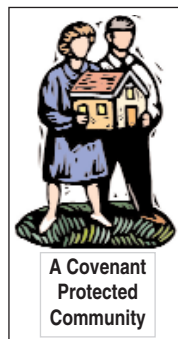




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CWCA – Your Homeowners' Organization



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Columbine High School Holiday Craft Fair

Columbine High School After Prom Committee is hosting a shopping extravaganza. There will be 140 booths filled with local crafters and vendors to choose from. Food vendors range from "homemade breakfast burritos" to "fresh baked goodies". Admission is \$1 at the door, with kids 5 and under FREE. Mark your calendar for Saturday, November 13th from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., to be held at Columbine High School. The Craft Fair proceeds will help the After Prom Committee insure that our high school students have a safe and incredibly enjoyable place to hang out after Prom.

CWCA Holiday Potluck Gathering

On December 14th at 7 p.m., Columbine West Civic Association Board Members and volunteers are hosting a holiday get-together at Dutch Creek Elementary. The event is an open Potluck Theme, bring a dish or sweet treat to share with other neighbors. Coffee, cider and hot chocolate will be supplied by CWCA. This year has flown by and the development has many activities to be proud of, with credit being given to all of the volunteers and huge amount of hours invested back into the community. All are welcome, please stop in and grab a bite.



2010 Candlelight Walk & Tree Lighting

The 2010 Candlelight Walk and Tree Lighting will be held Friday, November 26th in Historic Downtown Littleton. The 27th edition of this Littleton tradition will feature a festive evening of holiday lights and music. Santa Claus and his sleigh will come down Main Street followed by carolers holding candles and flashlights. Enjoy merchant Open Houses and bring your camera for a photo with Santa at Town Hall Arts Center, or with his reindeer at Bradford Auto Body at 2659 West Main Street. The reindeer are generously sponsored by Bradford Auto Body and Western Welcome Week.

Find free hot cider and music at Town Hall Arts Center, Bega Park, or Bradford Auto Body from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Candles will be available for 50 cents. Donations of non perishable food for Inter-Faith Community Services will be accepted, as will toys for the Arapahoe Santa Claus Shop. The Littleton Chorale, Leawood Elementary School Choir and Colorado Fire Tribe will perform at various Main Street locations while waiting for Santa's arrival.

Next CWCA Meetings

7.00 p.m., Dutch Creek Elementary
Nov. 12th, Dec. TBD

Main Street will close to traffic shortly after 5 p.m. Santa will begin his march down the street from the courthouse at 6:30 p.m. The event culminates at the west
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How Fast is Too Fast?

Columbine West has a POSTED speed limit of 25 mph, except over the speed bumps and in the school zone. There has been (3) separate accidents in the development since August 15th, each of them in different areas, different times of day and different driving scenarios. The August incident was on Frost Dr. just west of the Webster/Frost Dr. intersection. Early in the morning, a vehicle driving at speeds estimated to be 60 mph, crashed into a Toyota 4Runner parked on the street, which pushed it over the sidewalk and into a neighboring yard and the speeding car ended up across the street in yet another yard. The next accident was a few days later, not far from the corner of Webster/Frost Dr. again. This time it was just South of the intersection, where a truck swerved across the street and landed in front of a blue spruce. The last reported incident was on W. Portland Ave. where the "S" curve is. Around 10:30 p.m., neighbors were
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We need your help!

We need volunteers to deliver the CWCA newsletter to the neighbors who live on and near your street. The time involved is usually less than a half an hour a month. We receive this newsletter for free each month. In return, our commitment to the publisher of the newsletter, Colorado Lasertype, is that the newsletter will be delivered in a timely manner to all the homes in the neighborhood. Columbine West is a large neighborhood but if each person does one small thing, we can get it done! **Please call 303-972-2387 to volunteer. We need you! We need substitute volunteers to help cover routes when people are ill or out of town.**

CWCA Calendar of Events

- Nov. 2nd, 2010, 5-8 p.m., C.H.S. Dairy Queen Night
- Nov. 6th, 2010, 7 p.m., C.H.S. Fall Play
- Nov. 7th, 2010, 2 a.m. (Fall Back), Daylight Savings
- Nov. 12th, 2010, 7 p.m., CWCA Meeting, Dutch Creek Elem.
- Nov. 16th, 2010, 7 p.m., C.H.S. Talent Show
- Dec. 3rd, 2010, 8 p.m. & Dec. 4th, 6 p.m., Parade of Lights
- Dec. 14th, 2010, 7 p.m., CWCA Holiday Social/Get-together, Dutch Creek Elem.
- Feb. 23rd, 24th & 25th, 2011, 7 p.m. & Feb. 26th, 2 p.m. C.H.S. Musical Performance, Bye, Bye, Birdie

How Fast is Too Fast?, continued from front page

rustled out of their homes by the sounds of an F-150, double cab, losing control, running up onto the sidewalks and flipping a 180 degree turn before finally stopping. In each of these accidents, not a single person was seriously injured, but certainly nerves of neighbors were rattled. At the October CWCA meeting, neighbors talked about the accidents and tried to make sense of why such accidents are occurring on our streets. Each of the incidents had two things in common, the Sheriff's report noted, excessive speed and careless driving. The issue of adding more speeds bumps was discussed, but the County is now requiring homeowners to help defray the cost. Additional signage was also addressed. As we enter into the Winter months where driving conditions can deteriorate quickly, can we all take a moment before we slip behind the wheel to remember how quickly a distracted driver can impact lives of others?

Candlelight Walk, continued from front page

end of Main Street where one lucky child's name will be drawn to help Santa throw the switch on the huge live trees in the plaza. Free parking is available at Arapahoe Community College. For more information, call 303-795-3863.

Call for Entries: Own An Original

The City of Littleton Fine Arts Committee invites Colorado artists to enter The Own An Original Arts Exhibition. Enter up to three images showing work in five categories: Painting, Drawing, Sculpture, Textile, and Jewelry. Cash awards; Best of Show winner will receive a one-person exhibition at the Littleton Museum in 2011.

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NIC Mission Statement

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Jefferson County Numbers

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Extension Service	303-271-6620	Voting Information	303-271-8111

Eagle Project Update

Thank you to everyone that has supported the Webster/Roxbury re-landscaping project. I have been able to secure roughly 1/2 the funds needed to address the project. Brick orders are still being accepted. I was told that the property was the school districts, but have since found out that the school district does not own or manage the plot, nor does the County. Through some investigation, I found that Foothills Park & Rec. does manage the land and I will be working with Collin Insley to help complete the design. At this time, Troop 459 has (2) older scouts that are also pursuing their Eagle Rank, which must be completed by their 18th birthday, so my project will be delayed a little. This way our Troops energies can help them before the end of the year. I will continue to update the community and possibly seek volunteer help as I get closer to a start date.

— Evan McCombs

2010 Home Improvement Contest

The 4th Annual Home Improvement/Landscaping Contest was offered again this year by Gary Birkholtz, owner of Chatfield Time Rentals. CWCA is extremely thankful to Gary for offering this contest and its prizes. Home improvement refers to anything outside of the home, such as landscaping, siding, cement work, windows and/or paint. Projects can be ongoing. This year's contest provided (3) homeowners with the potential of earning bragging rights to 1st through 3rd place. Judging was done during a potluck dinner as entries were reviewed by interested Garden Club members. Thank you Gary Birkholtz and Chatfield Time Rentals for sponsoring the contest for another year. If you would like to know more about individual contractors used, contact the homeowner, they would love to share. If you would like to see the before and after pictures, they will be posted at Chatfield Time Rentals on Ken Caryl Ave. Thanks to all who participated! A huge round of applause for the 2010 winners. Look inside the newsletter for all the winners and photos.

1st Place (\$250) 8126 W. Fremont Dr.

The McCombs Family has lived in Columbine West since 1994, when the family was transferred from San Diego's General Dynamics and merged with Martin Marrieta. The front entrance to the house was a small non-descript concrete sidewalk encroached by spiky junipers. The front door was an odd double door that begged to be replaced. A new installation of a single door, flanked by half glass side panels, brings more light into the entryway and updates the entrance. In an effort to capture more outdoor living space, they had a large trex deck built by TK Quality Construction added onto the front. The driveway was also lined with small evergreens that began to overtake the area. Tearing them out with the help of a braided tow rope and a Toyota 4Runner, made way for flagstone to be



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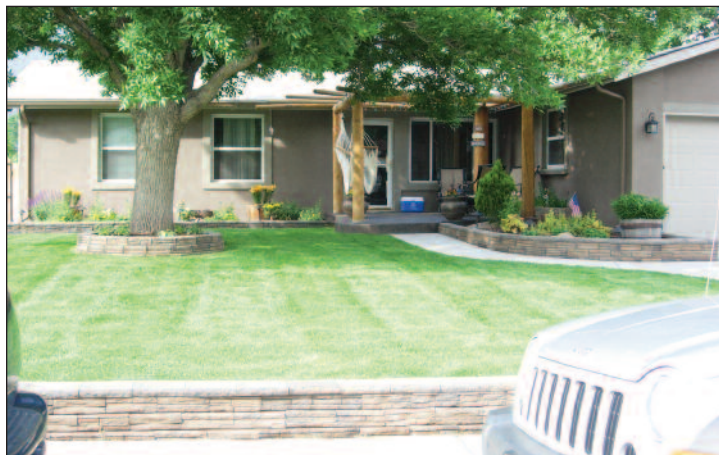
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installed and low voltage lights to enhance a well designated walkway. Garden beds edged with rip-rap began to emerge, planted with perennials and ground covers. Their mature Blue Spruce and Ash help to provide shade and seclusion. Evenings during the summer are spent enjoying the company of neighbors and watching the kids play in the cul-de-sac. The McCombs have (2) sons, Jeremy, a Senior at CHS and Evan, a Freshman. The family loves living in Columbine West for its proximity to the mountains for snow sports and lakes for fishing. Congratulations on a job well done.

2nd Place (\$150) 7107 W. Roxbury Avenue.




The Pagliasotti Family has been in Columbine West since 1975. If the name sounds familiar that is because they have been the past recipient of the "Yard of the Month Contest" in July, 2009. They are both native Coloradoans and have raised (3) children that have now blessed them with (3) grand children. The Pagliasottis own and operate a sheet metal business called Classic Metals, [www.ClassicMetals Inc.com](http://www.ClassicMetalsInc.com), 303-288-8802. Mark mentioned that the front yard had a very difficult time growing because of the grade and soil. Water would just run off and down the gutter. To increase their chances of success, a short retaining wall was installed to level the lawn and a new sprinkler system. Attention was turned towards the small entry-way sidewalk and stoop. A new concrete driveway, stamped walkway and front patio was installed. The most inviting part of their front yard has to be the sunburst porch, with open posts and beams shaped in the sunburst design illuminated with lights. Seating is plentiful, accompanied by a portable fire grate in the middle. The exterior of the house received a coating of stucco and additional lighting helps to enhance the welcoming feel. Debi commented that sitting on the patio early morning enjoying her coffee before work has been extremely rewarding. Congratulations on polishing up a diamond in the rough.

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Please Don't Be a Puffer

As the weather gets colder, it sometimes becomes convenient for us to warm up our cars on the street or in the driveway, while we take care of a few last minute things inside. While it may seem like a good idea, it is actually just an invitation to auto thieves. In recent years, criminals have been observed canvassing residential neighborhoods in the mornings, looking for "puffers" – empty cars with exhaust puffing from the tailpipe. They are an easy grab and an instant getaway. Individuals, victim to this action, have lost more than their car in some instances. We all tend to store items in our cars and these tend to be easily grabbed and sold, even if the car is abandoned. Upon speaking to a neighbor in Columbine West, she mentioned that (2) different neighbors have been victims to this criminal behavior. Don't become another statistic. A running car should always have you in it.

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Current Homes **FOR SALE** in Columbine West

	Lowest	Highest	How Many?
Ranch Style	\$ 209,950	\$ 265,000	2
4-Level	\$ 224,900	\$ 264,500	5
2-Story	\$ 189,900	\$ 280,000	3
Tri-Level	\$ 240,000	\$ 240,000	1
Bi-Level	\$ 190,000	\$ 249,900	4

Current Homes **UNDER CONTRACT** in Columbine West

	Lowest	Highest	How Many?
Ranch Style	None	None	0
4-Level	\$ 170,000	\$ 240,000	3
2-Story	\$ 209,900	\$ 209,900	1
Tri-Level	\$ 239,900	\$ 239,900	1
Bi-Level	\$ 179,900	\$ 184,900	2

Homes **SOLD** in Columbine West Jan. 1 to Aug. 19, 2010

	Lowest	Highest	How Many?
Ranch Style	\$ 175,000	\$ 256,000	8
4-Level	\$ 188,500	\$ 253,000	8
2-Story	\$ 210,000	\$ 304,000	14
Tri-Level	\$ 180,000	\$ 211,000	5
Bi-Level	\$ 160,000	\$ 235,000	8

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Some Secretarial Help is Needed

Once a month, the CWCA Officers, Board Members, Committee Chairs and any interested homeowners come together to share what has been happening in the neighborhood and what is being scheduled. Over the last few months, the association has been without an official Secretary. By far the most important duty is the taking of the minutes. The minutes are records of what was done, not what was said. Minutes should not contain discussions, personal opinions, adjectives, or interpretations. The secretary signs the minutes when they are written, and the president signs

after they are approved. If you would like to become an involved community member within the association, call the voicemail line, **303-904-8218** and leave a message or plan on attending a monthly meeting at Dutch Creek Elementary. The Board meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m.

Columbine West Civic Association Membership Coupon

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and mail it with your \$25 check to CWCA.

Send to CWCA, P.O. Box 620026, Littleton CO 80162

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Telephone #: _____

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CWCA Covenant Violation Report

Mail to: Columbine West Civic Association,
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Date: _____

Description of alleged violation: _____

Violator's Address: _____

☐ I would be willing to appear in court as a witness.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

All reports will remain confidential and you can send this in anonymously, but we are unable to supply progress reports.