



Homestead in the Willows

Homestead Herald

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A Covenant Controlled Community for the Benefit of All

ANNUAL MEETING

March 9, 2020

7:00 pm

Don't forget to attend the Annual Homeowner Meeting and chance to win a 50% rebate off your 2020 HOA dues.

See page 3 for details.



BEFORE YOU GO SHOPPING!

There are many options available when you are planning changes to your home or property and the HOA website and office are good places to start for approved options. Please check the website or the style boards in the office for approved styles before you start shopping with vendors for new windows, doors, paint colors, etc. Applications are required for all exterior changes even if you are replacing like for like.



**Next Regular
Board Meeting
6:30pm
April 13, 2020**

**THE APRIL
HERALD DEADLINE
IS
MARCH 13, 2020**





ASSOCIATION NEWS

APRIL HERALD DEADLINE IS MARCH 13TH

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Landscape	Nancy Bauer	303-241-6212
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Pool	Jaylene Jones	303-617-0221

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

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Mem at Large/	Donald Luther	303-332-5848
ACC	dluther@homesteadinthewillows.org	

COMMITTEES:

ACC/Design Review; Covenant Review Taskforce
Swim Team, Tennis.

**All committee meetings are open to residents.
Call the Business Office for dates.**

REPORTS TO THE ASSOCIATION When an Association member wishes to report observed problems or any concerns or helpful ideas pertaining to the assigned areas of responsibility of the Architectural Control and Design Review Committee, Landscape, Pools, or Business Office, please, when you call and leave a message on the answering machine, include your name and telephone number so that we may return your call. **We cannot act on any call when the caller is not identified.**

Thank you for your help.

BUSINESS OFFICE HOURS

5896 E. Geddes Ave.

Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Friday
9:00 am — 3:00 pm

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Fax: 303-793-0109

www.homesteadinthewillows.org

BOARD MEETING

The next regular Board of Directors meeting for community input and manager's reports will be

Monday, Apr 13, 2020

West Office, 6:30 pm

Mark your calendars now. The board meetings are open to all Homeowners.

BOARD MEETING MINUTES: In an effort to provide timely Board information to the Membership, **UNOFFICIAL MINUTES** of each Board meeting will be published in the next issue of the Herald. Official, Approved copies of all Minutes will be on file and available at the Association Office.

MOVING FROM HOMESTEAD? If you move from Homestead and retain ownership of your home, it is your responsibility to pay the Homeowners dues. Remember: Please notify the Business office of your new address. Dues are always due March 1st. If you are a **Renter**, you should forward all notices to the Homeowner.

THE HOMESTEAD HERALD is published monthly for residents of Homestead in the Willows. **The Business Office is located at 5896 E. Geddes Ave., (West Pool House) Centennial, CO 80112.** News items or advertisements must be submitted by the **15th of the month prior to publication.** Email to the **Business Office.** Call 303-793-0230 for commercial rates, ad sizes or other information.

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Bring Your Own Basket!!!

SAVE THE DATE

**Annual Neighborhood
Easter Egg Hunt**

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When: Saturday, April 4th
(Rain Date: Sat, April 11th)

Hunt Start Time: 11:00am Sharp!

Where: North Pool Grounds

Age Groups: 2 & Under, 3-4 years, 5-7 years and 8-11 years

Annual Homeowner Meeting

Homestead in the Willows homeowners, come join your neighbors at our Annual Meeting. It's our once-a-year opportunity to meet our governing Board, ask questions, and talk together about our community's future.

Our Annual Meeting is the place for homeowners to get a big view of what is planned for this year, how our money is being spent, and what challenges we are facing. The governing Board makes decisions about maintaining our community property, structures and recreational facilities so it is crucial that our Board understands our priorities, concerns and ideas.

Your attendance is a very short "time" investment in the future of OUR community. The health, integrity, and security of OUR community depends upon everyone being involved.

Who is OUR community? OUR community is US, every Homeowner and family member. WE are OUR community and OUR community is ALL of US.

**Monday, March 9th
Homestead Elementary
School Gym
7:00 pm – 9:00 pm**






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Let's Get Social!

Highlights in Homestead

- ❖ Save the Date
 - o ~~March 11~~ Hippety-Hop: Annual Easter Egg Hunt
 - o April 4 – 11:00am Sharp (Rain Date: April 11)
 - o North Pool Grounds
 - o Ages: Under 2, 3-4yrs, 5-7yrs, 8-11yrs
 - o Note: Don't forget to bring your own baskets!
- ❖ Looking forward to summer....
 - o Food Trucks Returning in May
 - o Live Music Nights
 - o Check out Homestead Herald and Social Pages for updates
- ❖ Playgroups:
 - o Look for updates and events on the Facebook page and Emails.
 - o Facebook Contact: Kate at kate@thegoldstones.com

March 2020

Happy Spring!

4th of July: Volunteers Needed:

If you've been looking for a way to get [involved](#) we are looking for an awesome individual to run pool games for the Fourth of July:

Contact us: homestead.socom@gmail.com for more information or to volunteer

Connect with us! If you have community events you would like added to our calendar email: homestead.socom@gmail.com

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9 Playgroups: 10:30am Location - TBD	10	11	12 Playgroups: 10:30am Location - TBD	13	14 Playgroups: 9:30am North Pool Playground
15	16 	17 Spring Break	18 Spring Break Playgroups: 10:30am Coffee Date	19 Spring Break Playgroups: 10:30am Location - TBD	20 Spring Break	21
22	23 Playgroups: 10:30am Location - TBD	24	25	26	27	28
29	30 Playgroups: 10am – 12:00pm Location - TBD					

HOMESTEAD IN THE WILLOWS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

Regular Board Meeting February 10, 2020 – Unofficial Minutes

CALL TO ORDER: President, Jamie Von Feldt, called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. Board Members present were Emily Maxfield, Ross King, Donald Luther, and Bruce Thorne. Also attending were Business Manager, Katie Kidwell; Tennis Manager, Jill Ellsworth; Landscape Manager, Nancy Bauer; ACC Chair, Kate Botkin; Swim Team Parent Representative, Christy Serenyi and Social Committee Representative, Kelly Kane. Homeowners Kelly Lewis and Scott Lenamond also attended a portion of the meeting.

MINUTES: The minutes of the January 13, 2020 regular meeting were approved as read.

SWIM TEAM: Christy followed up on the size of the platforms Swim Team coaches want to use when teaching swim lessons. The platforms fold into a size that could be stored on the shelving in the pool building. The Board agreed that the platforms could be stored there and asked Katie to notify Front Range Recreation.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE: Kelly updated the Board regarding scheduled activities. The Easter Egg Hunt is planned for April 4th and the Food Truck Fests will be held on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays from May through August. Live music events with picnics are also being explored. Several residents with businesses have approached the Social Committee about sponsoring events. The Committee also has volunteers able to create a Homestead social media page on which the committee could post event information. The Board directed Katie to consult the Association attorney and auditor about sponsorship and social media questions that arose during the discussion.

MANAGER REPORTS

1. **POOL:** Front Range Recreation (FRR) submitted a written report noting they had installed a new heater and pump at the South Pool and an automated chemical system at both the South and West Pools.
2. **LANDSCAPE:** Manager Nancy Bauer reported that the City of Centennial will not assume responsibility for the repair and maintenance of the timber retaining wall around the power pole near Dry Creek and Quebec. Katie and Nancy will approach Xcel Energy. Split rail fencing had been repaired throughout the property and sections of the perimeter fence have been identified for repair and painting. Nancy had solicited a bid from Davey Tree for the tree pruning needed on the property. A discussion ensued regarding using preferred vendors for the repair and maintenance of Association property and amenities. Managers often call the same vendor year after year to trim trees, fix electrical outages, make plumbing repairs and perform handywork on Homesteads property. Preferred vendors are helpful to managers because they provide discounts based on the volume of work the Association provides them, they respond promptly to calls from the managers and because they are so familiar with the property. Putting some jobs out to bid every few years is a great way to check the market and ensure Homestead still receives fair pricing, but service and knowledge of the property are important factors in continuing to use the same vendors annually.

3. TENNIS: Manager Jill Ellsworth reported tennis pro Mary Moses would have lesson information in the March Homestead Herald and would attend the March Annual Meeting to answer homeowner questions. Jill had scheduled a meeting to hand out USTA tennis captain team numbers and keys. Homestead has 369 active USTA tennis players and Homestead's USTA teams ranked 42 out of 128 Denver Metro teams. Homesteads Junior league ranked 10 out of 85 teams.

4. BUSINESS: Katie reported that approximately ¼ of the residents had paid their 2020 dues in full. She informed the Board of suggestions received from homeowners regarding dues payment, topics for discussion at the Annual meeting, and police patrols in the neighborhood. Ting internet suggested partnering with the HOA in return for offering bulk discounts to Homestead residents. After discussing the parameters of Ting's program the Board agreed it would be too hard to administer. The Community Associations Institute had asked for volunteer Homeowner Leaders to attend various hearings on HOA legislation. Jamie and Donald volunteered to participate if the scheduling worked.

HOMEOWNER COMMENTS & APPEALS:

Homeowner Comments & Appeals:

Account 556: The homeowner had questions for the Board about expanding the ACC Style Boards and the process for approving an application. The Board will have the ACC respond directly regarding a particular garage door approval.

Account 806: The cited work had been remedied. Emily moved and Donald seconded a motion to reduce the accumulated fines to \$250. The motion passed unanimously.

ACC/TASKFORCE REPORT: ACC Chair Kate Botkin and the Board reviewed the ACC's objectives and rationale for the Homestead Aesthetic and approval process. Both the Board and ACC acknowledged that when homeowners don't go through the approval process it puts them under tremendous pressure because both sets of volunteers have a duty to follow the published guidelines and processes. They discussed reviewing available styles and materials annually and consulting architects. Bruce and Jamie would develop an agenda so that the Board and ACC could meet together.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Bruce discussed finding a higher interest bearing account for the reserve fund. \$200,000 has been set aside for the Perimeter Fence; another \$100,000 will be set aside in 2021. January expenses totaled \$17,158 and included \$2,278 for Land Maintenance, \$602 for Pool expenses, \$9,584 for Trash & Utilities, and \$3,912 in Administrative expenses.

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MEMBER'S BALLOT
FOR THE MARCH 9, 2020 ANNUAL MEETING OF MEMBERS
OF HOMESTEAD IN THE WILLOWS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

I/We, _____, being a voting member in good standing of Homestead in the Willows Homeowners Association, Inc. (the "Association"), by virtue of owning the following described property, do hereby revoke any prior proxy granted by me/us with respect to my/our membership in the Association and constitute and appoint the President of the Association or, in his absence at the meeting or failure or inability to vote for any reason or any continuation thereof, the Vice-President of the Association, my/our true and lawful agent for me/us with each having full power to act in my/our name and place with full power of substitution, to vote as my/our proxy at the annual meeting of the members of the Association to be held on March 9, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. as well as at any continuation of the meeting for the purpose of casting my/our vote for the following person(s) to be a Director of the Association, as indicated below.

_____ write in candidate

The appointment made and power granted by this proxy shall survive the disability of the granting member(s) and shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the heirs, representatives, successors and assigns of the member(s).

Please sign and print the requested information beneath your signature. If property is jointly owned, one or more owners may sign – if more than one proxy is granted or vote case by joint owners who cannot agree, the first to vote, in person or by proxy, will be the only vote counted.

Signature

Member's Name: _____

Homestead Property Address: _____

Mailing Address (if different): _____

Date: _____



Homestead in the Willows Annual Meeting Agenda

Monday, March 9, 2020

- **Call to Order**
- **Introduction – Welcome**
- **Meet Your HOA Representatives**
 - **Board Members**
 - **Managers**
 - **Committees – Swim Team, Social Committee, Covenant Review Task Force & ACC**
 - **Prospective Board Member(s) and election**
- **Comments about our Neighborhood**
- **Architectural Control Committee update**
- **Financials**
- **Open Forum - Q & A, Homeowner Comments**
- **Board Election Results**
- **Drawing for half off dues**



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The countdown to summer swim team has begun....

Annual Homestead Hurricanes Information Meeting

Where: Homestead Elementary School

When: Thursday, April 9th

Time: 6:30-8pm - New swimsuits and merchandise available for purchase in the gym

7:15pm - Brief information meeting in the cafeteria

The information meeting is for new and returning swimmers regarding the 2020 swim team season, swimsuit and merchandise ordering, and a time to ask parent representatives and coaches questions.

Important Dates:

April 9th, 6:30pm-8pm - Information meeting

April 16th, 9pm - Swim team Registration

May 11th and 12th - Swim team try-outs

May 13th - First day of practice

May 23rd - Intraclub meet @ Homestead

May 30th, June 6th, June 13th, June 20th, June 27th - Dual meets

Prelims - 13-18s - July 6, 8&Us - July 7,

9-10s - July 8, 11-12s - July 9

Finals - July 11th

Awards Ceremony and pool party – July 12th

Questions? please contact parent representatives Scott & Shelby Kiernan (720-937-5474), Heather Kolhouse (303-913-3651), Lezlie Roosa (303-478-6252), and Christy Serenyi (720-840-8707)



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- There is no delivery fee to deliver the free recycling toter but WC needs to know if you want one. Your calling and ordering one is how they will know to deliver it to you. Deliveries of the recycling toters will be every other Friday. You do not need to be home, the toter will be left at your property. If you don’t receive a toter you ordered, let the Business Office know.
- You may not use a round Rubbermaid container or the square 18 gallon bins that were commonly used years ago for recycling after April 1st.
- If you don’t want the free recycling toter you don’t need to do anything. You may purchase your own recycling container from the hardware store provided it is either 32 gallons, 64 gallons or 96 gallons. Any such container must be a “toter” style container with a metal bar across the front that the truck uses to mechanically lift the container and empty it. Information on where to purchase your own recycling toter was emailed to homeowners on the email list and is posted on the HOA website.
- Trash will also be limited to one container. It may be 32 gallons, 64 gallons or 96 gallons in the toter style. Waste Connections will rent the 96 gallon size to any homeowner who wants to participate, but homeowners are not required to do so. You may purchase your own container from a hardware store provided it is the “toter” style with the metal bar in the front.
- The cost to rent a 96 gallon trash toter from WC is \$3/month and a \$10 delivery fee. There is no dues credit for the cost of the rental and delivery fee. WC allowed homeowners to put out extra trash at no charge for years. They are now enforcing the contract as it was written. Homeowners are limited to one toter. Choose the size that best suits your trash needs.
- Homeowners may pre-pay directly with a credit card when they order the trash can from Customer Service. WC will also bill quarterly if you don’t pay with a credit card.
- If you do provide your own container for trash and/or recycling and it is damaged by WC’s truck they will not be responsible for replacement. If you use a WC provided recycle container or rent a WC trash container, WC will replace it if damaged by their truck.
- If you have more trash than will fit in your container you may use your own additional container of at least 32 gallons cart/toter style for overflow trash. You will be charged \$3/month for each additional container. You may have more than one additional container. You will be billed directly by WC via paper statement unless you sign up for emailed statements. Billing will be quarterly.
- From June through November WC will pick up 4 bags of yard waste in addition to the toter from each homeowner weekly. If you have more than 4 bags or if you put out extra trash occasionally you will be charged a fee of \$2/bag of yard waste or \$3/toter/month of trash. The driver will note your address and how many extra bags/toters he picked up and you will be billed directly by WC. Billing will be quarterly and only if you exceed the allowed 4 bags of yard waste.
- The Business Office has heard many homeowners are experiencing long hold times. The Business Office has informed WC of this problem many times. Please email Katie at businessmgr@homesteadinthewillows.org to let her know if you cannot reach customer service. She will notify WC and ask them to contact you directly.
- If you already possess 96 gallon toter style trash and recycle containers, you don’t need to call WC or do anything. You will not be billed for already owning the containers WC is now requiring.

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- We explore parks & activities around town.
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Kate @ kate@thegoldstones.com

If you or someone you know is expecting a child, undergoing surgery, or for any other reason may need a helping hand, please contact us.

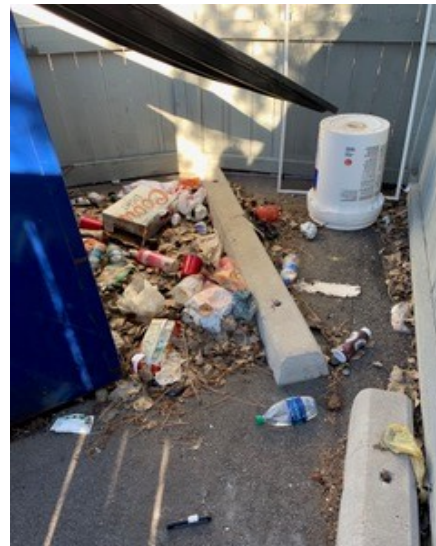
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DUMPSTER ENCLOSURE

Please don't litter the dumpster enclosure area with trash or overfill the dumpsters. If the dumpster is already full, please hold your items for the next week. The dumpsters are not emptied when over-full and the HOA has to pay for a special pickup. Likewise, when residents just fling items over the wall and they land on the cement, the HOA has to pay someone to pick it all up and deposit it in the dumpster.

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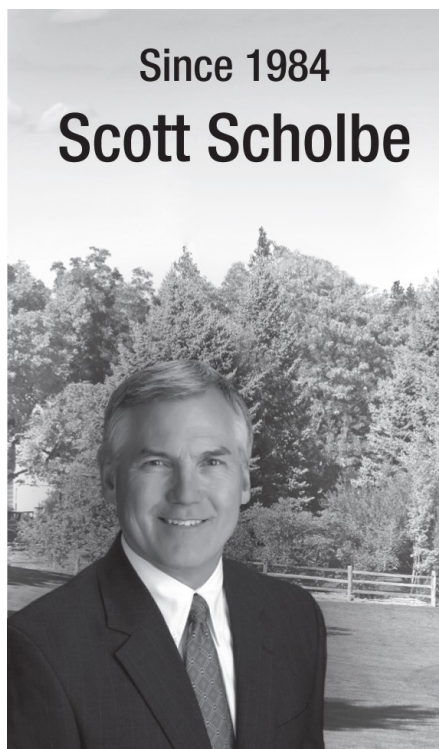


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HOMSTEAD IN THE WILLOWS SOCIAL COMMITTEE

The Social Committee is looking for a few good people to help with the 2020 Egg Hunt & July 4th Picnic

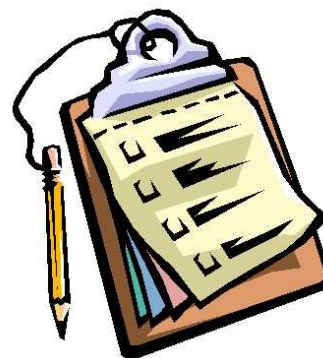
Please contact the social committee @ homestead.socom@gmail.com



THE 2020 COVENANT REVIEW TASK FORCE NEEDS YOU!

The Covenant Review Task Force will again do a site-wide inspection of each Homestead property this spring. This is a short, easily managed few hours of volunteer work for your community. If you are interested in volunteering please call the Business Office at 303-793-0230 or email hoataskforce@gmail.com.

Thank you!





HOMESTEAD in the WILLOWS
2020 Junior Tennis Registration Form

Name: _____ Child Phone: _____ Birthdate: _____

Parents Names: _____

Address: _____

Parent Phone: _____ Email: _____

Junior Team Tennis (JTT)

Registration deadline for Junior Team Tennis April 28

10 and under: _____ 12 and Under Boys: _____ 12 and Under Girls: _____

14 and Under Boys: _____ 14 and Under Girls: _____

18 and Under Boys: _____ 18 and Under Girls: _____

T-shirt size: (circle one) Y-sm Y-med Y-lg A-sm A-med A-lg A-xlg

Please check dates you are **NOT** available for matches:

6/8 _____ 6/15 _____ 6/22 _____ 6/29 _____ 7/6 _____ 7/13 _____ 7/20 _____

State 7/31 – 8/2 _____

Rookie Team Tennis (RTT) _____

T-shirt size: (circle one) Y-sm Y-med Y-lg A-sm A-med

Little Lobbers: Tues. _____ Wed. _____ Thurs. _____ Fri. _____

Please send form and payment to: (Venmo mary-moses02) or

Mary Moses
What About Tennis
7944 S. Bemis St.
Littleton, CO 80120
303-522-7718

Homestead in the Willows
2020 Junior Tennis Program

Junior Team Tennis (JTT) – May 26 to July 20. Additional practice for teams that qualify for State. No practices week of June 30 - July 4

Practices: (Subject to change depending on numbers and ability)

10 and under (All levels) – Tues/Thurs - 8:00 – 9:00 am (\$325)

12 and under (All levels) – Wed/Fri. – 9:00 – 10:30 am (\$440)

14 and under (All levels) – Wed/Fri. - 10:30 – noon (\$440)

18 and under (All levels) - Tues/Thurs – 2:00 – 3:30 pm (\$440)

Junior Team Tennis Match Schedule: Every Mon. June 8 to July 20. State 7/31 – 8/2.

10 and under – 8:00 am

12 and under – 9:30 am

14 and under – 11:00 am

18 and under – 12:30 pm

Rookie Team Tennis (RTT) – 8 to 10 yr olds – June 3 to July 17. No practices week of June 30 - July 4

This is for those juniors that are too old for the Little Lobbers yet not quite ready for JTT. This is the perfect “tweener” program that is a lot of fun and helps players gain confidence on the court. It’s also a great opportunity for parents to come watch their children as their team “competes”. This program is designed to prepare them to move onto Junior Team Tennis.

Wed/Fri – 8:00 – 9:00 am (\$275)

Friday competitions: 6/12, 6/19, 6/26, 7/10 and 7/17

Little Lobbers: 6 to 8 yr olds – June 2 to July 17. No practices week of June 30 - July 4

*10 % discount given if you register for more than one day. Minimum of 4 participants per session day.

Tues. only – 1:00 – 2:00 pm (\$150)

Wed. only – 1:00 – 2:00 pm (\$150)

Thurs. only – 1:00 – 2:00 pm (\$150)

Fri. only – 1:00 – 2:00 pm (\$150)

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BABYSITTING & PETSITTING SERVICE:

I'm a 9th grader at Cherry Creek High and a Red cross certified babysitter. I would love help you with your kids and/or watch your pets!

Please call Devon Stern 303-808-0864.

BABYSITTING & PETSITTING SERVICE:

Red Cross Certified Babysitter. For babysitting, \$15 an hour for up to 2 children (price to be determined for additional child). For petsitting, \$20 a day for up to 2 pets (\$5 per additional pet). Has experience with pets. **Contact Skylar: (915) 248-8477.**

BABYSITTING: Reliable, thoughtful 16 year old, Red Cross certified girl available to babysit during the day, evenings and weekends during the summer. Loves children of all ages. Will take great care of your kiddos! Will be a junior at Creek next school year. **Please call Carli Tornambe at (720)440-1145.**

BABYSITTER: Babysitting: Red Cross and Life-guard certified 17-year-old Cherry Creek junior will make sure your kids are safe and having fun. I enjoy kids of all ages and would love to help out your family. Available weekends and evenings.

Please call Halle Wist 720-409-9240.

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WINTER SHOVELING/YARD WORK: High School Junior available to mow, rake leaves, and/or complete various yard projects during spring, summer and fall, as well as shovel driveways and walkways during the winter months.

Call Clay Cutter at (303)927-8247.

PETSITTING: Responsible 12th grader who loves caring for pets, I would love to take care of your pets while you are away! **Call Justin Rapp at (720) 234-1349.**

PETSITTING: Reliable, thoughtful 16 year old girl available to walk your dogs and/or care for your pets while you are away.

Please call Carli Tornambe (720)440-1145.

BABYSITTER: I am a 14 year old reliable freshman attending Valor Christian High School. I am a Red Cross certified babysitter and would love to prepare meals for, tidy up after, or even give homework help. I'm taking all honors classes and have a 4.0 GPA. I am available on the weekends and over Christmas break this coming season! Hope to help out soon!

Call Katie Greenfield at 303-720-3723.

CHERRY CREEK SCHOOLS NEWS

For information about Cherry Creek Schools, visit www.cherrycreekschools.or.

For questions or concerns about Cherry Creek Schools, contact Abbe Smith, Chief Communications Officer, at 720-554-4475.

IMPORTANT DATES:

- March 3 – 9:15 a.m., Parent Information Network, *Money Doesn't Grow on Trees! Creating Financially Responsible Kids*
- March 3 – 6 p.m., District Accountability Committee
- March 3 – 6:30 p.m., 2nd Annual Historically Black Colleges & Universities, Hispanic Serving Institutions & Tribal Serving Institutions College Fair
- March 5-6 – K-8 Non-contact days, no school for K-8 students
- March 9 – 7:00 p.m., Board of Education Meeting

- March 9-13 – Cherry Creek Read Week
- March 10 – 6:30 p.m., Parent Information Network, *Money Doesn't Grow on Trees! Creating Financially Responsible Kids*
- March 11 – 9:00 a.m., Parents' Council Meeting
- March 12 – 9:30 a.m., Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting
- March 16-20 – Spring Break, no school
- March 25 – 6:00 p.m., District PAS Meeting

YOU'RE INVITED!

Cherry Creek High School

- Mar 4-7 7 pm, Spring Musical, FA Theater (2 pm matinee on 4/7/20)
- Mar 6 4:30-6:30 pm, Fine Arts Friday
- Mar 10 7 pm, Mid-Winter Choir Concert (USJ, Troubadours, G21, Meisters), FA Theater
- Mar 12 7 pm, Orchestra Concert, FA Theater
- Mar 25 7 pm, Band Concert, FA Theater



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ACC NEWS



REMINDER: Architectural Change Application forms are required for any external change you are making to your home or property. This includes like for like as in exterior paint, driveway replacement, window replacement etc. If in doubt submit an application or email the ACC at homesteadacc@gmail.com for clarification.

Photos with Applications: The ACC has found that having photos of your existing home and property is very useful in reviewing applications for changes. Effective immediately all applications for change will require photos of existing elements accompany applications.

HOA as a Resource: The HOA website and office are good places to start when you are planning changes to your home or property. The HOA approved paint colors, garage and front door styles are posted on the website under the Home Improvements tab and sample style boards with the actual colors and styles are in the office.

Front Door Colors: The ACC has approved 11 colors to be used as front door accent colors. These are posted on the website and there is a style board in the HOA office.

Replacing a Garage Door: The ACC approves four styles of garage doors which are all square or horizontal paneled. The profiles are on sample boards in the HOA office and on the HOA website. Garage doors must be painted to match the body color of the house. Strap or decorative hinges and vertical paneled doors are not approved. Factory white garage doors are no longer approved. The Board of Directors approved the door styles and paint requirements in May 2018.

Just because you see it in the neighborhood, doesn't mean it's approved. Whenever you are planning on changing anything external to your home or yard, you are required to get ACC approval as mandated in the Declarations & Restrictions of the Governing Documents, *even if you are replacing or updating with similar products or the same paint colors.*

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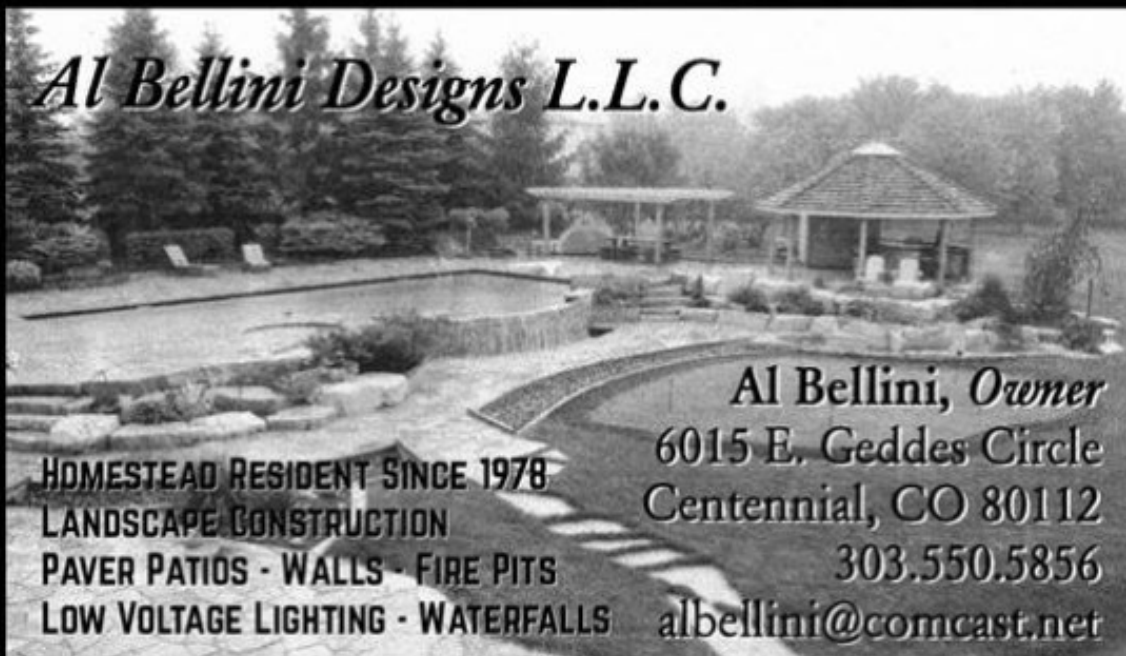


But beyond the obvious, we're learning more and more about how valuable trees are both to the environment and our health.

*Just by doing what they do standing still in the earth, trees take in carbon dioxide and produce oxygen. An average tree absorbs 26 lbs. of carbon dioxide from the air each year.

*By standing tall and creating shade, trees reduce the heat island effect of hot pavement in urban areas, sometimes by as much as 10 degrees!

* Consider their economic value. Trees are not only the most expensive investment among landscape plants, but they appreciate over time as they grow. Individual trees can be worth thousands of dollars as they mature.



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March Landscape Logic

by Nancy Bauer



March Landscape Tips

You know that March has arrived, ‘when the sun shines hot and the wind blows cold: when it is summer in the light and winter in the shade’! With spring around the corner here is a landscaping checklist:

*If a heavy snowfall occurs this month, use a broom to lift up branches and gently shake off the snow. Don’t press down on the branches because this pressure plus the weight of the snow could cause them to break.

*If you didn’t cut back perennials and clean up flowerbeds in the fall begin to do these tasks this month before new spring growth appears. If you wait too long to begin clean up tasks you are likely to damage delicate new growth.

*Winter months are a great time to prune many trees and shrubs. Dormant pruning is beneficial because a tree’s branch structure is readily visible and there are fewer disturbances to gardens. It is advantageous to thin shrubs during the winter to encourage healthy spring growth.

*Spray dormant trees and shrubs for oyster scale, repeat application, before plants bud out.

*If you didn’t rake leaves or remove old fruit from fruit and deciduous trees in the fall do so now.

*Check evergreens for browning and deciduous trees for buds that have died, and deep water.

*Water your lawn if you see evidence of spider mites; thinning grass, soil exposed, excessive yellowing or browning of grass blades



Snow Mold

With the frequent snows over the last few weeks, lawns are at risk for ‘snow mold’ this disease may appear in the heavily shaded areas of your lawn where the snow has not melted off.

Solution: All leaves or other materials should be removed from the lawn when the lawn is free of snow. Fluffing up matted-down grass with a quick, light raking is also beneficial. In addition, it is best to avoid piling snow deeply along sidewalks and driveways, especially in constantly shady areas where it will form a long-lasting snow bank. In the spring, rake away dead and matted foliage from damaged areas and use the rake to ‘fluff up’ the grass.

Mites

At the same time the exposed areas of your lawn (especially south and west facing) are at risk for heavy mite activity. Part of the reason for this is that the moisture content from our snowfalls has been low. This means the snow melts rapidly when the sun hits it, but it doesn’t provide enough moisture to the lawn to make up for what the mites are stealing.

Solution: Watering part of the lawn a couple of times a month on warm days (even though parts of your lawn are still snow covered) is a very good idea. Remember, sun exposed areas of your lawn are drying out and may have any moisture reserves drained by feeding mites.



Info for the Tree Hugger in All of Us:

Trees: the more you know, the more reasons there are to love them.

Shade, of course, is the obvious starting point. Trees keep our picnics, patios, parking lots and homes cool. That makes trees cool.

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SOUTH SUBURBAN NEWS

For more information on all events, programs, and classes below, please visit ssprd.org.

2020 Census

You Count, Be Counted! It's important, easy, and safe.

The 2020 Census is fast approaching. Your census data directs more than \$675 billion in federal funds to states and communities each year for your schools, roads, health care, housing, libraries, public transportation, emergency services, and community resources. Watch your mail in March for instructions and visit <https://2020census.gov/> for more information.

Youth 2020 Spring Leagues

Offered this spring for the enjoyment of our youth is flag football (competitive and recreational), lacrosse, CARA (Colorado Association of Recreational Athletics) volleyball. Learn more at southsuburbansports.com

Who: Ages 5 – 17 (varies by sport)

When: Mar 2 – May 17 (varies by sport)

Where: Various Locations

Price: Varies by sport

Adult 2020 Spring Leagues

Offered this spring for the enjoyment of adults is basketball, lacrosse, softball, volleyball. Learn more at southsuburbansports.com

Who: Ages 18 and up

When: Mar 16 – Apr 13 (varies by sport)

Where: Various Locations

Price: Varies by sport

Commit to Get Fit

Burn calories and test your limits through a combination of cardio and strength training in this small group training led by a certified personal trainer. Pre and post-assessments are included.

Who: Age 14 and up

When: Tue and Thu, Mar 3 - 31, 6 – 7 am

Where: Goodson Recreation Center

Price: \$45 Resident, \$50 Nonresident, #543103

Free Insurance Fitness Benefit Plan Orientations

A general overview of the SilverSneakers®, Silver and Fit and Renew Active programs and facility tour is offered. All SilverSneakers, Silver & Fit and Renew Active members are welcome. Advanced registration is required.

Who: Seniors

When: Tue, Wed, Fri, Mar 3, 4, and 6

Where: Buck, Goodson and Lone Tree recreation centers

Price: \$ Resident, \$ Nonresident, #565003

Free South Suburban Job Fairs

We're hiring! We have hundreds of positions to fill for the busy spring and summer seasons, including life-guards, park maintenance, horticulture, restaurant servers and cooks, sports camps counselors, and more.

Who: Ages 15 and up

When and Where:

Tue, March 3, 2 – 6 pm Buck Recreation Center

Mon, Mar 9, 2 – 6 pm, Lone Tree Recreation Center

Price: Free

Ballroom Dance Nights

Dance the night away to the live rhythms of The Mile High Big Band. Singles always welcome!

Who: Ages 18 and up

When: Fri, Mar 6, 7 – 9:30 pm

Where: Lone Tree Recreation Center

Price: \$8 Resident, \$10 Nonresident, #461983

Free Tesoro Cultural Center's Art and History**Lecture:**

Join us for art and history lectures. This month's presentation is *Penitentes in the American Southwest*

Who: Ages 10 and up

When: Sat, Mar 7, 4 – 5 pm

Where: Buck Recreation Center

Price: Free, Registration is required, #431763

Lunch and Learn

This month's presentation is "The 5 Things You Need to Know About Your Amazing Brain" Enjoy it along with a light lunch.

When: Tue, Mar 10, 11:30 am – 12:30 pm

Where: Goodson Recreation Center

Price: \$10 Resident, \$12 Nonresident, #703883

Spring Sale

Get fit for less during our annual spring sale! Buy 20 recreation center admission punches and get five punches free. Buy a 10-pack of one-hour personal training, private Reformer or massage, and get one free.

Who: All ages

When: Mar 13 – 27

Where: Purchase at ssprd.org or all four recreation centers

Price: Various

St Patrick's Day Party

Enjoy an Irish buffet, drink specials, and music by Jeff Johnson and Company.

Who: Adults

When: Fri, Mar 13, 5 – 9 pm

Where: Lone Tree Grill, inside the Lone Tree Golf Club & Hotel, reservations required. Call 303.790.0202.

Price: \$17.95, plus tax and gratuity

Skean Dubh Celtic Folk Music Concert

Come prepared for a lively evening of Celtic music at its finest. Their repertoire spans centuries with fire-driven instrumentals, Scottish ballads, Irish pub-songs, Celtic folksongs, and gorgeous slow airs.

Who: All ages

When: Fri, Mar 13, 7 – 9 pm

Where: Lone Tree Recreation Center

Price: \$14 all tickets, #469253

Nature Therapy Walk

Come experience the therapeutic benefits of nature through a facilitated, slow-pace, mindful walking practice of nature immersion to support physical, emotional, and mental health.

Who: Ages 14 and up

When: Sat, Mar 14, 12:45 – 3 pm

Where: Lone Tree Hub

Price: \$19 Resident, \$25 Nonresident, #448083

Youth Spring Break Camps

An exclusive program for youth providing a variety of activities. Explore opportunities for lots of activities: arts and crafts, sports, science fun, indoor/outdoor group activities.

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Club Lone Tree: Lone Tree Recreation Center, ages 6-10, Mar 16 – 20, 7 am – 6 pm, \$31 Resident Youth, \$39 Nonresident Youth, bring own lunch and snack. 311533

Family Sports Center Adventure Camp: Family Sports Center, ages 6 -13, Mar 16 -20, 7 am – 6 pm, \$50 Resident Youth, \$54 Nonresident Youth, lunch and snack provided. 480433

Other spring camps, such as arts, nature, sports, and more, are also available at ssprd.org.

Spring Fling Line Dance Social

Hey, Line Dancers, kick-off spring and enjoy a variety of dances that inspire and challenge you in a relaxed atmosphere. Refreshments provided.

Who: Ages 18 and up

When: Sat, Mar 21, 12 – 3 pm

Where: Buck Recreation Center

Price: \$10 Resident, \$12 Nonresident, #790173

Spring Break Mixed Media Art Camps

Learn all about art and make crazy fun art pieces using various materials. Dress for a mess.

Goodson Recreation Center: Mon - Fri, Mar 23 – 27, 1 – 4 pm, Ages 6 – 10, \$95 Resident Youth, \$101 Nonresident Youth, 426053

Lone Tree Recreation Center: Mon - Fri, Mar 23 – 27, 1 – 4 pm, Ages 8 – 12, \$95 Resident Youth, \$101 Nonresident Youth, #450883

Summer Swim Teams

Enjoy a fun, recreational swim team experience this summer. Swimmers must be able to swim one 25-meter length of the pool using one of the four competitive strokes unassisted. Meets are held throughout the metro area on Saturday mornings. All fees and paperwork must be completed before a swimmer will be allowed in the water — information for all teams posted at ssprd.org.

Who: Ages 6 - 18

When: Parent meetings in early April; Meets begin June

Where: Cook Creek, Franklin, and Holly outdoor pools

Price: Various

Theater in the Parks, Auditions for "Dragon Wiggletooth"

In this delightful farce, three children accidentally discover an invisible dragon. After their initial fear wears off, the children listen to the friendly dragon tell his tale of woe, as it comes to life before our eyes. Auditions Sat, April 4, 10-12am at Buck Recreation Center. You must call 303-730-4612 to request a 10-minute audition appointment.

Who: Ages 8 - 16

When: Sat, Apr 4, 10 am - 12 pm

Where: Buck Recreation Center

Price: \$82 Resident, \$91 Nonresident

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OLD BUSINESS: The Trash contract with Waste Connections had been signed and new information was published in the February Herald for Homeowners.

NEW BUSINESS: The general insurance policy for the Association received a renewal rate increase of 2%. Ross moved and Donald seconded a motion to renew with Philadelphia. The motion passed unanimously. The Board members discussed the agenda for the Annual Meeting. No volunteers have stepped forward to run for the two open positions on the Board of Directors. Jamie and Emily will stay on temporarily while new members are recruited.

ADJOURNMENT AND CALENDARING: The meeting adjourned at 9:33 pm. The next regular Board Meeting will be on Monday, April 13th, at 6:30 p.m. at the Business Office.



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