Summer Snapshot

Summer is flying by and a lot has and is happening in the Village. The pool attendance has been terrific and the pool has been well attended by a great staff that has done a super job of keeping things safe and tidy!

June's Dumpster Days were a success as always. Residents filled several roll-offs over the Father's Day weekend as many disposed of large items taking up space in garages.

We are preparing for our Annual Homeowners' Meeting on Tuesday, October 9 at the Clubhouse at 7:30 p.m. Residents are encouraged to attend. The meeting provides an overview of our projects and improvements, as well as how we will budget for the coming year. A postcard reminder will be arriving in your mail box.

Our water usage is always a major concern. It's our largest expense and everyone is encouraged to be mindful of their water use. Fortunately, Mother Nature gave us some relief recently and greened up our grounds again.

The community's sewer system is due for its preventative three-year cleaning and will be completed this fall. Please be mindful that the sewer line from each townhouse to the system is the responsibility of each homeowner.

Tree and shrub trimming, sprinkler repairs and weed control are constantly ongoing and there has been an amazing amount of foliage growth this year considering the drought conditions. It has been challenging keep up with pruning.

The tennis courts are being resurfaced and will be repainted for both tennis and pickleball players to enjoy.

We appreciate the summer weather. It won't be long before we're complaining about the cold and snow!

KVTA Board of Directors

COMMUNITY INFORMATION (www.knollsvillage.com)		
Clubhouse Reservations 2701 E. Geddes Place	July—Sept Oct —Dec Jan—March April—June	Mimi Iverson— 303-794-2494 Linda Ward— 303-999-6471 Kathy Kurtz —720-398-8684 Pam Hansen—303-757-1576
KVTA Board Meeting	Tuesday, Sept 4, 2018 —6:30 pm	
Newsletter Deadline Wed, August 29 before noon	Nan Matthews nan@themattgrp.com; 303-843-6414	
Emergencies in Common Areas KVTA Message Center	303-304-8976 303-796-0540	

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.

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The Back Gate Villager



CLIMBING KILIMANJARO

(A story of adventure from a Village resident, Katherine Gresh)

When I was offered a chance to climb Mount Kilimanjaro for charity (RadiatingHope), I was extremely hesitant. I have lived in Colorado my whole life and have done some hiking, but I have never camped before – much less climbed a mountain!

I work in the Oncology industry — so when I heard about this opportunity to raise money to help build a cancer center in Tanzania, it immediately struck a chord. Like many people, I have lost several family members and friends to cancer — and when presented with the opportunity to raise awareness and funds to help those less fortunate, I knew I had to take the chance. And I am so happy I did.

We landed after a 20+ hour flight to Tanzania. The next morning, we were able to see Kilimanjaro. I had some serious doubts, thinking, "am I really going to climb that?" It is massive! I mean, it is 19,341 feet and is the largest freestanding mountain in the world.

Later that day we met with the group we were climbing with (I only knew 3 of them). We were a very diverse group from all over the U.S., Boston, San Diego, Florida, Missouri — so many great people and soon to be lifelong friends. These were the people that were going to help me get through the next 7 days.

The climb was surprisingly beautiful. We took the Macheme route, and each day we moved through various climate zones – from Rainforest to Moorland to Alpine Desert. The scenery is what kept us going – each day was different, and no region looked the same. By Day 2, we were above the clouds – it was a breathtaking view to look down and see a blanket of white across the country. One of the nights, we all met in the food tent and spoke about why we were supporting the cause – it was so touching to hear everyone's story and what motivated them to climb.

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ACC Covenant Corner – Working Together to Keep Our Community Vibrant!

A few things for your consideration this month.

A big Thank You to all of you who have responded to out Rabbit/Porch Letters and had work done to mitigate the problem. And, to those of you who have quickly addressed the issues brought to your attention by the ACC, we appreciate your responsiveness!

- Our Maintenance Team does not maintain the walkway areas between your garages or the areas at the end of your garages; the upkeep of those areas falls to us as homeowners. Please review these areas and if needed: 1) Trim back or remove overgrown plants and remove weeds; 2) Clean the whole area, including the sidewalk and steps; 3) Do what you can to make your space attractive. It is important to maintain these areas for ascetic reasons and for your safety since this walkway is most often the route used by the Fire Department and Ambulance Crews.
- Please look at your gutters, and, have them cleaned if necessary. With all the heavy rain we're having, clogged gutters or downspouts can lead to more serious problems if not addressed.



Dancing in the Street

Commons Park—Streets of Southglenn

6:30-8:00 pm

August 8 Tunisia

Tunisia is a high-energy entertainment group that consistently gets the party started every time! Their dynamic show covers many styles, ranging from Current Hits to Classic Rock, R&B to Disco, Motown to Hip-Hop, Standard Jazz to Swing

August 22 The Long Run (Eagles Tribute Band)

The Long Run is a group of professional Colorado-based musicians dedicated to the faithful reproduction of the music of America's most iconic band.



Tickets Now on Sale!

The Cherry Knolls Home Tour will take place on September 15, 2018 from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m.

You won't want to miss this opportunity to see how homes have been enhanced through creative design and clever renovation. This self-guided tour allows patrons to visit homes that showcase the work of local architects and builders. The array of updates, rebuilds and interior design provide inspiration for anyone who is contemplating home improvements or has a passion for style and décor.

Interested in advertising your business in this year's Home Tour brochure? If so, please contact Robyn Barnett at robyn.barnett@gmail.com

Proceeds will benefit the Sandburg Elementary Center for the Sciences, a program developed in 2005 to enhance hands-on learning opportunities in science and technology for elementary school students.

Again this year, we will have a home dedicated to showcasing the work of our local artisans. A percentage of the proceeds of the artwork purchased will also be donated to the Sandburg Center for the Sciences program.

Tickets are \$20/person. Children aged 12 and older are welcome.

To order tickets you can either visit www.stellerrealestate.com or call 303-238-4257 If you would like a paper copy of the ticket form, please visit the site above as there is an option to print out and mail in the form.

NOTICE

Annual Meeting of the Knolls Village

Townhouse Association

7:30 p.m. - Tuesday, October 9, 2018

at the KVTA Clubhouse, 2701 East Geddes Place

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Summit night rapidly approached – we had an 11:00 PM wake up call to start our ascent. There was more snow on the top than they have had in over 7 years! We bundled up, put on our headlamps and crampons and headed up. After a grueling 8+ hours of hiking on ice and in the bitter cold, we made it to the top just in time for sunrise. Once I saw the sign saying, "Congratulations, you are now at Uhuru Peak," I completely broke down in tears – I couldn't believe that I had made it. It was a view and a feeling that I will never forget – I was on top of the world. We were able to hang the prayer flags that I had carried with prayers from my friends and family for loved ones. Then we headed back down the mountain for the remaining day and a half to the base. Then, we had a large celebration and celebrated with a Kilimanjaro beer, after all!

One of the best parts of the trip was meeting the guides, chefs and porters along the way. They are truly the angels of the mountain and not one of us could have made it without them. We sang and danced our way up the mountain with so many laughs and some tears – but I wouldn't have been able to do it without their support. Our group raised over \$70,000 (I raised \$6,000) that will go to building a new Radiation Department at the Cancer Center at Kilimanjaro Christian Medical Center. This is a HUGE amount of money in Africa and will go a long way to help support the community.

To be honest, I had no idea what to expect and I was extremely nervous about going. I had to constantly remind myself of the cause I was supporting which motivated me throughout the climb – this was bigger than me. I learned so much about myself – YOU really can do whatever you set your mind and heart to. It was an adventure of a lifetime – and I plan to go back.

If you are interested in supporting RadiatingHope or have any questions or comments, please don't hesitate to reach out to me!

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