

# COHOPE

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## Upcoming Meetings:

Open Space: Nov 3, 7:00 pm, 700 Jeffco Parkway, Suite 100  
 Board of County Commissioners Every Tuesday at 8:00 am  
 Foothills: Nov 8, 6 pm, The Peak.  
 Board of Adjustment: 1st & 3rd Wednesday at 9 am, Hearing Room One, 100 Jefferson County Parkway  
 DRCOG: Nov. 16, 6:30 pm, 1290 Broadway, first floor conference rm  
 Planning Commission: 1st, 2nd, 4th, and 5th Wed. 6:15 pm, Hearing Room One, 100 Jefferson County Parkway

Calendar for upcoming meetings: **Nov 2 CDOT C470 Kipling to 470 (at Lilley Gulch) Dec 7**

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**No Minutes due to vacation— October and November will be in next newsletter**

**COHOPE Treasury Activity: October 2016**  
**Beginning Balance October 5, 2016**  
**Deposits**  
**Withdrawals**  
 Nov Newsletter \$5.64  
**Ending Balance November 2, 2016**

**W R Moore, Treasurer**

\$	1755.09
\$	0.00
\$	5.64
\$	1749.45



**Highway cleanup on October 8**



# THE BACKYARD

## *Columbine Hills News*

**President's Corner** — Did I ever tell you how much I love fall? I LOVE October – I wish it would last four months and then transition straight into spring! I've had a couple of motorcycle rides to gaze at the aspens and wish they would've lasted a little longer.

The last yard of the month went to John M of 6427 W. Clifton and to Terry and Pat S on 7756 S Newland. Both have fine landscaping skills. Well done folks. I snicker but, a CHCA member wrote in suggesting an additional reward besides Yard of the Month. He suggested "Camper of the Month" thinking about residents who have not moved their campers in an extended period of time possibly due to the fact that they love them so much or that someone is living in them on the side. I toyed with the recommendation for multiple... seconds but elected to not give that reward. BTW keep those good ideas coming in folks.

I'm sure most of you have noticed the stone erected at our park on Kendall and Canyon. That was the stone we had intended to replace the one that a careless driver broke in the medians on S Kendall – but JeffCo road and bridges would not allow us to replace the broken one; instead it is now placed in our park. Huge shout out to Scout Brett for his literally years of planning to make it happen. With that project completed he will be awarded the rank of Explorer Scout. Lastly, allow me a moment of personal reflection please. It was at this time of year that my father passed away while I was still a very young man. I knew him as only a stern father – not a friend or companion. My heart goes out to our elderly folks. If you are elderly and shut in – or know someone who is, I'd love to have the opportunity to reach out to you or them in friendship since I don't have elderly parents of my own. If you would allow me the privilege to befriend them, please send some contact information to my e-mail address given below. I'm asking you to help me . . . Be the kind of neighbor you wish you had.— *Randy Montgomery, CHCA president, rmontgomery@frcs.org*

**From CHCA BOARD MEETING, September 9, 2016**—Meeting called to order at 9:07a.m. on September 9th, 2016, at Park shelter on the corner of Canyon and Kendall. Officers present: Randy Montgomery, Jennifer Gerdes, Pat Miller. Board Members present: Ruth Severns, Michaelle Otto, Kelly Goodbar. Community Members present: none

**Old Business:** Stone – is being installed as we meet – planning a summer event around unveiling of stone in park. Thank you to the Trost family for holding on to the stone and thank you to Don Mance for the donation of the bricks that are at the base of the stone.

**Basketball court:** Foothills Park and Rec has asked if we want it fixed or taken out. CHCA is proposing they keep it and fix it up and make it dual purpose, basketball and pickleball. Randy will be following up with said proposal. Still haven't heard any info on it yet

**New Business:** We will be having the Christmas event again on December 4th from 5-7p.m. with the hay ride, hot chocolate, smores and fire pit.

Meeting was adjourned 10:09a.m.

## Columbine Knolls Voice

**From August 9th 2016 Board Meeting** Meeting called to order at 7:03 P.M. In attendance: Board Members: Matt Hale, Lee Woodbury, Steve Hantelman, Skip Wilcox, Birgit Whitelaw, Judy Alliprandine, Bryan Slekes. Guests: 14

**Public Comments:** Concerns about getting a violation when the person does not have a violation. No one has discussed the violation in person. Let's have a conversation with homeowners when we think they are in a violation. Let's try to get one trash company to service the Knolls. Add a comment to the newsletter to tell people that we use an app to take pictures of violations. Trailer discussion continues

**Committee Reports: Membership:** 360 members with 6 new members at the pool party.

**Safety, Beautification and Maintenance:** Please place a thank you in the newsletter for the three volunteers working on the Lamar entrance. Lamar entrance looks good. Kendal entrance needs some work with a new weed barrier. Received two bids for \$800 from Gold Apple Landscape (a Columbine Knolls resident recommended them) and \$675 Solid Rock Landscape who has done our Sheridan Entrance for replacing the weed barriers at Kendall. Worked with an elderly neighbor to clean up their yard.

**Covenants and Architectural Control Committee:** No update on the court cases.

**Special Events/Programs:** Pool party was a great event. Many people liked the event. Halloween event coming up.

**New Business:** Board member resigned and we have an opening  
Adjourn at 9:06 p.m.

## Columbine Knolls South II REVIEW

*From President's Corner* Fall, in particular October, is such a wonderful time of year. Cool, brisk mornings, vibrant colors in the landscape, pumpkin patches, apple pies, comfort food, football, costumes and trick or treating. I hope everyone is having a wonderful fall and is able to enjoy the festivities of the season with friends and family.

Remember lots of trick or treaters will be out and about in the neighborhood on Halloween so please be careful if you are out that evening. If you have kids or grandkids who will be trick or treating make sure they have glow sticks or flashlights to be visible. For those staying in, handing out treats, enjoy all the different costumes and try not to eat too many sweets! Halloween is one of my favorite times of year in our neighborhood; there are so many houses with creative decorations, lots of families mingling with friends as they cross paths and visiting with their neighbors who are handing out treats, and I must say we have some of the most generous treats, there seems to be something extra special on every block!

Thank you to those who attended the September HOA Meeting. We had several really good discussions. Bob Haberkorn shared some of the plans for the upcoming December Holiday Hayride and several neighbors shared ideas on how to improve our community newsletter. Debbie Opperman presented the proposed budget for 2017 and I reviewed the proposed meeting and event schedule for 2017.

The next CKSII Board of Directors' meeting will be Tuesday, November 1 at 7 p.m. in the library at Coronado Elementary School. Please note we are meeting the first Tuesday of the month in November instead of the second due to the election falling on the second Tuesday in November. All homeowners are invited to attend, this is a great time for interested homeowners to meet neighbors, have questions answered, share ideas and get involved in your community. Also make sure your calendars are marked for the CKSII Annual Holiday Hayride on Sunday December 4 beginning at 6 p.m. in the Coronado Parking lot. Santa says he'll be stopping by again this year!

Hope to see you there!—Jennifer Blake, President CKSII HOA

*From CKSII Board Meeting Minutes – September 13, 2016* President, Jennifer Blake called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m. The meeting had to be moved to a different site because the school was locked upon arrival. The location of the alternate site was posted on the door to the school for any interested parties to find. Board members Jennifer Blake, Debbie Opperman, Bob Pellegrini, Larry Opperman, Bob Haberkorn, and Robert Sudar were in attendance along with Roger Borcharding of DARCO Property Management.

Treasurer's Report: Debbie reported the HOA currently has 330 members.

2017 Budget Review: Debbie went over the proposed 2017 budget because she will not be able to attend the November meeting. The Board chose to increase the amount budgeted for the newsletter carrier from \$100/ month to \$150/month. Debbie motioned to approve the proposed budget, Robert seconds, and the board approved the proposed budget unanimously.

ACC Committee: Bob Pelligrini reported 14 requests and 14 approved with 0 in pending status. Applications were as follows: 6 for paint, 2 for roofs, 2 for fences, 1 for fence paint, 1 for windows, 1 for garage door, 1 for a shed, and 1 for concrete repair.

Management Report: 3 inspections were conducted in August. 22 violations were processed by mail and by personal contact. Included were 6 campers, 4 boats, 5 trailers, 3 lawns with dry grass, 2 dead trees, and 2 visible trash containers.

Welcome Committee: Jennifer Blake reported that the welcome committee will plan to go out again in November to deliver more welcome boxes.

Landscape Committee: Stephanie Haberkorn reported that they've done weeding and dead-heading and will continue to do that.

Social Committee: Bob Haberkorn reported that he's working to set up a meeting to formally get the Social committee together. They have begun to plan details for the holiday hayride and they have made contact with the horse and trailer owner and they will contact the school to ensure proper parking lot lighting for the event. They are also making other plans should the lights be out again in the parking lot.

Updates: NextDoor site— 43 new neighbors signed up since our last meeting. 229 total neighbors. Jennifer will post to that site about the Holiday Hayride.

New Business: The Board discussed the content of the newsletter and is going to aggregate some ideas about new topics that could be shared in future editions. When Debbie is out of town, Robert will be available if someone needs trash service activated. Debbie will provide the WM contact procedure to him.

Upcoming Special Event Dates and 2017 proposed: December 4, 2016 – Holiday Hayride June 2-3, 2017 Community Garage Sale June 3, 2017 – Donation drop off in Coronado School Parking lot June 7, 2017 – Large Item Pickup December 3, 2017 – Holiday Hayride

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

## Columbine West Civic Association Newsletter

*From A Moment With The Board* The September 14th, CWCA meeting of volunteers was at Dutch Creek Elementary where there was approximately 15 residents in attendance. Thank you to those who took the time to attend and share your thoughts. Our new meeting night is the 2nd Wednesday of the month, we hope this change might help neighbors who couldn't attend find the time to join us. One of our new Board members has stepped into the position of Contest

Chair. The next two contests, Halloween & Holiday Lighting will be judged by a new set of eyes, plus a few little eyes, which will be tagging along.

Check the articles within the newsletter for more details. A garden day clean up is scheduled for Saturday, October 8th, 9a.m. – noon. The entrance at Roxbury/ Pierce is being trimmed and new mulch applied. Join us if you can. Remember that the JCSO Deputies asked neighbors to report any suspicious activity to the Tip Line phone #303-271-5612, please be able to provide a description of the activity, along with license plate number, which is crucial.

If you have questions or any suggestion of ideas feel free to email CWCAtalk@gmail.com. Look forward to hearing from the community.

## **The Leawood Rappoter**

*From Leawood Civic Association Minutes September 7, 2016* Board Members Present: Paul O'Connor, Richard White, Rhonda Eveleth, Nancy Bock, Debby Baker, and Chip Langowski. Volunteer Present: Angela Langowski

The picnic was a great success. 139 folks attended, which was higher than last year. We need a better way to identify picnic participants. There were unpaid people from the park going through the food line. It turned out that we had enough food and drinks, but we may not be so lucky in the future. Different identification possibilities were discussed including a wristband system. The bake sale brought in \$151 for the Leawood Scholarship Fund. The surplus picnic food was donated to the Littleton Fire Station #13 which led the kids parade. Paul will look into different companies that provide bouncy castles for next year's picnic. Richard will do the same for a food provider. Debby will check on the cost of an insert of color pictures from the picnic for The Leawood Rappoter.

Debby said she heard from some people who were confused by two-stage payment process. Chip will take on the task to simplify the payment process for next year's picnic and ensure that the verbiage is clear.

The 2016 Front Yard Parties have been well attended. We will continue them in 2017.

At the picnic, people were inquiring about having a printed neighborhood directory. There is a digital directory online at Leawoodneighbors.com but is only accessible to LCA members. A printed directory will be discussed at the October 5th meeting. A notice of the discussion will be in the Rappoter. Hopefully, residents will attend so that we can get their input.

The Board needs to figure out a way to get residents interested in the LCA so that they will attend the meetings and/or be willing to volunteer their time at events.

*From Leawood Metropolitan Recreation and Park District Minutes September 14, 2016* The meeting was called to order at 6:33 PM at Leawood Elementary School's Teacher's Lounge by President Kyle Sargent. Members present were: Directors Linda Smith/VP/Secretary, Donna Snyder/Treasurer, Debby Baker/Special Projects, Jennifer Dawe and Dave Padilla, Parks Manager.

**Public Comment/Correspondence** – Donna researched the grant applications process for Open Space and Lottery Funds and reported information is to be available the end of this month. Kyle will check the site for further information. Jennifer reported on the infestation of Japanese beetles this year. She requested Dave to check into insecticide to be put on our bluegrass for next year. She also suggested the need for residents to be active in spraying or using granules for their lawns to keep the beetles from developing in the spring.

**Treasurer's Report** – Donna presented the current Treasurer's Report. Income included property tax and ownership tax. We are close to our projected income on property tax and a bit short so far on projected income from ownership tax. Kyle mentioned the trend for slow automobile sales, especially in August. Lottery reported to Donna that funds should be in the end of the month. Invoices for the month include: Denver Water, Weston Landscaping lawn service maintenance for September, United Site Services, Waste Management, Xcel Energy, DBC for irrigation supplies, Dave's invoice, reimbursement to petty cash, and Rich Alarcon for trash removal. Debby moved the Treasurer's report be received and bills paid. Jennifer seconded and the motion passed.

**Parks Manager** – Dave received a price from Weston Landscaping for tree trimming in Weaver Park and Raccoon Park. The trimming will take place around the end of October. The process will take about five days in Weaver and two days in Raccoon. Dave met with the resident requesting a replacement tree in Raccoon and let them know we will be planting one in the area requested. We will also replace a dead tree in Weaver Park. KS Electric repaired an electrical outlet at the Weaver Park pavilion that had been damaged. The thistles were removed from the creek area at Weaver by Urban Drainage. Dave noted Urban Drainage will be coming back in the spring to spray the area for new thistles. Irrigation lines were checked and repairs made as needed.

**Old Business** – 2016-2017 Projects – Kyle presented a spread sheet that will be easier to use as a data base for our projects. Jennifer volunteered to work on it to get it up and running. For the end of the year, we will have Dave focus on tree trimming, grinding some sidewalk areas, get pricing for our other sidewalk projects and getting the benches ordered and set in place.

Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned 7:54 p.m. — *Linda T. Smith, Vice President and Secretary*

## Woodbourne

**From Notes From the Board** It is hard to believe that we are already in October. It is the season of Halloween and fall festivities. Please remember that all of the little ghouls, goblins, and assorted other mysterious gremlins will be running around on October 31st. We should all be on the lookout for the little ones, and even the not so little ones who still keep the youthful spirit.

This is also the time to start looking ahead to other spring community projects. As we noted in the last newsletter, a number of residents have commented on the north and south side of Fremont Street between Simms and Robb. The Board has authorized a subcommittee to tackle the Fremont Street project. The goal is to have two alternatives to present to the Board for the March 2017 meeting. The proposal that the Board chooses will then be open for discussion at the Annual meeting which is expected to be in April of 2017. If you are interested in being on this subcommittee, please contact me at [james\\_m@woodbournehoa.org](mailto:james_m@woodbournehoa.org).

Finally, we bid a fond farewell to Steve Mitchell, our assigned property manager from MSI. Until we get a new community manager in place, the interim contact is Jim Whatton. He can be reached at [jwhatton@msiho.com](mailto:jwhatton@msiho.com). MSI and the Woodbourne Board are committed to making the transition to a new manager as seamless as possible.—*James Meyer, President*

**Is Your Home Secure? by Sheriff Jeff Shrader**— Is your home ready to resist crime? Our crime prevention deputies are offering a short quiz on home security that can be taken in just a few minutes. A 'no' answer signifies the areas where you can improve upon your home's security. To view the complete 75-question home security survey, visit: <http://jeffco.us/sheriff/crime-prevention-safety/residential-security/>.

**Home Exterior** The way a house's exterior looks, and even how it sounds, can discourage a would-be thief from approaching. Crime prevention experts recommend a well-lit exterior with a bit of stone or gravel at points around the home. Landscaping plants should not be so thick that they can conceal a person approaching. Tree limbs should not provide access to upper floors.

Are your house numbers at least 4 inches tall (preferably 6 inches) and clearly visible from the street both day and night?

Are trees located so they cannot be used to climb to an upper level of the home?

Is there decorative stone or rock that makes noise when someone walks on it near the home?

Do household members routinely secure items of value such as bicycles, lawn mowers, ladders, etc. when not in use?

If there are detached buildings on the property (garage, shed, barn, etc.), are the doors and windows kept locked?

Are vehicles locked and garage door opener remotes removed from them?

**Doors & Windows** Structurally sound and locked doors and windows are critical components of a secure building. Doors and windows can provide false comfort if they're cheaply made, easily compromised or often kept unlocked.

Are exterior door strike plates secured to the frame of the house with screws at least three inches in length?

Have locking "Charlie" bars been installed in the center of sliding glass doors in lieu of wooden dowels in the bottom track?

Are exterior doors kept locked, even when someone is home?

Are door locks in good repair?

Do occupants of the home avoid hiding keys outside the residence (other than in a lockbox secured to the structure)?

Do basement windows have security bars, grills, or other locking covers?

**Garage** The garage is all too often an easy entry point for thieves. Many people do not secure their garage doors as well as other exterior doors.

Is the overhead garage door kept closed when not in use?

Is the pedestrian door between the garage and the home kept locked?

Are windows into the garage covered or frosted to prevent visual inspection of valuables from the exterior?

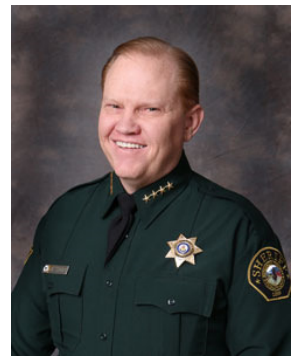
**Miscellaneous** Recording an inventory of valuables and securing important documents today can prevent future headaches if your home is burglarized.

Have valuable papers (birth certificates, titles, deeds, social security cards, checks, tax records, passports, etc.) been secured in a fire resistant safe or in a safe deposit box?

Do you have an accurate inventory of your valuables that includes make, model, and serial numbers?

Does the home have a safe for storage of firearms and other valuables?

To learn more about crime prevention through environmental design contact our crime prevention deputies at 303-271-5807 or email: [crimeprevention@jeffco.us](mailto:crimeprevention@jeffco.us).







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The November 2nd meeting will be at 7 pm at Lilley Gulch Rec Center. The scheduled speaker is from CDOT and will discuss and get input on the upcoming transportation alternatives and improvements along C-470 from Kipling to I-70 as well as US 6/ SH 93 to Boulder.

**National Lead Poisoning Prevention Week Oct. 23-29, 2016**—Jefferson County, Colorado— Public Health professionals recommend all low-income children in Colorado be tested for lead at 12 months and 24 months of age. Colorado's Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program identifies approximately 200 children per year with confirmed elevated blood lead levels.

"Lead-Free for a Healthy Future," the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's theme for National Lead Poisoning Prevention Week Oct. 23-29, underscores the importance of testing your home, testing your child and learning to prevent lead poisoning's serious health effects. Following the department's lead screening guidelines will help ensure children at risk can receive treatment. Visit [www.colorado.gov/cdphe/leadhealth](http://www.colorado.gov/cdphe/leadhealth) for more information about blood testing for lead. There is no safe level of lead in the body. Lead is especially dangerous to children because it may affect the normal development of a child's brain. Elevated blood lead levels may result in intelligence quotient (IQ) loss, learning and behavior problems, developmental delays, and lifelong mental and physical health issues.

Lead-based paint was banned for residential use in 1978, and any house built before 1979 might contain some lead-based paint. Approximately 48 percent of the housing units in Colorado were built before 1980. Major sources of lead exposure include not just the lead paint, but lead-contaminated dust from deteriorating building surfaces caused by renovation activities or even normal wear and tear, such as opening and closing windows and doors that were painted with lead-based paint.

Additional sources of lead exposure include contaminated drinking water; take-home exposure from a workplace; soil contaminated by paint chips, auto emissions and other industrial sources; lead in-home remedies; and lead in consumer products and food.

To increase awareness of childhood lead poisoning prevention, the department is sponsoring the following activities during Lead Poisoning Prevention Week 2016:

Paint-can stir sticks with lead awareness messaging, available at hardware stores throughout Colorado, or available by request at [cdphe.lead@state.co.us](mailto:cdphe.lead@state.co.us).

3M Leadcheck kits are available to check for lead paint in homes built before 1979. Find information on how to request a kit at <http://www.colorado.gov/cdphe/leadpaint>.

The department is sponsoring a Lead Poisoning Prevention Week Tote Bag Design Contest. Visit [www.facebook.com/cdphe.apcd](http://www.facebook.com/cdphe.apcd) to enter.

Tote bags with lead awareness messaging, including the winning design from the 2015 design contest, will be available throughout Colorado.

Please contact [cdphe.lead@state.co.us](mailto:cdphe.lead@state.co.us) or 303-692-3150 with questions or requests for outreach items.

Resources: JCPH Health lead prevention web page Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Lead Free for a Healthy Future Colorado Lead Prevention Coalition

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