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CWCA – Your Homeowners' Organization

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Looking Forward To...



A New Year of Community Health & Well-Being We Are Good Neighbors

Community is defined to include all persons within a reasonably circumscribed geographic area in which there is a sense of interdependence and belonging. It is important that a community vision truly be shared by the community. When we allow ourselves the opportunity to invest in our community in a positive and non-judgemental way, we allow ourselves and our neighbors to be there for each other. In addition, a healthy community demonstrates an element of interconnectedness. When a healthy community initiative is undertaken we acquire a better understanding of issues facing our neighbors. We can potentially generate an understanding of inter-generational skills and promote more interaction within the neighborhood. We can welcome differences and improve community confidence, while finding ways to leverage limited resources and expertise. The diversity that we have within the one square mile that we call Columbine West, is truly a wealth of information. There are those who started 30+ years ago with families in a brand new house on a brand new street in a brand new development and they continue to invest back into the neighborhood. This might be the neighbor that keeps a watchful eye out for suspicious activities. Thank you for doing so. There are those families that have been relocated from another state and decided to call Columbine West home for many years and are involved in neighborhood or school activities. These neighbors also understand the value of a safe, secure and involved neighborhood. Thank you for doing so. There are homeowners that recently moved in and are looking to become active members within the neighborhood. These new neighbors are enjoying an established community and taking time to get to know their neighbors. Thank you for doing so. Healthy community members represent the wide spectrum of interests and roles that make a community work. As we welcome in the New Year, let us continue to embrace the neighborhood we call home, spend some time with our neighbors and maybe look into extending hands towards helping the association as it brings old and new events to the community in 2015. 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 West.*

Urgent Newsletter News

Our current Newsletter Delivery Coordinators will be leaving the position, so we are in urgent need of a replacement person or team. All routes are covered. The coordinator makes calls to the route volunteers when newsletters are ready to be picked up and secures a dry place for newsletters to be picked up, usually on the porch. This position is NOT a CWCA Board position, but is crucial for uninterrupted delivery of the newsletter each month. If you can help fill this much needed volunteer slot, please give a call to 303-904-8218 and leave a message or contact cwcatalk@gmail.com.

2015 CWCA Calendar of Events

- January 1st, 2015: New Years Day. Happy 2015
- January 13th, 7 p.m., CWCA Monthly Meeting
Dutch Creek Elementary
- February 2nd, Groundhog Day, How many more weeks of Winter?
- February 10th, 7 p.m., CWCA Monthly Meeting
Dutch Creek Elementary
- March 8th, Daylight Saving Time, Spring Forward
- March 10th, 7 p.m., CWCA Monthly Meeting, Dutch Creek Elementary
- April 1st, April Fool's Day, Play a Joke
- April 14th, 7 p.m. CWCA Monthly Meeting, Dutch Creek Elementary
- April 5th, Happy Easter, Watch for the bunny
- April 22nd, Earth Day, Be Kind to Mother Earth
- May 1st, Labor Day
- May 10th, Mother's Day, Give mom a hug
- May 12th, 7 p.m. CWCA Monthly Meeting (Elections)
Dutch Creek Elementary

Next CWCA Meetings

7:00 p.m. Dutch Creek Elem.

Jan 13th, Feb 10th, Mar 10th, Apr 14th, May 12th

A Moment With The Board

The December 9th CWCA meeting at Dutch Creek Elementary was the end of year Holiday Potluck. No business was conducted, just eating and laughing. We had a couple of brand new neighbors stop by and introduce themselves, grab some food and share some stories. The CWCA Officers and Board members are thankful to all the neighbors who volunteered time and talents in 2014. We are looking forward to more involvement from neighbors this coming year. Drop by a meeting, give us a call or just show up at scheduled events.

The association is in need of a new person or team to handle the Newsletter Delivery Coordinator position. This position is very important to continue keeping the residents informed in a timely manner of community events and covenants. Contact us if you can help with this important volunteer position.

Please call the CWCA voicemail at (303-904-8218) or email us at cwcataalk@gmail.com. Remember if you have any suggestion of ideas, call the voicemail, drop an email, just contact us. Look forward to hearing from the community. Residents are encouraged to attend any monthly meeting the next one is January 13th, 7:00 p.m. at Dutch Creek Elementary, second Tuesday of the Month.

Breckenridge Brewery Makes Big Strides Toward Completing its 'Destination Brewery'

As giant metal tanks reach toward the sky inside the skeletal frame of a barn-like production facility in Littleton, Colorado is getting closer to having a new destination brewery that its owners believe will bring in visitors from the Denver area and from across the country. With its valuable brewing hardware in place, officials can now concentrate on completing the buildings around it and getting it ready to receive its first visitors by April. In a state with roughly 250 breweries, the opening of a new brewhouse is not always considered news. But Breckenridge's \$20 million facility will be one of the largest and most audacious brewery properties in the state, one that is being constructed with room for several tour buses to pull into the property at once and with the idea that offering visitors a place where they can tromp around a hop garden or dine in a 270-seat restaurant adjacent to a concert area will make them want to come to the area to see the attraction. "I don't think there is anything like this in Colorado," said Todd Thibault, the brewery's director of marketing. "I really think this is going to be one of the coolest breweries in Colorado, if not the country. It can be a destination brewery." The 15,000-pound fermentation tanks that were lifted through the roof area and set into place in the production facility Thursday will allow Breckenridge, which already is the sixth-largest craft brewery in Colorado and 40th-largest such brewery in America, to grow significantly.

— Ed Sealover Reporter, *Denver Business Journal*

Weather Watch

The Jeffco weather team is watching the weather. Our transportation staff is preparing buses for a cold morning. Parents are asked to make sure students are dressed for low temperatures. Kids sometimes come to school thinking they will be inside most of the day, but emergencies do happen which forces students outside. Parents should check to make sure their emergency contact information is updated in Jeffco Connect, so we can reach them about any school closures. Check out www.jeffcopublicschools.org, and the district's social media sites for additional weather-related news.

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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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New Contest

CWCA is bringing you a new contest starting in 2015 called "Parting Shot". Here is how it works:

A CWCA representative will be looking for a select home with an interesting feature or decoration. The feature will be photographed. That photograph will be featured on the **last page** of the next newsletter (hence "Parting Shot").

If the photographed feature is in your yard we urge you to call or email CWCA. Calls must include homeowners name, address, and contact information. Timing is important! Call/emails must be received before the 1st of the following month to be eligible. The resident who correctly identifies their property will win a prize.

The winning contestant will need to pick up their prize at the monthly CWCA board meeting, the second Tuesday of the month, held at Dutch Creek Elementary at 7pm. CWCA will verify ID and address (bring a Driver's License) and award the prize.

"Parting Shot" is a new contest for 2015 that we hope will create a community building experience. So keep a sharp eye on the back page of the newsletter each month; you or a neighbor just might be the next winner!

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Colorado State Patrol	303-239-4500	Planning & Zoning	303-271-8700
County Commissioners	303-271-8525	Sheriff - Emergency	911
County Administrator	303-271-8500	Traffic Complaints	303-271-5677
Extension Service	303-271-6620	Voting Information	303-271-8111

Student Based Budgeting

Jeffco Public Schools 'Chalk Talk' November 10, 2014

As I have been visiting schools and attending meetings in the community, people are asking questions about Jeffco's new approach to funding our schools called Student Based Budgeting (SBB). This may be a new phrase in our community, but it is not a new school funding concept. SBB has been used by school districts since 2000, in fact the idea was considered in Jeffco several years ago. It is currently used by Denver Public Schools, Cherry Creek, Douglas County, Adams 12, Poudre and several other Colorado districts. The time has come for SBB to be implemented in our schools. It's an opportunity for principals to have more control over how money is spent to further student achievement in their schools. Previously, principals were held accountable for achievement results, but they had little control over the resources they needed to get those results. Funding decisions were made at the central level based on staffing formulas and school-specific programs. With SBB, schools will be funded per student, and the amount of funding attached to each child will vary based on his or her needs. Jeffco principals are currently receiving training and guidance about SBB and how to work with their school communities to determine spending priorities. Over the next several months you will be hearing more about Student Based Budgeting as we develop additional informational resources. This Fact Sheet provides more details, including information about the role of school-level Accountability Committees. Visit www.jeffcopublicschools.org

— Supt. Dan McMinimee

Mission – To provide a quality education that prepares all children for a successful future.

CWCA Holiday Lighting/ Decorating Contest

It's wonderful to see Columbine West all lit up for the holidays. It showcases our community and makes the neighborhood festive and bright for the season. Two lucky winners will be selected in our annual contest. CWCA members will be driving around the neighborhood to take note of the best decorated homes, but if you'd like to make sure your house or your neighbor's gets looked at, please call the hotline @ 303-904-8218 and let us know the address. The prizes will be \$50 for (2) homeowners. Because of our early deadline for the January newsletter, you'll just have to be surprised of the winners in the February newsletter.

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News From Open Arms Food Bank

Open Arms Food Bank is your local community food pantry, located at 6500 W. Coal Mine Ave., Littleton, CO 80123. We are located across the parking lot behind Goodwill, and behind the McDonalds; the food bank is in the back (South side) of the Church for All Nations building.

We are reaching out to the community because there are several volunteer positions open. We have food pick up routes on various days at local stores. A typical pick up involves about 1 hour of your time and use of your car. We also have volunteer positions available on Tuesday, our distribution day, as well as positions for maintaining and organizing our pantry shelves. We have volunteers that live in your neighborhood who have helped us for years. If your high school student needs to complete volunteer hours for their graduation requirements, we can work with them. Come join the fun and see a few smiles from the families we help every week.

We are looking for a few good reliable refrigerators and freezers that are less than 7 years old. If you have one that you are no longer using, please give us a call and we would be happy to pick it up. If you know of someone who is in need of food, please send them our way on Tuesdays. We understand that a small interruption in wages, an unexpected medical bill, or auto

repair can set a family back for a long time and we can fill the need of food for them.

If you are cleaning out your pantry, please consider donating to our food bank. We have seen many reasons people clean their pantries; a new diet, a teenager moving out, remodeling project, downsizing, or moving. We will take any donation, large or small of food and toiletries. Feel free to call or drop it off at Open Arms Food Bank. If you are interested in volunteering or need additional information, please call Ruth Marlow at 720-327-0133.

Ziploc Bags Can Be Recycled

The same Ziploc brand bags you have always trusted can be recycled into things like playground equipment in the future. Take clean and dry bags to drop off bins at participating retailers in the United States. For more information, please visit, www.ziploc.com/sustainability. What gets made? The majority of recycled plastic bags become composite lumber. Composite lumber is used for fences, benches, decks, door and window frames, and even playground equipment. You can also visit these key plastic recycling organizations for more information: TREX, Hilex and AERT. The more we recycle ends up lessening the amount we put into landfills.

One Minute Wellness... After the Holiday Blues

"Holiday Blues" can get to even the happiest of individuals. The "blues" can be stimulated by overwhelm or increased stress due to perceived responsibilities and expectations during the holidays. Memories may also trigger some sadness or nostalgia and memories may be stimulated by any of the five senses. An old holiday film or some holiday music combined with those certain aromas from the kitchen can stir up all kinds of memories.

But poor eating habits are the number one source of toxins in the body and our mood is greatly affected by what we eat. It is one thing to have a holiday treat here and there (while sticking with healthy nutritional meals and snacks all the rest of the time). It is another thing to use the holidays as an excuse to eat any and

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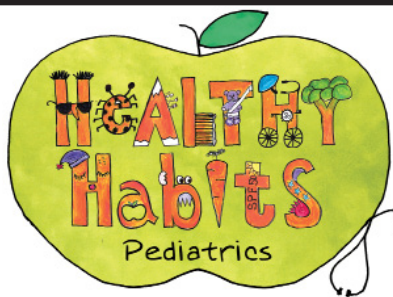


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every "treat" that comes to mind or shows up on the television. Impulsive and mood driven eating is a sign of something that is underneath the surface. Rather than succumb to these impulses, just notice them and ask what might be triggering them, then try an alternative to stuffing food down your throat to suppress them.

To beat the blues there are several strategies that may help. Most importantly stick to (or create) a daily exercise routine. Becoming lax in exercise through the holidays will not serve you well, in fact inactivity is a sure way to enhance the "blues". I read an article once that said a counselor conducted his counseling sessions while taking his clients for a walk. He would not just let them sit and talk. The article said the results were amazing! As little as 20 minutes of exercise a day has been shown to brighten the mood incredibly. Don't fall into the trap of sitting in because it is too cold out. Literally just going out for a few minutes will pay great dividends!

Depression is clearly enhanced by the intake of alcohol, eating refined sugar and processed foods as well as inactivity. So the Holiday season is actually the best time to become anchored in good health practices. If you get all bundled up and take a short walk you just might meet a new neighbor and potentially a new friend or see some decorations or get some rosy cheeks! So, come on and get the boots, gloves, hats and warm coats out and start moving. See you on the streets!

Marybeth Van Horn is a registered nurse, internationally certified personal trainer and certified specialist in performance nutrition who has worked with numerous clients using nutritional supplements for over 20 years. Feel free to contact her with questions at 303-809-1134.

Columbine West Military Members

"My responsibility, our responsibility as lucky Americans, is to try to give back to this country as much as it has given us, as we continue our American journey together".

— **Colin Powell**

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

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LCpl. Jessica O'Canna, U.S. Marine Corps., stationed at Cherry Point, North Carolina

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

Sp. Bethany Gardner, U.S. Army, 282 Engineering Company, stationed at Ft. Carson Colorado

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Step 2: No More Credit Card Solicitations

If you've ever filled out a product warranty card, purchased a new home or vehicle, supplied your credit information to a lending institution, or simply carried a credit card, you can be sure your name and address are being circulated among an array of credit card companies hungry for your business. Don't despair -- there is help. To eliminate credit card promotional mailings, call 1-888-567-8688 (that's 888-5OPT-OUT) or visit <http://www.optoutprescreen.com>. You will have the opportunity to choose either a five-year removal or a permanent removal. For your personal credit cards, ask the company to place you on their "in house" list that is not sold or traded to other companies.

Step 3: Put the Kibosh on Unwanted Phone Books and Catalogs and SIGN UP for our Stop Junk Mail Service!

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of mailings for free at <https://ecocycle.catalogchoice.org/dashboard>. Once you register with the site, you can also opt out of specific catalogs you wish to stop receiving, and opt-out requests will be sent to those catalogs on your behalf. PLEASE NOTE: The site requires those who sign up to affiliate with an organization. Please simply choose "Eco-Cycle" as your "Green Team" when signing up if you don't see your employer, or an organization you are affiliated with, listed. This will not affect your free account in any way, and it will help us calculate our community's environmental savings.

Step 4: Contribute to Charities, Not Mailings

If you contribute once a year to a charitable organization, ask them to send you only one donation request per year. The American Institute on Philanthropy offers several tips on reducing junk mail and phone solicitations from charities at <http://www.charitywatch.org/articles/seventips.html>.

Step 5: Stop Junk Promo Products

If you've had it with companies sending you mailings or promo products you don't want, there is an option. First, look for any of the following phrases: return service requested, forwarding service requested, address service requested, or change service requested. If you find any of these phrases, write "refused, returned to sender" on the unopened envelope. Mail sent to "Resident," "Current Resident," or "Current Occupant" can be refused if it contains one of the above endorsements, or is sent First Class. When you receive unsolicited promo products, you can mark the envelope "Return to Sender" and put it back in the mail.

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6 Steps To Get Off Mailing Lists To STOP Junk Mail, continued from page 6**Step 6: Get Off the List of ALL Direct Marketers**

There are several smaller list brokers and direct marketing firms in the U.S. besides the DMA. You'll recognize a lot of them on the list below. Just as you did with the DMA in step one, send or phone in all the variations of your name and address to the list brokers and direct marketing firms listed below. Start saving the labels of all the variations of the names and addresses, which come to your mailbox. Every variation, no matter how small (or comical), is another name on a list, which gets sold to literally thousands of businesses, so include all variations! If you prefer to go the snail mail route in removal, cut and paste actual mailing labels onto a sheet, make copies, add your signature beside each name variation on each sheet, and send them off to each of the 5 addresses below. Indicate the following: "Please remove my name and address from your mailing lists and do not rent, sell or trade my name or address."

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Trash Service Special Savings

Please check your recent Republic Services bill to make sure you are receiving the Columbine West discount Many more trash cans are visible at curbside on Mondays, this is due in part from the trash service special Columbine West residents can take advantage of. A special discount is available to ANY Columbine West community member. *You do not have to have a paid CWCA membership.* Please check into the savings available from Republic Services, it can help reduce the amount of days we have trashcans at curbside and trucks roaming the neighborhood. Less truck traffic can help keep our neighborhood streets from deteriorating so quickly. Give Allied Waste a call at their **Customer Service number 303 286-1200**. Republic offers a sizable discount off the regular price of trash and recycling services. Also, make sure that if you are a current customer, call Republic Services to check if you are getting the discounted rate. Tell them you are a Columbine West resident, that's it, enjoy the savings. Most recently Republic Services sent this out to customers...

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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 effective 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.

Columbine West Veterans Wanted

"America's Veterans have served their country with the belief that democracy and freedom are ideals to be upheld around the world." — **John Doolittle**

Craig Martin, USMC, 1976-1982, Presidential Guard (Carter Administration) and 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 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, stationed in Pensicola, FL.

Larry Shipman, U.S. Air Force, 1963-1967, Electrician, served at SAC Headquarter, Offutt, AFB Bellevue, NE and Upper Hayford, England.

Bob Ferrese, U.S. Army, July 28, 1942 – October 28, 1945, 3352nd Signal Battalion, Communications System, served in the (ETO)

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Elevation Outdoors Letter from the Editor: Conservation, Now

I am proud to announce that Elevation Outdoors joined the Conservation Alliance this summer. Never heard of the Conservation Alliance?

That's no surprise if you don't work in the business of the outdoor industry. But it's also a damn shame, because, in my opinion, The Conservation Alliance is doing vital work if you care about preserving the wild places where we love to play, meditate, walk, raise our children, find solace... those endangered places that give us peace because we simply know that they are there and that provide

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*7430 S. Upham St.	1 story	2252 sq. ft.	\$289,900
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Homes Under Contract

*7069 S. Alison Way	Bi-level	1647 Sq. ft.	\$210,000
*7758 W. Plymouth Pl.	Tri-level	1724 sq. ft.	\$225,000
*8045 W. Ontario Pl.	2 story	1853 sq. ft.	\$275,000
*7133 S. Ammons Ct.	2 story	3617 sq. ft.	\$304,900
*7273 S. Yarrow Way	Bi-level	2552 sq. ft.	\$339,000
*7865 W. Ontario Pl.	Bi-level	1920 sq. ft.	\$345,000

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Homes Sold from November 19th - December 8th

*7073 W. Roxbury Pl.	Bi-level	1744 Sq. Ft.	\$267,500
*7314 S. Yukon Ct.	Tri-level	2243 sq. ft.	\$296,500
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a sanctuary for the natural rhythms of ecosystems. It turns out that these places have no voice in our political system, mostly because they have no cash. But we can speak out for them, and it turns out that the brands that make all the high-tech gear we buy can help.

The Conservation Alliance was formed 25 years ago when leaders from Patagonia, The North Face, REI and Kelty came together with the purpose of helping fund the hard-fought efforts of grassroots environmental organizations. In short, the goal of this new non-profit was to give money to the folks in the trenches so they could compete against powerful, destructive industries with deep pockets, influential lobbyists and cunning PR campaigns. It's one of the few times when even the most cynical of outdoor industry critics can nod in approval. The money we spend on all the junk we haul out into the backcountry can actually make some difference.

Over the last quarter century the Conservation Alliance has grown to over 185 member companies, including manufacturers, retailers, media, sales reps and others who make their living connected to wild places. We pay dues based on our

revenue. Those dues translate into grants that are awarded to environmental groups by The Conservation Alliance. (If your grassroots environmental organization needs cash for a project or campaign, you can read about how to apply here: conservationalliance.com/grants). Since its foundation, the organization (and the companies that pay dues) have given \$13 million to hard-working conservation groups, helping to protect 42 million acres, 2,825 miles of rivers, stop the building of or remove 26 dams, designate five marine reserves and purchase nine climbing areas. This year, we hope to give out \$1.65 million in grants.

In our state, that cash has helped groups like Conservation Colorado and the Colorado Mountain Club, and recently ensured that the Western Rivers Conservancy could protect 1,169 acres and 11 river miles within the Dominguez Escalante National Conservation Area along the Gunnison River. It just empowered the Red River Gorge Climber's Coalition to acquire a 310 acre crag. It is helping the Yellowstone to Yukon Initiative oppose the building of a new dam on British Columbia's Peace River and fight to protect 1 million acres of the Sacred Headwaters, the pristine lands of the Skeena, Nass and Stikine Rivers. This is not easy work. Conservation Alliance executive director John Sterling and other members headed to Washington, D.C., last month to try to make themselves heard in the white noise of political partisan infighting. They lobbied for these places that have no voice in the venal halls of Congress and they discussed the creation of new national monuments, including Brown's Canyon here in Colorado. Thanks to the generosity, will and passion of the businesses and people who support us, there may be some hope that we can keep these places from corporate looters. But it doesn't just have to be the outdoor industry that supports us. Please, learn more about the Conservation Alliance and support our efforts.

— Doug Schnitzspahn

In Columbine West, Results Count!



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Columbine West Statistics for December 2014

Current Homes **FOR SALE** in Columbine West

	Lowest	Highest	How Many?
Ranch Style	\$ 289,900	\$ 289,900	1
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 Hills

	Lowest	Highest	How Many?
Ranch Style	None	None	0
4-level	None	None	0
2-story	\$ 275,000	\$ 275,000	1
Tri-level	\$ 235,000	\$ 235,000	1
Bi-level	\$ 210,000	\$ 345,000	3

Homes **SOLD** in Columbine West (Jan. 1, 2014 – Dec. 8, 2014)

	Lowest	Highest	How Many?
Ranch Style	\$ 198,000	\$ 450,000	8
4-level	\$ 260,000	\$ 325,000	19
2-story	\$ 242,000	\$ 334,900	12
Tri-level	\$ 282,500	\$ 320,000	7
Bi-level	\$ 194,000	\$ 299,000	22

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