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Labor Day: Trash Pick-up Delay

Because Labor Day falls on a Monday, our regular trash pick-up day will be delayed by one day in September. Waste Connections will instead be picking up trash on Tuesday, September 5, 2023.

Electronic Disposal Event: August 12, 2023

[Date corrected] The Electronic Disposal & Recycling Event will be held in Woodbourne on **Saturday, August 12, 2023, from 12 pm – 2 pm**. Woodbourne homeowners will be able to drop off electronic items (anything that plugs in or runs on batteries) for disposal. 3R Technology Solutions is again providing this service. The only disallowed items are smoke and/or CO detectors, thermostats, and light bulbs. This is a free event, however, there is a \$30 charge (cash/credit) to recycle televisions.

Special Events

Special events are a vital part of bringing the Woodbourne community together. The Board is releasing this list of events for 2023 with the qualification that any listed event may be canceled, rescheduled, or postponed. The list here includes the current dates for these events. More information will be provided as it is made known.

- Electronics Disposal Day –
Saturday, August 12, 2023, 12 pm – 2 pm
- Pool Closed –
Tuesday, September 5, 2023
- Holiday Hayride –
Saturday, December 16, 2023

Board Meeting

August 9th, 2023, 7:00 p.m.
At the Clubhouse

Notes From The July Board Meeting

Happy August – hopefully everyone’s summer plans were realized perfectly, and as we prepare for the end of summer and into the new school year, fond memories can be remembered. The 4th of July event was another huge success. A big thanks to **Sheryl Archuleta** and **Lucas Slankard** for their sponsorship and coordination.



Photo courtesy of Stu Lash

By the time this newsletter hits your porch, we will have marked another season of fun and friendship with our Wave swim team. It was a challenging year for overall enrollment, but thank you to all the volunteers who made sure our kids experienced everything that comes with being a Wave member. As you meet new neighbors, mention the swim team as an added benefit to living in Woodbourne to help get recruiting up in 2024.

The monthly meeting in July revolved around troubleshooting key fob access issues, addressing the mechanical problems found by our new pool management company, and continued assessment of assets needing to be refreshed as part of our reserve study. Once the pool closes for the season, we look forward to having the pool pump motor rebuilt, wader pool filtration system repaired, and pool cover replaced. The pool chairs/tables are also being evaluated on a 3-year plan to switch out as needed.

The clubhouse renovation subcommittee is currently assembling a proposal to submit to the Board in September. Included in this will be estimates from multiple vendors to maintain a competitive bidding process. Although we would like to improve the clubhouse in its entirety this offseason, a multi-year/multi-phased approach will likely be taken. Since Woodbourne has not currently allocated funds or special accounts to pay for renovations, part of the Board’s research will be to assess how projected costs should be paid for and/or budgeted. We also must stay realistic on what is achievable

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to avoid clubhouse usage delays in 2024. We will continue to notify the community with updates, and there will also be opportunities for neighbor input later on. If you are interested in helping or can lend your professional services, contact Simon at simonw@woodbournehoa.com.

We remind homeowners with properties along W Meadows Dr that your easement includes the space between the fence and sidewalk. The fence does not end your responsibility for maintenance. This has always been an area of confusion, but please note that starting next Spring, we will begin sending violation notices for weeds, overgrown trees/limbs, and general upkeep. If you are one of these homeowners, assess your fence line between now and then. We will also be monitoring fence lines around the homes that overlook Meadows Golf Course. In many cases, those fences will require the same maintenance and upkeep.

Finally, thank you to those who have been submitting Architectural Control Committee (ACC) requests for their external renovation projects. Remember we live in a covenant-controlled community and have bylaws that govern the many acceptable items in our neighborhood. Always err on the side of caution, and if you are unsure of a process or where to locate a form, look on the ACCU portal or contact a Board member via e-mail. Except for the allowed Colorado State statute items, all other changes need approval prior to scheduling your project.

Have a great rest of your summer!

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Clubhouse Reservations

The Woodbourne clubhouse is available until 10:00 p.m. on Sundays through Thursdays, and until midnight on Fridays and Saturdays. Reservations can be made through the community homeowner portal. First, navigate to portal.accuinc.com and login in with your email address and password. Next, click on the "Calendar & Events" tab located on the left hand side. Then click on the "Amenity Calendars" link under the "Calendars & Events" header. Click on the "New Reservation Request" tab and click on the "Timeline" tab at the top of the calendar. This will take you to the page where you will enter all of the information that is required to make a reservation. If you also want to reserve the pool, please contact the pool management company as well.

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—William Londen

Additional Pool Updates

Unfortunately, the wader pool had to be shut down for the remainder of the season – please make sure your children are not entering the area. We are still actively troubleshooting pool fob issues and hope to have the issue resolved by the time you are reading this newsletter. We will update the community once we believe the issue has been fixed. Starting August 15 there will no longer be lifeguards on duty M–F during school hours (exact times TBD). If you would like to use the pool during non-lifeguarded hours, you will need to fill out a pool waiver form located on the ACCU portal > Documents > Forms > Lap Swimmer Waiver.pdf. Lifeguards are still working their regularly scheduled shifts on weekends.

Violation Report

All reported violations through mid-July are categorized below. This includes everything from an initial warning letter to fine imposition:

- Architectural changes not approved – 1*
- Fence repair – 2*
- Recreational vehicles – 2*
- Excessive weeds – 1*
- Landscaping – 1*
- Trash/recycling – 1*
- Tree maintenance – 1*

If you would like to report a violation, please contact Melissa Stern at ACCU.

Playground Woodchips

Thank you to all the residents who brought the current state of our playground to the Board’s attention. The Board cannot keep tabs on every square inch of the neighborhood, so please continue to bring issues like these to our attention. The Board approved a woodchip estimate from a local supply company and will soon be adding a generous new layer of playground-safe woodchips to the area. To keep cost down, the supplier will be dropping the woodchips off in front of the playground (date TBD) and the Board will be asking for volunteers through Facebook and e-blast to help move and spread the mulch around. Stay tuned.



Painted Brick

The Board is currently updating the ACC Paint Request Form to now include exterior painted brick. There will be an additional page to complete if you plan to paint your brick, which has very specific guidance on proper application. This was done thoughtfully and carefully to help protect the integrity of our homes. Once the form is updated and finalized, the Board will set forth a motion to approve the new document and residents can then begin sending in requests.



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August Gardening Calendar

By Eileen Tully, Colorado Master Gardener, CSU

As gardeners, we enter a slower, more easy-going phase in the garden process. There's always something to do in the garden but we don't need to keep up the frenetic pace of planting-mulching-weeding that April and May demand. June's blooms may have faded, but with proper pruning some may make a reappearance in August. July's heat is over and there's still a lot of summer left.



In August harvesting our gardening efforts has begun, but we can take time to do it right, even enjoy the process. If we pay attention, August presents a wisdom not available any other time of year. The garden is maturing now. We can see our mistakes, our successes, and the intrusions on our efforts that nature presents on her own. In August there's time to look around and appreciate the garden...and then get back to work.

MAJOR CHORES FOR AUGUST

Vegetables:

- Plant spinach and lettuce mid-month for a fall harvest.
- Harvest cucumbers intended for slicing when they are 6 to 8 inches.
- Onions are ready to harvest when their green tops fall over. Lift the bulbs and brush off loose soil. Bring them to a protected area like a porch or covered shed. Lay them out in a single layer on a surface that permits ventilation top and bottom. When the outer skins have turned papery place them in a mesh bag or old panty hose and place them in a dark and cool place.

- Peppers can be harvested anytime they achieve the size you need or want.
- Water tomatoes regularly until late August. After that, fruit will ripen more quickly when water is withheld.
- After harvesting and areas become empty sow cover crops, like annual rye grass, often called green manure, to build garden soil.

Lawn:

- Begin lawn renovation and repair. Build up low areas with garden soil and over-seed areas that are thin or bare.
- Attack persistent weeds like bindweed with a 2, 4-D product. But the ultimate goal is to grow a thick healthy turf that will choke out weeds.

Garden:

- Newly planted perennials, trees and shrubs need consistent watering to get established.
- Fertilize roses for the last time around August 15th. Fertilizing later may stimulate new succulent growth that could damage the plant if there is an early frost.
- Divide spring blooming perennials if needed. Ways to tell if a perennial needs to be divided is if the plant has a 'hole' in the middle and doesn't look as attractive as it used to, if blooms decrease or stop altogether or if the plant is crowding out neighboring plants.

Take advantage of plant sales. Usually starting mid-to-late-August and into September many nurseries will have plants sales with prices as much as 50% off.

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Soak up the last few weeks of summer with these fun family outings. As you prepare to say goodbye to summer vacation, consider what is left on your list of things to do before school begins. Take a break from back-to-school shopping with these 10 fun ideas. Make the final days and weeks of summer memorable.

1. **Take a hike.** Set aside a day for a kid-friendly hike, such as St. Mary’s Glacier. For added fun, pack a lunch to enjoy at the top while you chat with your children about what they loved best about their summer.
2. **Camp out.** Camping with little ones takes advanced planning, so aim for simple, carefree camping fun in your backyard. Invite a friend or two and play a game of tag with flashlights when it gets dark. Roast hot dogs and marshmallows in an outdoor fire pit or over the grill. Snuggle up under the stars, point out constellations or play a game of “would you rather” with your kids.
3. **Bike along Platte River.** There are 28 miles of trail along the Platte River for families to enjoy together, whether you tackle the whole length or just a short portion of it. It’s an outing filled with exercise and fresh air, and you can stop along the way as much as you like. Start the trail at the REI Denver flagship store and make your way through Denver to enjoy the city from a different perspective.
4. **Check out a Rockies game.** Spend a day rooting for the home team. With Rockpile tickets priced so low, there’s no reason not to head to the ballpark for a hot dog and some action-packed baseball with the whole family.
5. **Catch a sunrise.** Whether you’re peering over Lookout Mountain, posted up at Red Rocks Amphitheatre, driving up Guanella Pass, or cozied in your own backyard, a sunrise in Colorado is one of the most wonderful beauties to witness. Wake

your kids up early just one morning (if they aren’t already up) to share in the first light of the day. Just think, maybe they’ll go to bed early that night, and you’ll be on your way to an earlier bedtime schedule for school.



6. **Pick some fruit.** August is the month for sweet strawberries and red raspberries at Berry Patch Farms in Brighton. Load up the car with the entire crew and head out into the fields to pick fresh berries.
7. **Take a sunset stroll.** Walk around any of the metro area’s beautiful parks in the evening. Choose one with a playground so the kids can play until the sun sets, then stop and admire the last rays as a family. It’s a great time to share hopes for the next school year, too.
8. **Spend the day at a mountain resort.** The winter slopes transform into family-friendly playgrounds each summer, with a plethora of activities the entire crew can enjoy. From scenic chairlift rides to hiking trails and alpine slides, there’s a little something for everyone.
9. **Drive up Trail Ridge Road.** Spend the day enjoying everything that Rocky Mountain National Park has to offer, including hiking around Bear Lake and searching for elk herds. Make the drive up Trail Ridge Road to stand above the treeline and gaze over miles and miles of mountains and sky. Let the kids take their best photos along the way. You must make a reservation to get into Rocky Mountain National Park.
10. **Ride the Georgetown Loop.** A scenic ride on an old mining railroad is an exceptional way to close out the summer with your family. The Georgetown Loop takes reservations online, and for an additional fee, you can enjoy a tour of a mine while learning about the history of gold mining in Colorado.

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Emerald Ash Borer: What You Can Do?

An estimated 15 percent or more of all urban and community trees in Colorado are ash species susceptible to being killed by EAB. A majority of these trees are on private land.

The most important action homeowners all over Colorado can take now is to determine if they have ash trees. Other actions homeowners can take to help mitigate EAB are outlined below.

Know the Signs of EAB Infestation

Determining an EAB presence is often difficult to the untrained eye. Symptoms include:

- Sparse leaves or branches in the upper part of the tree
- Vertical splits in bark possibly showing S-shaped galleries underneath
- Increased woodpecker activity
- Miniature leaves at the tips of branches late in the summer

Ash Tree Replacement

Ash trees have been widely planted in Colorado, but because EAB is always fatal to untreated ash trees, avoid planting any true ash species (genus *Fraxinus*). Instead, consider the following recommendations:

- Focus on tree and landscape-plant diversity. No one tree species should comprise more than 10 percent of the planted trees growing in any urban or community setting.
- “Plant ahead” and get new trees in the ground that can someday replace ash trees lost to EAB and the shade and other benefits they provided.
- An ash tree replacement tool, which includes a list of trees suitable for ash replacement, is available on the Colorado Tree Coalition website.

Management Options for Homeowners

While effective insecticides are available to protect ash trees from EAB, other management strategies also exist for dealing with the pest:

- Monitoring trees for the presence of EAB
- Removing and/or replacing ash trees
- Planting new trees preemptively in an effort to get them established before the arrival of EAB

Decisions about how to manage ash trees should take into account the overall health of each tree and its value to the property owner. The closer ash trees are to an area of known infestation, the higher the risk that they will become infested by EAB through natural spread.

Chemical Treatment

Consumers should educate themselves when purchasing chemical products to protect trees against EAB, and talk to a professional forester, extension agent or arborist before applying any treatment. For more information about chemical treatment options, view Insecticide Options for Protecting Ash Trees from Emerald Ash Borer (http://www.emeraldash-borer.info/documents/Multistate_EAB_Insecticide_Fact_Sheet.pdf).

Don't Move Firewood!

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Create a Message Center: Life can be chaotic during the school year with all those online class meetings, sports practices and rehearsals. Create a message center so everyone in the family can keep track of schedules and appointments. You can build a home message center or purchase one that is ready to go.

Stock up on Supplies: Whether you homeschool your child or send them off to a private or public school, there's a good chance they'll need some supplies. Many schools provide a list of everything your child will need. Stock up on pencils, erasers, markers and rulers now so they are ready to go on day one. And keep your school supplies organized so you can find everything when you need them.

Get a Lap Desk: A lap desk is perfect for doing school assignments on the go. It can function as a laptop stand, travel desk, breakfast table, kids study desk and much more. There's also extra storage space under the desktop. And the legs fold in flat, making these trays easy to store and portable. It's the perfect accessory for your school technology.

Prepare for Morning: Now's the time to prepare for those hectic early mornings. Get in the habit now of making lunches the night before. About two weeks before school starts, have your children go to bed a little earlier each night and wake up to an alarm clock so they're ready for the first day.

Get An Insulated Lunch Box: Back to school also means packing your child's lunch each morning. This insulated lunch box will keep everything cool (or warm) until they're ready to eat.

Make Sure Work is Completed: Was your child assigned school work to complete over the summer? Make sure they've done their reading and any summer homework packets.

Create a Backpack Station: Set up a backpack and coat station. This can be installed in an entryway or mudroom as a designated spot for kids to hang their belongings when they come home each day. It can also help cut down on clutter.

Choose Outfits: Get your kids in the habit of choosing clothes for the week on Sunday. Have your child lay out his or her clothes that they plan to wear the night before. Not only will this make mornings less chaotic, but it may even help cut down on your laundry throughout the week.

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- DO learn to swim. If you like to have a good time doing water activities, being a strong swimmer is a must.
- DO take a friend along. Even though you may be a good swimmer, you never know when you may need help. Having friends around is safer and just more fun!
- DO know your limits. Watch out for the “too’s” - too tired, too cold, too far from safety, too much sun, too much hard activity.
- DO swim in supervised (watched) areas only, and follow all signs and warnings.
- DO wear a life jacket when boating, jet skiing, water skiing, rafting, or fishing.
- DO stay alert to currents. They can change quickly! If you get caught in a strong current, don't fight it. Swim parallel to the shore until you have passed through it. Near piers, jetties (lines of big rocks), small dams, and docks, the current gets unpredictable and could knock you around. If you find it hard to move around, head to shore. Learn to recognize and watch for dangerous waves and signs of rip currents - water that is a weird color, really choppy, foamy, or filled with pieces of stuff.
- DO keep an eye on the weather. If you spot bad weather (dark clouds, lighting), pack up and take the fun inside.
- DON'T mess around in the water. Pushing or dunking your friends can get easily out of hand.
- DON'T dive into shallow water. If you don't know how deep the water is, don't dive.
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Kiwanis Club of Columbine

We had a busy July; we are always busy. If you want to help your community and meet other volunteers, join us. Some of this month's highlights.

The Sheridan Food bank, food baskets for over 600 families in June, including surviving hail storms. A lot of cold wet volunteers, but we got the job done. This is a Thursday project; we can always use more help. Driving for Nourish Meals on Wheel every weekday, we drive as a team of two, it goes faster, and we get to know each other.

Our team of 6-8 members is working distribution food through JSEL, (Jeffco Schools Early Learning. It is a joint effort between the Action Center and IFCS, and of course we provide much of the labor. Thirty of us helped at a water station

at the Colfax Marathon. Several non-profits used the event as fund raisers. We received a thank you check for \$500 from the Colfax Marathon, the money will be used to help our local kids.

Key events coming up in August: Sharing with Sheridan food bank, helping distribute food for JSEL (Jeffco Schools Early Learning Program, donations of toys to Childrens Hospital, Meals on Wheels, and much more. If it sounds like we have more service projects than we can handle, you are correct. We are planning to work with local schools tutoring math and reading. This is still in the planning stage. We will hit it hard when school starts. Our current project list and needs are listed on our website; columbinekiwanis.org (info-newsletters)

We have added an afternoon meeting twice a month. Some people don't like 7:00am meetings. We have two evening socials a month. In case you are asking, we do have time for community service projects. We can use more help; we always have a project on the go. If you are up at 6:00am and don't know what to do come visit, you will get a free breakfast.

We are an active service-minded club of 66 members, and we are growing (1 new member in July). We don't need to be a member to work on our service projects. If you would like to participate in service projects and social events check us out at <http://columbinekiwanis.org>. We invite you to come for a free breakfast Wednesday at 6:45am at 4Gs restaurant, 5950 S Platte Canyon Rd, Littleton. You do not need to join the club to help with our service projects. For information email me at kensweet@gmail.com.



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—<https://www.littletoncrit.com/>

Concerts in Clement Park

Littleton plays host to Concerts in Clement Park, a series of FREE evening concerts on Thursdays at 7 p.m. Two Performances left at the Grant Family Amphitheater. Bring your family and friends to picnic in the park and enjoy this wide range of talent. Blankets or lawn chairs are allowed. No glass containers.

Here's the 2023 Concerts In Clement Park schedule:

- August 3 — Michael Friedman Band
- August 10 — Lucky Catch

Parking is free, but please do not park at Columbine Library.

Amenities near the Grant Amphitheater include restrooms, playgrounds, walking paths and picnic shelters. Picnic Shelter rentals are available by calling 303-409-2600. If shelters are not rented, they are available on a first come, first served basis.

—<https://www.ifoohills.org/>

Swing Night

@ Makers Market

Join us each Friday night during the month of August for our Swing Night + Makers Market event out in the parking lot at the BARBOX Garden. Enjoy live music, dancing, and a cool Makers Market and the fun starts on Friday, August 4th.

- Festival Makers Market, presented by Denver's Maker Market, featuring 40+ vendors will be open from 3:00 pm to 8:00 pm.
- Live swing music from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm Swingin' Denver will be out teaching free Lindy Hop dance lessons at 6:00 pm and during the band break
- The BARBOX by Breckenridge will be open throughout the event serving up cold beverages
- Food Trucks will be at the event serving up some tasty treats

Bring your own lawn chairs or blankets and make a night of it with family and friends.

The 2023 Swing Nights Band Lineup

- Friday, August 4th: Royal Street Ramblers
- Friday, August 11th: Jeremy Mohney
- Friday, August 18th: Queen City Jazz Band
- Friday, August 25th: Odessa Rose

—<https://aspengrovecenter.com/event/swing-nights/>

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