



# Columbine West Civic Association *Newsletter* ©

**CWCA – Your Homeowners' Organization**



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## CWCA Calendar of Events

**CWCA Monthly Mtg:** Oct. 11th  
Dutch Creek Elem, 7:00p

**Halloween Decoration Contest:**  
Bring out those ghosts & goblins

**CWCA Monthly Mtg:** Nov. 8th  
Dutch Creek Elem, 7:00p

**Holiday Lighting Contest:**  
Make our neighborhood shine

**No December Monthly Meeting:**  
Happy Holidays

**CWCA Monthly Meeting:** Jan.  
Volunteer Appreciation Evening

## CWCA Meeting Dates

**Oct. 11th & Nov. 8th 7:00 p.m.**  
at Dutch Creek Elem

**October 2017**

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**Our Mission: "Promote neighborhood beautification and harmony through covenant enforcement, community based services, and social activities."**

## Director Ron Hopp, Foothills Parks & Recreation, Presentation on Mill Levy

**October 11th**

The Columbine West October monthly meeting will start with this valuable presentation that outlines a considerable amount of issues currently facing our local parks & recreation department. Ron Hopp has been the director of FHPRD since 2010 and has challenged himself and his employees to showcase some of the highest industry standards. This presentation will outline how the district has continued to work within budget constraints, as well as bringing about energy consumption measures to help reduce overall waste and continue money saving avenues. Ron has a vast amount of working knowledge to share and has asked our community, Columbine West, which is one of the largest communities within the district, to host this presentation before the upcoming November election. Please find the time to drop in and listen to Ron speak about the level of concerns the FHPRD is facing as the current Mil Levy will sunset in 2018. All homeowners within Columbine West are considered FHPRD residents and receive the resident pricing when attending classes, renting space or visiting the pools. Foothills Parks & Recreation Department is not subsidized by the State of Colorado, they are their OWN tax district. The Mil Levy tax dollars will go directly to FHPRD. Our local CW pool is owned and operated by FHPRD. The trails & parks within CW that residents use are owned and operated by FHPRD. The Dutch Creek Elementary playground was built by a matching grant with FHPRD. These are areas that we as residents see everyday, yet may not completely understand the implications a failed Mil Levy could potentially pose to our community. Let us come together, October 11th, 7p.m., Dutch Creek Elementary and review the presentation to become proactive voters in November.



## Deer Creek Church M.O.P.S.

Deer Creek Church's Mothers of Preschoolers Group will be starting our Fall Semester on Sept. 15 from 9-11:30 a.m. and we would love to have you join us! This year, we're digging deeper into the idea of being truly free. MOPS is open to any mom with children ages newborn-Kindergarten. Come for valuable teachings and lessons, creative activities and most of all support, connection and food! Childcare is provided. We meet the first and third Fridays of the month for the school year. For more information, email [mops@deer creek church.com](mailto:mops@deer creek church.com)

## Annual Metro Denver Green Homes Tour

Saturday, October 7th, 2017 Presented by New Energy Colorado & Colorado Renewable Energy Society. Located at the Jefferson Unitarian Church, 14350 W. 32nd Ave, Golden, CO, 80401. Tours times are 9a.m. til 4p.m., cost is \$10 for adults. Take a self-guided tour of all your sustainable communities. A reception will be from 4p.m. til 6p.m., featuring appetizers and local beverages. For more information contact : [sheila-townsend@q.com](mailto:sheila-townsend@q.com), 303-279-1446

## A Moment With The Board

The September 13th monthly meeting at Dutch Creek Elementary was attended by Officers/Board members and guests. A homeowner expressed her frustration with another neighbors inconsiderate parking habits and asked how the association might be able to help. The group offered some suggestions. Committee members were asked this month to submit budget requests for review because the Annual Budget will be addressed at the October meeting. \*News Flash\* The 1st Annual Easter Egg-hunt Event was presented for consideration. The budget review is a great time for community members to offer suggestions to help the current Board/ Officers make decisions concerning the 2018 calendar of events. Please try to drop by the October 11th CWCA monthly meeting. Also scheduled for the October meeting is a presentation by Ron Hopp, Director of FHPRD. Ron will give an overview of the current expenses and those that need to be addressed in the near future. The presentation covers how the District has shored up the budget within current budget constraints and how dollars from a potentially Passed Mil Levy will be utilized. Those of us in Columbine West have FHPRD amenities within our community, such as the Columbine West Pool & Park, the Dutch Creek Trail system and Victory Park, (ie Little Green Park). The playground at Dutch Creek Elementary was installed with matching funds from FHPRD and the ball field is maintained by them also. Please remember to lock up your cars, trucks and bicycles. Close your garage doors when you are not in visible sight too. Crimes of opportunity are on the rise. Remember that the JCSO Deputies asked neighbors to report any suspicious activity to the Tip Line phone #303-271-5612, please be able to provide a description of the activity, along with license plate number, which is crucial.

A reminder that CWCA voted to eliminate the December monthly meeting, to give everyone a well deserved break and enjoy the holiday activities. This means that we will not have a Holiday Potluck, but will once again offer the Volunteer Appreciation Evening in January, after we ring in the New Year of 2018. If you have questions or any suggestion of ideas feel free to email CWCAtalk@gmail.com. Look forward to hearing from the community. Residents are encouraged to attend any monthly meeting the next one is October 11th at 7:00 p.m., Dutch Creek Elementary School, second Wednesday of the Month.

## Columbine West Civic Association

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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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## CWCA Covenant Violation Report

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Description of alleged violation: \_\_\_\_\_

Violator's Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

## Nextdoor.com

Nextdoor is the private social network for you, your neighbors and your community. It's the easiest way for you and your neighbors to talk online and make all of your lives better in the real world. And it's free. Columbine West Civic Association will be posting information on Nextdoor.com to alert registered neighbors to upcoming events or community issues.

Please join the chat. Columbine West has now surpassed 1,250 neighbors registered. Nextdoor.com has some working rules to follow, so please take a moment to review those and if you have questions you can connect with Nextdoor directly through the 'Help' tab or by contacting one of the designated Leads in Columbine West. Nextdoor.com has become another valuable site for neighbors to use for many issues.

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## Halloween Decorating Contest

Don't say "Witch" as if it's a bad thing! It's that time of the year again to decide "Witch" Halloween decorations to put up! Break out the brooms sticks, spin up the spider webs, conjure up some ghosts and get those skeletons out of your closet! They could make you \$50 richer! CWCA will have judges out at dusk looking at decorations the week before Halloween. Remember to turn on the lights and give us a chance to see just how creative a neighborhood we have. There will be (2) \$50 Gift Certificate prizes awarded, and a follow up article in the December issue with possible photos that will appear in the newsletter. If you'd like to call in and make sure we check out your house or your neighbor's house, please call the CWCA voicemail at (303-904-8218) or email us at cwcatalk@gmail.com. Leave your name, phone number and street address. You can also use the Nextdoor site to alert neighbors and the viewing committee of houses that just need to be seen. Keep Calm and Halloween on!!



## Kiwanis Korner

### Calendar of Events

Oct 7th	Sat. Action Food Bank
Oct 24th Tues	Bessie's Hope Visit
Dec 4th Mon	Blood Drive , Columbine United Church

## Outdoor Lab Funding & Costs

The mission of the Outdoor Education Laboratory Program is to enhance and enrich student learning as an integral part of 6th grade curricula by providing opportunities for hands-on, experiential, authentic learning in an outdoor setting. In addition, OELS fosters opportunities for student growth in environmental stewardship through an enhanced awareness, appreciation, and sense of responsibility for the environment, themselves and others. There are generations of Jeffco students who look back on their Outdoor Lab adventure and say it was one of their best memories of elementary school. The 6th graders will have a chance to explore all of the wonders offered by the Mt. Evans and Windy Peak schools. Every participating school will be charged a fee that will be based on its free and reduced lunch percentage; it will be up to the school and its community to raise the money needed to send its students to Outdoor Lab. Some fundraising will benefit each participating student by crediting her/his Outdoor Lab account. Check with individual schools for their fundraising activities and student costs. Support the Lab programs by donating to The Outdoor Lab Foundation, a non-profit organization. The Columbine Kiwanis continue to be involved in fund-raising for The Outdoor Lab Foundation.

*Our vision: Kiwanis will be a positive influence in communities worldwide...so that one day, all children will wake up in communities that believe in them, nurture them and provide the support they need to thrive. Columbine Kiwanis is a group of extremely dedicated men and women who focus on volunteering within the Columbine Community, primarily to children in our local community. They have projects through out the calendar year. Are you interested in joining the efforts of this warm and inviting group? For information call, Ken Sweet 303-973-8253 or visit our Web Site at [www.columbinekiwanis.org](http://www.columbinekiwanis.org).*

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## Visit the Solar Decathlon

October 5th – 8th

A free event that will blow your mind is about to land in the Denver area. It's the Solar Decathlon: a multiday, multiteam, multidisciplinary competition that pits collegiate teams against one another in categories of design, engineering, energy, and more. (Goosebumps!) It's essentially the national championship of solar home building. But, instead of tossing the ole pigskin, teams from the United States, Switzerland, and the Netherlands are building full-size houses featuring the latest sustainability tech to compete in 10 contests. It's ... kind of a big deal. The 2017 event will be open to the public from October 5-8th and 12-15th. We, the U.S. Department of Energy, host the event (so you know it's legit), and since we're passionate about spreading the renewables-word and supporting our amazing decathletes, we want YOU to help us by visiting. Honestly, there's no good reason not to come. This year marks the first time in its 15-year history that the Solar Decathlon will be held in the greater Denver metro area. We've picked a fitting spot at Peña Station Next, a burgeoning "smart city" located between downtown Denver and the airport. Just hop on the University of Colorado A line commuter rail and ride in style to the 61st & Peña Station at 6045 N. Richfield St., Denver, Colorado. Join us on Thursday, October 5 at 9:30 a.m. to meet the decathletes, get a sneak peek at the projects, and be first into the Solar Village. I mean, who doesn't like to be first?

While they're not exactly "homes of the future" (most of these high-tech home strategies are available now, people!), you will be blown away by these modern feats of design,

sustainability, and technology. Each home is equipped to meet the needs of a specific demographic, location, and purpose. So whether you are a DIY-er living in a super-hot desert or a baby-boomer in tornado-prone country, there is a unique and interesting sustainable living solution for you. Your kids will love "playing" with tech, imagining themselves in these uber-modern homes, and meeting the inspiring students who built them. (Talk about good role models, right?) Plus, this event is probably the easiest and most effective way to demonstrate energy conservation, water conservation, and waste reduction in action—something all kids need a little more of today. And if they still only want to Snapchat their days away, tell them that we have a geofilter. Stop by our Electric Vehicle Ride and Drive experience on Saturday, October 14 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. to learn about incentives and money-saving opportunities, model features, the ins-and-outs of charging, and the positive environmental impacts of all-electric cars. Qualified drivers will get to test drive multiple vehicles. The Solar Decathlon is more than a spectator sport. We've lined up a series of consumer/homeowner workshops hosted by industry leaders to help you make sense of renewable energy options, implementing sustainability solutions at home or work, and the current state of renewables. There's a big renewable energy world out there and the Solar Decathlon is here to help—just don't be surprised if you walk away talking about things like structured finance and rated power of solar panels. For the first time, the 2017 event is rewarding smart water solutions. This

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## Decathalon..., *continued from page 4*

new contest is important not only because water is a precious resource, but also because water and energy are inextricably linked—it takes water to make the energy we use, and it takes energy to treat and deliver the clean water we require. It's a really incredible thing to see how today's collegiate students envision the future. They have spent the past two years planning, fund-raising, designing, marketing, and building (then disassembling, and reassembling again) these solar-powered houses. The Solar Decathlon could not be as impactful as it has been (yes, there are now competitions on five continents) without an engaged audience—and that means you!

—Adapted article -  
By Kristin Madding Upcoming

## Shiloh House Shindig

Please join us on Saturday, October 14th from 12pm-2pm for a BBQ hosted by Davis Partnership & Shiloh House. We will have Celebrity Chefs, tasting stations, BBQ and a Silent Auction. Represent your Alma Mater or favorite sports team, by wearing a t-shirt, jersey or hat from that organization.

Location: Family Resource Pavilion, 9700 E Easter Lane, Centennial, CO 80112

Please RSVP to reserve your complimentary admission and lunch to: Delaney at: dreimers@shilohhouse.net or 303-933-1393 ext. 190

We hope to see you there!

—Kathy McShane, Community Liaison, Shiloh House,  
303-933-1393 ext. 169, 303-933-8216 Fax, Cell: 720-252-8804

## Bring Nature to Your Community

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- Should I worry about coyotes?
- Why are there so many rabbits?
- What should I plant vs. what I shouldn't?
- What species of wildlife can I expect to see through the seasons?

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For more information or to schedule, contact Victoria Sutton. victorias@sspd.org

—Victoria Sutton  
Park Interpreter | Public Programs  
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## National Cyber Security Awareness Month

The internet touches almost all aspects of our daily life. National Cyber Security Awareness Month is designed to engage and educate public and private sector partners through events and initiatives to raise awareness about the importance of cyber security, provide them with tools and resources needed to stay safe online, and increase the resiliency of the nation in the event of a cyber incident.

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Please let us remember our neighbor, **Bob Ferrese**, U.S. Army, July 28, 1942 – October 28, 1945, who passed away recently at the Golden Age of 92. Bob's neighbor wrote in to tell us of his passing. Rest in peace Bob.

**Dan Chism, Sr.**, USMC, 1963-69, (Vietnam 1965-66), 2nd Battalion, 9th Marines, 3rd Marine Division, stationed Danang, Chulai & Thubi

**Bill Morrissey**, U.S. Army, 1969 -, 1970 (Vietnam) 173rd Airborne Infantry Brigade

**Roy A. Bundy (Al Bundy)**, USAF, 1968-1972, Max Airlift, Vietnam, PI, Calif. & Japan.

**Jim Slora**, U.S. Air Force, 1961-1965, Special Weapons Maintenance, 1910th Communication Sq., Lowry AFB, Co.

**Jerry Stevens**, U.S. Air Force, 1963-1967, Jet Engine Mechanic

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**John Weksler**, USN, 1960-1966, Aircraft Carrier Essex, Pensacola, FL., U.S. Army, 1966- 1973 (Vietnam), Helicopter Pilot, Colorado National Guard, 1973- 1987, Buckley AFB, CO. (Retired)

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**Belinda Gardner**, U.S.A.F. 1987 - 1991, 438th Comptroller Squadron, McGuire A.F.B. New Jersey

**David E. Garcia**, USMC, 1963-67 (Vietnam War), Radioteletype Operator (RATT), 1st Marine Air Wing, returned to Yuma, AZ.

**Tony Monte**, USMC, 1968-1975 (Vietnam War)

**Cynthia Draper**, U.S. Navy, 1954-58 (Korean War), Draftsman, (CNATRA) stationed in Pensacola, FL.

**Ken Sweet**, U.S. Air Force, 1967-71, Fighter Aircraft Electronics, MI

## Columbine West Military Members

*"He has honor if he holds himself to an ideal of conduct though it is inconvenient, unprofitable, or dangerous to do so".*

— **Walter Lippmann**

**Francis (Mik) Benson**, U.S. Army, 349th Physiological Operations, Fitzsimmons Reserve Center, Colorado

**LCpl. Evan Doop**, U.S. Marine Corps, stationed at 29 Palms, California

**Chaplin, Major, William Harrison**, U.S. Army, Operations Chaplain, stationed at Ft. Richardson, Alaska.

**Sp. Jeremy McCombs**, Army National Guard, 1157th Engineer Division, (Firefighter Brigade) stationed in Ft. Carson.

**Sgt. Bethany Jagers**, U.S. Army, 282 Engineering Company, stationed at Ft. Carson, CO

**GM2 David Tuey** LCS-10, Combat Ship Training, San Diego Naval Base, CA

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## Barking: County Regulation

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### How to Report Problem Barking

Animal Control recommends talking face to face with the dog's owner as the first step. We offer a Problem Barking Brochure Adobe PDF Icon as a guide for dog owners that might be of assistance. If all of this is unsuccessful, you may call 303-271-5070 (extension 0) and file a formal complaint.

Depending on what prior contacts we have with the dog owner, we can either mail a letter, post an official warning notice, or have you sign a complaint so we can issue a summons and assess a fine. For us to issue a summons, we must have two signed complaints from separate households in the area.

- To file a complaint we need your name, address and phone number and the address of the owner of the barking dog.
- We need a description of the dog(s) and the most recent date and duration of time that you were disturbed.
- We also need you to describe how you know the barking is coming from the address you have identified, i.e. you can see the dogs barking from your window, you have followed the barking to the source, etc.

- Animal Control does not take action on anonymous complaints

If you have a dog-barking problem in your neighborhood, Mediation Services (through Jefferson County Justice Services) may be an option. Mediation Services collaborates with government agencies in serving the citizens of Jefferson County by providing effective mediation, communication, and negotiation processes, using qualified, professional volunteers, in order to foster harmony through conflict resolution services.


### If Your Dog is the "Problem Barker"

If you have received a complaint about your dog, it is important to correct the problem so that your neighbors do not take legal action, or take their frustrations out on your dog. Remember, being proactive and solving the problem at hand will help you to avoid legal action, and will promote good relations with your neighbors.

### Why Some Dogs Bark, and Some Suggestions

- Boredom  
Some dogs will bark just because they are bored. Supply your pet with chew toys or beef bones. Give him a ball, stuffed toy or something that will occupy him while you are away.
- Loneliness  
Many dogs bark because they are lonely and want some company. By barking, the dog has gotten your attention, and whether you punish him or not, he has attained his goal. Therefore, he may continue to bark just so he can see you. This is a bad situation for both you and the dog.
- Restrictions on Freedom

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# BOORIFIC BASH & SPLASH

## OCT 27 • 6-8 P.M.

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## Barking...., continued from page 7

A dog who is chained continuously in a small area will tend to become aggressive. He will soon bark at the slightest sound or movement, such as leaves, moving cars or the wind. Be aware that the dog is barking to relieve his tension due to being confined and lonely; a cruel situation for any animal to be in.



- **Protective of Territory**

This is very natural for any type of dog, yet consistent and habitual barking is a sign of an unruly dog. It is important to teach your dog to bark enough to alert you and then to respond to you and sit quietly. This way the dog feels he is protecting his property while the owner is still in control of his behavior.

### Solutions to the Problem Barking

The following are suggestions that may help you solve a barking dog problem. These suggestions may not work on hyperactive or vocal dogs. You may need to seek professional training for your pet.

- Bring your dog in the house when you leave. Many dogs bark continually once you are gone. If you do not want your dog to have the run of the house, you may wish to contain the dog in a certain area, i.e., a basement or laundry room.
- Put your dog in the garage. Many people choose to do this if they have a large dog. Be certain to provide old

blankets, rugs, or carpet for your pet to lay on. A cold, hard cement floor is far from comfortable. Be aware of the dangers of leaving your dog in the garage.

- No matter where you decide to keep your pet, be certain there is clean water and shelter available at all times. Many dogs will bark and whine if they are thirsty or cold.

When your dog starts to bark, it is the dog owner's responsibility to find out what is causing the problem. Do not ignore the barking no matter what time it may be.

### A Cure

The best thing you can do to correct this problem is work on training the dog. For specific directions, contact a qualified obedience instructor. Spend time with your dog and include him in your daily activities. Remember, you are his only means of exercise and love.

### Mechanical and Surgical Solutions

Anti-bark collars, either electronic or sonic, as well as fence-mounted anti-bark devices, are available through local pet store and pet product distributors. Veterinarians can "debark" a dog surgically by cutting the vocal cords. Talk with your veterinarian about what method may be more appropriate for your pet. Both methods are more effective when accompanied by consistent training. If you are too busy to spend time with your dog every day, you are probably too busy to own a dog. Please evaluate your situation and do what is best for your dog.

— <http://jeffco.us/sheriff/animal-control/barking/>

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7578 W. Fremont Dr. 2 story 3,010 sq. ft. \$415,000  
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7133 S. Ammons Ct. 2 story 3,617 sq. ft. \$410,000  
7541 S. Ottawa Pl. 2 story 2,542 sq. ft. \$403,000  
7578 W. Fremont Dr. 2 story 3,010 sq. ft. \$415,000  
7811 W. Quarto Dr. multi-level 2,374 sq. ft. \$401,600  
7604 W. Ontario Pl. tri-level 2,307 sq. ft. \$400,000  
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7359 S. Quay Ct. bi-level 1,707 sq. ft. \$350,000  
8271 W. Quarto Dr. multi-level 2,354 sq. ft. \$305,000  
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7841 W. Ottawa Pl. ranch 3,146 sq. ft. \$400,000  
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6929 S. Allison Wy. 2 bi-level 1,647 sq. ft. \$385,000  
7314 S. Upham Ct. bi-level 1,656 sq. ft. \$365,000  
6876 W. Fremont Pl. tri-level 1,587 sq. ft. \$363,000

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7840 W. Portland Ave. 2 story 2,981 sq. ft. \$395,000  
7284 S. Yukon Ct. tri-level 2,572 sq. ft. \$380,000  
8212 W. Quarto Dr. bi-level 1,996 sq. ft. \$370,000  
7099 S. Allison Way. ranch 2,233 sq. ft. \$365,000  
7109 S. Reed Ct. ranch 2,554 sq. ft. \$360,000  
7058 W. Roxbury Ave. bi-level 1,521 sq. ft. \$350,000

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### Sheriff: (dispatch 303-271-0211)

- Speeding in the neighborhood
- Running stop signs
- Not stopping at crosswalks
- Unlicensed or inoperable vehicles on the street
- Suspicious people or vehicles in the neighborhood
- Semi-trailers parked in the neighborhood
- Illegal activity
- Loud noise/music

### Animal Control: (303-271-5070)

- Barking dogs
- Vicious dogs
- Dogs not on leashes
- Sick wild animals including skunks, raccoons, rabbits, squirrels, foxes, coyotes

### Zoning: (303-271-8700)

- Unlicensed, expired, or inoperable vehicles on the property
- Speed bumps – new or replacement after paving
- Tree limbs/shrubs obstructing stop signs
- Weeds over 12" high
- Permit for fence (new or replacement), shed, or other structures
- Vehicles for sale

### Jefferson County: (303-271-5200)

- Damaged or missing stop signs
- Pot holes
- Ice build-up in the curb
- Snow plowing
- Street sweeping

### Xcel Energy:

(1-800-895-1999)

- Burned out street lights
- Damaged street lights

## Columbine West Civic Association Membership Form

Please fill out the membership coupon and mail it with your \$25 check to CWCA.

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

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

## How 'Trick or Treat!' Took Over the World

Wherever you live, chances are that on Oct. 31 you'll be visited by pirates, ghosts, princesses, and monsters crying, "Trick or treat!" at your front door. Costumes and going door to door for treats can be traced back to pagan and Christian rituals from the Middle Ages.

In Britain and Ireland, poor people would beg for food door to door in exchange for prayers for the dead on the day before All Souls' Day (Nov. 2). This practice, called "souling," evolved from a European pagan tradition. The wearing of costumes and masks originates in Celtic traditions of attempting placate evil spirits by copying them.

Immigrants from Scotland and Ireland brought the tradition of "guising" to the New World, with children going through their neighborhoods requesting food and coins, usually in exchange for a dance or poem.

The term "trick or treat" in print was seen in Alberta, Canada, in 1927, and in The Oregon Journal newspaper in 1934: "Other young goblins and ghosts, employing modern shakedown methods, successfully worked the 'trick or treat' system in all parts of the city."

Trick-or-treating had become an established fixture of American popular culture by the 1950s, when Walt Disney produced a cartoon called "Trick or Treat" and an episode of the popular TV show Ozzie and Harriet showed children overwhelming the Nelson household in search of candy.



## Carve Your Jack-o'-Lantern With Your Family

One of the best ways to spend an October day or evening is to carve pumpkins with the family. Here are some tips on carving the perfect jack-o'-lantern:

- On a piece of paper, draw a pattern for the pumpkin face.
- Use the pattern to trace onto the pumpkin.
- Cut the top of the pumpkin, cutting at a 45-degree angle to create a "ledge" that won't allow the top to fall back inside when you place it back on. Scoop insides out.
- Slice out the pattern, working from the center of the design outward. Cut the larger areas in chunks to make them easier to remove.

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### Columbine West Statistics for September 2017

#### Current Homes FOR SALE in Columbine West

	Lowest	Highest	How Many?
Ranch Style	\$400,000	\$400,000	1
2-story	None	None	0
4-level	None	None	0
Tri-level	\$379,900	\$379,900	1
Bi-level	\$365,000	\$395,000	3

#### Current Homes UNDER CONTRACT in Columbine West

	Lowest	Highest	How Many?
Ranch Style	\$360,000	\$475,000	3
2-story	\$395,000	\$439,950	4
4-level	None	None	0
Tri-level	\$380,000	\$399,900	2
Bi-level	\$350,000	\$370,000	2

#### Homes SOLD in Columbine West (Jan. 1, 2017–Sept. 18, 2017)

	Lowest	Highest	How Many?
Ranch Style	\$345,000	\$385,000	8
2-story	\$355,000	\$465,000	13
4-level	\$279,500	\$401,600	9
Tri-level	\$340,000	\$420,000	6
Bi-level	\$314,000	\$415,000	13

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