

Englewood



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South Platte Legacy Grant to benefit Englewood

Governor Bill Ritter recently announced the award of a \$5.25 million Great Outdoors Colorado Legacy Grant to Arapahoe County for the South Platte River Greenway Project. As a partner with the County and a member of the South Platte Working Group that guided the grant application, Englewood will benefit greatly from this funding.

The grant funding will be used for acquisitions and to beautify and enhance the South Platte River corridor as a recreational and wildlife habitat amenity extending through Englewood, Sheridan, and Littleton. Specific enhancements will include projects aimed at improving east-west connectivity, expanding trail and open space, and restoring important riparian habitat.

“This means significant improvements for the South Platte River corridor...”

Englewood’s Mayor Jim Woodward was at the State Capitol for the Governor’s announcement.



Arapahoe County elected officials were at the Capitol for the Legacy Grant announcement. Pictured above, left to right: Sheridan City Council Member Cliff Mueller, Englewood Mayor Jim Woodward, Executive Director of South Suburban Parks and Recreation District Dave Lorenz, Colorado Governor Bill Ritter, Littleton City Council Member Jim Taylor, Arapahoe County Commissioner Susan Beckman, and South Suburban Parks and Recreation District Board Member Jerry Call.

“This means significant improvements for the South Platte River corridor and the entire south metro area,” said Mayor Woodward, who represents Englewood on the South Platte Working Group. “This grant will help us expand recreational and connectivity opportunities in addition to restoring wildlife habitats.”

The City of Englewood also received an additional \$200,000 grant from Great Outdoors Colorado to be used for the purchase of Duncan Park.

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Safety Services to reorganize

Department will separate into Police and Fire Departments

In December, City Council gave preliminary approval for the reorganization of Englewood's Safety Services Department into separate Police and Fire Departments.

When the former Director of Safety Services, Chris Olson, resigned his position in July of 2007, discussions arose about the possibility of the proposed reorganization. Englewood's Police and Fire Departments had been combined into the Department of Safety Services in 1989.

After considerable research that included interviews with staff, discussions with management, and a detailed review of services and associated costs, the current proposal was presented to City Council. Council granted initial approval, and will consider an ordinance in early January to make the reorganization official.

The current Division Chiefs in each department will assume the Chief positions. Tom Vandermeem will be appointed as Police Chief, and Michael Pattarozzi will serve as Fire Chief. The Director of Safety Services position will no longer exist.

The reorganization of Safety Services into separate Police and Fire Departments returns the organizations to more traditional emergency service departments.

When asked his goals and plans for the Police Department, Chief Vandermeem responded: "The level of police service to the community will remain at a very high level. The philosophies of community policing and strong customer service remain very high priorities."

Chief Pattarozzi had a similar response: "We remain committed to providing the most effective, state-of-the-art fire and rescue services possible for the residents and businesses of Englewood. Plus, the streamlined organization will allow us to devote more time to fire prevention and education efforts."

The departments plan to hold an open house after the reorganization is finalized (tentatively in early February) so the community can learn more about police and fire operations in Englewood. Visit our website (www.Englewoodgov.org) for details on the open house as the date nears.

Introducing the Citizens Police Academy aimed at enhancing partnerships between Citizens and Police

The Englewood Police Department has developed a new Citizens Academy to help enhance partnerships between citizens and the Police and form a strong community policing environment. Interested community members are encouraged to participate.

The Academy begins February 5 and will run for nine weeks. Classes will be held on Tuesday nights from 6:30 to 9:30 pm at the Police Station, located at 3615 S. Elati Street.

Classes will combine classroom learning and hands-on exercises and will cover such topics as:

- Police procedures
- SWAT
- Criminal investigations
- Driving simulations

For more information on the Citizens Police Academy, or if you would like to apply, contact Community Relations Specialist Toni Geier at 303-762-2490.

Englewood City Council



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Mayor
At Large



John Moore
Mayor Pro Tem
District 2



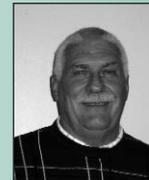
Joe Jefferson
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Bob McCaslin
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Wayne Oakley
District 4



Randy Penn
District 3



Jill Wilson
At Large

Englewood City Council Meetings are held the first and third Mondays of each month. The meetings are open to the public, and interested parties are welcome and invited to attend. If you plan to attend a meeting, and you have a disability requiring auxiliary aids or services, please notify the City of Englewood (303-762-2405) at least 48 hours in advance of when the services are needed.

Sculpture stands as colorful reminder of Mayor Wolosyn's contributions to the community

The Museum of Outdoor Arts recently unveiled the sculpture it has installed in memory of the late Englewood Mayor, Olga Wolosyn. The kinetic sculpture, *Duo* by Lin Emery, stands in front of the Englewood Civic Center as a colorful reminder of Mayor Wolosyn's many contributions to our community.

As she unveiled the sculpture, Cynthia Madden Leitner, President of the Museum of Outdoor Arts, spoke of Mayor Wolosyn's

accomplishments and described the kinetic nature of the sculpture. She noted that as each piece moves, we are reminded of the temporal nature of life and the changes that interrupt and complicate, yet stimulate the world in which we live.

The City of Englewood is grateful to the Museum of Outdoor Arts for honoring Mayor Wolosyn with this meaningful and fitting tribute.

Duo, a kinetic sculpture by artist Lin Emery, was dedicated in memory of Mayor Wolosyn.



Hotline offers hope to borrowers facing foreclosure

Home foreclosures are a serious problem in Englewood and throughout Colorado, but the Colorado Foreclosure Hotline may be able to help those people who are facing foreclosures.

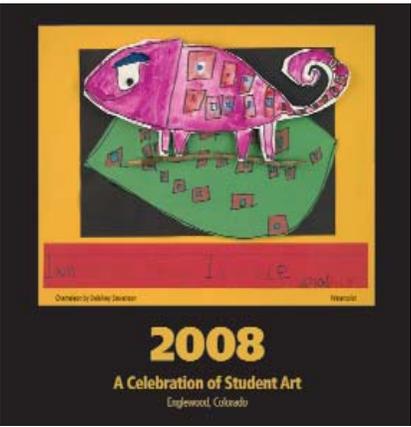
Nearly two-thirds of delinquent borrowers say they are unaware that there may be ways to work with their lenders. In over half of all foreclosure cases, borrowers never contact their lenders.

If your home is lost to foreclosure, you could face serious tax consequences and credit problems. The Colorado Foreclosure Hotline can help you understand your options so you can plan carefully before you make any decisions.

If you are facing a delinquency or a foreclosure, contact the Colorado Foreclosure Hotline at 1-877-601-HOPE (4673) or visit the website at www.housingcounseling.com.

The Colorado Foreclosure Hotline is a non-profit organization sponsored by the Colorado Division of Housing and the Colorado Attorney General's Office.





2008
A Celebration of Student Art
Englewood, Colorado

Get them while they last!

The 2008 Englewood Calendars are still available at these facilities:

- Englewood Civic Center**
1000 Englewood Parkway, 3rd Floor
- Englewood Library**
1000 Englewood Parkway, 1st Floor
- Englewood Recreation Center**
1155 W. Oxford Avenue
- Malley Center**
3380 S. Lincoln Street

Fitness Challenge
2008 Kick-Off Event

Saturday, January 5
8 am - Noon

Get fit in the new year! The Englewood Recreation Center's annual fitness program runs from January 5 through March 22. Sign up at the kick-off event or stop by the front desk for details.

Englewood Recreation Center
1155 W. Oxford Avenue

Library adds public Wi-Fi and self-service Internet

The Englewood Public Library has added two new features that make it easier for patrons to access the Internet while visiting the Library.

Wireless Network – The Library now provides “Wi-Fi” capability for patrons who want to surf the Internet on their own laptop computers.

Self-Service Internet – The Library’s “smart card” system for public Internet use has been replaced with a new self-registration

system. Patrons can now use their Library cards to self-register for the Internet terminals and self-pay for printouts.

This new self-service system reduces annual operating costs, reduces the need for staff assistance, and offers state-of-the-art technology for our patrons.

The Library staff is happy to answer any questions patrons have about the new systems.

Revolving Loan Fund established to help Englewood entrepreneurs

The City of Englewood has established a revolving loan fund through Micro Business Development that is designated to support entrepreneurs in Englewood. The fund’s goal will be to create opportunity for local businesspeople not only by providing capital when necessary, but also by providing services,

resources, and options that can help expand the business and its marketability.

For more information, contact Micro Business Development at 303-308-8121 or visit MBD’s website at www.microbusiness.org.

Recycle your Christmas Tree at four Englewood parks in January

Every year, Englewood’s Parks Division offers residents an opportunity to recycle their Christmas trees rather than sending them to a landfill. This year’s recycling program runs from January 1 through 31. Residents can drop trees off at the following parks:

- **Bates/Logan Park**
2938 S. Logan Street
- **Centennial Park**
4630 S. Decatur Street (south lot)
- **Belleview Park**
5001 S. Inca Street (south lot)
- **Miller Field**
3600 S. Elati Street

Please make sure all nails, tree stands, and decorations have been removed from the tree.

The trees are turned into mulch that will be used in Englewood’s parks. Mulch will also be available at no cost for residents to pick up. For information on availability, call the Englewood Servicer at 303-762-2520.

Englewood Arts Concert Series

Zephyr Ensemble Saturday, January 26 ■ 2 pm

Featuring Allegra Wermuth and Dorian Kincaid on violin, Phillip Stevens on viola, and Judith McIntyre on cello performing Beethoven’s Quartet, Op. 127 and other works.

Spring Sonata Saturday, February 9 ■ 2 pm

Featuring Rachel Segal on violin and Zoe Erisman on piano, performing works by Debussy, Beethoven, and Mussorgsky.



Performances at Hampden Hall

(2nd floor of the Englewood Civic Center) 1000 Englewood Parkway

Call 303-806-8196 for tickets, reservations, and information.

The **Englewood Citizen** newsletter is published every other month by the City of Englewood to provide residents and businesses with news and information about the City. If you have questions or comments, call the City Manager’s Office at 303-762-2316. The newsletter is available in alternative format upon request.

Visit us online: www.engagewoodgov.org
or e-mail us: info@engagewoodgov.org

Free First-time Homebuyer Workshops

Tuesday, January 29
5:30 - 9:30 pm

Saturday, February 2
9 am - 3 pm

Englewood Civic Center
2nd Floor Community Room
1000 Englewood Parkway

To register for the January 29 workshop, call Colorado Housing Assistance Corp. at 303-572-9445. To register for the February 2 workshop, call Consumer Credit Counseling at 303-632-2202 or follow the link on their website (www.crediteducation.org).

For general information on either class, call 303-762-2349.

New businesses coming to Englewood

A variety of new businesses have chosen to make Englewood their home and will be opening soon.

Smart Cars – The Kuni Group is opening the first official Smart Car dealership in Colorado at 2855 South Broadway. Smart cars are small, fuel-efficient vehicles whose manufacturer places an emphasis on environmental responsibility. They have gained popularity in Europe, and are only recently available in the United States. For more information on Smart Cars, visit www.usa.smart.com.

ISIS Books – ISIS Books has purchased the property at 2775 South Broadway and will be relocating from its Denver location after renovation is complete. The owners of the metaphysical bookstore will participate in Englewood's Commercial Catalyst program to

renovate the facade and install new landscaping and signage. Visit www.isisbooks.com for more information about the bookstore.

Glass Studio – a local artist has purchased the property at 3970 South Broadway and plans to renovate the property into a blown glass studio and art gallery.

Las Brisas Mexican Restaurant – Las Brisas, located in the Denver Tech Center, is opening a second location in Englewood. The owners are in the process of remodeling the former All for the Better Ice Cream Shop at 3501 South Clarkson and plan to open soon. The restaurant will have a small seating area, but will primarily offer take-out services. Visit www.lasbrisasrestaurant.com for more information.

Park Shelter reservations accepted beginning January 2

If you are planning an event in one of Englewood's parks next summer and would like to reserve a shelter in advance, the Parks and Recreation Department will begin taking shelter reservations for 2008 beginning Wednesday, January 2. Shelters are available for rental between April 1 and October 31.

Shelters are available at these parks:

- **Baker Park**
2200 W. Wesley Avenue
- **Bates/Logan Park**
2938 S. Logan Street

- **Belleview Park**
5001 S. Inca Street
- **Centennial Park**
4630 S. Decatur Street
- **Cushing Park**
795 W. Eastman Avenue
- **Jason Park**
4299 S. Jason Street

You can make reservations by calling 303-762-2680 or in person at the Englewood Recreation Center, located at 1155 W. Oxford Avenue. Payment will be required at the time the reservation is made.

Board or Commission application reminder

If you are interested in volunteering to serve on a board or commission, the deadline to apply is Thursday, January 3, 2007. City Council will interview candidates on Monday, January 14.

You can fill out an application online or in the City Manager's Office, located on the 3rd floor of the Englewood Civic Center, 1000 Englewood Parkway. For an on-line application and more information on the boards and commissions, visit www.engagewoodgov.org.

City streets crews ready for action

During last year's December and January snows, Englewood's crews worked 12-hour shifts around-the-clock for 12 days straight, including Christmas and New Year's Day. Our streets crews are hoping for a milder winter this year, but they are ready for this year's snow-plowing season. The Public Works Department has 17 plows and graders on hand and agreements in place with subcontractors to supplement snow removal efforts in the event of heavy storms.

Snow plow routes throughout Englewood are prioritized according to the number of vehicles traveling on each thoroughfare. When snow falls, streets are plowed in the following order:

1. Primary Grid Streets

The primary grid consists of streets or avenues that are considered main thoroughfares, as well as roadways adjacent to schools and hospitals. Primary grid streets include Broadway, Dartmouth, Oxford, Logan, and Tejon.

2. Secondary grid streets

The secondary grid includes streets or avenues that create links to the primary grid streets. Delaware, Clarkson, Huron, Kenyon, Quincy, and Tufts are examples of secondary grid streets.



Englewood's Streets Division crews have 17 pieces of equipment available to help with snow removal. During major storms, it is not unusual for crews to work around-the-clock shifts to make sure the streets are as clear as possible for emergency vehicles and other motorists.

3. Residential Streets

Residential streets are generally not plowed unless they have steep hills with chronic icing problems or a snow emergency is declared. If snow accumulations reach above eight inches, crews will "V" plow the centers of all residential streets. Crews typically plow only once to avoid closing off the driveways of those residents who have already dug out their sidewalks and driveways. Melting usually occurs naturally when the sun comes out after the storm.

Alleys are not plowed because of their narrow configuration, but crews may run front-end loaders through the alleys to help clear the snow following major storms.

The state highways that pass through Englewood (Santa Fe Drive, US 285, and a portion of Belleview and Federal) are the responsibility of the Colorado Department of Transportation.

In preparation for winter weather, the Public Works Department has established a Snow Phone Line and e-mail so residents can report problem areas. The Snow Line number is 303-762-2520; the e-mail is snow@englewoodgov.org.

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The Public Works Department has established a Snow Phone Line and E-mail so residents can report problem areas following significant snowfalls. The phone line and e-mail are monitored from 7:30 am to 4 pm Monday through Friday and periodically on nights and weekends during major storms.

For more information on snow removal prioritization and answers to frequently asked weather-related questions, visit the Public Works Department's pages on www.englewoodgov.org.

Make a New Year's resolution to be greener

Suggestions from Keep Englewood Beautiful *by Laurel Dygowski, KEB Commissioner*

Looking for ways to be more environmentally responsible in the coming year? Keep Englewood Beautiful offers the following suggestions for simple things you can do to protect the environment:

Use compact fluorescent light bulbs:

If every American home used compact fluorescent bulbs in its light fixtures, it would save about \$60 a year in energy costs. Together we would save about \$6.5 billion each year and prevent



greenhouse gases equal to the emissions of more than 8 million cars.

Recycle – Recycling programs result in the diversion of about 32 percent of the nation's solid waste.

Use alternative transit – If each commuter carpooled, walked, rode a bike, or took public transportation just one day a week for a year, a typical commuter would save about 1,200 miles on his/her vehicle and about 56 gallons of gas.

Keep Englewood Beautiful is a team of volunteers dedicated to improving the quality of life for all

Englewood citizens by promoting community participation and environmentally responsible behavior.

(Statistics taken from www.epa.gov).

Did you know?

Compact fluorescent light bulbs are great for the environment, but they must be disposed of carefully since they contain mercury.

Disposal and cleanup information is available on the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency's Website (www.epa.gov) and on www.energystar.gov. The Littleton/Englewood Wastewater Treatment facility is a drop-off site for household waste items containing mercury, including compact fluorescent bulbs.

Malley offers free tax preparation assistance during tax season

The Malley Center will offer free tax form preparation assistance every Friday from February 1 through April 11 (except March 7) between the hours of 9 am and 4 pm. Volunteer tax counselors will help complete simple tax returns for those in need of assistance. All returns will be processed and electronically filed using a computerized tax program.

Participants need to bring a picture ID or other official documentation for yourself and your dependents. You will also need to bring all documents reporting income, interest, dividends, pensions, property tax receipts, other allowable deductions, and copies of 2006 tax returns. Bring your Federal and State Tax form booklets if you receive them in the mail.

The Malley Center will begin scheduling appointments Monday, January 21. Appointments can be scheduled up to three weeks in advance. Call the Malley Center at 303-762-2660 or stop by the Malley front desk to schedule an appointment.

Winter Driving Safety

Tips from the Fire Department

Winter driving can be tricky when the streets are covered with ice, slush, and snow. These tips from the Fire Department can help you keep your car under control during these kinds of conditions.

Maintain traction: Start and stop your car gradually to avoid losing traction in wet or slippery conditions. Drive at steady speeds, avoiding sudden starts and stops. Accelerate slightly when approaching a hill, then maintain steady speed going up. Gearing down before downgrades can help avoid brake wear and reduce the chances of sliding.

Avoid skids: Driving sensibly and steadily will help you avoid most skids. Anticipating turns or lane changes will also help. If your vehicle begins to skid, take your foot off the accelerator or brake and

steer in the direction of the skid. When the vehicle steadies itself, straighten the wheels and proceed.

Brake carefully: Be gentle with braking pressure during slippery road conditions. Gentle pumping action on disc brakes will help you avoid locking the wheels and sending the vehicle into a skid or spin. Anti-lock braking systems provide this action for you. Avoid braking on curves by driving through them at a safe steady speed. Use lower gear when travelling uphill or downhill.

These winter driving tips are courtesy of the Colorado Department of Transportation and the Englewood Fire Department. For further safety information on winter driving and other topics, contact Community Relations Specialist Toni Geier at 303-762-2490.

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Upcoming Events

Mon. Dec. 31	HOLIDAY - New Year's Eve Englewood Civic Center, Library, Malley Center Closed	
Tues. January 1	HOLIDAY - New Year's Day Englewood Civic Center, Library, Malley Center, Recreation Center Closed	
Sat. January 5	Fitness Challenge Kick-off Englewood Recreation Center (see page 3 or your Winter Activities Guide)	8 am - Noon
Mon. January 7	Englewood City Council Meeting Englewood Civic Center - 2 nd Floor Council Chambers	7:30 pm
Fri. January 11	Stage C – Connecting Community and Creativity Hampden Hall at Englewood Civic Center, 1000 Englewood Parkway www.stagec.com or 303-762-2317 for details.	7 pm
Thurs. January 17	Free Travel Program (see page 8) Englewood Civic Center - 2 nd Floor Community Room	7 pm
Mon. January 21	HOLIDAY - Martin Luther King Jr. Day Englewood Civic Center, Library, Malley Center Closed	
Tues. January 22	Englewood City Council Meeting Englewood Civic Center - 2 nd Floor Council Chambers	7:30 pm
Sat. January 26	Englewood Arts Concert – Zephyr Ensemble Hampden Hall at Englewood Civic Center (see page 4)	2 pm
Wed. January 23	Malley "High School Reunion" Sock Hop Malley Center, 3380 S. Lincoln Street (Tickets: \$5)	6:30 pm
Mon. February 4	Englewood City Council Meeting Englewood Civic Center - 2 nd Floor Council Chambers	7:30 pm
Sat. February 9	Englewood Arts Concert – Spring Sonata Hampden Hall at Englewood Civic Center (see page 4)	2 pm
Mon. February 18	HOLIDAY - Presidents' Day Englewood Civic Center, Library, Malley Center Closed (Rec. Center open partial hrs.)	
Tues. February 19	Englewood City Council Meeting Englewood Civic Center - 2 nd Floor Council Chambers	7:30 pm
Mon. March 3	Englewood City Council Meeting Englewood Civic Center - 2 nd Floor Council Chambers	7:30 pm



Marilyn and Dave Binkley with a scenic backdrop of Denali. The Binkleys will present a free travel program, "Alaska: Slightly Off the Beaten Path," on January 17.

Travel Programs

sponsored by the Friends of the Englewood Public Library

Alaska: Slightly Off the Beaten Path

Thursday, January 17 • 7 pm
2nd Floor Community Room,
Englewood Civic Center
Join Marilyn and Dave Binkley as they share stories and photos of their recent trip to Alaska.

China Travel Program

Thursday, Feb. 21 • 6:30 pm
2nd Floor Community Room,
Englewood Civic Center
Visit www.engagewoodgov.org for more information as the date nears.



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