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## **Interactive Fountain at Central Park closing early**

*Denver Parks & Recreation will retrofit fountain for 2011 season*

The Denver Parks and Recreation (DPR) fountain team, after consulting with Denver Environmental Health, has shut off the Central Park at Stapleton interactive fountain for the remainder of the 2010 summer season.

DPR and fountain users noticed a strange odor emitting from the fountain. Although designed for human use and fitted with a filtration system that adds bromine and chlorine to the cistern, it has been determined that the filtration system is not large enough to handle the volume of water needed.

“Although disappointing, we feel that closing the fountain now and addressing the potential issues caused by the inadequate filtration system will prevent potential future public health risks,” said Scott Robson, Deputy Manager of Parks and Planning.

DPR will work with Park Creek, who designed the fountain for Central Park and a pool specialist from its Aquatics division to discuss alternative filtration systems and retrofit the fountain for the 2011 summer season.

For more information contact Jill McGranahan at 720-913-0633 or [jill.magranahan@denvergov.org](mailto:jill.magranahan@denvergov.org).

## **Parkfield Lake Park Phase 3 Construction to Start**

Construction site work on Parkfield Lake Park Phase 3, is scheduled to begin construction on or near **August 2, 2010**.

As part of the construction work, the following closures and/or detours will be in place:

- Montbello Recreation Center – Temporary alternate entry for a portion of the construction phase, date TBD.
- Parkfield Lake Trail – Temporary detour during construction.
- Montbello Rec center maintenance and delivery access relocation.

Temporary sidewalk closure for all adjacent roadways – dates TBD.

Get current information about any DPR design and construction project throughout the city on our Planning and Development link from the Department of Parks and Recreation homepage at <http://www.denvergov.org/parksandrecreation/PlanningandDevelopment/tabid/430254/Default.aspx>

## **New Denver 8 play times for new Committees beginning in August!**

- ✦ Each committee replays the night of its session. (begins at 7PM & 8:30 PM)
  - ✦ On Friday during the day. (9:30 AM to 4:30 PM)
- And once each weekend. (begins at 3PM & 4:30 PM Sat. and Sun.)

This schedule will be repeated each week.

### **Land Use, Transportation, & Infrastructure**

Meets every week - Tuesdays 11:00 AM

Tuesday - 8:30 PM

Friday - 3 PM

Saturday - 3 PM

### **Health, Safety, Education, & Services**

Meets every week except - Tuesdays 2:00 PM

Tuesday - 7 PM

Friday - 9:30 AM

Sunday - 3 PM

### **Government Affairs & Finance**

Meets every week - Wednesdays 10:30 AM

Tuesday - 7 PM

Friday - 1:30 PM

Saturday - 4:30 PM

### **Business, Workforce, & Sustainability**

Meets every week - Wednesdays 1:30 PM

Tuesday - 8:30 PM

Friday - 11 AM

Sunday - 4:30 PM

Legislative session of Denver City Council continues unchanged;

- ✦ replaying Monday night at 8:30 PM (when less than three hours in length)
  - ✦ Thursday afternoon beginning at 12:30 PM
- And Saturday mornings at 10 AM



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## **DENVER DIGS TREES FALL SHADE TREE APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE NOW Applications Due September 1**

Although summer days are filled with lazy afternoons by the pool and picnics in the park, all that time in the sun may have many people wondering where to get a bit of shade. Thanks to The Park People, the solution is simple; purchase a tree through the non-profit's *Denver Digs Trees* Fall Shade Tree Program, sponsored by Encana Oil & Gas (USA) Inc., and the City of Denver Office of Economic Development. The trees are low-cost, and free for those who qualify.

"The shade provided by yard trees cools our homes, reducing our energy use and saving us money," says The Park People's Kim Yuan-Farrell. "Also, by cooling homes naturally, we can avoid emitting green house gasses, which helps fight global warming."

Trees purchased through this fall tree distribution must be planted on private property, and, unlike last year, there is no tree limit per household. Trees are \$25 each, or free for Denverites living in the following neighborhoods, selected for their low tree canopy: Athmar Park, Baker, Barnum, Barnum West, Chaffee Park, Clayton, Cole, Elyria-Swansea, Five Points, Globeville, Jefferson Park, Lincoln Park, Montbello, Northeast Park Hill, Ruby Hill, Skyland, Sunnyside, Sun Valley, Valverde, Villa Park, West Colfax, Westwood, and Whittier.

"The Park People has added more than 40,000 trees to Denver's urban forest since the program's inception," said Yuan-Farrell. "This is the second year Encana has supported us with a grant for our fall shade tree program. Thanks to their support, more than 1,000 trees were added to Denver's skyline last year, and over 1,000 will be planted again this year. It's a winning collaboration for our neighborhoods, our city and the environment."

**The Park People will distribute 1,200 trees through this program, and trees are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Visit [www.theparkpeople.org](http://www.theparkpeople.org) for a list of available tree varieties and to apply, or call 303-722-6262. Applications are due September 1, 2010.**

"As an energy company, we have a commitment to conservation, and through our partnership with The Park People, we are helping Denver residents save on their energy bills too," said Doug Hock, Director of Public and Community Relations for Encana Oil and Gas Inc. "In 2009 alone, Encana contributed more than one million dollars to environmental initiatives and nearly \$2.4 million overall in the state of Colorado."

The City, which has an on-going commitment to bolstering the urban tree canopy, provided funds from the Community Development Block Grant for neighborhood improvements.

The Park People is a 40-year-old private, non-profit organization dedicated to preserving, enhancing and advocating for Denver's parks, recreation resources, open space and urban forest.

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**AUGUST 13-14, 2010**

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 13**

10 – 11 AM, RIBBON CUTTING PROGRAM + RECEPTION

11 – 1 PM, COMMUNITY OPEN HOUSE TOUR

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 14**

12 – 6:30 PM, COMMUNITY OPEN HOUSE TOUR

7 – 8:30 PM, CONCERT + FIREWORKS

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