

## **Columbine West Civic Association**

### Newsletter

### **CWCA — Your Homeowners' Organization**



### **CWCA Calendar** of Events

- Community Garage Sale May 7 & 8
- Mother Day May 9 (Hug a mom)
- CWCA Monthly Meeting May 11
- CWCA Monthly Meeting June 8
- Dumpster Day June 19
- Fathers Day June 20 (Hug a Dad)
- Open Swim Nights July TBD
- CWCA Monthly Meeting July 13
- CWCA Monthly Meeting Aug 10
- CWCA Monthly Meeting Sept 14
- CWCA Monthly Meeting Oct 12
- CWCA Monthly Meeting Nov 9
- No Meeting in December 2021

### PayPal Link For Membership

The direct link for PayPal is: www. neighborhoodlink.com/Columbine West/pages/39993

### **Monthly ZOOM** Meetings The Officers/Board have chosen to

use the teleconferencing platform ZOOM to handle association duties. We would encourage neighbors to join in the conversation. If you would like to attend the upcoming May meeting please email your request to CWCAtalk@gmail.com, with the (subject line) ZOOM. You will be emailed the information on how to register.



**2021 CWCA** Meeting Dates
May 11, June 8 – all at 7 p.m.



**May 2021** 

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

Dumpster Day is on the Way

The association has been working hard to secure our vendors for this upcoming event. Thanks so much to our new Chairperson, Jenn M, for taking on the task and bringing all important pieces together. This year we will be bringing a different service to the community. After many phone calls and investigation, Jenn was informed that not a single trash service provider with compactor trucks in our area will be available to service our event. Instead the CWCA will provide (4) large roll-off dumpsters for the collection of neighborhood waste. If you have participated at Dumpster Day in the past 10 years you can see the difference this offering will make. First and foremost, we can



use some more hands to help because we will not have the trash truck drivers assisting us. We will need the full cooperation of each and every participant to help with the unloading from personal vehicles into the roll offs. An extra dose of patience will also be needed as volunteer hands make the best out of a challenging situation. The event is offered FREE to those residents who have already paid CWCA Membership fees, but will be \$40 entrance fee to those who have not paid.

### **Membership Drive**

The 2021 CWCA Membership Drive has been widely supported by the community. Once again we are asking you to donate \$25, voluntarily, to an organization that has served this neighborhood for over 30 years. The membership year is from Jan 1st – Dec 31st, 2021. You can pay by check or via pay-pal, or you can always just clip out the membership coupon in the monthly newsletter. Dues and/or donations can be mailed to CWCA, PO Box 620026, Littleton Co, 80162. Please join us at any regular monthly meeting, currently a Zoom subscription, 2nd Tuesday of the Month, 7 p.m. You can be updated on neighborhood activities and voice any questions or concerns regarding neighborhood issues. Use the QR Code found on the front of each months newsletter.

-Membership Chair

### **Skin Cancer Awareness Month**

With more than 5 million cases diagnosed in the United States each year, skin cancer is America's most common cancer. Fortunately, skin cancer is also one of the most preventable forms of cancer. By sharing facts about the dangers of unprotected exposure and encouraging people to check their skin for warning signs, we can and will save lives.

### A Moment With the Board

The April CWCA meeting was well attended via Zoom, seeing a few more new faces that are sharing ideas and looking to get involved. We continue to work through the projects we have set on the table, the website, voicemail, entrance signs and new Board members. The Slate of Officers for the upcoming May elections is included in this issue. We have been updated on our neighborhood pool and an article addressing the issues is included. Our Dumpster Day Chairperson, Jenn, has been working hard to bring all the parts and piece together for the June 19th event. More details are included and will be expanded on the front page of the June issue. The weather did not allow us to plan an entrance clean up and mulch install in March, so we will reschedule and post the next date soon. CWCA Welcome Bags continue to be delivered to all of our new residents by Bill and he does a great job of informing new neighbors about our community, the covenants and the association. Thanks so much Bill. In the past 3 years we have experienced about 12% overturn of residents, that's roughly 180 new residents. Home prices continue to climb. When reading home descriptions the one that caught my eye was "an opportunity to live in the very desirable Columbine West community". Thank you neighbors for doing your part to keep the neighborhood looking great and showing pride of ownership.

Please feel free to contact CWCAtalk@gamil.com with any other ideas you would like for us to work on. You can also connect with us if you feel you have some time & talents to share with the community. Stay warm, stay safe and stay healthy in 2021.

### **Slate of Officers**

As we slide into May, the CWCA would like everyone to view the potential Slate of Officers presented before the May elections. Officers: President- Gary Mc Combs (incumbent), V.P.- John Basila (incumbent), Treasurer- Stacey Hall (incumbent), Secretary- Natasha Mc Combs (incumbent).

Board Members: Board- Erin Danaher (incumbent), Board-OPEN. The remaining (4) Board positions are currently filled until 2022 elections.

The elections are open to all homeowners that are currently paid members. If you would like to run for a position in the upcoming elections, contact CWCAtalk@gmail.com to be added to the Slate of Officers. \*\*The position of Pres & VP require that you have held a Board position prior\* Please join us on Zoom for the May meeting, QR code is posted on the front page.

### **Columbine West Civic Association Membership Form**

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Name(s)	١.			

Please fill out and mail with your \$25 check to CWCA

Address:

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

### **Columbine West Civic Association**

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President, Gary McCombs; Vice President, John Basila Treasurer, Stacey Hall; Secretary, F. Tricamo / N. McCombs Board Members: K. Waite, K. Sweet, B. Waite, E. Danaher, & D. Gleason

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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.

### **News Articles**

The newsletter is published monthly. Deadline for news is the 13th 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.

### **Advertising:**

The deadline for advertisements is the 15th of the month for the next month's issue, except for the Jan. issue which is Dec. 6th.

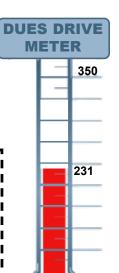
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Without leaps of imagination, or dreaming, we lose the excitement of possibilities. Dreaming, after all, is a form of planning.

-Gloria Steinem



### Thank You For Supporting Membership!

### **Jefferson County Numbers**

Information 303-279-6511 Motor Vehicles 303-271-8100 Animal Control 303-271-5070 Highways & Clerk & Recorder 303-271-8168 Transportation 303-271-8495 Colorado State Patrol 303-239-4500 Planning & Zoning 303-271-8700 County Commissioners 303-271-8525 Sheriff – Emergency Sheriff - Non-Emergency 303-271-0211 County Administrator 303-271-8500 Traffic Complaints 303-271-5677 **Extension Services** 303-271-6620 Voting Information 303-271-8111

## Great Egg Hunt Update The weather held out for the

The weather held out for the Springtime ritual of racing to gather plastic eggs filled with candy, coins and coupons. Thank you so much, Columbine West neighbors for showing your support for this event and visiting with our Easter Bunny. Huge shout out to Board Member, Erin D, for stuffing approx 1,200 of the 1,500 eggs, by herself. Your hands were a very valuable asset. A round of applause for good neighbor, Alexis B, who stepped up to fill the bunny suit.



The kids loved seeing you mingle amongst them. A Nextdoor. com neighbor commented "thank you Columbine West Civic Association, for all the planning you did to bring this event to our community". It was our pleasure.











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### **Columbine West Pool Needs Your Help**

How lucky are we as residents to enjoy the amenities that surround us in all directions? When I view the Homes for Sale in Columbine West, always described are the desirable bonuses of Clement Park, Chatfield Reservoir, Dutch Creek Elementary and of course the Columbine West Pool. They add value to our properties and make us a great location to live! Last month (March 2021) information came to light that our pool was at risk of not opening in time for Summer Swim Season (June-August). A conversation with the community was initiated where we discovered the multiple challenges our pool faces, and how we as a community can potentially help.

We heard from Derek Eberhardt, Director of Recreation Facilities for FHPRD (Foothill Park & Recreation Dept) and Kyle Butman, Ward 4 Representative/Board member for FHPRD on the community post, Nextdoor.com. Both individuals voiced their continued support as members of our Columbine West community and important figures involved with FHPRD. Dereck stated that he was "encouraged to see the enthusiasm for the facility (CW Pool) and the importance to the neighborhood, so with this in mind we are excited about the fact that the District has hired a planning firm to evaluate the facility for the future". He continued "The Columbine West Pool has been identified as a facility that needs to be upgraded/ renovated, so the Board of Directors approved a contract in January 2021 with a planning team to evaluate the existing facility and envision a plan for the future. We are in the preliminary stages of this contract and we will be reaching out to the community to solicit feedback on proposed and potential improvements to this well-loved facility"

The district is hard at work reviewing the necessary improvements and repairs required to get the pool up and running, after being closed in 2020 due to the pandemic restrictions. Our pool was already in need of some updates in 2019 and our tough Colorado weather really added another layer of issues the pool faces to get open for Summer 2021.

I attended the March FHPRD Board meeting where they discussed a proposal from the firm, Perkins & Will, to provide planning services for the concept designs for Columbine West Pool. The purpose of this proposal would be to provide initial community engagement and planning services, and more cost estimates to provide a clear picture for the plan moving

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forward with the CW Pool. These designs are being presented soon and we will continue to provide updates as they become available.

The passion and enthusiasm voiced for our neighborhood pool sparked my curiosity regarding another challenge that FHPRD faces, which is staffing. Speaking with Bryan Reno, Supervisor of Aquatics for FHPRD, I learned that there is a huge need for Lifeguards, this being the biggest obstacle they face, which contributes to our community pools opening each year. It makes sense that we cannot open our pools if no one wants to work at them and finding applicants has proven tough, as more and more kids forgo part time jobs or Summer work for other activities and sports. Mr Reno highlighted the benefits of working for FHPRD and the ease of the process to becoming a Lifeguard and the sought after skills and certifications you can acquire. The minimum age to apply is 15 years old for some Lifeguard positions, so it makes it a great first job for local teens. The job can also be a great fit for Adults, parents of school age children, stay at home parents or those seeking part time work with very flexible hours and locations. The pay is competitive with daytime Lifeguards earning \$14.34/ hour.

The process is simple. Apply at www.ifoothills.org/employment/positions/ click on Lifeguard or Swim Instructor depending on your interest, get interviewed/hired, sign up for Lifeguard class which FHPRD does year round at a cost of \$80, which gives you your FirstAid/AED/CPR certification through the Red Cross. As a bonus, if you work for FHPRD for 90 days you will get reimbursed for the cost of the class!

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### **Columbine West Pool,**

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- \* Benefits include FREE use of the recreation/fitness centers, swimming pools & ice arena.
- \* Discounts on recreation classes & golf
- \* Wellness Program
- \* Scholarship Program

For employees that are Core or full time, the benefits expand to include discounts on sports programs, camps and other programs offered through FHPRD for your household. FHPRD motto is "Work where you love to play" and based on the enthusiasm regarding the future or our beloved pool, lots of us love to play there.

In short, our Columbine West community needs us. It needs our help to staff the things we love and that hold value to us. The sounds of the summer pool, the diving boards snapping, the kids laughing and playing outdoors, getting sunshine, learning to swim with lessons the pool provides and giving us a place to hole parties and gatherings. Help in your neighborhood; contribute to our sense of community and maybe even walk to work! We cant open the pool if we don't have the staff, we need YOU!!

-Alexis Berra, CW Resident since 2010

## **An Unfortunate Update from Shiloh House**

As many of you may remember, several years ago, our Littleton School campus shed, containing all of the equipment for our Summer Outdoor Program was broken into. At the time our community, Bass Pro Shops, Cabelas and many of our donors, showed an outpouring of support and donated items so our youth could enjoy camping, hiking and outdoor activities throughout the Summer. Despite increased locks and vigilance, early Wednesday morning (April 14th), our shed was again vandalized and everything was stolen. In this day and age, perhaps we should all look into alternate options to store our belongings, rather than sheds. We wanted to alert the community to remain vigilant as through the pandemic, mental health support is needed more than ever. The vehicle was a dark grey/black Chevy extended cab truck with a male driver and a female passenger. Please be alert of your property and report any suspicious activities to local law enforcement. Thank you as always for your support.

- Shiloh House Administration

### **Jeffco Regulation Amendments**

Wind turbine. The County has drafted changes to two sections of the Zoning Resolution to address non-commercial Wind Energy Conversion Systems (WECS). Section 11 - Board of Adjustment and Section 18 - Alternative Energy Resources are proposed to be updated to include additional submittal item requirements as well as review criteria to be used when a proposed freestanding WECS exceeds the allowed height, including a Special Exception review by the Board of Adjustment. Non-commercial WECS are intended to serve only principal and accessory uses on a property and not to generate additional energy that can be sold.

- https://www.jeffco.us/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=1536





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

#### **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
- · Snow plowing
- · Ice build-up in the curb
- · Street sweeping
- · Pot holes

#### Xcel Energy: (1-800-895-1999)

· Burned out or Damanged Street lights

### **Columbine Kiwanis in Action**

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## **Improvements Coming** to Victory Park!

Hello Neighbors! Improvements are coming to Victory Park! You know the little neighborhood park that is located at 7501 S. Ammons St., the corner of W Quarto Ave/ S Ammons St. Foothills Park & Recreation Dept has begun the planning portion of the project, you may view concept plans at this link: https://www.ifoothills.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/ Victory-Park-Site-Improvement-Concept-Plan.pdf. If you have feedback on the proposed plan for this park site, send to Sarah McAfee at smcafee@fhprd.org. To stay informed on this project, visit the 2021 Improvement Projects webpage at https:// www.ifoothills.org/projects-2021/. We will also be reaching out to the neighborhood children to help design the new playground coming to the park. Stay tuned! Concept plans are for planning purposes only and do not reflect actual finishes, colors or placement. Thank you homeowners for keeping the Mill Levy in place, which helps us to upgrade our local facilities.

### Healthy and Safe Swimming Week, May 24–30

Swimming is a fun, healthy way to stay physically active and spend quality time with family and friends. Healthy and Safe Swimming Week highlights the roles that swimmers, parents, aquatics and beach staff, residential pool owners, and public health officials play in preventing disease outbreaks, drowning, and pool chemical injuries.



### **Additional Places to Recycle**

**Rooney Road Recycling** 

Schedule an appt, Wed or Sat from 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

#### **Green Sheen Paint**

1055 S Jason St., Denver 80223 303-514-3955

Monday thru Sat all day, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

The paint must be in the original can w/ the label attached. You can recycle oil, latex, stain and acrylic paints. No paint thinner or flammables. Aerosol cans are \$1/per.

#### **AAA Propane**

7405 W 44th Ave Wheat Ridge, CO 80033 303-425-7623

They will accept 20# & 30# tanks of any shape for recycling

### **June Blood Drive**

Kiwanis Club of Columbine will be holding our next Blood Drive with Vitalant.org on June 7 at the Riverwalk Clubhouse; 2751 W. Riverwalk Circle, Littleton. The Blood Drive will be held from 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Reservations recommended (check our Facebook page for the link at https://www.facebook.com/columbinekiwanis), but WALK-INS ARE WELCOME. Our March Drive was a huge success! We're hoping with the nicer weather and more people feeling safer having received the COVID vaccine that we'll have even more success in June. Vitalant sends out a text to donors when their donation has been sent out to help a patient.



### Here's Some Advice For First-Time Investors

Investing can seem like a trip to the casino, but it doesn't have to be that risky. Follow this advice for first-time investors from the CNBC Select website:

- Evaluate your finances first. Start by identifying your goals. If you're thinking about retirement, consider when you hope to retire and how much money you'll need. Look at your cash flow to better understand how much money you have coming in and going out so you can allocate sufficient cash to your investment needs. And make sure you have an adequate emergency fund before you start investing seriously.
- Take advantage of retirement accounts. Retirement accounts like 401(K)s offer significant tax benefits. Arrange to have contributions taken from your paycheck automatically so you don't have to think about it. Many employers match contributions as well, resulting in more money to grow from. If you freelance, set up an IRA fund to get started on investing for retirement early.
- Don't stress out. You don't have to be an expert on the stock market to invest wisely. Seek out a reputable financial planner to assess your goals and guide you in making investment decisions. Apps can also help you manage investments. Just keep things simple and remember that you're investing for the long term.



### **Columbine West Veterans**

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

Clayton W. Neubert, USMC, 1965-1969, 6234 A-6A A/C fire control tech DIANE com-nav., 1st MAW Da Nang RVN, 2nd MAW Cherry Pt., N.C./ Army 1979- 1987. Signal Branch, Comm. Officer/ S-1 244 Engr. Bn.

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

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

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

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)

Annie Weksler, U.S.A.F, 1968-70, Nurse, George AFB, CA

Sidney Nelson, USN, 1968-1972 (Vietnam) GMG2 Riv Div 591, Brown Water Navy

Craig Martin, USMC, 1976-1982, Presidential Guard (Carter Administration) & Mountain Survival Instructor

Wade Gardner, U.S.A.F., 1986 - 1990, C-141B Loadmaster, McGuire A.F.B. New Jersey

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 Operater (RATT), 1st Marine Air Wing, returned to Yuma, AZ.

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

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

**Gene D. Willenbrecht**, U.S.Navy, 1971-1977 (Vietnam War) MM1 aboard the USS Enterprise

Richard Amador, U.S. Navy,1955-1959, 1st Class Quarter Master (QM1) aboard the USS Mt Baker, AE-4, and the USS Mt Katmai

### **National Bike Month**

May is National Bike Month, promoted by the League of American Bicyclists and celebrated in communities from coast to coast. Established in 1956, National Bike Month is a chance to showcase the many benefits of bicycling and encourage more folks to give biking a try.

Life began with waking up and loving my mother's face.

—George Eliot

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## **Boost Your Immune System With These Ingredients**

The COVID-19 pandemic has spotlighted the importance of having a healthy immune system. The Times Now News website reminds us that these foods can help everyone fight off infections more easily:

- Vitamin A. Known as beta carotene, this boosts the health of the
  intestines and respiratory system, protects eyes from night blindness
  and age-related decline, lowers the risk of certain types of cancer,
  and improves bone health. It's found in carrots, sweet potatoes, spinach, broccoli, and red bell peppers.
- Vitamin C. This helps stimulate the formation of antibodies. The body doesn't produce or store it, making daily consumption essential to health. Fortunately, vitamin C is found in many foods, like fruits including lemons, oranges, grapefruits, tangerines, and strawberries, as well as vegetables like bell peppers, spinach, kale, and broccoli.
- Vitamin E. An antioxidant, this nutrient helps the body fight off infection by neutralizing free radicals. It also helps your body's cells regenerate. It's found in vegetable oils, nuts, seeds, and avocados.
- Protein. Protein contains amino acids essential for the function of T-cells, which protect the body against pathogens. A diet with lots of protein can boost your metabolism and also reduce your appetite, aiding in losing weight. Look for meats, poultry, seafood, eggs, beans, nuts and seeds.
- Zinc. Zinc deficiency has been linked to immune dysfunction. Zinc
  assists the body in making proteins and DNA, and also contributes
  to wound healing, as well as supporting childhood growth and development. Foods rich in zinc include beans, seeds, nuts, meat, poultry,
  and seafood.

## **Schedule Quality Time** with Kids Every Day

Children need quality time with their parents for their growth and development. The National Association for the Education of Young Children shares this guidance for connecting with your kids at an early age:

- Do it daily. Set aside some regular time every day for some face-toface interaction with your child. Creating a routine will help them respond positively.
- Leave notes. Put a short note in your child's lunchbox, or on the bathroom mirror, to show you're thinking of him or her.
- Create rituals. Let your child choose a story for bedtime every day, for example.
- Express love. Tell your children you love them every day. Share how important they are and how they make you feel.
- Eat meals together. Especially as kids grow older and more busy, mealtime is a good time to connect. If you're short on time, choose meals you can prepare and eat quickly, but without rushing.
  - Let your child choose an activity. During your special time, let your children decide what they want to play—a board game, hide and seek, a trip to the playground, or whatever he or she likes.
  - Look for opportunities. Bath time, or driving to and from school, are good times to talk and laugh together.
  - Focus on the child. Don't check your phone, text, watch TV, or look at your email while you're playing. Give your child your full attention.

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### **Memorial Day: A Solemn Occasion**

Memorial Day began in the 19th century as "Decoration Day." Citizens were urged to decorate the graves of soldiers who'd died in the Civil War. After World War I, Decoration Day expanded to include ceremonies honoring the dead in all of America's wars.



Decoration Day became Memorial Day officially in 1967. In 1968 the Uniform Holidays Act established it as one of three holidays (including Veteran's Day and George Washington's birthday, now called President's Day) celebrated on a Monday to create a convenient three-day weekend. Memorial Day is now observed on the last Monday in May.

### We Love Your Photos!

Hey Columbine West neighbors, we are looking to highlight our area around us. The CWCA is looking for those images to share in the monthly community newsletter. Got an eye for birds, clouds, landscapes or artistic representations? Since our newsletter prints color photos now we would like to highlight some extra creativeness. Please send your submissions to CWCAtalk@gmail.com or ncmccombs@yahoo.com. Looking forward to sharing with the community. Thanks, Natasha (Newsletter Editor)

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People often believed they were safer in the light, thinking monsters only came out at night. But safety—like light—is a façade.

-C.J. Roberts

## **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.

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

**GM1 David Tuey**, USS Montgomery, Weapons Handler, San Diego Naval Base, CA

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### **Columbine West Statistics for April 2021**

#### Current Homes FOR SALE in Columbine West

	Lowest	Highest	How Many?
Ranch Style	None	None	0
2-story	None	None	0
Tri/Multi-level	\$529,000	\$575,000	2
Bi-level	\$475,000	\$475,000	1

#### Current Homes UNDER CONTRACT in Columbine West

	Lowest	Highest	How Many?
Ranch Style	\$425,000	\$599,900	3
2-story	\$499,900	\$540,000	3
Tri/Multi-level	None	None	0
Bi-level	None	None	0

#### Homes SOLD in Columbine West (August 1, 2020-Apr. 16, 2021)

	Lowest	Highest	How Many?
Ranch Style	\$367,000	\$491,500	7
2-story	\$450,000	\$637,000	8
Tri/Multi-level	\$415,000	\$615,000	8
Bi-level	\$414.050	\$580.000	10

The statistical information is based on MLS data Apr. 16, 2021. Not all of the properties were listed and/or sold by Duffy & Associates, LLC.

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