



Mayor's Matters

OCTOBER 2011

Greetings!

Mayor's Matters is your monthly connection to learn about the great things happening in the City of Wheat Ridge! I encourage you to share this newsletter with any friends or family who may wish to know more about Wheat Ridge. Feel free to forward this newsletter on to others. Have a wonderful Halloween and start of the fall season!



Mayor Jerry DiTullio

Halloween Safety Tips

Keep goblins of all ages safe this trick-or-treat season with these [helpful tips!](#)

Wheat Ridge Off-Leash Dog Park Opened October 22nd

The opening of the off-leash dog park at Fruitdale Park is a great example of a collaborative process. Several groups consisting of citizens, elected officials and staff worked together to bring this great amenity to the City. The new park will provide citizens in Wheat Ridge a new place to



socialize and to safely and legally exercise their dogs off leash. The off-leash dog park is approximately 2 acres in size and is located in the northeast area

As An Aside:

Santosha Yoga Studio Ribbon Cutting

The City of Wheat Ridge welcomed Michelle Gindele, owner of Santosha Yoga with a Ribbon Cutting on Saturday, October 1st. The studio is located at 5810 W. 38th Ave, Suite 11 (upstairs).

Exempla Lutheran Medical Center & Wheat Ridge Police Department

National Prescription Drug Take Back Day, Saturday October 29, 2011, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Exempla Lutheran Medical Center, 8300 W. 38th Ave., Wheat Ridge CO 80033, [Further information](#)

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of Fruitdale Park, 4700 Miller St., and will be open daily from 5:00 a. m. to 10:00 p.m. All dogs must be licensed and current on vaccinations, for information regarding mandatory dog licensing check out the City's [website](#) and for park information click [here](#).

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“It’s Smart to Shop in Wheat Ridge!”



City Honors 2011 Business Award Winners

Over 160 members of the Wheat Ridge Community came out to the 8th Annual Business Appreciation Awards Program. This year’s award recipients and nominees have demonstrated the value local businesses bring to our community through reinvestment and community outreach. Congratulations to all of the nominees and winners.



Business of the Year Award Winner – Family Tree



City Council Partnership Award – my PIE Pizza



Reinvestment Award – Compass Construction and mod mood RETRO
Consignment



Cultural Commission Award – Temple Inland



Mayor's Business & Community Partnership Award – City of Wheat Ridge
Parks and Recreation Department

For additional information on Wheat Ridge business resources please contact Steve Art, Economic Development Manager, at 303-235-2806 or email at sart@ci.wheatridge.co.us

Groundbreaking Ceremony Metro Community Provider Network (MCPN)

The groundbreaking ceremony for the new MCPN- Jeffco Family Health Services Clinic was held on Tuesday October 18th. Plans are underway for the family health clinic to open at 7495 West 29th Ave. in November of 2012. MCPN is a nonprofit healthcare organization that provides medical, dental, mental health, substance abuse, pharmacy, and community based services to the underserved, uninsured, and working families who cannot afford these services. MCPN has provided services in the Denver Metro area for 21 years. Further information click on this [link](#).

November 1, 2011 Election

Ballots have been mailed to all active registered voters in Jefferson County. If you have not received your ballot please visit the Jefferson County [website](#). On Election Day, Tuesday, November 1, City Hall will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. to accept ballots.



Foothills Animal Shelter to offer Pet First Aid

Foothills Animal Shelter will offer an American Red Cross Pet First Aid and CPR class to the public. First Aid skills can help save your pet’s life. This course will give pet owners the confidence and skills necessary to tend to unexpected emergencies until they can get their pet to a veterinarian. The class will be held on Saturday, November 5th from 1:00 p.m. – 5 p.m. at Foothills Animal Shelter. The cost is \$65.00 per person. Further information visit Foothills [Website](#).

Truck or Treat! A Fun, Free Family Event

The first Wheat Ridge Trunk or Treat will be held on Saturday, October 29th from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Wheat Ridge 5-8 parking lot (formerly known as Wheat Ridge Middle School) located at 7101 W. 38th Ave. Kids can trick or treat in a safe environment from the backs of decorated car trunks. For more information contact Chad Harr @ chad.lakotaskye@comcast.net or click here for [flyer information](#).

Discovering the Stars

I am pleased to report that the fund-raising effort toward the City’s Public Art Campaign for the sculpture at Discovery Park has been met. I would like to thank everyone who supported the sculpture making public art in Wheat Ridge a reality.



For more information

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