### FROM DICK CAMPBELL PRESIDENT OF THE HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION

It appears that Xcel Energy is completing the gas line and meter work. They will have then completed 18 driveways – 10 at the north end of our Village and 8 at the south end. We expect Metro Pavers to begin mill and overlay of the driveways in mid-September following some concrete work which needs repair prior to the asphalt work being done.

The driveway parallel to the community gardens is also failing and being replaced. It will be inconvenient for our gardeners, and their patience during this project is appreciated. Completing this project while the paving company is here working on driveways is the most cost-effective option. We hope that our neighborhood will be back to 'normal' soon. Can hardly wait to be reminded of what 'normal' sounds and looks like!

We are planning to install more new sprinklers now that the Xcel folks will have removed their equipment. There has also been some recent vandalism to our sprinkler system. Heads have been removed and nozzles turned so that water is directed toward areas that shouldn't be watered. It is an unfortunate event that wastes precious water and is a nuisance for our staff to repair. If you see any unusual activity, please report it.

I would like to remind all homeowners that our Annual Homeowners Meeting will take place at the Clubhouse on **Tuesday**, **October 11 at** 7:30 p.m. We are planning a neighborhood update, a full report from your Board, and a guest speaker from Comcast. Your Directors will also be presenting the KVTA budget for 2017. A recap of the meeting will also appear in our November newsletter.

Hope to see you around our 'quieter' neighborhood in the coming weeks with some 'Indian summer-like' weather.

Thanks.

Dick

## **KVTA Annual Homeowners Meeting**

Tuesday, October 11, 2016

7:30 p.m. at the Clubhouse

#### The Open Gate

Ads are free, but you must be a Village resident to advertise. Email your ad with your name, address and phone number to: nan@themattgrp.com; drop your ad in the black box by the bulletin board at the clubhouse; or call 303-843-6414. For Sale ads will appear one time and service ads will be published for 3 months and must be renewed to start in January, April, July and/or October. The deadline to place an ad is the 1st day of the month.

For Sale		<b>Catnip</b>
Elliptical machine by Horizon Fitness in new		Superior Quality, High Potency
condition. Fan in console. Provides time,		Naturally Grown
distance, calories, heart rate with 20 re-		New Harvest Now Available
sistance levels. \$400.		Kind Bud Catnip Company
Call Jo-303-290-6338		720-440-2116 sejryan@gmail.con
Flexible and Experienced Cat Sitter		Red Cross Certified Babysitting
Also available to babysit or walk your dog.		Adri Johnston
Call Saskia (720) 363-7934		303-928-9110
Licensed Babysitting by Village resident. Also available to house sit. Call Ashlee at 720-771-2067		Your Resident Realtor Ken Deshaies, EcoBroker Home Buyers Marketing, Inc 22 Years Experience – Real Estate Author. 970-485-1891 TrueKen@iCloud.com
Nerium Night & Day Cream		Help Available
Contact me for a free 5 night sample (night		I am in graduate school and can help
cream only)		with house sitting/cleaning, dog
Nerium Body Contouring Cream, Nerium EHT		walking, running errands and child-
for memory enhancement		care, etc. Call me at 330-907-0044
Felipatorres.nerium.com, 303-419-6859		(note: area code is 330)
Mike, the Handyman		Village Resident- Jewelry Appraise
Hi Neighbors, I would like to help you with all		28 years of Experience - GIA Certifie
your minor home repairs, fix-ups, and pro-		Appraisal While You Wait
jects. No job is too small.		Neighborhood Discount! -
Please call me at 303-263-4117		Call Kate Swanstrom 303-550-4459
COMMUNITY INFORMATION (www.knollsvillage.com)		
Clubhouse Reservations 2701 E. Geddes Place	July—Sept Oct—Dec Jan—March April—June	Joy Stanton—303.771.6250 Mary Lou Iverson—303.794-2494 Kathy Kurtz —720.398.8684 Linda Fletcher—303.694.6075

Tuesday, October 4, 2016-6:30 pm

nan@themattgrp.com; 303-843-6414

Nan Matthews

303-304-8976

303-796-0540

**KVTA Board Meeting** 

Newsletter Deadline

KVTA Message Center

Wednesday, Nov 2 at noon

Emergencies in Common Areas



# The Back Gate Villager



### The Village Book Club and Little Free Library

After Olivia Bechtel moved to the Village in 2011, she realized how she missed the Book Club that had been so active in her Highlands Garden Village community.

Marilyn Heinle & Olivia Bechtel

An ad was placed in the Village newsletter asking if residents would be interested in forming a club - and they've been meeting every other month since.

Averaging 8-10 at the meetings, different members recommend a book which they think the group would like, but Olivia commented, "Marilyn is our real inspiration, since she just comes up with so many good options. We cover fiction and non-fiction, but now we have a marvelous new resource through the Arapahoe Library called 'Book Club 2 Go.' They provide a kit, which can be checked out for six weeks, that has 10 paperback copies of a book, a discussion guide with book reviews, author profiles, and discussion questions and other information. With over 100 titles to choose from, we have plenty of good reading ahead of us."

Both Marilyn and Olivia said they would love to have more members. The next meeting is Thursday, September 15. [For more information, check out the Book Club announcement in this newsletter.]

In 2013, Harold Arnold saw an article in the paper about an international program called the "Little Free Library." He took the article to Olivia, and they started the process of establishing one here at the Village. Sponsored by the Book Club, the Board gave its approval, and with Harold's carpentering skills a unique little house, now filled with books, sits next to the Club House. The Village now is one of the 40,000 LFLs whose goal is "To promote literacy and the love of reading by building free book exchanges worldwide and to build a sense of community as we share skills, creativity and wisdom across generations."

"We've been so pleased with its success - many people are using it. There are no rules – just take a book, read a book, keep or return a book. We would like more children's books – so our younger residents have a reason to visit and start a new adventure in reading. Encourage everyone to stop by."

#### September 2016



The KTVA book club has selected *The Paris Wife* by Paula McClain for review at their next meeting to be held at 7 p.m. on Thursday, September 15, at the home of Katie

Fralick, 2401 E. Fremont Place (303-220-1726). All residents are welcome. Contact Olivia at 720-855-1385 if you would like a copy of the book.



This is the fifteenth anniversary of September 11, 2001. Put out your flags in remembrance.

### NEW SIGNS COMING TO THE VILLAGE

Please watch out for new signs which will be posted around our community.

SAFETY IS SOMETHING WE CAN LIVE WITH No Skateboarding No Rollerblading No Bicycle Riding No Scooter Riding

On Knolls Village Sidewalks or Driveways

SAFETY FIRST BECAUSE INJURIES LAST

Please note there will NOT be an October Newsletter. If you send in an ad, it will not be seen until November.

# **MEET YOUR NEIGHBORS**



A Wedding in the Village Greg and Dee Jordan were married in the lovely green space at the southwest corner of the Village on August 20. Their reception was at the Club House. Congratulations to them both!

### Accepting Nominations for the KVTA Board of Directors

KVTA HOA has two board positions that will be expiring in October 2016. The nominating committee is accepting names of those interested in serving a three year term beginning October 2016. Two board positions will be voted on at the Homeowners meeting on 11 October 2016.

Anyone interested in serving on the board can contact Scott Ward at <u>ascottward@yahoo.com</u> or by calling / texting 720-949-4999.



### KNOLLS VILLAGE SOCIAL CLUB

The Knolls Social Club is a great way to meet your neighbors and to get recommendations for just about anything you might need.

Just email Ken Deshaies - <u>TrueKen@iCloud.com</u> - or call him at 970-485-1891 to add your name to the list.

### **VOLUNTEER NEEDED**

Village at the Knolls resident volunteer needed to deliver **The Back Gate** newsletter each month to 8 townhomes (one driveway) at the west end of E. Fremont Court. The newsletters are delivered to the volunteers that help with distribution the weekend following the first Tuesday of each month. If you are available and willing to help, please call Cindy Kiel at 720-583-2495.

### Covenant Highlights: Keeping Up the Neighborhood We Love!

Warren and his team do such a great job keeping up our grounds that it seems that some of us forget that we too have responsibilities for keeping up the walkways between our garages, keeping our gutters cleaned and the upkeep of trees in our yards. So here are a couple reminders:

Walkways between the garages and areas in the alleys at the end of the walkways need to be clear and neat. Warren's team is not responsible for maintaining these areas. Please take a look at your area and trim back or remove overgrown bushes.

**Gutter Cleaning:** Due to all the beautiful trees in the Village at the Knolls, most gutters really need to be cleaned each fall after the leaves are off the trees. Look at your gutters and have them cleaned if they need it. It will save you money in the long run from other damage that can occur.

### Trees in Yards: Please be aware that you are responsible for the upkeep of trees in your yard.

\*If you have a dead tree in your back yard, you must remove it for both safety and aesthetic reasons.

\* Please be thoughtful of your neighbors if your tree drops leaves or other material in your neighbor's yard. You may want to offer to clean up their yard or remove a tree or part of a tree, if it is causing a problem and you are unable to address it by cleaning up after your tree.

\* Also keep in mind, trees can cause problems with gas, sewer, and water lines in your yard or your neighbor's yard, and as the owner of the tree, you are liable for damages.

We appreciate the way we all work together to keep our community vibrant!