

# 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.

**For Sale:** White micro-wave countertop oven. 1,000 watt, excellent condition. \$25.00. Call Gloria at 303-770-3157.

**Looking for** Rummikub players who would like to play occasionally. Please phone me if you are interested. Tarris Rothschild 303-773-8784.

## Denali Remodeling

Tile, Flooring, and Remodeling  
Ryan Wannamaker (303) 949-6078

## "Financial Workshop for Individual Investors"

Learn how to set financial and investment goals in this "free" three week workshop. Tuesday evenings, April 15, 22 & 29 from 6 to 7:45 PM at the Village of the Knolls Clubhouse. Strictly educational, no sales or advice. The class will provide an in-depth look at different types of investments available to and suitable for working or retired investors. Douglas Applegate of Edward Jones will conduct the workshop. To reserve a seat or get more information please call Doug at 303-796-8834.

**For Sale:** 3 prom dresses, worn only one time. brown, full length, size 4, sequined straps, a black full length gown size 6. ivory full length gown with shawl, originally \$300. Call with your best offer- 303-290-6338

## To Reserve the Clubhouse

Please call Ilena Lea at  
303--771-6965

**For Sale:** Quilter, 10 foot free standing, metal frame with guide arm on top, free motion sewing with brother sewing machine. brand new. originally \$2,000, Make offer. Call Jan at 303-882-8798.

## Emergency Preparedness

Anyone interested in learning how to protect yourself, your family and your neighbor in a man-made or natural disaster, please call me at **303-471-9830**. I will organize a class that we can hold right here in the development. It's about an 8-hour course and will teach you to **create a kit, make a plan, know the facts, get involved**. Hope to hear from you. Bonnie Straight 2625 East Geddes Ave

**Needed:** The Architectural Control Committee meets on the 3rd Monday of the month, February through October, at 6.30pm. Each member of the ACC is responsible for walking/inspecting about 35 homes / 6 buildings and reporting any apparent violations / non-conforming issues on the exterior of a home. **Currently, the ACC has one vacancy for an area walker.** The time commitment is about 2 to 3 hours monthly. Please volunteer for one of these positions. Don Boyson, Chair - 303/771-5913

**Deadline** for the May Newsletter is May 9th. E-mail your article or ad to Kathy at [Kathy\\_Quirk@Yahoo.com](mailto:Kathy_Quirk@Yahoo.com)

# The Back Gate Villager

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Message from the President  
April 2008

I want to take a minute this month to thank those homeowners who attended our first 2008 "quarterly" homeowners meeting held on Tuesday April 1, 2008. Although there were not a lot of homeowners in attendance, the homeowners that did come generated some good conversation about living in the Village. I encourage everyone to attend our Board meetings and particularly the quarterly meetings as this is a good time to get to know your Board and get an understanding of what goes on in our community.

As of this letter, the 2008 painting project is a little better than 50% complete. This project should be completed by the end of May. The Board has decided to paint the perimeter fences this year so it will extend the paint project a little. Our landscape committee has reached an agreement with a landscape contractor to re-landscape two buildings on either side of the pool. The Board and the landscape committee have worked hard to begin the process of determining the future landscape look for the community. We are excited to see the finished product and we hope to extend this "new" look throughout the complex as our budget allows. The remaining capitol projects (asphalt and concrete) will be starting soon. We will be utilizing "Blade Runners" for our mowing again this year.

In closing this month, I would like to thank all of our committee chairs and their teams. A special thanks goes out to Ann Eastridge (Special Events formerly Hospitality) and Kathy Quirk (Newsletter). These two ladies recently stepped forward to fill two committee chair vacancies and they have both done a great job in continuing the success of their respective committees. **THANK YOU!!!!!!**



April Showers Brings May Flowers!  
We already have some beautiful daffodils and crocus.

**ACC Meeting**  
April 21st  
**6:30 PM**

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

**KVTA Board Meeting**  
Tuesday May 6th  
**7:00 PM**

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

## SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE

Our first community social event is at poolside on Memorial Day, MAY, 26 to celebrate the season, the opening of the pool and to meet our new residents. Refreshments will be provided, as well as door prizes.

In addition, our annual ice cream social is scheduled for JULY 20, and our annual barbecue on Labor Day. SEPT. 1 MARK YOUR CALENDARS ACCORDINGLY.

## HAZARDOUS WASTE PICKUP

If you have any hazardous waste materials that you want to get rid of Curbside, Inc. will pick them up for a slight fee. Just call 800-449-7587 and the operator will explain the program including the type and amount of material you have for collection. An appointment will be arranged at that time. This is an excellent program and highly recommended. Hazardous waste materials should not be placed in your regular trash pickup by Waste Management.

## MOTIONS FROM THE MARCH BOARD MEETING were:

- Transfer money from the reserve account to the paint fund, to be repaid
- Remove split tree by townhome
- Replace pool gate
- Replace current rental policy with updated policy
- Replace landscaping in front of buildings to the east and west of the clubhouse
- Replace carpet and vinyl in clubhouse

## COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE

Saturday, April 26

8:00 am – 3:00 pm

More than 40 of your neighbors have signed up promising to make this year's sale the BEST ever!!!



There is still plenty of time to let us know if you'd like to participate – just contact Cheryl Scher 720-482-7665 or Nan Matthews 303-843-6414 – so we can order the balloons to point the way to your sale.

In addition, there will be extensive signage on University and inside the Village and a big advertisement in the Denver Post starting the Thursday, April 24.

Hope to see you there.....

## PARIS STREET MARKET

A Paris Street Market, an open-air vintage, antique and artisan-market at Aspen Grove will begin May 3<sup>rd</sup> from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (rain or shine). Their schedule for the remainder of the summer is as follows: June 7<sup>th</sup>, July 5<sup>th</sup>, August 2<sup>nd</sup>, September 6<sup>th</sup>, and October 4<sup>th</sup>

Check it out - its fun shopping and there are great restaurants in the area.

## ATTENTION PET OWNERS

Animal Control has been frequently patrolling our area. They are looking for animals running at large, pets without a license, noisy (barking) dogs and other violations. Call Animal Control at 720-874-6750 if you have questions regarding animal control issues.

## Dogs of the Village



**Dexter** is a nine year old Shih Tzu belonging to Maggie Maguire. Maggie got Dexter from a friend she worked with when he was about a year old and has loved him every since. "I thought I might give him a new name and tried several different ones, but Dexter just seemed to fit. His favorite activities are going for a ride in the car and taking walks around the Village. It can be a little challenging, though, because whenever he hears a plastic bag rustle, he runs around and thinks it's time to go out. He is a wonderful companion and good friend."

*[Shih Tzu means lion, and in Buddhist belief, there is an association between the lion and their Deity; thus, the dogs*

*were bred in court and were the house pets for most of the Ming Dynasty – American Kennel Club]*

*[If you'd like your dog highlighted in the newsletter, please call Nan Matthews 303-843-6414]*

## ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL POLICY & COVENANTS

- Garage side entry door - install kick plate when bottom of door is moisture damaged.
- Patio gates - must be cedar pickets with no "dog peep holes" Wrought iron gates are not to be installed.
- Gutters - remove leaves and other debris as often as needed.
- Front porches and balconies - tables and chairs must be in good repair and bikes, bbq's and trash are not permitted.
- TV dish receivers - not allowed on front elevation.
- Front porch - indoor/outdoor carpet not permitted.
- Window grids - must match original style/design.

The City of Centennial has launched a new and improved Website

The web address, [www.CentennialColorado.com](http://www.CentennialColorado.com), is the same but the look and feel is completely different. This new site is more user friendly, easier to navigate and has more information available to the public.

### New features on this site include:

- Real Simple Syndication (RSS) feed allows people to include the City of Centennial link on their personal web page for easy access. This is a one stop shop for those that like to have specific information available on one site.
- Visitors can sign up to receive information electronically such as newsletters, bid postings, job postings, council meeting minutes and much more.