

# 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.

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In-home computer repair & service, including virus removal, data recovery, speed optimization, wireless network setup, hardware installation & much more. Available evenings & weekends — always a better deal than big box retailers. Call Jon at 303-736-9921.



**Our family is in the process of selling our home and wish to buy a ranch end unit in the Village at the Knolls. We prefer a unit east of Knolls Way. Please call us at 303.779.0182 if you are considering selling your townhome over the next few months.**

## The Book Club



Book Discussion: *Midnight in the Garden of Good & Evil*  
by John Berendt

At the home of Barbara Stokes  
2802 E. Geddes Place

January 12 @ 7 PM

Condo for Rent for Winter Vacation — Located in Silverthorne, CO. If you are planning a Colorado mountain vacation, it is a perfect location to get to just about any mountain activity. It is a two bedroom, two bathroom condo on the ground floor, backing to National Forest and immediate access to the out of doors. It sleeps six, has a clubhouse with indoor pool, sauna, hot tub and laundry.

Call Kathy at 303-589-5310 or online at [www.VRBO.com](http://www.VRBO.com) #379238



**DOCTOR PLUMBER**  
Eric Sanders—720.276.3000



# The Back Gate Villager

Issue #71

*Message from the President*

*December 2011*

Quite a winter we have been having ... three storms so far and hats off to Warren and Blade Runners for their efforts in keeping us open. Just a reminder that we usually begin clearing the white stuff after 2 or 3 inches and at times will wait until the storm is over. We intend to try and keep the sidewalk on University Boulevard from Geddes Avenue to the bus stop cleared as well, for those who need access to public transit. Interestingly, I cannot remember such a cold December in years ... seems more like January weather. While it is pretty, please be careful on icy sidewalks and driveways.

I want to thank Peggy Donegan, who has resigned as a director, sold her home, and will be moving very soon, for her service. Although unable to remain a director, she will still be in Colorado and has indicated her intent to continue editing and preparing our newsletter. The internet is such a wonderful thing, when we can produce the Village Gate from a distance ... please visit our website

[www.knollsvillage.com](http://www.knollsvillage.com) If you haven't been on the site, I encourage those that have access to do so. There is so much information about our little neighborhood, as well as the City of Centennial ... interesting stuff for everyone to see and an opportunity for you, your friends and family, even if they live across the country or the world. I suggest that you look at the "what's new page" to stay up on all that is going on here.

We are having a community coffee early in 2012, when the paint committee folks will be available to outline the next section of homes due to be painted in April and May. Bring your questions; enjoy an opportunity to meet other KVTA residents ... the coffee and donuts are worth a trip to the clubhouse.

As a reminder, we shall be maintaining our association dues at \$135 a month through 2012 and it is our hope that this will be of some small help with all the other increasing expenses we experience ... more information to come on all our projects for this next year ... replacing more driveways, sidewalks, removing trees, and general maintenance, we are, after all, a 30 year plus community and yet, I for one, remain impressed at how good we look compared to newer communities in the area. It is important to feel good about where we live, who our neighbors are, and how lucky to be so close to all the shopping and all the other things to do and see in Centennial.

Our hospitality committee is looking for a few good women (or men) to continue organizing the special events we host each year ... several coffee parties, an ice cream social in July, a BBQ in the park at Labor Day and, the Christmas party at the clubhouse which was a terrific success last Sunday evening.

As we end another year, I wish to personally take this opportunity to thank all the directors, committee folks, Warren, Victor, and so many other behind the scenes people who give of their time to make this community such a special place to live. Merry Christmas and a safe and happy holiday everyone ..  
Dick

# HELP WANTED!

We are going to start a list of people in the area that are interested in making some extra \$\$\$. There are a number of residents that are unable to shovel snow from their patios and would love to hire a local person to help them out!

**Also needed:** babysitters, pet walkers, gardeners. Email me ([peggy.donegan@comcast.net](mailto:peggy.donegan@comcast.net)) your name and contact information and what you are interested in doing. We will put this list in the next newsletter.



## RECYCLING NOW EASIER THAN EVER!!

**CURBSIDE RECYCLING** (wooden enclosure marked Upcycling Center) at Sandburg Elementary supports our future workforce (today's Preschool - 5<sup>th</sup> graders) in a variety of ways. Every item listed below brings \$\$\$ and points toward things we can use at our school. Thank you for recycling at Sandburg!!



Wire Corral: **Plastic Bottles and Aluminum Drink Cans** (no milk jugs, metal cans or glass, please)

4 Green Bins: **Terracycle items include:**

- ④ **WRAPPERS** from candy, granola/energy bars, chips (including plastic wrap on multi-packs), paper products, cereal bags (including inner bags), gum, and cookies (including the plastic tray)
- ④ **EMPTY CONTAINERS** from health/beauty products (includes all make up), drink pouches, squeezable fruit, tooth care products, yogurt and spreads
- ④ **PACKAGING** from health/beauty products, diapers, cheese products, gum, lunch kits, Sprouts products, tortillas/tostadas, detergent pouches, and Kashi products
- ④ **TECHNOLOGY:** digital cameras, MP3 players, laptops, keyboards/mice, GPS devices, cell phones, and ink/toner cartridges
- ④ **OTHER ITEMS:** all writing instruments, glue bottles/sticks, plastic drinking cups, tape dispensers/cores, corks,

Plastic Storage Unit: **Plastic Bags** (no black plastic bags, please)

For more information, go to <http://sandburg.littletonpublicschools.net/> or <http://www.terracycle.net/>. Waste Management's white dumpsters next to the building will accept your glass, cardboard, and metal items. Thank you for leaving the items listed above in the wooden enclosure so we can benefit from your contributions.



## Carl Sandburg Kindergarten and Preschool Information Night and Registration



Parent information night, for Preschool and Kindergarten, will take place **Tuesday, January 24<sup>th</sup>** in the Sandburg media center at 6:30pm.



**Kindergarten Registration - Monday, January 30 and Tuesday, January 31**

### Enrolling your child in kindergarten in Littleton Public Schools is easy!

Parents may begin the process any time after January 24, 2012 by filling out the registration forms with the district online ([www.littletonpublicschools.net](http://www.littletonpublicschools.net)). Or, parents may choose to fill out the registration forms at Sandburg on January 30 and 31, 2012. Sandburg's registration hours are 9:00 am to 4:00 pm on Monday, January 30 and Tuesday, January 31 and from 6:00 to 7:00 pm on Monday, January 30. All Parents should bring the following items with them to the school:

1. Proof of address (house contract, deed, or lease agreement);
2. Birth certificate OR passport
3. Immunization records

Parents who are unable to attend kindergarten registration on January 30 and 31 please call Nancy Linger at 303-347-4675.

**Questions? Contact the LPS Central Registrar, 303.347.4360**



A couple of us at the Village are getting together to draw up a plan for community garden to submit to the board. If you love to garden, or just love creating community, email Andrea Duchovnay at [teafortwo@mail.com](mailto:teafortwo@mail.com) with your contact info, including phone number.



## COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Clubhouse Reservations 2701 E. Geddes Place	Kathy Kurtz—720.398-8684 (for events Oct thru Jan 10 <sup>th</sup> ) Ilena Lea—303.771.6965 (for events Jan 11 <sup>th</sup> 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, January 3 at 7:30 pm	
Emergencies in Common Area	303.304.8976	
KVTA Message Center	303.796.0540	
ACC Meeting		
Newsletter Deadline	Friday, January 6th Contact Peggy Donegan	<a href="mailto:peggy.donegan@comcast.net">peggy.donegan@comcast.net</a> 303.660.4808
KVTA Website:	<a href="http://www.knollsvillage.com">www.knollsvillage.com</a>	