



Columbine West Civic Association Newsletter

CWCA – Your Homeowners' Organization



CWCA Calendar of Events

- **CWCA Monthly Mtg:** Oct 8th
Dutch Creek Elem, 7:00 p.m.
- **Halloween Decorating Contest:**
Oct 31st
- **Daylight Savings Day:** Nov 3
Set your clocks back
- **Election Day:** Nov 5
Get out the Vote
- **CWCA Monthly Mtg:** Nov 12th
Dutch Creek Elem, 7:00 p.m.
- **Holiday Lighting Contest:**
Dec 20 thru New Years Day
- **CWCA Monthly Mtg:**
No December Meeting

PayPal Link For Membership

The direct link to get to PayPal
is [www.neighborhoodlink.com/
Columbine_West/pages/39993](http://www.neighborhoodlink.com/Columbine_West/pages/39993)

Did You Know?

Littleton United Methodist Church
has a free, home cooked dinner every
Saturday evening. All are welcome!

— **Nextdoor posting,**
by neighbor Ellen
Shamas-Brandt



2019 CWCA Meeting Dates

Oct. 8th, Nov. 12th
Dutch Creek Elem, 7 p.m. -8:30 p.m.

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

Trimming Vegetation Away from Sidewalks, Street Signs & Lightpoles

As Fall sets in it is time to take a look around our property and see if any of our landscaping needs to be trimmed back and cleaned up. Sometimes a small bush seems to explode with growth over the summer season and now it has encroached onto the sidewalk. Maybe your front or side yard tree has begun to stretch over the sidewalk and is now hanging a bit too low for walkers to travel underneath. If you have a fruit tree that has decided to drop it's fruit and it is landing on the sidewalk, it could be time to trim it back also. Some neighbors have backyard or sideyard fencing that abut to a sidewalk, take a look to see if any of your trees or bushes are hanging down over the sidewalks too. (example: eastside of Allison /Ontario) Some corner lots may have street signs that have become covered by foliage, please trim it back so people can read the signs. Please keep in mind that corner lots need to have a Vision Clearance Triangle defined as a triangular shaped, one side of which is formed by the street right-of-way line, the second side of which is formed by another street right-of-way, while the third side is formed by connecting the two points twenty-five (25) feet from the intersection of the two sides formed by the street/road sides. This also means that landscaping should not be any higher than 36" on a corner. As the leaves begin to fall, please try to collect them before they end up in the streets and gutters. Leaves make great compost material, mulch for flower beds and stuffing for frontyard Halloween scarecrows. Keeping the gutters clear can also aid with rain and snow run-off and help to fend off ice build-ups. Neighbors new to the community usually comment first on how nice it is to have mature trees and landscaping, followed by questions concerning why a homeowner has not cut down a dead or dying tree. If the tree has no more life left to it and is possessing a concern of falling down and damaging property, maybe it is time to call in the professionals. Homeownership has its privileges and its expenses. The association strives to see our community defined by a sense of shared ownership and collective responsibility. 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.**

Halloween Decorating Contest

*The witches fly Across the sky,
The owls go, “Who? Who? Who?”
The black cats yowl And green ghosts howl,
“Scary Halloween to you!”*

—Nina Willis Walter

Get those Halloween decorations out! 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 email us at cwcatalk@gmail.com. Leave your name, phone number and street address.

A Moment With The Board

The September 10th meeting was held back inside Dutch Creek Elementary. We had just a handful in attendance with a few residents asking questions. Thank you for stopping by and checking out the meeting. The 2019 Annual Budget has covered all expenses with funds left over, which the Officers will be looking at during the October Budget Meeting. Once the budget for 2020 has been set there will be more information in the newsletter on upcoming events and programs. The email message board has been very successful in allowing our Recording Secretary to forward messages and/ or complaints to the correct volunteer to address. If you are calling in to report a Covenant Violation we appreciate your concern and will take all necessary steps to help re-mediate the issues. Again, please understand that these take time. The course of action does not happen overnight and we understand your distress and will approach each situation on its own merit. There is no management company in Columbine West, just (4) Officers and (4) Board Members volunteering on behalf of 1,490 homeowners. Yup, thats correct, (9) neighbors helping to solve issues within the neighborhood. As always we would love to have more hands to address the many concerns in and around Columbine West. If you would like to join the efforts drop us an email or attend a monthly meeting. Currently there are (2) Board positions vacant and it is crucial to have residents involved in the association process and procedures. We look forward to the upcoming Halloween Contest & Holiday Lighting Contest. Quick reminder there will NOT be a monthly meeting in December, which allows our volunteers to focus on their families and holiday activities. The Annual Members Mixer will be scheduled for January, when the date is confirmed it will be posted on the front page. The mixer in 2019 had about 50 resident members in attendance, let make 2020 a bigger event. **This month we would like to encourage anyone interested in volunteering to join us.** 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 8th at 7:00 p.m., Dutch Creek Elementary, second Tuesday of the Month.**

Entrance Maintenance Thank You

On behalf of the CWCA Officers and Board of Directors, we would like to thank the volunteers who maintained the Columbine West entrances this year. The trimming of the beautiful Russian Sages as well as weed control makes the areas look well kept. The job of cleaning up discarded bottles and trash is not much fun, but necessary. Big 'shout out' to the mystery person who continues to mow the Zephyr entrance in between County services doing it. Your time and efforts are very much appreciated.

Yard of the Month 2019 Winners

As a fun little reminder and another chance to congratulate our neighbors, here are the winners from this year...drum roll, please...

- **May** - The Valdovinos at 7588 W. Frost Dr
- **June** - The Knapkes at 7653 W. Coal Mine Pl
- **July** - The Schneiders at 7800 W Portland Ave
- **August** - The Abels at 8302 W Portland Ave.

—Keep calm and Garden on

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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Columbine Hills Church Zoning Change

Richmond American Homes is proposing building 128 single family and duplex homes on the site of Columbine Hills Church. The neighborhood is proposed to consist of a total of 62 single-family homes and 66 duplexes resulting in 11.89 dwelling units/acre. The single-family homes will be the City-scape product, unique to Richmond American Homes. This property is accessed from Coal Mine just east of Kipling and the new hospital. Richmond CityScapes line which are the modern tri-level types like this <https://www.richmondamerican.com/colorado/denver-metro-new-homes/broomfield/city-scapes-at-the-views>

Attending the meeting in Sept with roughly 50 other interested community members I asked the question "Why here and why now"? Richmond representatives response was "the church is selling the property and Richmond Homes is looking to build". Another question "why this style of housing development"? Richmond said they want to offer a unique style of housing options, these homes will be duplex townhomes and single family linear style called City Scapes. There is 11 acres of land with 128 proposed homes. The representative could not definitively quote a home cost, but it was suggested they would be in the mid \$400,000. When asked about affordable housing the representative considered these homes to be "attainable housing". The land has some renovation issues that need to be addressed, such as the large slope on the property to the South and entry and exit points off of Coal Mine on the North side. There was no front elevation diagram to show what the neighborhood would look like from the street, just an over-

head diagram of how the homes would be situated on the land. Richmond proposes that about 1/2 of the buildings will be (3) story high with a potential of 45' at the tallest point. One of the models would have rooftop access. I encourage anyone to drive into the parking lot at the church and just look around. The property is a gem and (3) story high units will have an unobstructed view of the entire Front Range. "Why here and why now"? Question answered. At this time the meeting with the Commissioners is not scheduled, so we will have to keep a watchful eye for that information. You can view the documents here: <https://permitsearch.jeffco.us/amandaItoI/PublicDocs>

A Little Breakfast

Join A Little Help in our mission to enhance the lives of older adults, allowing them to thrive on their own terms and in their own homes. Is your healthcare helping your business and your employees thrive? Join us to address these important issues with business growth and healthcare expert, Catherine Anderson, Senior Vice President, Policy and Strategy, United Healthcare - Hosted by Mark Koebrich 9News . Wednesday October 2, 2019, 7:30 am to 9:00 am, Plante Moran offices, 8181 East Tufts Ave

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Behind the Badge – A Fateful Foundation

In the summer of 2015 I attended an FBI training in Washington D.C. and happened to be sitting next to Charleston County South Carolina Sheriff Al Cannon the evening of June 17 when he received a call about a church shooting that left nine people dead at the Emanuel African Methodist Episcopal Church in Charleston. While walking to the hotel to prepare for his departure, Sheriff Cannon engaged in many telephone conversations along the way, including several with local faith leaders in his jurisdiction. His readily apparent relationship with the faith community in Charleston County prompted me


to question the relationship our Sheriff's office has with our local faith community, and the safety of houses of worship in Jefferson County.

Upon my return that week and after a frank conversation with our command staff, I came to the realization that while we had connections to the faith community, we should do as much public safety education and training for houses of worship as we do with schools, businesses, homeowners associations, and other organizations within the county. Our vision is for Jefferson County to be a safe place for all people to live, learn, work, and play; therefore, we want our residents and visitors to feel safe anytime and anywhere in our county, including during religious activities.

As a result, we launched our "Safety in Faith" program in August 2015 with a full-day training summit for leaders and safety team members of all houses of worship within the county, regardless denomination. Over 300 people attended the inaugural summit to learn how the faith community faces unique safety challenges due to the juxtaposition between keeping their place of worship safe for everyone while welcoming anyone. Since its inception, the Safety in Faith program has expanded from an annual summit to also include two safety workshops offered each spring and fall.

The JCSO's Safety in Faith program may have been the first of its kind in Colorado, but it is not exclusive to the Sheriff's Office. We partner with the District Attorney's Office and several other local law enforcement and fire protection districts to offer the most comprehensive public safety services possible to

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our faith-based community during the annual summit and bi-annual workshops. And while the Safety in Faith program is intended to mitigate vulnerabilities specific to religious institutions, our services and expertise in this regard is not limited to local houses of worship. The sheriff's office, as well as our public safety partners, offer similar safety opportunities to schools, businesses, homeowners associations, and other organizations throughout Jefferson County.

This year's Safety in Faith Summit was Thursday, August 22 from 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at the Jefferson County Fairgrounds. Faith leaders, administrators, safety team members, staff and volunteers were encouraged to attend, as well as the general public. The summit included presentations on facility security; risks and liabilities; practical insights and tactical how-tos for before, during, and after an incident; recognizing behavioral signs of an attacker; and de-escalation techniques. There was no cost to attend, but registration was recommended at <https://www.jeffco.us/728/Safety-in-Faith>.

Certainly, individuals or sectors within any jurisdiction can be targets of criminal activity for their religious beliefs or affiliations, and unfortunately in 2015 it took a tragedy half a continent away to help us realize a gap in our service to these individuals and institutions. Since then, however, we have built and strengthened our relationship with the faith community and now the Safety in Faith program exists to help prevent another tragedy from occurring at a house of worship in Jefferson County, regardless denomination.

—Sheriff Jeff Shrader

Numbers to Call for Information:

CWCA: CWCAtalk@gmail.com

- Questions regarding Covenants/violations
- Questions/volunteers for neighborhood activities/committees

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

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

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- Damaged or missing stop signs
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Proper Storage of Recreational Vehicles in Columbine West

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unless hidden from view behind a 6' fence”. The covenants help to protect the safety of the residents of our community. Young children on bicycles or playing near the street are really tough to see around a big RV; they deserve to be able to play safely. It is also a courtesy to your neighbors, and in some areas like cul-de-sacs, parking spaces are limited. Limit your loading and unloading time to 24/48 hours to help keep our neighborhood safe and to comply with the covenants. Remember to lock up your trailer, boat, etc to effectively reduce the occurrence of theft. Nearby RV storage areas are available for storage if your property doesn't allow proper storage options. If you see someone abusing the privilege, parking RVs on the street or on driveways you can contact the Covenant Control Group at CWCAtalk@gmail.com. Any neighbor that is in violation can receive a 1st notification ‘Friendly Letter’ that will ask for the vehicle in question to be properly stored. Let us all do our part in keeping Columbine West looking great.

Columbine West Veterans

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— John Doolittle

Jack Woodman, U.S. Army, 1967 - 1968(Vietnam) 1st Logistical Command HQ

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Edward Ernest McManus III SMC 2003-2007, 2009-2010 (OIF) 3rd Amphibious Assault Battalion, Camp Pendleton, CA.; Camp Lejeune, NC.

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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

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Classified ads are \$4.00/line (about 40 characters/line). Contact Colorado Lasertype at 303-979-7499 or getinfo@ColoradoLasertype.com to place an ad. To view our display ad prices, visit our website at www.ColoradoLasertype.com. The deadline for placing a classified or display ad is the 15th of the month for the next month's issue (i.e., 15th of Sept. for Oct. issue), except the January issue, which has a deadline of December 6th. Residents placing ads to sell household items are not charged a fee.

Local Workshop: Last Chances Folks!

There is one more Free workshop on writing your Advance Directives for Healthcare that is being presented in the neighborhood by Tomorrow's Choices. This next opportunity is on Tuesday, October 15th from 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. at Columbine United Church, 6375 S. Platte Canyon Rd. The interactive, multi-media workshops cover starting the conversation with family, friends, clergy and physicians; choosing Agent(s) to speak for you in the event that you cannot speak for yourself; and writing your choices about the care you want to receive toward the end of your life. All the necessary paperwork will be provided, and everyone over 18 should consider attending. Two weeks later, on Oct. 29th, at the same time, there will be signing parties with a notary present. You will witness each other's directives and celebrate giving your family the best gift you could possibly give them! For more information, visit the Tomorrow's Choices website at www.tomorrowschoices.org.

CWCA Covenant Violation Report Date: _____

Mail to: CWCA, P.O. Box 620026, Littleton, CO 80162

Description of alleged violation: _____

Violator's Address: _____

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

Name: _____ Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

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.

Spc. 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

HM2 Michael Tuey, IDC, Fleet Marine
Force, 2nd Expeditionary Force, Camp Le
Jeune, NC

Cpl. Kristyn Lutz, U.S. Marine Corp,
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Duane sells more homes in the Columbine area than any other broker!

Columbine West Statistics for September 2019

Current Homes FOR SALE in Columbine West

	Lowest	Highest	How Many?
Ranch Style	\$480,000	\$480,000	1
2-story	\$485,000	\$500,000	3
4-level	\$400,000	\$400,000	1
Tri-level	\$425,000	\$425,000	1
Bi-level	\$385,000	\$440,000	4

Current Homes UNDER CONTRACT in Columbine West

	Lowest	Highest	How Many?
Ranch Style	\$360,000	\$400,000	3
2-story	\$425,000	\$425,000	1
4-level	None	None	0
Tri-level	None	None	0
Bi-level	\$424,000	\$435,000	2

Homes SOLD in Columbine West (April 1, 2019–Sept. 16, 2019)

	Lowest	Highest	How Many?
Ranch Style	\$400,000	\$432,000	3
2-story	\$405,000	\$640,000	11
4-level	\$353,000	\$525,000	6
Tri-level	\$379,000	\$445,000	5
Bi-level	\$340,000	\$446,000	9

The statistical information is based on MLS data September 16, 2019. Not all of the properties were listed and/or sold by Duffy & Associates, LLC.

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