350 Wadsworth Blvd., Wheat Ridge, CO 80033

1st Bank at 3190 Youngfield St., Wheat Ridge, CO 80215

1st Bank at 4700 W. 38th Ave., Denver, CO 80212

Wheat Ridge 2020 at 3798 Marshall St., Wheat Ridge, CO 80033

Wheat Ridge Senior Community Center at 6363 W. 35th Ave., Wheat Ridge, CO 80212

Larson Ski & Sport at 4715 Kipling St., Wheat Ridge, CO 80033

Wheat Ridge Cyclery at 7085 W 38th Ave., Wheat Ridge, CO 80033

Seyfer Automotive at 4501 Harlan St., Wheat Ridge, CO 80212

Click [here](#) for more information on the project and to download the Passport document.

For additional information and questions, please contact Loretta DiTirro at 303-594-1520 or e-mail president@ewheatridge.com or visit www.ewheatridge.com.

City recipient of two LiveWell Wheat Ridge Grants in 2010

The City is pleased to announce that it was the receipt of two grants from LiveWell Wheat Ridge (LWWR) this year. Furthering

its successful partnership with the City, LWWR granted the Community Development Department \$12,250 in April to fund community input sessions for the 38th Avenue Corridor Plan Project.

Additionally, LWWR granted the Public Works Department \$13,200 in September for Phase 3 of the Wheat Ridge Bike/Pedestrian Master Plan.

Click [here](#) for more information about these grants and projects.

For More Information

If you would like more information about the City of Wheat Ridge's monthly e-newsletter, please feel free to contact Heather Geyer, Interim Administrative Services Director, at 303-235-2826 or via e-mail at: hgeyer@ci.wheatridge.co.us.

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