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**Agenda Title:** Monthly City and County Manager’s Report

**Summary**
- The report is a monthly summary of staff activities, projects and events.

**Prior Council Action**
N/A

**Financial Considerations**
N/A

**Alternatives**
N/A

**Proposed Actions/Recommendations**
N/A
**Broomfield Days 2013 – another perfect signature event**

Picture perfect weather greeted participants in this year’s Broomfield Days. Broomfield’s premier, signature annual event was Friday and Saturday, Sept. 20 and 21 this year.

The Broomfield Open Golf Tournament on Friday, Sept. 20, was a big success with 22 teams and numerous sponsors at the Broadlands Golf Course in Broomfield.

The main event on Saturday turned out thousands for the entire day of activities in Midway Park. The tasty pancake breakfast presented by the Broomfield Lions Club pleased many. The parade, sponsored by the Broomfield Optimist Club, featured more than 50 entries, and the dog show, clown contest, and events on the demonstration stage brought a great time to all.

Event attendees enjoyed games and food with many purchasing items from the crafts fair and visiting local business representatives at the Broomfield Chamber of Commerce Trade Fair.

While the annual Broomfield Days event took place as scheduled, the many victims of recent floods in Colorado were not forgotten. Foothills United Way staffed a donation booth at the event to collect funds for flood victim relief.

The day ended with great tunes from the Kahuna Beach Band.

Many thanks are extended to the Lions Club, Optimist Club, the Broomfield Chamber of Commerce, the Broomfield Rotary Club, Senior Resources of Broomfield, the high schools, the zero-waste station volunteers and everyone who worked so hard to provide such a great event for the Broomfield community.

**HHS team submits quality practices to state**

Broomfield’s Quality Practice Team (QPT), a component of the Colorado Practice Model Initiative to improve quality practices overall, has completed a year-long process to analyze outcome data. The project was undertaken by the QPT from the Broomfield HHS Family and Children’s Services Division.

The group analyzed outcome data with an eye toward selecting one promising practice for submission to the Colorado Department of Human Services. Data was collected from Oct. 1, 2011 through Sept. 30, 2012. The team found that Broomfield met response timeframes 94 percent of the time, exceeding the federal goal of 90 percent.

That finding led the QPT to choose “Timeliness of Response” as the outcome area to submit to the state. To determine what makes Broomfield’s process so successful, the group looked at its team approach to assessing referrals, the child protection team of community stakeholders who review the accepted referral, the
assessment supervision of the caseworker through the process and the organizational culture.

In the next phase of the initiative, QPT will analyze factors contributing to Placement Stability.

Members of the QPT include staff representing intake casework, ongoing casework, support services, operations, division leadership and community partners.

**Employees model the ‘Broomfield Way’**

Jacqui Ainley-Conley, Broomfield’s museum administrator, went above and beyond the call of duty in helping a distraught Broomfield resident, the owner of the historic Grange building. He came to the library on Monday, Sept. 16, after the rains stopped, to ask for help.

The Grange had been taking on water and he didn't know if it was safe. Ainley-Conley called the Community Development Department where Plans Analyst Jan Graham contacted Inspector Doug Murray to take a look at a large crack in the foundation of the historic building.

Ainley-Conley called the Colorado Historical Fund office in Denver as well, and they were able to give the gentleman advice on next steps in dealing with the water and what are probably historic records and the like stored in the basement.

Ultimately, the building was deemed safe, and the owner was able to mobilize volunteers to remove the items in the basement. The Grange membership will be meeting and the State Historical Fund will be following up to support them in the decisions they will be making about the building and water intrusion issues.

Ainley-Conley took an extremely stressed gentleman and not only calmed him down but provided the exact kind of help he needed. By being proactive she helped save one of Broomfield's few remaining historic buildings. The Grange owner is now singing praises of the City and County of Broomfield and its employees.

**KCCB Channel 8 receives national recognition at 2013 government programming awards festivities**

Broomfield’s KCCB Channel 8 was recognized for six of its video submissions at the National Association of Telecommunications Officers and Advisors (NATOA) annual Government Programming Awards on Sept. 19 at the Loews Portofino Bay Hotel in Orlando, Fla.

Broomfield took the top honors in the Public Education category with a video featuring the Arbor Day Tree Planting activities. Channel 8 also received Honorable Mention in the Excellence in Government Programming category for budgets under $200,000.

Broomfield videos that placed in the top three nationally were the Metzger Farm grand opening (second place), On the Beat – Mock D.U.I event (third place), Family Fun and Fitness – Broomfield Brawler (third place) and the intro for Off the Page (third place).

Each year, the awards program honors excellence in broadcast, cable, multimedia and electronic programming produced by local government agencies. This year, NATOA received more than 670 entries submitted by local governments across the country and Canada.

Entries in the 67 categories cover a variety of programming including, among others, community events, documentaries, public affairs and public service, interview/talk shows, performing arts, sports, election coverage and children’s issues.

**4-H news…**

**September workshops:**

- On Sept. 28, the Broomfield Red and Yellow Lions 4-H Club hosted an Archery Workshop open for anyone ages 8 to 18 and 36 youth came out to give archery a try. Each participant was able to learn the basics of safe shooting while having fun in the process. The workshop was hosted and taught by 15 current 4-H members, coaches and parents. 4-H members and coaches assisted workshop participants with safely shooting, many for the first time.

- On Sept. 24, 16 youth participated in a 4-H robotics workshop at the Broomfield Community Center. During the workshop, participants learned what exactly a robot is, what its benefit is to society and about battery operated motors. Then, they were given a few simple supplies and...
tri ed their hand at building an "Artbot" that would draw a picture for them. The workshop wrapped up with a demonstration of several additional types of programmable robots.

Broomfield Days:

Young visitors to the 4-H tent at Broomfield Days were humming a happy tune - literally. As an example of a STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) activity, young festival goers had the chance to explore how sound is created by making a "Sound Sandwich." Using simple materials (craft sticks, rubber bands and straws), participants were able to create a fun homemade instrument through which to hum a tune. More than 225 kids made and took home one of these unique instruments.

4-H Accomplishments:

On Sept. 27, 4-H members, leaders and parents gathered for the annual year-end celebration and kick-off potluck. This yearly ritual celebrates the accomplishments of the past year in 4-H and new families are welcomed into the mix. Approximately 50 members, parents, leaders and guests were in attendance.

Broomfield Master Gardener program

During September, the Colorado Master Gardeners and CSU Extension staff played a role in various events around Broomfield.

Master Gardeners participated in an educational tree walk around Community Park on Sept. 9. Broomfield’s City Forester Tom Wells talked about trees commonly found in the community and their maintenance and care requirements. The information helps Master Gardeners to better answer the tree questions that may come in from residents on the group’s information telephone line.

Volunteers and staff participated in Broomfield Days. Master Gardeners were available to answer the public’s questions about yard and garden issues, the Colorado Master Gardener Program and how Extension serves the Broomfield community.

Staff participated in the City and County Employee Wellness Fair on Sept. 25. CSU Extension’s booth highlighted the health benefits of gardening.

CSU Extension Horticulturist Micaela Truslove and Colorado Master Gardeners wrote five articles in September for the Broomfield Enterprise on various gardening topics. Eight dates have been confirmed with the Mamie Doud Eisenhower Public Library for programs to be offered through by Master Gardeners in 2014.

CSU Extension is currently recruiting new participants for the 2014 Colorado Master Gardener and Colorado Gardener Certificate training program. Call 720.887.2286 for information.

Looking ahead

Anniversary fun!

The Paul Derda Recreation Center (PDRC) will celebrate its tenth anniversary on Saturday, Nov. 2, 2013, and final plans are under way. Activities include a $10 family admission fee to the center for the whole day (or $2 per individual) and a 10K Fun Run at 10:10 a.m. ($10 registration fee). All fun run participants will receive a dry-fit run shirt.

The official celebration begins at 1 p.m., with speeches by Paul Derda, City and County Manager Charles Ozaki and Mayor Pat Quinn. There will be prize drawings after each speech and throughout the afternoon until 4 p.m. Nuggets and Avalanche game tickets, PDRC Recreation Passes, PDRC Punch Passes and massages are just some of the prizes.

Following the dignitaries’ speeches and until 4 p.m., there will be cookies, fitness class demonstrations, guided tours of the building, inflatables in the Bob Prince Gymnastics Center, chair massages, Pilates Reformer demos, acupuncture and a game room wall art competition open to
anyone up to 18 years of age. (Submissions are being accepted by Billy Cooper. Contact him by phone at 303.464.5541 or via email at bcooper@broomfield.org.)

There will also be concessions, face painting and balloon animals. Helium-filled balloons will be given to participants as they leave the party.

**At the Library**

- **One Book, One Broomfield** activities continue through Nov. 2. This year’s selection, “The Dog Stars” by Peter Heller, is a story about Hig, a pilot who has survived the flu that killed almost everyone he knows. His wife is gone, his friends are dead, he lives in a small abandoned airport with his dog, his only neighbor a gun-toting misanthrope. The story, set in Colorado, is about loss, survival and what it means to be human.

  One Book activities include: Demystifying the Human Canine Connection on Oct. 10 at 7 p.m. presented by Jai Robichaud, training and behavior consultant for the Humane Society; Flyfishing in Colorado on Oct. 24 at 7 p.m. presented by Scott McCaslin, instructor at the Angling University in Denver; a discussion on the book led by Kerry Pettis, the Broomfield Enterprise’s "Book Woman," on Oct. 30 at 7 p.m. and a “Meet the Author” event on Nov. 2 at 7 p.m. Heller will be signing copies of his book after his talk.

  For all of these activities, sign up at the library reference desk by calling 720.887.2350 or email referencedesk@broomfield.org.

- On Oct. 13, spend an afternoon with author Janet Dawson, mystery writer and local favorite. She will discuss her new book, “Death Rides the Zephyr.” 2 p.m., Mamie Doud Eisenhower Public Library, 3 Community Park Road.

- The Children’s Library and the Boulder Museum of Contemporary Art have teamed up to bring an art-making workshop each month in 2013. Join visiting artist Heather Cherry and work in a variety of art media, with the emphasis on creativity and fun. The program is the fourth Tuesday of each month. For ages 6 – 12. Registration required – call 720.887.2315. This program is made possible by a grant from the Scientific Cultural Facilities District. (SCFD).

**Mark the calendar:**

- **Oct. 17:** Backyard composting and vermicomposting class, 6:30 p.m. Learn the basics of composting yard and kitchen waste or how to use worms to vermicompost and turn fallen leaves and other organics into a rich soil amendment. Broomfield Recycling Center, 225 Commerce Street.

- **Oct. 19:** Backyard composting and vermicomposting class, 9 a.m. Learn the basics of composting yard and kitchen waste or how to use worms to vermicompost and turn fallen leaves and other organics into a rich soil amendment. Broomfield Recycling Center, 225 Commerce Street.

- **Oct. 26:** The annual Spooktacular event sponsored by Recreation Services. 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the 1STBANK Center in Broomfield. Always a big hit with kids and parents, this event features carnival games, jumping castles, wagon rides, crafts and entertainment. Those youngsters who dress in costume enjoy the “Trick-or-Suite” activities on the suite level of the venue. The fee is $5 per child, and no child is turned away – all are welcome!

- **Oct. 31:** Active adults come to Lakeshore Café for a spooky lunch. Noon. This is always a fun lunch with lots of laughs. Don’t forget the costume contest, so wear your wacky-best! Cost: $4.50 at the door.

- **Nov. 4:** Broomfield’s Environmental Services Division presents a class on green cleaning to make the transition from “traditional” cleaners containing harmful chemicals to non-toxic cleaners. 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Broomfield Recycling Center, 225 Commerce Street.

- **Nov. 5:** Museum of Nature and Science and Gates Planetarium trip for active adults, 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. (Deadline to sign up: Oct. 31.) Cost is $20 for residents, $25 for non residents. Fee includes transportation, museum and planetarium admission. Lunch is on your own (price range: $8 to 15). Call 303.464.5500 for information.

- **Nov. 23:** Santa’s Cellar Craft Fair, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Broomfield Community Center, 280 Lamar Street. Local crafters and a visit with Santa. Stop by for Christmas shopping and lunch.

- **Dec. 6:** Christmas Tree Lighting ceremony, 6 p.m. Be part of this annual community event when all of Broomfield welcomes the arrival of Santa Claus at the George DiCiero City and County Building. The air is filled with children from the local schools singing carols, the Community Park trees are spectacular, the Mayor lights the community Christmas tree.
tree, families can ride the holiday wagon, and children are able to talk to Santa.

**Dec. 7:** Breakfast with Santa, 8 to 11 a.m. sponsored by the Broomfield Lions Club in the Lakeshore Room, Broomfield Community Center, 280 Lamar Street. Bring the whole family, get a picture taken and tell Santa those Christmas wishes. Drinks, fruit and pastries will be served. No admission fee. Donations accepted.

**At the 1STBANK Center**

- **Oct. 11:** DeTwang with Zeds Dead/Krewella, 7:30 p.m.
- **Oct. 15:** Passion Pit, 8 p.m.

**Job Club**

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**RECREATION SERVICES**

Summers are always a very busy time for Recreation Services, and the summer of 2013 was no exception. All of the summer activities – tennis lessons, CARA Track, youth and adult softball, the Freedom Tournament, the Great American Picnic Fourth of July Celebration, baseball, kickball, outdoor volleyball, the Mini Haha and MiniMini Haha triathlons, and the facility maintenance closures keep Recreation staff and some from other city departments running at full speed in a great collaborative effort.

Dog Daze at the Bay on Saturday, Sept. 7, was a big success with over 500 dogs in attendance. The Animal Doctor was on site for the event, to provide medical care for dogs that may have gotten hurt and even to provide education to the dogs.

**Early Learning** - The Early Learning Preschool is almost full under the State of Colorado’s licensing requirements for maximum attendance per class. Students in the program will enjoy Bicycle Education Day at the Derda Center and the Broomfield Community Center. The young students will also attend the Pumpkin Patch in October.
In the gallery…

The spectacular outdoor photography of Tim Seibert continues through Nov. 2.

The gallery is located in the lobby of the Broomfield Auditorium, 3 Community Park Road. 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.

Imagination Makers bring ‘Poetrees’

Imagination Makers Theater Company brings “Poetrees and other verses from nature” to the Broomfield Auditorium on Nov. 1 at 12:15 p.m.

Expressed in a tapestry of poetry styles, this play uses writing that celebrates children’s experiences of one thing everyone shares – the earth.

Young people use imagery from trees and nature to craft poems and songs about what they encounter in the outdoors and their lives. The show dramatizes 26 poems written by children from different backgrounds, including a poem presented in sign language written by a hearing-impaired student.

The children’s creative use of nature in the writing is also reflected in the production values of the play: trees, flowers, sticks, pine cones and more are transformed into all the props. This musical play inspires audiences to write and look at the earth with a renewed sense of amazement.

Tickets are $5 per person at the door.

BackStory Theatre Academy performance workshop performs ‘Secret Garden’

BackStory Theatre’s fifth through twelfth grade class performs “The Secret Garden” on Monday, Nov. 4 at 7 p.m. Tickets are $2 at the door.

Academy students have learned fundamental acting skills, character development and stage movement to build a cohesive cast and develop an improvised script for this classic story. Newly orphaned Mary Lennox goes to live with a wealthy uncle in England and discovers a mysterious cousin. All three lives are changed forever in a story about friendship, determination, and perseverance.

CU Jazz brings Rodgers and Hart on Nov. 6

CU Jazz continues at the Broomfield Auditorium through the fall on the first Wednesdays of the month. This popular program brings performers from the CU College of Music to Broomfield. Tickets are $5 for general admission with seats on a first-come, first-served basis. Visit www.brownpapertickets.com.

The next performance is Nov. 6 at 7 p.m. featuring “Isn’t It Romantic?” – the Music of Rodgers and Hart. Rodgers and Hart wrote music in the 1920s and 1930s for Broadway shows and Hollywood movies. CU Jazz is taking these classic love songs and giving them a jazzy vibe that is not to be missed.

Auditorium calendar

Oct. 11: FRIENDS of Broomfield variety show. 7 p.m. Suggested donation $15 at the door. Broomfield Auditorium, 3 Community Park Road.

Oct. 12: Coffee with a Cop, Starbucks, U.S. 287 and Miramonte Blvd. This program allows citizens to ask questions or just visit with local law enforcement officers.


Oct. 18: Broomfield Symphony Orchestra features Katie Mahan performing Beethoven’s Piano Concerto No. 5. Also on the program: Khachaturian’s Masquerade Suite and Ballade for Orchestra. 7:30 p.m. Tickets $15 adult, $12 student, $6 child under 12 from www.broomfieldsymphony.org.

Oct 19: Marvelous Musicales, 4 p.m. Free. Donations gratefully received.

Oct. 19: Amazonia Productions presents Alfredo Muro and the Art of Brazilian Guitar. 8 p.m. Broomfield Auditorium, 3 Community Park Road.

Oct. 25: Cultural Affairs presents “As the Bubble Bursts” comedy improv. 7 p.m. Tickets $10 adults, $5 senior and students from www.brownpapertickets.com/event/419039.
**Oct. 27:** Indian Classical Dance - Bharatanatyam - Dance of the body, mind and soul. 3 p.m. Free. Broomfield

**Nov. 3:** The Colorado Recorder Orchestra presents “Music Without Borders,” 3:30 p.m. Tickets: donations. The orchestra and the STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) School Singers offer music from around the world.

**Nov. 6:** CU Jazz in Broomfield brings "Isn't It Romantic?" the Music of Rodgers and Hart, 7 p.m. Tickets: $5 through [http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/414604](http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/414604).

**Nov. 8:** Baroque Chamber Orchestra of Colorado presents the operas of Handel, 7:30 p.m. Tickets: $27/$23/$10 from [https://app.arts-people.com/index.php?performance=157618](https://app.arts-people.com/index.php?performance=157618)

**Nov. 9:** Boulder Chamber Orchestra presents “Timeless Simplicity” selections including Britten’s “Les Illuminations,” Beethoven’s “Piano Concerto No. 2,” and Mozart’s “Symphony No. 29.” Szilvia Schranz will sing soprano and Soheil Nasseri will perform on the piano. 7:30 p.m. Tickets: $25/$18/$12 from [http://boulderchamberorchestra.org/tickets/html](http://boulderchamberorchestra.org/tickets/html).

**Nov. 10:** Rocky Mountain Brassworks, with American Legion Post 178 present “Posting the Colors,” 2 p.m. Tickets: Adults $15, Seniors and Students $10, Kids under 12 $5.