

# The Open Gate

Come on in. This page belongs to each of you. It is an editorial page for you to contribute, a place to meet your new neighbors and to sell your "stuff" with a **4-line ad for residents only, at no charge.**

## Recommended by two home owners

Additional insulation in your attic to R-38 price range \$350 to \$600

### Domestic Insulation Co

Dave Carver 303 761-7241  
in business since 1938

## LIGHTHOUSE ELECTRICAL SERVICES

Erik Cachat 303- 587-2990

**SHOP AT HOME** for everyone on your list! Pure Swiss skin care products starting at \$5! Wrapped! Call Nancy 720-200-9266,303-916-2070

## NEED WASHER & DRYER

Penni Urbach 720 493-5364

## There will be no Back Gate Villager in January

**Deadline is Feb. 4th**  
for the **Feb. 11th issue.**

The Newsletter is always delivered the Saturday after the Board meeting so you have the "Breaking News"

e-mail your article or ad to [haroldarnold@earthlink.net](mailto:haroldarnold@earthlink.net)  
or call 303-804-9940  
thanks, Harold Arnold

## Remembering The Old Days

The grand kids spent the night last weekend. We all gathered around our Christmas tree. Barb and I were sharing what Christmas used to be like when we were kids. They found this hard to believe.

In those days everybody seemed to be of very modest means but happy and thankful. A major part of our holiday was decorating the tree, church, Christmas carols, family dinner and going downtown to see the lights. We would make many gifts and received only two or three like: socks, maybe a shirt or pants, underwear (the necessities) and a game from Santa, like Monopoly - which was for all the kids to share.

It is a different world today and in most ways things are much better. This time of year, it seems like we all have too many places to go and too many things to do and maybe too much money being spent on gifts that are just stuff.

No, I don't want us to go back. I'm just remembering and wishing you and your family a very Merry Christmas however you celebrate the holidays.

Harold

**A very Special Thanks to the over 30 people who delivered The Back Gate Villager this year and to all who wrote articles. Our news letter would not have been a success without your help.**

# The Back Gate Villager

Issue #9

December, 2005



**Old Fashioned Christmas Club House today  
December 10th  
4:00 to 6:00pm  
Christmas Carols, Snacks, Drinks, Santa's helper,  
Most of all meet your neighbors and have fun!**

**Hope to see you there**

### ACC Meeting

None in December or January  
Next meeting February 20

### KVTA Quarterly Meeting

Tue. Jan 3rd, 6:30 pm

Have a Great Holiday and Happy New Year

**KVTA Message Center**  
303 796-0540

**Emergencies in Common Area**  
303 230-2348

## Dues Increase

**Starting January 2006**

**Total check will be \$110.00**

That's \$ 95.00 maintenance fee and \$15.00 painting fee

## The Holidays

For most people the Holidays are one of the happiest times in the year unless you have lost a loved one. Then it is the hardest time of the year. Please, if you know a person or family who is lonely, let them know you care.

### Volunteers

We have about 65 people giving their time and energy to make the Village a better place to live. If you would like to help we have committees in need. The Architectural Control Committee has two openings for volunteers. Contact Don at 303-771-5913. We also need a recreation committee and chairman for our pool and tennis courts.

### Theft

To my knowledge there were no robberies this last month, however, we have had somebody taking light bulbs out of side garage lights and yard lights. Police say it's probably young kids. But, the penalty is the same as taking something out of your house. It would be really sad to have a police record for light bulbs. If you think it might know the kids please talk to them.

### Architectural Control Committee

We love the Christmas decoration but they are to be taken down by mid January  
thanks

**Thank You to all who helped  
with our first annual  
Old Fashioned Christmas**

## The Star We Share

I stood back to admire the Nativity scene I'd arranged on our mantel. Mary hovering lovingly over Baby Jesus, Joseph greeting the shepherds, a row of sheep, the wise men approaching, touches of fragrant pine. All it lacked was a big star.

Any of my kids could have quickly cut out a five-point star for me. But they weren't home and I have ten thumbs. In a moment of inspiration, I decided to make a Star of David. Even I could cut out two triangles and glue them together.

The star has become a family tradition. Now every year we place this Jewish symbol over the manger of the Christ Child, the Son of David. It reminds us to pray for peace on earth and good will to all people

Kit Kuperstock. from A Garland of Christmas Stories

Questions about The Knolls Village  
**GO TO OUR WEB SITE**  
[knollsvillage.com](http://knollsvillage.com)

### Fantastic Christmas Decorations

While walking home Tuesday evening it was cold, with crunching snow under foot. When coming upon a decorated home. It, felt magic-like a Christmas card sent to me. Take a walk and see some of the magic for your self. Be sure to go by 2801 E. Geddes Pl. to see their beautiful decorations Thanks to all in the Village who decorated their homes.

### To Reserve The Clubhouse

Ilena Lea 303 771-6965  
If calling in December  
Joy Stanton 303 771-6250



### Presidents Message

As we wind down another year (my first as President) I wanted to take this opportunity to thank the Board Members (past and present) for a great year. I would also like to thank our Committee Chairperson(s) who have again contributed to the overall well being of our community. I thank our Maintenance Staff (Warren, Harold, and Mike) for being there for our Residents and our Business Manager (Joan) for keeping our finances in order. I also thank our Residents for all the patience, support, and confidence that you have displayed to all of us who serve you. I think we have a great community and I look forward to 2006. I hope each of you enjoy the Holiday season with your families and I hope we never forget what this time of the year is really all about.

Loren

### Congratulations !

To Loren Rohl our 2006 Board President for receiving The Pete Schenkel Leadership Award for the Southwest Region of Dean Foods. This is the most prestigious award you can receive at Dean Foods a company of over 10,000 employees. Loren is with Meadow Gold Dairies a division of Dean Foods  
We are fortunate having Loren as our leader this year.

### Welcome Our New Neighbor

Ronnie Gladson  
2424 E. Fremont Ct.

### December Record of Motions

The following were approved:

Real Paint Company, Inc. for 2006 exterior painting of our townhouses

American Civil Constructors as landscape maintenance providers for 2006

Our business manager's 2006 contract

The transferring of all income from operations to the reserve fund after the 2005 bills are paid.

A policy refusing the audio taping or video taping of all KVTA Board and committee meetings.