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Cocoa & Carols 2011

This year's Christmas Caroling Party will be held Monday, December 19th at 6:30 p.m. There will be plenty of hot cocoa ready for everyone to enjoy. We will also have lyric sheets available for everyone's favorite and well-known carols. The evening will be a lot of fun, and very laid-back. All ages and singing abilities are welcome to join us for a joyful night of Holiday Cheer!

Like last year, we will all meet up at a starting point (to be determined) inside the neighborhood. After filling up your mugs with cocoa and getting to know each other, we'll start out on our singing route. Depending on the weather and the enthusiasm of our group, the night will last 1-2 hours. All participants are encouraged to dress in festive gear (Santa hats and elf ears, for example), and please invite any friends or family along, even if they don't live in Kipling Villas. The more the merrier!

We will also have a relief van driving along with us, in case anyone needs an urgent hot cocoa refill, or even a break from walking.

We are open to suggestions of any residents who could use some extra holiday cheer this year, so if you or a neighbor would like a visit from us, please email me at kvnewsletter@gmail.com and we will do our best to include you.

So just remember, if you aren't standing out there with us on Monday, December 19th, that means your house is a potential target for a horde of cheerful carolers to ring your doorbell!

Please RSVP to this event so we can be sure to have enough cocoa and sheet music for everyone who wants to participate. I'll also send you a reminder next month.

Thank you and we are looking forward to another great night of caroling!

— Janet Clark



President's Letter

Hi everyone. It is November already. The Holiday Season is almost upon us. It is time for families, feasts, and getting together with friends. The football season is nearing the end. By now my Broncos are probably out of the playoff race (I am writing this on October 10th). As in the times before the playoff years, I will need to wait for next year. We can always look back at what might have been.

By now or very soon, we will have new lighting for our entry signs. We have gone many years with the inadequate illumination that was in the original plans. We have decided to upgrade the signs with new LED lighting. Much brighter than the old system and uses very little electricity. Thank you Dwayne for offering your services and expertise on this project. We truly appreciate your efforts and workmanship.

I had a recent conversation with Bill Kieck, our Foothills Field Foreman for our greenbelts. We talked about trying to do some different things with the greenbelts

and the planting beds. Right now we are in the planning stages, but I think we can work cooperatively with Foothills to make our greenbelts better. I would like to start a volunteer group of residents to help with the greenbelts. If you are interested in adopting a bedding area or are interested in helping with some of the maintenance of the trees and bushes, please contact me. We had some residents helping this summer on an informal basis. I appreciate their efforts. If gardening is one of your passions, I would like your help in improving our greenbelts. Please contact me.

Finally, I would like to encourage you to take part in this year's Christmas Caroling. I had a great time last year. The families that showed up last year were very spirited and into the Holiday Season. It made for a great evening of singing in the Villas. It really got me into the spirit of the season.

I hope you have a great Thanksgiving. We have so much to be thankful for.

— Jerry Shin

Next HOA Meetings

Tues., November 8th, 7:30 p.m.

Tues., Feb. 7th, 2012, 7:30 p.m.

All meetings are held at Lilley Gulch Recreation Center. All residents are welcome & encouraged to attend!

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—Scott Adams

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Involve Children In Their Own Health Care

Sick children are often sheltered from discussions about their health care. But a study published in the Journal of Clinical Nursing suggests that health professionals and parents would do better to consult children more and include them in decisions. Researchers in Ireland spoke with 55 young people, ranging in age from 7 to 18, with acute or chronic illnesses. Most had been hospitalized previously (71 percent), stayed less than seven days (85 percent) and lived with two parents (80 percent). Some of the study's findings were:

- Children said they want to take part in discussions about their health and treatment, and to have their views and concerns taken seriously.
- Knowing the health professionals helps children feel able to ask questions freely and express their concerns.
- Many children look to their parents to act as advocates and to explain what's happening, and they rely on their parents because they have problems communicating with health professionals.
- The way health professionals communicate and behave can be an obstacle to children's getting involved. Children said health professionals tend to "do things" to them with very brief explanations or none at all. Health professionals exclude them, they said, directing information at their parents using language they don't understand.
- Children want to make "small" decisions, but almost half want to leave "serious" decisions about issues like surgery to their parents and health professionals.

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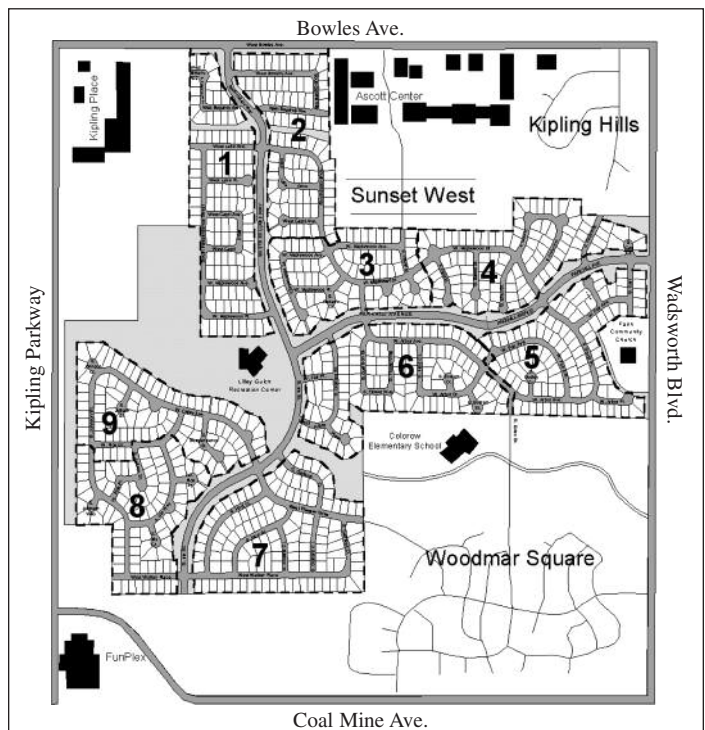
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Drinking and Driving is a Costly Mistake

On Saturday, October 1st, six police agencies converged on Jefferson County for a night of heavy DUI enforcement. Officers arrested 17 drunk drivers in 6 hours. It was one of several strategies we used in 2011 to remove drunk driving from our roadways.

So far this year, an average of two drivers per day were arrested in unincorporated Jeffco for driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs. In the first nine months of 2011, Jeffco deputies arrested 320 drivers for DUI. Colorado State Patrol troopers nabbed an additional 300 offenders in the county.

Checkpoints

In addition to occasional “saturation” patrols (when we add deputies to the roads for the sole purpose of stopping drunk drivers), our agency hosts five DUI checkpoints each year. DUI checkpoints are not only meant to catch drunk drivers, but also to educate motorists about drunk driving and, ideally, deter would-be drunk drivers from taking the wheel. Most checkpoints result in a handful of DUI arrests.

A checkpoint on South Wadsworth Blvd. on Labor Day weekend resulted in no DUI arrests. However, a local cab driver stopped by to thank deputies for his most lucrative night of the year. Apparently, word of the checkpoint had spread to the local restaurants and bars, and he had more calls for service that night than any other. For us, deterring drunk drivers is much better than catching them. We hope the nagging threat of being caught will deter would-be drunk drivers on checkpoint nights, and every night.

Drinking & Driving is a Costly Mistake

Getting a ticket for DUI can be a life-changing event. In addition to the possibility of going to jail, you could be responsible for more than \$10,000 in fines, surcharges, court costs, attorney’s fees and auto insurance increases when it’s all said and done. Those costs are estimates from the Colorado State Patrol based on a simple DUI arrest – not a DUI crash. Our latest DUI poster showing the breakdown of a DUI’s cost is available for download at our website: www.jeffcosheriff.com.

To Report a Drunk Driver

We urge you to call 911 to report a suspected drunk driver. If you decide to stay on the line and follow the vehicle, stay a safe distance away. Don’t put yourself in harm’s way or violate any laws to trail the driver. Try to provide a license plate number and description of the vehicle.

— Sheriff Ted Mink

B’nai Chaim Services

B’nai Chaim, a Reform Jewish Congregation serving southwest metro Denver, will conduct Shabbat Services on November 4 and 18 at 7:30 p.m. A Tot Shabbat Service will be held on November 4 at 6:15 p.m. All services will be held at Congregation B’nai Chaim, 4716 South Coors Lane. An Oneg Shabbat will follow all services. All are welcome. Call 303-697-2668 or visit our website at www.bnaichaim.org for more information.

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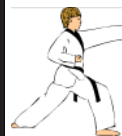
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A Thanksgiving Tale

A man ran into the butcher shop just before closing on the day before Thanksgiving. "You've got to help me," he said. "I told my wife I'd bring home a turkey for tomorrow's dinner, and I forgot! Do you have any turkeys left?"

"Well, I'll see," the butcher said, and he went into the walk-in fridge. He found only one thin, scrawny turkey, and he brought it for the customer to look over. The man shook his head. "Are you sure you haven't got anything else?"

Hiding his irritation, the butcher headed back to the walk-in fridge, taking the turkey with him. There were no others, so after a few minutes he brought the original turkey out again. "Took me a while, but I found this one." The customer sighed. "All right. I'll take 'em both."

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- **Make date night special.** Go out on dates with your spouse, but don't just dash out to a nearby restaurant. Try something different: Take a class, go skating, visit a museum, or do something else out of the ordinary.
- **Compliment more than you complain.** Nobody's perfect, but focus on the positive side of your relationship. Tell your spouse that he/she looks nice, say thank you, praise an accomplishment – keep the balance tilted toward good feelings.
- **Respect each other's territory.** You're sharing a life, but that doesn't mean invading the other person's space. You're both allowed some personal zones: Stay out of the kitchen if your husband loves to cook, for example, or don't barge into the den when your wife is watching football. And don't be jealous of your spouse's friends.
- **Fight fair.** Arguments happen, so don't panic. Keep things civil when you argue. Don't dig up past offenses. Avoid making accusations that begin with "You always..." or "You never..." Don't interrupt while the other person is talking.
- **Dress to impress.** Pay attention to your appearance. Even someone who loves you may not appreciate your look when you're in a sweaty T-shirt and jeans spattered with spaghetti sauce. Make an effort to look good for your spouse even when dressing casually.
- **Accept a few imperfections.** You may be able to persuade your husband to change his shirt, but you probably can't transform his personality to suit your fantasies. Be willing to tolerate a few flaws as long as your spouse agrees with you on the really important issues.

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Learning To Speak Your Mind To An Audience

Most of us would rather dig a ditch than give a speech. But the people who get ahead are those who know how to motivate others in public speaking forums. The next time you're offered the chance to make a presentation, say yes and follow this advice:

- **Learn about your audience.** Who will be listening? What's important to them? If you're following other speakers, find out who they are and get an idea of what they're going to talk about so you can fit your remarks into the right context.
- **Know your material.** Don't wing it with a few notes on a single 3x5 card. Do enough research to understand your topic and anticipate the questions you're likely to be asked. Prepare an outline, if not a whole speech, and follow it as you talk.
- **Set a clear goal.** Audiences rarely enjoy vague, wishy-washy speeches. Decide what you want your main takeaway to be, a clear call to action, and structure your speech around it.
- **Practice.** Run through the speech a few times before you deliver it to an audience. You'll feel more comfortable with a solid mastery of the words.
- **Check out the room.** If possible, visit the venue before you have to step up to the lectern. You'll be more relaxed if you can visualize the material ahead of time. You can also check for sight lines and get a sense of the acoustics.
- **Have a strong opening.** You don't necessarily have to open with a joke ("A frog, a rabbit, and Donald Trump walk into a bar..."), but your opening lines should be clear and focused. Wasting three minutes thanking the host and complimenting the audience (or worse, apologizing for your nerves) will encourage your audience to tune out.
- **Finish on time.** Few listeners ever wish that a speech was longer. As you practice, keep an eye on how much time you're using, and stick to the time limit. If you come up short, you can always take questions.

American Diabetes Month

Diabetes, an illness in which the body is unable to produce or use the insulin its needs to process glucose, afflicts millions of Americans and can lead to disability and death. American Diabetes Month was created to raise awareness about the seriousness of this disease and the importance of treatment.

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