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CHRISTMAS COMES TO THE VILLAGE!



TOP: Cherry Hills Village Police Officer, Cory Sack and his wife Ann, daughter Madeline and son Levi stopped by for a visit with Santa.



MIDDLE: Tree lights sparkle in the Village.

The Holiday Tree Lighting sponsored by the Parks, Trails and Recreation Commission was an enormous success again this year. Residents were able to visit with Santa, ride a holiday train in the parking lot, have their face painted and enjoy a carriage ride driven by Clydesdale horses up and down Meade Lane. City employees were on hand to serve hot chili, apple cider, hot chocolate and cookies to all the attendees.



RIGHT: Mayor Christman and Councilor Earl Hoellen enjoy the festivities.

Special thank you to the Parks Department, who worked tirelessly making the decorations that surrounded Santa and the train, hung lights on all the Village Center trees and staffed the event.

Mayor Musing...

Council recently passed an ordinance regulating the use of hobby drones (also known as an unmanned aircraft system or UAS) within the city limits. What does this mean for Cherry Hills Village residents and drone hobbyists?

Listed below are some of the questions I have been asked and my answers. These answers are general and not intended to be legal advice or analysis.

WHAT IS A HOBBY DRONE?

The Federal Aviation Administration or FAA has divided drones into two types of craft. The first is a drone weighing less than 55 pounds, that can fly up to 100 miles per hour and which is used solely for recreational purposes (a “hobby drone”). The second is a drone of any configuration used for commercial purposes. The Village ordinance addresses the use of drones by hobby operators.

DO ALL HOBBY DRONES REQUIRE REGISTRATION?

Yes. All hobby drones weighing greater than .55 pounds require registration with the FAA. The Village created a local registration system subject to the FAA system, meaning that the Village will accept proof of federal registration or require local registration if the drone is not federally registered. *For more information on registering your drone with the City, please visit www.cherryhillsvillage.com or call (303) 789-2541.*

DOES THE VILLAGE ORDINANCE REGULATE COMMERCIAL DRONES?

No.

WHY ARE COMMERCIAL DRONES EXEMPT UNDER THE VILLAGE ORDINANCE?

Regulations pertaining to commercial drone operation are still under consideration by the FAA. The FAA has a process for obtaining an exemption during this interim period, but the current process is arduous, expensive and requires that the person flying the commercial drone be a licensed pilot. Other than evidence that the commercial drone user has complied with requirements of the FAA, the City Council chose not to undertake commercial drone regulation pending finalization of FAA rules. Several jurisdictions, including Chicago, have passed ordinances governing both commercial and recreational use of drones. The Village ordinance is much narrower in its application than the Chicago ordinance.

IS IT LAWFUL TO OPERATE A REGISTERED HOBBY DRONE IN THE VILLAGE?

Yes, as long as it is used on private property with consent of the owner.

MAY I OPERATE MY HOBBY DRONE IN VILLAGE PARKS, STREETS AND TRAILS?

No, unless you have obtained express written approval from

the City. In general, hobby drones may be operated only on private property.

WHY ARE DRONES BEING SINGLED OUT FOR PROHIBITION ON VILLAGE TRAILS AND PARKS?

They are not. For many years motorized vehicles, including ATV's, motorbikes, golf carts, snow mobiles and motorized scooters have been prohibited from use on our streets, trails and public parks. Safety is the first concern of the Village. Unlike many communities we have equestrians and their horses located in the Village, plus a variety of wildlife. A drone that is used in a seemingly careful manner by someone who is not familiar with safety issues applicable to horses or wildlife may create havoc, in turn endangering the riders, the animals and anyone around them. The City Council has elected to be very proactive to protect the safety of its citizens and wildlife. Furthermore, the use of drones in public spaces is inconsistent with the land use priorities of the Village's Masterplan designed to preserve the semi-rural atmosphere in which we all live.



MANY DRONES HAVE CAMERAS SO CAN SOMEONE TAKE PICTURES OF MY FAMILY, OR KEEP TRACK OF WHEN I COME AND GO FROM MY HOUSE WITHOUT MY CONSENT?

Surprisingly in researching provisions for the drone ordinance, City Council discovered that the Village does not have a privacy law, commonly referred to as a “peeping tom” law, or an unlawful surveillance law. As a result the Council is proposing a new ordinance regarding privacy and unlawful surveillance, as this issue can arise whether or not the problem originated from a drone.

IF A DRONE IS TRESPASSING ON MY PROPERTY IN VIOLATION OF THE ORDINANCE, CAN I SHOOT IT DOWN?

No. Again, in case you missed it, NO. If you find a drone has landed on your property you can take it back to the owner just as you may if you found a stray dog. Alternatively you may call the Village police department for assistance. Under the ordinance, unauthorized drones on your property are considered a trespass; however, not every trespass in the Village is prosecuted.

MY CHILD GOES TO SCHOOL IN THE VILLAGE; MAY THE SCHOOL HAVE A DRONE SCIENCE PROJECT?

Yes. The school needs to follow the same regulations as a recreational user and may operate the drone on the school grounds.

IF I OPERATE A DRONE IN VIOLATION OF THE VILLAGE ORDINANCE, WILL I GO TO JAIL?

Generally no, no more than letting your dog off of its leash would result in a jail sentence; however if the dog injured or killed someone then a criminal action could result. Similarly, if your drone were to cause injury it may result in a criminal action. It will depend upon the facts and the circumstances, as do all criminal prosecutions.

IF A DRONE HAS A CAMERA ON IT AND I CAN SEE WHERE IT IS GOING USING THE CAMERA, IS THAT COMPLIANCE WITH FLYING WITHIN LINE OF SIGHT?

No, the requirement is that the drone can be seen unaided by the person flying the drone. If the drone disappears behind a tree, it is no longer within line of sight.

WHY DO WE NEED A LOCAL REGULATION ON DRONES?

We have had reports of drones with cameras looking in windows of Villagers' residences, people biking on the trail encountering drones directly in front of them and drones hovering within a few feet of golfers. There are two ways for our Village to approach safety issues, one is to be proactive and the other is to hope that adults and children, including people coming from outside our Village will use hobby drones wisely and safely within our Village. Without an ordinance our Village has no practical ability to enforce even the most basic safety requirements.

If you or your children want to operate a drone in the Village, first read the Village ordinance and applicable state and federal laws. Safety first is important for everyone, even if you are operating on private property. The degree of risk for injury of persons, wildlife or property goes up with an increase in speed or weight of the drone and also with the decrease in age of the operator. Many drones state on the box that they can be flown by ages eight and above. That does not mean that the drone can be safely flown by a child, it merely means that an 8 year old can mechanically operate the drone.

This is an evolving area as various jurisdictions explore recreational drone use in public streets, ski areas, parks, trails, stadiums, around churches, school yards and playgrounds. Our ordinance is subject to compliance with state and federal law, so it will evolve, as well.

Respectfully, *Mayor Laura Christman*

ATTENTION BABYSITTERS...

We have had a request from parents to include a designation for babysitters that can drive. If you are currently on our babysitter list and can drive, please email Jessica Sager at jsager@cherryhillsvillage.com so we can add a designation next to your name in the next issue.

PLEASE NOTE: The babysitter list will only publish every other issue. The Crier offers the following list as an informational service only. The Crier does NOT review babysitter qualifications. Residents must screen babysitters themselves.

*Indicates pet and plant care **Indicates housesitting

+ Indicates Red Cross babysitting certified

McKenna Adams*	5251 Sanford Circle East	303-759-8322
Tyler Adams*	5251 Sanford Circle East	303-759-8322
Pratibha Anand**	81 Cherry Hills Farm Drive	720-328-2154
Sophia Antonopoulos*	3700 S Colorado Blvd	720-296-8091
Ellie Bauer	3800 East Mansfield Ave	303-808-5185
Sam Cohen* **	1501 East Quincy Ave	303-761-3303
Chelsea Davidson	2230 East Grand Ave	303-520-9727
Maryanna Deline+ *	1 Huntwick Court	720-448-6097
Jessica Diamond	5134 E Oxford Ave	303-692-9475
Isabella Diamond	5134 E Oxford Ave	303-692-9475
Kristin Douglass	2450 Cherryridge Rd	303-762-0080
Emma Duymelinck+ *	1500 E Oxford Lane	720-525-5388
Sibel Fite*	17 Mockingbird Lane	720-568-0880
Jayne Fraser+ *	20 Martin Lane	720-556-2240
Jessica Garofalo + * **	110 Summit Boulevard	303-733-6317
Emma Goodrum+ *	4041 S Clermont St	303-475-0979
Jennifer Groene+ *	4000 S Hudson Way	303-753-6262
Caroline Hashimoto+ *	5370 Nassau Circle East	303-321-6155
Alexandra Haymons+ *	4050 S Hudson Way	303-722-2386
Stone Heyman*	4655 South Ogden	303-809-8791
Nicole Honnen*	15 South Lane	303-819-4841
Tylor Hopkins*	1199 East Layton Ave	720-300-4625
Katie Huguez+ *	22 South Lane	303-771-0442
Lauren Huttner+ *	5350 Sanford Cir E	303-759-2054
Camran Kazemian* **	24 Martin Lane	303-783-1333
Kate LaMair*	16 Cherry Lane Dr	303-584-0601
Emily Matthews*	1190 E Kenyon Ave	303-781-6777
Will Matthews*	1190 E Kenyon Ave	303-781-6777
Brook McIntyre	4730 S Lafayette St	303-789-1263
Katie Mullen	3715 S Gilpin St	303-803-8150
Molly Murphy*	1015 E Tufts Ave	720-428-8343
Emma Murphy*	1015 E Tufts Ave	720-428-8343
Eleanor Nielsen*	4061 S Cherry St	303-758-8702
Phoebe Nielsen*	4061 S Cherry St	303-758-8702
Sophie Otte+ *	2 Glenmoor Circle	303-550-1525
Lexi Pavlakis	9 Sterling Ave	303-761-6183
Elizabeth Schwartz	2135 E Grand Ave	303-886-7431
Ellie Sullivan+	5867 Southmoor Lane	303-777-5206
Kelly Steinberg+	60 Glenmoor Cir	303-862-9111
Emma Sveen	2115 E Grand Ave	303-761-7757
Gunnar Sveen	2115 E Grand Ave	303-761-7757
Madilyn Turken	4020 S Dexter St	303-753-2367
Sara Turken	4020 S Dexter St	303-753-2367
Caitlin Vickers+	4828 S Albion St	303-756-3266
Margaret Vogelpohl+ *	5310 Sanford Cir E	303-320-0546
Annabel Wall	5600 E Oxford Ave	303-765-0620
Natalie Watkins* **	13 Cherrymoor Dr	303-955-5223
Erin Windfeldt*	7 E Bellevue Place	303-761-9619
Caden Zimmerman	4255 S Bellaire Circle	303-733-9199

Please help us by updating your son, daughter or neighbor's information if the sitter listed is no longer available or has moved. You can send the updated information to Jessica Sager at jsager@cherryhillsvillage.com. A special "thank you" to those of you who have already contacted The Crier with updates.

DOG LICENSE RENEWAL YOU CAN NOW REGISTER AND PAY ONLINE

The Cherry Hills Village Municipal Code requires every resident that owns a dog six months of age or older to obtain a City dog license (City Code section 7-5-310). Licenses are valid for the calendar year and must be renewed annually. Dogs are required to wear the license any time they are off of their own property and a rabies vaccination is required to obtain the license. These

licenses help reunite lost dogs with their owners, allow Animal Control officers to regulate dangerous dogs and

encourage dog owners to vaccinate their dogs against rabies. Residents can obtain a dog license online at www.cherryhillsvillage.com/doglicense. The cost is \$10.00 for every dog over six months of age, per year. Select the link that says “click here to register and pay online.” Once the dogs have been registered and the payment has been processed, the Cherry Hills Village Police Department will mail the tag to the address that was provided. Dog licenses are also available in person at the Joint Public Safety Facility located at 2460 East Quincy Avenue, Monday-Friday from 8:00-4:30 p.m.

For questions regarding the dog licenses, you can contact (303) 761-8711 or email: doglicensing@cherryhillsvillage.com.

WATER RATES AND FEES - DENVER WATER BOARD

Most residents of Cherry Hills Village receive their water either directly or indirectly through Denver Water. For a large portion of residents the City of Cherry Hills Village has a Total Service Agreement with Denver Water for this service. This means that Denver Water provides all water services including transmission, repair of

lines and billing. Other Districts can be Master Meters or Read and Bill, meaning Denver Water provides the water but the District is responsible for the delivery and maintenance of the lines. There are a small number of residents that receive their water from other providers such as the City of Englewood.

The City of Cherry Hills Village has been a member of the Denver Water Rates and Fees Technical Advisory Committee

(TAC) since its inception. This group is comprised of Water Distributors outside the City of Denver that receive water from Denver Water. The group has been formed to collaboratively work with Denver Water as an outside watchdog group to better understand how Denver Water sets its rates and fees.

Recently the TAC has issued a letter to the Denver Water Board of Commissioners concerning Denver Water’s Rate Setting procedures. This letter is available on the City’s website for your review. The letter outlines concerns on how costs are allocated as well as the “rate of return” or profit that Denver Water is imposing on customers from outside Denver’s city limits. The City of Cherry Hills Village continues to engage Denver Water on its resident’s behalf. As a member of the TAC, Cherry Hills Village continues to push for transparency and fairness in how Denver Water charges its residents.

To read the full letter from the TAC on Denver Water rate setting trends and engagement process, please visit the City’s website at www.cherryhillsvillage.com.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU...

The Public Art Commission would like to thank the businesses and individuals listed below that generously donated various items for the silent auction at the GARY LUTZ AND WELLS FARGO PRIVATE BANK EVENT held on September 30th at the Cherry Hills Country Club.

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TOYS FOR TOTS - A HUGE SUCCESS!

Cherry Hills Village Police Department and Village Center collected toys for the Volunteers of America toy drive again this year. Volunteers of America collected a combined total of 776 toys from all their collection sites and had 2500 soft toys donated by local Girl Scout Troops. Thank you to all the residents that dropped off toys for this cause as our City had one of the highest amount of donations.

TOP: Cherry Hills Village Staff (Human Resources Analyst Kathryn Ducharme, Officer Nicole Ward and Property Technician Nathalie Klasens) volunteered to help wrap donated toys

LEFT: Donated toys waiting to be wrapped by volunteers

Want to advertise something in the next Village Crier Issue?

Do you have a story or update you want to share with the Cherry Hills Village Community?

Email your information to **Jessica Sager**
jsager@cherryhillsvillage.com

Deadline:
Jan. 19, 2016

THE WINNERS AND LOSERS OF AIRCRAFT NOISE

Modern GPS technology presents a huge opportunity for the future of air traffic control – an opportunity to

optimize flight paths resulting in faster flights, increased capacity for arrivals and departures, and fuel savings.

While those are good things, they are exacting a huge price from homeowners who now find themselves in the paths of these new flight tracks.

Air traffic used to be controlled using radio frequencies and beacons, or flights were assigned a directional heading by controllers. Given the margin of error in these approaches, flight paths have traditionally been distributed over a fairly wide area. With the help of new GPS technology, planes can now fly closer together along a flight track with greater precision, consolidating all of the flights in a much narrower track. The result? Many houses used to get some air craft noise each day; now fewer houses experience noise, but at excruciating levels and frequency.

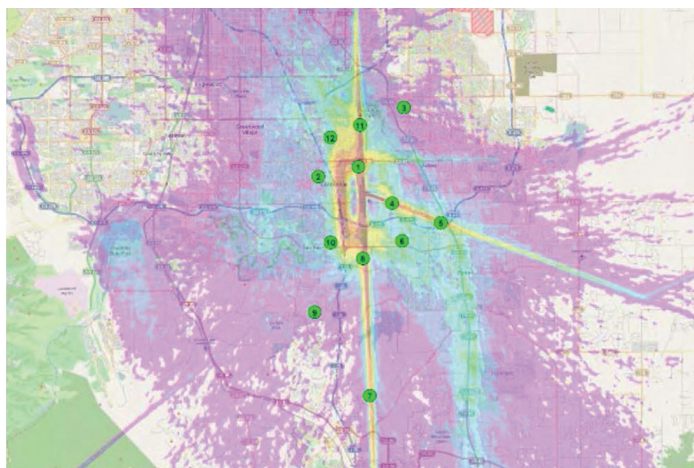
Implementation of this next generation air traffic control technology, appropriately called “NextGen,” has led to an outcry from communities around the country. Communities say they did not have input into the process and were not appropriately notified of the changes or warned of the impacts. Affected citizens accuse the FAA of focusing only on what’s good for the airlines and not for people on the ground. Phoenix has already filed suit against the FAA contending that the implementation of NextGen in their community resulted in a huge negative impact without proper due process, notification and consideration. Other communities around major airports, such as Chicago, Boston, Los Angeles, and San Francisco, are engaged in contentious disagreements with the FAA over the implementation in their areas. It is yet to be seen whether the FAA will take any action to correct or mitigate the negative impacts on effected communities and individuals.

Not surprisingly, the implementation of NextGen has greatly increased air traffic noise complaints around the country as well. In Phoenix, Sky Harbor airport used to receive approximately 200 noise complaints each year. Since the implementation of NextGen it now receives 2,000 to 4,000 noise complaints each month. Chicago has seen air traffic noise complaints increase 1,290% from August 2014 to August 2015. And in Boston complaints have increased 650% as a result of NextGen with communities that previously had 0 complaints, recording 1,514 complaints from 120 households. In most of these areas the initial FAA evaluation reported that there would be “no significant impact” as a result of the NextGen flight paths; clearly that is not proving to be accurate.

It is true that by consolidating the air traffic into several precise routes, many people are experiencing less aircraft noise than before; they are the winners. The losers in all of this are the unsuspecting individuals who made life investments in their homes based upon the old air traffic routes. People who had minimal aircraft noise impact before, now have planes flying over every few seconds for hours each day. Air traffic routes are a lot like interstates in the sky. Imagine if I-25 were redirected right through our city without input from the community and without any notice or compensation to affected homeowners. That is effectively what has happened to thousands of people around the country in communities like ours as a result of NextGen.

Cherry Hills Village is in the vicinity of both Denver International Airport (the 5th busiest airport in the country) and Centennial Airport (the 3rd busiest general aviation airport in the country). As such, it is certainly possible that we could be negatively impacted by NextGen implementation at one or both of these airports. Our community needs to be aware of these changes and make sure we have a strong voice to ensure we are not among the losers.

Below is a map showing the flight track density for Centennial Airport in April 2015. Cherry Hills Village experiences significant overflight as indicated on the map in blue and purple. Those in the yellow and orange are the most severely impacted.





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SECURITY ALARM PERMITS AND FALSE ALARM FEES

The 2016 alarm permit invoices will be mailed towards the end of January. This year, all alarm permits can be paid online using a checking account or Visa, MasterCard, American Express and Discover credit cards. Instructions for paying the 2016 alarm permit will be included with the invoice. For any questions regarding the invoice, please contact Accounting Clerk, Jessica Sager at (303) 783-2730 or jsager@cherryhillsvillage.com.

Security alarm systems can help prevent burglaries. However, false alarms divert police resources from other important duties. Most false alarms can be prevented through both the proper maintenance and careful operation of the system. In order to promote the responsible usage of alarm systems, the City of Cherry Hills Village Municipal Code (Chapter 6, Article IV) regulates the operation of security alarm systems. The key provisions of the Code are as follows:

- An annual security alarm permit is required to use a security alarm system. The current fee for this permit is \$25.00.
- The City code establishes false alarm response service charges. The following monetary amounts are charged for responses to false alarms:

RESPONSE CHARGES PER CALENDAR YEAR

First Response – **No Charge**

Second Response – **No Charge**

Third Response – **\$100.00**

Fourth & each successive response – **\$200.00 each**

- The permit to operate any security alarm system that activates more than four (4) false alarms during any calendar year will be revoked. The alarm system will be placed on a police non-response status. The alarm ordinance also requires a residence to be placed on non-response for failure to obtain a security alarm permit or failure to pay any false alarm service charge. While an alarm system is on a revoked/police non-response status, it is unlawful for the alarm owner to operate the system. Continued use of an alarm system while on a revoked/police non-response status will result in the user being cited into the Cherry Hills Municipal Court for a City Code violation.

- An alarm system will be removed from a revoked/non-response status once the owner of the systems has provided documentation that the issue causing the false alarms has been corrected. A \$100.00 reinstatement fee must also be paid before the alarm location is taken off the revoked/non-response status.