



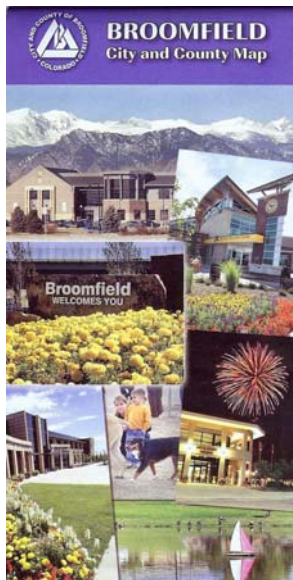
# City & County Manager's Report

February 27, 2007

**TO:** Mayor Stuart and the Broomfield City Council  
**FROM:** George Di Ciero, City and County Manager

**FYI**

## ***New, colorful city map available at CAC desk***



Broomfield has a new city map, a joint project of the Community Assistance Center, GIS, Open Space and Trails, and Community Development. The groups worked to assure a useful, high-quality map for the community.

The new map includes a comprehensive table of features for Broomfield parks and facilities, a current street index, the Broomfield trail system, parks, open space, open lands and conservation easements, neighborhood subdivision names, schools, a ward map, the school district boundaries, a map of FlatIron Crossing and other retail areas in Broomfield, and colorful, photographic highlights of Broomfield.

A copy of the map will be included in welcome packets for new residents, and is available at various city buildings.

The first map is available free to anyone requesting a copy and additional copies will cost \$2 each, to recover the cost of production.

## ***U.S. passport now required for travel in this hemisphere***

Beginning January 23, 2007, U.S. citizens traveling by air between the U.S. and Canada, Mexico, Central and South America, the Caribbean, and Bermuda must present a valid U.S. passport, Air NEXUS card, or U.S. Coast Guard Merchant Mariner Document.

As early as January 1, 2008, U.S. citizens traveling between the U.S. and Canada, Mexico, Central and South America, the Caribbean, and Bermuda by land or sea (including ferries), may be required to present a valid U.S. passport or other document as determined by the Department of Homeland Security.

While recent legislative changes permit a later deadline, the Departments of State and Homeland Security are working to meet all requirements as soon as possible. Ample advance notice will be provided to enable the

public to obtain passports or passport cards for land/sea entries.

Residents can apply for a new passport or update or renew an existing passport at the Broomfield Community Assistance Center in the City and County Building, One DesCombes Drive, between 8 and 11 a.m.. Call 303.438.6390 or visit [www.broomfield.org](http://www.broomfield.org) for further information.

## April is National Stormwater Month

Stormwater runoff occurs when precipitation from rain or snowmelt flows over the ground.

Impervious surfaces like driveways, sidewalks and streets prevent stormwater from naturally soaking into the ground. Stormwater can pick up debris, chemicals, dirt and other pollutants and flow into the storm sewer. Anything that enters the storm sewer system discharges **untreated** into creeks, ponds, wetlands or streams. So...



Keep it Clean,  
'cause we're all  
downstream

## Looking ahead

### **Summer Youth Pass on sale**

Broomfield Recreation Services is offering a Summer Youth Pass for those Broomfield residents ages 4 to 17 for **\$100!**

The pass includes: admission to Paul Derda Recreation Center, Broomfield Community Center, Broomfield Skate Park, and The Bay Aquatic Park.

An "Early Bird" Bay Season Pass for Broomfield residents only is also available for the Bay. Those who purchase a season pass to The Bay between April 13 and May 11, will receive \$10 off. (This is in addition to the \$25 discount extended to Annual Pass holders.)

Both passes are valid from May 26 to September 3, 2007. Call 303.460.6901 for more information.

### **Spring Cleanup**

Spring Cleanup is scheduled this year on one of three Saturdays: April 28, May 6 or May 13. Western Disposal will pick up large non-hazardous items on one of the three days. Specific dates for each neighborhood, the times and more details, will be available in the Broomfield Enterprise, on [www.broomfield.org](http://www.broomfield.org)

and the bulletin board on Comcast Cable Channel 8.

### **Earth Day program just for kids**

An Earth Day program for kids is scheduled Saturday, April 22, from 2 to 3:30 p.m. The Colorado State University Master Gardeners and Broomfield Environmental Services are sponsoring the event.

Slots are open for 50 kids ages six to 12, to be dropped off at the Community Center for an afternoon of fun, crafts and activities to promote environmental awareness.

### **Household Hazardous Waste Day**

For those who like to plan ahead, the annual Household Hazardous Waste Day is scheduled this year on May 20. It is by appointment only, so call 303-438-6336 for more information or to schedule an appointment.

### **Earth Day Calendar activities:**

Introduction to Xeriscape Lectures - Thursdays, March 1 and 8, 7 to 8:30 p.m., Eisenhower Room, library.

Xeriscape Workshops and "Ask a Master Gardener" – Thursdays, March 15, 22 or 29, 6:30 to 7:15 p.m. or 7:30 to 8:15 p.m., Eisenhower Room, library.

Arbor Day Tree Plantings – week of April 9 to 14, at various Broomfield school and park locations. Call 303.464.5651 for details.

Hard to Recycle Day – April 14, for computers, monitors, televisions, plastic bags, #6 white block foam and more, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Broomfield Recycling Center. Call 303.404.2839 for cost information.

### ***Second CBMS training in March***

The second statewide computer training opportunities on the Colorado Benefit Management System (CBMS) hosted by Broomfield's Health and Human Services Department is scheduled on Tuesday, March 13, in the computer training room at the Broomfield City and County Building.

The advanced CBMS training will cover recoveries, claims, history, and more. The training is open to any eligibility technician in counties statewide.

### ***Metro Denver Health, Wellness Commission kicks off regional meetings in Broomfield***

The Metro Denver Health and Wellness Commission is hosting a series of public meetings to find out how to create healthy communities, and the first one kicks off in Broomfield on Wednesday, March 7, at the Broomfield Community Center Lakeshore Room. Time is 5:30 to 7 p.m.

Food and refreshments will be provided. Registration is between 5 and 5:30 p.m.

The commission is seeking feedback on How to create healthy schools, healthy work sites, and healthy communities. Questions to consider include: Should every student have PE? Should employers reward employees for adopting a healthier lifestyle?

How can local governments make it easier for families to be physically active?

Members of the public with an interest in these issues – including employers, parents, teachers, school administrators, public health advocates and health care workers – are encouraged to join in roundtable discussions and electronic voting on the commission's plan to make the Denver metro area America's healthiest community.

To RSVP or for more information, contact [michele@civicresults.org](mailto:michele@civicresults.org) or 303-477-9985.

### ***Sister cities activity***

The Broomfield/Ueda City 2007 planning committee is finalizing plans to host 20 students and chaperones coming from Ueda City, Japan, August 2 to 9.

There are 12 residents who have volunteered to work on six committees to prepare for this biennial exchange which has taken place since 2001.

The planning committee is publishing a newsletter, updating its Web site ([www.broomfieldsistercities.com](http://www.broomfieldsistercities.com)) and has secured a new email address for inquiries: [broomfieldsistercities@gmail.com](mailto:broomfieldsistercities@gmail.com)

The Cultural Affairs Division provides staff support and can be contacted for more information.

### ***CSU Extension activities:***

4-H Performing Arts Competitions continue on March 24 at the Auditorium with "Plays and Skits." Deadline to enter is Friday, March 9. Call 720.887.2286 to enter and for details.

A floral design workshop is scheduled for March 31 beginning at 2 p.m. in the Kiva Room at the Broomfield Community Center. Attendees will be coached in making a spring basket arrangement. The \$25 fee covers materials. Call 720.887.2286 for more information or to register.

## Capital projects ...

### ***East Midway power line burial, street lighting project***

The overhead power line burial and street lighting project along East Midway Boulevard from Lowell to Zuni is complete except for landscape repair. Xcel Energy's contractor will repair the right-of-way landscaping when weather allows.

### ***Girl Scout Shelter project continues***

Work on the shelter continues. The masonry work has begun and the building is beginning to take shape. The masons could not work two days the week of February 12 due to cold temperatures but are working again. The exterior walls should be completed this week so that work on the interior and slab can begin. Construction is still expected to be completed by spring 2007.



***The Brandywine Park pedestrian bridge near Cimarron Mobile Home Community was lifted into place on Wednesday, Feb. 14.***

## Departmental updates ...

### **CULTURAL AFFAIRS**

Representatives from a dozen local and regional nonprofit organizations attended a two-hour SCFD grant information workshop held on Saturday, Feb. 10, from 10 a.m. to noon in the City and County building.

The 23 attendees reviewed the revised SCFD Tier III grant application presented by SCFD staff, followed by review of updated grant guidelines and scoring criteria presented by members of the Broomfield County Cultural Council.

Grant applications from SCFD-eligible organizations requesting 2008 general

operating and project support are due to Cultural Affairs on Friday, April 20, 2007.

### **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

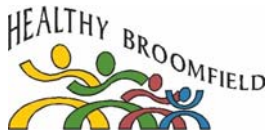
The new *Broomfield Standards and Specifications 2007 Edition*, is now available on the Engineering Web site. Individuals are also able to purchase a CD for \$10. Hard bound copies are being printed and are tentatively scheduled to be available for sale on March 1 for \$50 .

Here is the link to the Standards and Specifications:

[http://www.broomfield.org/engineering/2007%](http://www.broomfield.org/engineering/2007%20edition/)

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### **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES (HHS)**



HHS was awarded \$140,000 for the 2007 calendar year to continue efforts in

promoting healthy eating and active living in Broomfield. The metro-Denver initiative called **Thriving Communities** has now grown into a state-wide initiative encompassing rural and urban communities and has been renamed LiveWell Colorado.

There have been 17 communities funded under the LiveWell Colorado initiative. Funding sponsors include: Colorado Health Foundation, Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, and Kaiser Permanente.

HHS, in collaboration with America on the Move and LiveWell Colorado, will promote a Healthy Broomfield by actively targeting multiple sectors of the community – schools, childcare centers, work sites, healthcare centers, community activities – to secure partnerships to promote healthy eating and active living.

America on the Move, a national initiative developed in Colorado at the University of Colorado Health Science Center's Department of Human Nutrition, continues a three year collaborative grant with Broomfield Health and Human Services. The initiative promotes healthy eating and active living with a focus on energy balance and overall wellness. The program encourages individuals to implement two small goals: eat 100 less calories, and take 2000 more steps a day.

Over the past few months America on the Move has initiated programming in nine community organizations including local businesses, health care settings, schools, faith based and community organizations. Broomfield's Employee Wellness Committee recently sponsored an employee challenge event which wrapped up February 11.

The initiative will continue to integrate programs and promotional events throughout the community in various settings over the next two years. America on the Move presentations are scheduled at the Community Wellness Fair planned for April 28.

As part of the City Council's goal for a Healthy Broomfield, a board of community members is being developed as a guiding alliance for Live Well Colorado, and America on the Move. This group will provide feedback and guide the direction of initiatives under these programs with a goal to promote health and wellness in all environments throughout the community.

### **OPEN SPACE AND TRAILS**

Broomfield will be conducting a prairie dog removal project on an approximately two-acre section of the Broomfield County Commons Open Space area adjacent to Midway Boulevard.

Approximately 25 prairie dogs will be removed from this site and will be donated to a wildlife recovery program. The proposed removal project will take place between February 25 and March 15, 2007. For more information, contact Peter Dunlaevy at 303-438-6216.

### **RECREATION SERVICES**

#### **Active adult/senior programs –**

Participations during January are:

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|----------------------------|-----|
| Senior Trips:              | 125 |
| Senior Arts and Crafts:    | 58  |
| Senior Drop in Activities: | 202 |

A Senior Wellness Conference, on February 23, focused on Active Aging for the mature adult.

#### **Silver Sneaker Participations:**

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| Broomfield Community Center:  | 1,220        |
| Paul Derda Recreation Center: | <u>2,957</u> |
| Total:                        | 4,177        |

**Athletics** – In January, youth basketball attracted over 1500 to the program, many of whom were enticed to Youth Basketball Night

at the Broomfield Events Center on February 26. All tickets were \$10 for admission to the 14ers game, a hot dog, drink and bag of peanuts. Youth Basketball participants who wore their shirts to the game were able to shoot hoops on the practice court before the game. There was an abbreviated youth basketball game during half-time.

Total athletics program participations for the month of January were 3,748.

**Fitness** – Personal training visits for January were up from 131 in 2006 to 188 in 2007. Spin for Weight Loss, a new program in January, has two sessions full with 15 participants each. Both sessions of Yoga for Children (ages 3-5 and 6-10), were full in January.

Group Fitness Participation Stats are:

**Paul Derda Recreation Center**

| Year |       |            |
|------|-------|------------|
| 2007 | 5,103 | 67 classes |
| 2006 | 4,746 | 60 classes |
| 2005 | 3,290 | 56 classes |

**Broomfield Community Center**

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| 2007 | 1690 | 28 classes* |
| 2006 | 2035 | 30 classes  |
| 2005 | 1754 | 31 classes  |

*\*Numbers are down because of the snow. Many of the seniors did not come to class regularly and three classes had to be cancelled because of low participation.*



**BodyPump® classes have been wildly popular at the Paul Derda Recreation Center.**

**Gymnastics** – In December 2006, there were 830 participating in gymnastics classes. In January 2007, the number increased to 895. The January number represents the most enrollments in gymnastics since the gym opened in 2003. Total gymnastics participations for January were 4,296!

**Youth and teen** – Registrations are being taken for the Summer Camp program. So far there are 185 registrants. Spring Break registrations are slow with only 17 enrolled. Total general interest participations for January are 131.

**At the Audi ...**

**CU in Broomfield' continues**

“CU in Broomfield” is in its third season of collaboration for CU-Boulder’s College of Music and Broomfield’s Cultural Affairs Division. These performances are free and family-friendly.

Travel the globe with these concerts, departing the second Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m. All ages are welcome.

Remaining CU in Broomfield performances are on Wednesday, March 14, with an evening of Brazilian, jazz and world music, and April 11 featuring Kwasi Ampene and the West African Highlife Ensemble.

All performances begin at 7 p.m. in the Audi.

### **Mark your calendar:**

Through March 2 – Gallery art exhibit: “Thriving Communities” logo contest sponsored by Broomfield HHS. View from 2 to 5 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays and during scheduled events.

Saturday, March 3 – Celebrating its 30th year, the **Broomfield Piano Festival** provides young pianists with the opportunity to be evaluated by professional judges. Finalists perform in the highlight of the event, the evening gala performance, along with several of the judges. This concert is always an inspiring event as the audience hears the progression of the best of the young pianists to the examples of excellence provided by the judges. The Piano Festival is one of the oldest ongoing cultural events in Broomfield. Closing concert: 8 p.m. at the Audi.

### **Irish stepdancers**

Just in time for St. Patrick's Day, come enjoy live Irish stepdancing and music, featuring Heritage Irish Stepdancers, Mondragon, and Carla Sciaky. Great Irish entertainment for the whole family! Reserved seating. Call 720.747.9377 for advance tickets.

Saturday March 10, 7 p.m. and Sunday March 11, 4 p.m.

Tickets: \$12 adults, \$10 children under 13 in advance (\$15 adults, \$12 children at the door)

For more information on events at the Audi, call the **Events Hotline** at 303.469.3301, ext. 7999.

Information on tickets, directions to the Audi and year-round event information are also available at [www.broomfieldauditorium.com](http://www.broomfieldauditorium.com)

