

# 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.

## Calling all Original Homeowners

Are you an original home owner in the Knolls Village? If so, the newsletter staff would be interested in interviewing you. Please call Ilena Lea at 303-771-6965

## FOR SALE

Two (2) toddler strollers: one a fold-up side-by-side stroller; the second stroller a tandem (one seat in front of the other.) Phone Ann @ 303.779.0045.

Two (2) Haywood Wakefield solid darkWalnut end tables w/hidden casters for easy mobility; excellent condition. Phone Ann @ 303.779.0045

Willow Ware -- blue & white china: 12-piece place setting of dinner plates, salad, bread/butter, cups/saucer, fruit bowls... with many extra pieces... including some antique pieces. Phone Ann @ 303.779.0045

## Handyman

Gutter Cleaning  
Call Mike Bush 303-694-4090

**FREE!** Barely used BIRD CAGE 1-1/2 foot square. Two perches and two bowls. Call Julia 720-371-6336 Just come and pick it up!

**For all your camping** needs log on to: [www.hookedoncamping.com](http://www.hookedoncamping.com) Dorise Peyton.

**For Sale:** Freezer - \$75  
Microwave - \$25  
Call Marianne: 303-694-4407

**Reliable carpenter**, handy-man in Knolls Townhomes. Call John Ardner, 303-847-7445. John is trustworthy and reliable. Can do just about any kind of repair.

**Beautifully Renovated Townhome** for rent by owner @ 2413 E. Geddes Place. Call 865-966-8690 for appointment; tour online at "[828877.rentals.com](http://828877.rentals.com)" Chris Linn 865-966-8690

**For Clubhouse reservations**, please contact the following people:

- September - December -- Joy Stanton @ 303-771-6250
- January - April -- Ilena Lea @ 303-771-6965
- May - August -- Linda Fletcher @ 303-694-6075

We three have decided to share the responsibilities of the clubhouse which makes it easier to handle as far as Villagers making the reservations, us buying the supplies and keeping the clubhouse clean.

**Deadline** for the November Newsletter is November 7th . Call 303-871-9727 or E-mail your article or Ad to Kathy Quirk at [Kathy\\_Quirk@Yahoo.com](mailto:Kathy_Quirk@Yahoo.com) **No newsletter in December and January.**

# The Back Gate Villager

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Message From the President

October 2008

The trees are turning and the leaves are beginning to fall which means my least favorite time of the year is right around the corner. There is certainly a beauty in the fall that helps to ease the pain of winter. So much for my 'whining' I am sure some of you love winter.

Well speaking of fall coming, it might be a good thing given the large water bill we just paid. We need your help!!! Our last water bill was a record \$39,600!! Now I know much of this was attributed to the dry summer and extra watering that had to be done to keep the grass green however, we do monitor the water consumption for each building and we know that some building are 'high' consumption buildings. You can help us keep the water bill down by insuring that all of your faucet(s) and toilet(s) are not running when they shouldn't be. A running toilet and or dripping faucet waste a lot of water.

Utility costs are on the rise and your Board is doing all that we can to save money while maintaining our property which brings value to our homes. All of us must do our part to keep expenses down. If you need any assistance in finding someone to help you, let us know.

Please do not forget our Annual Homeowners meeting which is scheduled for Tuesday October 14, 2008 starting at 7:30 pm. We invite to come early and get to know your Board as well as your neighbors. The 2009 operating budget will be presented to the homeowners at this meeting. Bring your questions, suggestions, and comments. We will listen to them all.

Thanks  
Loren

**ACC Meeting**  
October 20, 2008

**6:00 PM No meeting in Nov., Dec. or Jan.**

**KVTA Board Meeting**  
Tuesday November 4th

**7:00 PM**

**KVTA Message Center**  
303 796-0540

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

## **SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE**

### **OCTOBER 4th COFFEE & DONUT EVENT**

We had a good turnout at this event. This was a good way for all of us to get together and to meet Josh Lunde, a candidate for the Board of Directors. Joe Johnston and Dick Campbell were unable to attend because they were out of town so it is important for you to be present at the Annual Homeowners Meeting to get acquainted with these candidates.

### **THANKS SO MUCH TO SHARON AND TOM THWAITES AND LOREN ROHL**

Sharon and Tom Thwaites are founders of Coda Coffee Company and have been very generous in providing hot coffee for our social events at the clubhouse this year as well as in the past.

Loren Rohl, the President of our Board, has been equally as generous. Loren has furnished, milk, juice and ice cream for these same events.

**WE TRULY APPRECIATE YOUR GENEROSITY!**

### **WE'RE HAVING A PARTY! HELP US CELEBRATE THE OPENING OF A NEW STORE**

Learn about what we are doing, sample some of our exclusive products and earn free gifts. Save time, money, and energy (yours and your car's) with shipping right to your door. Free shipping is available with a minimum order. Free personal shopping service is available even if you don't own a computer! Refreshments,

samples, door prizes and many incentives will be provided. Bring a friend for additional incentives.

Where: The Village at the Knolls Clubhouse

2701 E. Geddes Place  
Centennial, Co 80122

When: Sunday, October 19, 2008, 2-4 p.m. RSVP to your hostess: Carol Cartwright 303-548-5070

### **RECYCLE! RECYCLE! RECYCLE! HELP YOU LOCAL SCHOOL!**

Collect ALL and ANY plastic bags (No BLACK bags, however). Then take them to the Carl Sandburg School (container by the front desk). You have then contributed to the School Science Center...rather than plastic remaining in the landfill for years. Last year, the school had \$3000 to give the Science Center. Should you find it difficult for to get to the school...Genie Bakker at 2657 E. Geddes Pl. (directly above the pool) will have a container on her front porch that you may place them. It will be labeled "WELCOME".

### **SQUIRRELS CAN BE ANNOYING**

Just recently I was working at my computer and heard a noise outside the window. I looked out and a squirrel was eating a hole in my brand new screen. I banged on the window and within a matter of seconds he was back and ate another hole in the screen. Thankfully, I was in the room or he may have gotten into our house.

### **Motion from Oct, Board meeting**

The Board approved the snow removal contract from Blade Runners

## **DON'T FORGET TO VOTE**

The last day to register in the General Election was October 6.

Mail-In Ballots can be dropped off at the City office at 12503 E. Euclid Drive, Suite 200 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. & 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and 7:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m. on Election Day, November 4, 2008.

For information on TABOR notices, early voting and polling places, contact the Arapahoe County clerk and Recorder at 303-795-4511 or visit the Arapahoe Votes web site.

## **TOWN HALL ARTS CENTER**

Denver's most intimate professional Theater has posted their coming attractions for the 2008-2009 season on their website -many of which are already sold out. If interested in attending any of these attractions go to [www.townhallartscenter.com](http://www.townhallartscenter.com) or call 303-794-2786, Ext. 5 for ticket information. The town Hall Arts Center is located at 2450 West Main Street, Littleton, Co.

**Free First Saturdays** ( of the month) at the Denver Art Museum. Target is sponsoring this for ALL entrants, not just Colorado residents. It is a great family day with activity-backpacks, I-pods, puzzles, etc.

### **Tai Chi Class - Time Change**

Tai Chi class will be meeting at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday mornings in the clubhouse, with the exception of the third Tuesday of each month. Another group has that time reserved and we meet at an alternate location. Each person is notified

ahead of time.

We welcome and enjoy meeting anyone interested in joining us. Joan Derrington initiated this group and she can be reached at 303-770-3572, or contact Penny Urbach at 303-927-6848.

## **Construction at Arapahoe Rd. and University Blvd. scheduled to begin October 13**

Construction at the Arapahoe Rd. and University Blvd. intersection is scheduled to begin next Monday, October 13. This intersection will be completely reconstructed by replacing the asphalt with concrete pavement, widening the intersection with new turn lanes, drainage will be improved by installing new storm sewer pipes and inlets and a new traffic signal will be installed.

Most of the work will be during the day with some night work. Lane closures during the day will be from 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. When night work occurs, lane closures will be in place from 6 p.m. until 6 a.m.

## **Wasted Water**

Did you know that if you let your toilet run constantly because it needs to be repaired, in a two month period you will waste enough water to fill the pool which uses 70,000 gallons to fill? Guess how much that costs? \$280.00 Guess who pays for that? All of us since the water is paid by KVTA dues. During July and August, there were leaking toilets in two buildings which cost KVTA \$980. This water wasn't used for drinking, bathing or watering the grass. It went down the toilet for nothing. Please fix your leaking toilets.