

Columbine West Civic Association

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Request a Vacation Check

If you're going on vacation, you should request a vacation check on your home by calling the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office at 303-277-0211. Deputies will make an effort to do extra patrols, and will know how to reach you if there's a problem at home. There is no cost to you and that added attention might just give you a little extra piece of mind. Let's also look out for one another. If you know that your neighbor is on vacation, take a few seconds each day just to look at their doors and windows to see if they are closed. If something doesn't look quite right, call the sheriff. Also, if you see someone in the neighborhood that just doesn't seem to belong, give the sheriff a call and they will check it out. Thanks for being a good neighbor.

Deck Collapses in Columbine West

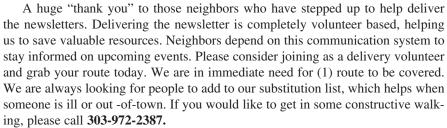
A backyard deck suddenly collapsed in the 7600 block of W. Ottawa Place and fell about 10 feet, Tuesday evening, July 3rd. Four ambulances rushed the injured to two area hospitals. Some adults were standing on the deck during an annual family party when it gave way and collapsed diagonally into the home. This walk out basement neighborhood home was built in 1978-79. It is reported that the deck was held to the house by 16 penny nails, no bolts and no supports. During this particular time of home building using nails was code. What is known is that more homes in the same area have structures built the same way... POORLY. These are our neighbors

and they wish for others to take the time to check their own decks for safety measures. Decks that were built many years ago need to be inspected and repaired where needed. If you have a deck that was already built onto your house before you moved in, check into the safety of the structure. Anyone with questions about the safety of your deck is asked to call the city or county inspector or a contractor. Thanks are extended to the emergency medical team members that assisted the family and their guests. Here's a link to Channel 4's follow-up article, which may be helpful.

http://denver.cbslocal.com/2012/07/07/unsafe-construction-could-be-potential-hazard-in-decks

Needing Your Help

Is the newsletter meeting your needs? Have something that you would like to see reported on? Have a question you need answered? Comment or compliment you would like to share? We would love to hear from you, contact nemccombs@yahoo.com.



** S Zephyr St S of W Ontario Pl, S Zephyr Ct S of W Ontario Pl (21 homes)

National Night Out at Columbine West

CWCA is proud to partner with the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office, Shiloh House, and Target to sponsor this year's NNO on Tuesday, August 7, from 5:30-9:00 p.m. at the Columbine West Pavilion by the pool. Members of the Sheriff's Office will be available to answer questions and showcase some

of their special equipment. This is a great opportunity to exchange ideas concerning effective strategies for fighting crime in our community. Littleton Fire Station 13 is expected to drop by with their ladder truck and emergency medical vehicle. Event planners have secured Chickfil-a, Dominos pizza, ice cream, and games. Feel free to bring a dessert to share. Join us and get to know your neighbors and members of law enforcement and have fun doing so.

"You will either step forward into growth or you will step back into safety."

— Abraham Maslow

Next CWCA Meetings

6:30 p.m. CW Pool Pavilion

Aug. 14th

2012 CWCA Calendar of Events

- August 6th, Dutch Creek Packet pick up
- August 7th, National Night Out, CW Pool Pavilion
- August 14th, 6:30 p.m., CWCA Monthly Meeting (Pool Pavilion)
- August 20th, Jeffco School Starts (Please watch school zones)
- September, CWCA Meeting, Dutch Creek Elementary
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CWCA Mission Statement

The Officers and Directors of Columbine West Civic Association (CWCA) are elected by the dues-paying members who make up the civic association. Each board member is a civic association member and serves on the board without any compensation for time and labor. CWCA's primary mission is to enforce the covenants and to protect the property values of the Columbine West homes.

Our main objectives are as follows:

- · To resolve covenant violations
- To work cooperatively with Jefferson County Sheriff's Department, Planning and Zoning Department and the Colorado State Patrol to maintain a safe and peaceful community
- To initiate civic programs that bring the community together and encourage residents to maintain the general appearance of Columbine West
- To foster community pride among the Columbine West residents

Thank you to those who have made the commitment to be part of the association. CWCA encourages ALL residents to become current with the membership fees which are affective for 12 months. If you have questions or concerns, would like to volunteer or join the Board, contact the voicemail at 303-904-8218. At anytime community members who would like to volunteer on a project can attend a monthly meeting, which is open to all neighbors, or leave a message on the voice mail line. Your \$25 fee is the best value in town. Dues and/or donations can be mailed to: Columbine West Civic Association, P.O. Box 620026, Littleton, CO 80162. NEW PAYMENT OPTION! Pay securely online with PayPal, VISA, MC, Discover, and AMEX. Go to: www.neighborhoodlink.com/jeffco/cwc/. If you have a special project you would like to donate to, make that notation on your payment. Thank you for your continuing support in helping to restore property values and make Columbine West a great place to live.

Denver Water Summer Watering Rules

Denver Water will continue to enforce watering rules, so please use water wisely. Here are the 2012 guidelines.

- Water during cooler times of the day lawn watering is NOT allowed between 10 a.m. & 6 p.m.
- Water no more than (3) days per week
- Do not allow water to pool in gutters, streets and alleys
- Do not waste water by letting it spray on concrete and asphalt
- Repair leaking sprinkler systems within 10 days
- Do not irrigate while raining or during high winds
- Use a hose nozzle with a shut-off valve when washing your car

Garden Committee Update

Did you ever think how a bit of land shows the character of the owner? — saying by Laura Ingalls Wilder. If you would like to step up and help keep the garden duties scheduled, have your name added to the volunteer list, or have any questions, contact the voicemail at 303-904-8218.



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Schools

Dutch Creek Elementary 7304 W. Roxbury Pl. Ken Caryl Middle School 6509 W. Ken Caryl Ave. Columbine High School 6201 S. Pierce St.

The newsletter is published monthly. Deadline for news is the 13th and ads is the 15th of each month for the next month's issue except the Jan. issue which is Dec. 6th. All articles must be approved by the editor for publication, or as space permits. To submit an article, please call a board member or e-mail the editor. All "Letters to the Editor" must be signed and include a daytime phone number in case there are any questions. Letters may be printed without the author's name if requested.

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Catch a Deal

As the school year begins, there are some fundraisers' that are available for parents, neighbors and community members to think about. The ever popular Columbine Rebel Card, which gives card holders discounts at local merchants, can be attained from any of the Columbine Football team members starting July 25th. The cards cost \$20 each. Maybe you have a team member who lives close by. Fresh and delicious Palisades Peaches are available from the Columbine H.S. Instrumental Program, orders are due by August 21st and delivered on August 29th. Cost is \$32/18LB box. Jams, jellies, pies and cobblers are fantastic with these local seasonal fruits. Call Columbine to order your Rebel Card or Suzanne Ogborn, Secretary Band Boosters – 303-933-8643 for fresh fruit today.

NIC Mission Statement

A group of volunteer homeowners who welcome new residents, educate all Columbine West residents about covenants, zoning and county ordinances, while addressing issues pertaining to our community, and look for opportunities to improve and enhance our neighborhood.

Where In The World Was This Elk?

Saturday, July 14th, around 2 p.m. this magnificent animal and a buddy were spotted wondering around West Plymouth Place, in the Columbine West neighborhood. As the photo shows he was helping himself to a tastey nibble on some potted plants. It is reported that they spent about 1/2 hour tasting the "local fare", before heading down the hillside. Neither one of them seemed too distressed by the attention they received from the neighbors. It is strange to see these guys in town when the weather is so hot, but maybe the vegetation and nice lawns peeked their interest. One neighbor who has lived on the street for 25 years made this comment, "I have never before saw these animals so close, they are huge". Please remember they are wild, treat them as such.



GarageTown is coming to Littleton! Cocated at W. Chatrield Located at W. Chat

Coffee With a Cop, Pull Up a Chair

A new series of walk-in community meetings called Coffee With a Cop began in spring 2010. These informal events are opportunities for Jeffco residents to speak one-on-one with our agency's command staff, and ask questions about crime and quality-of-life issues in their neighborhoods or on the roadways.

2012 Schedule - South Jeffco

- August 9, Tully's Coffee, inside King Soopers, 8126 S. Wadsworth Blvd., 2 p.m. 4 p.m.
- September 13, Einstein Bros. Bagels,
 8246 W. Bowles Ave., 9 a.m. 11 a.m.
- October 11, King Soopers, 11747 W. Ken Caryl Ave., 11 a.m. 1 p.m.
- November 8, Food Court at Southwest Plaza, 8501 W. Bowles Ave., 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.
- December 13, Panera Bread, Southwest Plaza, 8501 W. Bowles Ave., 2 p.m. 4 p.m.

Jefferson County Numbers

Information	303-279-6511	Motor Vehicles	303-271-8100
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Clerk & Recorder	303-271-8168	Transportation	303-271-8495
Colorado State Patrol	303-239-4500	Planning & Zoning	303-271-8700
County Commissioners	303-271-8525	Sheriff - Emergency	911
County Administrator	303-271-8500	Traffic Complaints	303-271-5677
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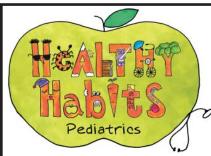
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Cub Scout Pack 459 is Back!

Cub Scout Pack 459 has been an active part of the life of the Columbine West community and Dutch Creek Elementary for many years. We have a new Cubmaster, **David Manna**, and have been meeting over the summer just to have fun! We will have two join nights as the school year starts – we will have a "Join Night" table at Back to School night on August 23rd and another at our Bike Rodeo, to be held in conjunction with Pack 338 at Mortenson Elementary, on August 28th. Please watch for material coming home from school for more information. Cub Scouts serves boys in 1st through 5th grades through family centered programs focusing on individual achievement, outdoor fun and building strong character. If you are not able to stop by our table at Back to School night or join us for the Bike Rodeo, please call Carter Laing at 720-289-9359 for more information.

Are We Losing Our Neighborhood?

We constantly hear comments from residents and prospective buyers that Columbine West looks trashy. Complaints refer to empty and full trash cans in front of garages and fences, tires and other miscellaneous items scattered in the yard, houses in need of paint, gutters falling off, yards unkempt, broken down cars, and trailers and other recreational vehicles cluttering driveways and streets, just to name some.

CWCA is desperately trying to improve the appearance of our neighborhood through enforcement of the covenants. Covenants, designed by the developer of the subdivision to maintain home values, apply to every homeowner/renter regardless of membership in CWCA.

C-6 states that no recreation vehicles are permitted to remain on any property or right of way (street) either temporarily or permanently unless parked behind the front set back of the house and hidden from view by a 6' wooden fence. Temporarily would be less than 24 hours. That would provide time to load or unload a vehicle and then store it properly in the garage or behind a 6' wooden fence. Trailers and other recreational vehicles parked on the street not only violate the covenant, they create a lack of parking for neighbors and obstruct views for drivers and pedestrians, thus creating safety concerns.

C-10 states that all trash cans and rubbish, including trees, branches, lumber, etc. must be maintained inside a structure such as a garage or shed. Storing trash cans behind a wooden fence is also acceptable. To comply with the covenant, trash cans and other trash should not be put out for trash pickup prior to 6:00 p.m. the night before and empty trash cans should be properly stored in the garage or behind a wooden fence by the end of trash day (midnight at the latest).

Once you are notified of a violation, it is your responsibility to remedy the situation and not violate again. Repeat violators cause irritation to those who do adhere to the covenants and are costing the association money that could be spent on community activities for everyone.

If you see a violation, report it. You can call the voice mail line at 303 904-8218 or send an e-mail to CWCAtalk@gmail.com. Make sure you include the address and violation.

Respect the covenants and your neighbors. Take pride in and protect your investment in your house and neighborhood. Be part of the solution and not part of the problem.

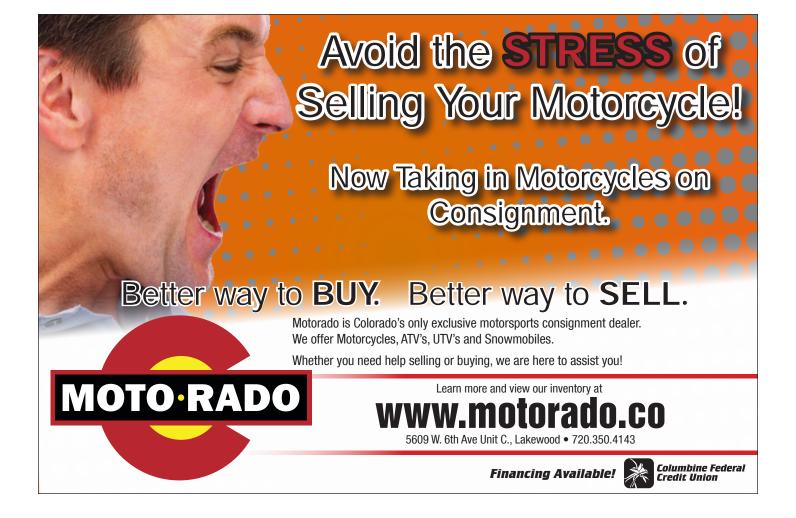
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Safety Fair

The Community Safety Awareness Fair, sponsored by the Jefferson County District Attorney's office, will be Saturday, August 25th from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. at the Jefferson County Fairgrounds, 15200 W. 6th Ave. Golden.

- FREE document shredding, limit 5 boxes
- Small electronics recycling (small fee for large items).
- Childrens' Bicycle Rodeo.
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- Credit reports printed & reviewed by a bank officer
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Some Jefferson County Facts and Figures

Planning and Zoning

There are 4 full time Zoning Inspectors who are each assigned to cover 4 specific areas of the county. Once a complaint is reported, the zoning Inspector assigned to that area checks the property (99% of the time) within seven (7) days. If a complaint is substantiated, a violation is prepared and mailed and an inspection date is then automatically scheduled into the future for either 10 or 30 days depending on the eminent threat to health safety and welfare of a citizen. This actual inspection completion can vary depending on whether the owner of the property has contacted us, if additional inspections need to be completed with other county staff (ex. T&E Inspector or a Road &Bridge employee). The Zoning Inspector may grant up to a 30-day extension if the owner is working towards abatement of the violation. Once the "End of notice Inspection' is complete, the Zoning Inspector then determines whether to close the case for compliance, or to move forward with a Stipulation or Summons & Complaint through the County Attorney's office. Once the case is forwarded to the County Attorney's office, the time to prepare, serve, and schedule a court appearance varies greatly. It can be as short as a one-week turn-around, to instances where the case has been upstairs several months. From what I understand, the timing can depend on staffing levels in the County Attorney's office, as does the service of the summons to the property owner. In some instances the Sheriff or a private process server is unable to make service and the case is dismissed for lack of service. The courts reserve one day a month for returns, which is typically the second Thursday of each month, but that date is not set in stone. Cases are typically scheduled for the return date no less than 3 weeks after service. Broken down cars and those with expired/no license plates are zoning violations, not covenant violations. They should be reported to zoning and progress can be tracked by the person reporting the issue.

See You Soon

Dutch Creek Elementary • Packet Pick-Up Day 7:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. OR 3:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Stop by to update student information, pay student fees, purchase lunches, purchase a DIVE T-shirt, join PTSA, and drop off student immunization records, medications & forms. Class lists will be posted! The school calendar for the school year 2012-13 can be viewed by accessing: http://www.jeffcopublicschools.org/calendar/index.html.

2 Critter Repellants That Seem To Work

A neighbor wrote into CWCA with some helpful information. For 10 years I have been dealing with neighbor cats who think my yard is their potty. Stinky and disgusting. The males spray too. I used a motion activated sprinkler, but that has its problems too as they are expensive (\$60 to \$80 each) and require an always on faucet where the hose breaks under the pressure. Just figured out something far easier and pretty much free with no downside - COFFEE GROUNDS! I sprinkle my used grounds around my flowers and in my mulch. Seems to work. Environmentally safe too. I do not hate cats, just do not want them in my yard to potty. Worth a try. You can open your windows again. Cleaned up their mess a couple weeks ago and put the grounds out. No more poo and no more pee smell. Also found out baby powder (dollar store kind) will eliminate ants that like to find homes around the edges of your yard and in the cracks of sidewalks and driveways. Also safe for kids and pets!

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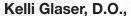
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Sundays Highlands Ranch

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Yard of the Month

"What is a yard? A direct reflection of the owner? The continuous extension of an inside room, outside? An area left to thrive or struggle? A plot of landscaping? Any landscape is a condition of the spirit." — Henri Frederic Amiel

Congratulations to Margie and Kevin Sharp at 7678 W. Frost Drive as our August yard of the Month winners. The Sharp's have (3) children, Shavel 16, Kaden 12 & Rea 6. They moved into their home in 2003 and did some major landscaping in 2007. Kevin is a Colorado native while Margie was from Missouri. Each year the Sharp's try to add something different to their yard. They are the owners of a car dealership in Englewood, "The Sharpest Rides". The family enjoys hosting and following their children's sports activities. Drive by and take a look at what these homeowners have done. Congratulations again to the Sharps, may we say "The Sharpest House on the Block". Thank you to Columbine West resident, Realtor & CWCA Pres. John Basila, who has agreed to sponsor this years' contest. The residents who win the "Yard of the Month" contest will receive a \$50 cash prize and get to display a sign in their yard recognizing their award. They also will get a picture of the yard put in the Columbine West newsletter. Beginning May 1st, while you are driving, walking, running or biking through the neighborhood, if you notice a yard that is beautifully maintained and shows unique creativity, nominate them for the award by emailing cwcatalk@gmail.com or by calling the CWCA hotline: 303-904-8218. John will also post photos of the winning homes on columbine westhomes.com.



Columbine West Military Members

"For to be free is not merely to cast off one's chains, but to live in a way that respects and enhances the freedom of others"

— Nelson Mandela

GM2 David Tuey, 24yr, US Navy Weapons Handler. Gunner's Mate Second Class · Stationed in Yokosuka, Kanagawa, Japan

HM3 Michael Tuey, 22yr, US Navy, Hospital Corpsman (Doc) now @ Camp Lejeune.

LCpl. Tyler Mc Manus, US Marine Corps, stationed in Washington D.C.

Tylyr Brown, 21yr, Lance Corporal, US Marine Corp, Stationed in Okinawa Japan

Kristyn Lutz, Lance Corporal, U.S. Marine Corp, Stationed in Camp Pendleton, California

Petty Officer 2nd Class Christopher Hooker, US Navy Aviation Warfare, Search & Rescue, stationed at Buckley, Colorado

Columbine Kiwanis News

The Action Center:

From Barbara Penning - Director of Volunteer Programs

As you may know, the Action Center has a new and very generous donor, Elephant Talk, that delivers incredible quantities of fresh food to us. While this has been an extraordinary gift, it has also placed a lot of additional work on our In Kind Donations Team.

Elephant Talk delivers every Saturday and Sunday afternoon, extending staff hours and volunteer needs on the dock significantly. At this time we are consistently shorthanded on the dock on the weekends and desperately need some extra support. We are looking for 6-8 volunteers per shift, 15 or older that can lift large tubs of food and help sort them into our cool storage units.

The Kiwanis has been working with the Action Center for 10 years and will continue to serve this worthwhile organization as it helps children and families within the community. The Kiwanis are involved with middle school kids at Ken Caryl in the Builders Club, while at Columbine H.S. members of the Key Club help with Kiwanis related events. Columbine Kiwanis is group of volunteers dedicated primarily to children in our local community. We also have fun at our meetings which include an interesting speaker and social events. Come check us out. Weekly scheduled meetings Wed at 6:45am at Roberts Italian Restaurant, 6745 Ken Caryl Ave. Free breakfast for first time visitors. Membership Dues are \$33.00 per month including meeting breakfasts. Guest and Interclub Breakfasts are \$6.50 each, payable to the Treasurer.

For information call Ken Sweet at 303-973-8253 or visit our web site at www.columbinekiwanis.org.



Useful Tips For Preventing Common Accidents

Don't leave anything to chance where workplace safety is concerned. It's an all-encompassing challenge, but here are three solid tips to start with today:

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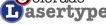
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At the July 12th CWCA meeting held at the Pool Pavillion, we were told that our membership goal has almost been reached, currently we have 372 towards the goal of 390. CWCA creates a newsletter that is delivered to all homeowners/residents, maintains the community entrances, promotes and advertises the annual garage sale, sponsors and coordinates Dumpster/Recycling Day to clean up the neighborhood, partners with Shiloh House on National Night Out, and promotes Yard of the Month to recognize homeowners who work hard to create beautiful yards. Thank you to those who have made the commitment to be part of the association. CWCA encourages ALL residents to become current with the membership fees which are affective for 12 months. Because membership dues help fund the efforts and activities, we encourage more homeowners to become members. More money means more activities. If you have questions or concerns, would like to volunteer or join the Board, contact the voicemail at 303-904-8218. At anytime community members who would like to volunteer on a project can attend a monthly meeting, which is open to all neighbors, or leave a message on the voice mail line. Your \$25 fee is the best value in town. Dues and /or donations can be mailed to: Columbine West Civic Association, P.O. Box 620026, Littleton, CO 80162. NEW PAYMENT OPTION!!! Pay securely online with PayPal, VISA, MC, Discover, and AMEX. Go to: www. neighborhoodlink.com/jeffco/cwc/ If you have a special project you would like to donate to, make that notation on your payment. Thank you for your continuing support in helping to restore property values and make Columbine West a great place to live.

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- **Clothing.** You probably shouldn't dress as if you were in an explosion at a paint factory. But a bright necktie or a colorful scarf can highlight your appearance, make you more memorable, and mark you as a person who deserves attention.
- Workspace. Brighten up your office or cubicle with something more than drab beige and somber gray. A print of a famous painting or just a photograph of a gorgeous sunset can give you and your visitors something pleasant to look at, and may help spark your creativity.
- Marketing materials. Who says your business card has to be black print on white stock? Take a fresh look at everything you use to publicize your work and your organization. A splash of color in a brochure or on your website will catch the eyes and draw the interest of everyone who happens to see it. Again, don't go overboard, but dress up your materials so they express some originality.

Children's Eye Health and Safety Month

Dedicated to the importance of proper eye care for young people. Experts say that one in 10 children is at risk from an undiagnosed eye problem, citing far and near sightedness as the two most common conditions.

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Columbine West Statistics for July 2012

Current Homes FOR SALE in Columbine West

	Lowest	Highest	How Many?
Ranch Style	None	None	0
4-level	\$ 190,000	\$ 287,500	4
2-story	\$ 285,000	\$ 444,900	2
Tri-level	None	None	0
Bi-level	None	None	0

Current Homes UNDER CONTRACT in Columbine West

	Lowest	Highest	How Many?
Ranch Style	\$ 220,000	\$ 249,000	2
4-level	\$ 209,000	\$ 270,000	5
2-story	\$ 173,250	\$ 279,000	4
Tri-level	\$ 209,000	\$ 209,000	1
Bi-level	\$ 198,000	\$ 235,000	5

Homes **SOLD** in Columbine West Jan. 1, 2012 – July 19, 2012

	Lowest	Highest	How Many?
Ranch Style	\$ 133,000	\$ 246,000	4
4-level	\$ 235,000	\$ 259,500	3
2-story	\$ 166,699	\$ 303,500	9
Tri-level	\$ 235,000	\$ 235,000	1
Bi-level	\$ 180,000	\$ 264,900	11

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