

**WEST COLFAX COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION  
PHILLIP E. STEELE BLDG, RMCAD  
GENERAL MEETING OF FEBRUARY 17, 2010**

Meeting came to order: 7:30 a.m.

Opening Remarks and Introductions:

Bunny Malm, President, recognized the following for their contributions to the daily functions of running of WCCA:

The Quill Award: Kathi Hasfjord, Secretary

The Plump Piggy Award: Randy Nichols, Treasurer

Steve and Lisa from RMCAD for allowing us to use the RMCAD facility for our meetings – Board and General meetings.

Linda Cochran – who has organized a group to call members on upcoming meetings.

Randy Little – IT and general Jack of All Trades

Bunny has signed a letter in support of a grant for the Splash Park at the old Surf Side Pool in the Two Creeks area for the Community Resources Dept. (9<sup>th</sup> near Sheridan)

Bunny welcomed the following new businesses joining WCCA: Linda Sundine from Morse Park, Dan Rockne from Treehill Landscaping, Mary Fleet from Lakewood Symphony, and Gregg Kildow from intervention Community Corrections. Randy Pickering from Pickering Auto and Mag Strittmatter from Jeffco Action Center renewed their membership.

**CITY OF LAKEWOOD–**

**CITY COUNCIL REPORT –**

**Cindy Baroway** (Ward 2) – The Medical Marijuana ordinance has been approved by the city with amendments. (See [www.lakewood.org](http://www.lakewood.org) for further information). There will be a meeting Thursday, February 18, 2010 at 5 p.m. in Council Chambers for those interested in opening a caregiver facility. The amendments to the ordinance were: 1000' from schools, ¾ mile from ½ mile between facilities, CMU-N included as zoned areas for frontage along Colfax only as well as a clarification as to what a caregiver facility is..

The Heritage Center has an exhibit on Colfax signs that is excellent. Please go to see that.

Cops, Council and Community meeting was held last week at the Clement's Center. Dinner was provided by Bernice from Sharks. There were about 60 people in attendance. The subjects were youth and graffiti. Officer Tim Jacobson answered questions from the audience regarding graffiti. Donia Amick, LPD Crimes by Children Unit, spoke on youth problems.

**Scott Koop** (Ward 2) – He spoke on the exhibit at the Heritage Center – paintings of historic Colfax signs done by Al Orahod, a Lakewood artist.

The Marathon is in 90 days. 240 Union will be contributing 25% of their sales on February 25, 2010 to the Marathon.

Old Marathon light pole banners will be sold for \$5 – contact Debbie Koop at 303-239-9490. These are nice collector items.

## **WEST CORRIDOR INFORMATION**

With the closing of streets, RTD will be advertising companies in the street closure areas. For information call Jena Cafiero – 303-626-6772 or [jcafierno@dtcgjv.com](mailto:jcafierno@dtcgjv.com). The current ad is for Street Rod, Auto Painting, 1240 Harlan, 720-312-3903. They are offering \$500 deductible for insurance claims.

Wadsworth will be closed from 2/22 through 2/25 at night ONLY. Watch for information on the signs as to the times and detours.

The magazine – 5280 – is highlighting the favorite companies on Colfax. Go to [www.5280.com](http://www.5280.com)

**Nina Rockley** – She thanks Lakewood for the Channel 8 program – Open for Business. Her business was highlighted as well as Jose O’Shay’s and Westside Bike. To apply to be featured, contact Rachael Griffin at [racgri@lakewood.org](mailto:racgri@lakewood.org).

**WEST METRO FIRE – Mike Murphy** – He spoke on the opening of #8 firestation at Jewell. The old station may be used for storage for awhile but will be brought down later. #4 station is under construction. June 12 will be the Fire Muster at Red Rocks. There are 8 recruits coming on board and they have been training with the Lakewood Police Dept.

The house fire at 20<sup>th</sup> and Simms used 6 units. This is technically in the Wheat Ridge Fire District but West Metro responded.

Joe Margotte is now on the board for the fire department replacing Dave Wiechman.

Mike told the story about a person found passed out in a snow bank (reasons were not discussed) and he had an I.C.E. phone number listed in his cell phone. I.C.E. is In Care of Emergency. With a phone call they were able to transport him to the correct hospital and get medical information regarding this patient. It is recommended that everyone put an information number in their cell phone In Case of Emergency.

**Steve Boatwright – Lakewood Police Department** – He spoke on catching two groups of kids doing graffiti in this area. They were caught doing a “bombing run”. With 3 of the kids, 18 cases were solved.

**PROGRAM: DENISE STEPHENS –Director from the Jefferson County Business Resource Center.** BRC was established 2006 and is housed with West Chamber. She discussed their budget process. This is a FREE RESOURCE. Go to [ccc.business.gov/finance/financing](http://ccc.business.gov/finance/financing). This deals with loan and grant resources offered by the government. She reviewed where to look for money within your own business as there is NO FREE MONEY out there. They give ideas as to how to reduce your business expenses.

IMPORTANT: Get on the JCBRC Business Referral List – [www.business.gov](http://www.business.gov)

They offer a business start-up kit, business research, marketing analysis and mailing list as well as financing information, workforce assistance and much, much more.

Contact [www.jeffcobrc.org](http://www.jeffcobrc.org) or [dstephens@jeffcobrc.org](mailto:dstephens@jeffcobrc.org) or 303-996-8976

**BUSINESS MEETING UPDATES AND LEGISLATIVE REPORT – Mary Bindner**

JWABA will have their meeting March 2 at 7:30 a.m. at the Cloisters on Wadsworth south of Empire Chevrolet. Jefferson County Business Lobby is held every other Monday at West Chamber.

There is concern as to what the State is going to do with taxes with business to help cover the deficit.

**NEIGHBORHOOD REPORTS –**

**Two Creeks –** Kathi Hasfjord – She signed a letter in support of grant money for the Lakewood Splash Park at Surfside Pool on 9<sup>th</sup> at Sheridan. They also worked with Eiber and Morse Park neighborhoods on the Medical Marijuana Ordinance concern and they made an appearance at City Council last week. Of course, RTD is on their agenda all the time.

**Eiber –** Bill Spriggs – Their meeting is February 18, 2010 and will deal with the upcoming closure of Garrison.

Nina Rockley spoke on the **Music and Arts Festival** – This is being sponsored by WCCA, 1<sup>st</sup> Bank, RMCAD and Rockley Music. It will be Sunday, June 6, 2010 from 10 to 3. There may be an auto show and helicopter rides.

The Marathon needs musicians so contact Nina with suggestions.

Minutes of the January meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report – Kathi Hasfjord (Randy Nichols not here)

WCCA Checking			
Balance 1/18/10			\$1,612.32
Expenses:			
POB Rent	(\$50.00)		
Bank Fee	(\$1.00)		
Total		(\$51.00)	
Income:			
Tee Sales	\$20.00		
Lakewood Symphony	\$50.00		
I.C.C.S.	\$50.00		
Jeffco Action	\$50.00		
Tree Hill Landscape	\$50.00		
Linda Sundine	\$25.00		
Pickering Auto	\$50.00		
Total		\$295.00	
Balance 2/17/2010			\$1,856.32

Meeting adjourned: 8:35 a.m.