

The Open Gate

Come on in. This page belongs to each of you. It is a editorial page for you to contribute, a place to meet your neighbors and to sell your "stuff" with an ad for residents at no charge.

HELP NEEDED: Our family is currently looking for someone part-time who would be interested in helping out with general household activities (cooking, watering flowers, etc.) and some driving for doctor's appointments and errands for local resident. Someone with a flexible schedule and looking for extra money. Interested, please call Chasity 303-656-6682.

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The Clubhouse committee is looking for somebody in the Village to clean the Clubhouse every three months.

If you are interested, please call Joy Stanton @ 303.771.6250.



ANNUAL HOMEOWNERS MEETING

Tuesday, October 9th during the Annual KVTA Homeowner Mtg.
A full agenda will be posted on the bulletin board prior to the meeting.

Please do come and be involved with this process at the Clubhouse 7:30 PM.



The Back Gate Villager

Issue #80

Message from the President

September 2012

Another year is closing in on the association with our October Annual Homeowner Meeting held at the clubhouse Tuesday, October 9 at 7:30PM. All homeowners are invited to attend as the Board presents the annual budget for 2013. As previously announced, we do call for approval of the budget as presented and it will reflect the dues increase of \$10.00 each month effective January 1, 2013. We also will introduce two candidates to replace two Directors, whose three year terms will be completed on this same evening. A vote by homeowners is required for each of these situations, so I encourage those interested to attend and participate in the process. These meetings are generally completed within an hour but much of the information is very relevant to our community for the coming calendar year.

It has been a terrific summer and I would ask everyone to remember Warren, Victor, and Alex who have worked tirelessly to keep up with landscape watering, in spite of an antiquated sprinkler system. Their efforts have not gone unnoticed, as I have driven through other neighborhoods and seen the horrible shape of lawns and gardens. Our grounds, even with the drought this year, look pretty good to me and to anyone who personally watered difficult areas near your homes, we are most grateful ... thanks.

I would be remiss in not taking this opportunity to thank Jean Oatman, Andrea, Michael, and Christine who so ably managed our pool facility with very few days closed and all the extra patronage. On the occasions when I went for a dip, there seemed to be a spike in attendance numbers which I suspect was a result of a very hot and very dry summer. We are truly fortunate to have such a facility at our disposal.

On a worrisome note, we have now had three situations within the past 5 weeks where youngsters have been nearly hit by vehicles either on our streets or driveways. My concern, as with the Board, has to do with the welfare of all residents. Small children and other youngsters are often so busy having fun they may overlook safety, so I wish to remind all residents to be extra careful whenever you are driving on our streets and in your driveways. It is getting darker sooner so these children may be even harder to see. Please slow down when driving within the KVTA community ... we really appreciate your help.

The garden folk will soon be harvesting, and I for one, am anxious to see how they handle the 'pumpkin patch' with Halloween next month. There are some good sized pumpkins already and if they get any bigger they may need special transportation when finished. Great job to you all in the Garden Club.

Hope to see you at the Annual Meeting ... Dick



NEW BOARD OF DIRECTOR CANDIDATES

Each year, two or three Directors complete their three year term of service to the Board of KVTA. This year's retiring Directors are **Martin Jepkis** and **Barbara Stokes**. On behalf of the Officers and Directors of the Board, I personally want to thank Martin and Barb for their past service and introduce 2 candidates willing to serve for a 3 year term effective October 2012.

Darcy Johnson, a resident/owner of some 16 years says, "I have enjoyed the many benefits of living in this community, which evidences such a strong sense of community and pride of ownership here. It is easy for me to take an opportunity to give back and to serve as a member of our association board." Although retired from teaching at-risk youth at Littleton High School, Darcy still works part-time in the pharmacy at Target and teaches as a substitute at Littleton.

Barbara Stokes, a long term resident/owner and current member of the board, decided she would like to run again for another term. Barb has family in this community and surrounding neighborhoods in Centennial and wishes to continue managing the affairs of KVTA. Barb can be seen many mornings walking around and picking up litter from our grounds. She is also active as a seniors advocate and assists some of our elder residents here, and in the greater community.

We will be more formally introducing these candidates on Tuesday, October 9th during the Annual KVTA Homeowner Meeting. A full agenda will be posted on the bulletin board prior to the meeting. Please do come and be involved with this process at the Clubhouse 7:30 PM that evening ... see you there ... Dick

ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL COMMITTEE



The final meeting of ACC for 2012 will be Monday, October 15. This will be my last meeting.



It has been a rewarding, enlightening and educational experience for me. Becoming acquainted with many residents of Knolls Village has been an on-going pleasure. THANK YOU to my committee members! You have been great and should be appreciated for the "reminders" to keep things neat and in good repair. A very big THANK YOU is extended to our cooperative neighbors taking pride in their home! The result is a desirable place to live, in an excellent location, that has maintained property values. Keep up the good work... Barb Arnold

GOT JUNK?

Need to get rid of it? **Waste Management** will pick up an item for \$35 at your garage entrance. They also will pick up an old, but working, refrigerator (free) and give you \$50 for the donation. Phone: 303.296.4124 / www.wastermanagement.com

For bigger quantities, contact www.junkgenius.com / Phone: 303.747.3512

Another source for even bigger quantities, e.g. carpet, dry wall, construction materials, etc. purchase a **Bagster** at a local ACE hardware store... fill it and contact Waste Management to pick it up. **Bagsters** cost \$29.95 and Waste Management's pick-up fee is \$80. The **Bagster** holds 3300 lbs or 3 cubic yards; and measures 8x4x2 1/2' www.thebagster.com

A wonderful exhibition for all ages at Denver Art Museum: Sept 9-Dec.30, The First Retrospective of El Anatsui, African Artist. This exhibit includes important sculptures in wood , ceramic and mixed media as well as major pieces from his bottle-top series, also, driftwood works made in Denmark, sculpture using the chainsaw as a carving tool.

Take your children & grandchildren...they will love it.
Questions? Call Genie Bakker-303-770-8403.

Also, from Oct. 21-Jan. 20: DO NOT miss the superlative exhibit of Van Gogh Paintings. Get tickets early.

Chicken Taco Chili (for crockpot)

- 1 onion (chopped)
- 1 can Black Beans (16 oz)
- 1 can Kidney Beans (16 oz)
- 1 can Tomato Sauce (8 oz)
- 1 package Frozen Corn (10 oz)
- 2 can Diced Tomatos with Chilis (14.5 oz)
- 1 package Taco Seasoning
- 1 Tablespoon Cumin
- 1 Tablespoon Chili Powder
- 3 Chicken Breast (24 oz)
- 1 sprig Cilantro (chopped and fresh)



Combine beans, onion, chili peppers, corn, tomato sauce, cumin, chili powder and taco seasoning in a slow cooker. Place chicken on top and cover. Cook on low for 10 hours or on high for 6 hours. A half hour before serving, remove chicken and shred. Return chicken to slow cooker and stir in. Top with fresh cilantro. Also try it with low fat cheese and sour cream.



The following book, *Unbroken* - by Laura Hillenbrand, is our next book to be discussed on Wed. November 14th at 7 PM. We will meet at the home of Katie Fralick, 2648 E. Fremont Place. Katie's home is on the east side of Knolls way. Her phone number is (303) 220-1726. Please join us!

COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Clubhouse Reservations 2701 E. Geddes Place	Kathy Kurtz—720.398-8684 (for events Oct thru Dec) Ilena Lea—303.771.6965 (for events Jan thru March) Linda Fletcher—303.694.6075 (for events April thru June) Joy Stanton—303.771.6250 (for events July thru Sept)	
KVTA Board Meeting	Tuesday, October 9th at 7:30 pm	
Emergencies in Common Area	303.304.8976	
KVTA Message Center	303.796.0540	
ACC Meetings	October 12th	
Newsletter Deadline	Friday, September 7th Contact Peggy Donegan	peggy.donegan@comcast.net 303.660.4808
KVTA Website	www.knollsvillage.com	