



Cottonwood West Homeowners Association

Newsletter Spring 2018

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Annual Meeting

Be sure to mark your calendar to attend the **Annual Meeting** of the Homeowners Association. It will be held this year on Tuesday April 17, 2018 at the St Joan of Arc Orleans Hall, 12735 W 58th Avenue at 7:30 pm and ending by 9:00 pm. Simply come into the doors for the main hall in the west wing of the building and proceed down the hall to the **fleur-de-lis** room on the right. Special thanks to our community neighbor St Joan's for providing this meeting space free of charge.



Block Party



Our block party last September was well-attended and great fun. Please bring your thoughts on the timing of the block party to our Annual Meeting. Some like an early summer date and some like a late summer date. We will discuss these options and choose a 2018 date at the Annual Meeting.

Board Vacancy

One other item for the **Annual Meeting** is to find and elect an additional board member, as our Executive Board currently only has four members and for many practical reasons, should have five. Being a board member takes very little time. Board members approve Architectural Control requests, approve the annual budget and deal with concerns of trash and the overall appearance of the community. The current culture of the board is to take a relaxed and cooperative approach to those goals and concerns. With email, many, if not most, decisions do not require even attending a meeting; everything has been streamlined. Meetings last no more than an hour, and happen usually only three to four times a year. Please consider coming to the Annual Meeting and offering your service to your neighbors as a board member.

Dumpsters

The very popular dumpster program is back this year with dates you can plan on. Traditionally, the Spring dumpsters arrive just before Memorial Day weekend but we are entertaining bringing them in earlier this year. Please let us know your thoughts on this at the **Annual Meeting** April 17. Some items are not allowed, especially electronics under a state law that requires recycling. Details can be found under the "Documents" tab on our website.



2018 Homeowner Dues

This is the first year that we have had everyone pay on time, or just a few days late! As a point of information, your annual dues covers trash pickup, the Block Party, and the spring and fall dumpster program.

Overgrowth...

It is of particular importance for all of us to keep our bushes, trees and shrubs neatly trimmed and in order. This is the perfect time to use the Spring dumpster campaign for disposing of excess landscape growth. Front yards should have their landscaping maintained for the good of everyone here. We have on average two to three homes for sale in Cottonwood West at any given time, and out of respect for our neighbors we owe it to each of them to see that the neighborhood makes a good impression!



Community Garage Sale

2018 would normally be the year to host a community wide garage sale. Please bring your thoughts on this to the **Annual Meeting** April 17 for discussion.



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Be sure to mark your calendar to attend the annual meeting of the Homeowners Association. It will be held this year on Tuesday April 25, 2017 at the St Joan of Arc Early Learning Center, 12735 W 58th Avenue beginning at 7:30 pm and ending by 8:30 pm. Our normal meeting space in



the Orleans Hall is not available, and we've used the school for this before. The school is a free-standing building directly north of the church. Simply drive around to the back of the church to the school parking lot and come into the front doors of the school. Special thanks to our community neighbor St Joan's for providing this meeting space free of charge. **PLEASE NOTE!** We have an opening on the board of the HOA. If you have an interest, it is important that you come to this meeting.

Dumpsters

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members are out cleaning up from winter). Some items are not allowed, especially electronics under a new state law that requires recycling. Details

can be found under the "Documents" tab on our website.

Thanks and Farewell!

We sadly say goodbye and best of luck to **Maggie Glogowska** and her husband Mark. They have sold their home and have moved to the sunny and humid skies of Florida. Maggie served the Cottonwood West community as a board member since August 2011 and was always ready to step in and help. This does leave an open seat on the board, so please consider serving and come to the Annual Meeting.



2017 Homeowner Dues

As a point of information, your annual dues covers trash pickup and the spring and fall dumpster program. We still have some homeowners that have not paid their 2017 homeowners dues. If you have not paid this year's annual dues, please send your payment to:

**Cottonwood West HOA
PO Box 840
Arvada, CO 80001**

Corner Lot

As you noticed, construction proceeds on the new duplex at the corner lot. They have been very good at containing their construction trash, etc., and for that we are grateful. Please let us know if you see any problems and we can convey that to the property owner.



Snow



Thanks to everyone for working to keep their sidewalks clear of snow this winter. And to the mystery persons with a new snowblower who went above and beyond his own walk, many thanks for being a good neighbor!



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Block Party

We hope to have a block party again this summer, but may do things a little differently just to try something new. We have some things to work out, but we will announce something soon.



Garage Sale

This is an "on" year for the neighborhood-wide Garage Sale. We have chosen **Saturday May 14th from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM**. We will advertise on Craigslist as well as post signs near 58th and again at 57th Place. All you need to do to participate is have your stuff ready and out the morning of the 14th!



Pet Waste

Please be kind to your neighbors and their yards. If your dog wishes to leave a present, please have a way to take it with you. Thank you for being considerate.



Dumpsters

The very popular dumpster program is back this year. We will place the spring dumpsters on a staggered schedule: one week before the Memorial Day weekend, during the weekend, and the following weekend. This should allow more access to all users before, during, and after the holiday. Also, weekly trash collection will be on Tuesday, May 31st, instead of Monday. Some items are not allowed, especially electronics under a new state law that requires recycling. Details can be found under the "Documents" tab on our website.



Trim the Trees & Bushes

With the weather warming and the dumpsters coming, Spring is a great time to trim foliage and prepare for a wonderful summer.



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Corner Lot

We're sure you've noticed the removal of the Cottonwood West sign on the corner lot in preparation for the lot owner's plan to build a duplex there. We are taking a wait-and-see attitude to watch the development of the lot and whether it is to be rented or sold. If sold, we may wish to propose a sign on the lot to the new owner when development finishes.

Many thanks to Paul at **Bada-Bing** for giving us space to have our board meetings. Give them a try!