

# 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, CHEAP

Upgrade your windows for thermal and resale reasons: vinyl clad windows 36 x 58. Will fit as double (from dining room of ranch) or single- very versatile. Best offer: yours, cheap. Must dispose of soon. Colleen, 303-905-1594. Leave message, I promise to return your call.

## AVON REPRESENTATIVE

My Name is Lana Smith and I have been a Resident of The Knolls for 3 yrs I have recently become an Avon Independent Representative. If you are interested in Avon products please call me or check out my web site:  
303-730-3337

[www.youravon.com/lanasmith](http://www.youravon.com/lanasmith)

**FOR SALE** Pine dining room table with leaf and four tall-backed matching chairs. \$100.00 Call Rod at 303-521-9781.

**WANTED:** Push type lawn mower. Call Darlys at 303-796-8655

## FOR SALE:

- 70 Interlocking brick Pavers \$10.
- Large Wood Dog House, \$50
- Broyhill full size couc in pastel plaid, &80 OBO.
- Call Sandy at 720-308-1364

## To Reserve the Clubhouse

Please call Ilena Lea at 303--771-6965

## Pool Hours

Hours of operation are:  
the adult swim from 9:30am-10:30am and again from 4:00pm-4:30pm. Open swim hours are from 10-30am-4:00pm and 4:30pm-8:00pm. The baby pool is open from 9:30am-8:00pm for children six and under. If you have any questions, please ask any staff member or Jean Oatman, Pool Manager

## 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

## News Flash - Public Works

**Road Closure** Beginning Monday, June 2, 2008, E. Caley Ave. will close between S. Peoria St. and S. Racine Cir through October 31, 2008. All traffic should use E. Peakview Ave. as an alternate route. Peakview Ave. is one street south of E. Caley Ave. The closure is necessary to allow construction of a new concrete box culvert for storm water drainage and for street improvements required as part of the Southfield Park development. For more information about this closure please contact Abby Hyams at 303-754-3379.

**Deadline** for the July Newsletter is July 4th. Call 303-871-9727 or E-mail your article or Ad to Kathy Quirk at [Kathy\\_Quirk@Yahoo.com](mailto:Kathy_Quirk@Yahoo.com)

# The Back Gate Villager

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Message From the President

June 2008

School is out!!!!!! I know that doesn't affect a lot of us but I still like to think about the time I was a kid getting out of school for the summer. It was so exciting!!!! Sorry I guess I had a little flash back.

Things have calmed down a little around the Village. Several of our capitol projects have been completed. We still have the asphalt work which will start soon. We are re-painting the interior of the clubhouse and replacing the floor coverings this month. This will give our clubhouse a 'fresh' look. The pool is open for another season. I hope everyone has a chance to enjoy it.

I am sure all of you have been exposed in some way or the other to the all of the attention that is being drawn to going 'green' to protect our environment. At minimum I hope all of you are participating in recycling. Your recyclable household items are picked up with our regular trash every other Friday. Recycle bins can be picked up at Waste Management in Englewood. I know this is a change to our regular lifestyles however, I do believe it is a simple way to participate in going 'green'

In the coming months your Board will be looking at other ways that we can be more environmentally conscious. I know many other HOA's are looking at this topic.

Well I hope the high fuel prices haven't spoiled your summer vacation plans. Those vacations are important to us!!!

Don't forget to visit our website [www.knollsvillage.com](http://www.knollsvillage.com) for all kinds of information relative to our community.

Enjoy your summer!!  
Loren

## ACC Meeting

July 21st  
6:00 PM

## KVTA Board Meeting

Tuesday July 1st  
7:00 PM

**KVTA Message Center**  
303 796-0540

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

## SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE Ice Cream Social

The Ice Cream Social is scheduled for Sunday, July 20 from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., at poolside. Entertainment will be provided by Ducky Clown, a balloon and tattoo artist. Mark your calendars accordingly and watch for the flyer that will appear in your July issue of the newsletter.

## HUDSON GARDENS' 12<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION: Free Concert

Sunday, June 15th! Firefall is a Colorado-based band and produced many top 40 hits, including "You Are The Woman", "Strange Way", "Just Remember I Love You", and "Cinderella". Their energy and spontaneity are evident on stage with a mellow, easy, country/rock sound that has endured over time. Gates open at 5:00 p.m. Concert at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are complimentary and must be picked up in person.

## FAMILY FILM FESTIVAL

Every Wednesday from June 18<sup>th</sup> to August 6<sup>th</sup>. There is a FREE Family Film Festival at Aspen Grove. Movies start at dusk. The movies for the season are as follows:

June 18<sup>th</sup> - Bee Movie  
June 25<sup>th</sup> -The Neverending Story  
July 9<sup>th</sup> - Surf's Up  
July 16th - Princess Bride  
July 23<sup>rd</sup> - Barnyard  
July 30<sup>th</sup> - Martian Child  
August 6<sup>th</sup> - Shrek the Third

Come early to enjoy family activities before the show.

## Colorado Farmers Market

The Colorado Farmers Market which was previously located at Ridge Road and Broadway has been relocated to Aspen Grove at 7301 S. Santa Fe Drive. The Market runs each Wednesday, rain or shine, from 11:00 am. to 3 pm starting June 18 and running through October.

## MEMORIAL DAY POOL OPENING PARTY

It wasn't the warmest of days to welcome summer and the opening of our pool, but many neighbors still came out to visit, say hello, eat some delicious food and listen to marvelous music from the guitar duo of Fred Whitecotton and Mel Jackson. Scheduled from 11:00 – 1:00, folks filled the clubhouse meeting new residents and catching up with old friends.



Anne Eastridge, chairman of the Special Events Committee, was very pleased with the turnout and hoped there will be even more for the July 20<sup>th</sup> Ice-Cream Social and Annual Community Barbeque scheduled for Labor Day, Sept 1<sup>st</sup> at 4:00 pm.

## THANKS TO CONNIE SIROKMAN!

From the Knolls Village homeowners, a sincere thanks to Connie Sirokman of Coldwell-Banker for providing all the signs and balloons at our Community Garage Sale on April 26th.



I have been a licensed Colorado Realtor for 14 years and have lived in the Village the past 8 years. Being a neighbor, I would love to help you buy or sell your home and pride myself in giving professional service with honesty and integrity. Please call me at 303-349-5229 for all your real estate needs.

## Landscape Committee Report

The landscaping project for the buildings to the east and west of the clubhouse have been completed and are now ready to grow to completion over the next three years.

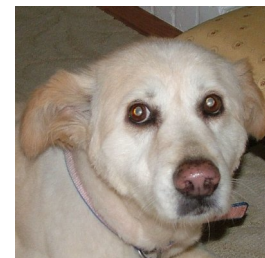
The ad hoc landscape committee looked at how to modernize the Knolls Village look and keep maintenance to a minimum. While we do appreciate the mature quality of our 46 acre property, it is 30 years old and is overgrown in many areas, especially in front of the townhomes.

We chose a professional who landscaped the front of our vice president's (2825 EGP) and his neighbor's home, at their own expense. Their landscaping is into its second year, whereas Knolls Village's project is brand new and looks sparse because we chose 1 gallon plants instead of 5 gallon plants to keep the expense down. There is a drip system underneath the mulch to water the plants and beds were built up to address drainage issues. In three years, the project will look full and beautiful.

The ad hoc committee's work is done with this project. No, the dues will not be raised because of this project. A landscape committee, much like ACC, will need to be formed to deal with how to proceed with landscaping the front of townhomes that have overgrown plants.

Here's a **Shout Out to Warren and his team** for all of the great work they have done this spring. Lots of long hours have been put into the painting and management of our landscaping, and tree removal. **WE THANK YOU!!! It's looking good.**

## Dogs of the Village



Please meet Molly, one of the Village's senior canine citizens at 14 or possibly 15 years old. Molly is a golden and blonde lab mix owned by Doug Hall. Doug got Molly from a Humane Society in North Carolina when she was between 1-2 years old, and they did lots of traveling from North Carolina to Wyoming via Connecticut and then Fayetteville, Arkansas before settling in Denver. "Molly is starting to lose her hearing and doesn't chase rabbits like she used to, but still enjoys her morning and afternoon walks with her friends Cameo and Avitol." One of Molly's greatest adventures was during a snowy day last winter- "She took off chasing a coyote, and when I came around a corner, there the two of them were face to face. Fortunately, the coyote headed down to the creek and Molly happily came back to me saying 'I'm glad you're here, Mom, so I didn't have to be brave and go after that fellow.'

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