



Lakehurst Honker

Lakehurst West Homeowners Association
www.neighborhoodlink.com/denver/lwhoa

January – February 2007

Lakehurst West Homeowners Association General Meeting
January 16, 2007, Peiffer Elementary School
Meeting called to order by John Clark at 6:35 p.m.

Attending

Board members: John Clark, Liliana Baylon (acting secretary for Alan Blair), Jorge Baylon, Ken Krukar, Chris Ames; 11 residents of Lakehurst and Lakehurst West.

Guest Speaker

John Clark, attorney specializing in real estate, Castle Rock, Colorado. Mr. Clark took questions from the audience.

Q: Are the Covenants expired?/Do they expire?

A: No. The Covenants for the subdivision are still in effect. They were written to run for a specified number of years and, for successive 10-year periods. Courts look at “intent” and “reasonableness.”

Q: What are the Covenants?

A: The Covenants, recorded in the Jefferson County Clerk & Recorder’s Office, are the standards that define how a property may be used and the protections that the developer makes for the benefit of all owners in a subdivision. The Covenants are the basic rules establishing the rights and obligations of owners of real property within the subdivision.

Q: What is the difference between Covenants and Zoning Regulations?

A: Zoning regulations are laws enforced by the County; Covenants are the basic rules and obligations of the community; they are not enforceable by the County but they can be enforced by a court of law.

Q: Are the Covenants on the Lakehurst West HOA Website?

A: Yes, we will scan the covenants and post them on our website for everyone to read and/or download. <http://www.neighborhoodlink.com/denver/lwhoa/main.html>

Q: Can we combine the Covenants of all the filings (Lakehurst and Lakehurst West) into one?

A: Yes. It will be expensive and take effort; the majority of property owners will have to vote and agree on combining all the covenants into one.

Q: Can the covenants be modified?

A: Yes, we would have to file an instrument to amend the covenants, which also requires the majority of the fillings to agree upon the modifications.

January Meeting Minutes (continued)

Reports

CoHope

Chris Ames, CoHope rep, reminded audience CoHope meets the first Tuesday of each month. Includes: a Sheriff's representative, Jeffco Planning & Zoning, Foothills Parks & Rec. Public always welcome. Feb 6, 7:00 pm, at the Peak, Kathy Hartman, new Jefferson County Commissioner; March 6, Cindy Stevenson, Jefferson County Superintendent of Schools.

Membership

78 residents paid; 120 residents interested; approximately 640 houses eligible.

New Forms

LWFOA has new forms for Complaints, Suggestions, and Communication. Available at meetings and on the website.

New Website

Website has information about LWFOA and links to County Departments such as Zoning, Sheriff, Animal Control, Discussion Forums and Calendar Events.

www.neighborhoodlink.com/denver/lwfoa

President Resignation & Officers for 2007-2008

Elect new President at annual meeting, April 17 to replace Shane Lantz who resigned.

Four Officers: President, Vice-president, Secretary and Treasurer;

Six Directors, 1 Representative per filling, 3 Standing Committee Chairs, 2 Members at large.

New Committees

The growing LWFOA needs volunteers for Committees: Public Relations, Filing Representatives, Membership, Covenants, Sign and Sheriff Representative.

Sign Committee

Dan Muldoon, Chair, and Ken Krukar. Dan will gather information on the design, place, materials, prices, dates, restrictions, and requirements for the entrance signs. First Marlowe & Simms, later on Lakehurst & Kipling, then remaining entrances.

Recall Ballot Results

Recall ballot voting "not to table the sign on Marlowe and Simms". Out of 78 paid Members -- 4 Votes say No; 23 Votes say Yes

Potential Speakers and/or Topics

The Board needs to know who or what you want to discuss in our meetings. Speakers to date: the Sheriff Department, Zoning and a Real Estate lawyer.

Next newsletter

The next newsletter (Jan-Feb) will include the meeting minutes.

Meeting schedule

The LWFOA general meetings will be held on the 3rd Tuesday of January, April (election), June (picnic), September, and November. Unless otherwise notified. Beginning with the April meeting, start time will be 7:00 pm, by member request.

Next Meeting

Annual Meeting April 17, Peiffer Elementary, 7:00 pm

Meeting Adjourned at 8:15 pm



Burned out streetlight?

Call Xcel Energy at **1-800-895-4999** to report a burned out streetlight. Or the website <http://www1.xcelenergy.com/ODL/OUTAGEREPORT/>

Community Service, Reaching Out Idea

If you have been a victim of a domestic violence or know of a victim of such a crime, and feel you would like to donate something becuz it's a good thing to do, here's an interesting bit from Jeffco Sheriff's web page:

Can I donate my old cell phone? What about stuffed animals?

The Victim Services Unit accepts used cell phones. These phones are programmed to dial 911 only, and then they are given to victims of domestic violence at a local shelter. You can drop off used cell phones at any of the Sheriff's Office locations during regular business hours. Please indicate that the phones are to go to Victim Services. The Sheriff's Office does not accept donations of stuffed animals for its Deputy Hugs program, but financial donations are welcome.

Webpage:
http://jeffco.us/sheriff/sheriff_T62_R48.htm

ALERT ALERT!

Hiring Tree Trimmer, Jack Woodbridge, is a bad idea, according to several Lakehurst residents. He seems genuine, but never finishes the job, will take your money, and then disappear.

For more info, contact the LWHO.

Mark your calendar now:

LWHO Annual Meeting

Tuesday, April 17, 2007

7:00 pm

Peiffer Elementary Cafeteria
Election of Officers
Committee Reports
Signs to be posted

LWHO Meeting Schedule

The LWHO general meetings will be held on the 3rd Tuesday of January, April (election), June (picnic), September, and November. Unless otherwise notified. Beginning with the April meeting, start time will be 7:00 pm, by member request.

Signs will be posted, as usual.

A Bunch of Garbage?

Lisa Hofmeister

After the blizzards finally ended and before the garbage trucks were ready to brave the streets again, I was struck by the amount of trash piled throughout our neighborhood. It sure is easy to lose track of the volumes of garbage we produce when someone whisks it away every week, never to be seen again.

One household apparently received a new treadmill for Christmas – oh joy! Out on the curb went its huge box, plus the old unwanted treadmill. Can you imagine that stuff sitting in the landfill for fifty plus years? As it slowly decomposes it will release carbon dioxide and methane into our atmosphere and leach toxins into our groundwater.

We all lead hectic lives these days and it seems the last thing we are inclined to think about is the impact of our garbage on the environment. I, for one, was tired of seeing all the wrapping paper and cardboard boxes that contributed to the chaos of the holidays in our household, and it would have been so convenient to make it disappear on Tuesday with the rest of the trash.

This year we're trying something different.

- Kitchen scraps in a Tupperware container are emptied them daily into our makeshift outdoor compost pile.
- A basket near the kitchen trashcan to collect recyclable paper items like cereal boxes, newspaper, junk mail, and wrapping paper.
- Soda cans, wine and beer bottles, plastic milk cartons, etc go straight into the recycling bin.

Our waste company does not accept corrugated cardboard (perhaps others do), but it can be recycled if you're willing to work a little. The Audobon Society office, just inside Chatfield State Park, has a bin for corrugated cardboard, telephone books, etc. This is a fundraising method for them. They sell it in bulk to mass recyclers. Allied Waste has a facility up near the Stock Show Complex that accepts corrugated cardboard. My husband will make a drop off there occasionally on his way to or from the airport.

I also learned about a wonderful organization called **“Freecycle.”** Capitalizing on the idea that one man's trash is another's treasure, Freecycle uses email to allow people to “advertise” items that they no longer want, or to request items that others might be willing to give away. **Old computer monitors, clothes, packing peanuts** that we all receive, hate to throw away, but don't know where or how to store...someone wants those! A simple Freecycle posting usually results in several responses within 24 hours, and BINGO! – someone comes to your house and takes them. Anything can be freecycled, as long as it's free.

Interested? www.freecycle.org.

I wish our trash collection company had weekly recycling pickups, because we are now producing more recyclable waste than landfill-destined waste. It can be a real pain, but it's a good feeling. I highly recommend it! If you're interested in a conversation about how Lakehurst can become more environmentally aware, please email me at lrardin@yahoo.com.

Lakehurst West HOA Officers and Board 2006-2007

President	Vacant – replacement at the 2007-2008 officers election - Annual meeting April 17, 7 pm		
VP	John Clark	303.979.7417	
Secretary	Alan Blair	303.932.9283	coblairs@comcast.net
Treasurer	Liliana Baylon	303.972.0330	lqbaylon@aol.com
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Website: <http://www.neighborhoodlink.com/denver/lwhoa>

Community Bulletin Board

Meetings

COHOPE 1st Tues 7 pm—most months; next meetings Feb 6, Mar 6, Apr 3. The Peak.

Board of County Commissioners

Every Tuesday at 9:15 am Public Comment 1st and 3rd meetings 8:45 am

Foothills 2nd and 4th Tues, 7 pm, The Peak.

Board of Adjustment Every Wed. at 1:30 pm except third Wed. of months at 6 pm.

DRCOG Feb 21, 7 pm, 4500 Cherry Creek Dr South

Planning Commission 1st & 2nd Wed. 6 pm; 4th & 5th Wed, 1:30 pm.

The Lakehurst Honker, official newsletter of Lakehurst West Homeowners Association, distributed to paid members five times a year

Contribution deadline: 15th of month prior to publication.

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LWHOA Annual Meeting

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7:00 pm

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Take Charge of Your Mailbox & Phone

Liliana Baylon, LWHOA Treasurer

I just read an article call “Don’t Call. Don’t Write. Let Me Be”, by Damon Darlin on marketers, solicitations and junk mail. Are you tired of receiving unwanted phone calls, mail and/or e-mails? Here are some references and resources to bring some sanity back into your life.

Opt Out of Marketer Lists

Go to the website and follow the simple instructions to opt out of the marketers list.
http://www.doubleclick.com/us/about_doubleclick/privacy/

Phone Solicitations

Coloradans must now register on BOTH Federal and State “do not call” lists. One list will not do the job. They are separate lists.

Recently, the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) stopped accepting no call information from the states. Register on the Internet, at the National Do Not Call Registry website <http://www.ftc.gov/donotcall>, or by calling 1-888-382-1222 (TTY 1-866-290-4236). More information is available on the website. The Public Utilities Commission recommends that subscribers register on both sites.

A listing is good for five years, after which you'll have to repeat the process.

For the State of Colorado: www.coloradonocall.com

Junk Mail

Get off mailing lists/Mail Preference Service
<https://www.dmaconsumers.org/cgi/offmailing>

Credit Card Offers

Credit card offers come from mailing lists the credit bureaus sell to banks and credit card companies. Go to this website and sign up. www.optoutprescreen.com You will have to give your social security number – this is legitimate. You are telling the credit bureaus to take you off their mailing lists. Your social security number is how you are registered with all credit bureaus.

Convenience or “Courtesy” Checks

What’s more dangerous and menacing than cash in your mail box? Those pesky “convenience” or “courtesy” checks sent by your credit card company(s). To STOP the ones you don’t want, YOU have to initiate action. Call the toll-free customer service number for your credit card company or bank card. Tell them to take you off their marketing list. They WILL do it and they will stop sending the checks. You can always request checks directly if you want or need them later. It works! They’ll stop.

COHOPE Report

(Council of Homeowners Organization for Planned Environment)

Chris Ames, COHOPE Rep

COHOPE meets 1st Tuesday of each month on at The Peak Foothills facility, 6612 S. Ward.

Jan 2 meeting. Lake Cedar Group, reported on the process to get High Definition TV Tower on Lookout Mountain approved. It is federally mandated that all analog towers be replaced with digital by 2009. Analog signals will be turned off 2/17/09. The frequencies are being turned back to the government in exchange for new digital frequency bandwidth.

So Jeffco Sheriff Report: Grey LaCerte, Jeffco Sheriff presented crime statistics. 88% of burglaries are open garage doors, unlocked doors or at construction sites. New trends: perpetrators remove garage door openers from unlocked cars; purses stolen from unlocked cars at day care centers while parents go in to retrieve children. Motor Vehicle Theft: 24 were unlocked, 21 were “puffers” (cars warming up in driveways or on street), 25 had keys in the car. **It is illegal to leave a car, with the engine running, unattended, anywhere - including your own driveway.**

Planning & Zoning Report: Grading on Alamo between Kipling and Cross is for a temporary parking lot for the YMCA and church. Belleview by C-470 is being expanded to 4 lanes – this was part of the zoning for Home Depot, which was zoned some time ago.

Upcoming meetings:
Feb 6: Cathy Hartman, new County Commissioner
Mar 6: Cindy Stevenson, School Superintendent

Public always welcome at COHOPE meetings.

COHOPE website

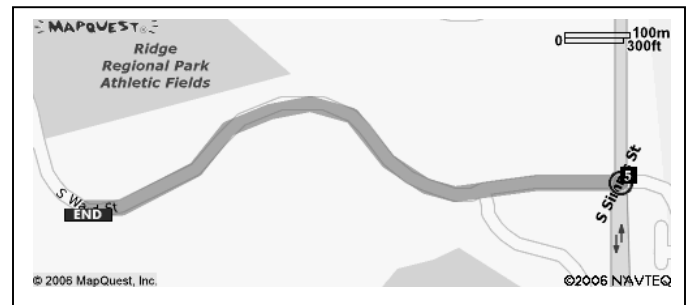
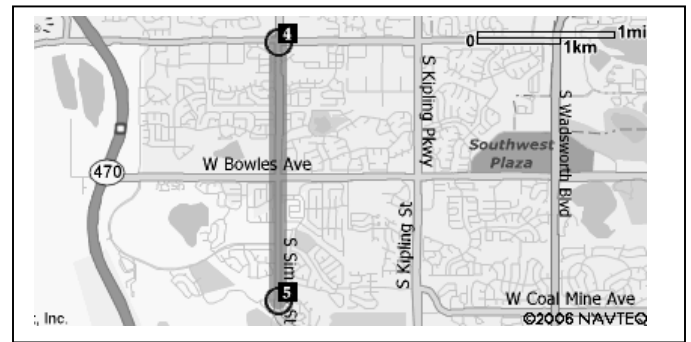
<http://www.neighborhoodlink.com/org/cohope>

The Peak

6612 South Ward Street, 303.409.2200

Directions:

Simms, south to Ward St. Right (west) on Ward.



WANTED: YOU!

New committees forming – Public Relations, Filing Reps, Membership, Sheriff Liaison, Covenants

Join us – Annual Meeting, April 17

WE NEED YOU.



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