

# 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 an **ad for residents, at no charge.**

## **\$ \$ It's Tax Time \$ \$**

Talk to your neighbor,

**Don Rothschild, H&R Block**  
720-482-9128

## **Good Neighbor Discounts**

**Are you doing a remodel of your kitchen?** If you are, I would be interested in your cabinets.

**Please call Charlene**  
**(303) 771 - 1167**

**Custom Travel** - Let my 30 years of travel experience help you design your next vacation Deidre Saterdal  
720-568-4663

**2005 Civic Hybrid**, 11k mi, 1 owner, 4 dr, ABS, A/C, alarm system, auto, exc. condition, garaged, keyless entry, pwr windows, **\$18k OBO**

**Call 303-746-3262**

## **Reupholster Now**

Experienced and reasonable price.  
**Call Chris 303-761-8785**

**For 2007 let us all RESOLVE to RECYCLE. It's worthwhile.**

**L. Leigh 303-221-2597**

## **Deadline is March 3rd**

for the **March 10th 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:  
**haroldar@mac.com**  
or call 303-804-9940  
thanks, Harold Arnold

**Ice Cream Maker** - Rival, brand new with booklet. used only once.

**\$15.00. Massager-Shiatsu** black leather, perfect condition, used only twice Different speeds. **\$50.00.**  
**call 303-290-6338**

**For Sale 4 Yokohama 215 50 17 snow tires** like new. Driven 250 miles. Original price \$150.00 each; sell for \$110.00 each.  
303-471-9830

## **VILLAGE SINGLES**

Ever think about eating out, dancing, skiing, sports events, playing cards / games, concerts or the arts -- but need a partner or a group to make it more fun?

If interested in being part of a singles group, contact:

**Nancy Parker** --nancyparker@gmail.com  
**Don Boyson** -- 303/771-5913  
**Kristy Ledgerwood** -- 720/232-4133

## **Our new Neighbors**

Ilse Torbert 2777 E. Geddes Ave.  
Lela French 7399 S. Knolls Way

**I measured the snow fall after each storm and we had over 60 inches in the Village**

## **Thank You**

to all who sent ads and wrote articles for this issue of The Back Gate Villager

# The Back Gate Villager

**Issue #20**

**February, 2007**

Message from the President

SNOW! SNOW! SNOW! That is all we are looking at these days. It has been a tough start to 2007 with all of this snow. I want to extend a "Thank You" to all of those residents who have taken care of their neighbors during all of this bad weather. I know some of you have assisted in shoveling your neighbors out, running errands for your neighbors, or perhaps just inviting them over for a hot cup of cocoa. I also say "Thank You" to many of you who assisted with shoveling in common areas. With so much snow it has been very difficult to get to everything that needed to be shoveled.

2007 will be another very busy year for your Board. We are working on several items. Most notably, compliance to Senate bill 05-100 and SB 06-89. These two bills have several requirements for "Governing Policies" that all HOA's must have in place. The Board will be working to continue carrying out our capitol projects plan as well. We are also working on landscaping procedures and policies for Homeowners who desire to maintain their own common areas in front of their homes and we are considering the purchase a desk top computer which will enable us to maintain Association information and documents electronically.

On behalf of the Board of Directors I thank each of you for your support in 2006. We look forward to serving you in 2007. Remember if you need to contact your Board, you can do that through our web site [www.knollsvillage.com](http://www.knollsvillage.com).

Loren Rohl



# Happy Valentines Day

## **KVTA Board Meeting**

Tues. March 6th  
6:30 pm at the Clubhouse

**To Reserve the Clubhouse**  
Contact Ilena Lea 303-771-6965

## **ACC Meeting**

Monday February 19th  
6:30 pm at the Clubhouse

**Our Web Site:**  
**[www.knollsvillage.com](http://www.knollsvillage.com)**

**KVTA Message Center**  
**303 796-0540**

**Emergencies in Common Area**  
**303 304-8976**

### Warren and His Crew:

A huge "thank you" for your superb job of keeping our streets and alleys drivable during the recent deluge of snow, also, for shoveling behind garages, walkways and helping with patios where residents were practically snowbound. Your hard work was noticed and is MUCH appreciated! From the following neighbors: Ed and June Lind, Tom and Sharon Thwarts, Jean Oatman, Richard Ryan, Linda Hicks, Maxine Heintzleman,, Gayle Buckwalter, Shirley Taylor, Gloria Jensen.

### DOG POOP

Thank you for picking up your dog waste. We all appreciate it! But the few who did not when it was left on the 20 inch wide cleared side walk, and around the mail boxes - for not being more thoughtful of your neighbors, you should be ashamed !!  
Harold Arnold

### Beware !

If you are parking your car unattended in a Fire Lane / No Parking Area, the sheriff will issue a ticket - the fine is \$100.

### The Knolls Village Townhouse Association Auditor's Report and Financial Statements For 2006....

when audited, will be made available on our Web Site. Any homeowner wishing to have a hard copy, please contact me before April 1, 2007.  
Barb Arnold, phone 303-804-9940  
or bga2@comcast.net

### Adopt A Fire Hydrant

As a retired employee of the Aurora Fire Department, I know the importance of a fast response to a life or property-threatening event. It's important throughout the winter months to keep the fire hydrants in our community clear of snow. If the firefighters can't get to the hydrant they have to shovel it themselves. This takes time and can be the difference between property saved and property lost.

**Bonnie Straight**

### EDITOR'S NOTE:

Following the snow storms, Bonnie cleared the snow from each fire hydrant in our Village. Now, that's a big job! Would you adopt your nearest fire hydrant? Let me know. Harold

### Good Things Happening in the Neighborhood

Thanks so much to Jose Ortiz of Waste Management

Two weeks ago while clearing ice behind my driveway, I took a terrible fall. Jose saw me, came running and helped me up, which I wasn't able to do on my own. Not only did he make sure I wasn't injured and able to get around., but he took some "Dry Floor" he had in his truck and sprinkled it all over the ice so I wouldn't fall again. We are lucky to have Jose working in our neighborhood!

**Carol McCall**

Many many more people went out of their way during these last few weeks. There are so many here that I don't know about shoveling snow, helping those who were stuck, getting the mail and taking neighbors shopping and much more. We are fortunate to live here in The Village at The Knolls.

### ATTENTION NEIGHBORHOOD TEENAGERS: 3

We are experiencing quite a winter and have not even gotten to our heaviest snow month of March. A number of our senior homeowners would like to know if there are any of our younger residents who might consider helping them with snow shoveling. If you would consider making a little extra money, getting a little exercise, and being available to assist with snow removal please call Dick Campbell at 303-220-8744 and I will put you in touch with a list of our residents who would like to be able to have you to call on.

What a nice way to be neighborly and work together when those special occasions arise and we need back patios and walks to the garage shoveled.

**Save these names of "Teens for Hire" - the first to contact us:**

Laura Garcia and Mateo Garcia

Home phone 720-493-8730 Cell phone 303-946-9739

### Know Your Neighbor Bob Derrington

Our Knolls Village neighbor of 27 years, Bob Derrington was a WW II B-29 Pilot, based in the CBI, and became a Japanese POW when on a mission, 5 of their 11 plane squadron were downed over Rangoon, Burma. Bob was forced to parachute, earning him membership in the Catapillar Club, and landed in a dry rice paddy (years later an X-Ray showed that he had suffered a broken ankle that day). After six months in prison the Japanese forced those who were able to march toward their homeland since the British forces were getting too close; in fact they were strafing any movement and in one foray, the only one killed in one attack was a British General who had been held prisoner for six years. The Japanese fled and forward Gurhka India troops brought the remaining survivors to a British camp where they were transported to a Calcutta hospital and then transported to the USA. After he was given a month's leave he chose to be assigned as a test pilot at Lowry Field and met Joan when he checked in at Officers' Personnel.  
Walt & Deb, Neighbors

### Information Contact

When looking back on the recent snow storms, we were brainstorming - what could we do better. Well we can't change nature, or move much more snow ... **we can improve the communication of information throughout the Village.** It was decided the best way to achieve fast and efficient communication is by utilizing e-mail to an **Information Contact Person in Each Alley.** We will e-mail this person any current information affecting the residents of that alley or the entire complex. News regarding painting, alley repair, change in trash pick up day, tree or shrub removal as well as keeping you informed in a major snow storm are examples of memos to be sent to your contact person. The March Back Gate Villager will have an insert with the name, address, phone number and e-mail address of the information contact person for your alley. We shall have an informed and cooperative community.  
Harold Arnold