

The Southwind Times

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Calendar of Events

Halloween Cider: Tuesday, October 31, 2023, during Trick or Treat. Look out for a white pick-up, an orange cooler, and a “Farmer”.

Southwind Civic Association Meeting is now on winter break and will resume, February 21, 2024.



Announcements

If you or a family member wants to add their name to the list for neighborhood job opportunities, please contact Victoria via text or call at 706-662-2167.

Make Your Mark: “Birthday wishes to Alice Walker, Diane RaPue, and all the other Libras and Scorpius!”

“Never jump in a pile of leaves with a wet sucker.”
– **Linus, It’s the Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown**

Treat for those Trick or Treating: *“Why do ghosts make good cheerleaders? Because they have a lot of spirit.”*

Got Help?

Babysitting

- Ella Gomez (CPR Cert. First Aid Cert.), 303-250-1109
- Elsa Rodriguez (CPR Cert. First Aid Cert.), 303-868-9671

Yard Work

- Elijah Gomez, 303-250-1109

Does your son or daughter babysit, rack leaves, shovel snow, walk dogs, pet sit, or more? If so, Southwind Civic Association can safely list their names and job talents in the Southwind Civic Newsletter along with *you’re*, the parents or guardians, phone number. This ensures your son or daughter will remain safe and employed by allowing you to personally vet anyone who wants to use their services. At the same time, this allows people in the neighborhood to utilize those services! Please reach out to Victoria Hank at 706-662-2167.

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Centennial Zoning Change (Please Research)

I’ve been made aware from credible sources of something that will have a huge impact on our neighborhood. The Land Development Code (LDC) is a legal document on neighborhood zoning. The city of Centennial is trying to change the LDC to adopt Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs).

An ADU is the creation of a secondary, independent residential unit by either expanding the existing house or garage OR building a separate but small house behind the existing house. ADUs allow for the doubling of residences on one property. There are ups and downs to having ADUs. Please do your research and think long-term about how ADUs could impact our neighborhood and its infrastructure and quality of life.

A 75% completed draft is on the city’s website. Please check out <https://www.centennialco.gov/Government/City-Projects-and-Initiatives/Housing> for details.

Whether you are for or against the rezoning changes to allow ADUs, it’s our reasonability, to understand all aspects of it and to express our support or criticism to Centennial. Please visit houseing@vcentennialco.gov and centennial.gov/house for details of the rezoning proposals and on how to express your views. We also have a subject matter expert in one of our neighbors, Pete Cooney. He’s glad to share a detailed analysis of ADUs and their impact on our neighborhood as well as his involvement in the community that leads to his breath of knowledge on the topic. Pete’s number is 303-868-9659.

Southwind Civic Association Annual Membership Form

- Enclosed are my voluntary dues of \$20 for my 2023 Southwind Civic Association membership (Jan-Dec).

Yes, I am interested in helping to support Southwind and continue our many neighborhood activities:

- I/we would like to volunteer to help with a Southwind event.

(Each event requires no more than 1-2 hours of your time)

- Contact me/us if additional volunteers are needed for any event.

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Phone: _____ Email: _____

Please complete this form and mail with your check to:

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Make payment via Venmo: Include your name, street address, and phone number along with your payment to @Southwind Civic Association.

Thank you for your continued support of our terrific neighborhood!

Cheap Halloween Costume Ideas For Kids, Adults and Teens

Remember to look at Goodwill, the Arc, or your friend's closets for some of the items if you don't have them.

KIDS:

Crayons - Kids pick their favorite color in long-sleeved sweats (top and bottom), then add crayon stripes with electrical tape and make a pointy hat with construction paper.

Cat - Black pants, black top, cat ears, a tail, and some drawn-on whiskers with a pink nose!

Mario Brothers - Green and red top, blue jeans, blue ribbon to act as suspenders, and a Mario and Luigi Hat.



ADULTS:

Little Mermaid - Pair a purple top with some green scarves, a green skirt for the fins, and a shell necklace!

John Wick - White button-down shirt, black tie, black pants, a jacket, and a stuffed dog!

Work from Home - Yup, dress in a nice top and pajama bottoms. Add a headset and a mug to really sell it!



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Costume Ideas, *continued from page 2*

TEENS:

President Barbie Costume – Get a pink jumpsuit, making a handmade sash (out of iron glitter letters and thick ribbon) and top it with some heart-shaped sunglasses!



Greek God/Goddess – A white (can be other colors to become a god, like red for Ares) bedsheet (preferred king or queen size), and some ribbon. How to make a toga is easy to Google.

Joel Goodsen AKA Tom Cruise in Risky Business – Oversize light pink or white button-down, underwear or short shorts, tube socks and sun glasses. Make sure to pop the color and find a place to slide!



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I look forward to your call or text! *Scan here for a consult!*

Candace

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Colorado Gardening Tips For October

Taken from the CSU Denver Extension
Horticulture Website:

Lawn:

- Aeration, aeration, aeration!
... and fertilize.
- Automated sprinkler systems should be turned off and blown out.

Shrubs and Trees:

- Fall blooming shrubs should be pruned in the winter, during dormant season.
- Spring-blooming shrubs should not be pruned until after spring flowering.
- If leaf spot is spotted, don't use those leaves as mulch, as that could spread the fungus.
- Young trees planted in the past couple of years should be wrapped from the base to the first or second branch to help prevent sun scald.

Perennials:

- Plants may be deadheaded and cut back. Best to leave some foliage to protect spring growth though.
- See heads may be left alone.
- Non-hardy bulbs like dahlias and gladiolas should be dug up and stored in a cool, dark place. Hardy bulbs can stay in the ground.

Time Traveling Through Food

Courtesy of the book *Tasting History* by Max Miller (YouTube Channel: Tasting History)

This recipe is a nice balance between sweet and sour and is fun for the full family, as it relies on the age-old tradition of pulling taffy. This receipt is from 1896 and is Fannie Farmer's, the mother of the American recipe.

You know how you're supposed to level off a cup of flour with the back of a butter knife? (If you didn't know that you do now.) Fannie came up with that idea and technique. She created cooking classes and cookbooks with standardized measurements. Before that many recipe lists would read something like: "a pinch of sugar and splash of apple vinegar and a dab of salt". Each pinch, splash, dab, etc. is different for each one of us and can create a wide variety of results in whatever is being baked or cooked. Fannie focused on the science part of cooking, looking at the chemical makeup of ingredients and understanding precision was required to have consistence results. It seems obvious to our modern eyes, but it wasn't so back then.

Vinegar Candy

- 2 cups (400g) superfine sugar
- ½ cup (120 ml) apple cider vinegar
- 2 T. (30 g) salted butter (plus more for buttering the pan and pulling the taffy)
- Pinch of Kosher Salt

Step 1: Butter a large baking dish and set aside.

Step 2: In a saucepan, combine sugar, apple cider vinegar, 2 tablespoons butter, and salt. Mix over medium heat. Stir occasionally until sugar is melted. Stop stirring once mixture comes to a boil. Boil until mixture reaches 250F on a candy thermometer, or when a small amount of syrup dropped in cold water forms a ball.

Step 3: Once candy reaches 250F, take off the heat and pour into prepped pan. Let sit for 10 mins or until cool enough to handle. Don't wait too long or it will harden.

Step 4: Coat your fingers with butter or spray and start pulling the candle until the clear amber turns white. This can take up to 60 minutes, so do this with a partner and alternate. Once candy is white, twist into a rope and cut bite-size pieces. Wrap in wax paper to avoid sticking.

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