

COHOPE

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<p>Calendar for upcoming meetings: Sept 2 Captain Ron Leonard, Jeffco Sheriff Oct 7 Nov 4 Dec 2</p>	<p>In This Issue: Information and Minutes 1, 4 Backyard 1-4</p>
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<p>COHOPE Treasury Activity: August 2020</p> <p>Beginning Balance Aug 5, 2020</p> <p>Deposits Paavola \$10</p> <p>Withdrawals Sept newsletter \$4.95 Bank Fee \$2, Website \$32.97</p> <p>Ending Balance Sept 2, 2020</p>	<p>W. R. Moore, Treasurer</p> <p>\$ 1943.45</p> <p>\$ 10.00</p> <p>\$ 39.92</p> <p>\$ 1913.53</p>
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THE BACKYARD

Columbine Hills News

President's Corner — This summer has been a hot one has it not? Portions of my yard have really dried out in spite of the sprinkler system, but the garden is looking pretty good. My tomatoes are doing as good as ever. I might get some peppers this year that I have not in the past. And – HEY – I love green beans, but they are just not happening. I planted them four times with very little to show. If any of you are bush green bean experts, we need to talk.

Be aware of watering regulations – specifically the times. I see a lot of folks in this neighborhood that water during the time that Jeff-Co says we should not. I am not that guy that is going to rat you out, but I do know they have people that drive through neighborhood looking for watering violations. I am just asking that you do not water after 0800, after all, it does not make sense to spend money on water that is going to evaporate during the day before it has a chance to soak in. I also had a great visit with one household this past month to which the CHCA board awarded the Yard of the Month, as did one of our other board members. We take great pleasure in awarding those who put extra time and care into their property. The winners should be listed in another portion of this letter. The award also includes a \$25 gift certificate from Summer Blooms on Pierce and Canyon Ave. We will have two more summer season awards. Please stop in at Summer Blooms and thank them for their donation, I greatly appreciate businesses in our community that are community minded. Again, I pray [literally] that we can stop the constant talk about a virus that has caused so much damage. It is not like it is going to go away, the Corona virus has been here a long time and will be here a long time. We are going to have to learn to live with it. Be the kind of neighbor you wish you had.—Randy Montgomery, CHCA president rmontgomery@att.net

From June CHCA Meeting 2020 Meeting called to order by President at: 7:02 p.m. Officers present: Randy Board members present: Jodi, Nick, Michelle, Don, Steve, Jenn, Kelly, Galen and David Community members present: None
New business: Winners for yard of the month, putting up signs and gift cards. Add thank you to Boots on the Ground in Aug newsletter. CHCA website renewal payment. Discussion about adding fall dumpster day in September. Status on memberships/ dues. Budget for future events. 25% of Columbine Hills residents are paying the \$25 annual membership. Talks of a film night in Columbine Park in Fall (Pending because of Covid19 status). Platte Canyon water offer to give presentation. Food bags drop off for food pantry donations. Retirement home pen pal request
Old business: Update on community garage sale in July. Results on summer dumpster day event. Continue to find help to support, Neighbors helping Neighbors.
 Meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

Columbine Knolls South II Review

From President's Corner— I hope everybody is having a good summer in-light-of the Covid-19 situation. I've talked to many of our residents with children that are running low on ideas and activities to keep their children engaged, so my hat goes off to you for being patient and resourceful! I saw a tweet that sums it up for me. "My kids are stressed that they don't know how they are going to cope with only getting 2 snacks before lunch when they are back in school compared to the 200 snacks I'm preparing for them now!" Anyway, on to community news.

COMMUNITY EVENTS: Unfortunately, Covid-19 continues to impact our community events. Jennifer Blake provided the following information: Community Garage Sale - the decision has been made to cancel the Community Garage Sale for 2020. The Movie in the Park event scheduled for August is still being evaluated and hopefully a decision will be announced on the website and Nextdoor by the end of July. This event is held on the Coronado school grounds so we are working with Coronado/Jeffco to determine if the event will be permissible and what safety measures may be required. The Large Item Pickup was a huge success. Waste Management reported that homeowners did a fabulous job of bundling branches and placing only "accepted" items out for pickup.

COMMUNITY PROJECTS S Yukon Way Entrance Cleanup - We discovered during the annual cleanup that the pine trees are in serious need of professional cleanup. I am happy to report that this work is now complete. What a huge improvement in my opinion!

Park Light Project – Nothing new to report from last month's post. Foothills Parks & Recreation (FP&R) told us that due to Covid-19 and related issues that their consideration of installing the park light would not be entertained until 2021.

That said, Elizabeth Nelson-Hulsey and I will keep in touch with our contact at (FP&R) and report any new information.

SAFETY & PROTECTION OF PROPERTY I bring up the topics discussed below only in the context of our safety, the safety of our kids and pets, and the protection of our property. We've seen several reports on Nextdoor and elsewhere of wild animal sightings in our neighborhood. Of note was the bear sighting by several of our neighbors. While a bear sighting is rare, exciting and a bit scary, it got me thinking about the wildlife issue in general. Why do we see an occasional bear or mountain lion? The primary reason is they are looking for food. If I'm a bear, raccoon or mountain lion, I love Tuesday nights in the CKSII community when most of us set out our trash for the Wednesday pickup. It's dark, not much human activity, perfect! I don't want to overreact to a very rare occurrence, but one idea would be to put your trash out on Wednesday morning rather than Tuesday evening. Again, I'm less worried about myself, but I do worry about our children and pets if we're doing things that may be contributing to the issue.

That leads me to my last topic about wildlife. That is feeding wildlife. Please don't do it! According to an article from Paws.org, "Many people enjoy feeding wildlife because it allows them to have close contact with the animals, or because they believe they are helping the animals survive. While seeing wild animals up close can be enjoyable, providing wild animals with a steady, human-supplied food source nearly always leads to problems for both the animals and humans."

There are many good reasons not to feed wildlife including: When young wild animals are taught to depend on a human-provided food source, they may not fully develop essential foraging skills. Wild animals who are used to being fed by humans commonly lose their fear of people. The food humans usually feed to wild animals is not nutritionally complete, and it can cause serious health problems for the animals, especially when they are young and still developing. A constant, human-provided food source may attract many more wild animals to the area than would normally be found there. Who doesn't like a free meal? When food is readily available, animals will gather in abnormally large numbers. This means that if one animal in the group has an illness or disease, it can spread throughout the group. Reproduction rates may also be affected when an artificial food source is readily available. Wildlife centers and animal control departments commonly receive phone calls from people whose neighbors have been feeding wild animals. Often, the wild animals have become an incredible nuisance and the caller wants to kill or remove them. Many people do not think about the neighborhood impact when they start feeding wildlife. Wild animals do not usually discriminate between one person and another, and will often start pestering neighbors. The animals may also cause damage to homes and property because they expect to be fed and have lost their fear of people. The best thing you can do to care for the wild animals on your property is to give them habitat, not handouts. You can find this informative article by following this link: <https://www.paws.org/resources/feeding-wildlife/>

With that, I conclude my August posting. Everybody please stay safe. I'll talk to you next month! —*Tom Schick Tanz*,
 President CKSII HOA

Columbine West Civic Association Newsletter

From A Moment With The Board Why is the monthly meeting still being offered on Zoom? Great question. It allows members to participate and not worry about social distancing issues. The Zoom platform allows us to achieve a quorum of members to vote on any business action items. We are able to audio tape the meetings which benefits the Sec for Minute Recording. No need to worry about unpredictable weather for those Summer meetings usually held at the park. The group has felt very comfortable using the platform and been able to welcome guests to join in the conversation at their leisure. Check out the article concerning the use of ZOOM each month and how you too can join in the conversation. This year at Dumpster Day we partnered with Kim, Boots on the Ground, who collected our metal recycling. She was able to collect 5,220 lbs of scrap with the proceeds being used to send care packages to our Troops. This partnership saw a savings of \$500 for CWCA, which is the normal cost of having a roll-off delivered for the event. Way to go Columbine West. Kim also participated with Columbine Hills during their metal round up, with great success. The most recent update from National Night Out is that the event has been rescheduled to the first Tuesday in October. At this time CWCA is uncertain if we have enough volunteer hands to participate. If you would like to join the efforts or have questions or any suggestion of ideas feel free to email CWCAtalk@gmail.com. Residents are encouraged to attend any monthly meeting the next one is August 11th, 7:00 p.m., meeting on ZOOM teleconference platform

The Leawood Rappporter

From Leawood Metropolitan Recreation and Park District Minutes July 8, 2020 The meeting was called to order at 6:37 p.m. by President Debby Baker. Members present: Steve Wall/Vice President, Donna Snyder/Treasurer, Ike Nelson/Secretary, Wade Hancey/Special Projects and Dave Padilla/Parks Manager. Residents present: Dave Grove.

Public Comment/Correspondence Dave Grove: Attended because of interest in learning about the Board process.

LCA: Wants to remove old grill from Leawood Pavilion storage. The LCA Board approved the request from Park Board to share the Leawood Neighbors website. Debby will research further.

Tom Arnold: Submitted 5 items (4 in Raccoon, 1 in Weaver) that he thought needs attention. Some have already been addressed and Dave will research the others.

Anita Mattson: Reported a sprinkler control box leak in T-Tact. Dave will take care of.

Alisa Long: Reported that someone was damaging playground equipment at Leawood Park. Dave will research further.

Treasurer's Report – Donna transferred money from Lottery funds to help pay for new playground equipment in Weaver, backflow and cage. Donna presented the Treasurer's report. Invoices for the month include United Site Services, Weston, Denver Water, Waste Management, Xcel, doggie bag vendor, Dave's invoice and reimbursement to petty cash. Parks Manager Report – Irrigation tests and mowing was done in all parks. Doggie bags were checked and replenished as needed. Leawood Park: Repaired broken line in zone 23. Repaired lateral broken line in Zone 3. Weaver Park: Urban Drainage removed two trees along the creek. Changed out solenoid in zone 17. Trimmed trees along parkway. Changed out irrigation clock. Play area is complete with only one punch-list item remaining. Raccoon Park: Removed downed branches. Removed downed tree along the path. Urban Drainage removed debris blocking the flow of the creek. Trimmed tree near east entrance. Changed out irrigation sprinkler head. Pulled weeds and suckers in Xeriscape. T-Track: Repaired broken line.

OLD BUSINESS – Lease/use of fields – Steve reported that he had a few people inquire. He will follow up with interested parties. District Web site – LCA has agreed to partner with the Board on LeawoodNeighbors.com. Debby will research how the current design can be changed to give two separate entry points on the landing page.

Volleyball Field – Mike Shaw submitted a concept plan to change the volleyball field. After discussion, the Board agreed to continue research and will consider the possibility for this project in the future, depending on resources and future revenue streams. The Board thanks Mike Shaw for his work and willingness to work with the Board on this project.

Miracle equipment feedback – Miracle has requested feedback from the Board regarding the new play area in Weaver Park. The Board agreed that we are very pleased with the new equipment and will provide a positive response.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m. — *Ike Nelson, Secretary*

From Leawood Civic Association Minutes of July 7, 2020 Present: Paul O'Connor, Chip Langowski, Laurie Selander, Mike Major, Gina Severino, Nancy Bock, Betsy Major, Diane Wall. The board approved the motion that the Leawood Metropolitan Recreation and Park District (Park Board) will be using our website. The board decided to bring out the old BBQ in the pavilion shed and give it away or take it in for scrap. It has not been used in many years. Diane will oversee this. The board continues to use the pavilion for storage and will now ask a Park Board member to unlock it for us when we need to retrieve any of our items.

Treasurer's Report was presented by Mike Major and is printed in the Rappporter. In the transfer of authorization from Mike Karbach to Mike Major the credit card was not sent to Mike Major. He was not able to pay Colorado Lasertype the monthly fee for the Rappporter. That should be finished this month and Mike Major will pay two months to get us back on track. Mike wanted to know if the board would like a different design for the accounting of our funds. The board decided that the current one is clear. The board will discuss the line item budget needs in September so we all can plan for spending throughout each year. Mike Major asked about the billing to the Park Board for their part in the Rappporter



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printing/mailing. Paul will talk to the Park Board and find out when that will be paid for the first quarter of 2020. Chip reported that we have 142 paid households at this time to the Leawood Civic Association. 75 bronze (\$20 - \$39), 26 silver (\$40 - \$59), 21 gold (\$60- \$99) and 20 platinum (\$100 +). We have 850 households. The board discussed ways to inform residents of the Leawood Civic Association in hopes of increasing our membership. We work on a very tight budget to offer the monthly newsletter, our website, the Easter egg hunt, garage sales, neighborhood clean-up, front yard parties, the yearly scholarship to high school seniors, and the annual picnic /parade. This year many of our activities were cancelled due to the pandemic. The board is concentrating on fixing the front entrance on Bowles and Jay with the dues paid by residents. The board planted new plants but due to the hot weather and infrequent watering by the county, many of them died. Paul and Chip will work on building a retaining wall with boulders in front and river rock behind to make the entrance more presentable and possibly deter future damage by drivers. They will start on that as soon as the temperature is a little cooler. The board is hoping that we will be able to hold the neighborhood clean-up in September. Nancy will call the school as soon as it is open to see if we can use the parking lot one Saturday in September. In the past we have done this when school is not in session so this is an unusual request and we have to wait for their approval before we can advertise this as an event we will host. Chip also reported that our domain name will be changed to a new platform. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m..

Woodbourne

From Note From the Board President As the Coronavirus continues to trend upwards, nationally and in Colorado, the Woodbourne HOA Board met in July to discuss existing pool guidelines, swim team access, and lap swimming. With guidance from our legal advisors, the Board decided it would be in the community's best interests to maintain the current open swim, but not expand access that would potentially open up residents to unlimited exposure. While this is not ideal, we must continue to take this extremely cautious course to protect the community. The Board has also decided to cancel this year's Community Garage Sale that was scheduled for early August. Guidance from Jefferson County Public Health continues to discourage close contact with others and this event would invite throngs of people into our community with no way to control interactions and distancing. We sincerely appreciate Julie Render and the RE/MAX team's support of this event in prior years and we look forward to bringing the Community Garage Sale back next year. At this time, the Community Wood Chipping Event and the Holiday Hayride remain on our schedule of events, but the Board will continue to make decisions based upon evolving conditions and the advise and guidance regarding the state of the pandemic. The Board wants to make sure that everyone is safe. In non-COVID news, the Architectural Control Committee (ACC) is updating the ACC Guidelines to bring them in line with modern community standards and make them easier for homeowners to access online. We continue to encourage homeowners to visit the Woodbourne HOA website (www.woodbournehoa.org) for updates and to sign up for email notifications and announcements. You can also follow Woodbourne on Facebook (Private Groups "Woodbourne HOA") and Nextdoor (Groups "Woodbourne HOA") for announcements. Stay safe and stay healthy! Our next regular business meeting will be held on August 19, 2020. In the meantime, please feel free to contact Kim Herman (303-265-7923) or Geol Scheirman (303-265-7837) with CLA with any questions. —Justin Sasso, President