

# COLUMBINE VALLEY VOICE

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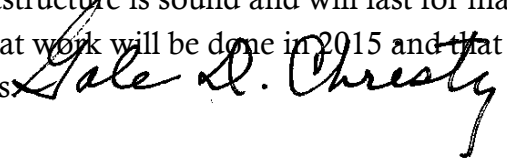
## From Mayor Christy:

Winter weather in Columbine Valley has been "up and down" with cold and snow followed by 60 degree days, and while that may make snow removal a bit tricky, it hasn't slowed us down as we prepare for another busy summer.

As you'll read in this issue, the Town continues to be busy with new and proposed land development projects. Willowcroft at the southwest corner of Bowles and Middlefield is picking up speed with work progressing on the perimeter brick wall and entry monument with more houses expected to start construction soon.

Columbine Valley has initiated a project with the City of Littleton and Arapahoe County to study the traffic "situation" on Platte Canyon Road. We know that something has to be done to address the terrible traffic congestion especially during rush hours, and with all the new development in adjacent communities, it will only get worse! We have a traffic consultant who is investigating the various options available to us, with associated preliminary cost estimates. Once we receive the results of this study, the Town will work with CDOT and our other partners to develop solutions.

We are also preparing for another year of work on our road system. Last year, the Town started a multi-year project to work on every road in Columbine Valley, making sure that our infrastructure is sound and will last for many years to come. The Public Works team is still ironing out the details of what work will be done in 2015 and that information will be presented at a Board meeting in the next couple months.



Gale D. Christy

## MAYOR & BOARD OF TRUSTEES



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# DEVELOPMENT UPDATES

Be sure to visit the “Development Updates” section of our Web site [www.columbinevalley.org](http://www.columbinevalley.org). Look for the gold bar at the bottom of the homepage. From there, you can read all of the latest official information on each project. You can also sign-up to receive emails each time some-

### Wilder Lane

The Wilder Lane development proposal is for a 6.6 acre site located immediately east of Platte Canyon Road and immediately north of the Village subdivision. The applicant, Platte Canyon Partnership, is proposing 24 homes with primarily single story units containing 1900 to 2300 square feet (excluding basement) and lot sizes averaging 7000-8000 square feet. There will be two access points into the project, one from Platte Canyon Road and one from Middlefield Road

The Final Development Plan and Final Plat was heard by the Planning Commission on January 13, 2015. After receiving the staff report, the developer’s presentation and extensive public comment, the Commission voted to recommend the project favorably with several conditions. On February 17th the case was presented to the Board of Trustees. After receiving the staff report, developer’s presentation and public comment, the Trustee’s voted to approve the Final Development Plan and Final Plat subject to several conditions.

The most substantial of these conditions provides either the Board of Trustees or the future homeowners of Wilder Lane, via their HOA, the ability to add additional visitor parking should the need become apparent after build out.

Copies of the final development plan, final plat and supporting documents are available for review at the Town Hall.

### Wild Plum Farm (Tuck),

In December 2014, Taylor Morrison was the second developer, following Toll Brothers, to announce they were withdrawing their plans to develop the Tuck property due to the financial viability of the project. The Tuck Family, owners of Wild Plum Farm, have issued a new Invitation for Bids to selected developers. The invitation was open until February 20<sup>th</sup>; no information on the current status of the project was available at the time of publication.

# 2015 Town Directories

Town Directories will be mailed in the next week or so. When yours arrives, please check your name, address and phone number carefully and notify the Town if there are any corrections that need to be made. Corrections will be mailed in the next newsletter.

If you are a new resident and are not in the Directory, please email Dana Struthers at [dstruthers@ColumbineValley.org](mailto:dstruthers@ColumbineValley.org) with your name, address and phone number. Residents always have the option to NOT have their information published, however, the Town appreciates having the information so that we can contact you in the event of an emergency or other “official” matter.

Starting in 2016, the Town will be giving residents the option to have their “at-home” children listed in the directory. If you would like to have the names of your kiddos listed along with yours, please contact the Town.



## SPRING

The dumpsters will be placed at in the parking lot at Town Hall from noon, Thursday, May 28nd through Sunday, May 31st.

No landscape materials and NO HAZARDOUS MATERIALS allowed. Many common products found in your home such as oil-based paint, mercury, gasoline, de-greaser, cleaning compounds and garden chemicals may be hazardous and should be disposed of properly.

Please do not put electronics, refrigerators or other major appliances in the dumpsters. The Town will have a recycler on hand to take away any of these items you want to get rid of.

For more information, including where to dispose of hazardous materials please visit [www.ColumbineValley.org/community-updates](http://www.ColumbineValley.org/community-updates).

## Development Updates, Continued

### Willowcroft Manor

Building activity continues at Willowcroft Manor, at the southeast corner of Bowles and Middlefield Road. The model home opened for viewing on February 14<sup>th</sup> and six additional units are under construction. The roadways, sanitary sewer and the exterior walls are nearing completion. The 41-unit patio home project was approved by the Board of Trustees in June of 2013 and upheld by a

# DATES TO KNOW

- **Mar 17:** Board of Trustee Meeting; 6:30 p.m.
- **Apr 14:** P & Z Commission Meeting; 6:30 p.m.
- **Apr 21:** Board of Trustees Meeting; 6:30 p.m.
- **May 12:** P & Z Commission Meeting; 6:30 p.m.
- **May 19:** Board of Trustees Meeting; 6:30 p.m.
- **May 25:** Town Hall Closed in observance of Memorial Day
- **May 28—31:** Dumpsters at Town Hall
- **July 4:** Columbine Valley 4th of July Parade

## TOWN STAFF

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## Service Recognition

Mayor Gale Christy presents long-time Columbine Valley resident Germaine Gregg with a plaque recognizing her 12 years of service on the Planning and Zoning Commission. Germaine also served as Town Administrator for 16 years.

Other recognitions that evening were presented to Bill Wieder for his eight years of service to the P&Z and to Sergeant Greg Bowman of the Columbine Valley Police Department, who has served the Town for 25 years!