

Cherry Knolls News

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The BULLETIN BOARD

Easter Egg Hunt March 26, 9:30 am @ Cherry Field

> Pool Member Progressive Dinner April 23

CK Knolls Garage Sale May 6 and 7

> Dumpster Day May 13 and 14

Pool Party Sneak a Peek May 21, 11am - 6 pm



Tuesday March 8th 7 - 9pm at Sandburg Elementary



Late Start Days

March 16 & April 27

Conferences

Sandburg: March 3 - 4 Newton: October 14 - 15 Arapahoe: October 14 - 15

> Spring Break March 21 - 25

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Dear neighbors,

2016 is off and running, and this year's CKIA board is probably one of the most proactive, driven, and

motivated boards on which I have ever served. They are dedicated to working together to make our community a great place to call home!

Conrad Steller

- The New Resident Welcoming Committee is charged with meeting our new neighbors quickly to help them engage in our community.
- The Social Committee is already gearing up our involvement with the Easter Egg Hunt, Fourth of July celebrations, Dumpster Days, and other community-building events.
- The Long Range Planning Committee is ready to make 2016 one of the best community improvement years on record.
- The rest of your board is committed to our website, budget management, covenant control, administration, directory, newsletters, and all of the other services that build our community!

Right now is **"dues time."** I'd love to see our neighborhood knock it out of the park this year by building up our capital improvement fund, so we can drive the balance of the Long Range Plan forward quickly! **This neighborhood** gives us all so much: we all have a duty to support, maintain, and improve it!

Please pay your dues promptly—along with anything else you can contribute—to take us to the next level. We have a very strong board ready to be a conscientious steward of your contributions. Historically, about 60% of residents pay dues, with 13% of those dues-payers actually contributing double dues to help our community move along. **If every**

household contributed \$120, we'd increase our capital improvement fund by 250%, enabling our Long Range Plan to become a distant memory in a few years.

If \$120 all at once is a burden, please know you can opt for \$10 monthly payments. And if \$10 per month isn't possible, please just donate whatever you can. One dollar can buy quite a few rocks, and the landscaping plan calls for a LOT of rocks!

Thank you!

Yours Truly,

Conrad Steller CKIA President

Phone: (303) 238-4257 E-mail: Conrad@stellerrealestate.com



8th Annual Cherry Knolls Neighborhood Garage Sale Friday & Saturday, May 6 & 7 Register for FREE www.StellerRealEstate.com 303-238-4257



CONTRIBUTE TO CHERRY KNOLLS

You should have received your 2016 CKIA dues letter.

For only \$.30/day, \$10/month or \$120/year you can help our neighborhood:

- maintain and improve the perimeter
- keep Cherry Field looking great
- provide fun events like the 4th of July Parade and the Easter Egg Hunt
- decorate the entrances for Christmas
- help you tidy up with Dumpster Day (looking to add a Hazardous Waste day too)
- plant flowers in the entrances for the summer
- pay for the necessary legal and insurance fees
- print and deliver this newsletter & the neighborhood directory

The above list is just a sample of all that the dues cover in keeping Cherry Knolls the wonderful neighborhood it is. Please send your dues today to **PO Box 2551 Centennial, CO** or drop them off in Treasurer Ryan Crawford's mail slot at **3512 E. Davies Place** or go one line to **cherryknolls.org and pay with PayPal**. Household Information forms are also available on the Cherry Knolls website.

If you have not received your dues letter please contact Sandy Wischmeyer swisch@aol.com or 303-771-3588

Cherry Knolls Improvement Association (CKIA)

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Covenants	Steve Linger
Maintenance	Keith Woodward
Newsletter	

Committees

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Website	Bryan Wainscott
Database Manager & Parent Co-op	Anna Childs



Parent Co-op

Cherry Knolls Parent Co-op is a great way to get to know other neighbors and exchange childcare. If you would like to be a part of the co-op or have questions **please contact Alli Jones** at **allijones9@gmail.com**.

NEW NEIGHBORS

If you are new to the neighborhood and have not been contacted, please let us know. We would like to greet you and share with you the many benefits of living in Cherry Knolls.

Contact Melanie Ranallo: mjr75@comcast.net



Easter Egg Hunt

Easter is just a few weeks away, which means our annual Cherry Knolls Easter Egg Hunt. On **Saturday, March 26, at 9:30 am sharp**. Cherry Field will be brimming with yummy treats and surprises for kids of all ages. This is a fun-filled family tradition, which CK neighbors have shared over the years. Please remember to bring your own basket. Easter Bunny provided. **If you have any questions, contact Anna Childs at 303-717-9828.**

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CONTRIBUTE TO THE NEWS

The Cherry Knolls News is published bi-monthly by the CKIA, a nonprofit homeowners' association. Articles and photos are welcome; submission does not

guarantee publication.

The **deadline for articles** and advertising is the **I5th of the month** for the next month's issue, except the Jan. issue which is Dec. 4th.

All articles, letters and ads must be approved by the editor for publication and as space permits. **To submit an article**, call a board member or email the editor, Rod Macdonald, at rpmacdonald3552@hotmail.com.

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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Did you know our very own 80122 zip code is considered one of the most desirable places to live in the nation? (The Denver Post, August 2015). Of course, you and I know this and that's why we live here. Did you also know a decade ago our neighborhood leaders created an ambitious vision for our perimeter, one befitting of the quality of our neighborhood? This vision is our long range plan (LRP).

Because of their vision and careful planning, the LRP remains a consistent guide for a cohesive and attractive presence. Today we are reaping the benefit of an improved community 'curb appeal' that complements the quality within. How does this affect you personally? Pride? Investment? Aesthetic appeal?

Improvements have been funded by volunteer dues and donations received by many of our generous neighbors. We need your continued financial support to make progress toward the ultimate vision and fund the next undertaking, the Colorado/Nobles entrance.

Want to see the physical plan? Please phone Peggy Hanson, Long-Range Plan Committee chair at (720) 624-6522 to coordinate.

CKIA Long Range Plan Status (Items marked with √ are completed)

√ I. Cherry Field renovation

II. Renovation of Main Entrances

- $\sqrt{\bullet}$ Elizabeth Entrance
 - S. Colorado/E. Nobles Rd Entrance Next Pursuit
 - E. Arapahoe Rd/E. Nobles Rd Entrance

III. Full-Perimeter Fence with River Rock Landscape

- ✓ Section | NW Section along E Arapahoe Rd (2008)
- \checkmark Section 2 NE Section along E Arapahoe Rd (2011)
- ✓ Section 3 Eastern Section along S Colorado Blvd (2013-present) (rock landscape funded, to be fully completed this summer, 2016)

IV. Renovation and Landscape of 5 Secondary Entrances

- S. Steele St.
- S. Adams Way
- S. Cook St
- E. Briarwood Ave
- E. Costilla Ave

V. Installation of uniform stone features on Perimeter Fence

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Back for its eighth year, the 2016 Neighborhood Garage Sale is scheduled for Friday and Saturday, May 6 and 7.

Participation is free. All marketing and expenses are underwritten by The Steller Group. Advertising will be placed in The Denver Post, The Centennial Citizen and online outlets, and professionally printed directional signs will be put out the weekend of the sale. During the sale, buyers will be able to strategically navigate the neighborhood with the use of maps that designate which homes are participating.

Sellers registered with the garage sale will also have an opportunity to send out a "wish list" to other participants so that they can shop early, avoiding the need to leave their sale during the event.

For those who prefer not to keep their "leftovers," a charity pick-up promptly follows the event on Saturday. Even if you are not participating in the garage sale, please feel free to take advantage of the charity pick-up.

New! CKIA Drop & Shop: Do you have several items to sell but don't have enough to justify a stop? Consider donating your items to the CKIA Drop & Shop garage sale site this year. All proceeds will benefit the Cherry Knolls Improvement Association's pursuit of the long range plan improvements. Items unsold will be donated. Please no mattresses or large appliances. Contact Peggy Hanson at (720) 624-6522 to provide volunteer support at Cherry Field.

To register for FREE as a garage sale location on the map and/ or participate in the charity pick-up, please contact Jennifer Steller at 303-238-4257 or register online at www.StellerRealEstate.com.





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INCOME	Budget	Actual
Directory Ads	2,400	0
Dues (1% paid)	51,000	600
Total Income	53,400	600
EXPENSES	Budget	Actual
Administration	2,200	612
Directory	4,500	
Dumpster Day	1,100	
Fourth of July	1,900	
Holiday Lights	2,500	
Insurance	6,400	
New Neighbor Greeter	400	
Newsletter	1,200	200
Covenant Resolutions	1,000	
Common Area Maintenance	19,750	
Electricity (Utilities)	900	101
Total Expenses	41,850	913

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CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTSBudgetActualPerimeter Improvement Funds10,00020Capital Improvements Made30,00020Net Increase in Perimeter Fund-20,00020

CASH IN BANK	Budget	Actual
Cash Balance on Jan. 1, 2016	58,408	58,408
Net Income - Operations	11,550	-313
Net Increase - Perimeter Fund	-20,000	20
Cash Balance on Feb. 15, 2016	49,958	58,115



THANK YOU

to the residents who pay Cherry Knolls Improvement Association Dues & the 13% who paid additional perimeter contributions. You make it possible to maintain & improve our neighborhood.



Net Increase - Operations

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Ryan Crawford

BUILDING COMMUNITY

Featuring Millie Fitzpatrick

Cherry Knolls' longest residing neighbor; she resides at 6745 S. Adams Way

'In Memory of John Black'

Millie Fitzpatrick has lived in Cherry Knolls since July 4th, 1959. She is quick to share honors with her friend and bridge partner, Claire Arnell, who moved in to the neighborhood in August of 1959.

When I came to interview Millie in early January, she asked that this article be in remembrance of her second love and dear friend, John Black. John lived up the street from Millie, at 6850 S. Adams Way. Millie was married to Gil Fitzpatrick for 38 years. He passed away in 2000. John Black, a longtime friend of the Fitzpatricks, attended the funeral service. Four years later, Millie and John would forge a stronger relationship that would carry on until John's passing in 2014, at the age of 84.

John Black was a graduate of Worcester Polytechnic Institute ('53) and earned a degree in Mechanical Engineering. He attended the U.S. Coast Guard Academy and was a lifelong reserve. He worked for General Electric, Honeywell, Coalex Energy Corp, and MSI Industries. One of his most significant contributions as an engineer was a patent for a 'nonautomotive decelerator'.

John Black died a philanthropist. He was a strong advocate for the importance of education. Upon his passing, an educational scholarship was set up to benefit children of veterans. He committed \$5 million dollars for undergraduate scholarships with his alma mater at Worcester Polytechnic Institute. Mr. Black saw the value of education and recognized that people can make a better life through education.

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Rod Macdonald, Editor

"I am fortunate to have had two wonderful men in my life."

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As we sat in her kitchen, I could not help but marvel at how engaged this woman, Millie Fitzpatrick, was at the age of 94. As if on cue, she wanted to tell me what has been the secret to her longevity. She said it was the four 'A's: Active spiritually, active physically, active mentally, active socially. As we finished our conversation, she reminded me she was on her way out to play bridge with friends and neighbors. I reflected that this one activity of playing bridge was achieving three of the four activities (physical/mental/social). I couldn't help but wonder if she was praying for good cards.

As I departed, she wanted to make sure that I gave a shout out on this snowy morning to her neighborhood snow angels (men who keep her driveway and sidewalk clear of snow). Thank you, Erik Pederson, Phil Versteeg and Chad East, for helping our longest residing Cherry Knolls resident.

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SWIM NEWS

Don't miss out on a summer of fun for the whole family! Join the Cherry Knolls pool today-it's a great way to get connected! First, for members, it's the **Progressive Dinner, Saturday April 23rd.** In addition to our Kickoff Party, we will be hosting a FREE day, open to the public to "Sneak-a-Peek" **on May 21st I1am-6pm**; learn more about what we have to offer. We will be cooking out and the pool will be open to swim.

Other great amenities that you won't want to miss include: **NEW extended weekend hours, morning adult lap swim**, option to BYO food and adult beverages, gas grills for member use, child swim lessons, abundant shade and grassy areas, **Thursday night Family Dinners**, adult and child focused social events (Road Rally, Teen Night, Flick-&-Float), Swim Team, Volleyball on Cherry Field and no daycare buses.

And did you know, that Memberships are allowed to those outside of CK? This year we are pleased to offer incentives for new memberships. For more details, check us out at www. cherryknollsswimclub.swimtopia.com. **Membership questions?** Contact **Sara Cuthbert** or **Emily Robbins** at **cherryknollspool@gmail.com**



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Note to the Editor

Hi Rod,

I'm a Cherry Knolls resident. While walking my dog around the neighborhood I've noticed that many residents do not pick up their free **Centennial Citizen** that is delivered to their driveways. These ignored papers create a bit of a litter problem in our streets and gutters. Some eventually wash into storm drains. **It is possible to unsubscribe to this free paper** by pulling up the website and clicking on "subscribe". You then click unsubscribe and log in by creating an ID and password and follow the steps to unsubscribe. I did this several months ago and no longer get the paper delivered. Also, you can still view it online.

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