

# WESTRIDGE NEWS & VIEWS

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### **March 2012**

## Westridge Elementary Kindergarten & New Student Registration For The 2012-2013 School Year

Kindergarten registration: Students must be age 5 by October 1, 2012 to be eligible for admission. Please register your student online by visiting the Jeffco Connect website: https://jeffcoconnect.jeffco.k12.co.us/. (If you already have a Jeffco Connect account, use your current user name and password to log on. If you do not have a Jeffco Connect account, click on the yellow button ("New to Jeffco Public Schools?") and follow the instructions to create your account.) Once you have logged in, please enter all of the information required to create a record for your kindergartner.

After you have created your kindergartner's or new student's record, submit the following items to the school office: your student's birth certificate; your student's record of immunizations, including evidence of Hepatitis B shots; and proof of your current address (for example, a utility bill or lease agreement).

For kindergarten, please indicate your preference for our morning session ("KA") (8:25 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.), our afternoon session ("KP") (12:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.), or our full-day tuition-based session ("KG") (8:25 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.). Tuition for the full-day program is expected to be \$300.00 per month but this is subject to change.

Although we can usually honor your preference, we cannot guarantee placement in your preferred session. Families not currently living in the Westridge neighborhood must also submit a Choice

Enrollment application. Choice Enrollment applications may be picked up at Westridge Elementary or downloaded from <a href="http://jeffcoweb.jeffco.k12.co.us/enrollment/">http://jeffcoweb.jeffco.k12.co.us/enrollment/</a>.

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## Four More Westridge Students Complete Judy Susman's 30-Book Challenge!

Judy Susman says congratulations to **Bethany Cillessen**, **Ben Isenhart**, **Braden Hartman and Emma Zur**. Bethany, Ben, Braden and Emma all completed the required 30 books and received free gift cards for their effort. Judy believes that reading is vital, so she encourages kids to get involved in this program. To date, 147 rewards have been earned by Westridge students and Judy has donated \$3,300 to the school to benefit literacy and technology. If you need a reading card or more information, contact Judy directly by calling 303-570-5109 or emailing her at Judy@JudySusman.com.

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Westridge Financial Report				
Beginning Balance 1/15/12				
Income				
Reimbursement of court costs	40.00			
Membership dues	2,320.00			
Expenses				
Colorado Lasertype - 2012 newsletter balance	600.00			
Ending Ralance 2/15/12				

## Burglary Series

Since 1-26-2012, a burglary series that began in the Sixth Avenue West Estates area (AKA Mesa View Estates, the neighborhoods south of the Jefferson County Fairgrounds) in our North Precinct has entered the South Precinct. One home in the Fox Hollow subdivision near Kipling and Morrison Rd. was also part of this series. Two areas have recently been identified as having similar entry methods and targets within the homes, the Quincy Lake and Mount Carbon Estates subdivisions. The entries are made by kicking a rear pedestrian garage door or kicking in the front door. Darkened houses appear to be the targets. In the series that occurred in the Sixth Avenue West Estates, the master bedrooms were ransacked and jewelry appears to be the main target.

A male wearing jeans and a dark colored "hoodie" sweatshirt is believed to be associated with these incidents. Please take the appropriate steps to secure your homes and increase outdoor lighting in all areas outside your homes. You should also replace the short screws that secure your door strike plates and dead bolts on the door frames with 3 to 3 ½ inch long screws that would reach into the studs that frame the door. Note that this should not be done to doors that have the vertical windows close to the front door, as damage could be done to the window.



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## Draft / Edited Minutes From Jan. 4, 2012 COHOPE Meeting

**Ray Moore,** Treasurer, welcomed everyone. Justin noted that Cindy Stevenson was present, but we were not expecting her. She will have to be rescheduled.

### **Special Reports:**

**Gordon Neuenfeldt,** Jefferson County Sheriff, he gave the crime overview for Nov. and Dec. There was assault misdemeanor, residential burglary, theft misdemeanor, a theft spree, vehicle trespass, and vehicle theft. For 3 days, there was an unlocked vehicle with a shotgun visible in the back seat. Yes, they took it.

When do thefts occur? They occur all over the board.

The sex offender mapping is at CrimeReports.com. This vendor provides this service free. However Diane has found several discrepancies. She reported them and they still are there 8 weeks later.

The Sheriff's Department will be changing vendors to SOTAR. SOTAR was developed by Douglas County. They will start inputting new information and then fill in the old and historical data. The best place to get up to date data is at the Colorado Bureau of Investigation's web site.

When will they transfer to the new site? Jeff Shrader does not

know. They will start uploading data this week. Will the new system have mapping ability? Yes. How much does the new system cost? There is a registration fee of \$100. Then it is free. It has been gifted by Douglas County. How often do offenders reoffend? Jeff did not have that information. How do sex offender rights fit into the Colorado Constitution and individual rights? The Colorado Constitution has regulations for sex offenders. Knowledge is power. It is the law that they have to register and deregister. Is the list verified? No. You can research it on the Colorado Bureau of Investigation's web site.

**Kevin Lundberg,** Colorado Congressional District 2, was one of tonight's speakers. He is from Larimer County. The session starts next week. He worked with Justin a while back. Redistricting has occurred. Kevin's website is lundberg2012.com. He is a fiscal conservative. He is also recognized for tort reform.

**Tim Neville,** Colorado Senator, filled Mike Kopp's position. He has been active in the community. He has been in Colorado

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## Vehicle Trespass Series

Vehicle trespasses have increased in various areas of the South Precinct as well, most notably being South and East of the intersection of Kipling and Chatfield. Most of the vehicles have been unlocked and in condo and townhome communities. Please remove all valuables from your vehicles and secure them. Removing all items from your vehicle will help in reducing the opportunity for these crimes to occur.

Please be observant of any suspicious activity in your neighborhoods, and report any suspicious activities and persons to our 24 hour, non-emergency phone number of 303-271-0211. Crimes in progress should be reported by calling 911.

Gordon Neuenfeldt, Deputy Sheriff, South Precinct Crime Prevention Jefferson County Sheriff's Office, 200 Jefferson County Parkway Golden, Colorado 80401, 720-497-7202

## Teen Services

To add your teen's name, please email Colorado Lasertype at getinfo@colorado lasertype.com and leave the following information: the neighborhood you live in, your age, phone number and the categories you would like included. Categories: (B) Baby-sitting; (\*) Red Cross Cert for CPR; (L) Lawn care; (S) Snow removal; (P) Pet & House sitting. No recommendation or endorsement of any of the names on this list is implied or stated by the homeowners association board or Colorado Lasertype.

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**COHOPE Meeting Minutes,** continued from page 3 since 1977. He has been in the community since 1988. His opponent for Mike Kopp's position was Jim Kerr. He lives in Leawood. He is in the new District 16.

He wants to focus this year on getting the most out of the dollars spent. 25% of the budget goes to Medicaid. 40-42% of the budget goes to K-12. The Lombato decision dictates that means that \$4M addition will go to schools. We don't have it. He would like to look at how PERA is run in Utah. They have a law that budget allocation can not go over a certain % of long term debt. Their people in PERA got that it was needed. New employees got a deferred benefit system that topped out at 10%. The way the Colorado PERA is going, it will bankrupt the state. Both parties have to come to an agreement. It should be based on an 8% ROI.

The Jefferson County K-12 budget was \$650M in 208. It will be about \$550M this year. Paula Noonan asked Tim if he would support public education. The \$100M difference impacts teacher's salaries. Tim thinks they are looking at it the wrong way. It isn't a deficit in school budget; it is how Colorado allocates the budget. Paula Noonan's web site is ColoradoCapitalWatch.

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What bills are you going to run? Tim would like to create a committee to look at laws that regulate businesses. Are the laws still needed? He would like to decrease fines / penalties where they no longer apply or are out of scope.

What about the tax advantages that internet businesses have? Amazon charges (and pays) no taxes. But a local business with a web site still has to pay. Tim would be interested at looking at all taxes and do away with imbalances.

**Justin Everett,** President, showed the new District maps. They are available on Google Earth. Search for Colorado Redistricting.

Our next meeting is Feb. 1. Our speaker is Commissioner Rosier. Please send any questions you have by Jan. 25.

**Diane Suchomel** said that Jefferson County has pushed Bicycle and Pedestrian maps which are www.jeffco.us/bike-plan and ped\_map\_draft.PDF. Comments are needed by Jan. 31. You can call 303-271-8497 or send email to wkerns@jeffco.us.

There will be a Community Meeting on the rezoning at Coal Mine and Wadsworth on Jan. 10 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at Lilly Gulch.

The RTD changes have been delayed from Jan. 8 to Jan. 22. Most of the routes in this area are going away.

