

Cherry Knolls News

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The BULLETIN BOARD

CKIA Board Meeting

September 8th, 7 p.m.
email contactckia@gmail.com
for Zoom link & password

CKIA Elections

November 10th, 7 p.m.
See pg. 3 for details

Covid

Thank you to all who are working hard to keep our community safe.
Congratulations to all the new pet owners:)



"Never underestimate the power of a random complement"

President's Letter

Steve Newell

Greetings, neighbors. We hope this update finds you and your families healthy and well. While so many of our routines are up in the air, here are a few updates on things happening within our neighborhood.

Fence work: Our Perimeter team led by Peggy Hansen and Diane Gimber has been hard at work on a round of maintenance and repairs on the fence. You may have already seen the results of this important effort to protect our investment in the perimeter fence. Work on the Colorado side went first with the Arapahoe side to follow.

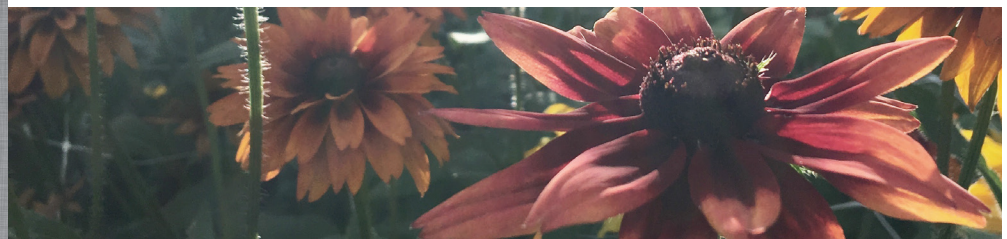
Broadband: The City of Centennial has contracted with Ting to build out fiber broadband throughout the city. Cherry Knolls is the next neighborhood scheduled for build-out. This is scheduled to start in October. The fiber will be installed in-ground along the front City easement next to the sidewalk, and if you sign up Ting will run fiber from the street to your house. You should receive detailed information directly from Ting (ting.com) so watch your mail.

City plans: Thanks to Barb Shangraw and team for working with the City as we work through the transfer of the entrance property at Arapahoe and Nobles. Along with the light at Colorado and the bridge on Arapahoe, these City projects continue, if at a slower pace.

Fall meetings: our monthly meetings in September and October will be held as Zoom meetings. We hope to be able to host the November election meeting in-person, likely at an outdoor location. Please email contactckia@gmail.com for the zoom link and details.

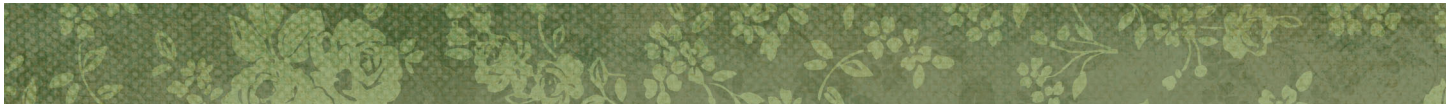
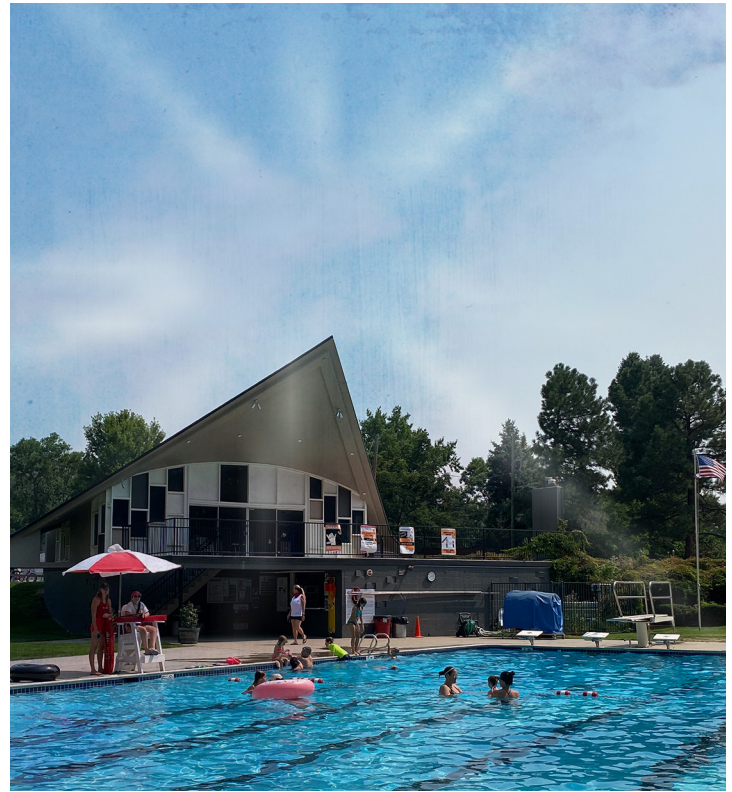
Thanks, as always, for your support throughout this unusual year -- and thanks especially to our volunteers who have kept the neighborhood looking great!

~Steven Newell / 2020 CKIA President





A massive thank you to our amazing Cherry Knolls Pool Board for not only getting the pool opened this summer, but making it, once again, the perfect addition to the summer! We want to recognize the undertaking that it was for making the pool available to residents this year, all things considered. It was heavenly being able to have some semblance of normality amidst all the change. Thank you for the behind the scenes service you rendered to each of us. May you enjoy the time "off" until next season!



Parent Co-op Cherry Knolls Parent Co-op is a great way to get to know other neighbors. If you would like to be a part of the co-op or have questions **please contact Lindsey Blankenship** at **lsiegs29@gmail.com**.

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BOARD ELECTIONS & VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



Cherry Knolls Improvement Association was formed in 1960 with a Board of Directors "for the promotion of friendly relations between and the betterment of the general welfare of, the residents of Cherry Knolls." The Board of Directors and all the volunteers continue to work toward these goals. You all make Cherry Knolls unique and vibrant! **We invite you all to participate and share your creative ideas keeping Cherry Knolls an amazing place to live!**

The Nominating Committee will be accepting names of residents who would love to serve on the CKIA Board or to volunteer for any of the committees listed below. **Elections will be held on Tuesday, November 10, 2020 for CKIA Board members.** Check the website for special voting details per Covid. We would love your participation on any level, large or small! Please contact Dusty Laird @ Dustylaird@gmail.com or 303-795-8900 if you would like to volunteer or have any questions.

CKIA Board Members serve a 2-year term. The Board meetings are monthly from September to May. There are 10 board members which include a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. *The By-Laws and Articles of Incorporation are on the cherryknolls.org website. Please visit the website for further information.*

Volunteer Committees Include:

- Garden Club:** a subcommittee of the Perimeter Committee that works on the Elizabeth entrance and helps with Christmas decorations at the entrances
- Perimeter:** management of Cherry Field & the perimeter areas
- Newsletter:** coordinates the bi-monthly newsletter
- Communications:** notifies Cherry Knolls residents of Board meetings and activities on Nextdoor
- Directory:** coordinates content, ads, printing & distribution
- Long-Range Planning:** ensures the 5 - 10 year plan is updated and within budget
- New Neighbor Greeter:** welcomes new neighbors to CK
- Covenants & Architectural Control:** handles covenants & architectural concerns of Cherry Knolls
- Neighborhood Watch:** works with the Sheriff's Department concerning crime in the neighborhood
- CenCon:** attends the monthly meetings of Centennial Council of Neighborhoods & shares information with the CKIA Board
- Nextdoor:** liaison and coordinator for Nextdoor
- Social Events:** coordinates with the July 4th, Easter, Dumpster Day, Fall Home Tour, etc.
- Website:** maintains and improves the CKIA website

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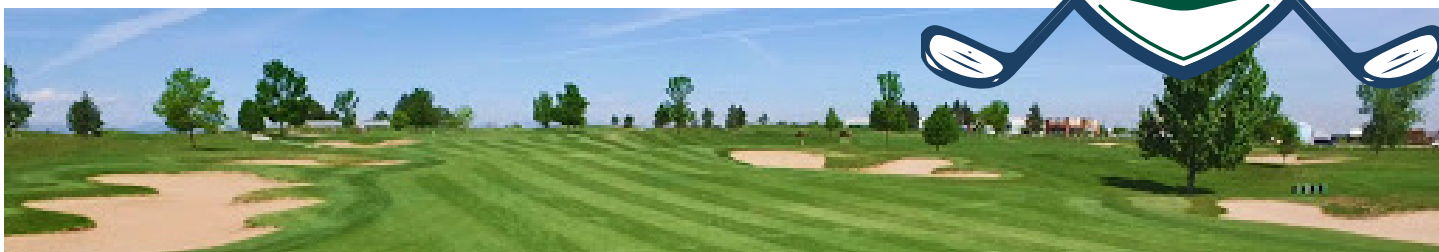
Across the duCK pond

CheKnolls Cup

Cherry Knolls has had a long standing rivalry; often mentioned among the greats like Hatfields and McCoys, Borg and McEnroe, and University of Colorado and Colorado State University. I am, of course, talking about our neighbors to the south, The Knolls. Our swim teams would meet every year regardless of being in the different divisions. There has always been a competitive nature between our two neighborhoods, fortunately, it is all in good fun and camaraderie.

We musn't forget the Che-Knolls Cup, it's coveted purse of a plaid blazer and a trophy cup began back in 1994. The competition has laid dormant for nearly two decades. This fabled tournament has very little record from its hay day, and it is often rumored that the Castle Pines International was overshadowed by it. We are unclear why it was canceled in 2002, stories vary and no one could be reached for comment. The original players who started the Che-Knolls Cup had no comment on it, mainly because I couldn't track any of them down. Recently, a bold young Knolls resident, Paul Prutch, dreamt of reviving the tournament. After reaching out to a few Cherry Knolls residents, Chad Naughton began recruiting. Quickly, Chad found many neighbors who wanted to get involved. Chad exclaimed, "this has been an incredible community organizing event. Many neighbors and sponsors have joined in and this tournament is happening organically."

So, the 9th Annual Che-Knolls Cup will be held September 26th at South Suburban Golf Course. The roster is full, each neighborhood will have 24 team members, consisting of 22 men and 2 women. The Arapahoe Golf Team will have a fund raising event, and there are several community sponsors, including the two biggest sponsors, Alpine Bank and The Stellar Group. In a year where sports have been reruns and the news ever so depressing, we as a community are fortunate enough to put something like this together encouraging us all take interest in our community and dust off those golf clubs. Chad Naughton said it's been cool getting involved and giving back to the community. If you wish to get involved by volunteering or sponsoring a hole, please reach out to Gigi@stellarrealestate.



Neighborly summer camps (hosted by the Cuthbert kids) and birthday parades

One of our Wisest Trees

Have you ever driven up the streets of Cherry Knolls and seen a neighbor doing something odd in their front yard? Back in January I stood in my front yard with my camera on a tripod taking glamour shot after glamour shot of myself, when a car pulled up and a woman got out and walked towards me. I made a fool of myself and asked if she was the cleaning lady. She laughed and said "No, I'm Nancy Taylor." I still continued as a fool and said, "I'm sorry I have no idea who Nancy Taylor is." She then told me she lived in this house many years ago. She saw my camera out and wondered why I was taking a picture of the blue spruce.

I chose not to go with the Rockefeller Center tree application, being that it was January. I told her the truth that I had to take a head shot for the February CKIA newsletter. She smiled and began to tell me about how when she was a kid, she went up to Frisco with her aunt Lois, who she described as "the first woman I ever knew to wear Blue Jeans." While driving Nancy in her old WWII jeep up a steep four-wheel drive trail and stopping to hike, Nancy found a beat-up soup can in an old ghost town building. She began looking for something to put in it and she decided to dig up a baby spruce to bring home with her.

Nancy planted that baby spruce on the north side of my house and today it stands over 30 feet tall. After hearing this story, I decided not to do what most people would do which is to report her to the forest service. I smiled with relief and I was grateful I didn't cut the monstrosity down when I first moved in. I appreciate that blue spruce now for it is no longer just a giant evergreen killing my grass and obstructing my path to the back yard. It wields a story and I truly appreciate it now for its history. It is amazing how you hear stories about your house from your neighbors and you then look at it differently.

Nancy visits my neighbor Leta Long often. Nancy's mother, Carol, was best friends with Leta. She stood by her as Carol fought and lost her battle with cancer in my home in 2009. I often walk past Leta's house and wave as she sits on her porch for morning coffee. I smile as I imagine the laughter and tears that were shed on her porch as she sat with Carol not only watching their kids grow up on this street but also watching that baby spruce mature into one of our wisest trees in Cherry Knolls.

Dusty Laird



USS Constitution from the 4th of July Parade

Cherry Knolls Co-Op

We invite you to join the Cherry Knolls co-op! This group is for parents who want to get involved in social activities, volunteering, getting to know neighbors, and making new family friends.

Due to Covid, we are in a holding pattern for most activities but we still would love to get you involved and meeting neighbors.

Please feel free to reach out to Lindsey Blankenship if you want to join or have any questions. She can be reached at 303 875-7772 or at lsiegs29@gmail.com.



Welcome to Cherry Knolls

NEW NEIGHBORS

Do you have a new neighbor? If so, please let us know so we can welcome them to Cherry Knolls! Thanks!
Your New Neighbor Committee, Sue Carlton-Smith,
sacarltonsmith@msn.com

Cherry Knolls Directory

The 2020-2021 Cherry Knolls Directory is going to press. As with all things this year it will come to you a little later than normal.

If you have paid your dues, it should be in your mail box by the second week in September. If you have not paid your dues, please do so and we will get one to you too!

If you have questions or concerns please contact Sandy Wischmeyer at 303-771-3588 or swisch@aol.com.

Many thanks to the people who helped make the directory possible.



Unwelcome Visitors

The CV-19 limitations on restaurants has deprived rats and rodents of their usual source of food.

To keep hungry rodents at bay, the C.D.C. recommends sealing access to homes and businesses, removing debris, keeping garbage in tightly covered bins & removing pet and bird food from yards.

New Cherry Knolls Pool Sign

Special thanks to Chad Naughton and the pool board for organizing and installing the new sign.



Garden Tips



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If we missed someone contact Brett at east.brett@me.com so we can recognize them in the next edition

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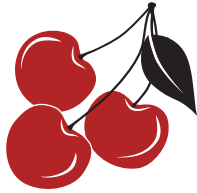
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