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CHERRY HILLS VILLAGE REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTION **CANCELLED**

Because there were no Cherry Hills Village measures on the ballot and only one candidate per position including candidates filing affidavits of intent to be a write-in candidate, the Cherry Hills Village regular municipal election has been cancelled in accordance with Section 2-1-50 of the Municipal Code. The following candidates have been elected:

Mayor – Russell O. Stewart – 2 year term

Council District 1 – Randy Weil – 4 year term

Council District 3 – Al Blum – 4 year term

Council District 5 – Dan Sheldon – 4 year term

Cherry Hills Village residents will still receive ballots for the November 3, 2020 election from Arapahoe County but there will be no City measures on the ballot.



Left to Right: Councilor Randy Weil, Mayor Russell Stewart, Councilor Dan Sheldon and Councilor Al Blum

Drop off your completed ballot in the 24-Hour Ballot Drop Off Box in front of City Hall by 7pm on Election Day, November 3, 2020. Visit www.ArapahoeVotes.com to check your voter registration status, sign up to track your ballot, and find information on Vote Service Centers. Call the County's voter hotline at 303-795-4511 for questions about your ballot or to set up an appointment for curbside ballot replacement.

Have you heard the buzz?

Cherry Hills Land Preserve is championing our community's small but mighty members, the bees!

Announcing the 2021 Bee Project:

Some of Cherry Hills Village (CHV) smallest residents are also some of its most essential and unfortunately some of the most at risk. Cherry Hills Land Preserve (CHLP) is partnering with People and Pollinators Action Network, University of Denver, and other like-minded organizations on a pilot study to collect, collate, and ultimately share the results of actions, both large and small, across the community. We will be monitoring both public and private land to realize the overall health and population numbers of native bee species with the goal of increasing the population over time.

This initial work is part of 10+ year initiative that will put CHV at the forefront of efforts to create and protect pollinator's paradises in the communities within the Greater Denver Metro Area, the Front Range, and beyond.

Why Bees?

Did you know there are over 900+ native, non-honey, bee species in Colorado alone? Bees are a key indicator species and these hidden helpers help us assess the overall health of our ecosystem. Think of them as akin to the canary in the mine—except when the buzzing stops it doesn't matter if you make it to the open air—where the bees go our ecosystem follows.

Without pollinators, it's not just honey that will be in short supply it's not even just the local vegetation and landscapes that would be at risk. These are not small stakes. If the bees go, a vital and irreplaceable link in our food supply would be irrevocably lost.

We, as a community, have an opportunity to make changes, small and large, during the 2021 Bee Project to contribute to a baseline study sponsored by CHLP. The Bee Project will positively

benefit the CHV ecosystem that supports and sustains us all. The data and results that this study will yield are set to serve as an example to other communities across Colorado, the West, the US, and beyond as they look to create a pollinators paradise of their own.

Collaborating with researchers, students and the community, we will track the bee population as we work collectively to increase the available habitat and food resources in the CHV community. The results of this study will also offer a roadmap for other communities for demonstrable results in stabilizing, restoring, and protecting native pollinator populations and the ecosystems they support.

The land we live on is the backdrop for our lives and for many of us the open spaces and sprawling expanses of CHV are a large part of why we choose to live here. This land is important, and bees are essential if we are to preserve and protect this landscape we hold so dear.

Like a beehive, we're all in this together! Any contribution over the course of this study and beyond is a contribution to the whole. We look forward to working with all levels of contributors, volunteers and donors. It will take a village to save the bees. We are proud that the village in question is ours.

The CHLP Bee Project & Baseline Study

CHLP is committed to providing, protecting, and restoring native habitats and food sources that are essential for the survival of these essential, and often unseen, workers.

Beginning with this initial study, the goal of CHVLP is to raise funds, awareness, and community involvement in initiatives (be they small-scale or property-wide) that will benefit the bee community (and in turn, the greater Cherry Hills Village community as well).

JOIN US!

On our website -

www.cherryhillslandpreserve.org you can find out more about what you can do to get involved.

Given the unique challenges of 2020, CHLP has worked tirelessly to offer ways for our incredible community to come together (even if we're six feet apart).

We invite you to join us for the official launch of the CHLP Bee Program at our inaugural Fall Festival on **October 11th**, hosted at Quincy Farm from 3-5 PM.

Join us as we celebrate the splendor of autumn and the start of this landmark initiative with Bee-Centric community activities and event, including:

- A behind-the-scenes look at honeybees and backyard beekeeping
- A Community Seed-Swap of preferred flowers and fauna for our pollinator pals
- A family-friendly scavenger hunt highlighting the health and habitat of Colorado's "hidden helpers" (i.e. the 900+ native Bee Species that keep our plants and parks and pastures thriving)
- "Bees & Biodiversity in our Backyard" - a panel discussion led by experts in the field

For full details and to register to attend, please go to

www.cherryhillslandpreserve.org.

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ARAPAHOE COUNTY
CLERK AND RECORDER

ARAPAHOE VOTES

Voting Tips and Important Information for the 2020 General Election

Voting by Mail: All currently registered voters in Colorado will receive a ballot by mail beginning Oct. 9. Vote the ballot, sign the return envelope, affix postage and place the ballot in the mail. *Please allow 8-10 days for delivery and remember to sign the envelope!*

Dropping Off Ballots: Voters may drop off a voted ballot at any of 32 secure Ballot Drop Boxes 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Convenient locations can be found at arapahoevotes.com/ballot-drop-locations. Boxes are emptied daily by bipartisan teams and monitored 24/7 by security cameras.

Voters may also drop off a ballot with no waiting at any VSPC during hours of operation (below).

Replacement Ballots: Voters who have not received a ballot by mail may request a replacement by calling the Elections Division at 303-795-4511 and making a curbside ballot pickup appointment (see details below) or having the replacement mailed before Oct. 26. Between Oct. 19 and Nov. 3 voters may also come to a VSPC and request a take-home ballot. *This process voids the original mailed ballot, ensuring no elector may vote twice.*

Voter Service and Polling Centers (VSPCs): Arapahoe County residents can register or update voter registration, vote in person, get a replacement ballot, drop off a ballot, or use accessible voting equipment at any of our 29 VSPCs. Language interpretation services are also available.

Find your nearest location at: arapahoevotes.com/voter-service-polling-centers.

12 Days of Voting: Avoid Election Day lines and vote in person or drop your voted ballot at one of our 29 VSPCs beginning Oct. 19.

- Phase 1 VSPCs: Monday-Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. from Oct. 19-Nov. 3
- Phase 2 VSPCs: Monday-Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. from Oct. 30-Nov. 3
**Extended Hours: Saturday, Oct. 31 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Tuesday, Nov. 3 from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.*

Curbside Ballot Pickup: Five VSPCs in Aurora, Littleton, Byers and Centennial will offer replacement ballots via appointments for Curbside Ballot Pickup. Beginning Oct. 19, voters may call 303-795-4511 to schedule a day, date and time to pick up their replacement ballot in a designated parking space without leaving their vehicle. Voters must bring their ID and may only pick up their own ballot.

Track Your Ballot: Voters can use BallotTrack to check their ballot's status online and sign up to receive text, email or phone messages when it's been mailed to them and received by Arapahoe County Elections: arapahoevotes.com/ballot-track.

Healthy Voting Guidelines: To keep voters and our election judges safe, we strongly encourage voters to vote using their mail ballot and return it in a Ballot Drop Box, at a VSPC or by mail. However, VSPCs follow several protocols to ensure voters can safely cast a ballot including sanitizing voting equipment between uses, social distancing, and making hand sanitizer and facial coverings readily available.



DATES & DEADLINES

- **September 19:** UOCAVA (Uniformed and Overseas) Ballots sent
- **October 9:** Ballots mailed to all registered voters
- **October 9:** 24-hr Ballot Drop Boxes open
- **October 19:** Phase 1 VSPCs & Curbside Ballot Pickup open
- **October 26:** Last day to register or update registration info and have ballot mailed to your home
- **October 30:** Phase 2 VSPCs open
- **October 31:** In person voting and ballot drop off available at ALL VSPCs from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- **November 3:** Election Day! All ballots must be received no later than 7 p.m. In person voters must be in line to vote by 7 p.m.



303-795-4511
Elections@arapahoegov.com

Be safe. Be confident. Be heard.
ArapahoeVotes.com

ARAPAHOE
VOTES

THANK YOU FOR THE MEMORIES!

We have all passed the house on East Bellevue Avenue with the gargoyles, lovingly referred to as the “gargoyle” house. After 18 years of dressing the statues in festive outfits every month, former owner Yanita Rowan, has moved out of the City. But, for now, the gargoyles remain on their perch.



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COME SEE WHAT ALL THE BUZZ IS ABOUT!

On our website -

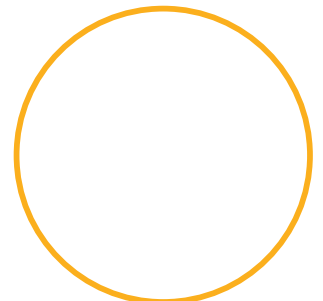
www.cherryhilllandpreserve.org you can find out more about how to get involved, future Bee Project Events and initiatives, full details about our DU Bee Baseline Study, information on our incredible partner organizations, community educational resources on all things Bees.

Who We Are

CHLP was founded in 2005 as a 501(c)(3) non-profit by a group of Village locals who recognized the extraordinary gifts of our community's natural open lands and united in a desire to protect and preserve them.

We're passionate about where we live and how the natural splendor of both public and private lands in CHV connects its residents in a way that transcends geography. We believe in room to roam, and that CHV thrives when conservation and community meet.

Welcome to the **CHLP 2021 Bee Project**—Let's show the world what our village can do!



DON'T FORGET!

RECREATION REIMBURSEMENT REMINDER

Remember to submit your recreation reimbursement receipts for 2020. The City processes recreation reimbursement requests every two weeks. The deadline for submitting your 2020 recreation receipts is January 15th of every year. There will be no exceptions to the January 15th deadline so residents are strongly encouraged to submit all receipts early. If you belong to Greenwood Athletic Club and pay monthly dues, you are eligible for your \$500 reimbursement after 10 months; you do not need to wait until the end of the year to request your reimbursement.

Residents can drop off their reimbursement submittals Monday-Friday 8:00 am - 4:30 pm at City Hall or mail them to 2450 East Quincy Avenue Cherry Hills Village, 80113 (please make sure to apply enough postage, submittals that arrive with postage due will not be accepted). Recreation reimbursement forms and receipts can be faxed to Pamela Broyles at (303) 761-9386 or emailed to pbroyles@cherryhillsvillage.com. Please visit www.cherryhillsvillage.com for further information about the program or contact Pamela at (303) 783-2744 with any questions.

MAYOR'S REPORT

As reported elsewhere in this issue there are no contested offices or ballot questions this year in our Village. But it is still appropriate to reflect on accomplishments of the last two years. Some highlights include:



experienced several severe accidents.

Bellevue Medians Improvements.

Greenwood Village budgeted and appropriated about \$2 million to pay for improvements to ten Bellevue

Avenue medians adjacent to

Cherry Hills Village. Our Village will contribute up to \$60,000 annually for the next five years to defray irrigation and maintenance costs for the new low-water plants.

John Meade Park. The Village completed a \$3.4 million reconstruction of John Meade Park. Arapahoe County, through the Open Space and Trails Advisory Board grant program, contributed \$500,000. The old fire station was demolished, the ponds dredged, and shelters and walks constructed. John Meade Park now takes its place alongside the City Hall and the Joint Public Safety Facility completing the construction of the Village Center Campus envisioned in 2007 by the Village's Citizen's City Center Committee (CCCC).

High Line Canal Underpass. The Village, the City and County of Denver, Arapahoe County, the Colorado Department of Transportation, and the High Line Canal Conservancy partnered to complete this \$7 million project for underpasses at Hampden and Colorado Boulevard creating a safe route to walk, run, and cycle the High Line Canal trail north from our Village. The Village received grant assistance from Arapahoe County to extend the High Line Canal trail from its existing location north of Hampden to the new underpass.

Quincy Avenue Utility Lines. Council commenced the undergrounding of utility lines along Quincy Avenue, from Happy Canyon Road to Holly Street. This project implements the recommendation of the 2015 Citizens Utility Line Undergrounding Committee, which prioritized Quincy Avenue for this work. Contracts have been signed

and the project will be completed in 2021. Money from the improvements comes from a monthly fee paid by Xcel customers.

Sanitary Sewer Consolidation. The Village Master Plan identifies as a priority the consolidation and eventual transfer of City-owned sewer districts. In 2014 the Village imposed a fee increase for residents in City-owned districts and developed a plan to repair and rehabilitate Village-owned sewer systems. The first phase of the repair work will start in Districts 1 and 2 in 2020 and 2021. Residents who will be affected will receive more information as construction plans and timelines are completed.

Development Code Modernization. Council approved a reorganization of Chapters 16, 17, 19 and 20 of the Village Municipal Code. These Chapters regulate improvements to real property, including signs, lighting, fences, walls, wireless communication, setbacks, parking, height restrictions and floor area ratios. These sections of the Code are now organized in an intuitive, consistent, and logical order; use consistent vocabulary and definitions, and streamlined application and review procedures. These Code chapters are key to preserving and enhancing the semi-rural character of the Village.

Renaming Swastika Acres. When incorporated in 1945 Cherry Hills Village acquired a subdivision that had been named "Swastika Acres" in 1908. At that time the symbol was one of prosperity and good luck, used by indigenous North American tribes and the Hindu and Buddhist religions. Later co-opted by the German Nazi Party after World War I, the swastika became a symbol of anti-Semitism. The name "Swastika Acres" has now been expunged from County real estate records.

Mayor Mondays. I continue to hold regular Mayor Monday office hours from 9 to 11 a.m., and we can use the outdoor patio weather permitting. If you would prefer to email or call you can reach me at rstewart@cherryhillsvillage.com or 303-607-3688.

Russell

City Council Live Meetings Live Stream and Video Recordings. On December 11, 2019, fortuitously in time to comply with state COVID-19 Stay-at-Home and Safer-at-Home Public Health Orders, the Village began live-streaming and video recording Council meetings. Last month live-streaming and recording was extended to include Council study sessions. Past meetings and study sessions can be viewed on the Village website by clicking the Agendas, Videos & Minutes button on the home page.

Public Safety. Forty-five percent of our General Fund is dedicated to public safety. The year-end public-safety statistics for 2019 were good news for the Village. The number of crimes decreased 39%, while the number of arrests fell 10%. The number of traffic accidents fell 15%, although the number of traffic tickets remained stable. Notable arrests included the apprehension of five suspects connected with a random home invasion and injury to Officer Cory Sack. The Village increased public safety transparency with the LexisNexis Community Crime Map posted on the Village Website. Police Chief Michelle Tovrea has assembled an outstanding department committed to assuring that the Village remains one of Colorado's safest suburban communities.

Glenmoor/Bellevue Traffic Signal.

Our Village, Greenwood Village, Glenmoor County Club, and Glenmoor Homeowner's Association partnered to install a new \$500,000 traffic signal at the intersection of Glenmoor Drive/ Steele Street and Bellevue Avenue. Our Village funded 25% of the cost, Greenwood Village 50% and Glenmoor Country Club and Glenmoor HOA 25%. The new signal will improve safety and accessibility at an intersection that has

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 40 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) 783-2730 or email jsager@cherryhillsvillage.com.

Categories

Contract Work/Handyman
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Education/Repair**
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WANTED

ADVERTISE in the next Crier Classifieds

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

Deadline: October 15

Contract Work/Handyman

A+ RATED BBB ROOFER - High Impact Roofing & Exteriors, 720-515-4672 or info@highimpactco.com. Free estimates on asphalt, shake or more. highimpactco.com

BLUE SKY PLUMBING, HEATING, COOLING & ELECTRICAL - 4th generation, family owned and operated, licensed and insured. Furnace and boiler tune-up, swamp cooler winterization, hot tub installation, whole-home air purification. Mention this ad and we will waive your dispatch fee 720-253-1716 <https://blueskyplumbing.com/>

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

RODGER THE WINDOW WASHER

You won't find anyone better. Someone your friends and neighbors trust. Policy information for liability, medical, disability and auto insurance supplied with all bids. Call Rodger with any questions or just to say "hello" 303-474-4494 or email rodgerbogggs@outlook.com

RW DESIGN AND BUILD - where your home remodeling dreams are our business! We are woman and veteran owned with an A+ BBB rating and 30 years home remodeling expertise. Contact Myra at 720-979-4410 to reserve a complimentary consultation for your remodeling project rwdesignandbuild.com

SILVER SERVICE WINDOWS - Residential window washer in business for twenty-one years. Owner operated, insured and references available. Free in person estimate. I return calls in 10 minutes or less. 10% discount for new customers. Rick Otto at 303-613-0727.

Education

FIRST PLYMOUTH LEARNING CENTER has openings for the 2020-2021 school year. We accept children 15 months-5 years old. We have added many new options. We are located on the corner of Hampden and Colorado. Call 303-762-9355 for information or visit fplc.org

MATH TUTORING - For over thirty years and a decade online, my private students have earned the Highest Grades at School 7-12 and Top SAT & ACT scores. Please visit www.perdocere.com to learn more and read hundreds of parent and student testimonials with prominent named verifications. Dr. George Ph.D., 833-MATH-833.

Gardening/Landscaping

ABSOLUTELY BEAUTIFUL, LOW COST PERENNIAL FLOWER GARDENS. Our natural landscaping combines wildflowers with other beautiful xeriscape plants that grow all over Colorado. So many beautiful flowers are a magnet for hummingbirds, butterflies and people. Jerry's Wildflowers 720-275-5599 or jerrywildlowers.com

BALES CUSTOM GARDENING SERVICES - Proudly tending CHV gardens since 2004. Now scheduling fall & 2021 services; bed/leaf clean ups, perennial/shrub

& spring flowering bulbs planting. Local references, insured, member BBB. Free consultations, Amy & Clint Bales 303-507-2586 or BalesCustomGardening.com

FAIRBAIRN TREE & LANDSCAPE SPECIALISTS - Designing, building & maintaining landscapes in CHV since 1993. Call for a free consultation 303-722-5043.

MAPLE LEAF LANDSCAPING, INC. - Full Service Landscape Company: lawn care, garden maintenance, irrigation installation & repair. Hardscape & Design Construction Projects. Free estimates, call Darwin Wasend at 720-290-8292. Serving CHV since 1999. ALCC & BBB MEMBER.

Health and Wellness

CLUB GREENWOOD - Save up to \$500 per year when you join. Greenwood is one of the entities eligible to participate in the Cherry Hills Village Recreation Reimbursement Program. Call the Membership Department for more information 720-838-2527.

KERSHNER PHYSICAL THERAPY will help you overcome aches and pains so you can return to the activities you love! We now come to your home for your convenience and safety. Call today for a free consultation. (720) 588-3690 stu@kershnerpt.com

Music/Instrument Education/Repair

PIANO TUNING AND REPAIR. CHV resident with many years of piano tuning experience. Tuning performed with the ears of a musician. Repairs performed with the hands of a surgeon. Registered Piano Technician—Piano Technicians Guild. Call Art Heller 303-947-8834.

Painting

PREMIER PAINT WORKS SINCE 1993 - Denver's Residential Paint Specialists. Interior/exterior neat, conscientious craftsmanship by polite, respectful, honest & fully insured crew, impeccable references. Call or text John at 720-849-3921.

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Pet Services/Accessories

DOG GROOMING - MOBILE - I COME TO YOU - THE POOCH MOBILE DOG WASH - All breeds, large or small, welcomed and loved. Pooch Mobile is fantastic, low stress for both you and your dog(s). You'll love it! Please call Robert anytime at 720-480-1560.

Professional Services

ANIMALS LIKE ME AND SO WILL YOU - Do you need an extra pair of hands? I can help with errands, light cooking, pet walking, pet sitting or housesitting. Insured, bonded and first aid certified. CHV references available. Call Lana 303-898-0479 or lkspear@comcast.net.

I'VE REACHED THAT POINT... where I can no longer manage two households. Caring for kids, aging parents or loved ones is too much for one person to handle, then it is time to call Homewatch CareGivers for solutions, 720-344-4700. homewatchcaregivers.com/southwest-denver

SENIOR PLACEMENT - We help families through the entire process to find the most suitable senior living community. Independent Living, Assisted Living, or Memory Care. Our services are free to families. Please contact Betsy Huguez. 303-886-6749. Betsy@hoyerseniorplacement.com

THE ANTIQUE TRADER - since 1965. Residents of Southmoor Vista since 1983. Low cost appraisals, fair market value, insurance appraisals, updates, estate appraisals & estate sales conducted. Personal property valuations. Purchasing: silver, jewelry, art, objects of virtue. jack.wartell@gmail.com 303-722-6098 & 303-919-5673 antiquetraderappraisals.com

Wildlife Service/Removal

ANIMAL DAMAGE CONTROL for wildlife problems of all sizes. Licensed and insured. We have been servicing Cherry Hills Village for over 28 years. Professional, ethical and humane, we don't use gasses, poisons or pesticides. 303-884-9100, wildlifedamage.com or adcwildlifespecialist@gmail.com

New Time Limits for Commercial LANDSCAPE OPERATORS

7 a.m. – 6 p.m.

8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

In response to concerns that were raised by residents of Cherry Hills Village related to routine lawn mowing and maintenance, City Council approved an ordinance amending the City's Municipal Code at their meeting on September 15th. The new ordinance amends section 7-1-40 and permits commercial landscape operators (not private homeowners) to operate **Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.** and from **Saturday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.** Commercial landscape operators are not permitted to operate any time on Sunday. The new ordinance was effective October 5, 2020 and can be viewed in its entirety on the City's website at www.cherryhillsvillage.com.

I-25 & Bellevue Avenue

INTERCHANGE VIRTUAL MEETING

The I-25 & Bellevue Avenue Interchange Improvement Study has completed a thorough technical analysis on a range of alternatives to improve the interchange. Please join the project team and city staff for a virtual meeting on **Wednesday, October 14 at 5:30 p.m.** to learn about the final two build alternatives and how they might impact Cherry Hills Village. Participants will be able to provide input and ask questions. The link to the virtual meeting is: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87635492733>.



COMMUNITY SHRED DAY

The City of Cherry Hills Village will be holding a Community Shred Day on **Saturday, October 24th from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.** in the parking lot at City Hall (2450 East Quincy Avenue). This program is for residents only and City staff will be checking IDs. Please be prepared to show your driver's license with a Cherry Hills Village address. If you have any questions regarding this event, please visit the City's website at cherryhillsvillage.com or call (303) 783-2744.

Fall ushers in seasonal changes where gardens go to bed and seeds settle down for the winter.

To celebrate the season, The Cherry Hills Land Preserve is hosting our first annual Fall Festival and the official launch of our 2021 Bee Project on October 11th from 3pm-5pm at Quincy Farm.

This year, we will be honoring the hidden helpers of our community, the bees.

Join us for a community seed swap, a family-friendly scavenger hunt, a behind the scenes look at honeybee hives and get insights into these vital members of our community by a panel of experts who will share all things bees.

For more information and to sign up for this outdoor and socially distanced event, please go to cherryhillslandpreserve.org

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WINTER WATERING:

SAVE OUR PLANTS

By Carol Gilmore, Colorado Master Gardener

Colorado has had some crazy weather over the last year and the plants in our landscapes have suffered. First, there was the 50 degree temperature drop last October followed by an extremely dry winter. Then there was another large temperature drop in April which killed a lot of buds just coming out on the trees and some new leaf growth. That further stressed the trees and other plants. This summer has been close to record hot temperatures with a record number of 90 degree days and a severe drought in most of the state. The large temperature drop in the second week of September did further damage to plants.

Many trees in our landscapes are suffering from these stressors and could use some extra tender treatment to nurse them through these drought stricken times.

Winter watering should be done every winter, but especially with the severe weather we have been experiencing over the last year. During fall and winter, after your sprinkler systems have been shut down, you should water your landscape during extended dry periods, when the temperature is above 40 degrees F and there is no snow

cover. Water plants early in the day to allow it to soak in and check to make sure that it doesn't run off. Water should reach a depth of twelve inches. Trees and shrubs should be mulched to preserve moisture and prevent drying out.

Winter watering should be done with a sprinkler, a soaker hose or a deep-root needle or fork. A needle should be inserted to a depth of approximately eight inches. It should be placed near the drip line in one foot increments with a timing of one minute at each site using a grid pattern inside and outside of that drip line. Whatever method of watering you use, water should soak into the soil to a depth of approximately 12

inches for trees. Watering should be done halfway to the trunk from the edge of the branches and then two to three times that distance out from the edge of the branches.

Watering recommendations suggest watering at least three times during September and one to two times a month from October to March, depending on how much precipitation is received. Younger trees and evergreens require more water. On average, trees need 10 gallons of water per diameter inch of trunk per month in the winter.

Newly planted trees, shrubs, perennials and grasses need the extra water over winter to help them become established and grow the root systems they need to survive. Newly planted lawns also require extra winter watering, as do perennials. Mulch will help the soil retain moisture. Mulch should be applied to a depth of approximately three to four inches. Mulch around trees should extend two to four feet out from the trunk or to the drip line. Mulch should be kept away from the trunk of the tree.

For more information, please see the following science based references:

<https://extension.colostate.edu/topics/areas/yard-garden/fall-and-winter-watering-7-211/>

<https://planttalk.colostate.edu/topics/trees-shrubs-vines/1706-fall-winter-watering/>

<https://planttalk.colostate.edu/topics/trees-shrubs-vines/1751-fall-winter-watering-drought/>

Flu Shot Clinic

Front Range Flu Shots will be holding a flu shot clinic on Saturday, October 24th from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The flu shot clinic will be at City Hall (located at 2450 East Quincy Avenue). This is a walk-in clinic so there is no need to make an appointment. All participants must wear a mask while they are inside City Hall and may be asked to wait in their vehicle to comply with social distancing requirements. Front Range Flu Shots accepts the following

insurance plans:

- Aetna
- Cigna (Cigna Connect is NOT accepted)
- CNIC
- Cofinity
- Humana (HMOx is NOT accepted)
- Medicate Part B
(when it is the primary insurance plan)
- Medicare Advantage PPO
- Rocky Mountain Health Plans

For any questions regarding the flu shots, you can contact Front Range Flu Shots at (303) 797-3396.

NEW EMPLOYEE

Paul Workman

Prior to joining Cherry Hills Village, Paul worked for the Town of Parker as their Senior Planner in charge of development review since April of 2017. At the Town of Parker, Paul managed the development review processes and staff. In this role Paul was also the project manager for one of the largest residential developments in the



Town of Parker, which is entitled for roughly 3,600 new residential units. Some other projects that Paul worked on include an expansion of the Parker Adventist Hospital, an expansion of the Parker Water and Sanitation District waste water treatment plant, and an assortment of commercial developments. Before working for the Town of Parker, Paul worked for the City of Commerce City as a Planner III beginning in 2008. While with Commerce City, Paul worked on a variety of land use applications that included everything from rezoning the Suncor Oil Refinery to custom home entitlement, was a project manager for the City's first Historic Preservation Plan, and also worked with RTD on the City's only Commuter Rail Station. Paul has a Bachelor's Degree in Political Science from Metropolitan State University and a Master's Degree in Urban and Regional Planning from the University of Colorado at Denver. When not at work, Paul enjoys spending time with his wife and young children anywhere that isn't inside.

UNDERGROUNDING UTILITIES

City Council has approved an undergrounding project for the utility lines on the north side of Quincy Avenue between Holly Street and Happy Canyon Road. This project is being funded through the City's 1% fund with Xcel Energy (a fund maintained by Xcel based on 1% of the total energy bills paid by all Cherry Hills Village residents). These funds can only be utilized for the poles and lines within City owned rights-of-way and not for lines serving private residences. The undergrounding will also include other utilities that utilize these poles such as Comcast and CenturyLink. Once the main utility lines have been buried there may be smaller poles that are not removed as several residents receive power, phone and cable to the residence using above ground lines. Those residents have the choice of paying to underground their service lines or may elect to keep above ground services.

There will be minimal disruptions to traffic as a majority of the work will take place outside of the paved portion of Quincy Avenue. If you have any questions or concerns about the project, please contact the Public Works Department for further information at (303) 783-2744. The project is expected to take up to 4 months to complete as the utility providers will need to coordinate their work with Xcel since they cannot work in the project area at the same time.



CHERRY HILLS VILLAGE ART COMMISSION ■

COLORADO THROUGH THE LENS

A Photographic Exhibit
Opening November 6

The Cherry Hills Art Commission is pleased to announce the opening of the photographic exhibition "Colorado Through The Lens."

Opening Reception
Friday, November 6, 2020
4:30pm - 6:30pm

Timed Reservations required due to space restrictions and must be made by Monday, November 2nd. Awards will be presented that evening.

The exhibition features 6 photographers from Cherry Hills: Alan Lipkin, Erica Erhardt, Julie Bennett, Mark Boulding, Max Castillo and Midge Roosevelt. From the entries, there were 16 pieces selected by the judge, Samuel J Queen, award winning documentary film maker and photographer. These pieces will be on display in City Hall starting Friday, November 6, 2020.

Residents can also view the show on the city website and vote for the "People's Choice Award." Voting is open now and will last until **Monday,**

November 2nd at 4:30 pm. Other awards will be "Best in Show," "Honorable Mention" and the "Village Award" with the awards being presented at the reception on November 6th. Most pieces will be for sale and would make great Christmas gifts!

The exhibition runs from November 6th to April 30, 2021 at the Cherry Hills Village City Hall. Visit cherryhillsvillage.com/photographyexhibit to vote for the People's choice Award and to make reservations for the Reception on Friday, November 6, 2020.

GROWING UP IN CHERRY HILLS VILLAGE

By Klasina Vander Werf

In the August issue of the Village Crier, Nancy Davison Wyman related a few memories of growing up in Cherry Hills Village. She asked other second generation Villagers—people who grew up in the Village who have returned to raise their own children—to submit their own childhood memories and stories. So, we thought this was a good time to run a story that first appeared in the November/December 2006 issue of the Crier. CHV is 75 years old this year. Many of the following stories are from the years before incorporation. Many of the people featured in the following story are no longer alive—but, lucky for us, their memories live on.

Imagine this: your parents have just moved out of metro Denver to the far ends of the earth—miles away from civilization, miles from your old friends and your former school. Sure, your parents promised you a horse, but they forgot to mention all the responsibility that goes along with this. They also forgot to mention that there was going to be a

small herd of sheep as well—and you are expected to help take care of them. But you learn to put up with all the other stuff, maybe a little begrudgingly, because there is all this great space to play in and this is so much fun.

There are plenty of Villagers around who remember their growing up years in CHV (which speaks volumes for how much they love the area: they've returned to raise their own children here). When they talk about their childhood memories, it isn't unusual for a mischievous smile to come to a few faces. There were responsibilities, sure, but there were also plenty of rough and tumble good times.

The list of what kids gained by growing up around here would have to include learning the responsibilities that go along with caring for animals, drawing on one's own imagination, and the joy that comes from interacting with the natural surroundings. But the stories themselves say this so much better.

Callae Buell Gilman is the Villager who probably has the earliest childhood memories. She was the oldest of Marjorie and Temple Buell's four children. The Buells bought their home from the Alexis Caldwell Foster family who had built the home on the 168 acres they owned at the

corner of the intersection of the dirt roads of Hampden and University in 1918. Interestingly, the Foster family moved from their Denver home to what had been their summer retreat, to avoid a flu pandemic that had overtaken Denver.

In 1982, Cynthia Wolf, the last surviving member of the Foster family, wrote a letter to the Crier and also shared some of her memories of life in what has often been described as the area's first mansion. She, her sister and friends played hide seek in the tunnel that went between the main house and the garage, rode the dumb waiter between floors, and had races sliding down the two stairway banisters.

In 1936, when the Buell children moved in, they took over where the Foster kids had left off. Callae remembers riding horses "all over". The stable on Clarkson that was part of the Cherry Hills Country Club (today the Cherry Hills Country Club) was where the Buells kept their horses. The bridle path around the Club served well enough for a short ride, but if they wanted something longer, the children headed for the road along the High Line Canal or "the Ditch" as it was known in those days.

There were not a lot of children in the area then, so frequently school friends from town would be invited to the Buell home for the weekend. There were often eight children at the dinner table on weekends. "My mother was wonderful," Callae remembers, "we had open house all the time."

The Buell children also grew up with numerous animals. There were usually as many as six dogs of varying breeds around at any one time. The pet that perhaps still has the greatest notoriety was the young deer the Buell children kept. They came by the animal because its mother was killed at the Camp Hale shooting range. Temple Buell had drawn up the ground plans for Camp Hale and was handy when a home was sought for the motherless fawn. Callae remembers how her mother would put a rope and collar on the young deer and lead him around. He was usually kept within the confines of the family's tennis court, though there are many stories to this day, describing the animal's adventures inside the Buell home. "Well," Callie offers with a straight face in response to these tales, "he may have been in the house a couple of times, but stories that he lived indoors are greatly exaggerated!"

Virginia Shafroth Newton, daughter of Abby Stanton and Morrison Shafroth—one of three families who purchased acreage

at the corner of Belleview and University in 1927, has similar memories. The property came complete with a Shetland pony and a dog. The Shafroth family lived in the farmhouse during the spring and fall months. One memory Ginny is particularly fond of involves riding her horse to Graland, where she and her sister Ellen attended school. They got to ride to school on the one day during the week the Hottentot Riding Club met after school. In those days, according to Ginny, Graland students' education often involved spirited historical re-enactments. Because they already had the major props, their horses, Ellen and Ginny got to re-enact jousting during medieval times. Ginny recalls that they drew straws to see who would lose the jousting match. "Poor Ellen drew the short straw and had to fall off her horse," Ginny recalls.

Joanne Little O'Kane, the oldest of the four Little children was 11 when her family moved to their home at the edge of civilization in 1941. Their father, Joe Little, would become Cherry Hills Village's first mayor in 1945. While the Littles didn't have horses, "We had everything else, including pigs, sheep, goats, chickens, turkeys, and steers," Joanne said.

Some of the Little's steers came to them by way of the Denver Stock Show. Joanne, her brother David, and her sister Elizabeth Starbuck remember one in particular they had named Patton—yes, after the general. Today, they point out, because of newer regulations, stock show steers can only be roped once. This wasn't always true. In former times, they were roped repeatedly. This only served to give the wilier steers practice in figuring out how to get their head out of the rope's noose. Patton, apparently, was one of the most accomplished at this sleight of head. On one particular occasion, Patton managed to finagle his way out and through fences on prom night. Joanne recalls chasing after him in her light blue organdy prom dress, pulling herself up over fences and running through cornfields to find the ornery steer. "I finally found him in Englewood. He'd gotten all the way to Logan and Quincy." Despite, or perhaps because of, the bull chasing, Joanne characterizes her growing up years as "wonderful."

Ron Loser, son of Earl and Edith Loser, found no dearth of playmates when his family moved to South University in 1940. On that side of town, the Cherry Hills Club (now the Cherry Hills Country

Club) was the favorite playground in winter. "The young boys would build a ski jump on Hole #1 and play ice hockey on the lake on Hole #18 when it froze over. Everything was pretty informal then," he points out.

Ron and his buddies also found their way over to the Frank Kistler property in the summer. The Kistler's owned what is now the Village Club and the acreage that now is Carriage Lane and which served as a vacation retreat for the Kistler family. It was the swimming pool that the Kistlers put in that made it the favorite spot for some of the area children.

The Cherry Hills School also ranks high on the list for providing memories to those kids in the area during the years before incorporation. In addition to sports, the activity that attracted numerous students was band. It was a teacher, Mr. Trustman, "who wanted desperately to have a wonderful band," who encouraged students to take part. Ron played the clarinet. Early yearbook photos show rows of children proudly holding their instruments.

Cherry Hills School teachers also had to put up with the shenanigans of students raised in the great outdoors. Mrs. Rahiser, a teacher who hailed from Texas with a temper to match her fiery red hair, was up to the challenge. Bob Warren remembers how she picked up the snake they had planted in her top desk drawer with the words, "'Oh, what a beautiful bull snake. Here, Bob, you can take it outside.' It kind of took the fun out of the prank," he admits.

Bob Warren now lives on the eastern side of the Village, but he grew up on South Lafayette Street. His grandparents were Margaret Dake and Louis Bansbach, both of whom had been purchasing parcels of land in this area as early as the 1890's. Bob's grandfather Louis, had teamed up with a man named C.S. Baker and the two not only farmed their own lands, but those of many other property owners in the area. Of course, the grandchildren got involved in the harvesting. Bob's grandfather would place him in the combine which was pulled behind a tractor. "I'd sit there in the combine with that wheat pouring in on top of me—up to my neck. Then, I'd wiggle out, eat some of it and throw a bunch around."

Of course, some of the games engaged in during those early years are ones the adults were not privy to. Bob Warren and his buddies foreshadowed a cross between the Civil War re-enactment and paint ball crazes of today. During a few summers in the early 1950's, he and his buddies would gather for their own version of the duel. The Yankees would head for Roger Knight,

Jr.'s house on Quincy and the Confederates would go to Pat Burnham's on Summit. The Yankees would wear their Cub Scout uniforms, blue shirts with kerchiefs. "The Rebels were always rag-tag," according to Warren. The boys would also carry their bb-guns and actually take aim at each other. "Oh, no. Of course the adults didn't know about it," says Warren. "We'd send out patrols along Little Dry Creek to scout out where the other team was. It was great fun."

Jeff Welborn, former mayor and current resident, grew up on Lynn Road. The Welborn kids raised cows, chickens and horses and were very involved in 4-H. The 4-H club they belonged to was called the "Cherry Hills Busy Bees." As Jeff's mother, "Salty" Welborn, describes it, animals were a large part of her children's growing up years. "They loved animals—it's a part of their souls."

There may have been one animal Jeff would just as soon forget. This was the feisty rooster, Floyd, who jealously guarded the hen house. Jeff and his brothers gathered the eggs by having two of them distract Floyd at the gate to the hen yard while one of them climbed into the hen house through the back window and collected the eggs, trying hard not to break them on the way out.

No story about growing up in CHV would be complete without some mention of the fun that took place in and around the Ditch. Water coursed along the Canal banks during the warm months in those years, and children and adults found all means of transportation to float along on that water. Jeff and his friend "Bud" Davis built a wooden raft that they floated from upstream to Bud's house on Quincy and the High Line.

Bea Taplin, a Village resident who moved here in 1958 and whose children are grown and gone, thinks raising kids in the Village was one of the best parts about their decision to move here. "It was idyllic," she says. "Every child should have a childhood like that."



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John Meade Park UPDATE

John Meade Park will be open this month! Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, City Council and the Parks, Trails and Recreation Commission (PTRC) held a short ribbon cutting ceremony to commemorate the park opening. Please check the City's website (www.cherryhillsvillage.com/jmp) and social media

pages for a specific opening date. The park contains a new picnic shelter with restrooms and a play area with a saucer swing and hammock, a tree climber, and an observation tower. There are now fishing piers at both ponds, a boardwalk through the wetlands, and 125 new trees that will grow up to provide plenty of shade. On the Alan Hutto Memorial Commons side, there is a concrete performance area, pathways, and terraced grass amphitheater. Now that construction is wrapping up, some finishing touches like interpretive signage are in the works. We are so excited to welcome you back to see all the new improvements!



Left to Right: Councilors Afshin Safavi and Randy Weil, Mayor Russell Stewart, Mayor Pro Tem Katy Brown, Councilors Dan Sheldon and Al Blum, PTRC member Aron Grodinsky, PTRC Vice Chair Fred Wolfe, PTRC member Chelsea Scott, PTRC Chair Stephanie Dahl and PTRC member Tory Leviton



Left to Right: Councilors Afshin Safavi and Randy Weil, Mayor Russell Stewart, Mayor Pro Tem Katy Brown and Councilors Al Blum and Dan Sheldon.

Donald Douglas MacKenzie passed away after suffering a heart attack in July.

He is survived by his loving wife of 26 years, Suzanne Grant MacKenzie and three devoted daughters, Phoebe Fischer MacKenzie, Sarah Grant MacKenzie and Margot Pease MacKenzie. Don is also survived by his siblings Phoebe MacKenzie Smith (Steve), James Connor MacKenzie (Audrey) and Scott A. MacKenzie and nine nieces and nephews. His family expresses their sincere gratitude for the outpouring of support they have received and asks that you remember Don by doing something special for someone that needs help, but has not asked for it, as this is the way he did things.