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The Back Gate Villager

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Message from the President

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On several occasions we have encouraged residents to keep outdoor lights on overnight, both front and back, as a deterrent to loitering and vandalism. Such an act of vandalism took place recently. Sometime between 1AM and 5AM, on the night after the Memorial Day holiday, dozens of American flags and mail boxes were spray painted throughout this neighborhood. While we cannot assure anyone that this could have been prevented, the police did indeed confirm that lighting helps discourage random acts of vandalism. This sort of vandalism within our neighborhood is a matter of great concern to everyone who calls this place their home.

If you see anyone or anything suspicious, you have every right and are encouraged to call the Sheriff's Department. They are here 'to serve and protect'. Being proactive is everyone's responsibility and is to be expected.

On a brighter note, our grounds are looking better than ever and together, with our swimming pool facility, tennis courts, and community gardens all showing so well, I believe we have a truly fabulous community in which we all should take special pride. Not many neighborhoods of 30 plus years can compare. My only hope is that you all feel as proud of the Knolls Village community as I do. Speaking of the pool, please mark your calendars for the Ice Cream Social poolside on July 14th from 1 to 3:30 pm. Let's pray for good weather ... oh, and a terrific turnout ... I can only eat so much ice cream by myself.



Perhaps it has been the full moon but for a couple of our residents at the north end of our property, who experienced late night callers at their front doors, giving rather vague and illogical reasons for the call, it was disturbing. Everyone should be extra cautious when anyone you do not know comes to your door at any time, day or night, regardless of who they say they represent. As a practice, companies, solicitors, or others do not approach a home after 8PM. If you don't know a caller, please call the Sheriff's Department to report the incident with as much detail as you can. We are uncertain as to what is happening in our communities these days, but exercising caution is always the safest and the best. Again, lighting can help deter some of these strange events from happening. You may even wish to arrange for 'dusk to dawn' lighting at your front and back doors. Dusk to dawn light sockets can be easily installed in existing fixtures and are available at most hardware stores for less than \$10.

Please do have a safe and happy summer and should you be travelling away, you may wish to let a neighbor know to keep an eye on your home. Cancelling or picking up newspapers or packages or door hanging materials are the little things we can do for one another ... being safe beats being sorry!..... Dick



Coming soon..."**Little Free Library**" to be located along side the message board near the Club House. The Library will operate on the honor system; borrow and return a book or take a book/leave a book, and will include both children and adult selections.

If you have books you would like to donate for stocking the library, please call Olivia at 720-855-1385 or Marilyn at 303-694-3541.



MAGIC ONE INGREDIENT ICE CREAM!

- 1 1/2 peeled medium bananas, sliced into coins and frozen until solid
- Blend, blend, blend - scraping down the bowl when they stick.
- Enjoy the magic moment when they turn into ice cream!



NOW TRY WITH DIFFERENT FLAVORS:

Peanut Butter & Honey Banana Ice Cream

3 tablespoons peanut butter & 2 teaspoons honey

After bananas blended until the consistency of soft serve ice cream, blend in peanut butter and honey, and transfer to a freezer container and freeze until solid.

Nutella Banana Ice Cream

3 to 4 tablespoons Nutella or other hazelnut-chocolate spread

After bananas blended until the consistency of soft serve ice cream, blend in Nutella, and transfer to a freezer container and freeze until solid.

Dark Chocolate Banana Ice Cream

3 tablespoons unsweetened cocoa powder & 2 tablespoons cream & 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract

After bananas blended until the consistency of soft serve ice cream, blend in cocoa powder, cream, and vanilla. Transfer to a freezer container and freeze until solid.

Cinnamon Dulce Banana Ice Cream

3 tablespoons sweetened condensed milk & 1/2 teaspoon freshly-ground cinnamon

After bananas blended until the consistency of soft serve ice cream, blend in sweetened condensed milk and cinnamon. Transfer to a freezer container and freeze until solid.

Strawberries & Cream Banana Ice Cream

1/3 cup roughly chopped frozen strawberries & 2 tablespoons cream

After bananas blended until the consistency of soft serve ice cream, blend in strawberries and cream until smooth, and transfer to a freezer container and freeze until solid.



The **KVTA Book Club** will meet at the home of Olivia Becketl, 7361 SKW, at 7 p.m. on July 10 to review the book *Winter Garden* by Kristin Hannah.

Any residents who are interested in being part of this group are welcome.

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POOL NEWS



The pool is open and I want to apologize to anyone who was disappointed for the one day delay in opening. Unfortunately the rain delayed the much needed concrete improvements that were made within the facilities. We are very pleased with the outcome of the work that was done as it has made a huge difference in not only the appearance of the facilities but safety as well.

As this community ages, so does the pool and year after year we run into issues that need to be resolved prior to opening. Contrary to popular belief, we do open on our target date more often than not each year. Having said that we have also been experiencing boiler issues in both the small pool and the big one and hope to have this resolved soon if not before this newsletter goes out. We all work very hard to maintain these facilities and provide our residents a fun, safe and healthy place to be, if you find the pool closed it is because our main concern is just that. We will continue to work hard as a team to avoid any future closures and we appreciate all of your understanding.

I would like to bring the attention to all residents to please review all pool rules and regulations to take special attention to guests. Please remember that you are to accompany all guests and if you are having more than 6 you will need to contact the pool staff prior to your arrival. The community using the pool gets larger and larger every year and if all 300 plus residents were to give their keys to family and friends to come and go as they please overcrowding would be a huge issue. If your child is under 13 they have to have an accompanying adult with them. The pool staff can and will deny access to guests without the resident present. Please remind your guests that they are just that - guests - and they need to be mindful of the people around them and the pool staff. Please remember the pool staff does not make the rules — they only enforce them.

To all patrons of the pool I just want to implore you to discuss with your children the importance of being mindful of the other swimmers in the pool and within the facilities. With excitement comes overzealous behavior and is not always welcomed by the other swimmers in the pool. I would implore all residents to be courteous to your fellow swimmers and have fun within reason.

If you are behind on your homeowners dues you will be denied access to the facilities, please understand that the pool attendants only enforce this. If you are behind on HOAs please contact Joan Rowe and make arrangements to get current on dues prior to use of the facilities.

Please refrain from moving any tables as it is very hard on the tables and umbrella stands. Thank you!

Having said that it has been great seeing all of you swimmers once again, we look forward to another wonderful summer here at the community pool! Jean Oatman/Pool Manager

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, July 2nd at 6:30 pm	
Emergencies in Common Area	303.304.8976	
KVTA Message Center	303.796.0540	
ACC Meetings	Monday, June 17th, 6 p.m. at Club House	
Newsletter Deadline	Friday, July 5th Contact Peggy Donegan	peggy.donegan@comcast.net 303.660.4808
KVTA Website	www.knollsvillage.com	