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The 29th annual L'Esprit de Noël Holiday Home Tour returns this holiday season to Denver's historic Country Club neighborhood. This much anticipated two day walking tour is Friday, November 20th and Saturday, November 21st from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Five

magnificent homes will be beautifully decorated for the holidays by the metro area's most accomplished florists and table designers. This popular fundraising event, organized by the Central City Opera Guild, is one of Denver's signature holiday events.

Each home on the Tour will be lavishly decorated by one of Denver's premier floral and tabletop designers. Floral designers participating this year include Celebrated Gatherings, City Floral, Flower Power, The Twisted Tulip and Swank Stems. Table designers in this year's Tour are Celebrated Gatherings, City Floral, Hutch & Fig, The Lark Swank Stems and the Stationery Company.

Sponsors of the Tour include presenting sponsor Coldwell Banker Devonshire, as well as Media Sponsors: The Denver Post, Colorado Expression, The Villager Newspaper and Country Club Neighborhood Living.

Candlelight and cocktails will set the state for an elegant evening at Denver Country Club for the Patron Party and Tour on Friday, November 20th. Attendees will have the only chance to view homes at night. The homes will be open for tours between 6:00 and 7:30 p.m. followed by cocktails and hors d'oeuvres at Denver Country Club. Tickets for the Patron Party are \$250 for benefactors, \$150 for patrons and juniors (under 35) for \$90 and are available by invitation or may be purchased through Central City Opera by calling Alicia Holt Corliss at (303) 331-7014.

Tickets for the Home Tour are available in advance for \$24 through Central City Opera at www.centralcityopera.org/lesprit or from Alicia Holt Corliss at (303) 331-7014 and for \$25 at any local King Soopers. Tickets will also be available for purchase at the door for \$25.00.

Proceeds from L'Esprit de Noël Holiday Home Tour support Central City Opera including its annual Summer Festival, the Bonfils-Stanton Foundation Artists Training Program, the preservation and maintenance of the historic Opera House and more than thirty additional historic properties in Central City and its education and community engagement programs. These programs serve more than 80,000 people each year through performances in schools, community centers, senior residences and theaters.

For more information please visit www.lesprithometour.com.

Building a New Vision for the HIGH LINE CANAL

The High Line Canal Conservancy has launched a public outreach planning process to create future visions for the High Line Canal; which preserves the recreational and environmental amenity for generations to come. The High Line Canal Conservancy was formed in 2014 by a passionate coalition of private citizens to provide leadership and harness the region's commitment to protecting the future of the High Line Canal. With multijurisdictional support and in partnership with Denver Water, the Conservancy is connecting stakeholders in support of comprehensive planning to ensure that the High Line Canal is protected and enhanced for future generations.

With the support of Denver Water, Arapahoe County and other governmental organizations along the High Line Canal (Canal), the High Line Canal Conservancy (Conservancy) is building a strong coalition of community leaders and stakeholders to support region wide, long-term planning for the future of

the Canal. Over the past several years, these organizations have discussed a vision for the long-term care of the entire Canal corridor, comprising 71 miles long and 100 feet wide, focusing on its critical importance as a recreational and natural amenity to the Denver metro region. The Canal is at a turning point in its future that calls for reassessment and planning that will preserve and protect the Canal for all people forever.

"The 71 miles of the High Line Canal urban trail surpasses the scale and impact of any similar existing or proposed initiative in the U.S. today. The High Line Canal is a unique opportunity to create a significant enduring recreation and cultural greenway legacy – celebrating the rich and diverse physical and social mosaic that we call Denver." – Tony Pickett, Conservancy Board Member, Vice President, Master Site Development The Urban Land Conservancy.

The Conservancy has commenced the planning initiative through the release of a request for qualifications for a visioning process consisting of extensive public outreach. This broad visioning process will collect the interests, attitudes and needs of citizens – resulting in an exciting future vision for preserving and enhancing the Canal along its entire reach. The Conservancy recognizes the role of the Canal as an invaluable recreational and environmental resource for the Denver metro region and is committed to:

- enhancing its recreational opportunities
- preserving the vegetation and wildlife along the corridor
- providing practical solutions for the water channel

"Through the generosity of Denver Water and the stewardship of the Conservancy and its partners, we see a tremendous opportunity to fully realize the potential of the Canal as an extraordinary amenity for the metropolitan community. Much like the national Rails to Trails program, a historic utility shall be repurposed as a regional recreational treasure." – Nina Itin, Conservancy Board Chair, Community Leader.

For information on the RFQ process, please visit the Conservancy blog: www.highlinecanalconservancy.wordpress.com.

The Conservancy seeks planning teams to submit qualifications for the upcoming High Line Canal Outreach and Visioning Phase of the greater master planning process. A group of teams will be selected for a follow-up request for proposals process.



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SNOW, ICE and STREET SWEEPING OPERATIONS

The Cherry Hills Village Public Works Department is responsible for snow, ice and sweeping operations of approximately one hundred lane miles of City street and approximately eight miles of paved trails and sidewalks. The department provides snow removal and sweeping services to all City streets, paved trails and sidewalks on a priority basis. It is the department's goal to have all City streets, paved trails and sidewalks maintained within twelve hours after the snow has stopped falling. This time frame estimate is based on an average snow event of four inches. The department will not maintain residential streets for snow events of less than three inches as determined by staff.

Street sweeping is provided mid-April through early May and again in late October through early November. Sidewalk/paved trail sweeping is done on an as needed basis. When conditions allow, street sweeping and sidewalk/paved trail sweeping operations directly follow any snow and ice control operation where sand is used. Street and sidewalk/paved trail cleaning is provided for community safety, health, environmental and aesthetic purposes.

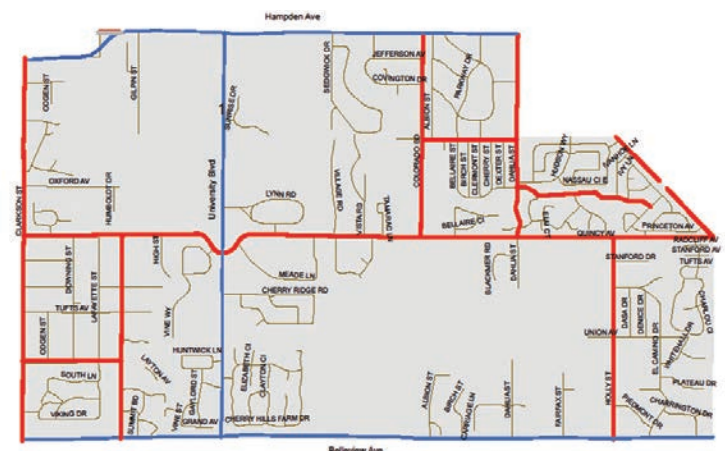
The Public Works Department utilizes many resources to determine when and how snow and ice control operations should begin. Use of the National Weather Service, local news

television, web and phone based applications and the City's own weather station with a live feed camera are utilized by the Public Works Department to obtain the most current and accurate weather forecast information.

The City's first priority is to keep primary intersections and collector streets safely maintained to permit emergency vehicles to reach all parts of the City without delay and to facilitate resident traffic on those streets. This priority is on a selective basis where it has been determined by the department that these streets are where traffic movement and resultant safety demands are the greatest and impact sizeable portions of the community. The second priority is to safely maintain all remaining residential streets. The third priority is to safely maintain all remaining paved trails and sidewalks.

Primary intersections and collector streets will be the first to receive snow and ice control maintenance. The length and severity of the weather event dictates when the department will start snow and ice control maintenance on all remaining secondary streets and all remaining paved trails and sidewalks. Typically this operation begins immediately after the climax of the event and the majority of the snow has stopped accumulating. The City is divided into four sections and snow removal and street sweeping operations are performed on a rotating basis. Each section contains approximately the same street lane miles. This rotation is maintained throughout the winter so that all parts of the City have the same opportunity to be maintained first and no area is always last. Streets are swept in the same priority they are plowed.

The map below illustrates the City limits and the streets maintained by the Cherry Hills Village Public Works department. The red lines show primary intersections and collector streets. These streets and intersections provide emergency vehicle access to all locations of the City during a snowstorm. The blue lines on the map are the streets maintained by the Colorado Department of Transportation. Only during extreme conditions or by the request of the Police Department does the City assist with plowing or sweeping the streets maintained by CDOT.



To report any snow related observations, please call (303) 783-2744 during normal business hours (Monday-Friday 8:00-4:30). For after hours or weekend observations, you can contact Arapahoe County Dispatch at (303) 795-4711.



CHERRY HILLS VILLAGE RECREATION REIMBURSEMENT FORM

DEADLINE: All reimbursements are due by **JANUARY 15** for the previous year's submissions. NO EXCEPTIONS!!!

Name: _____

Address: _____ Zip: _____

Day Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____

INSTRUCTIONS: List your receipts one activity at a time in the lines below.

Attach your original itemized receipt(s) that include the participant's name, address, name of agency, name of activity, activity fee(s) and activity date(s).

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of my reimbursement to the Cat Anderson Fund for the acquisition and protection of parks, trails and open space lands in Cherry Hills Village.	
<i>We appreciate your donation. Your donation is the tax deductible. The City will send you a tax receipt.</i>	

Participant's Name	Relationship to Applicant	Name of Agency	Activity Name	Activity Fee	Office Use

I hereby affirm that I am a resident of Cherry Hills Village, Colorado and the aforementioned recreation expense(s) listed above have been used and paid by myself or a member of my household.

Signature: _____

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:

Approval _____ (PAID)

Account No. _____

Date: _____ Check#: _____

CHERRY HILLS VILLAGE

RECREATION REIMBURSEMENT RULES

Residents of Cherry Hills Village (primary residence only) who participate in a recreation program, activity, class or event offered by a municipal or special district recreation department, a non-profit, 501(c)(3) youth sports organization or any municipal golf course located within the seven-county Denver metropolitan area (Adams, Arapahoe, Boulder, Broomfield, Denver, Douglas, Jefferson) may be eligible for a partial reimbursement of certain costs from the City of Cherry Hills Village. For purposes of this program, “youth sports organization” shall mean a sports organization whose primary purpose is to provide recreational activities for primary or secondary school students.

REIMBURSEMENT PROVISIONS

Each primary household in Cherry Hills Village is eligible for a maximum \$500.00 annual reimbursement when participating in an activity that qualifies for reimbursement. The amount of reimbursement shall be 50 percent of the cost incurred by the resident; however, reimbursement costs shall not exceed a maximum of \$50.00 per single activity, per resident to include memberships and passes. The purchase of a monthly membership, or multiple use pass is considered a single activity. The amount of reimbursement for an annual membership or pass shall be 50 percent of the cost incurred by the resident; however, reimbursement costs shall not exceed a maximum of \$500.00 annually per household. An annual membership is intended to designate a year-long membership and includes such facilities as Greenwood Athletic and Tennis Club and municipal recreation centers such as South Suburban. Seasonal sporting activities such as soccer, baseball, lacrosse, swimming, hockey, gymnastics, etc., are considered single activities.

REIMBURSEMENT PROCEDURE

1. Obtain an itemized receipt that includes the participant’s name, address, name of agency, name of activity, activity fee(s) and activity date(s). Receipts must be for the year in which they are paid, not the year in which the activity takes place.

Note: The following will not be accepted as receipts: bank statements, cancelled checks, non-itemized credit card receipts, handwritten receipts and registration forms. Initiation fees, rentals, tax charged, national dues, merchandise, child care, travel, uniforms and golf carts do not qualify for reimbursement.

2. Complete the Recreation Reimbursement Form, attach all itemized receipts and mail or deliver this information to the Village Center by January 15 for the previous year’s reimbursements. NO EXCEPTIONS.

Note: It is the resident’s responsibility to ensure that all recreation reimbursement applications have been received by the City prior to January 15th.

All of the information above will be required and residency will be verified. It is the obligation of the City staff to ensure against abuse of this program and final authority will rest with the City Manager to suspend or eliminate reimbursement requests determined to be in violation of the terms of this program.

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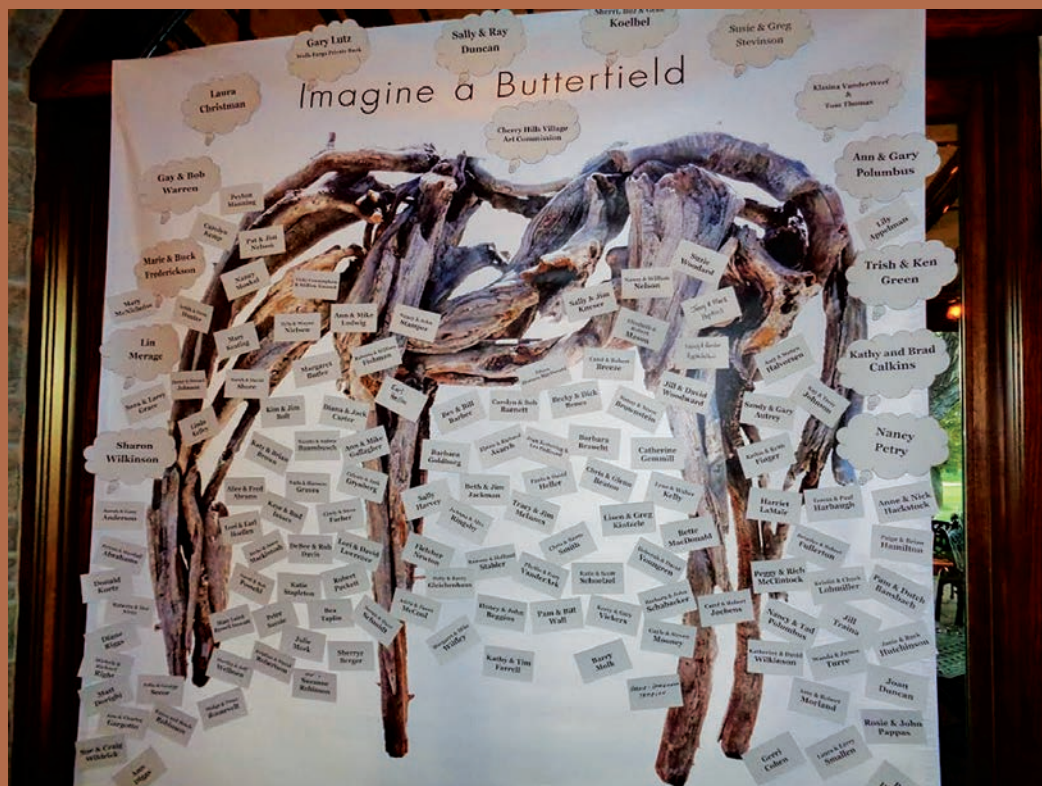
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*On the road to
reaching our goal.*

Charlo, a Deborah Butterfield bronze horse, is currently grazing on the front lawn of the Joint Public Safety Building here in Cherry Hills Village! A Butterfield horse is an internationally acclaimed piece of art. For us to own this magnificent sculpture, we must conclude our fundraising by the end of December 2015! As of this writing, we are \$40,000 short. Please dig deep into wallets and help us reach this goal! If we do not raise the funds, the horse will be returned to Seattle, Washington.



ABOVE:
The representation of sponsorship toward the goal of raising enough money to keep the bronze horse at CHV.

LEFT:
Ann Polumbus, Art Commission Chair, and Gary Lutz

Gary Lutz and Wells Fargo Private Bank hosted a lovely reception at Cherry Hills Country Club to raise money for "our" horse. The entire Village was invited and about 160 residents attended the event. Mary McNicholas and her mighty crew handled the Silent Auction which raised over \$17,000. Guests had the chance to bid on a 3 liter bottle of Silver Oak Wine, paintings by noted Colorado artists including our own Melinda Haymons, spectacular tickets to the Broncos and Avalanche games and the National Western Stock Show, and more. Tracy McInnes and Becky Gutrich added donation names to the 7 foot Butterfield banner. The evening generated tremendous good will and raised \$42,069.

Arthurenia Hawkins, a retired Denver art teacher, joined us at the Farmers Market helping children create their own Butterfield horses out of sticks, yarn and pipe cleaners. You would have been amazed at their results. Community resident, Fletcher Newton is graciously hosting the final Butterfield event at his home in Devonshire on October 27th. It is our hope that ALL CHV residents will make a contribution towards this truly magnificent art work. We will own a treasure!

A special *Thank You* to our donors on this project to date:

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CITY MANAGER RECRUITMENT PROCESS

City Manager recruitment process began in August when the City sent out a Request for Qualifications for an Executive Search firm. The City received 12 proposals in response. The proposals were narrowed down and 4 firms were interviewed.

The City Council selected Slavin Management Consultants to assist the City in navigating the process.

Slavin Management Consultants had the most experience with assisting other counties, towns and cities in Colorado, including Adams County, Archuleta County, Aurora, Englewood, Fort Collins, Golden, Greenwood Village, and Longmont.

This process generally takes 60 to 90 days to complete. The purpose of hiring a consultant to assist the City is to develop a comprehensive recruitment profile for the City Manager position. Once the criteria is developed, it is then used to identify and recruit qualified candidates that best fit the City's needs.

RAYMOND T. DUNCAN

Cherry Hills Village resident, Raymond T. Duncan, passed away on October 9th. Duncan was an innovator in the wine, oil, ski and golf industries. He was also best remembered as a hands-on leader across his community, family and businesses. Raymond Duncan and winemaker, Justin

Meyer, founded Silver Oak and, under his leadership, the business grew into "one of the most iconic California wineries, helping burnish an image of high quality for the region." Two of Duncan's sons, Tim and David, have maintained their father's vision at the winery. In 1999, Duncan and his four sons founded Twomey Cellars, which is named after their father and Duncan's mother, Velma Twomey Duncan. Raymond Duncan received numerous accolades during his lifetime. In 1998 he was named Wildcatter of the Year by the Independent Petroleum Associations of Mountain States,

in 2004 he was inducted into the Rocky Mountain Oil & Gas Hall of Fame, in 2006 he was inducted into the Colorado Ski Hall of Fame and in 2012 he was inducted into the Colorado Business Hall of Fame. He was involved in many philanthropic pursuits as well including the Crow Canyon Archaeological Center, The Denver Art Museum, Kent Denver School, Saint Helena Montessori School and Sonoma Academy. Raymond Duncan is survived by his wife Sally, their six children and 16 grandchildren. The City extends its deepest sympathies to the family of the deceased.



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CHRISTMAS *with* Ars Nova

The Bethany Lutheran Church will host the Ars Nova Singers for their annual holiday concert on Saturday, December 12th at 2:00 p.m. The Denver

Post has written "The December holiday season would not be complete without Happiness and Cheer: Christmas with Ars Nova. Nationally recognized for innovative and adventuresome programming, Ars Nova will present unique, rarely heard music for the holidays: a program that balances novelty, tradition and familiar melodies with innovative new sounds, accompanied by harp and oboe." Ars Nova will perform their annual holiday concert, singing music of the season ranging from ancient chant to contemporary carols. This ensemble has received national recognition, including being selected as semifinalists for The American Prize in choral performance in 2010. The professional-core ensemble is conducted by founding Artistic Director Thomas Edward Morgan and is composed of 36 selectively auditioned choral musicians from the Denver/Boulder metropolitan region.

Tickets for the concert can be purchased online at www.arsnovasingers.org/concerts.

PET CARE during the holidays & harsh weather

Even though we are still seeing warm, sunny days, winter will soon be on its way. For the benefit of your pets, please pay attention to the weather news and plan accordingly if you have to leave your pet outside. If pets will be left outside (this includes livestock and poultry), make sure they have adequate shelter from the elements and protection from the wildlife. Pets also need to have fresh, unfrozen water available, even on cold days.

With the holidays approaching, pet owners should be aware that pets can get into things that are potentially dangerous or poisonous. Pretty, shiny things on Christmas trees and holiday plants are very tempting for both cats and dogs.

For more information on holiday or outdoor hazards for your pets, please visit <http://www.petpoisonhelpline.com>.

Your mind is the garden,
your thoughts are the seeds,
the harvest
can either be
flowers or weeds.

William Wordsworth