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### A Reminder About Election Signs

As the election approaches, residents may want to put election signs on their properties. A resident is allowed to display one political sign per candidate or ballot issue on their property or in their window from 45 days before until seven days after the election date. The size of the sign can be a maximum of 36 x 48 inches. Political signs **may not** be placed on community property (like around the pool or around the Simms and Fremont common areas). The grounds maintenance company will remove any signs placed on

common property. Don't forget to remove the signs after the election, no matter what the outcome.

Tis the Season

Holiday lights and decorations are a tradition that brings a little warmth into the community. Along with spreading joy and happiness we ask that you display your decorations in a safe and attractive manner that does not interfere with neighbors, pedestrians, or traffic. Be sure to secure everything well to prevent items from blowing away. When using spotlights and directional lights be respectful of your neighbors and make sure they are not pointed in their direction. If your display is abundant, make sure it does not overflow onto the sidewalk and prevent safe passage. Remember, holiday displays and lights must be removed 15 days after the holiday.

#### **Next Board Meeting**

Third Wednesday
November 18th, 2020, 7:00 p.m.
Virtual Meeting

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#### **Notes From the Board**

Now that the elections are over, everyone can take a deep breath, hold family close, and hope for some form of normalcy in our community as the holidays arrive. (Hey! We're all allowed to dream a little.)

In October, the Board dropped goodie bags or "Boo'd" a handful of our neighbors in hopes of raising spirits and creating a ripple effect of neighbors "Boo'ing" other neighbors and creating some fun for our community. Special thanks to Board member **Brittney Rodgers** for helping to acquire the bags and some of the special goodies and to all the Board members who took the time to stuff and deliver the "Boo" bags.

While the Board sometimes faces tough decisions surrounding our community, we hope you've noticed that being on the Board does provide opportunities for fun and creative ideas. It is my hope that some members of our community will

consider stepping forward when some of our Board members' terms expire next April. Please don't hesitate to contact any Board member, or our community manager, with questions about volunteering and helping to build our community.

The food trucks will continue through November and December but will only come every other week during those months. Hopefully, you've had a chance to try some of the delicious food that has rolled through our neighborhood in the last couple of months. Plans are being drafted to keep the Holiday Hay Ride on schedule and our

vendor has presented some great ideas to safely offer those rides to our community this year. We hope to have an update with more details in the December newsletter, via email, and on our social posts.

Because I hate financial surprises, I'm reminding everyone, again, that due to rising costs there will be a \$3 increase to the 2021 dues starting on January 1, 2021. Dues will be \$63 per month in order for the HOA to maintain a balanced budget and cover all related expenses, while continuing to contribute to the association's reserves. Additional notices and reminders will be mailed and emailed before the end of the year.

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#### **Please Shovel Your Snow**

We have already experienced a bit of snow this fall. Please be a thoughtful neighbor and remove snow from the sidewalks as soon as possible. Remember that we have a lot of children in the neighborhood that walk to school and a lot of neighbors that enjoy walking the neighborhood. If snow is left to sit, it causes icy conditions that can quickly become very dangerous. If you need assistance with snow removal, consider contacting one of the neighborhood youth listed in the back of this newsletter offering such a service. Thanks for your help in keeping our sidewalks safe.

#### From The Board, continued from front page

Homeowners can continue to visit the Woodbourne website for updates and sign up for email notifications and announcements if you are not currently receiving them. You can also follow Woodbourne on Facebook (private groups, "Woodbourne HOA") and Nextdoor (groups, "Woodbourne HOA") for announcements.

The holidays cause a change to our usual bi-monthly meeting schedule. Our next regular business meeting will be held virtually on November 18, 2020. Please feel free to contact **Kim Herman** (303-265-7923) or **Geol Scheirman** (303-265-7837) with CLA with any questions. Stay safe, stay healthy, and have a Happy Thanksgiving!

- Justin Sasso, President

## Trash Pickup for Fall and Winter Seasons

Waste Connections allows for additional trash collections over and above your weekly cart as follows:

- Leaf Season October 1st through December 1st each year Waste Connections will take up to 15 bags at no additional cost per week for leaf and yard clean up season.
- Holiday Season December 1st through January 15th Waste Connections will pick up any waste / trash associated with the holiday including holiday trees at no additional cost.



If you have any questions or concerns please contact **Waste Connections** at **303-288-2100**.

#### **Dues Increase for 2021**

After much discussion and consideration, the Board decided that HOA dues will need to be increased to \$63.00 per month effective January 1, 2021. The last time that the HOA dues were increased was in 2019. If you pay your monthly dues through an auto-deduct/ach from CLA, you do not need to do anything. If you pay through your bank's or a third-party's bill pay system, you will need to update with the new amount.



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#### **News Articles**

The deadline for news articles is the 15th of the month before the next month's issue. Please email news articles to the editor at woodbourne.editor@hotmail.com. No endorsement of any product or service is implied or stated by its inclusion in the newsletter. All articles must be approved by the editor for publication, or as space permits.

Advertising

The deadline for advertisements is the 15th of the month for the next month's issue, except for the Jan. issue which is Dec. 6th.

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#### **Clubhouse Reservations**

Are you planning a party or considering reserving the clubhouse? Woodbourne's website has a new Reservation System and Calendar. You may use it to view available dates and even place a reservation request any time, day or night. The request process is very simple, so please log on to Woodbourne's website at www.woodbournehoa.com to take a look. On the home page, scroll down to Homeowner Information and find the Clubhouse Reservations tab. Click on the tab and you will find the Clubhouse Reservation form, the pool rules, and the Clubhouse Reservation Calendar. To request a reservation, fill out the on-line form, sign in the signature block, and submit. You can also download the Clubhouse Reservation form and mail it in, if you prefer. Please give them a call at 303-439-6058 for additional assistance or to speak directly to your Reservation Specialist. Of course, if you ever need help you can also contact any Board member.

# **Woodbourne Annual Holiday Hayride is Coming**

The next scheduled community event will be the Holiday Hay Ride on December 19, 2020, at the clubhouse. The Board is making every attempt to hold this event with safety. As with

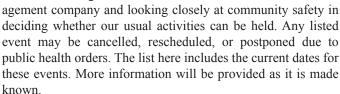
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all public events these days, virus conditions may cause changes or cancellations. More information will be provided in next month's newsletter.

#### **Special Events**

Special events are a vital part of bringing the Woodbourne community together. This year, we have had to cancel or reschedule some activities due to the COVID-19 public health crisis. The Board is seeking advice from our man-



• Holiday Hayride – Saturday, December 19, 2020 These events have been great in the past, and we look forward to them being awesome in the future.



## **Fuel Your Creativity With Optimism**

It's hard to be optimistic these days, but you can't be creative with a negative attitude. Investor's Business Daily has these tips for creativity even in dark times:

- Broaden your horizons. Think big. Look for ideas that will shake things up. Vast ambitions have more power to inspire than shallow ideas.
- Engage your curiosity. Question everything. Ask the reporter's questions—who, what, when, where, why, and how? Don't be satisfied with superficial answers. Dig deeper.
- Visualize success. Think about what your project will do, how it will feel, and what it will say to other people.
- Move on from failure. Every idea won't succeed.
   Don't let that stop you. Learn what you can and apply the lessons to your next creative project.
- Control your ego. You want to be the best, but you can't do everything yourself. Seek out other creative, talented people for their ideas and support. Incorporate their thoughts into your own efforts (giving due credit, of course). Concentrate on the achievement, not your own personal glory.
- Learn from others. You're not the only creative, ambitious person out there. Associate with people who've done what you want to do. Find out how they created success and emulate their tactics.



## **Keep Your Learning Pod Healthy And Safe**

As schools struggle to provide education during the pandemic, many families are turning to "learning pods"—small groups of children who are taught together at someone's home, either by a parent or hired teachers and tutors. The Bellingham Herald shares this advice for making them effective and safe:

- Keep them small. Limit your pod to five children. When you add in parents and teachers, you don't want the group to grow too big.
- Be clear about precautions. You may want to require a 14-day quarantine before pod classes begin, as well as social distancing and masks.
- Plan for sickness. Have a plan for the risk of a member of the pod developing COVID-19 symptoms. Again, a 14-day quarantine may be necessary, along with virtual classes.
- Check daily. Take temperatures and ask questions every day to make sure no one is coming in with symptoms.
- Allow plenty of breaks. This will allow children and adults the chance to wash their hands frequently.
- Decide who will clean the space. All high-touch areas should be thoroughly sanitized frequently.
- No sharing. Children shouldn't share food, drinks, and school supplies.
- Get outside. Get outside as much as possible to escape the shared air indoors.



#### **American Diabetes Month**

For the millions of people who are at risk of diabetes, it's a time to get educated, find resources, and make sure all those around you are aware of their risk, too. And for the millions of people living with diabetes, it's a chance to tell your stories and awaken the world

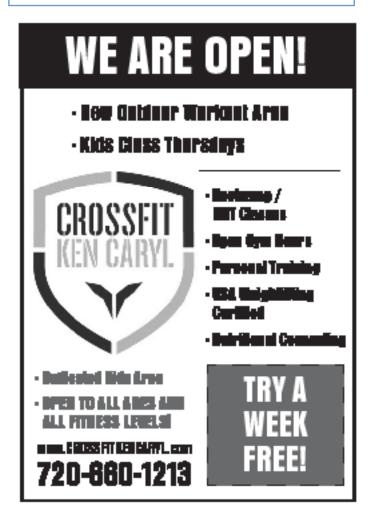
#### **Teen Services**

Hire a teen from our neighborhood to help out with household chores. Teens are available for Babysitting, Pet and House Sitting, Lawn Care and Snow Removal.

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#### **GobbleWobble: Clement Park Goes Virtual**

What is the Gobble Wobble?

- A Thanksgiving morning 5k race (Gobble)
- A way to burn some extra calories so that you CAN have that 2nd piece of pie.
- An opportunity to do something healthy and fun together as a family.

Additional race information can be found at http://www.gobblewobblerun.com.

The Gobble Wobble Run is a family friendly 5K that has been going strong since 2010! We welcome all ages and abilities. Our race takes place at beautiful Clement Park in Littleton, Colorado every Thanksgiving morning (except for this year! 2020) If you have any questions about this race, go to gobblewobblerun.com.



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### Where And How To Volunteer This Thanksgiving

Giving back year-round is important, but many feel especially called to do so during the holiday season, beginning with Thanksgiving. In the spirit of giving, we've rounded up some organizations that need your support around the holidays, ways you can find volunteer opportunities in your area, as well as other ways you can give back this Thanksgiving.

Things might be a little different this year due to restrictions from COVID-19. Do a little extra research to make sure individual organization locations are operating normally near

Meals on Wheels - This established organization brings nutritious meals to seniors who are at risk for hunger yearround, but they ramp up efforts around the holidays. You can find volunteer opportunities near you at: https://www.mealsonwheelsamerica.org/americaletsdolunch

Volunteer to go grocery shopping - People in vulnerable populations might need your help to get groceries safely this holiday, especially during COVID-19. You can learn more about the process here: https://shoppingangelsglobal.org/

Volunteer at or donate to a food bank - Many local food banks see an influx of volunteers around the holidays, which can actually overwhelm them. Be sure to ask, specifically, what they need when you're inquiring about volunteering. Maybe it's just some donated supplies. Maybe it's your time, but at a later date. Or maybe they could really use your time around the holidays. Find a food bank near you here: https://www.feedingamerica.org/

Volunteer at a soup kitchen - Again, soup kitchens might be a bit overwhelmed with volunteers around this time of year, but if they are holding any specific holidays meals, they might have room for more volunteers. Give them a call and see when they need you and what they need from you. You can find a soup kitchen near you here: https://www.wheelsforwishes.org/news/find-a-local-soupkitchen/

Find or start a clothing drive - Thanksgiving marks a time when the weather gets cold and dangerous in many parts of the U.S.

> That's why it's so important to ensure those experiencing poverty or homelessness have warm clothing. Keep your eyes out for clothing drives near you or contact local organizations to see if you can help start one.

> Make a monetary donation - As previously noted, many organizations are overwhelmed with in-person volunteers during the holidays. If you can't commit

your time at the moment, or in the near future, a donation to a worthy cause can still go a long way. You can find some charities specifically focused on fighting hunger here: https://www.delish. com/food-news/a33927554/charities-that-fight-hunger/

Keep an eye out in your own community - The best way to find out the needs of your community is by listening. So much of charity work happens at a local level, so that will be your best bet for finding the causes that have the most impact. Keep an eye out on bulletin boards and social media sites, and ask community leaders where the areas of greatest need are. People do the work yearround and the best thing you can do is amplify their voices and get involved where you can.

-Kristin Salaky, www.delish.com



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