



PARKER INSIDER – HOA Newsletter *November 2017*

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PLEASE HELP US UPDATE OUR HOA MAILING LIST!!

The Town is constantly updating our list of HOA presidents and management contacts. If your contact information has changed, please contact us and let us know. You can call us at 303.841.0353 or email acurry@parkeronline.org. Thanks in advance for your assistance.

Town Hall will be closed on Friday, Nov. 10 in observance of Veterans Day.

Turkey Day 5K Fun Run/Walk

DATE: Thursday, Nov. 23
LOCATION: Parker Recreation Center
TIME: 8 a.m.
COST: \$15 pre-register, \$25 race day

Celebrate Thanksgiving Day with family and friends while getting a workout at Parker Parks and Recreation's annual Turkey Day 5K FUN Run/Walk with RNK Running & Walking on Nov. 23, 2017 at 8 a.m. starting at the Parker Recreation Center, 17301 E. Lincoln Ave.

A scaled-down version of our 5K run series, this non-sanctioned event will be unofficially timed. Pre-registration is only \$15 and race-day registration is an additional \$10. Receive 10 percent off pre-registration for groups or families of four or more registering together online; the discount will automatically apply at checkout. This discount will not be available once registration closes. A small convenience fee will be assessed to online registrations. All pre-registered participants will receive a commemorative item and a chance to win prizes. In the spirit of the holidays, participants who bring a non-perishable food item for the Parker Task Force will receive an additional prize drawing ticket (*limit one per person*). Wear your commemorative item from a previous Turkey Day 5K to receive yet another prize drawing ticket. Strollers are welcome but please leave your dog at home.

Town Hall will be closed on Thursday, Nov. 23 and Friday, Nov. 24 for the Thanksgiving holiday. The facility will reopen for business on Monday, Nov. 27.

Thanksgiving Facility Closure on Thursday, Nov. 23, All Day- PACE, Parker Fieldhouse and Recreation Center.

Mayor's Holiday Lighting

DATE: Friday, Nov. 24
LOCATION: O'Brien Park
TIME: 5:30 to 7 p.m.
COST: FREE

O'Brien Park comes alive for the holidays at the Mayor's Holiday Lighting presented by Xfinity and Swingle, Lawn, Tree and Landscape Care on Friday, Nov. 24 from 5:30 to 7 p.m. The event will begin with the Parker Chorale leading the town Sing-a-long to Silent Night followed by the countdown to the Town Tree and Grand Park Lighting. Once the park is lit, visitors can stroll around this festive community space to take in the sights, sounds and tastes of the holiday! Enjoy illuminated holiday-themed ice sculpture displays and entertainment, caroling by local school choirs and taste treats or even participate in a family-friendly scavenger hunt. Don't forget to stop by the Town tent before you walk to pick up a program and scavenger hunt key. Make your first stop a visit with the Parker Police Department at its annual Cram the Cruiser event. Bring a food donation to the Police booth (individual sized servings) and receive a stamp on your scavenger hunt passport. If you visit enough places throughout the park, you may even win a 50-inch TV from Xfinity.

Holiday Carriage Rides

DATE: Nov. 24, 25, 26
LOCATION: Discovery Park
TIME: 3:30 to 8:30 p.m.
COST: FREE
CONTACT: 303.805.3253

Parker's popular free downtown holiday carriage and wagon rides return during our Hometown Holidays Weekend. Carriage and wagon rides will be provided Friday, Nov. 24, Saturday, Nov. 25, and Sunday, Nov. 26 from 3:30 to 8:30 p.m. There will be one ride station this year at Douglas County Libraries in Parker. These round trip rides are non-stop and travel through downtown to O'Brien Park and back to the library. All carriage and wagon rides are free to the public, although participants will be required to reserve time slots in advance. Reservations are on a first-come, first-served basis. Sign-up will open on www.ParkerOnline.org/CarriageRides on Wednesday, Nov. 22 at 10 a.m.

Parker Ice Trail at Discovery Park

The Parker Ice Trail at Discovery Park, located next to Douglas County Libraries in Parker on Mainstreet and Pine Drive, will kick off its season with a celebration on Friday, Nov. 24, with special hours from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m.

The Parker Ice Trail meanders through Discovery Park, reminiscent of a frozen river or canal. Skaters or spectators can stay warm next to one of the fire pits adjacent to the ice, or enjoy hot chocolate and other concessions while delighting in the sights and sounds of the new community park.

Ice Trail Hours

Monday through Thursday: 4 to 9 p.m.

Friday: 4 to 10 p.m.

Saturday: 11 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Sunday: 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Ice Trail Admissions and Rentals

Children 10 and under: \$6

Adults: \$8

Skate Rental: \$4

4-Visit Pass: \$30 – can be used for any age and for multiple people, includes both admission and skate rental

Group Rate (10 or more guests): \$10/each, includes skate rental

2017 Election ballots can be dropped off in the ballot box in the front circle of Town Hall, inside Town Hall at the Election Center, or the Parker Police Department by Nov. 7.

Homeowner Building Class

DATE: Nov. 9

LOCATION: Town Hall

TIME: 6 p.m.

COST: FREE

CONTACT: 303.841.1970

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. Building Division 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.

Performances at the PACE Center

Nov. 3 – *The Uncharted Series: Gentri*

GENTRI, the "Gentleman Trio" of highly trained tenors, has made their mark on the pop music scene with their handsome harmonies, creative songwriting, and lovely purity behind every note. "Barbershop Triplet" is the easiest way to describe GENTRI: smooth, strong music guided by the vocal harmonies of the three gentlemen that make up this band.

Nov. 4 – *Billy Gardell*

Down-to-earth and raucously funny, the Emmy-nominated *Mike and Molly* actor's stand-up show is filled to the brim with stories from his wild adolescence to the woes of modern family life. With plenty of acting credits and comedy specials under his belt, Gardell is seasoned, hilarious and is set to bring his uniquely funny set to PACE this fall!

Nov. 11 – *Family Discovery Series: Opera Colorado's "Cinderella"*

Is a wicked Stepfather like a wicked Stepmother? What about a wise advisor instead of a fairy Godmother? Inspired by the traditional fairytale, Rossini's *Cinderella* is an opera with a twist on the classic story.

Nov. 24 - *Take 6 & Nnenna Freelon*

Take 6 is returning to the PACE Center! Their unique flavor of gospel is equal parts powerful and smooth. Take 6 share their crystal clear harmonies, innovative arrangements and incredible grooves, demonstrating why this sextet is recognized as the pre-eminent A cappella group in the world. Joining them is Nnenna Freelon, a world-renowned jazz vocalist who dominates the stage.

Nov. 25 – *Big Bad Voodoo Daddy's Wild and Swingin' Holiday Party*

Big Bad Voodoo Daddy's unique take on American swing and jazz music has thrilled audiences around the world, and now their spirited "Wild and Swingin' Holiday Party" will be a family favorite. Drawing on holiday classics and Christmas originals from the band's two full-length holiday albums, this show really does offer something for everyone.

Saturday Skate Night

DATE: Nov. 4

TIME: 5:30-9 p.m.

LOCATION: Parker Fieldhouse

CONTACT: 303.805.6300

COST: \$3 for skaters or any age. Non-skating adults with skating children are always free.

Grab some friends and your roller skates or blades for Skate Night! Participants can skate around the rink and listen to great, family-friendly music. The time is designated for open skating with no hockey allowed. This event is great for all ages and teens looking for something to do on a Saturday night.

Cram the Cruiser Food Drive

Join the Parker Police Department as we Cram our Cruisers for the Parker Task Force! All donations will be used to fill the more than 120 backpacks that are provided to qualifying Parker area kids each Friday throughout the school year. These backpacks are filled with enough food to get kids through the weekends when they don't have access to nutritious meals from their school. Your individual sized donations will provide kids with the nourishment they need so they are able to focus on learning and growing instead of being hungry.

You can help by donating individual-sized food items like the ones listed below that can be included in the more than 120 backpacks each week. Please be sure to check all expiration dates before donating items. We want to insure all the food provided is safe to be shared with Parker area kids.

Canned ravioli, Ramen noodles, Instant oatmeal, Fruit snacks, Goldfish crackers, Individual microwave meals, Granola bars, Pudding cups, Juice boxes

The Parker Police Department will be hosting a live collection day on Nov. 24th from 8am-12pm at the Police Station. Come by to drop off your donations and say hi to some of our wonderful Officers and volunteers. If you're not able to make it to the Police Department drop off, we'll also have a booth at the Mayor's Tree Lighting on Nov. 24th from 5:30-7pm at O'Brien Park. Everyone who brings an item for the Cram the Cruiser drive will earn a punch for the scavenger hunt to win a great prize. Additionally, Town of Parker buildings including Town Hall, the PACE Center, the Recreation Center and the Fieldhouse will all have collection bins located near their entrances from Nov. 1st through Nov. 22nd.

National Prescription Drug Take Back Day

DATE: Oct. 28

TIME: 10 a.m -2 p.m.

LOCATION: Parker Police Department

Prescription medications play an important role in the health of millions of Americans. However, expired medications or unused drugs often stay in the back of cabinets for months or even years. These expired drugs can pose significant health hazards to toddlers, teens and even family pets who may inadvertently consume medications. Some medications are so potent that even one dose could be fatal if accidentally ingested. Throwing away certain medications in trash cans or flushing them down the toilet can be a safety and health hazard, too.

We cannot accept needles and sharps, mercury (thermometers), oxygen containers, chemotherapy/radioactive substances, pressurized canisters and illicit drugs.
