

# the VILLAGE CRIER

April 2024 Newsletter



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## Cherry Hills Village POLICE DEPARTMENT K9 UNIT

**Meet K9 Tuco**, the newest addition to the Cherry Hills Village Police Department.

The department announced the creation of its K9 unit in March. The department welcomes Tuco, a 14-month-old male Belgian Malinois from a long bloodline traced directly to Belgium.

Tuco's handler — Officer Darion Ives — spent a week bonding with his new four-legged partner before attending a 10-week police canine academy. Tuco will be trained as a dual-purpose

K9, which means he will be able to detect narcotics as well as track and apprehend suspects.

Although only with the Cherry Hills Village Police Department since January 2024, Ives is a highly experienced 10-year law enforcement veteran.

K9 Tuco was purchased with a generous donation from the Cherry Hills Village Police Foundation. Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office, the Greenwood Village Police Department and the Littleton Police Department are among other surrounding agencies that have active K9 units.

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Officer Darion Ives  
with K9 Tuco.



# Please do your part to mitigate crime

Follow these simple steps:

- 🔒 Remove keys and valuables from vehicles
- 🔒 Lock vehicle doors
- 🔒 Close the garage door
- 🔒 Close and lock exterior doors
- 🔒 Turn on alarm and exterior lights
- 🔒 Report suspicious activity



## ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATIONS AT CITY HALL

City Council was proud to hold a ribbon cutting on March 5th for the new electric vehicle charging stations at City Hall.

The City received an \$18,000.00 grant through the Charge Ahead Colorado grant program which is administered by the Colorado Energy Office (CEO) to install four charging ports at City Hall. The City viewed the installation of EV charging stations as an opportunity to address sustainability and resiliency issues in a positive manner. Per the recently updated Cherry Hills Village Master Plan, renewable energy technology, water conservation, and resiliency strategies should be encouraged, including in all city operations. The installation of EV charging stations is one strategy to provide opportunities for residents and visitors to City Hall and John Meade Park to charge their electric vehicle while at the same time providing the needed infrastructure for the City to be able to add electric vehicles to its municipal fleet. Recently the City purchased its first electric vehicle, a Ford Lighting pick up, with a second vehicle being purchased later this year. The total cost for the four charging stations was \$28,505.00.

Visitors can use the charging stations Monday through Sunday from 6am to 9pm by downloading the Blink Charging app. Costs are \$2/hour for the first two hours, \$4/hour for hours three and four, and \$5/hour for hours five and beyond.



## CITY COMMISSION OPENINGS

The City is soliciting applications for the Parks, Trails, and Recreation Commission and the Art Commission. If you would like to apply please complete an application and submit to City Clerk Laura Gillespie at [lgillespie@cherryhillsvillage.com](mailto:lgillespie@cherryhillsvillage.com) by Friday April 26th.



Find the application and more information about the commissions at [cherryhillsvillage.com](http://cherryhillsvillage.com).

## 2024 GRADUATE INFORMATION NEEDED



If your child will graduate this summer and you would like to announce it, please send the information to The Village Crier so we can share the good news with the community. You can submit graduate information by email to Laura Gillespie at [lgillespie@cherryhillsvillage.com](mailto:lgillespie@cherryhillsvillage.com).

### Please include:

- Graduate's name
- Parent's name(s)

### HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE:

- School student graduated from
- Plans after graduation
- If attending college please provide name of school and area of study, if known

### COLLEGE/GRADUATE SCHOOL GRADUATE:

- School student graduated from
- Degree information
- Plans after graduation
- If continuing education please provide name of school and area of study

The deadline for submissions is May 15th. Graduate information will be published in the June edition of the Village Crier.



# MAYOR'S REPORT

## *A Brewing Storm...*

As I write this roads and schools are closed due to a massive snowstorm – remember that one back in March? By now I’m sure the snow has melted, and things have changed. This seems an appropriate time to write about the massive storm brewing at the state capitol in the form of a brazen attack on your right to self-governance. There is a barrage of bills aimed at preempting local governments and removing your right to have a voice in the direction of your community. As of now, these bills have been introduced and are making their way through the process. I’m sure, by the time you read this, things will have changed. But unfortunately, I doubt these bills will have disappeared like the snow.

A fundamental principle of our democracy is the right to self-governance. The state constitution specifically defines matters of “local concern” as the purview of local governments. The constitution gives the state legislature authority over matters of “statewide concern.” For more than 100 years, zoning and land-use decisions have been a matter of local concern, thus under the auspices of local government. Local governments have extensive public processes around zoning and land-use decisions to guarantee the voice of the community is heard. But the state wants to change that.

This year’s legislative session has many bills aimed at usurping local

control and taking away your voice in government. Here is a brief summary of the few I think Cherry Hills Village residents should be most concerned about:

### **HB24-1152 – Increase the number of Accessory Dwelling Units**

This bill would require municipalities in metropolitan areas (not statewide concern?) to allow accessory dwelling units (i.e. small second homes) on any lot that allows a single-family dwelling. It would preempt our community’s local zoning and undermine the low-density development that is the cornerstone of our community. This bill would nullify your voice by ignoring our master plan and preventing any public input in or control of the process. And it would also invalidate any HOA covenants that prohibit accessory dwelling units.

### **HB24-1304 – Parking Requirements within Metropolitan Planning Organizations**

This bill also focuses only on municipalities in metropolitan areas, not statewide. It would prevent local governments from creating or enforcing minimum parking requirements for ANY DEVELOPMENT, not just residential developments.

### **HB24-1313 – Increase the Affordability of Housing in Transit-Oriented Communities**

This bill would, among other things, require municipalities to increase zoning for housing density to a minimum of 40 units per acre on lots within a half-mile of a light-rail station. If Cherry Hills

Village were to do that, the result could DOUBLE the number of residences in the city. But most concerning is that the residents of the community have NO INPUT in the development process.

While there are many others, these three bills are most concerning to City Council. It isn’t that we don’t think some of these ideas are worth considering, but we think that our residents should be the ones to consider them and decide what is right for our community. This year’s legislature has the audacity to presume that they, not you, know what is best for Cherry Hills Village.

I know many of you engaged with our legislators on these issues last year but we need you to SPEAK UP again! Don’t let your voice be silenced. Reach out to our legislators to let them know how you feel about the proposals and the impacts they would have on our community. As of the time of this writing these bills have only been voted on in the House. Our Representative and fellow Cherry Hills Village Resident, Meg Froelich, voted IN FAVOR of all of these bills. She needs to hear from you. And remember, this is an election year!

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repfroelichhd3@gmail.com

Senator Jeff Bridges  
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jeff@bridgesforcolorado.com

*Katy Brown*  
kbrown@cherryhillsvillage.com  
(303) 860-0262



# DESIGN A POTAGER

By Kathi Thistlethwaite, Colorado Master Gardener

**DESIGN A WHAT?** A potager (pow·tuh·jay) is a kitchen garden, taken from the French “jardin potage” or soup garden. Potagers have been a part of historic estates, country homes, and informal cottage gardens throughout history in France and many other cultures. In addition to incorporating basic garden design elements, the potager is a beautiful mixture of vegetables, fruits, herbs and ornamentals. It is artistic and functional at the same time.

## Here's how to create a potager:

**1. Start small.** Any size plot works for a kitchen garden. This includes containers. There are many vegetable and fruit varieties suited to small spaces and containers.

**2. Choose the right location.** Sunlight and water will be the primary factors in selecting a location for the potager. The traditional location for a potager is near the kitchen, but any location with adequate sunlight for growing vegetables and ornamentals will do.

**3. Plant lots of herbs.** Herbs are easy to grow and many are perennial. Allow them to flower to attract pollinators.

**4. Include ornamental plants.** Consider easy-to-grow nasturtium, calendula or sunflowers. These varieties are edible and will attract pollinators. Imagine a potager lined with colorful nasturtiums and sprinkled with calendula. The flowers chosen for a potager don't have to be edible, just the gardener's favorites.

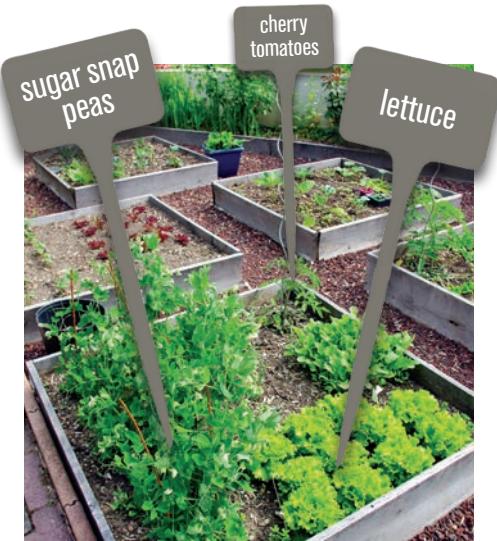
**5. Define the space.** A framework of raised beds, fences, the border of nasturtiums all give the potager a sense of protection, privacy and intimacy, some of the garden's key features.

**6. Create pathways.** Paths make maintenance easier while protecting the soil from compaction. Even in a small potager, a few stepping stones provide a place to stand and add definition.

**7. Add garden structures.** Structures like a trellis, cages, and towers add height to the potager. They are available in many sizes and designs and can even be added to containers. Growing vertically will also increase use of available space.

The idea of the potager has taken root in the Denver area. Visitors at the Denver Botanic Gardens can see a working potager for inspiration and information. Le Potager ([botanicgardens.org](http://botanicgardens.org)). Master

Gardeners maintain a potager at Hudson Gardens. Flowers are incorporated into several of the 23 raised vegetable and herb beds. These include giant sunflowers, nasturtium and calendula. Herbs are allowed to flower, attracting pollinators. Garden visitors say they enjoy the variety and now many are interested in creating a potager at home. Consider adding a small potager garden to the landscape. It's simple to do. An artful and functional garden awaits.



# THE COLORADO POTTER'S GUILD

ANNUAL SPRING SHOW/SALE

FREE ADMISSION!

**THU « MAY 2**

4 p.m. to 8 p.m.

**FRI « MAY 3**

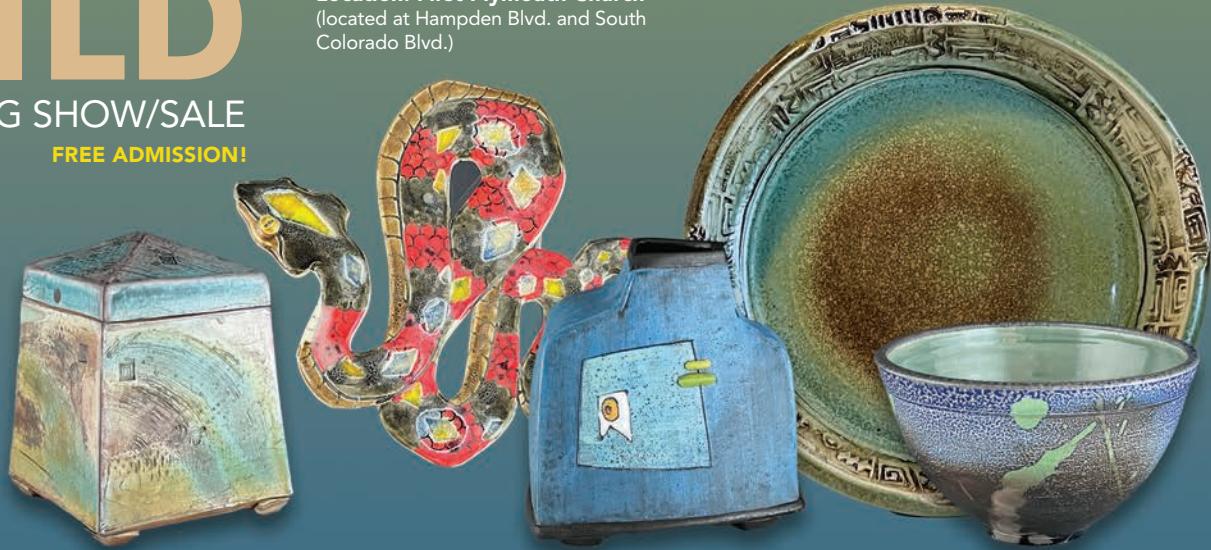
9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

**SAT « MAY 4**

9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Select your Mother's Day gifts from this outstanding array of beautiful work for the home, office, and garden. A great variety of functional and decorative pottery for the kitchen, garden, and coffee table, as well as jewelry and sculpture, will be available in time for birthdays, weddings, and graduations.

**Location:** First Plymouth Church  
(located at Hampden Blvd. and South Colorado Blvd.)



# DAHLIA HOLLOW PARK – NEW PLAY ROCKS

The new Dahlia Hollow playground is ready for visitors! New play rocks, stump hoppers, and a sideways balance log have been installed with new playground surfacing. Rain-sound makers and a bike rack will be added in the coming weeks as weather



permits. To create the new playground design, Parks staff and the Parks, Trails, and Recreation Commission (PTRC)

conducted outreach to the local neighborhood. This design was the most popular of the three possible options. The new equipment was purchased using a one-time grant of \$25,017 from the Metropolitan Football Stadium District from the sale of the Broncos franchise, to be used specifically for children's activities or amenities. We hope you enjoy the new features as the weather warms up this spring! More information is available on the City's website at [cherryhillsvillage.com/dahliahollow](http://cherryhillsvillage.com/dahliahollow). Questions can be directed to Parks Project & Operations Manager Emily Black at [ebblack@cherryhillsvillage.com](mailto:ebblack@cherryhillsvillage.com).



Cherry Hills and Greenwood Village  
(The Villages)

## GARDEN AND HOBBY CLUB

### *Seeking Members!*

If you relish the beauty of blossoms, glory in the lushness of trees and lawns, and enjoy the company of others, The Villages Garden & Hobby Club is for you. Gather to socialize with neighbors, learn with friends who share your interests and willingly volunteer information about what works. You needn't have a large garden or be a master gardener to fit in. The club has been in existence for nearly 60 years to serve Cherry Hills Village residents initially and has expanded to include Greenwood Village residents.

Our programs cover a variety of topics from antiques to zinnias and include a holiday luncheon. Dues are \$35/year. Meetings are held March through December, on the fourth Tuesday of each month, from 10 a.m. to noon, in members' homes. We invite you to attend a meeting as a guest.

For more information, call Wendy at 303-803-0512.



*Art*  
IN THE PARK

**April 20, 2024**  
**12pm-2pm**

The Cherry Hills Village Art Commission invites the community to their Art in the Park event on **April 20th, 2024, from 12pm-2pm**. Celebrate the new 'Resilience' sculptures in John Meade Park with us! This is a family event for all ages – there will be a bounce castle, face painters, fairy hair vendor, and kids craft activities. An exhibition of botanical art by 2023 graduates of the School of Botanical Art & Illustration at Denver Botanic Gardens will be on view in City Hall. Lunch will be provided for everyone – the In-N-Out hamburger truck and the Kona Ice truck will be on site throughout the event. Join us for this fun afternoon! Donations for the sculptures are still being accepted; donors of \$100 or more can appear on the donor plaque planned for the sculptures. To donate or for questions about the sculptures or event please email Parks Project & Operations Manager Emily Black at [ebblack@cherryhillsvillage.com](mailto:ebblack@cherryhillsvillage.com).

# Crier Classifieds

The Village Crier advertisements will be provided for a fee to both Village residents and advertisers outside the Village. Ads should be limited to 45 words and may be purchased for the entire year. **Publication of the ad in The Village Crier does not imply endorsement.** The Village Crier reserves the right to reject ads. To inquire about placing an ad call 303-783-2732 or email [gillespie@cherryhillsvillage.com](mailto:gillespie@cherryhillsvillage.com).

## Categories

**Attorney**  
**Contract Work/Handyman**  
**Education**  
**Events**  
**For Sale**  
**Gardening/Landscaping**  
**Health and Wellness**  
**Music/Instrument/**  
    Education/Repair  
**Painting**  
**Pest Control**  
**Pet Services/Accessories**  
**Professional Services**  
**Real Estate**  
**Tech Help/Services**  
**Wildlife Service/Removal**

## ADVERTISE in the next Crier Classifieds

Email your information to Laura Gillespie at [lgillespie@cherryhillsvillage.com](mailto:lgillespie@cherryhillsvillage.com)

**Deadline: April 15**

## Contract Work/Handyman

**A+ ACCREDITED: HIGH IMPACT ROOFING** – Elevate your Cherry Hills home with 15 years of roofing excellence. Trust us to safeguard your investment. Call 720-515-4672 or visit [highimpactco.com](http://highimpactco.com) for a free estimate on shingle, shake, and more.

**AVANTI CONSTRUCTION** specializes in CUSTOM HOMES, NEW CONSTRUCTION AND REMODELS. If you're considering building your dream house or renovating your existing home, please contact us. We have years of experience building in CHV and understand the city's building codes and requirements. Matthew Cocking, 970-471-9244, [Mcocking@avanti-gc.com](mailto:Mcocking@avanti-gc.com).

**CLEARVIEW WINDOW WASHING** is an insured, owner-operated company that has been in business since 1996. References available. Call, text, or email today for a free estimate. Pat Gerlits 303-692-0620 or [pgerlits@comcast.net](mailto:pgerlits@comcast.net)

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## Education

**MATH TUTORING GRADES 7-12.** For 35+ years and a decade online, my private math students earned the highest grades at school and top SAT/ACT scores. Learn more at [perdocere.com](http://perdocere.com) and read hundreds of testimonials with prominent named endorsements. Dr. George, Harvard Ph.D., MIT B.S. 833-MATH-833.

## Gardening/Landscaping

**FAIRBAIRN DESIGN-TREE AND LANDSCAPE SPECIALISTS** designing, building & maintaining landscapes in CHV since 1993. Please call/test Jim for a free consultation at 303-919-2208 or email at [jimfairbairn@comcast.net](mailto:jimfairbairn@comcast.net).

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## Health and Wellness

**CLUB GREENWOOD** – Experience your neighborhood fitness resort with pools, barre, indoor cycling and yoga classes, tennis, pickleball, a state-of-the-art weight room, hydromassage beds and more. Save \$500 every year with the Cherry Hills Village Recreation Reimbursement program. Visit [ClubGreenwood.com/belong](http://ClubGreenwood.com/belong) or call 720-838-2527 to learn more.

## HIGHLY ACCLAIMED FITNESS INSTRUCTOR

with Denver Parks and Recreation is offering In Home/In Parks Personal Training for 50 years and older. ISSA and Silversneakers certified. FREE First Session and Assessment (includes cardio, resistance, strength, stability, core and advice for living a healthy lifestyle). Marie 720-280-3333.

## Pet Services/Accessories

### LOVING PET CARE IN THE COMFORT OF YOUR HOME –

Furry Paws Care is a small local in-home pet care business established in 2014. Our services are: Nail Trims, Horse/Livestock Care, Dog Walking, Pet Sitting & More! Contact Amy via [furrypawscare.com](http://furrypawscare.com) or 303-903-6327. Join Our Pack!

## Professional Services

**DISCOVER COMPASSIONATE ELDERLY CARE ASSISTANCE:** Assistance with daily tasks, companionship, personal hygiene, medication management, transportation, light housekeeping, and laundry. Contact TG at 720-276-8713 or email [tturi@graceonus.com](mailto:tturi@graceonus.com) for exceptional care that promotes well-being and independence. Experience the difference today!

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## Real Estate

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## Wildlife Service/Removal

### ANIMAL DAMAGE CONTROL

for wildlife problems of all sizes. Licensed and insured. We have been servicing Cherry Hills Village for over 30 years. Professional, ethical and humane, we don't use gasses, poisons or pesticides. 303-884-9100, [wildlifedamage.com](http://wildlifedamage.com) or [adcwildlifespecialist@gmail.com](mailto:adcwildlifespecialist@gmail.com)



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You're invited for some old-fashioned barnyard fun!

2nd Annual

# EARTH DAY

Celebration at Quincy Farm

**Sunday, April 21**  
**10:00 am–12:00 pm**  
**Tickets \$5**

- Meet our visiting animals...charming chickens, turkeys, horses, and goats
- Special guest! Oliver the Pig
- Complimentary Travelin' Tom's Coffee or Hot Chocolate included
- Learn about bees with the Jefferson County Beekeeper Association
- Plant sunflowers to take home in your own decorated starter pot

Registration  
is required  
to attend!

Sponsored by:

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**303-488-9822**

lucy.buck.loz3@statefarm.com©



**There's no better  
place to experience  
Earth Day than  
Quincy Farm!**

Register **TODAY** to save your spot at [www.quincyfarm.org/programs](http://www.quincyfarm.org/programs)



**April 21** Earth Day Celebration at Quincy Farm — join us for some spring fun in the barnyard  
**May 9** Seed to Harvest — Vegetable Gardening with Deep Rooted Garden Design at Quincy Farm  
**May 30** Guest Speaker — High Line Canal Conservancy's CEO Harriet LaMair



## Seed to Harvest at Quincy Farm

Join Devon Hukill of Deep Rooted Garden and Design for a workshop on planting, maintaining, and harvesting crops that thrive in Colorado's unique climate. You'll learn key techniques for successfully growing an organic vegetable garden. All levels — from greenhorns to green thumbs — are encouraged to attend! Register now! \$20 per adult

Back by  
popular  
demand!



## Calling All Village Beekeepers!

If you would like to meet with neighbor beekeepers, please email your contact info to [ethompson@cherryhillslandpreserve.org](mailto:ethompson@cherryhillslandpreserve.org) to be added to our list.

We have periodic meetings at Quincy Farm with Doug Rush, President of Jefferson County Beekeepers Association, and would love to have you join us!

Topics include: hive inspections, hive splits, mite control, and other relevant topics. Beekeeping suit required.



CHERRY HILLS LAND PRESERVE

Cherry Hills Land Preserve is a local nonprofit partnering with the City of Cherry Hills Village to revitalize Quincy Farm and provide educational experiences that connect people to nature.

[quincyfarm.org/programs](http://quincyfarm.org/programs)



Quincy Farm

# 2024 Spring Clean-up

May 18, 2024 | 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The 2024 Spring Cleanup will be held **ONE DAY ONLY** on Saturday May 18, 2024 from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm at the Public Works Facility (2101 W Quincy Avenue, Sheridan, CO 80110). Residents can bring the materials listed below for recycling or disposal. This program is for residents only so please be prepared to show your driver's license with a Cherry Hills Village address.

## Acceptable Items for drop-off:

- **Paper Shredding**
- **Tree branches and yard debris** (no more than two pickup/trailer loads per household)
- **Car batteries** (provided they are not leaking)
- **Consumer electronics** (laptops, desktops, monitors, microwaves, cell phones, printers, gaming systems, CD/DVD players, fax machines and scanners)
- **Flat screen televisions up to 48"**
- **Paint products** (oil based paint, latex paint)
- **Batteries** (AA, AAA, C, D and rechargeable)
- **Fluorescent light bulbs** (compact fluorescent lamps (CFL) and straight fluorescent tubes) and lamp fixtures
- **Trash, including bulky items, and furniture**



## Items that will NOT be accepted

- **Large appliances** (refrigerators, washers, dryers, vacuums, etc.)
- **Hazardous materials/chemicals** (i.e. liquid mercury, leaking or empty containers, unknown or unlabeled materials and radioactive items)
- **CRT (tube or projection) televisions**
- **Biological waste**
- **Commercial or business supplies**
- **Incandescent light bulbs**
- **Asbestos**
- **Ammunition and explosives**
- **Tires**
- **Mattresses**
- **Construction-related materials**
- **Medicines and prescriptions**
- **Smoke detectors and items improperly packaged for transportation**



City staff will be available to help unload acceptable items from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm on May 18th. Details about accepted items will be available on the City website at <https://www.cherryhillsvillage.com/SpringCleanUp>. If you have any questions regarding this event, or for religious reasons you cannot drop off items on May 18th and would like to make other arrangements, please contact Ginny Joseph at [gjoseph@cherryhillsvillage.com](mailto:gjoseph@cherryhillsvillage.com).

## WHAT IS THE FLOODPLAIN and why does the City regulate it?

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) defines the term floodplain as:

**“Any land area susceptible to being inundated by floodwaters from any source.”**

The city defines the term floodplain, more specifically:

**“Any land area susceptible to being inundated as a result of a flood, including the area of land over which floodwater would flow from the spillway of a reservoir.”**

In Colorado, the floodplain is comprised of the floodway (where water is expected to flow during a flood event) and the floodway fringe (where water is expected to be stored during a flood event).

FEMA maintains maps of all floodplains, generally referred to as the 100-year floodplain, across the country. The floodplain maps represent a 1% chance of flooding for any given year. These maps can be found on the FEMA website and the city's website.

The city regulates all alterations and construction activities in the floodplain as part of the obligation to protect the general health, safety, and welfare of the community. Changes to the floodplain on a property that are unpermitted and do not meet local, state, or federal requirements can have impacts to the boundaries of the floodplain both upstream and downstream of the changes. This can result in flood damage to property and structures beyond what is mapped by FEMA.

There are approximately 200 properties in the Village that intersect a floodplain designated on the FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs) adopted by the City. If a structure is located in a floodplain, flood insurance will be required by most mortgage lenders.

In Cherry Hills Village, most development in the floodplain is prohibited unless a floodplain variance is granted by City Council. If you want to know if your property is in the designated floodplain or for more information on any new construction in the floodplain, you can contact the Cherry Hills Village Community Development Department at (303) 783-2721, stop by the Village Center at 2450 E. Quincy Avenue, or visit the City's Floodplain page at: <https://www.cherryhillsvillage.com/386/Floodplain-Development>

# FLOODPLAIN DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS AND NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM

The City has participated in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) Community Rating System (CRS) since 1978, making residents eligible for federally backed flood insurance and flood insurance discounts.

To participate in this program, the City has adopted minimum standards and regulations for construction in the floodplain, conducts regular drainage way maintenance, and provides community outreach on floodplain issues. Cherry Hills Village is then rated on a point system whereby the total number of points equates to an overall rating. The overall ratings range from 1 to 10 with a 1 resulting in the most discount to flood

insurance. The City's current rating is a 7, which means Village residents are eligible for a 15% discount for their flood insurance rates. The City continues to work towards a lower rating and to expand our best management practices in dealing with floodplain related issues.

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The Community Development Department maintains records of all current and past adopted floodplain maps and Flood Hazard Area Delineation (FHAD) areas, flood depth data for most currently mapped areas of the City and FEMA issued elevation certificates.

## HELPFUL TIPS...

The following are helpful tips for residents who live in flood prone areas:

- **Know** the extent and nature of the flood hazard in your area.
- **Plan** escape routes to high ground.
- **Buy** flood insurance for your property.
- During times of heavy rainfall **watch** the level of water in the drainage way and **stay tuned** to radio or television for possible flood warnings.
- **Evacuate** the flood hazard area in times of an impending flood.

## Swarm Hotline

By the Colorado Beekeepers Association

Bees swarm in the spring. In Colorado, bees swarm from approximately April 1st until the end of the summer with May and June being the busiest months. A swarm occurs when a hive, wild or managed, becomes overcrowded and the old queen and approximately half of the original hive leaves to find a new home. Swarms are generally quite docile but they can be disconcerting due to the sheer numbers of bees within the swarm. It is still a good idea to keep your distance so as to not make the bees feel threatened.

Swarms will eventually leave on their own, once the scout bees have returned to inform the group that they have found a suitable new home. Where it may have taken an hour or more for the swarm to collect, they can be gone in less than a minute once they get word it is time to go. However, beekeepers prefer to catch the bees as a swarm in case their new home—is yours!



If you are lucky enough to witness one of nature's most fascinating migrations, a swarm,

### DO NOT ATTEMPT TO KILL THEM!

Do not spray them with insecticide or water!

These bees are "survivor bees" and are crucial to our environmental health.

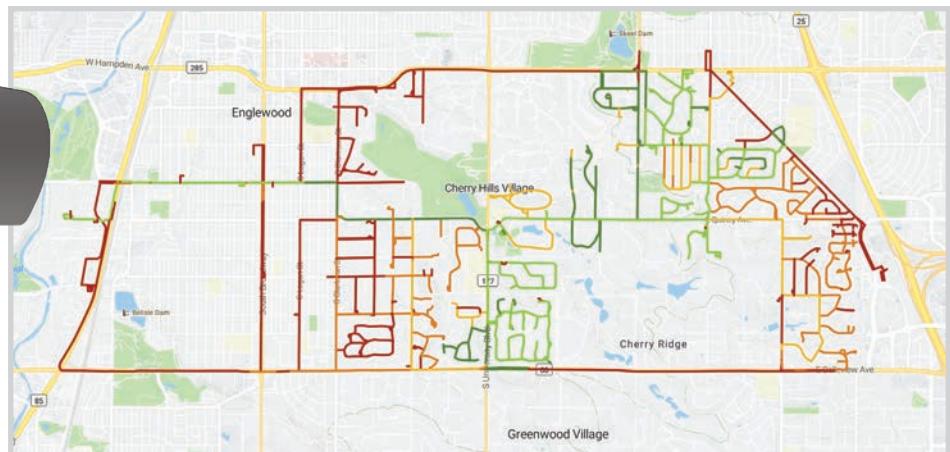
Call the NEW toll-free bee swarm hotline

**(1-844-SPY-BEES)**

We have volunteer beekeepers throughout the state ready to be dispatched to collect the bees and transfer them to a new home. For FREE! And, generally, within an hour or two. Please be patient and Do NOT continue to call more beekeepers.

# SNOW PLOW MAP

The City has a new interactive plowing map available on its website. When snowplows are deployed, their paths of travel will appear on this map. As they travel, the roads that have been plowed in the last hour will be tracked in green and change slowly to red tracking the time since last plowed. The City provides 24-hour snow plowing during storm events throughout the City. During the storm the drivers concentrate on plowing the designated emergency routes and keeping access open for emergency services. This is



why the main emergency routes will remain green longer. When snow is clear from those areas and the storm begins to dissipate, snowplows proceed to residential streets. During prolonged storms that drop larger amounts of snow drivers will also make a single path

through residential areas as time allows, once the storm passes then drivers will clear all residential streets completely. To see the map click on the link on the City's website ([cherryhillsvillage.com](http://cherryhillsvillage.com)), or go directly to <https://portal.plowops.com/public/?id=483861552>.



## DRUG TAKE-BACK EVENT SATURDAY, APRIL 27

10AM - 2PM

2450 E Quincy Ave



The Cherry Hills Village Police Department and Drug Enforcement Administration will partner once again to participate in the National Prescription Drug Take Back Day. This event accepts and destroys unused or expired over the counter and prescription medications. Residents of Cherry Hills Village are encouraged to bring their medications to City Hall and partner with us to make our community safer and healthier.

[www.chvpd.com](http://www.chvpd.com)

# KENT DENVER EVENTS

## April

**18** THURS  
6:30 p.m.

Middle School Musical:  
Newsies Jr.  
Anschutz Family Theatre



**19** FRI  
7 p.m.

Middle School Musical:  
Newsies Jr.  
Anschutz Family Theatre

**30** TUE  
7 p.m.

Art Music Concert  
Student Center for the Arts Lobby

## May

**1** WED  
7 p.m.

Music Concert Night 1  
Anschutz Family Theatre



**2** THU  
7 p.m.

Music Concert Night 2  
Anschutz Family Theatre

**9** THU  
6-8 p.m.

Cultural FusionFest  
Schaden Dining Hall  
(RSVP on the Cheddar Up website)

**13** MON  
5-7:30 p.m.

Spring Innovation Symposium: Student Agency  
Anschutz Family Theatre, Duncan Center and  
Impact Studios



The Parks, Trails, and Recreation Commission  
invites the community to their  
Scavenger Hunt event on

**May 4th, 2024,  
from 9am-noon.**

Fun for the whole family,  
with two scavenger hunt options:



- All-ages youth scavenger hunt in John Meade Park from 9am-noon
- Self-paced – find natural features within the park and claim your prize! *All participants receive a pair of kid's binoculars.*
- Face painters, lawn games, and snacks



- 9:00am registration opens in John Meade Park; 9:30am start
- Explore the nearby bridle trails (about 3 miles total) and look for medallions on fenceposts and bollards!
- 11:45am deadline to win prizes - \$100 gift cards awarded to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place
- All finishers before 11:45am will be entered into a drawing for a gift card
- All participants receive a tree seedling to plant!

There will be a coffee station and snacks in the park to get everyone energized! Visit [cherryhillsvillage.com/scavengerhunt](http://cherryhillsvillage.com/scavengerhunt) for full details and to pre-register. For questions about the event, please email Parks Project & Operations Manager Emily Black at [ebblack@cherryhillsvillage.com](mailto:ebblack@cherryhillsvillage.com).

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## GENTLE YOGA FOR STRESS, GRIEF, TRAUMA, ANXIETY, & GENERAL WELL-BEING - with Amy Pickett-Williams, LCSW, RYT

Donation based. Accessible and open to everyone.

**Mondays 7:30pm to 8:25pm**

- Gentle Yoga, Chakra Healing, Reiki
- Join anytime
- 8-week series
- Limited to 16 people

**Wednesdays 9:45am to 10:40am**

- Gentle Yoga
- Ongoing
- Each class limited to 16 people

More information and registration at  
[lightmvmt.com/yoga](http://lightmvmt.com/yoga) or 303-912-9806



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## UC HEALTH WORKSHOP

### STEPPING ON – BUILDING CONFIDENCE & PREVENTING FALLS

7-week workshop beginning April 17th  
Wednesdays 1-3 pm

This workshop is focused on exercises and ideas for preventing falls and living your best life. We are thrilled to be hosting this program led by physical therapists and occupational therapists from UC Health.

If you are interested in attending, please contact Meg Stern at [mstern@stgabriels.org](mailto:mstern@stgabriels.org) or 303-771-1063, to request a registration packet. Registration will be available first to those who have not attended previously.