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Thank You For...



Maintaining Your Homes' Smoke & CO2 Alarms

We Are Good Neighbors

North American Precip Syndicate (NAPSI) reports that roughly two-thirds of house fire deaths could be avoided, it's estimated, if all homes had working smoke alarms. Properly installed and maintained, residential smoke alarms are one of the best and least expensive ways to provide an early warning when a fire begins. If you follow these simple tips, you can ensure that your home is adequately protected by working smoke alarms.

Smoke Alarm Tips: Smoke alarms should be installed in every bedroom, outside each sleeping area and on every level of the home. Combination smoke alarms that include both ionization and photoelectric alarms offer the most comprehensive protection. An ionization alarm is more responsive to flames, while a photoelectric alarm is more responsive to a smoldering fire. For the best protection, smoke alarms should be interconnected, so they all sound if any one of them sounds. Purchase smoke alarms from a reputable retailer you trust and choose alarms that bear the label of a nationally recognized testing laboratory. Install smoke alarms at least 10 feet from cooking appliances to reduce the possibility of nuisance alarms. If possible, alarms should be mounted in the center of a ceiling. If mounted on a wall, they should be six to 12 inches below the ceiling. Avoid locating alarms near bathrooms, heating appliances, windows or ceiling fans



and never paint over a smoke alarm. Smoke alarms should be tested once a month by pressing the

TEST button and replacing the smoke alarm batteries at least once a year is optimal. If an alarm "chirps" or "beeps" to indicate low batteries, they should be replaced immediately. You may not realize that smoke detectors have a shelf life. Replace the smoke alarms every 10 years. *If your smoke alarm goes off, activate your escape plan and exit your home quickly and safely. Go to your safe meeting place and call 9-1-1 from a safe place (using a cell phone or a neighbor's phone). Meet*

all your family members there and wait for the fire department to arrive. Remember to crawl low under smoke, know two ways out of each room and once you get out, stay out.

Carbon Monoxide Alarm Tips: Carbon monoxide detectors trigger an alarm based on accumulation of CO2 across time. Carbon monoxide is a byproduct of incomplete combustion of petroleum products. Cook stoves, boilers, furnaces, vehicles and supplemental heating stoves all can produce carbon monoxide. CO2 detectors require a continuous power supply, so if the power cuts off, the alarm becomes ineffective. Be sure to purchase a detector that has backup battery supply. Also be aware the average life span of many CO2 detectors is two years. It's a good idea to write the date you first plug it in on the detector with a marker, then there is no doubt

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Newsletter News

Newsletter Volunteers are very much appreciated. If you would like to volunteer for a route and get in some constructive walking, please call 303-972-2387.

Next CWCA Meetings

7:00 p.m. Dutch Creek Elem.
Nov. 12, Dec. 10, Jan. 14,
Feb. 11, Mar. 11, Apr. 8

2013 CWCA

Calendar of Events

- Nov 3rd: Daylight Savings Time Ends. Set back 1 hr.
- Nov. 5th: Election Day (Please VOTE) Mail in or local precinct
- Nov. 7&8: 7pm, C.H.S.
Nov. 9th: 2p & 7p
Alice in Wonderland
- Nov 11th: Veterans Day (please thank a veteran)
- Nov 12th, 7 p.m.: CWCA Meeting (Dutch Creek Elem.)
- November 28th: Thanksgiving
- December 1st-25th: Holiday Lighting Contest
- Dec. 9th: 2-6pm, Columbine United Church, Kiwanis Blood Drive
- Dec 10th, 7 p.m.: CWCA Meeting. Holiday Potluck
- December 31st: New Year's Eve 2014. Cheers!!

A Moment With The Board

The one Board position plus the officers of Vice Pres. & Sec. are still available. What a wonderful evening to have about a dozen of our Newsletter Volunteers share a meeting, some laughs and yummy sweet treats, on Oct 8th. Tony was our Master of Ceremonies, calling out tickets for door prizes and congratulating the winners. A huge 'Thank You', yet again, to all of you that volunteer your time each month. The agenda was completed fast because as we enter the winter months our activities slow down. We look forward to the community putting on a great show of decorations for the Halloween and Holiday Lighting Contests. Winners and possibly pictures to follow in the newsletter. Remember if you have any suggestion of ideas for next years Calender of Events, call the voicemail, drop an email, just contact us. Look forward to hearing from the community. Residents are encouraged to attend any monthly meeting, next one is November 12th, 7:00 p.m. at Dutch Creek Elem.

Thank You For Maintaining Your Homes' Smoke and CO2 Alarms, continued from front page

about when it is ready to be replaced. Detectors can save lives, but only if they are working properly. Make sure yours are properly installed, maintained and replaced when necessary. *If you suspect that you are experiencing CO2 poisoning, get fresh air immediately. Leave the home and call for assistance from a neighbor's home. You could lose consciousness and die from CO2 poisoning if you stay in the home.* For further facts and tips on smoke alarms, visit the Electrical Safety Foundation International (ESFI), a nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting electrical safety, at www.esfi.org. The association strives to see our community defined by a sense of shared ownership and collective responsibility. Anyone can attend a monthly meeting, held on the second Tuesday, 7p at Dutch Creek Elementary. Drop by, say hello, bring questions to the Board or possibly volunteer to help on a project. All neighbors are welcomed and encouraged to attend and get involved. One of CWCA's Mission statements is - *To initiate civic programs that bring the community together and encourage residents to maintain the general appearance of Columbine West.*

Columbine High School Presents Alice in Wonderland

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Clerk & Recorder	303-271-8168	Transportation	303-271-8495
Colorado State Patrol	303-239-4500	Planning & Zoning	303-271-8700
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County Administrator	303-271-8500	Traffic Complaints	303-271-5677
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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.

What Is Jeffco Schools Doing With Taxpayer Money?

Last year, the community passed 3A/3B which promised no teacher layoffs or increased class sizes. Yet we see good teachers laid off, shuffled to other positions, or teachers taking the district retirement incentive and not being replaced resulting in larger classes.

Jeffco Schools also promised the money from 3A/3B would NOT be used to fund inBloom, LoudCloud, or Classroom Dashboard. The district now says that nearly \$3 million of those funds they promised to reserve for recruiting and retaining the best teachers, for middle school librarians and orchestra and gym class, and for outdoor lab “were appropriated by the Board of Education in support of the Classroom Dashboard project” (Q&A Document presented to BoE, p. 11). These technologies are surrounded with significant financial and privacy concerns, but the district heedlessly presses forward.

The district promised that 3A/3B would reduce school fees. But parents are seeing ever-increasing lunch, student, athletic, and outdoor lab fees and still paying expensive bus fees just to get their children to school. One mom was shocked to find that she had to pay over \$1000 in school fees for her three children. Her story is not unique. According to The Denver Post, Jeffco Schools collects \$23.7 million in fees per year while Cherry Creek Schools collects less than \$1 million.

Jeffco Schools stated just last week that our teachers are paid 11% less than the state average. The district also budgeted only \$20 million for capital expenditures that normally average \$50 million. If the money isn't going to teachers and isn't going to building maintenance, where is it going? Our teachers and kids are getting shortchanged while the district plans to spend

millions of dollars to pay for untested, unproven technology.

A parent spoke out about such wasteful spending on unnecessary technology at the board meeting on October 3. The measure she spoke against failed and angry district employees (paid with taxpayer funds) intimidated and bullied her, and then slapped her with a no-trespass order so she can never speak to them at a meeting again without their permission. This follows a series of incidents where district employees have refused to give accurate information and continually mischaracterized the truth.

We trusted Jeffco Schools to use our money wisely but they are breaking promises to the taxpayers, mismanaging funds, and bullying concerned parents into silence. The district's job is to get the best teachers into the classroom, not use dishonest means to make our kids guinea pigs for controversial, unknown, and extravagant technology.

We will elect 3 new board members this election. Please learn about each candidate and make your vote count. Let's make a stand for our principles and our children's education.

— Catherine Horman, Columbine Hills Resident

Thanksgiving Eve Skate: November 27

Spend your holiday with friends and family at Edge Ice Arena (6623 S. Ward St., Littleton 80127) on Wednesday, November 27 at 12-2 p.m. and 7:30-9:30 p.m. Public skate fees apply. Free skate rental during public skating hours will be offered per person donating a non-perishable food item on Wednesday, November 27, otherwise skate rental is \$3 per person. Donated food will be given to a local food bank. For more information call, 303-409-2222 or visit www.ifoorthills.org/events.



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It's a Great Story

It happened every Friday evening, almost without fail, when the sun resembled a giant orange and was starting to dip into the blue ocean. Old Ed came strolling along the beach to his favorite pier. Clutched in his bony hand was a bucket of shrimp. Ed walks out to the end of the pier, where it seems he almost has the world to himself. The glow of the sun is a golden bronze now. Everybody's gone, except for a few joggers on the beach. Standing out on the end of the pier, Ed is alone with his thoughts...and his bucket of shrimp. Before long, however, he is no longer alone. Up in the sky a thousand white dots come screeching and squawking, winging their way toward that lanky frame standing there on the end of the pier. Before long, dozens of seagulls have enveloped him, their wings fluttering and flapping wildly. Ed stands there tossing shrimp to the hungry birds. As he does, if you listen closely, you can hear him say with a smile, 'Thank you. Thank you.'

In a few short minutes the bucket is empty. But Ed doesn't leave. He stands there lost in thought, as though transported to another time and place. When he finally turns around and begins to walk back toward the beach, a few of the birds hop along the pier with him until he gets to the stairs, and then they, too, fly away. And old Ed quietly makes his way down to the end of the beach and on home. If you were sitting there on the pier with your fishing line in the water, Ed might seem like 'a funny old duck,' as my dad used to say. Or, to onlookers, he's just another old codger, lost in his own weird world, feeding the seagulls with a bucket full of shrimp. To the onlooker, rituals can look either very strange or very empty. They can seem altogether

unimportant... maybe even a lot of nonsense. Old folks often do strange things, at least in the eyes of Boomers and Busters. Most of them would probably write Old Ed off, down there in Florida. That's too bad. They'd do well to know him better. His full name: Eddie Rickenbacker. He was a famous hero in World War I, and then he was in WWII. On one of his flying missions across the Pacific, he and his seven-member crew went down. Miraculously, all of the men survived, crawled out of their plane, and climbed into a life raft.

Captain Rickenbacker and his crew floated for days on the rough waters of the Pacific. They fought the sun. They fought sharks. Most of all, they fought hunger and thirst. By the eighth day their rations ran out. No food. No water. They were hundreds of miles from land and no one knew where they were or even if they were alive. Every day across America millions wondered and prayed that Eddie Rickenbacker might somehow be found alive. The men adrift needed a miracle. That afternoon they had a simple devotional service and prayed for a miracle. They tried to nap. Eddie leaned back and pulled his military cap over his nose. Time dragged on. All he could hear was the slap of the waves against the raft. Suddenly, Eddie felt something land on the top of his cap. It was a seagull! Old Ed would later describe how he sat perfectly still, planning his next move. With a flash of his hand and a squawk from the gull, he managed to grab it and wring its neck. He tore the feathers off, and he and his starving crew made a meal of it - a very slight meal for eight men. Then they used the intestines for bait. With it, they caught fish, which

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gave them food and more bait... and the cycle continued. With that simple survival technique, they were able to endure the rigors of the sea until they were found and rescued after 24 days at sea. Eddie Rickenbacker lived many years beyond that ordeal, but he never forgot the sacrifice of that first life-saving seagull... And he never stopped saying, 'Thank you.' That's why almost every Friday night he would walk to the end of the pier with a bucket full of shrimp and a heart full of gratitude.

Reference:

(Max Lucado, "In The Eye of the Storm", pp..221, 225-226)

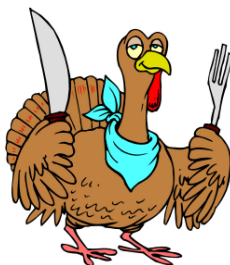
PS: Eddie Rickenbacker was the founder of Eastern Airlines. Before WWI he was race car driver. In WWI he was a pilot and became America's first ace. In WWII he was an instructor and military adviser, and he flew missions with the combat pilots. Eddie Rickenbacker is a true American hero. And now you know another story about the trials and sacrifices that brave men have endured for your freedom. It is a great story that many don't know...You've got to be careful with old guys, You just never know what they have done during their lifetime.

Important Voice-mail Line Information

Columbine West pays for an automated phone message service that helps a community volunteer to direct calls to the correct individuals within the association. This service is NOT checked daily, but at least 3-times a week. The voice mail is not in someone's home, but merely a service that we use. **CWCA membership dollars cover the cost of having this service available.** It is important that you as a caller leave a name and number, if you want a response, and to please speak clearly and repeat your information. If research is necessary, it may take a few days to get back with an answer. The voice mail line at # 303-904-8218, has been a very helpful tool for the community. You can also contact the CWCA by email at CWCATALK@GMAIL.COM.

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Get in a good work out before your feast, or let out-of-town guests and kids run out some energy on Thursday, November 28 at Ridge Recreation Center (6613 S. Ward St., Littleton 80127) for only \$3 per person. Swim, workout, run/walk the track and play basketball or racquetball. Fee: \$3 per person. Children ages 5 and under must be accompanied into the water by an adult (age 18+) within arm's reach. Children ages 6-8 must be accompanied by someone age 12+, into the pool area. Facility hours: 5:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.; Open swim hours: 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. For more information call, 303-409-2333 or visit www.ifoorthills.org/events.



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One Minute Wellness... Gratitude & Abundance

I have learned that a major key to a good life is gratitude. Lately I have been acutely aware of the gifts that are freely given to me on a daily basis. For example, when someone smiles at me I am happier; when I see the seasons change I am aware of the good things that each season brings and when I see flowers and am in awe of the intricacies of nature.

During the month of November we are reminded of gratitude by the holiday dedicated to thanksgiving. We are reminded of the bounty all around us. When we go into stores we see decorations that give us a sense of the changing season. The colors of Autumn are warm colors and they in themselves can be comforting.

During the holiday season we are also reminded of the needy. The homeless are being fed and I have seen evidence that the street people have numerous ministries that are assisting them on a daily basis. These are all funded by donations from those more fortunate and more able.

For my part, besides giving money or food, I try not to waste. Each day I make decisions about how I spend my money and my resources of time and talent. I try not to over do on food for family occasions but if there ends up being excess, I disperse it among my family members in need or my friends who might enjoy a night free from cooking.

On Thanksgiving weekend it is good to enjoy what is placed in front of us and to compliment those who made it; to enjoy the people more than the food and to savor the moment. We never know what tomorrow may bring. We are all on loan to each other. The people in our lives are given to us as free gifts, to learn from them and to experience them as they share the journey with us for as long as they are supposed to.

Health is a matter of body, mind and spirit. So, remember to be grateful and be aware of the abundance you have in your life and you will be on your way to a wonderful holiday season, regardless of what you may perceive as your circumstances.

Columbine West Military Members

"The U.S. Military is us. There is no truer representation of a country than the people that it sends into the field to fight for it. The people who wear the uniform and carry our rifles into combat are our kids, and our job is to support them, because they're protecting us." ~ Tom Clancy

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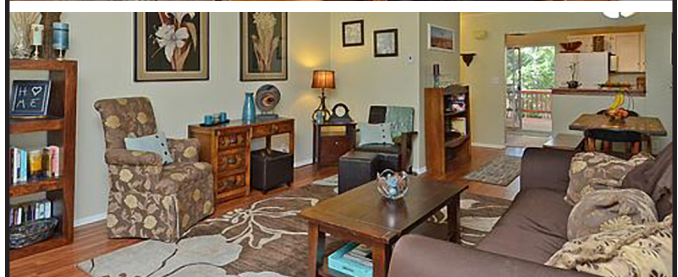
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Update on the Homicide in South Jeffco

Jefferson County, CO. – On September 18, 2013, the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office SWAT team served a search warrant at 7271 S. Webster St. It was suspected that the residence was being used as a location for various property and drug crimes. A suspect, Gregory Gruenloht (dob 090971), was taken into custody without incident.

During the search of the residence, a body, later identified as Robert Gordon Jr., 51, was discovered. Cause and manner of death is pending an autopsy by the Jefferson County Coroner.

Gruenloht is being held at the Jefferson County Jail without bond for suspicion of 2nd degree murder.

— Jacki Kelley, Public Information Director, 303-271-5612

Question? Question?

A lady called the voicemail number and remarked that she noticed in the newsletter there was no mention of Columbus Day and is hoping the association is not becoming POLITICALLY CORRECT by leaving it off the list of holidays. **Columbus Day for 2013 was October 14th and here is a summary about how and when people celebrate.**

Many countries in the New World and elsewhere celebrate the anniversary of Christopher Columbus's arrival in the Americas, which occurred on October 12, 1492 in the Julian calendar and October 21, 1492 in the modern Gregorian calendar, as an official holiday. The day is celebrated as Columbus Day in the United States, as Día de la Raza in many countries in the Americas, as Día de las Culturas (Day of the Cultures) in Costa Rica, as Discovery Day in the Bahamas, as Día de la Hispanidad and Fiesta Nacional in Spain and as Día de las Américas (Day of the Americas) in Uruguay. These holidays have been celebrated unofficially since the late 18th century, and officially in various countries since the early 20th century.

In the US, Columbus Day first became an official state holiday in Colorado in 1906, and became a federal holiday in 1934. However, people have celebrated Columbus' voyage since the colonial period. In 1792, New York City and other U.S. cities celebrated the 300th anniversary of his landing in the New World. In 1892, President Benjamin Harrison called upon the people of the United States to celebrate Columbus Day on the 400th anniversary of the event. During the 400-year anniversary in 1892, teachers, preachers, poets and politicians used Columbus Day rituals to teach ideals of patriotism. These patriotic rituals were framed around themes such as support for war, citizenship boundaries, the importance of loyalty to the nation, and celebrating social progress.

Since 1971, the holiday has been fixed in the US to the second Monday in October, coincidentally the same day as Thanksgiving in neighboring Canada (which was fixed to that date in 1959). It is generally observed today by banks, the bond market, the U.S. Postal Service and other federal agencies, most state government offices, and some school districts. Most businesses and some stock exchanges remain open, however, and there is a trend among some states and municipalities away from observing the holiday. (From: Wikipedia, license: CCA-SA)

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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.

Garden Committee Update

"Two friars are having trouble paying off the belfry, so they open a florist shop. Everyone wants to buy flowers from the men of God so business is quickly booming. The florist across town sees a huge drop in sales and asks the two friars to close their shop, but they refuse. A month later the florist begs the friars to close because he's having trouble feeding his family.

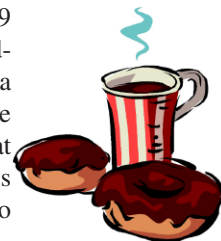
Again, they refuse, so the florist hires Hugh McTaggart. Hugh is the roughest, toughest thug in town and is hired to "persuade" the friars to close. Hugh asks the friars to close their florist shop. When they refuse, he threatens to beat the crap out of them and wreck their shop every day they remain open, so they close. This proves once again that Hugh and only Hugh can prevent florist friars." ~ Paul

If you would like to have your name added to the volunteer list or have any questions contact the voicemail at 303-904-8218.

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Columbine Kiwanis Blood Drive with Bonfils

The Columbine Kiwanis will be hosting a blood drive on December 9th at the Columbine United Church. The Kiwanis coordinate with Bonfils Blood Center, help with check in, set up rooms and supply snacks. To donate you can register online at donors.bonfils.org. Look for Columbine Kiwanis on December 9th for the event or call 303-363-2300 ext 2. You can also just drop in from 2:00-6:00, donors with reservations have priority.

Troops battling in World War II increased the awareness and demand for blood plasma worldwide. Americans supporting the war effort at home realized the importance of blood transfusions in saving lives. For many communities, it created the new social responsibility of ensuring a safe and adequate blood supply for anyone who needed it.

Accommodating the blood needs of the Rocky Mountain region was not easy in the early 1940's. The blood banks nearest

to Denver were located in Dallas and Kansas City, Mo. Fortunately, Dr. Osgoode Philpott and philanthropist Helen G. Bonfils recognized the need to establish a blood bank in Colorado. Pulling together a diverse group of community-minded people, they founded Denver's first community blood bank. Belle Bonfils Memorial Blood Bank, named after Helen's beloved mother, opened February 27, 1943 at Colorado General Hospital (now University of Colorado Hospital). Its vision was to meet the blood needs of the local community, as well as the military forces fighting overseas and we maintain that focus today as 2013 marks the celebration of 70 years of saving lives. Today, Bonfils Blood Center has become an important part of the healthcare system throughout Colorado. It now operates eight community donor centers, serves nearly 200 healthcare facilities in Colorado and beyond, collects nearly 143,000 units of blood annually and offers a variety of services to better meet the needs of the community, including the Colorado Marrow Donor Program.

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 at social events. Come check us out. Weekly scheduled meetings are on Wednesdays at 6:45 a.m. at Roberts Italian Restaurant, 6745 Ken Caryl Ave. Free breakfast for first time visitors. For information call, Ken Sweet 303-973-8253 or visit our website at www.columbinekiwanis.org.

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	Lowest	Highest	How Many?
Ranch Style	\$ 239,950	\$ 239,950	2
4-level	None	None	0
2-story	None	None	0
Tri-level	None	None	0
Bi-level	None	None	0

Current Homes **UNDER CONTRACT** in Columbine West

	Lowest	Highest	How Many?
Ranch Style	\$ 208,900	\$ 208,900	1
4-level	\$ 275,000	\$ 309,000	3
2-story	\$ 234,900	\$ 275,000	2
Tri-level	\$ 239,000	\$ 309,900	2
Bi-level	\$ 225,000	\$ 250,000	4

Homes **SOLD** in Columbine West (Jan. 1, 2013 – Oct. 18, 2013)

	Lowest	Highest	How Many?
Ranch Style	\$ 182,400	\$ 281,500	8
4-level	\$ 210,000	\$ 312,000	18
2-story	\$190,000	\$ 320,000	16
Tri-level	\$ 200,000	\$ 300,000	5
Bi-level	\$ 185,000	\$ 326,000	22

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Kayla G.	13	P	303-972-7895
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