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WELCOME NEW NEIGHBOR

Alice Messinger has moved into 3865 Newport Lane; she'd be happy to have you stop by to say "hello" and introduce yourself.

JULY 4TH

As most of you know, Boulder has a big fireworks display at Folsom Stadium. You may not know that if you go to the top of the hill behind our community you get a birds-eye view of those fireworks as well as other displays in more distant communities. Many Wonderland Hill neighbors bring their lawn chairs to the top of the hill at 9:00 to enjoy meeting with their neighbors and watching the display (it's not huge from this distance but it is fun to watch). Avoid the traffic and celebrate the 4th here!

WILD FIRE SAFETY

Following is some fire safety information that we publish each summer. Everyone should be "fire-wise" to protect property. Only a few days of dry weather can create fire conditions.

1. Walk around your property to look for places where dried leaves and dried pine needles have gathered. It is important to track these places and, of course, to clean up this fire fuel. The reason for tracking where leaves and pine needles gather is that this is where the wind eddies are; embers would land in exactly these places when stirred up by the wind caused by a fire.
2. Clean your gutters and clean them frequently.
3. Store flammable materials (for example, firewood, propane tanks) in an enclosed area such as a garage. Do NOT store them outside your house.
4. Install some sort of latticework or screen between the bottom of your deck and the ground (embers tend to collect under decks, smolder, and eventually ignite). ¼" mesh screen is best.
5. Cover soffit vents with ¼" mesh screen, again to prevent smoldering embers from igniting.
6. Keep landscaping watered. Keep yard and surroundings clear of dried plant material. Keep mulch away from flammable exterior walls.
7. Go to www.boulderoem.com for the office of emergency management and www.boco911alert.com to sign up for emergency alerts.

8. Make an emergency plan with your family. Establish a meeting place in case of evacuation.
9. Be aware that creeping fires can be even more dangerous than tree fires.

BE EMBER AWARE!

HOW DOES YOUR MAILBOX LOOK? IS IT BLACK?

Mailboxes are one of the first things visitors see when driving on our streets. How does yours look? Need a little spiffing up? Does the post need staining or straightening?

The WH5 Architectural Control Guidelines call for black mailboxes. If your box is not black or if it needs repainting, please repaint with exterior black (gloss or semi-gloss) to conform to the HOA requirements.

WONDERLAND HILL POOL & TENNIS CLUB

The swimming pool and tennis courts are part of the Pool & Tennis Club, an organization separate from the WH5 Homeowners Association; it is comprised of multiple HOAs in Wonderland Hill. All inquiries regarding Pool and Tennis should be referred to their management company. Their web site may be found at:

<http://www.whpt.net/>

CUL-DE-SACS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS

You may have noticed our cul-de-sacs are looking pretty good! Some landscaping work was done in the spring to trim and clean up the junipers and add some cobble rock. The City's sidewalk and curb work replaced all the curbing at the Oakwood cul-de-sac. In addition, the common area where the lilies were located was cleaned up. Marty Bickman has kindly agreed to keep up the Oakwood bed at the sidewalk, and Joan Lavell continues to maintain the bed at Newport.

OUTSIDE REPAIRS AND RENOVATIONS

We've seen a lot of home improvements the last few years as owners update their homes. Please let your next-door neighbors know of exterior work to be done so they are not surprised and will expect workers at your home. The ACC generally notifies neighbors of applications for major work.

REMINDERS

- Contact the Architectural Control Committee **before** making exterior changes to your home including landscaping and tree removal, painting, fences, roofing, renovations, and other changes.
- City Code requires that owners keep sidewalks clear of shrubs and overhanging trees (8-foot clearance for trees).
- Per City code, trash and compost bins may not be placed at curbside before the day of pickup. Empty bins must be removed by the end of the day of pickup. Per HOA covenants, bins must be stored in a location not visible from the street or from neighbors' property.
- City ordinance limits parking on streets to 72 consecutive hours. Vehicles "stored" on our streets beyond 72 hours are subject to possible ticketing.
- Trailers and campers may not be parked in driveways except for very short-term use to load/unload. Street parking is limited to 72 hours. Please contact the Board if you anticipate longer parking in your driveway.

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