

COLUMBINEVALLEYVOICE

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From the Mayor:

In April the Town Trustees reluctantly accepted Jeff Tempas' resignation as Town Treasurer. Jeff has been our Town Treasurer for over 20 years and has led us with steely resolve to insure the fiscal health of our town. Jeff served as a Trustee in the late 90's and has been Treasurer since then. The Treasurer's job is difficult as many competing interests want to fund various projects, and it is the Treasurer's job to bring logical explanations as to why we can or cannot fund those requests. During his tenure, Jeff has mastered the art of governmental conservatism helping our town remain fiscally responsible to its residents. When you see him walking in the morning, please thank him for a job well done.

Even though we have lost Jeff, his imminently competent replacement is Janet Taylor, CPA. Janet is a longtime resident who lives in Burning Tree with her husband Dave and two young children. Janet's willingness to work for our town is another example of how fortunate we all are to have highly talented people step forward to work for the town – and they live right here! Welcome Janet!

Great news about residents making Columbine Valley their official address! It appears that many of our residents have now changed their last line of address on their mailings and internet purchases to Columbine Valley (instead of Littleton). As a reminder, taxes are collected whether you use Columbine Valley or Littleton, however, the revenue generated by those taxes needs to go to *your town*, not the other town. We will know the full extent of these efforts later this year. Thanks everyone and Keep It Up!

Lastly, we are finally headed into summer. Kids are playing all around us so please drive carefully. If a ball rolls out into the street, you can almost be assured a child will be following it, so SLOW DOWN. On your social calendar, save the date for our Town's first **Summer Concert June 27th** in the Town Hall Park, and our great **4th of July parade**. We hope to see you at the concert and the parade!

MAYOR & BOARD OF TRUSTEES



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DEVELOPMENT UPDATES

Lennar has indicated that they are considering an offer for the Wild Plum development. The Town is not aware of the details of any agreement, and at the time of publication, no deal has been finalized.

Regardless of who builds the homes in Wild Plum, the architectural designs approved with the Final Development Plat and Plan must be followed. If a new builder wanted to introduce alterations, additions, or changes of any substance, they would be required to seek approval from both the Planning and Zoning Commission and Board of Trustees in the same process CalAtlantic/Lennar went through in 2016, including at least two public hearings. If and when more details immerge, look for updates from the Town in this newsletter and on the website.

The construction on Fairway Lane has finished. While some small repairs, striping and landscape fixes have yet to be completed, the bulk of the work is done. The projected one month project met one unanticipated obstacle after another and turned into eight months with torn up streets, dust and mud. A very sincere thank you to all the residents who live on or beyond this project for their patience and understanding throughout.



2019 TOWN MASTER PLAN UPDATE

The Planning and Zoning Commission continues its work on updating the Town's 2007 Master Plan document. The Master Plan is a guiding document that outlines the Town's vision, priorities and goals for the future, specifically related to development and infrastructure. Beginning in January, the Commission has worked chapter by chapter through the document, informed by two public open houses and two online surveys.

In addition to always being invited to Planning Commission meetings, the public can expect additional opportunities for engagement and feedback at the Town's summer events and at future commission meetings. Upcoming chapters include transportation and parks, trails and open space.

The final plan will be presented to the Trustees in October or November.



60th ANNIVERSARY

Join your neighbors at the **August 8, 2019** Concert in the Park for a special celebration of the 60th anniversary of the incorporation of Columbine Valley as a Town.

We celebrate with a performance by the sensational Hazel Miller Band, as well as a few extra surprises for those in attendance.

Metro Plex—Airport Noise Issues

Over the past few months you may have heard about the Federal Aviation Administrations (FAA) Metroplex. Metroplex—Denver is part of the FAA's effort to modernize the national air transportation system with the goal of increasing aviation safety, efficiency, capacity, predictability and resiliency.

At this time, it is unknown how Metroplex will impact Columbine Valley. Initially, there were concerns that there would be a significant increase in the number of overhead flights, flying at a substantially lower altitude in rout to land at DIA and Centennial Airports.

While these concerns have been lessened as additional information is presented, your elected officials continue to actively monitor this situation and advocate on behalf of Columbine Valley residents and the quality of life in Town. Updates will be posted online as necessary.

INDEPENDENCE DAY FIRE WORKS

The Town is once again partnering with Columbine Country Club to open the driving range to all Town residents for fireworks viewing.

Starting at 8:00 PM please access the driving range from the front of the Country Club (east side).

The Club will be offering burgers hotdogs, chips, soda and wine/beer for a fee (credit cards only).

This opportunity book-ends the morning parade and provides an opportunity for the whole Town to come together and celebrate our nations independence!

4th of July Parade!

30th ANNUAL



At the corner of Fairway & Driver Lane

7:30 a.m.—Pancake Breakfast

8:00 a.m.—Cart Decorating Contest

Most Original

Most Creative

Most Patriotic

8:20 a.m.—Mayor's Welcome

8:30 a.m.—Singing of the National Anthem

8:40 a.m.—Parade Kick-Off

Featuring American Legion
and members of the
Denver Broncos Stamped

At the Columbine Valley Town Hall

9:00 a.m.—Festival at Columbine Park

Featuring Live Entertainment
sponsored by ABC Investments Team

Face Painters & Balloon Artists

Root Beer Floats and more!



DATES TO KNOW

- **June 18:** Board of Trustees Meeting; 6:30 p.m.
- **June 27:** Concert in the Park at Town Hall; 6:00 p.m.
- **July 4:** Parade and Festival; activities start at 7:30 a.m.
- **July 4:** Town Hall Closed for Independence Day
- **July 16:** Board of Trustees Meeting; 6:30 p.m.
- **July 18:** Concert in the Park at Town Hall; 6:00 p.m.
- **August 8:** Concert in the Park at Town Hall; 6:00 p.m.
- **August 20:** Board of Trustees Meeting; 6:30 p.m.

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CVPD REMINDERS

FIREWORKS

Fireworks that leave the ground or explode are illegal per State Statute. Anyone found lighting such fireworks will be subject to a citation from the Police Department.



GOLF CARTS

Please remember the ordinance regarding the operation of golf carts has been revised. Only a LICENSED driver at least 16 years old may operate a golf cart on public roadways of Columbine Valley. In the interest of safety, golf carts are considered a motor vehicle and therefore are regulated by the same traffic laws. The Columbine Country Club maintains a separate set of rules for operation on the golf course; these rules are not applicable to public roadways.

