## FROM SCOTT WARD PRESIDENT OF THE HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION

Hello Everyone,

My life-long occupation has been as an electronic technician. I am an installation specialist in the satellite Internet industry. I have had the position for seven years and familiar with virtually every facet of my work.

I know very little in the context of grounds maintenance. I haven't the slightest idea how to administer a snow removal crew.

Fortunately, KVTA has a Grounds Maintenance Specialist with our employee Warren. He knows all about turf, shrubs and tree maintenance and the hundreds of other specialties involved in the upkeep of our Community.

I wish to recognize and commend the staff starting with Warren. The snow removal crew is supervised by him including callout, assignment and execution. Warren, thank you and job well done for all your efforts. KVTA also has three other staff members; Alex, Victor and Ben. Their tireless efforts are responsible for the look of the Community with Warren at the helm. Once again, a hearty thank-you.

I have a dichotomy of emotions about the snow we have been getting this season. I am overjoyed with the amount of moisture that has arrived with the most recent series of storms. We will have a great benefit in the spring from the moisture. Yet, I am concerned for the residents. We are ever so careful and still, the conditions can get the best of us. Always walk with your feet underneath you and your balance intact.

Finally, back to the recurring theme: kindness. Life is so much easier for me when all interactions start with kindness. I even include kindness when changing the tire on my wife's vehicle.

Have a wonderful and prosperous February.

Scott

#### 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.

#### Your Neighborhood Independent Travel Agent

Taking the first step in planning a trip—whether that's buying a plane ticket or figuring out where you're going to go—is always the hardest. I can help! Like us on Facebook for travel tips and ide-

as @BeaconTravel LLC 720-645-3836 lindahedges.inteletravel.com linda.beacontravel@gmail.com

#### Repairs to Remodel

Specializing in bathrooms and kitchens. Tile, counters, cabinets—we do it all—handyman services—painting to water heater replacement. 25 yrs experience.

Call M.W. Inc. (Mike) at 303-949-3930

#### For Sale

GE 5 cubic foot chest type freezer

Call:

303-796-9649

#### Professional Painting and Drywall Repair

Honest, Responsible and Reliable Call or email Charlie 310-420-0582 byrnscharlie@gmail.com

#### Honest, Friendly, Reliable Mechanic Who Specializes in Asian Imports

ASE Certified. Specializes in Toyota Lexus, Nissan Infiniti, Honda & Hyundai.

Timing belts, wheel bearings, oil changes, filters, brakes, tire rotations, tune-ups & more. Competitive pricing - 15 years experience. Call, text or email Jonathan

(719) 423-9372, 4playfabrication@gmail.com

COMMUNITY INFORMATION (www.knollsvillage.com)	
Clubhouse Reservations 2701 E. Geddes Place	Jan—March         Kathy Kurtz —720-398-8684           April—June         Pam Hansen—303-757-1576           July—Sept         Mimi Iverson— 303-794-2494           Oct —Dec         Linda Ward— 303-999-6471
KVTA Board Meeting	Tuesday, Mar 5, 2019 —6:30 pm
Newsletter Deadline Wed, Feb 26 before noon	Nan Matthews nan@themattgrp.com; 303-843-6414
Emergencies in Common Areas KVTA Message Center	303-304-8976 303-796-0540



# The Back Gate Villager



# Join us for a series of FREE programs for seniors in our community!

#### An Afternoon with Abraham Lincoln -

#### Thursday, February $7 \mid 1 - 2 \text{ p.m.}$

Join us at South Suburban Family Sports Center for a living history experience as Lincoln talks through the fifteen presidents that preceded him, describing their importance and his own connections with them. He also shares highlights from his own presidency, including the Civil War, emancipation and the Gettysburg Address.

Reserve your spot online at: <a href="https://www.eventbrite.com/e/an-afternoon-with-abraham-lincoln-sponsored-by-centennial-active-seniors-tickets-52226247111">https://www.eventbrite.com/e/an-afternoon-with-abraham-lincoln-sponsored-by-centennial-active-seniors-tickets-52226247111</a>

#### Irish Celebration -

#### Thursday, March 7 | 6 - 7 p.m.

Join us at the City's Eagle Street Facility for a wee bit o' fun and some Irish cheer. Enjoy the music of local bagpipe band and lively entertainment provided by step dancers. Reserve your spot online at: <a href="https://www.eventbrite.com/e/irish-celebration-sponsored-by-city-of-centennial-tickets-52227076592">https://www.eventbrite.com/e/irish-celebration-sponsored-by-city-of-centennial-tickets-52227076592</a>

### Heroes, Villains, Dames & Disasters: 150 Years of Front-Page Stories from the Rocky Mountain News - Thursday, April 4 | 2 - 3 p.m.

The *Rocky Mountain News* was Colorado's oldest newspaper, and its original stories-from the first edition in 1859 to its very last edition in 2009--enabled audiences to experience the great events, inspiring characters, slices of daily life and stylistic shifts in

writing that shaped our heritage. April 2019 marks the 10th anniversary of the closing of the Rocky Mountain News. It would be the newspaper's 160th anniversary if it had remained open. This event will take place at the City's Eagle Street Facility, 7272 S. Eagle Street).

Reserve your spot online at: <a href="https://www.eventbrite.com/e/heroes-villains-dames-disasters-150-years-of-front-page-stories-from-the-rocky-mountain-news-tickets-52227617209">https://www.eventbrite.com/e/heroes-villains-dames-disasters-150-years-of-front-page-stories-from-the-rocky-mountain-news-tickets-52227617209</a>

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#### **CHECK OUT THE KNOLLS SOCIAL CLUB!**

Have you moved into our community in the past year or two? Do you want to get to know your neighbors? Well, the Knolls Social Club is for you.

It's a place where you can get recommendations for plumbers, tile setters, babysitters, dog walkers, etc. We've had folks who wanted to create a woman's hiking group, teach Italian cooking or hold an open house on a holiday.

It's a simple email forum, sponsored by your Board of Directors.

#### COME JOIN US NOW!

Just send an email to Ken Deshaies at <a href="mailto:RealTrueKen@gmail.com">RealTrueKen@gmail.com</a> or call him at 970-485-1891

#### **LET IT SNOW!**

This time of year we begin to think about snow... and shoveling it from our patios and sidewalks between our garages. There are many residents who could use assistance with shoveling.

If you (young or old) would be interested in helping out (you set your price), please submit your name and phone number to the BackGate Editor <a href="mailto:nam@themattgrp.com">nam@themattgrp.com</a>, and she will put your information in the next Issue as a reference for this seasonal task.



#### TIME FOR SPRING CLEANING??

Knolls Village Community
Garage Sale
Saturday, June 1, 2019

8:00 am-3:00 pm

We will have balloons and arrows pointing down the alleys to everyone's garage sale. In addition, there will be ads in the Denver Post, on Craig's List and signs on University.

In order to know where to put up the balloons, you need to sign up ahead of time. Please call or email Nan Matthews,

303-843-6414 or nan@themattgrp.com no later than

May 15, 2019

with your name, address, phone and email.



#### **Need Newsletter Delivery Person**

22 houses to deliver to. Area is south of the tennis courts and across East Geddes Place.

If you can help, please call Cindy Kiel at 720-583-2495 or email at odiedos@hotmail.com



#### **UPDATE FROM WASTE MANAGEMENT ON RECYCLING**

Over the past few months, we have been sharing information with our customers about the changes in the global recycling industry. To summarize:

- The volume of trash mixed with recycling is at an all-time high and this is creating serious problems for the entire recycling industry.
- Previously, the single-largest importer of recyclable materials worldwide, China has reduced its imports of recyclable materials and set strict contamination limits of less than 1%.
- The buyers of recycling materials at home and abroad are all demanding much higher levels of quality.
- Recyclable material commodity prices have declined and continue to fluctuate.

We are intensely focused on maintaining the long-term sustainability of our recycling programs. This includes reducing contamination at every point in the stream and ensuring we are recovering our costs to process and market materials.

On January 1, 2019 you saw a separate line-item on your invoice which reflects the cost to process and market recyclables. The Recyclable Materials Offset (RMA) adjusts for fluctuations in the recyclable commodities market. When commodity prices are down, the cost to process your materials may exceed the value of those commodities. The RMO allows us to cover the cost to process materials in a safe and environmentally responsible manner. Depending on markets, the RMO may appear as a credit or a charge.

Remember there are three easy rules to follow:



Recycle all my empty bottles, cans, paper and cardboard.



Keep foods and liquids out of my recycling.



Keep loose plastic bags and bagged recyclables out of my recycling.

For additional recycling tools, go to www.RecycleOftenRecycleRight.com