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Upcoming Meetings:
 Open Space: Feb. 2, 6 pm, 700 Jeffco Parkway, Suite 100
 Board of County Commissioners Every Tuesday at 8:00 am
 Foothills: Feb. 28, 6 pm, The Peak.
 Board of Adjustment: 1st & 3rd Wednesday at 9 am, Hearing Room One, 100 Jefferson County Parkway
 DRCOG: Feb. 15, 4 pm, 1290 Broadway, first floor conference rm
 Planning Commission: 1st, 2nd, 4th, and 5th Wed. 6:15 pm, Hearing Room One, 100 Jefferson County Parkway

Calendar for upcoming meetings: **Feb 1 Mary Ann Bonnell**
Jeffco Open Space—raptors Mar 1 Apr 5 May 3 June 7

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No January Meeting—No minutes

COHOPE Treasury Activity: January 2017	W R Moore, Treasurer	
Beginning Balance December 7, 2016		\$ 1737.62
Deposits		\$ 0.00
Withdrawals		\$ 73.64
Jan Newsletter 5.64		
PO Box \$68		
Ending Balance February 1, 2017		\$ 1663.98

Recognize These Suspects? Jeff Shrader—A year ago we launched a campaign to tackle JeffCo crime by posting surveillance images to social media alongside the title, "Do you recognize this person?" Below is a recap of some of the suspects whom we are still seeking from 2016. Click the image for larger photos and additional details, and the ability to share on social media.

If you have any information we ask that you call the Sheriff's Office tip line at 303-271-5612. And don't forget to connect with the JCSO on social media for 2017 postings!

Unknown suspect(s) entered a truck that was parked in the garage of a residence and stole several credit cards. The spending spree was captured on surveillance cameras at Colorado Mills Mall.

A man and woman were captured on surveillance video using fraudulent checks at King Soopers. The checks were stolen from a home in Golden during a daytime burglary.

A victim reported that an unknown person requested additional credit cards and routed one for pickup at a FedEx location and promptly used the stolen card.

This man used stolen credit cards to buy more than \$1,000 worth of food and rice cookers. The credit cards were stolen from a truck parked at the Waterton Canyon Trailhead.

These individuals were seen using a stolen credit card to buy several items at Walmart. The card was taken the night before from an unlocked vehicle.

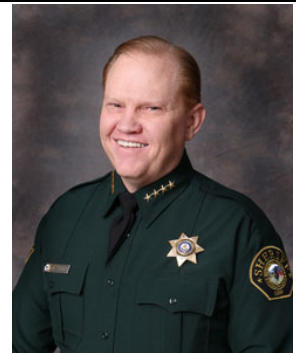
He is suspected of committing a residential burglary in the 11900 block of W. Belmont Drive. He was also seen trespassing in the 11400 block of Progress Place. And may also be responsible for another residential burglary in a nearby location.

In the early morning hours this suspect used a stolen credit card at the King Soopers in Wheat Ridge. The credit card, a bike, and other items were stolen sometime the night before in the 5800 block of Antero Court.

This suspect seen in these surveillance images used a stolen credit card to purchase-of all things-a home security system. The purchase occurred at the Best Buy at 5395 S. Wadsworth Boulevard.

A woman driving a silver Nissan was seen pulling into this driveway in the 9600 block of W. Prentice Avenue and stealing a package off of the front porch.

This man was captured on video stealing not one, not two, but three packages off of a family's front porch near the



THE BACKYARD

Columbine Hills News

President's Corner — Another year is in the books. I don't think I can remember one that has had more drama than 2016. Oh, may this one be calmer. I'm not holding my breath though. I'm sure those of you that have more years under your belt will testify that 2016 was nothing. My 65 years have gone by in a blink – I'm shocked by the old guy that stares at me from the mirror. It has been a fantastic ride hasn't it?

I must apologize about the "Hay Ride" last month. I thought all the arrangements had been made to have horses and a wagon there – but apparently there was a communication problem. We still had a good time visiting around the fire pit and eating the goodies offered. Thanks to Santa Bruce who came to brighten the evening for the little ones.

As we head into our winter months PLEASE drive sanely. I can't help but notice there are a number of people who think their pick-ups make them kings of the road. Someone came inches the other day from driving through my yard. Speaking of driving through yards – my goal this winter is to catch the nit-wit who drives across the baseball fields at the Columbine Hills Park. I tell you what I'll do, give me video evidence of the culprit and I'll pay your dues for next year. If all you can get is a description and a plate number I'd be thrilled.

Keep those walks shoveled, thank your neighbor who helps you with yours. As always... Be the kind of neighbor you wish you had.— *Randy Montgomery, CHCA president, rmontgomery@frcs.org*

Columbine Knolls Voice

What is Behind Your Fence? If you don't back to a neighbor's yard, the property behind your fence may seem like a "vacant lot," but that is probably not the case. An area of tall grass behind your fence belongs to someone – you can find out on the web by going to the county GIS maps – either ASPIN for Jefferson County, or ArapaMap for Arapahoe County. The property might be owned by a school district, a drainage district, the county or state, a park and recreation district, or many other entities. If you are concerned about "weeds" or mowing, you should call that entity to discuss the plan and management of that property. Some may have truly dropped out of their attention, but in most cases these areas are managed as natural open space. The intent is often to have a healthy stand of native grasses and forbes (broadleaved plants) that have low water demand, provide habitat for wildlife, look pleasant (not manicured) and resist weed invasions.

In no circumstance should you hop the fence to trim or mow, spray chemical, dump yard waste or lawn clippings, or dispose of pet waste. South Suburban Parks and Recreation is one such agency and we manage hundreds of acres behind homes. In our experience it is easy to see many examples where homeowners have tried to manage these areas and have created worse issues: by mowing with residential mowers, native grasses are scalped and invasive weeds soon take hold. The homeowner then tries to manage the weeds and ends up killing most everything to bare soil. Then it becomes a dumping ground and an eyesore for the entire community. There are also hundreds of homes where homeowners have added a tree, bird feeder, or planting bed just behind their fence. These 'encroachments' on public property can end up costing a homeowner in cleanup or restoration costs, liability, or even fines for code violations. If you have questions or concerns about how the space behind you is being managed, always ask first – you may bring to mind something in need of attention, or you may save yourself time and effort!

—Skot Latona, Manager of South Platte Park "Helping our community find meaning and value in natural open space"
South Suburban Parks and Recreation sspr.org/nature

Columbine West Civic Association Newsletter

From A Moment With The Board The January CWCA meeting will be our Annual Appreciation Night.

We would love to have all of our great neighbors that stepped up and volunteered this year come and join us for fun & fellowship. We have plans for dinner and FREE giveaways. We would love to have any of our neighbors that won contests this year come and join us too. If you are making plans to volunteer in 2017, then come on by and join the fun and festivities.

Due to the early deadline for the January newsletter, Dec 8th, we were unable to report what happened at the December CWCA meeting. The February newsletter will have a recap for both the December & January meetings. Thank you all for continuing to read the newsletter, ask questions, attend meetings and give valuable feedback to the Board & Officers. May all of you enjoy the warmth of the holiday season with family and friends. Travel safely wherever you go. We look forward to seeing old friends and new faces in 2017. If you moved into Columbine West in 2016 try and drop by a community meeting, the 2nd Wednesday of each month located at Dutch Creek Elementary during the school year. Happy New Year everyone.

If you have questions or any suggestion of ideas feel free to email CWCAtalk@gmail.com. We look forward to hearing from the community. Residents are encouraged to attend any monthly meeting.

Columbine Knolls South II REVIEW

From President's Corner Happy New Year to everyone from the Columbine Knolls South II Board of Directors! We hope 2017 will be filled with new possibilities and good fortune. The CKSII Board of Directors and volunteer committees have been busy working on community projects throughout this past year. A few highlights include:

Continued enforcement of the CKSII HOA Covenants through the Association's property manager and attorney; Regular communication to community members through the monthly newsletter, *The Review*, CKSII NextDoor and our website at www.cksii.org; ACC Committee reviewed and approved over 60 requests for improvements within our community; Welcome committee visited over 25 new neighbors with welcome kits; Social Committee planned and implemented the Annual Holiday Hayride attended by over 250 neighbors and their families; Landscape Committee maintained the gardens at the CKSII Monuments at the entry way on Chatfield and Yukon; Advertising, signage and maps were provided for the Annual Community Garage Sale with a coordinated donation drop off in the Coronado parking lot and HOA large item pickup; Growing our CKSII NextDoor online network from approximately 120 homeowners to over 300 by the end of 2016. NextDoor provides the HOA an opportunity to communicate time sensitive information to the community and provides neighbors a way to network and share information to better our community; Managed the CKSII Membership Approved Budget. A big thanks to Bob and Stephanie Haborkorn for chairing the social committee this year and the following volunteers who will be helping to make the Annual Holiday Hayride event a HUGE success: Joseph Alcalá, Jennifer Blake, Dean Fitches, Bob Pellegrini, Robert Sudar and Tom & Donna Tellschow. Additionally, we do not say thank you enough to Debbie Opperman, our Treasurer. Debbie has been serving our community as a volunteer for a number of years and works extremely hard as the Treasurer. Our HOA Treasurer plays a vital role for our community and we are so very thankful for all Debbie does. If you have any questions on covenants or concerns with neighbors who may be in violation of covenants please contact DARCO, our Property Management Company: 303- 925-0150 or Borch101@aol.com or myself at 303-842-2306 or jblake5280@gmail.com. Our property manager works hard to enforce covenant violations seen on the regular drive-throughs of the neighborhood, but if you have covenant concerns you're not sure have been addressed, please let us know. The CKSII Board of Directors is comprised of volunteers who give freely of their time to improve our community. There will be several openings on the Board in January. This could be your opportunity to make a difference right here in your community. Please consider serving on the CKSII Board of Directors or volunteering to participate on the Social, Landscape or Welcome Committees. You may be surprised how many great people you will meet! If you are interested, please feel free to contact me or any other Board member to discuss the opportunity. I look forward to seeing you at the Columbine Knolls South II Annual Meeting—*Jennifer Blake, President CKSII HOA*

The Leawood Reporter

From Leawood Metropolitan Recreation and Park District Minutes December 14, 2016 The meeting was called to order at 6:33 PM at Leawood Elementary School's Teacher's Lounge by President Kyle Sargent. Members present were: Directors Donna Snyder/ Treasurer, Debby Baker/Special Projects, Linda Smith/ Secretary VP, Jennifer Dawe and Dave Padilla, Parks Manager.

Treasurer's Report – The Treasurer's Report was presented by Donna. Invoices for the month include: doggie walk bags, United Site Services, Evergreen Newspaper for public notices for budget, Denver Water, Waste Management, Valles Construction for tree planting, Jefferson County Clerk and Recorder for fee for trailer, Xcel, postage, FICA. Linda moved the Treasurer's Report be received and bills paid, Jennifer seconded and the motion passed. Dave arrived and presented the additional invoices: snow removal, Dave's invoice and reimbursement to petty cash.

Parks Manager Report – Dave installed the bollard at the wooden bridge in Weaver Park. The Lesco unit trailer was used to water in Weaver Park and Raccoon Park due to the lack of moisture. Final fall clean-up was done by Weston, although the tree trimming debris is to be removed. Weston has had their chipper out of service, but expects to be in the park next week. Payment will not be made until all debris is removed. Doggie bag boxes were replenished as needed. Dave performed snow removal in all parks.

Old Business – Set mill levy and approve 2017 budget - Donna moved to resolve our mill levy to remain unchanged at 3.73 mills. Linda seconded and the motion passed unanimously. We received a correction to the assessed value from the county. The amount decreased slightly. Donna moved to adopt the 2017 Leawood Metropolitan Recreation and Park District budget as amended. Jennifer seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

New Business – Possible Goode property re-zone - The Park Board, via Kyle, was contacted by the potential buyer of the Goode property (W Leawood Dr. and S Sheridan Blvd.) about their plans to redevelop the property. The buyer indicated that no sale has been completed as of yet, but that they had begun the process of reviewing and discussing rezoning and other issues with the counties (the property sits in both Arapahoe and Jefferson counties). They would like to have a discussion with and provide information to as many interested parties as possible. The directors discussed that the District has an interest in the potential redevelopment as both the service provider (being the taxing district for the Jefferson County portion of the property) and as an adjacent land owner. In an effort to better understand the potential redevelopment plans and their impacts on the Park District, the board will look to have an initial presentation by the buyer in either January or February at a regularly scheduled meeting or at a special meeting, if appropriate. Kyle noted that the District has held similar presentation meetings in the past, per our authority and statutory responsibility, for other development, construction, or rehabilitation projects proposed within the District boundaries. Those meetings were focused



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Our next meeting will be Wednesday, **February 1, 2017** at the Sheriff's South Service Center (11139 Bradford Rd). The speaker will be Mary Ann Bonnell from Jeffco Open Space.

10000 block of W. Peakview Drive.

Crime Prevention and Safety The Sheriff's Office has several webpages devoted to Crime Prevention and Safety, as well as those specifically related to protecting yourself from, and resources for identity theft.

To see the pictures please visit the Jeffco Sheriff's website

on the impact of the development on the Park District. State statute and county ordinances require a developer to hold several meetings and/or hearings on a variety of issues with interested parties. It is expected that such meetings and hearings will be announced at a later date.

The meeting was adjourned 8:12 PM.— *Linda T. Smith, Vice President and Secretary*

Westbury

HOA Accomplishments in 2016— Thanks to your voluntary HOA membership and the time given by your neighbors on the board, we've accomplished quite a bit in 2016 to enrich our community. The board educated the neighborhood on Jefferson County School Board's proposed changes for neighborhood schools. The first HOA senior scholarship was awarded to a neighborhood senior. Two fun neighbor gatherings happened this summer in the green space, the HOA picnic and the National Night Out ice cream social. Promotion of the Westbury garage sale and two community dumpsters were sponsored. In the fall, your neighbors cleaned up the green space and surrounding neighborhood areas. And

Woodbourne

From Notes From the Board President Here we are into 2017. I hope you have all had a wonderful holiday season, and we on the Woodbourne HOA Board wish you all a happy and prosperous New Year. Due to the holidays, the January newsletter goes to print prior to the December Board meeting. Therefore, there is no new business to report at this time. Information from both the December and January meetings will be included in the February 2017 newsletter.

In this newsletter you will find the Woodbourne 2017 Social Calendar. We had a number of wonderful events in 2016, and we look forward seeing you at the upcoming events in 2017. We appreciate the support that our local businesses demonstrate for our community, and if anyone would like to sponsor an event please let MSI know at your earliest convenience.

You will see a new event listed which is the Annual Budget Meeting in November. The Woodbourne HOA Board seeks to be financially responsible and works to save funds for future expenses. The Woodbourne budget is an open document that is available to all members. However, the state of Colorado has mandated that the HOA Board specify a date and time that the budget will be ratified. The Woodbourne HOA Board has set a special meeting the same night as the November Board meeting to ratify the budget.

Remember that through January 15, 2017, Waste Connections will pick up any waste or trash associated with the holidays, including holiday trees, at no cost. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Waste Connections at 303-288-2100. Thanks and have a great winter season!—*James Meyer, President*