



City & County Manager's Report

June 26, 2007

TO: Mayor Stuart and the Broomfield City Council

FROM: George Di Ciero, City and County Manager

FYI

Spring Cleanup a huge success

Broomfield's 2007 curbside Spring Cleanup was a huge success.

Western Disposal Services was hired by the Public Works Department to collect large non-hazardous items from Broomfield households on three consecutive Saturdays: April 28, May 5 and May 12. Pick ups started at 7 a.m., and the last routes were completed by 2 p.m. each Saturday.

The final tally for 2007 was 474 tons of material collected. This total is up 7.5 percent from the 2006 program total. Over 84 tons, or 18 percent, of the material, including scrap metal, wood and branches were recycled. Executive Recycling also collected 7.4 tons of electronic waste for recycling during the three Spring Cleanup days.

In partnership with the Rotary Clubs of Broomfield, the Spring Cleanup program included collection of 16 truck loads of reusable items for a total of 455 cubic yards of reusable material. The estimated retail value of the reusable items is \$20,000 to \$25,000. The proceeds from the sale of these items will benefit Rotary and the KID Foundation.

The semi-annual Household Hazardous Waste Day was May 19 at the Norman Smith Service Center. Thirty staff and community volunteers from Environmental Services Division, North Metro Fire Department, and Broomfield High School National Honor Society all pitched in to work the event.

The hazardous items were collected from 286 households, up from 265 households in May 2006.

The material collected filled two, 30-yard roll-off boxes and three-quarters of a semi trailer. The material was shipped off for recycling, fuel blending or proper disposal in a hazardous waste landfill.

Executive Recycling collected five tons of electronic waste for recycling during the event. Combined, the total of electronic waste collected during the Spring Cleanup and Household Hazardous Waste events amounted to 12.4 tons of e-waste.



Trails, art highlight this year's Broomfield Trail Adventure

This year's Trail Adventure, the sixth annual, showcased the Civic Center area and was hosted at Community Park Pond. Courses for the walkers and bikers passed through The Field, Highland Park, and the new Sheridan Boulevard underpass.

Approximately 275 participants enjoyed beautiful weather. Public art was also on display at the event and the newly installed public art benches around Broomfield were highlighted. Many of the artists for the benches attended the event, spoke to the audience and invited the public to enjoy the public art bench tour.

Local sponsors helped make the day a success, and information tables included the Broomfield Nature Program, the Broomfield Open Space Foundation, a live raptor display, and several city departments.

The Trail Adventure is part of National Trails Day, held each year on the first Saturday of June.

Staff helps at Science Fair

Public Works staff members helped judge the Kohl Elementary School Science Fair this year. Kathy Schnoor has been judging the science fairs at the local elementary schools since 1985, and is usually joined by five or six lab staff members.

Staff volunteers vary from year to year (Hallie Mahan, Lesa Julian, Dorothy Noble, Dawn Cowell, Craig Hoffman, Sue Wolff, Jean Aldrich, Diana Beehler, Steve Scafe, Jill Lutz, just to name a few... it has been many years!).

Over the years, many of the schools have discontinued the judging part of the science fair. Kohl School's Science Fair is still going strong, and it has the largest participation with over 467 projects judged in 2007.

The Kohl Science Fair Committee sent a note of appreciation which reads:

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your time and interest in helping out with the science fair. Your part of that day had much to do with the success of Kohl's 2007 Science Fair. We appreciate the conscientious and fair approach you brought to the enormous task of judging all these projects. Your compassion and caring, combined with your rigorous scientific standards, created a wonderful climate for the fair. The students were very excited to read your comments on the judging forms.

As the school year comes to an end and we think back on all the activities throughout the year, the science fair was one of the highlights. It was such a great combination of learning, creativity and fun. The atmosphere of excitement was very high for

teachers and students alike.

So once again, thank you for all your hard work and commitment. Thanks for sharing your abilities and your time with the students and teachers at Kohl. We will be contacting you next year and hope that you can be a part of our science fair again. We can't do it without you!

Legislature reinstates senior homestead exemption

The Colorado General Assembly has reinstated the senior citizen homestead exemption for homeowners age 65 to be effective as of January 1, 2006.

Seniors must have lived in their homes for at least 10 years, and must apply for the exemption. This year, the exemption is for 2006 taxes payable in 2007. Applications were accepted last year through July 16, 2006. The seniors who qualified will be exempted from taxes on 50 percent of the first \$200,000 of actual value of their home.

Owners of multiple residences may only designate one property as their main residence. To apply for next year's Senior or Veteran's Homestead Exemption, applications are due by July 16, 2007.

Seniors who have already applied do not need to re-apply. They are eligible for the exemption every year following.

Disabled Veterans Exemption: Last November, Colorado voters passed an amendment to the Colorado Constitution which extends, to any U.S. military veteran disabled due to a service-connected disability, the same property tax exemption as that extended to qualifying seniors -- an exemption of 50 percent of the first \$200,000 in actual value. The exemption is effective for 2007 taxes payable in 2008.

There is an application similar to the senior application but submitted differently. The Colorado Department of Military and Veterans Affairs will determine eligibility, not the county assessors' offices. Deadline to apply is July 1, 2007.

Interested veterans may contact the Colorado State Division of Veteran Affairs at 303.343.1268 or get information about the procedure and the form they need by visiting <http://dola.colorado.gov/dpt/forms/docs/DisabledOverviewandInstruct050207A.pdf> Broomfield

Assessor Vickie Brown can also answer questions. She may be reached at 303.464.5815 or by email at vbrown@broomfield.org.

Not more than one exemption per tax year shall be allowed for a residential property, even if one or more of the owner-occupiers qualify for both the senior exemption and the disabled veteran exemption.

Metro Mayors 2007 mortgage assistance program

The chart below indicates the status of the Metro Mayors Mortgage Assistance Program showing loans by city as of June 4:

City	Number of Loans	Average Loan Amount	Total Loan Amount	% of Program
Denver	71	\$157,109	\$11,154,761	42.31%
Aurora	35	\$143,677	\$5,028,690	19.07%
Westminster	11	\$182,731	\$2,010,037	7.62%
Littleton	11	\$160,673	\$1,767,399	6.70%
Lakewood	11	\$158,243	\$1,740,676	6.60%
Erie	7	\$179,964	\$1,259,745	4.78%
Centennial	5	\$208,339	\$1,041,695	3.95%
Northglenn	4	\$187,803	\$751,211	2.85%
Brighton	4	\$159,508	\$638,032	2.42%
Broomfield	3	\$174,933	\$524,800	1.99%
Arvada	2	\$142,112	\$284,223	1.08%
Frederick	1	\$164,000	\$164,000	0.62%
	143		\$26,365,269	

And the winner is . . .

Paul Derda Recreation Center named 'Best Indoor Pool'

The Paul Derda Recreation Center was chosen by the readers of *Kids' Pages Family Magazine* as one of the top three winners in the "Best Indoor Pool" category in its "Best Places for Families" survey.



Winners were officially announced in a special section in the May issue. *Kids' Pages* is one of the advertising sources used by Recreation Services. This magazine has a readership of over 120,000 in the metro Denver area.

Assessed valuations

Colorado statutes require property reappraisal every two years, in the odd-numbered years, so 2007 is a year all Colorado county assessors must revalue all properties for taxes to be paid in 2008. State statutes require that appraisal data from January 1, 2005, through June 30, 2006, be used for the 2007 valuation.

Colorado statutes also requires that residential property be valued based on the market approach only. All other property (vacant land, commercial, industrial, agricultural, severed minerals, oil and gas, personal property and public utilities) must be valued by all three approaches to value: cost, market and income.

Broomfield had 1,875 residential sales during this study period. This represents 12 percent of all Broomfield residential properties and provides a sound basis for market approach valuation. The Assessor's page on the Broomfield Web site contains a link to residential sales information used for the 2007 property reappraisal.

This information can be found at <http://www.broomfield.org/centralrecords/assessor.shtml>.

The Assessor's staff has valued approximately 21,800 parcels of property for the 2007 reappraisal. The following table shows Broomfield's valuation change as compared to other counties.

County	Residential % Increase
Arapahoe	10%
Boulder	11%
Broomfield	7.94%
Denver	6%
Douglas	7 - 8%
Jefferson	4.5%

HHS has presence at Broomstock

Broomfield's B Safe (Broomfield Substance and Alcohol Free Environment) program, the tobacco cessation program and the Women's Clinic participated in Broomstock June 7.

Each program offered free items along with information. This year, the Broomfield High School tobacco prevention team and the tobacco program invited the Own Your C Campaign to attend the event. Own Your C encourages youth to make healthy choices and own the choices they have already made. The Own Your C Campaign is a program of the state's Tobacco Education Prevention Partnership.

Check out www.ownyourc.com for more information.

Staff educates concerned students on water quality

Broomfield's Stormwater Coordinator Becky Sturgeon went to Westlake Middle School last month to make presentations to five science classes who wrote letters of concern about signs they had seen posted at Alexx and Michael's Pond regarding storm water.

Sturgeon explained to the students why the signs were posted and assured them that the water is not toxic. Discussion centered around the difference between stormwater and wastewater, and where each comes from and goes.

She also used the enviroscape model to discuss pollutants that can contaminate stormwater runoff and what the community can do to prevent it. As several of the letters asked about cleaning Alexx and Michael's Pond, Sturgeon also told the students what the city has been doing in regards to cleaning out ponds around town. She explained the processes used at Josh's Pond and Midway Park Pond, and said that as time and budget permit, the city will continue to work on the ponds in town.

Sturgeon reports that the students were excited that someone from the city took the time to come out and personally meet with them.

New city program recycles electronic waste

Broomfield's Public Works Environmental Services and Facilities Maintenance divisions are teaming with the Information Technologies (IT) Department to recycle the city's electronic waste to conserve resources, protect the environment, and reduce the amount of waste going into landfills.

The company chosen to manage the project is Executive Recycling, the same company that assisted during the recent Spring Cleanup effort. Executive Recycling combines over 20 years of IT experience, extensive knowledge of current EPA requirements, and a dedication to world-class service that protects the environment from the harmful by-products of electronic waste (E-waste).

Because 97 percent of computer contents can be reused or recycled, a reuse and recycling program prevents electronic items from reaching landfills, creating less waste, generating less pollution, providing usable items to organizations that need them, and recapturing valuable resources. The city chose to team with Executive Recycling because its primary goal is to refurbish and reuse the E-Waste, if feasible, before any attempts are made to recycle.

So far, Broomfield has recycled 275 pieces of equipment including monitors, laptops, scanners, printers, docking stations, modems, keyboards, and other smaller E-Waste components, diverting approximately 5,000 pounds of waste from entering the landfill, thereby protecting the environment.

As technology advances, new items such as LCD panels or plasma screens that contain little or no hazardous materials. Items are being generated that are much more energy efficient than previous models. This partnership will take the lead to implement new programs for other local governments to follow.

Bottom Line:

- Executive Recycling was chosen because of price and ability to reuse before recycling
- The company is local
- Recycling prevents waste from going into landfills and preserves natural resources
- Preserving natural resources also protects the environment
- Diverting waste from landfills reduces environmental impacts and protects the environment
- Executive Recycling can assure that items are not being diverted to landfills and the items are managed in a regulated, professional fashion.

First quarter sales taxes in line with budget projections

Though 2007 sales tax collections for the first quarter are 7.4 percent ahead of the same period in 2006, they are right in line with the 2007 budget.

Ed Scholz, Broomfield's budget manager, reports that sales tax revenue for the Flatirons mall is 8 percent above March, 2006. Building Use Tax and permit fee revenues are slowing down, a situation that was anticipated when building the 2007 budget, he said.

HHS partners with CSU Extension on nutrition education

Health and Human Services' LiveWell Broomfield program has partnered with CSU Cooperative Extension to bring nutrition education and cooking demonstrations to low-income families in Broomfield.

CSU Food Stamp Nutrition Educator Sara Ward and HHS Registered Dietitian Rene Lindeen presented a Nutrition 101 class to low income seniors at Maryel Manor.

The educational duo plans to bring a series of classes to Maryel Manor, Broomfield Greens and other low-income senior housing sites. Topics include using herbs in cooking, reading food labels, heart healthy cooking, food safety and making food dollars stretch.

In addition to these opportunities, Ward will be partnering with HHS to reach families at or below 185 percent of the poverty level, including WIC

families, Food Stamp and TANF recipients, to offer a similar educational series in both Spanish and English that will encourage healthy eating and active living as a lifestyle choice for all ages of the Broomfield community.

Noxious weeds, be gone!

On Saturday, June 16, Broomfield's Open Space and Trails Department partnered with Volunteers for Outdoor Colorado (VOC) to remove noxious weeds from the Great Western Reservoir Open Space. There were approximately 50 youth volunteers working at the site to help Broomfield control several invasive weeds on the open space including knapweed, thistle, and dalmatian toadflax.

Broomfield's application for the project was accepted by the VOC's Youth Program over the winter and staff has been working for several months with the VOC to organize the event.

The Great Western Reservoir Open Space is located between Simms St. and Indiana, south of Highway 128. In addition to the removal of noxious weeds, youth volunteers also reseeded areas of the open space native prairie grasses and helped to construct raptor perches and a kestrel nesting box to be erected on the site

Looking ahead

Join in health dialogue

Broomfield's Health and Human Services Department is joining the Caring for Colorado Foundation, the Public Health Alliance of Colorado and the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment in a discussion designed to encourage and strengthen the public health system in Colorado.

This public health dialogue will identify gaps and barriers in public health efforts, and seek recommendations to help make high quality public health services available to all people in the state.

The Broomfield discussion is scheduled on Monday, July 16, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Broadlands Conference Room at 6 Garden Center. Anyone who is interested in attending

should RSVP to Amanda Hensley at 303.861.4995 or by email to Amanda@calpho.org.

Movie marathons:

The Mamie Doud Eisenhower Young Adult section is featuring movie marathons this summer. July 7 is Harry Potter, from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., and August 4 is Lord of the Rings from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Films will be shown in the Eisenhower Room of the library.

Moviegoers should bring their own snacks and drinks. These movies are open to all ages, but children under 12 must come with someone over 13. Permission is required for the PG-13 films.

One Book, One Broomfield

The Mamie Doud Eisenhower Public Library will host Broomfield's second One Book, One Broomfield initiative this fall. One Book, One Broomfield is a city-wide reading and discussion program that encourages residents to read the same book at the same time to create a shared sense of community through literature.

There will be discussion groups for all ages, bookmarks celebrating the effort and special activities chosen from the book's topic. Young people are especially encouraged to participate. Last year, over 900 people participated in the program. Watch for events coming in September and October.

The One Book title selection will be announced in late August, so stay tuned!

Capital projects ...

Highlights:

- The ribbon cutting for the Sheridan Underpass on Saturday, May 19 at 10:30 a.m. signifies the completion of the project.
- The Weld County Road 6 bridge over Bull Canal is complete and the road has been re-opened to traffic.
- Xcel Energy is currently burying the overhead power lines on the north side of East Midway between Lowell and Willow Park. This work is the first step in the East Midway widening project. The project runs from Lowell Boulevard to Vrain Street. Xcel Energy anticipates completion before July. Roadway construction is scheduled to start in July as soon as Xcel Energy has completed its work. The project will add two lanes and a landscaped median to the north side of the existing roadway, which will complete the four

lane arterial from Sheridan Blvd. east to the city limit at Zuni Street.

Girl Scout Shelter

Work on the shelter is complete, and was finished before Memorial Day. The shelter has been booked almost solid ever since.

The contractor, staff and design team have completed a punch walk of the site. The contractor will be working on correcting the outstanding items in the next few weeks.

The restrooms have been reconfigured, and there are now three stalls in each. Xcel Energy set a new transformer and the building is on permanent power. Site restoration and sod replacement is complete.

A dedication for the shelter, including a plaque, is being planned and will be announced soon.

Departmental updates ...

COMMUNICATIONS

Broomfield's communications efforts were recognized recently by the National Association of County Information Officers (NACIO) in its Award of Excellence program.

Joel Radtke's series of photographs of the installation, dedication and visitation of Broomfield's 9-11 Memorial received top

recognition, earning a Superior award and Best In Class for all population categories. Radtke, manager of Web based communications, also earned a meritorious award for the Web site redesign.

Broomfield's new map, a brain-child of City and County Manager George Di Ciero, also earned a Superior award. The project was managed by the CACs, with the technical help of the GIS Division.

Kim Greason, video production specialist, won a meritorious recognition for the Channel 8 video of the 9-11 Memorial.

The 2005 Annual Report and midyear calendar coordinated by Public Information Officer Rosann Doran earned a Superior award. The ***Broomfield on the Inside*** magazine produced by Doran also received a Superior award.

NACIO recognizes efforts for jurisdictions in categories either above 500,000 population or below 500,000 population. Broomfield's entries were submitted in the below 500,000 population category.

Colorado Press Women announced its annual Communications Contest awards on May 12 for work produced during 2006. Doran received first place recognition for the annual report and midyear calendar, which advances to national competition at the National Federation of Press Women. Both 2006 issues of the *Broomfield on the Inside* magazine were also recognized.

CULTURAL AFFAIRS

Cultural Council: The Cultural Council met on Monday, May 7, for the first of three evenings of scheduled Scientific and Cultural Facilities District (SCFD) grant applicant interviews that take place each spring. Twenty cultural and scientific organizations applied for project and General Operating Support (GOS) funding to provide programs and services to the Broomfield Community in 2008. The Cultural Council finalized its recommendations for SCFD funding on June 4 and will present its recommendations to the City Council in July for approval.

Public Art: The Public Art Committee (PAC) met on Wednesday, May 9, discussed locations and ideas for its next public art project, and presented these concepts to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee on May 16. City Council will receive the proposals in June.

Sister Cities: The Broomfield Sister Cities (BSC) committee met May 9 to continue planning for the Ueda City student visit to Broomfield August 2 through 10. Discussion included finalizing the activity schedule (day captains, ceremonies and event fees), fundraising to cover students' event expenses), publicity (newspaper article and redesigned website), and applications for the 2008 program.

The committee continues to meet on the second Wednesday of the month; meetings are open to the public. For more information, call Alisa in Cultural Affairs (x5835) or email: broomfieldsistercities@gmail.com

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES (HHS)

Broomfield Workforce Center: The Workforce Center is hosting a Youth Summer Leadership and World of Work Exploration Program. To kick it off, on June 25, Broomfield youth met with Don Mares, the state director of the Department of Labor, followed by lunch with Mayor Karen Stuart. This is a pilot program scheduled to run for two months. The first month, youth will meet with people in the community and visit local businesses. During the second month, youth participants will intern at local businesses. The focus of the program is leadership and work-readiness skill building.

Children and Families: The Colorado Department of Health and Human Services Foster Care Division gives awards on an annual basis. Lynn Wixted-Holland and David Holland, of Broomfield, were named the 2007 foster family. Sherry Betherum, Broomfield HHS foster care coordinator, received the Outstanding County Professional of the Year award. The awards were given as a part of a statewide Foster Care Awareness event on May 19.

Health Division: On Saturday, May 19, Health Division staff collaborated with Safe Kids, North Metro Fire Rescue and Century Chevrolet in a Car Seat Safety Event from 10 am to 2 pm. Over 80 car seats were inspected and/or installed. HHS has four certified car seat safety technicians who were joined by three other volunteer technicians to provide this community service. Throughout the event, approximately 30 car seats were replaced or given to families in need who either had seats that were outdated, not appropriate for their child, or had no seat at all. Denver Metro Safe Kids granted \$600 worth of car seats to support the event. HHS runs a Car Seat Fit Station every Tuesday from 1 to 3 p.m.. These services are free of charge and open to Broomfield and non-Broomfield residents.

The Broomfield Community Health Information Network (CHIN) sponsored an event May 16 as part of national Women's Health Week. Dr. Kim Barnes, of Broomfield Comprehensive Gynecologic Care, spoke on cervical cancer prevention, human Papillomavirus and the new Gardasil vaccine. CHIN may offer this important information again in the future.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES (IT)

Software implementation with Innoprise and the Broomfield Community Development Department is continuing. Currently, the software is in the customization and configuration phase. During this phase, Broomfield is working closely with Innoprise and Red Oak to clearly define, evaluate and implement the software development requests.

From now through August, software configuration will continue. Through mid-July, IT work will be in tandem with Innoprise, with Innoprise performing the customization design, development and testing. Broomfield will approve the design and once approval is gained, Innoprise will begin the development phase, with a final week of testing of the customizations.

Next, Innoprise will work with Broomfield to identify and transfer existing data to the new system. This data identification effort will determine the sources of data, the quantity of data to be transferred, and any transformation steps which must be taken in order to add the data to the new system. Data will be converted by Innoprise from July 23 to August 10, followed by one week of testing.

Forms will be created during the weeks of August 20 and 27. System testing will be performed during the first week in September. The actions performed to transfer this data will be recorded and reapplied during the final data conversion which will occur just before launch.

To ensure the system works well with other existing computer systems within Broomfield, Innoprise will start designing integration interfaces between identified systems at the end of August. Data Pumps will be designed and implemented for interfaces which involve the sharing of information between different systems. This design and development effort will continue until early-October and testing will follow.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

On Wednesday, May 9, at the Annual Police Employee Awards Luncheon, recognition went to exceptional employees who have performed acts of service with distinction, merit, and valor and volunteers who have assisted the department.

There were 32 volunteers recognized for their dedication of time and service to the Police Department.

Years of Service awards were presented to 19 employees with five years of service; five with 10 years of service, and three with 15 years of service. Sgt. Steve Griebel was recognized for 20 years of service and Sgt. Colleen O'Connell was recognized for 25 years of service. Earning recognition for 30 years of service were Chief Tom Deland, Deputy Chief Joan Cox, and Commander Tim Hersee.

There were 82 Community Service Awards presented for ongoing participation in programs such as Santa Cops, Special Olympics' Torch Run, and Tip-A-Cop.

One employee received an Education Achievement award, and one was awarded the Field Training Officer Award for taking on the responsibility of training and evaluating recruit officers.

There were 23 officers recognized with Safe Driving Awards for two or more consecutive years of accident-free driving.

Marksman awards went to 25 officers, nine received Sharpshooter, 27 were presented with Expert, and 28 received Master Awards, with Officer Mike Sveta earned the Top Gun Award for exceptional qualifying firearms marksmanship scores.

Unit Citations were awarded to units who exhibited exceptional service, teamwork, professional skill and conduct: the Property Unit of the Investigations Division, the Training Unit, and Department employees who assisted during the Blizzards of December 2006.

Police Commendations for performance in events exemplifying excellence in police service or technique were presented to Officers Brian Gunn and Nobi Gailus.

Sergeant Scott Swenson was awarded the Chief's Commendation as an employee whose performance has exceeded Department standards over an extended period of time, and who has demonstrated zeal, obedience, and commitment to the high standards of police service.

Officer Dale Hammell also received a Chief's Commendation for serving as a model officer for

others, his positive attitude, and ongoing effort to exceed the department's mission and values.

Meritorious Service Awards were presented to employees whose conduct or performance was brave, exemplary, heroic, or where a risk of injury exists, and to those who contribute significantly to the Department over an extended period in operational or support functions by advancing the idea of excellence in police work.

These recipients were: Administrative Analyst Cheryl Keller, Detective Gabe Oser, Detective Brian Gardner, and Sergeant Bryan Lingo.

Life Saving Awards were presented to Officers Justin Petersen, Tim Merrill, Dave Hunt, Sgt. Rhett Newbold, and Communications Specialist Karen Griggs.

A Medal of Bravery was awarded to Officer Eric Fredrick for conduct or performance in the line of duty that was brave, exemplary, heroic, or where a risk of injury to the employee existed.

Emergency Management Coordinator Brandon Lawrence was awarded Police Employee of the Year, and Records Supervisor Lisa Ritz was named Police Supervisor of Year. Officer Dean Bennett and Detention Officer Bernadette Espinosa were named Police Officers of the Year.

PUBLIC WORKS

Congratulations are due to Jean Aldrich, environmental services water quality analyst, who was named the 2007 Rocky Mountain Water Quality Analysts Association's Analyst of the Year. This award is given to those who have demonstrated exceptional skill in the field of water quality analysis. The department is very proud that Aldrich was selected from among many worthy candidates. The award will be presented to her at the Annual Conference in September. Aldrich has been a Broomfield employee for six years. In 2006, she was promoted from a part-time water quality technician to a full-time water quality analyst for the wastewater lab.

RECREATION SERVICES

Active adult/senior programs – April trips included, "Jubilate," a casino trip, and Supper Club with 76 participating.

Silver Sneakers® visits for April:

Broomfield Community Center	1,413
Paul Derda Recreation Center	2,617
TOTAL	4,030

In April, there were 225 participants in senior drop-in activities that included pinochle, table tennis, Jammers, Woodcarvers, Bridge, Photo Club, billiards, genealogy, and Chess Club.

Also in April, 175 individuals participated in special events for seniors, including Dancing at Lakeshore, Show Time, Coffee Talk, Spring Bridge Tournament, and intermediate genealogy.

Athletics – Programs currently under way are:

<u>Activity</u>	<u># of Participants</u>
Adult Volleyball	13
Youth Volleyball	135
Lacrosse	93
Inline Hockey	15
Youth Competitive Basketball	23
Senior Softball	17
Adult Softball	64
Womens' 3 v 3	96

Boys' Recreation Baseball registrations are complete, with 1,058 participants, 70 percent of whom are Broomfield residents. The few on the waitlist are non-residents. All Broomfield residents have been accommodated. As attrition takes place, registrants will be pulled from the waitlist to fill in the slots.

Athletics held successful coaches' training meetings and an informative parents' meeting in May for the new Youth Baseball program. There were 134 attending the coaches' meeting, and 150 at the parents' meeting.

Aquatics – Dawn Rachjaibun reports that the Mini-HaHa triathlon event on Sunday, June 10, was the best ever in its seven year history. There were 502 participants registered with 98 on the waitlist. Every attempt is made to include those on the waitlist.

There were 83 enrolled and participating in triathlon clinics to prepare for the Mini HaHa; 16 enrolled in the 10-week Triathlon Training Course, with 10 on the waiting list.

Early Learning – Registrations for Fall 2007 include 96 kids, with 62 spaces remaining.

There are 161 students currently enrolled in Early Learning Classes for Winter/Spring 2007.

The pre-school Easter party had 144 participants.

May was a busy month for the Early Learning program, as it was finishing up for the season.

Highlights include:

Cinco De Mayo – All classes shared a traditional “Mexican Fiesta” during class. Families were also invited.

“Muffins for Mom!” – At this Mothers’ Day event, moms received gifts that the children made, and everyone enjoyed juice and muffins together.

Field Day: Children participated in a variety of events at Commons Park. Activities included a potato sack relay, marshmallow relay, obstacle course, squishy balls, and relay races.

Graduation! – All children received diplomas at a graduation ceremony and celebrated with their families at a special lunch afterward.

Child Sitting – In keeping with the theme “Family, Fun and Fitness,” Recreation Services now offers patrons at the Paul Derda Recreation Center the ability to make reservations for child care all day for every hour of operation.

Fitness – Broomfield’s fitness program is a great strength in Recreation Services. A recent letter to staff states:

“I just wanted to give a compliment to whomever manages the Recreation Center (Paul Derda Recreation Center). I come all the way from Stapleton with a punch pass, to take “Mommy and Me” classes. I am so comfortable there, and it’s

worth the drive; so few family-friendly fitness venues are around. Dawn (instructor) is wonderful and professional. She actually ‘plugged’ the class while we were strangers at a coffee shop.”

Gymnastics: During April, there were 648 participants enrolled for once-a-week classes and 205 enrolled for twice-a-week classes. Total participations for April numbered 3,174.

In April, gymnasts participated in a practice meet at Overland. Broomfield also hosted an invitational gymnastics meet at the Derda Center.

The following email was received from a parent by staff about the practice meet:

“I just want to extend a compliment to all the instructors who worked so diligently with all the Flyers team members. It was my daughter’s first experience at competition and she loved it. Thank you and all the instructors for your hard work, enthusiasm and smiles that make all the difference. Great Job!”

In May, there were 3,532 gymnastics participations.

Youth and teen – “School’s Out” in April had 51 participants, and pottery had 23. In May, the last “School’s Out” for this school year had 17 participants.

Recreation’s summer day camp, Camp Explorer, is full with 299 participants. There are 11 camp staff returning from last year, and 18 new staff members have been hired. Twenty-five Summer Camp staff attended the Colorado Parks and Recreation Association *PLAY* Spring Conference.

At the Audi ...

Mark your calendar:

Fridays, to July 27, 10:30 a.m.: Fabulous Fridays programs - FREE

Wednesdays, to August 1, 2 p.m.: Wonderful Wednesdays programs - FREE

Thursdays, June 28, July 12 and 26, 7 p.m.: Family Movie Nights - FREE

Wednesdays, June 27 to August 8, 7 p.m.: Summer Concert Series - “Decades of Music” - Broomfield Amphitheater - (no concert on July 4) - FREE

Tuesday, July 3, 7:30 p.m. - Wizard Rock -
Broomfield Amphitheater - FREE

Summer concert series

From big-band swing and the era of Elvis to British pop, Motown, disco and techno hits, this summer's line up features six distinct bands performing the music you remember.

Performances are at the Broomfield Amphitheater by Community Park Pond at Main Street and Second Avenue. In inclement weather, the performances will move into the Audi.

June 27 - After Midnight: The region's best small swing combo specializes in Benny Goodman's favorite combo sounds of the 30s and 40, mixing old standards and new variations with clarinet and vibraphone.

July 11 - Never Surrender: This multi-talented five piece band specializes in musical pleasure for the ears and feet, getting crowds of all ages dancing to the rock and roll tunes of Elvis and other popular 50s artists.

July 18 - The Legendary 4-Nikators: Colorado's premier dance band performs music of the 60s

Broomfield Summer Youth Players bring Cinderella to Broomfield

Think you've heard the Cinderella story before? Think again! The Broomfield Summer Youth Players are planning to produce a modern, comic version of that favorite tale this summer.

This season's student producer is Tara Heyl, and she's excited to carry on the tradition of this student-run summer theater program which takes place in the Broomfield Auditorium (Audi) at 3 Community Park Road.

Auditions will take place the third week of June at the Audi, as will weekly rehearsals. Performances

and beyond featuring seven versatile musicians known nationally for their dynamic, non-stop, crowd-pleasing entertainment.

July 25 - Funkiphino: This popular ten-piece funk and disco band combines horns and soulful vocals with old-school Hammond organ and bass sounds to give audiences a first-class opportunity to boogie back to the 70s.

August 1 - That Eighties Band: One of the hottest and most unique 80s tribute bands in the nation, this four piece band's sound and stage show mixes the best of that decade with modern technology, image and attitude.

August 8 - Phat Daddy: This acclaimed high energy, five piece show band consists of some of Denver's top nightclub performers who take audiences on a fantastic journey through pop music's finest moments.

The 2007 Summer Concert Series is sponsored by the City and County of Broomfield, the Scientific and Cultural Facilities District (SCFD), Studio 1430 KEZW and Flatiron Crossing.

of Cinderella are currently scheduled for Friday and Saturday, August 3 and 4.

Students in middle school or high school who would like to join the group are welcome. Help is needed in all areas of production ... actors, tech crew, publicity, box office, sets, scenery. For more information, phone Tara Heyl at 303-465-6350 or email her at heyjmj1@msn.com.

Watch for more details in the Broomfield Enterprise, the Broomfield Council on the Arts and Humanities Web site: www.ArtsinBroomfield.org and on the Broomfield Web site's Audi event calendar at: www.broomfieldauditorium.com

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