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TALK OF THE TOWN

February 2018



Historic Renovation Project is Complete **SCHOOLHOUSE GRAND RE-OPENING**

School is back in session! The Schoolhouse on Mainstreet has been undergoing renovations since 2015 and is ready to open its doors once again! Join us for a ribbon cutting on Feb. 24 from 10 a.m. to noon to see the newly remodeled space while enjoying crafts, music, cake, tours and more! This event is FREE and open to the public.



CALLING ALL ARTISTS!

Be a part of the 2018/2019 Douglas County Art Encounters Public Art Program!

Art Encounters is a yearlong outdoor sculpture exhibit that showcases a number of sculptures, in various media and styles, displayed in highly visible areas in Parker, Castle Rock, Highlands Ranch, Lone Tree and

Roxborough. The project is designed to promote public interest in art, develop community pride and draw visitors to the retail or civic areas where they are displayed. All art is for sale to the general public.

Visit www.ParkerArts.org/ArtExhibits to learn more!



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DID YOU KNOW?

An up-to-date list of the Town of Parker's current Capital Improvement Projects is available online at www.ParkerOnline.org/CIPUpdate. Find out all of the latest information on projects like roadway improvements, maintenance projects, stormwater improvements and facility construction at this site. You can also call the Town's Engineering Department at 303.840.9546.





From the Mayor and Town Council YOU CAN VOLUNTEER FOR PARKER'S INVESTMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Are you looking for a way to get involved in your community? A volunteer position is now available on Parker's Investment Advisory Committee. The Investment Advisory Committee, which is appointed by Town Council, reviews and monitors the Town's cash management and investment results, develops and recommends investment policies to the Town Council, and assists in the selection of investment facilitators and managers.

Finance professionals who have experience serving as representatives of banks or trust companies, representatives of primary government bond dealers, private sector cash managers, and finance directors or investment personnel in local government entities are encouraged to apply. Preference will be given to financial professionals who live and/or work within Parker's town limits. Committee meetings are held on a quarterly basis in January, April, July and October.

Relatives of Town employees and officials are not eligible to apply. If you are eligible, please send a letter of interest and resume to: Town of Parker Finance Department, Attn: Mary Lou Brown, 20120 E. Mainstreet, Parker, CO 80138. The deadline for applications is Friday, Feb. 16 at 5 p.m.

Please contact the Town of Parker Finance Department with any questions at 303.841.0353.

WE NEED YOUR HELP WITH OUR WEBSITE REDESIGN!

If you have feedback on our websites, we want to hear it! We are in the process of redesigning the Town of Parker and Parker Parks and Recreation websites, and we'd love to consider your input in this process. Whether you have some time to spend with us in person, or if an online survey fits better into your busy schedule, we have easy ways for you to participate.

Community Workshops

Two community workshops will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 13 from 3 to 4:30 p.m. and 6 to 7:30 p.m. Sign up at www.ParkerOnline.org/WebsiteCommunityWorkshop (sign-up required).

Online Survey

Too busy for an in-person meeting? You can take a quick online survey to provide feedback. Surveys will be open through Monday, Feb. 5.

Visit www.ParkerOnline.org/WebsiteRedesign for more details, to take the survey or to sign up for an in-person session. If you have questions or would like more information, please email Communications Director Elise Penington at epenington@parkeronline.org or call 303.805.3113. We look forward to your participation!



AUBURN HILLS NORTH/SOUTH TRAIL

Thanks to feedback received from citizen surveys conducted over the last several years, we know that our residents place a high priority on trails, especially the construction of new trails. As the Town continues to grow, the need for additional trails for both recreational and commuter purposes, has also increased.

The completion of the northern segment of the Auburn Hills north/south trail will provide another critical link in the Town's overall trail system. When completed this spring, the new trail, which will be approximately 1,700 feet in length, will provide a 10-foot wide concrete connection (currently a dirt trail) from Mainstreet at the north to the recently completed East/West Regional Trail at the south. The trail will use the old Newlin Gulch Road



right-of-way running between the Bradbury Hills and the Regency/New Horizons communities.

For more information on the Town of Parker's trail system, including an interactive map, visit www.ParkerRec.com/Trails.

KICK OFF THE 2018 RUN SERIES

Join Parker Parks and Recreation for the annual Love 'em or Leave 'em Valentine's Day 5K/10K with RNK Running & Walking on Saturday, Feb. 10 at 10 a.m. at Bar CCC Park.

This professionally timed event features an exciting 10K option, along with the popular 5K run/walk and free Kids' Dash for children under 8 following the run! Pre-registration, which closes at noon on Feb. 7, is \$40 for the 10K and \$30 for the 5K, with walk-up registration for an additional \$10. All registered participants receive a long-sleeve race shirt, a chance to win great prizes and a delicious, post-race pancake breakfast! Strollers and leashed dogs are welcome. Register online at www.ParkerRec.com/VDay5K10K or contact Charlie Rhode at cwrhode@parkeronline.org for more event information.

Parker Parks and Recreation would like to thank our Love 'em or Leave 'em Valentine's Day 5K/10K Title Sponsor, RNK Running & Walking, and Finish Line Sponsors, Ent Credit Union, Parker Academy of Martial Arts and Parker Performance Clinic. Contact Jaime Vollertsen at 303.805.3267 or jvollertsen@parkeronline.org for sponsorship information.

The 2018 Parker Parks and Recreation Run Series includes the Love 'em or Leave 'em Valentine's Day 5K/10K on Feb. 10, the Cattle Crossing 5K & Family Fun Trek on June 2, the So Long to Summer 5K/10K & Family Fun Trek on Aug. 11 and the Turkey Day 5K FUN Run/Walk on Nov. 22.



REMINDER: KEEP DOGS ON LEASH

Did you know that Parker requires dogs to be kept on a leash, 30 feet or shorter, whenever they are outside of your home or fenced yard? Off-leash dogs are not allowed on public property under any circumstances, even if they are under voice control. This ordinance includes all parks and trails in Parker and is in place to protect your pets and others.

If you need more information or would like to read the full ordinance, please visit www.ParkerOnline.org/MunicipalCode or contact the Town Clerk's Office at 303.841.0353.

FOLLOW PARKER ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Did you know that the Town of Parker is active on social media? Follow the Town, Police Department, Parker Parks and Recreation and Parker Arts today!

Facebook

@TownofParkerCO
@ParkerPoliceDepartment
@ParkerRec
@ParkerArts

Twitter

@TownofParkerCO
@ParkerPolice
@ParkerRec
@ParkerArtsCO

Instagram

@TownofParkerCO
@ParkerRec



SETTING THE "PACE" IN ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT THIS WINTER

For information about these programs or for registration/tickets, visit www.ParkerArts.org or call 303.805.6800.

ADULT LECTURE SERIES

The Parker Cultural and Scientific Commission presents the Parker Arts Adult Lecture Series, an array of talks on topics that impact local residents. All lectures take place at the PACE Center and are FREE and open to the public. Although an RSVP is not required, it is appreciated. Please RSVP via phone at 303.805.6800 or email at PACEdu@parkeronline.org.

Innovations in Police Technology

Feb. 7 • 6:30 p.m.

Speakers: Chris Peters, Commander, Parker Police; and Josh Hans, Public Relations/PIO, Parker Police

Genetic Counseling

March 7 • 6:30 p.m.

Speaker: Melissa Gilstrap, MS, CGC Genetic Services Coordinator, Parker Adventist Hospital

EDUCATION

Spring Break Camps & Classes

Parker Arts offers full-day and half-day enrichment during spring break with camps like Kid's Cooking Camp (March 19 to 21), Mini Movie Camp (March 19 to 23), Robotics Using LEGO® EV3 (March 19 to 23) and more! It doesn't end there! We're cooking up something special with culinary classes like Kids' Valentine Treats (Feb. 12), Italian Night (April 2), Creative Art & Cooking (Jan. 22 to March 12) and more!

CHECK OUT THESE UPCOMING PERFORMANCES!

Wonderbound:
"Aphrodite's Switchboard"
with Chimney Choir
PACE Center • Feb. 17 and 18

Chamber Music from the DU Lamont School of Music:
Mozart's Winds
Schoolhouse Theater • Feb. 18

Parker Symphony Orchestra:
Gone Too Soon
PACE Center • Feb. 23

Christopher Cross (pictured top left)
PACE Center • Feb. 25

Colorado Jazz Repertory Orchestra: Kinda Duke-ish—
The Music of Duke Ellington
PACE Center • March 2

Family Discovery Series:
Bennett School of
Irish Step Dance
Schoolhouse Theater • March 3

Los Lobos
PACE Center • March 3

How I Became A Pirate
PACE Center • March 9

Catapult—The World's Premier Shadow Dance Company
PACE Center • March 10

Flamenco Vivo Carlota Santana
PACE Center • March 11

Neil Simon's "Laughter on the 23rd Floor"
Schoolhouse Theater • March 16 to 25

NEW PACE ART EXHIBIT: TELL ME A STORY

PACE Center Art Gallery
Current Exhibit Through Feb. 14

Featuring the artwork of Matt Christie, Frank Sampson, Janey Skeer and Melanie Yazzie, this exhibition explores the question of where art comes from and the concept of tapping into one's psyche for inspiration. Each piece is a story, each artist an author.

What can you discover when reading between the strokes?



GET MOVING THIS WINTER WITH PARKER PARKS AND RECREATION



For information about these programs or to register, visit www.ParkerRec.com or call 303.841.4500.



Spring Break Camps

Registration is open for Parker Parks and Recreation's Spring Break Camps! We offer a variety of camps and classes to get your child running and jumping and learning teamwork, good sportsmanship skills and much more! While the age ranges for various camps differ, we have offerings for kids as young as 5 and as old as 18. For more details or to register, visit www.ParkerRec.com/SpringBreakCamps.



New Group Classes/ Extended Childcare Hours

Parker Recreation has added new programs to the group fitness schedule, including new barbell classes, Zumba® Burst, Aqua Jogging, Boot Camp, Cardio Blast, GroovaRoo Dance™ and more! Childcare hours have been extended until 1:15 p.m., Monday through Friday, to make it easier to attend the lunch-hour classes. Find the perfect class for you!



Adult and 50+ Softball

Registration is now open for Spring Adult and 50+ Softball leagues. Spring men's and coed softball is a seven-game season that does not include a tournament. Spring 50+ Softball is a 12-game season played over league and tournament games where the playoff format is determined by the number of teams registered. For schedules, more details or to register, visit www.ParkerRec.com/Sports.



Fitness Specials will Help You Spring into Gear

Let Parker Parks and Recreation help you look good, increase energy and decrease stress with our Spring Fitness Special. From March 5 to 18, purchase three one-hour, private, semi-private or express personal training, Pilates or yoga sessions and get one free. We have more than 20 nationally certified personal trainers on staff, so make sure to take advantage of this great offer!

PARKER PARKS AND RECREATION JOB FAIR

Learn about various job opportunities and apply on site at the Parker Parks and Recreation Job Fair, Sunday, Feb. 11 from 4 to 6 p.m. at the Parker Fieldhouse.

A representative from each division will be in attendance to answer questions and give more details about positions, pay and schedule. Options will be available to apply on site; strong candidates will be able to schedule an interview with the hiring manager. This is also a great opportunity to explore summer employment opportunities.

Part-time positions will be available, including: Lifeguards, Concession Clerks, Day Camp Counselors, Guest Service Representatives, Sports Officials, Facility Attendants and more. This is an exciting opportunity for those looking for flexibility, competitive pay and convenience. Positions also include a FREE Parker Recreation membership!

Visit www.ParkerRec.com/Employment to view job descriptions or contact Brenda Mooney for information about the Job Fair at 303.805.6309 or bmooney@parkeronline.org.



PARKER POLICE DEPARTMENT

Keeping Our Community Safe

YOUTH EDUCATION AND SAFETY IN SCHOOLS PARENT ACADEMY

Please join the Y.E.S.S. Parent Academy in February focusing on keeping youth and families safe, social/digital media and human trafficking.

Some of the topics that will be covered include:

- Identity theft and keeping finances safe online
- Social/digital media to include latest on apps and devices
- Emotional intelligence
- Sexting/sextortion
- Human trafficking

This free program will begin at 6 p.m. with a Resource Fair, and the Academy will be from 7 to 8:30 p.m. While there is no cost for the program, we ask that you please RSVP so we can get an idea of how many people will be attending.

Date: Thursday, Feb. 1

Time: Resource Fair - 6 to 7 p.m.
Academy - 7 to 8:30 p.m.

Location: 9800 Schwab Way
Lone Tree CO 80124

For more information, contact the Parker Police Department at 303.841.9800.

PARKER PUBLIC SAFETY YOUTH COUNCIL

The Parker Police Department is excited to announce the new Parker Public Safety Youth Council, and we need your help recruiting kids!

The Parker Public Safety Youth Council will be a partnership between the Parker Police Department and the youth of our community. The program will be designed to bridge the gap between youth and Police by providing direct access to members of the Office of the Chief of Police.

The goals of the program include:

- Foster a trusted relationship between law enforcement and local youth
- Enhanced youth diversion program efforts
- Enhanced public safety education
- Enhanced communication strategies
- Strategic Plan modification
- Create a Teen Police Citizen's Academy

We are currently recruiting individuals that can help us reach out to the youth of the Parker community. These individuals may be teachers, sports coaches, church leaders or others that interact with Parker youth. If you would like to help select students who will collaborate with law enforcement on a variety of topics, please visit our website at www.ParkerPolice.org/YouthCouncil.

The Youth Council will operate in cooperation with Parker-area schools, churches and youth groups for kids between 8th and 12th grade. When the council is first launched, meetings will be held monthly. Once the program has been established, they will be every other month or quarterly.

For more information, contact the Parker Police Department at 303.841.9800.



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORNER

Planning and Building a Healthy and Sustainable Parker!

Development Review and Building Activity

2017 was a busy year for the Community Development Department consistent with the improving local economy and year-over-year increases in development activity.

The Development Review Division is responsible for processing land use applications such as requests for annexation, rezoning, site plans and subdivision plats. The total number of land use applications completed by the Town increased from 169 applications in 2016 to 179 applications in 2017. The Division also reviews Sign Permits, Vendor and Temporary Use Permits, Home Based Occupation applications and requests for variances from the Land Development Ordinance. Applications for these types of approvals also continues to remain strong.

For more information on projects in review and under construction, please visit our Development Tour map at www.ParkerOnline.org/Development.



Comprehensive Planning Projects

The Comprehensive Planning Division continues to work on a number of projects, including updating the design standards for commercial, industrial and multifamily buildings and implementing the recommendations of the Downtown Parking Plan and Study. For more information on these projects visit the websites:

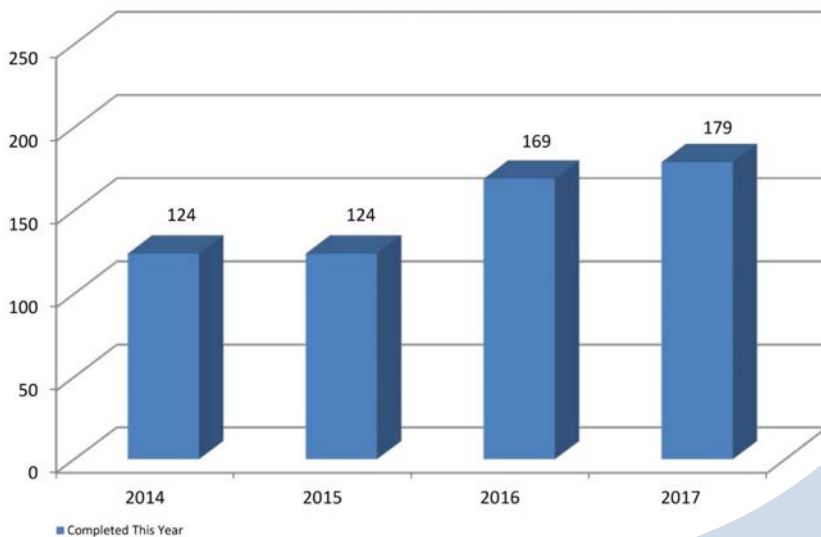
www.ParkerOnline.org/DevelopmentDesignStandards

www.ParkerOnline.org/DowntownParkingStudy

For more information on the design standard project or downtown parking, please contact Carolyn Washee-Freeland at cfreeland@parkeronline.org or 303.805.3336

Development Review Applications

(annexation, site plan, subdivision, zoning)



HOMEOWNER BUILDING CLASSES

The Town of Parker's Homeowner Building Classes give people a chance to ask all kinds of building-related questions. All types of projects can be discussed. Typically, interior projects are popular for the fall and winter classes and outdoor projects for the spring and summer classes.

Staff will take you through the permit process, explain fees and discuss required inspections. This is a good opportunity to meet the people who will help you with the application and plan review process and also to meet with the field inspectors.

2018 Class Dates

Below are the dates for this year's classes, which start at 6 p.m. and are held at Town Hall.

- Thursday, Feb. 8
- Thursday, May 3
- Thursday, Aug. 9
- Thursday, Nov. 15

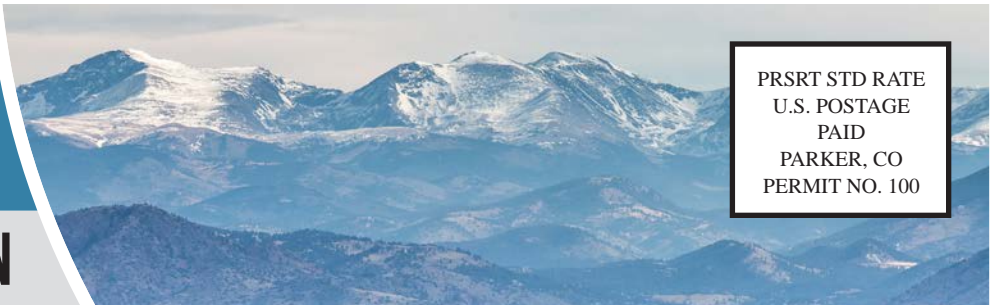
If you have any questions, please contact the Building Division at building@parkeronline.org or 303.841.1970.

NO BUILDING INSPECTIONS ON MARCH 9

Due to continuing education training for Town of Parker staff, no building inspections or plan reviews will be performed on Friday, March 9. The front counter of the Building Division office will remain open for normal business.



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COMMUNITY CALENDAR - UPCOMING EVENTS

Parker Town Council Meetings

• Feb. 5 and 20; 7 p.m.

Parker Town Hall

Go to www.ParkerOnline.org or call 303.841.0353 for more information.

Homeowner Building Class

• Feb. 8; 6 p.m.

Parker Town Hall

Go to www.ParkerOnline.org or call 303.841.0353 for more information.

Parker Planning Commission Meetings

• Feb. 8 and 22; 7 p.m.

Parker Town Hall

Go to www.ParkerOnline.org or call 303.841.0353 for more information.

80s Hip Hop Night

• Feb. 8; 4 to 9 p.m.

The Ice Trail at Discovery Park

Go to www.ParkerRec.com/IceTrail for more information.

Lessons & Lemonade - Free Youth Art Workshops

• Feb. 10; 9:30 and 11:15 a.m.

Hobby Lobby (Parker & Mainstreet)

Go to www.ParkerArtistsGuild.com/Classes/Youth for more information.

Town Website Redesign Workshop

• Feb. 13; 3 to 4:30 and 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Parker Town Hall

Go to www.ParkerOnline.org/WebsiteRedesign or call 303.841.0353 for more information. Sign-up required.

Support Your School Night (Wear School Gear)

• Feb. 15; 4 to 9 p.m.

The Ice Trail at Discovery Park

Go to www.ParkerRec.com/IceTrail for more information.

Parents' Night Out

• Feb. 17; 6 to 10:30 p.m.

Parker Fieldhouse

Go to www.ParkerRec.com/PNO or call 303.805.3609 for more information.

Unlocking Social Security

• Feb. 21; 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Parker Recreation Center

Go to www.ParkerRec.com or call 303.805.3281 for more information.

Disco Night

• Feb. 22; 4 to 9 p.m.

The Ice Trail at Discovery Park

Go to www.ParkerRec.com/IceTrail for more information.

Babysitting Preparedness

• Feb. 24; 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Parker Recreation Center

Go to www.ParkerRec.com or call 303.805.3281 for more information.

TOWN HOLIDAY CLOSURES

Feb. 19

• Presidents' Day

Town Hall closed.