



City and County of Broomfield, Colorado

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and City Council
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Summary
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The report is a monthly summary of staff activities, projects and events.

Prior Council Action
N/A

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Alternatives
N/A

Proposed Actions/Recommendations
N/A



City & County Manager's Report

August, 2011

TO: Mayor Patrick Quinn and the Broomfield City Council

FROM: Charles Ozaki, City and County Manager

FYI

Bal Swan selected for visit for South African delegation; HHS's Connelly speaks

Recently, the South African Consulate contacted Colorado and requested a site visit of an early childhood center or preschool that exemplified a model of inclusion and comprehensive services. The request was routed to the Colorado Lieutenant Governor's office because all early care initiatives at the state level are handled by his office.

There, staff suggested Bal Swan Children's Center as possible location for the visit. A request was sent to Bal Swan to set up the tour and the staff agreed. The consulate's office also requested information about the Early Childhood Systems Building Initiative and how it translates to local work.

Dr. Lucinda Wayland Connelly, program planning administrator from the Family and Children's Division of Broomfield Health and Human Services, was asked to participate as a presenter for the delegation.

The tour and presentation was Friday, July 29, 2011 at Bal Swan Children's Center.

Third time's a charm

After two unsuccessful years of trying to secure state arts funding, this year all the hard work paid off. Broomfield's Cultural Affairs Division has been awarded grant money by Colorado Creative Industries, and will be receiving \$7,500 in funding.

This year's application was an effort by the Cultural Affairs employees who produced a short video highlighting the wonderful programs and

compelling public art in Broomfield, according to Cultural Affairs Manager Karen Gerrity.

The award will be used to purchase new equipment for the Broomfield Auditorium as well as supplies for the Depot Museum and Broomfield Veteran's Memorial Museum.

Colorado Creative Industries (CCI), part of Colorado's Office of Economic Development and International Trade, awards grant money every year providing financial support to nonprofit cultural organizations and government agencies that produce arts and cultural activities, attract jobs to their communities and enhance quality of life for local residents.

This year, CCI handed out 132 grants totaling \$922,000 as part of the Colorado Creates program.

Recreation plans Kids' MiniMini Haha

Recreation Services is planning the first annual MiniMini Haha Kids Triathlon will on Sunday, August 14, beginning at 8:30 a.m.

This new triathlon is designed just for kids and patterned after the adult Mini Haha. The name MiniMini was chosen because it's for the extra mini members of the community, and Haha is because it will still be lots of fun!



This event is for kids ages 6 to 13 years who are looking to have fun, exercise, and participate in an

event just like their parents. The event will be low-key, family-friendly and encouraging. Kids who haven't ever competed in a triathlon before and are looking to try something new will experience something fun and something to get them motivated to feel good about themselves.

Every participating child will come away from the MiniMini Haha as a winner. Each will receive a T-shirt for the event, and a free pass to The Bay for a day of fun in the sun after the triathlon is over.

This triathlon involves swimming, biking and running, in that order. Participants will start by swimming in the Community Center indoor pool, then go on a bike ride, and finally on a walk or run to finish up. The distances for each leg of the race are:

6-8 years - 25 yard swim, one mile bike ride and quarter-mile run; 9-11 years - 50 yard swim, two mile bike ride and half-mile run; and 12-13 years - 100 yard swim, four mile bike ride and one mile run.

Additional information is available at www.broomfieldrecreation.com and at the Broomfield Community Center and the Paul Derda Recreation Center.

Fireworks Tournament brings 60 teams

The 2011 Colorado Fireworks Girls' Fast Pitch Softball Tournament June 30 to July 4 brought 60 softball teams from 18 states to Broomfield fields. The teams played over 275 softball games with the finals played on Monday, July 4.

For the first time, a Colorado team played in the 12U finals. The *Colorado Stars*, a Broomfield-based organization, came through the brackets and met up with the Kansas City Glory team for the championship, but fell short by a score of 3-1. Nonetheless, the girls were very excited to be in the finals and to represent Broomfield and the State of Colorado.

The 14U championship had to go into the "IF" game with the Birmingham Mustangs from Alabama taking first, and the Texas Glory team taking second.

This year the tournament battled through some severe lightning storms that caused several changes in the game schedules. On Thursday, June 30, seven games were lost due to lightning. Those games had to be re-scheduled the next day. On Friday, July 1, lightning hit the ground

causing a leg in the transformer to go out, causing field lights at Community Park to quit working. A temporary fix was made on Saturday, July 2, and the rest of the tournament went smoothly and as scheduled.

Again this year, many teams commented that the reason they return for the *Colorado Fireworks Tournament* is because Broomfield is such a great town, and this tournament is one of the best-run of its type in the nation.

New Project Launch: Trees For A Healthy Community and Economy

The Xcel Energy Foundation has awarded a \$15,000 grant to the Institute for Environmental Solutions (IES) to work with the City and County of Broomfield as partners in a tree planting project to aid environmental health and future economic vitality in Broomfield.

Broomfield's partner in the project, IES, is a Denver-based nonprofit organization dedicated to addressing complex environmental challenges. It strives to advance objective integrated solutions to the front range region's most pressing environmental concerns, such as air and water quality and pollution control.

Research shows that consumers travel farther and more frequently to shop where the tree canopy is full, and that they pay more for all categories of goods in these shaded areas. Studies also reveal that, "Healthy and well maintained trees send positive messages about the appeal of a district, the quality of products there and what customer service a shopper can expect." Trees directly improve environmental quality and community health by reducing air pollution, moderating air temperature, managing storm water, and increasing outdoor activity levels.

IES's initiative, Trees for a Healthy Community and Economy, will optimize the impacts of urban forestry – environmental health and economic vitality – in the proposed mixed-use civic center in Broomfield. The project will be implemented through collaboration among IES, the city, and Broomfield businesses. Trees for a Healthy Community and Economy will serve as a model for the cooperative implementation of community-based, economic development programs that target integrated environmental improvement.

A \$15,000 community match is requested by the grantor. The match will be solicited from

Broomfield businesses by IES with assistance from Broomfield. Broomfield staff will contribute in-kind services for the project, including assistance with the landscape design, tree species list and tree planting event planning and coordination.

Two areas in the emerging mixed-use civic center plan are being considered for the 2012 planting. They are the area between the Library parking lot (expanded) and the North Metro Fire Administration Building and the right-of-way along First Avenue.

Centers to close for maintenance

To maintain both Broomfield recreation centers and keep them in top shape, staff takes time each year to perform maintenance. The Paul Derda Recreation Center will be closed for seven days, August 22 through August 28, and the Broomfield Community Center for three days, August 29 through August 31 for maintenance and repair projects.

The front desks will be open and staffed from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. during the maintenance closures. Staff will be available to accept registrations, answer questions, direct incoming phone calls and redirect walk in traffic.

Recreation programs have been scheduled around the maintenance closures, and programs that do not use the centers will go on as planned.

Most Senior Services programs will not be held during the three-day closure at the Community Center, with the exception of Meals on Wheels and Easy Ride. Meals on Wheels will deliver frozen meals to its patrons for the three days and Easy Ride will maintain the regular schedule. Senior staff will still be available to offer information on services and the desk will continue to be staffed from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. daily.

Patrons are notified about the maintenance closure dates through the summer brochure, *Be in the Loop* informational emails, the *Broomfield Enterprise* "rec news" section, flyers handed out to program participants, and posters hung in both facilities. Information will also be posted on the city's web site. Phone recordings on the main phone lines will also mention the closure dates.

For additional information please contact Nancy Harrold at 303.460.6903.

Holiday closure

The City and County of Broomfield offices, the Mamie Doud Eisenhower Public Library and the Broomfield Community Center and Senior Center will be closed on Monday, Sept. 5, for the Labor Day holiday. The Paul Derda Recreation Center will be open limited hours from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Looking ahead

Tickets still on sale for SRB fund raiser

Tickets are still on sale for the ninth annual "A Summer Night at Mimi's" fundraiser for Senior Resources of Broomfield. Cost is \$15 each.

The August 17 event is a buffet from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Only 150 tickets will be sold.

Mimi's will provide a buffet dinner with various entrees, including nonalcoholic beverages and their famous breads.

All of the proceeds from the event will go to senior assistance programs such as Meals-on-Wheels, eyeglass, dental, and hearing aid assistance.

Mimi's has been a Senior Resources of Broomfield corporate sponsor for the past eight years, hosting the event at no charge to the organization.

Ask a Master Gardener

The final day for residents to "Ask a Master Gardener" on Saturdays this year is August 20 from 9 a.m. to noon at Home Depot, 12171 Sheridan Blvd.

Broomfield Master Gardeners will still be available by phone from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Mondays and Thursdays. To ask questions about home yards, landscapes or gardens, call the Help-Line at 303.464.5554. It is also available to take messages 24 hours a day.

Research-based Fact Sheets on gardening and horticulture topics are available online at http://www.broomfield.org/hhs/CSU_extension/mastergardeners.shtml or by visiting the CSU Extension office in the City and County Building, 1 DesCombes Drive.

Homeownership course at library

A free training offered by the Boulder County Housing Counseling Program is scheduled for August 13 from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Mamie Doud Eisenhower Public Library, 3 Community Park Road.

The course is for those looking to buy a home, and will teach how much home they can afford and how to budget for the expenses of homeownership. It will discuss how credit relates to home buying and where to find resources for down payment assistance and affordable housing.

Also taught will be the different mortgage financing options, how to make an offer and what's in the closing loan documents. Attendees will also become familiar with home inspections and will be able to develop a plan for "healthy homeownership."

Call 720.564.2279 to register. More information is available at www.bouldercountyhc.org.

At the 1STBANK Center:

August 17 – GoGo Dolls with Michelle Branch and Parachute, 7 p.m.

August 20 – Ring of Fire 41: Bragging Rights, 6:30 p.m.

August 27 - Roller Dolls bout 7, 7 p.m.

Sept. 3 – Ke\$ha with LMFAO, Spank Rock, 7:30 p.m.

Sept. 4 – Selena Gomez and The Scene with Allstar Weekend, 7 p.m.

Sept. 17 – Roller Dolls bout 8, 7 p.m.

Oct. 15 – Roller Dolls bout 9, 7 p.m.

Oct. 16 – Roger Daltrey performs The Who's "Tommy," plus other Who classics and more, 7:30 p.m.

Oct. 27 – Portishead with Thought Forms, 8 p.m.

Oct. 31 – Spooky Tings – Skailiez with Skream and Benga, Neo, 12th lanet, Two Fresh and Nadaström, 6:30 p.m.

Nov. 5 – Judas Priest with Black Label Society and Thin Lizzy, 6:30 p.m.

Nov. 8 – Yo GabbaGabba Live! 4 p.m.

Nov. 11, 12 and 13 – WFTDA Roller Derby Championships, 2 p.m.

For tickets visit www.tickethorse.com or call 866-461-6556.

Capital projects ..

2011 Citywide Irrigation Improvements

This annual program improves operation, water coverage and maintenance of irrigation systems owned and maintained by Broomfield while reducing water waste from irrigation system breaks and old, inefficient parts as well as reducing future annual maintenance costs.

For the past three years, Broomfield has completed citywide irrigation improvements using a design-build process to replace portions of aging, deteriorated or failing irrigation systems and equipment throughout Broomfield.

Current work includes irrigation and drainage improvements at a sports field in Country Estates Park. Also included are irrigation replacements in shrub beds located in two medians in Sheridan Boulevard just south of West 136th Avenue. The lowest responsive bidder was Coloco, Inc. Work will proceed in mid-July with anticipated completion by the end of August 2011.

At the end of June, Parks Services staff purchased a new solar-powered controller to be installed northeast of the solar arrays at the Mamie Doud Eisenhower Public Library. The controller will be used for the new landscaping around the solar arrays at the library, and for future irrigation

improvements related to the Civic Center development.

Dillon Road and South 120th Street Turn Lane Improvements

The 2009 revised budget included funds for the in-house design of improvements of the Dillon Road and South 120th Street intersection. The basic objectives for the project are to provide a



dedicated left turn and through lane for eastbound Dillon Road to prevent the current traffic bottlenecks that occur at this intersection.

Secondarily, the possibility of a lengthened right-turn lane from westbound Dillon Road to South 120th Street will also be developed.

The design of this project is 90% complete and the construction plans are 50% complete. To complete this project it is necessary to purchase right-of-way from Boulder County Open Space. Initial meetings with Boulder County indicate this is possible, but acquisition of the necessary land will have to go through the formal process as established by the Boulder County Code. It is expected that this process will extend through late fall.

As land acquisition continues through the fall the final bid plans and utility relocation agreements will be completed. This project can bid as soon as the right-of-way is acquired. It is anticipated that construction will take place throughout the winter and be completed in the spring 2012.

Heuer Property Removal of Structures

Preliminary studies conducted at the Heuer property - two parcels owned by the Broomfield Urban Renewal Authority at 3661 and 4075 West 120th Avenue - identified materials that will require special handling. These include asbestos, lead paint and other solid and hazardous waste.

In March 2011, CIP staff issued a Request for Proposals for environmental consulting services. At the end of May a contract was awarded to SMITH Environmental and Engineering to ensure site clean-up is conducted in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations to prepare the site for future development. SMITH completed the Phase 1 Environmental Assessment and started

the Limited Phase 2 Environmental Assessment.



Staff intends to award a construction contract for removal of structures on the property in September 2011.

Library Solar Panels Landscaping - \$21,500

CIP staff contracted with a local landscape architect and collaborated with Parks Services staff and a landscaping contractor to design a landscape and irrigation plan to complement existing landscaping at the library site and help improve the aesthetics of the solar installation northeast of the library building.

The plan includes trees and shrubs around the solar arrays, and a drought-tolerant, native grass between the arrays that will be manicured. Parks services staff will install a new solar-powered controller northeast of the solar arrays for the landscape irrigation. The landscaping and irrigation installation has been completed.

The controller will also be used for future irrigation improvements for the Civic Center development.

Neighborhood Grant Program

Four grant requests have been received and approved for the 2011 Neighborhood Grant season. One request was received last year and approved by the CIP Advisory Committee.

Funding for the program was suspended in 2010, so the grant has been funded this year.

The four projects include improvements to the Interlocken Disc Golf Course, benches within the shared grounds areas in The Falls at Legend Trails neighborhood, flower pots (adopt-a-pots) within the shared grounds areas in The Falls at Legend Trails neighborhood, and tree plantings in the shared grounds in the RedLeaf neighborhood.

The Falls at Legend Trails neighborhood



successfully completed its projects the beginning of July. The neighborhood is thrilled with the additional benches and flower pots.

Westlake Tennis and Basketball Court Replacement

The tennis and basketball courts at Westlake Park are scheduled for replacement in 2011 under the annual tennis and basketball court replacement program. Since 2008, Broomfield has replaced tennis courts at Brandywine and Northmoor parks with post tensioned concrete courts under this program. The Westlake park courts see very heavy public use and are also used by Westlake Middle school.

During March, Broomfield and Adams 12 School District staff developed a plan for the replacement of the Westlake courts. A project review memo was presented to Council on April 26, 2011. Council was in support of the project but directed staff to pursue funding of the project through Service Expansion Fee (SEF) revenues. Subsequent to this meeting, Adams 12 School District was approached regarding the use of SEF funds and agreed to support funding 50% of the project through SEF.

In June, Broomfield solicited qualifications for post tensioned tennis and basketball court constructors and Renner Sports Surfaces was the only qualified respondent. Final plans and costs were negotiated with Renner Sports Surfaces and were presented to Council on July 12, 2011. Council approved the agreement and the tennis court construction will begin immediately.

Renner Sports has a plan to complete the major construction before school starts in mid-August and will coordinate with the district to work around the schools operations as the project is wrapped up in early September.

Transportation...

Projects move forward on U.S. 36

Three RTD projects continue to move forward on U.S. 36: U.S. 36 Queue



Jumps, U.S. 36 Transit Signal Priority study, and the Table Mesa Pedestrian Bridge project.

Construction is anticipated to begin late summer on the **Queue Jumps** at McCaslin Boulevard and Church Ranch Boulevard. The Regional Transportation District (RTD) is coordinating closely with the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) to ensure the new queue jumps will fit in with the managed lanes project, specifically at Church Ranch Boulevard and 96th Street.

The **Transit Signal Priority study** is also moving forward. The study will examine the effectiveness of adding signal prioritization to the RTD bus queue jumps at four interchanges along U.S. 36 – Sheridan Boulevard, Church Ranch Boulevard, 96th Avenue and McCaslin Boulevard. The study also will determine necessary infrastructure for each intersection to allow signal prioritization technology to function.

The bids for the **Table Mesa Pedestrian Bridge project** were due on July 14. The project is scheduled to go to the RTD Board or Directors for approval in August, with construction anticipated to start in the third quarter. The project will take approximately eighteen months to complete.

-- Courtesy of U.S. 36 Commuting Solutions

Departmental updates ...

COMMUNICATIONS

Again this year, Broomfield's KCCB Channel 8 has been nominated for top honors in six categories in the Government Programming Awards, sponsored by the National Association of Telecommunications Officers and Advisors (NATOA).

Winners will be announced at the 26th annual Government Programming Awards Banquet, on Friday, Sept. 23 in San Francisco, Calif.

Due to the elimination of the smallest budget category, Channel 8 programs were up against many agencies with larger budgets and staff. Despite the challenge, Channel 8 still managed to place six of the eight videos entered. Most notably, the channel is up for Overall Excellence for the 5th straight year, finishing in the top three out of 12 entrants.

Channel 8's promotional campaign "Broomfield, Colorado – Welcome Home" is up for top honors in the Promotional Video Campaign category and the Promotion of a City/County category. Other videos up for nomination are "Public Works – Goose Dog Program" in the Profile of a City/County Department category, "Flag Retirement Ceremony" in the Community Awareness category, and the "On the Beat" intro in the Visual Art category.

The Government Programming Awards are annual awards that recognize excellence in broadcast, cable, multimedia and electronic programming produced by local government agencies.

Categories cover a variety of programming including, among others, community events, documentary, public affairs and public service, interview/talk show, performing arts, sports, election coverage and children's issues.

Celebrating over 25 years of programming excellence, the awards recognize the achievements of government programmers across the nation.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Housing: A number of activities are underway in the Housing Division:

- The Homeownership Counseling Program has been implemented with the Boulder County Housing Authority. This program helps homeowners, homebuyers and renters acquire and retain a home of their own. Broomfield residents have access to free counseling services, which provide information, education and assistance in how to purchase a home, prevent foreclosure, get an understanding of how to use the equity in the home, and manage budgets and credit.

Services are provided on a one-on-one basis, by appointment, in Broomfield every Thursday, and at other locations in Boulder County. Group seminars provide general consumer information on the home purchase process, financing and re-financing options, credit repair and other topics that help clients to make informed decisions regarding their housing needs.

The next group seminar is scheduled at the Library on August 13. The topic is "Homeownership Training – Make Your Dream a Reality". So far, in 2011, 14 Broomfield families have received services through this program with eight families participating in group seminars. Six have taken advantage of the one-on-one counseling service.

- Also underway, is the Home Rehabilitation and Mobile Home Repair Program offering Broomfield homeowners either a forgivable or deferred no-interest loan to rehabilitate or repair their homes. There are 16 active applications. Of those, three homes are in the bidding process, six are under construction, and two homes have been completed.

Items being repaired are any health and safety issues, such as upgrades to electrical systems, sewer repairs, accommodation for handicapped accessibility, repair to walks and stairs and smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. Also included are energy efficiency items such as furnaces, doors, and windows.

In one of the completed homes, the plumbing system was repaired, as the disabled resident had been living in his home for four months without hot water.

Broomfield has just received an additional award of \$204,218 from the U.S Department of Housing and Development (HUD) for 2011, to continue the operation of these programs.

- Broomfield partnered with Habitat for Humanity for the purchase and rehabilitation of two foreclosed homes in Westlake, to be included in Habitat's homeownership program. The homes were purchased with funding through the Neighborhood Stabilization Program administered by the Colorado Division of Housing, and extensively rehabilitated. The program requires the future homeowners to contribute a minimum of 450 hours in sweat equity, and education, and then provides a very low interest mortgage to the families. Construction on both homes has been finalized, each family has completed its obligation and is proceeding to closing.



Before and after pictures of the kitchen of the home on Alcott Way.

FINANCE

Sales Tax: A new Citizen Access feature is now available to the public. The application, begun August 1, is a user-friendly, online sales tax application where businesses can apply for a new sales tax license, file sales and lodging tax returns and remit payment electronically.

The goal is to provide an efficient way that the business community can manage sales tax reporting and payment. Citizens Access offers several advantages over regular (paper) sales tax filing and remittance. Businesses can register and receive a log-on ID, and they have the ability to manage multiple accounts. Businesses can save time and postage and also have the convenience of filing 24 hours a day through a secure and reliable website.

RECREATION SERVICES

Active Adults: In June, the Healthy Hearts Walking Program for seniors finished its "Walk Across America" for the Winter/Spring session. The trek ended in Texas (figuratively speaking), with a party where all celebrated their success in the cumulative miles walked on the indoor track at the Paul Derda Recreation Center.

This popular program brings participants out to walk the track every Tuesday and Thursday, and tally their miles. Great friendships are formed and the group continues to grow, offering a health benefit to the active adults in Broomfield.

Aquatics: Broomfield Recreation sent two life guard teams to the 26th annual Lifeguard Games on Sunday, July 10 at Hyland Hills Water World. This year, 40 teams from recreation agencies across the state competed to show their life guarding skills and teamwork.

Competitions included multi-victim rescue relay, medley relay (including the butterfly, backstroke, breaststroke and freestyle), spirit competition, rescue relay with waves, inner tube relay, conscious choking adult and child relay, and fastest life guard contest. Broomfield came away having placed fifth out of 40 teams.

Athletics: All of the summer programs were launched during June. These were: youth and adult volleyball, boys recreational baseball and t-ball practices and games, girls recreational softball and t-ball practices and games, CARA track for youth, tennis instruction for youth and adults, CARA Tennis Teams, Lil' Champ Camp*, 50 years and better softball, golf league, tennis and bowling, pickle ball, and summer adult softball.

**Lil' Champ Camp* is a six-week program which provides an opportunity for three and four year-olds to get exercise while learning about baseball, soccer and basketball.

Early Learning: A senior volunteer program has been implemented for interested seniors in the community to help in preschool classes weekly, teaching the small children in any way necessary. Four seniors participated in the new program, during the Winter/Spring preschool sessions.

A Healthy Learning Paths guest speaker came once a month during the Winter/Spring Early Learning classes and talked about health and nutrition in a fun and interesting way for the classes.

Gymnastics: Broomfield gymnastics staff hosted a two-day regional gymnastics meet for the CARA League at Thornton High School on July 15 and 16. This entailed setting up the entire gym area with equipment for the meet, organizing and facilitating the meet, running the score table, and concessions. Although the gymnasium was excessively hot, the meet was successful.

To participate in the regional meet, each gymnast had to qualify by achieving a certain pre-determined, accumulative score throughout the regular-season meets. Broomfield qualified its entire team for the regional meet. Once again, Broomfield had a great showing. All 16 of the Broomfield teams competing were represented on the winner's podium. Out of 79 girls competing in this meet, 49 qualified for competition at the state meet in late July.

At the Audi ...

In the gallery

Gallery hours are Thursdays 2 to 6 p.m. and Fridays 2 to 5 p.m., Sundays 1 to 5 p.m. and during auditorium events.

Featured at the Audi

August 12: Backstory Theatre Academy presents the third through sixth grade Performance Workshop presentation of "Wizard of Oz" 6 p.m. Tickets: free; donations appreciated.

August 13: Cultural Affairs and Ones and Zeros Pixelshow present "Best of the Brick Flicks," 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Tickets: \$10, \$8 students and seniors.

August 13: Build a Brick Buster Awards Ceremony, 7 p.m. Tickets: awards ceremony \$15, \$10 students and seniors.

August 14: Screening of LEGO Universe Machinima Contest Works, 5 p.m. Tickets: \$25 package for whole weekend, \$15 students and seniors, Art Institute Winners \$8. Visit www.brownpapertickets.com/event/180816

September 7: CU Jazz in Broomfield performs "Til the Clouds Roll By – the music of Jerome Kern, 7 p.m. Tickets: free.

September 17: Hindustani vocal concert featuring Sri. Nachiketa Yakkundi, 3:30 p.m. Tickets \$100, \$50, \$20; kids 3 to 10 \$5, students with ID, \$10.

September 23: Backstory Theater Company presents "Mobius," an original comedy, 7 p.m. Tickets: \$12 adults, \$9 seniors and \$5 children. Visit www.brownpapertickets.com

September 24: Backstory Theater Company presents "Mobius," an original comedy, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Tickets: \$12 adults, \$9 seniors and \$5 children. Visit www.brownpapertickets.com

September 29: Enlightenment Journeys is back with "Sound Healing," 7 p.m. Free. This event will be in the Eisenhower Room of the Mamie Doud Eisenhower Public Library.

September 30: Aster Women's Choir performs "Quilters," 7 p.m. Tickets \$15.

Take a walk in the art

Join with the Healthy Broomfield initiative and take guided walks to enjoy some of Broomfield's diverse works of art. Walks are approximately a mile long and take about 45 minutes. Bring a lunch to enjoy in the park.

Walks are August 10 and September 14. Meet in front of the Mamie Doud Eisenhower Public Library, 3 Community Park Road, at 11:20 a.m.

Auditorium ticket sales

The auditorium now sells tickets to those events requiring them at the Broomfield Auditorium on Thursdays and Fridays from 2 to 6 p.m. and during some events when staff is available.

