

# REMINDER: TRASH DAY SCHEDULE CHANGE BEGINS MONDAY, JUNE 1



## MILLIKEN MESSENGER

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Town of Milliken

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### Message from the Mayor:

Well, right now it appears we have jumped right from winter into summer. Perhaps we will still have some cooler, spring days ahead.

On another occasion, I wrote about being considerate of our neighbors in connection with keeping our lawns, etc., in great condition. Your response was absolutely wonderful. On our Town clean-up day, more items were brought to Public Works by noon than were brought the entire day last year! That is wonderful.

Now I have another request. Perhaps some of you know that for five years I drove big trucks cross country as an over-the-road trucker. That was an experience I will never regret doing. I loved it! I learned LOTS! A good many of my deliveries and pick-ups happened between the hours of midnight and 5:00 am. I realized there is another whole world out there. I also realized that the folks who worked in those warehouses came to work late in the day and worked through the entire night. So, when did they sleep? Yes, in the daytime. Now when we have such nice weather, we are out in our cars with all the windows open and with the stereo turned up high. I am just asking that all of us be considerate of our neighbors. Perhaps the best place to turn up the stereo is out on the highways OUT OF TOWN.

I wanted to bring something else to your attention. Have you noticed the windmill at the corner of Quentine and US 60 west of town? Have you noticed the colors on the tip of the blades? They are painted, alternately, blue and yellow. Have you noticed the fire hydrants in town? They are painted blue and yellow. Soon you will see flowers planted in planters along Broad Street. They will be blue and yellow. Yes, there definitely is a pattern here. Our Town colors are blue and yellow. If residents want to follow this pattern by planting blue and yellow flowers in their yards, that is wonderful, but certainly not mandatory; however, I wanted everyone to know and to see the pattern in Town.

Next year, 2010, Milliken will celebrate its 100 Anniversary! That is quite a feat and one that should be, and will be, celebrated. There is a Centennial Committee working on the plans for events during the year. It is not too late to volunteer to be on one of the committees. If you want to volunteer, let me know or come to the front desk at Town Hall and tell one of the staff and they will tell you who to contact. I am sure that the blue and yellow colors will show up significantly!!

Have you noticed some activity downtown? There is a new restaurant about to open in the location where Joey's used to be. Watch for notices for the opening of Grandpa's Cafe! We certainly welcome that!

So, enjoy the beautiful weather. Enjoy your Town. Both are special.

JOY!

Janie Lichtfuss, Mayor

### Signs on Public Property—Not on Street Lights & Highway Signs

It's garage sale season and we see a lot of homemade signs posted around town. By ordinance, signs may not be posted on public property. The Milliken Police are most concerned about handbills, posters and placards that are attached to traffic control signs, or light and utility poles. They can be both a traffic hazard and, since folks frequently do not remove the signs, a source of litter.

Other options are attaching a sign to a cardboard box filled with a weighted material to prevent it from blowing away. Attach the sign to a wooden stake and please remember to remove the signs when the event is over. If you have questions about signs or their placement please call the Police Department 970-587-2772 during business hours or 356-1212 (press 4) after hours.

### PET VACCINATION CLINIC—Saturday, June 13, 8am—12Noon



The annual Pet Clinic is scheduled for Saturday, June 13, 2009, 8:00am to 12:00pm at the Milliken Fire Station on South Irene Avenue. Full Circle Veterinary Clinic staff will be on hand to vaccinate dogs and cats. Rabies and distemper shots are each \$10. Milliken's Pet Clinic last year was extremely successful, vaccinating nearly 200 animals. Town staff will be on hand to handle dog registrations and renewals, too. Take advantage of this opportunity!



**Reminder: All dogs older than 6 months must be registered annually with the Town.**

Special events and dates this month:

## Fishing Derby a Great Success

Nearly 75 children participated in the Fishing Derby, co-sponsored by the Colorado Dept. of Wildlife, on Sat., May 16 at Ehrlich Lake. Prizes valued at over \$300 were donated by Eagle Claw, Cabela's and Garretson Sport Center and were awarded to 12 of the fisherboys and girls for most fish caught, most combined weight, longest fish, shortest fish, first fish caught, the youngest fisherman and more. The derby was a huge success and we hope you will all join us again next year.



- *Wednesday, June 3 & 17, Planning Commission, Town Hall, 7:00pm*
- *Wednesday, June 10 & 24, Town Board, Town Hall, 7:00pm*
- *Thursday, June 8 & 22, Recycling Day*
- *Friday, June 5, Historical Society, Town Hall, 2:00pm*
- *Tuesday, June 9, Beef & Bean Day Comm., Town Hall, 3:00pm*
- *Tuesday, June 9, Milliken Business Association, Town Hall, 7:00pm*
- *Saturday, June 13, Pet Vaccination Clinic, Milliken Fire Station, 8am -12pm*
- *Monday, June 15, Milliken Housing Authority, Town Hall, 5:00pm*
- *Tuesday, June 9, History Book Meeting, RE-5J Admin. Bldg., 2:00pm*
- *Monday, July 6, Trails & Open Space Committee, Town Hall, 6:00pm*
- *Tuesday, July 7, Centennial Committee, Town Hall, 6:30pm*
- *Saturday, July 18, Milliken Madness Day*
- *Saturday, August 8, Beef 'N Bean Day*

## No Commercial Door-to-Door Residential Solicitation

Commercial door-to-door sales in residential areas that involve solicitors ringing doorbells or knocking on doors is prohibited. Leaving a flyer on the door is ok. Religious, charitable, educational and other non-profit solicitations are ok as well. A No Solicitors or No Trespassing sign on the front door or property prohibits all solicitors. Permitted solicitors may only operate between the hours of 8am and the earlier of either 8pm or one half-hour after sunset. Report violators right away to the Police Department at 356-1212, and press 4 for Dispatch.

## Ehrlich Lake Update

The Parks crew is working hard to improve the green space around the lake and along the walking path. One effective way to eliminate weeds is to encourage the growth of grasses to crowd out the weeds, hence we delayed cutting this spring to allow the grass to go to seed and come in thicker. At the same time we are pulling and spraying weeds, vice cutting so we can allow the grass to grow. We think you will appreciate the result and we're grateful for your patience as we work together to improve the park area.

## ALL FIREWORKS ILLEGAL IN TOWN

As the 4<sup>th</sup> of July approaches, be aware that **MILLIKEN HAS A ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY ON THE POSSESSION, USE, PURCHASE OR SALE OF ANY FIREWORKS.** This helps keep our kids safe and reduces the fire hazard presented by fireworks. *Just because fireworks are available for sale in other jurisdictions does not legitimize their use within Milliken Town Limits.* Please leave the fireworks to the professionals. Police officers will aggressively identify violators who will be cited and fireworks will be confiscated.



## **Beef & Bean Day**

**Saturday, August 8**

**Attention Vendors!**

**Call 970-587-4331 for application information or visit the Milliken Website under Special Events for more information!**

**The next Beef & Bean Day meeting:  
Tuesday, June 9, 3:00pm  
Town Hall Community Room**

## **Join us for cool fun in the hot sun!**

The Milliken Water Works Pool is  
**NOW OPEN!!**

Hours of Operation are Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday 1:00 pm to 6:00 pm  
Wednesday 1:00 pm to 8:00 pm  
Saturday 12:00 noon to 6:00 pm  
Family Night Sunday 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm  
Swimming Lessons also available! Please call the pool at 587-9570 for more information.