



Centennial Council of Neighborhoods – March 26, 2007

The meeting was called to order by Cathy Noon at 6:50 p.m. and adjourned at 8:52 p.m. with 15 members present.

Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office Captain Mark Fisher

- Deputies dressed as the Easter bunny will go to hospital children's wards beginning April 6.
- A partnership with South Metro Fire Dept. has a medic going on all calls with the SWAT team.
- Graffiti is considered a gateway crime. The Sheriff's Dept. is looking at this problem, how to handle complaints, implementation of a new data base to log all graffiti complaints including a photo of the 'art work'. There is a reward program [\$500 for info leading to arrest & conviction]. Centennial Youth Commission is reviewing options leading to recommendations that may help alleviate graffiti. To Report graffiti: 303-795-4711.
- www.arapahoesherriff.org

Arapahoe Library District Eloise May

- Libraries across the nation are also working on graffiti problems with after school programs with creative art projects especially effective in smaller communities.
- Night of the Authors, Friday, April 13, 6-8:30 pm with Chris Crutcher at Grandview H.S. in partnership with Cherry Creek Schools.
- *Myth, Reality and Wisdom in College Planning*, April 16, 7-9:00 pm, Koelbel Library. Reservations: 303-220-7004
- Doggy Tails for reluctant readers is a program to build reading skills in young readers (grades 1-5) by reading to dogs in a safe and accepting environment.
- Koelbel Library will be 15 years old in May accompanied by celebrations.
- Smoky Hill & Koelbel libraries always need gently used children's books for their used bookstores.
- www.arapahoelibraries.org

Arapahoe Park & Rec District Rebecca Nash

- Trails Rec Center will work with Health One Medical Center for Fitness Festival on May 5. It will be closed on Easter.
- Playground & Shelter at Village Park is nearing completion. Piney Creek Hollow Park construction should be completed by June with a picnic area and restrooms.
- There has been lots of wear and tear on the fields.

- www.aprd.org

Fire Districts Battalion Chief Jeff Christ, Littleton

- The Metro Fire Training Center Academy is currently working with new recruits.
- 85% of all calls are medical related.
- A new 105' aerial truck is located at Santa Fe and C-470. It was recently used at a school under construction.
- Working with teen to prevent auto accidents with a the CAR program (Common sense, Awareness and Responsibility)
- Teams are gearing up for the wild fire season. Teams are placed at most Littleton stations and can be deployed across the country as needed.
- www.cfpd.org www.littletongov.org www.parkerfire.org www.southmetro.org

South Suburban Recreation District

- Easter egg hunts: April 7, deKoevend Park, 9:30 am; Sheridan Park at 10:00 am.
- Night Light Egg Hunt & Miniature Golf for teens 10-14 yrs, Friday, March 30, 7:30-9:30 pm, at Colorado Journey.
- Easter Sunday Brunch at Lone Tree Golf and Country Club, April 8, 10-2:00. Reservations: 303-790-0202.
- Blood Screenings, 30 tests including a lipid profile, available @ \$35/person, 7:00-9:30 a.m. at the following Recreation Centers: Lone Tree, Tues., April 16; Goodson, Wed., April 17; Buck, Thurs., April 18. Fasting necessary.
- Joe DeLio, the skate sharpener at South Suburban, died recently. The rink at So. Suburban will be named after him.
- *Showtime on Ice*, April 27, 28, 29, featuring Oklahoma and Lion King, 125 skaters, professionally choreographed.
- 26th annual Highline Canal Run and Walk, Saturday, May 12, 5K Run/Walk or 10K Run, \$20. Reservations on web.
- www.sspr.org

City of Centennial Nancy Reubert

- Snow & Ice Advisory Task Force will meet on March 27 with numerous stakeholders invited.
- Seats are still available for State of the City luncheon, April 19, Embassy Suites. Reservations: 303-991-6250.
- City will publish its first annual report and will be available on April 19.
- Open Space committee has given its first report to Council. A board will be appointed.
- Openings on Board of Adjustment and Board of Review. An Animal Appeals Board will soon be appointed.
- Developer for *Streets at Southglenn* announced the first group of retail anchors [www.celebratesouthglenn.com], and has withdrawn the residential component from the project due to soft condominium market. Developer may come back with proposal for apartment rentals. No timetable is available. The sales center has now been closed. Library has submitted a nonbinding Letter of Intent to developer so the developer can go out for bonds.

- Rhonda Livingston & Nancy Reubert attended a neighborhood relations group meeting in City of Aurora.
- www.centennialcolorado.com

Cherry Creek Schools Wendy DeBell, Community Liaison

Ms. DeBell highlighted the following: The District has sent out an electronic newsletter to neighborhoods with current information about schools in the district. Gov. Ritter addressed a Leadership for Tomorrow luncheon where two students were honored. The 'Tough Times, Tough Choices' national report is receiving much discussion. 33% of the students in the district are an ethnic minority. The goal in Cherry Creek is to have every student prepared to enter college. In terms of AP classes, over 676 students are taking AP tests. The AVID (Advanced Individual Determination) program assists more than 2000 middle and high school students who need additional attention. 93% of these students were accepted into 4-yr colleges. Youth/Adult Summit was a great success. CC Shareholder's Report was available.

Land Use Services (URS) Rita McConnell, URS; Casey Henderson, URS, Wayne Reed, Centennial

Wayne Reed, Director of Planning and Development in Centennial, introduced Rita McConnell and Casey Henderson, URS, both are full-time at the City. Each described their background, experience & perspective in working with land use. Drainage and traffic analysis are high priorities in land use. Cathy Noon described the CenCON process of reviewing plans submitted to the City.

Discussion: Mr. Henderson described the process used to analyze a new development's impact on traffic and the planning necessary to address those impacts. The developer pays for a traffic study. Development in unincorporated Arapahoe County is handled by the City with a response after the referral packet is submitted either with strong support or opposition. Traffic at University and Arapahoe, the RTD plans at Southglenn, and a request for an updated status of Streets at Southglenn were discussed.

Wayne Reed provided an update from the Planning and Development Department. The re-definition of the airport influence area is under discussion between the City, the County, and the Airport. This will influence future development plans. The County and the City have both adopted the same development standards [non-residential] for the JPA area. The City will adopt these standards city-wide in the next few months. Job descriptions for a Long Range Planning Director and an Economic Development Director will soon be posted. The re-write to the land development code is about to begin.

Neighborhood Map Review

- The latest draft of the Centennial Neighborhood Map was reviewed for accuracy.

CenCON Business Cathy Noon, President

- Announced re: the 17-Mile House meeting on Tues. & Wed. Mar. 27-28, 8-10 am; and Tues. 7 – 9pm, Open House.
- Read letter from Commissioner Jim Dyer re: his amendments to address CenCON signage concerns on the Copper Leaf development which were approved.
- Election of officers for CenCON will be held in April.
- A drawing for RTD Light Rail tickets was won by Andrea Suhaka and C.J.Whelan.

Membership Ron Podboy, 2nd Vice President

Has received contact information and will begin contacting those HOA's that have not renewed their membership.

Minutes Gerry Cummins, Secretary

- Moved by Andrea Suhaka, seconded by Lynn Leader, to approve the February 26, 2007 minutes. Motion carried.

Financial Report Don Strickland, Treasurer

Checking		Savings	
Previous Balance:	\$ 369.84	Previous Balance:	\$ 2949.78
Income:	120.00	Income (Interest):	0.00
Expenses:	0.00		
Closing Balance:	\$ 489.84	Closing Balance:	\$ 2949.78

Next meeting: Monday, April, 23, 2007