

A City of Greeley Community Bulletin ~ April 2010

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Above: Spring is here. Time to head outside and take in all that Greeley has to offer!



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Scoop Subscriber Wins!

Congrats to Christine Duchek of Greeley, our March *City Scoop* winner. Christine received a water conservation kit from the City of Greeley. Help us add more new subscribers - please take an extra minute and forward this edition to a co-worker, family member, friend, or neighbor and encourage them to subscribe too. [Forward](#)

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Tell the World - Greeley is Great from the Ground Up

City Council to Review Fees & Incentives

Citizens Asked to Attend the Speak Up Session - April 27

by Roy H. Otto, Greeley City Manager

The Greeley City Council established one of its 2010 priorities as “Greeley - Open for Business”. As part of this priority, a committee has been formed to help the council evaluate Greeley’s development fees and economic development incentives. The committee’s goals are to examine current fees and incentives, form an opinion as to their appropriateness for our public and private sector needs, and present their findings and recommendations to the Council.

Citizen and business input is critical to this process. The committee has representation from the Greeley Chamber of Commerce, Upstate Colorado Economic Development, Downtown Development Authority, banking/finance, small business, engineering/architecture, commercial/residential real estate, contractors and residents.

An opportunity for all residents to have input on the fee and incentive review will be provided at the next [Speak Up Session](#) on Tuesday, April 27. It’s your opportunity to participate in the discussion in an informal setting. Prior to the discussion, City staff will present information on the committee’s progress to-date. This

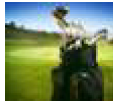
UNC Basketball Team Sets New Record

With the UNC basketball team's win over Portland on March 17th, the men's team set a new school record with 25 wins and only 7 losses. Congratulations to Coach Boyle and team members for an outstanding season. [Great From the Ground Up!](#)

What's Happening

Think GOLF!

The sun's out and the weather is warming - time to start thinking GOLF!



Greeley is lucky to have two great courses to choose from, each with its' own distinct style and challenges. Season memberships and annual passes are on sale - and if you're looking for an excuse to get out with friends on a weekly basis, check out our golf associations. Visit www.greeleygov.com/golf for details and prices - save some money while enjoying Highland Hills or Boomerang links - two golfing gems of Northern Colorado!



350-9402 • 900 8th Avenue
www.greeleyicehaus.com

Bunny Hop Skate

Saturday, April 3 • Noon - 1:30 pm

Basic Skills Skate School

Session I April 14-May 22
Registration deadline: April 16

Spring Spectacular Ice Show - A Night at the Movies

Saturday, April 24 • 5:30 - 7:00 pm
Sunday, April 25 • 2:00 - 3:30 pm

Friday Theme Nights - April 5-9

Visit our web site for details.

session will be held at the Jackson Elementary School gym, 2002 25th Street, from 6-7 p.m. The session will be extended if needed.



Greeley's Spring Clean-Up Weekend
35th Annual Event - April 23, 24 & 25

Spring Clean-up Weekend - *for Greeley residents only* - will be held Friday, April 23; Saturday, April 24; and Sunday, April 25. Greeley residents are invited to bring their spring clean-up debris to four locations set up for specific and different types of recycling and disposal. Residents may need to visit all four sites depending on the items they have for disposal or recycling. Hours at all sites are 7 a.m.-5 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 7 a.m.-3 p.m. on Sunday - *rain, snow or shine*. Participants must provide proof of Greeley residency and no commercial dumping will be allowed. Use the [Clean Up Weekend](#) link to get the details.



Real or Rumor? The City of Greeley selects which businesses locate or build in Greeley.

Rumor! Complete rumor! The City's Economic Development Manager Bruce Biggi says that the ultimate decision on business site selection is in the hands of the business owner. When expanding to a new location or relocating from another community, businesses begin the process by creating a detailed business plan. Retailers and business owners work closely with commercial real estate brokers to identify available properties and evaluate such things as zoning, lease rates, traffic counts, parking, visibility, access, and development incentives so that their new location will help them achieve their business plan goals. Once all of those considerations are analyzed and a decision is made, business owner then contact the city or town to obtain the appropriate building permits, licenses, etc.

Recreation Center & Family FunPlex

350-9400 • 350-9401

www.greeleygov.com/rec

Vacation Station - April 5-9

Enjoy classes and programs at the Greeley Recreation Center or Family FunPlex during spring break; many fun things to choose from!

Spring Break Swim Special

April 5-9

Family FunPlex: Monday-Friday 9 am-12:45 pm & 5:30-8:00 pm. \$12 per family (2 adults and up to 4 children), daily rates apply to individuals, free to members. Monday-Friday 1-5:30 pm, Saturday 11 am-8 pm & Sunday 1-6 pm. Regular rates apply.

Greeley Recreation Center Pool:

Open Monday-Friday 1-5 pm during spring break.

Doubles Tennis Tournament

Registration begins April 1



Summer Softball

Registration deadline: April 4

Leagues begin April 25

T-Ball

Registration begins April 17-23

Ages 4-7 years old

Adult Summer Softball

Registration Deadline April 4

Late Registration April 5-18 (\$25 late fee)

Need more info? View the Leisure

Connection online at

www.greeleygov.com/rec.

Museum Summer Camp Registration Kicks off April 7

Register early for the fun

summer camps at Greeley's



Federal Stimulus Funds Purchasing Foreclosed Homes in Greeley

Thanks to over \$5 million in funding through the Federal Stimulus Program, the Greeley Urban Renewal Authority (GURA) is now purchasing foreclosed homes to move them from neglect back to owner occupancy. Depending on their condition, GURA will either rehabilitate or replace the structures and then make them available for new, qualified homeowners. GURA is also helping Evans and Ft. Lupton expend the part of this funding package that those communities are eligible to receive. About 25% of the funding must reach very low income families, so a close relationship with Habitat for Humanity and the Greeley Housing Authority has also been forged. However, the balance of the homes will be available for moderate-income families. Contact Carol at 350-9380 for information.

Tree-mendous Donation Replaces Tornado Damaged Trees

The City has received a very generous donation from Little Valley Wholesale Nursery in Brighton, Colorado. Special thanks go out to Allen Goodness of Greeley, an employee of Little Valley, who was instrumental in getting the donation. The tree donation will help the City replant many of the over 300 trees lost at Promontory Point in west Greeley due to the May '08 tornado. The City's Forestry staff also will be able to replenish Greeley's overall parks system with several hundred new trees this spring.



How to Conserve Water & Money . . .

That's right; with watering restrictions . . . in 2010 Greeley will again have mandatory restrictions. That's nothing new; Greeley has had watering regulations since 1907!

Beginning April 15, odd numbered residences can water lawns on

summer camps at Greeley's museums, Plumb Farm Learning Center and the Centennial Village Museum. Children will enjoy one-room schoolhouse adventures and a variety of other camp classes and activities. Visit www.greeleymuseums.com to download a brochure and registration information. On-line registration will be available beginning April 7.

Save money on camp costs by joining the Friends of the Greeley Museums (family membership) and receive 10% off summer camps, museum store purchases and children's birthday parties, plus free admission to Centennial Village. www.friendsmuseums.com

**Baby Animal Days
April 26-May 8**

Visit the Plumb Farm Learning Center this month and you'll feel like you're far from city life.



Your little ones will enjoy getting close to baby farm animals and their moms, as well as "driving" a tractor, riding stick horses and playing in the sandbox. 9 am - Noon and 1-4 pm Monday-Saturday; 1-4 pm Sunday. 350-9220

Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays. Even numbered addresses can water on Sundays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays. Non-residential and multi-family properties, such as apartments and HOA common areas water on Sundays, Tuesdays and Fridays. No lawn watering is allowed between noon and 5 p.m. in the heat of the day.

Always use weather (temperature and precipitation) as a guide to how much to water. For example, although watering is allowed three days per week in April, watering one day per week this time of year is adequate. Full watering restriction information and watering tips are available at www.greeleygov.com/wc. Look in your April water bill statement for printed information.



**Food Tax Rebates Available
Apply Through May 31**

You may be eligible for a low-income Food Tax Rebate. If you were a Greeley resident for at least 10 months in 2009 and are a current resident, you may be eligible. Find out more at Greeley City Hall, 1000 10th Street from 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Friday or at 350-9748. The application is also available at www.greeleygov.com/Finance.

**Greeley gREeNEWAL
Free Commercial Energy Audits**

The City of Greeley is getting ready to launch the "Greeley gREeNEWAL" program. This new program, funded in part by a Federal Energy Efficiency Community Block Grant, will provide funds for energy audits and energy efficiency improvements for commercial structures located in Greeley's Redevelopment District. Information will be posted at www.greeleygov.com as soon as it is available.



Civic Center Upcoming Performances

Tickets: 356-5000 or www.ucstars.com

**Til Death Do Us Part: Late Nite
Catechism 3 •**
A hilarious comedy
Saturday, April 3, 7:30pm

Why Volunteer?

Volunteers for the City of Greeley help the City Council and staff shape City policy and set direction for municipal services and programs. By volunteering, you can be a positive and productive contributor. We are currently seeking interested applicants for the Construction Trades Advisory and Appeals Board, Human Relations Commission, Commission on Disabilities, Water & Sewer Board, and the Youth Commission (ages 11-18). For more information on these opportunities and more, visit www.greeleygov.com or contact Russell at 350-9741 or russ.lenhart@greeleygov.com.

**Beware of the Beetle!
Mountain Pine Beetle attacks increasing . . .**

The Mountain Pine Beetle is attacking trees in Greeley - mostly Scotch Pines but also Pinyon, Ponderosa and Bristlecone Pines.

Garrison Keillor •

America's foremost funny man
Monday, May 3, 7:00pm

Rain •

A Tribute to the Beatles
Wednesday, May 19, 7:00pm



Infestation warning signs: pitch-tubes on the trunk packed with sawdust; fading (or brown-tinged) foliage; woodpecker or sapsucker feeding activity (on larvae or sap); and lack of bud (candle) elongation in the spring.

Two tips to help your trees: 1) Good watering practices throughout the year will help your pines repel attacks and remain healthy. 2) Do not transport infested firewood and tell others how dangerous this is for our urban trees. Check with the U.S. Forest Service or Colorado State Forest Service for regulations regarding firewood transport. If you are concerned about your pines, contact Greeley Forestry at 339-2405 or visit www.greeleyforestry.org.

Census Questionnaires - They're Here!

In mid-March the Census Bureau mailed out millions of questionnaires to households throughout the United States and its territories. The simple 10-question form takes roughly 10 minutes to complete and mail, in the postage paid envelope provided. It's well worth your time - for every person counted by these mail-in forms Greeley will be allocated thousands of dollars in Federal funding over the next 10 years. Mail in your form and help Greeley get its fair share of this funding. Didn't get a form in the mail yet, have questions about the address on your form, or need help filling it out? [Find the locations](#) and hours for the 13 Questionnaire Assistance Centers in Greeley and Evans.

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