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...along with our warmest wishes for a safe and happy holiday

From Mayor Christy:

With the end of the year upon us I'd like to review (briefly) what I consider to be a few of the highlights of 2014 for our Town. You will read elsewhere in the Newsletter that the Town government has been highly focused on three new residential developments --- Willowcroft, Wilder Lane (the Nelson and Jurgelonis properties), and to some extent the Tuck property which is known as Wild Plum Farm.

At the same time, our Planning and Zoning Commission has spent hundreds of hours updating our Land Use Manual, which encompasses the Subdivision Regulations and Zoning Ordinance. This was a monumental task and our P and Z Commissioners, along with staff, consultants and Trustee Mark Best have done a terrific job.

The Board of Trustees developed and initiated a 3 to 5 year street improvement program which will result in the re-surfacing of all of CV's streets -- and we will be paying for these major improvements without borrowing a dime. Again our staff and consultants, working with Trustee Jim Newland, have begun a program which will serve the Town for many years to come. The Public Works Department also replaced the dilapidated wrought iron fence on Platte Canyon Road as well as diligently fixing all our street signs.

Our Town Administrator J.D. McCrumb developed several important new communication programs to help keep our community better informed (including this Newsletter) and Police Chief Brett Cottrelland his officers

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DEVELOPMENT UPDATES

Be sure to visit the "Development Updates" section of our Web site **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 Preliminary Development Plan and Preliminary was heard by the Planning Commission on September 9, 2014. 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 October 21, 2014, the case was presented to the Board of Trustees. After receiving the staff report, developer's presentation and public comments, the Trustee's voted to approve the preliminary Development Plan and preliminary Plat subject to several conditions.

This development is scheduled to be considered for Final Approval by the Planning and Zoning Commission at their meeting on January 13, 2015. If approved, the Board of Trustees will hold a Public Hearing on the development, tentatively scheduled for February 17, 2015. The public has the opportunity to be heard at both meetings.

Copies of the preliminary development plan, preliminary plat and supporting documents are available for review at the Town Hall or on the Town's web site and staff reports will be posted on line prior to consideration for Final Approval.

Willowcroft Manor

Willowcroft Manor, at the southeast corner of Bowles and Middlefield Road, is now under construction. After several delays, the Town staff has

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2014/2015 Snow Removal

The Town has once again contracted a private company to remove snow this winter. The goal of the Town of Columbine Valley is to provide snow removal to all Town streets within 24 hours of the snow having stopped falling. The Town's priority is to keep arterial roadways and bus routes open to facilitate emergency traffic and then to clear snow from all remaining residential streets. Plowing will commence once snow has reached a depth of 3 inches and will be cleared with 8-foot lane in each direction. On occasions when less then 3" falls, the Town will treat intersections with sand-like ice-slicer to help prevent cars sliding.

Residents are encouraged to refrain from parking on the street during and immediately following a snowstorm. Parked vehicles and other obstructions interfere with the safe and continuous operation of snow removal equipment. Plow drivers will do their best to avoid pushing snow into cleared driveways, however, they have very little discretion as to where the snow can go and their priority is to clear the streets to ensure safe travel.



Development Updates, Continued

Wild Plum Farm (Tuck)

The Tuck Family, owners of Wild Plum Farm have entered into a preliminary agreement with Taylor-Morrison for the purchase of the property. Taylor-Morrison is the developer of the Willowcroft Manor project which is now under construction. The agreement is preliminary in that Taylor Morrison will conduct their "due diligence" activities before entering into a final sale contract.

No plans have been submitted to the Town. As part of their due diligence, Taylor-Morrison held public meeting at the Club on September 11th and September 17th. The primary purpose of these meetings was to hear from the Town residents concerning their major issues and comments on the development of the property. Additional public meetings are expected to be scheduled before any formal submittal is made to the Town.

Newsletter in Col-

The Town is excited to announce that beginning in March of 2015, this quarterly newsletter will be delivered to you in full color.

It is our goal to keep you as informed and up-to-date on what is happening in and around Columbine Valley as possible.

As always, if there are topics that you'd like to learn more about, contact Town staff and we will do our best to make sure we include those topics in a future issues.

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DATES TO KNOW

• **Dec 9**: Board of Trustee Meeting; 6:30 p.m.

• Dec 25 & 26, Jan 1: Town Hall Closed

• Jan 13: P & Z Commission Meeting; 6:30 p.m.

• Jan 19: Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday

• Jan 20: Board of Trustees Meeting; 6:30 p.m.

• **Feb 10**: P & Z Commission Meeting; 6:30 p.m.

• **Feb 16**: Presidents Day Holiday

• **Feb 17**: Board of Trustees Meeting; 6:30 p.m.

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2015 TOWN RESIDENT DIRECTORY

Town Directories will be mailed in early January. 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 March newsletter.

If you are a new resident and are not in the Directory, please email Dana Struthers at 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" use.

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.