



Lakehurst Honker

Newsletter for the
Lakehurst West Homeowners Association
720-945-9126

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Garage Sale Weekend June 21-23

Start planning now!

Spring is the perfect time to clean out your basements, garages, closets and outdoor sheds!

The HOA Board will advertise on Craig's List, Nextdoor.com, and post the signs at all three entrances to the neighborhood.

You just have to fill your driveways with merchandise.



Looking for a Local Band to Play at Concert in the Park

The HOA Board would like to find a local band willing to play at the concert in the park this summer. We are open to any Saturday evening in August.

We cannot provide a stage or amp system, but you don't necessarily need them. Please call 720-945-9126 for more information. We are also considering a DJ who can provide music.

Getting Rid of Junk

It's a life long effort—keeping our homes and properties clean and neat. Charities such as Goodwill and ARC will not take anything that is not in near-new condition. And they won't accept TVs at all. Here are some suggestions for disposing of items that you can't sell at the Garage Sale.

1. Donate Metal and Support the Troops

Old appliances and other metal junk can be turned into donations for our military troops overseas. Lakehurst neighbor, Kim Hinson, uses the money from the recycler to buy care packages. She will pick up barbeques, metal sheds, lamps, microwaves, chairs, lawn mowers, tables, golf clubs, swings, tools, nuts & bolts, pots/pans, bed frames, cars, RVs, pipes, any metal construction materials, tire rims, rebar, aluminum, steel, and copper. Text or call Kim at 303-332-1668.

2. Used Mattresses

If the mattresses are in good condition, you might be able to sell or give them away on Nextdoor.com or Craig's List. However, if they are old or damaged, there is an organization that will recycle them. Spring Back Colorado takes mattresses and box springs and breaks them down and recycles the components. According to their website, between 20 and 40 million mattresses go to landfills in the U.S. each year. There is a charge of \$20 per piece if you drop off at 4975 Pontiac Street in Commerce City, or you can schedule a pick up at your

place, they charge \$35 for the pick up plus \$20 an item. It's not cheap to recycle, but it also costs something to take things to the dump, and you will be doing the right thing for the planet if you recycle! www.springbackco.org (720) 515-1328

3. Electronics

"SustainAbility" is the name of a recycling company with plants in Arvada and Denver. They accept the following items for free: Computer towers, laptops, cellphones, APC/UPS, ipods, ink and toner cartridges, loose cables and wires. Through a partnership with Sony they accept all Sony electronic products for free.

They charge 15 cents a pound for the following items: Keyboards, mice, printers, video game systems, fax machines, PDAs, electronic toys, cameras, microwaves.

They charge 44 cents a pound for computer monitors and televisions (both flat screen and CRT). These cannot be broken or exposed, however. They have a minimum of 10 screens per drop-off. They take cans of paint for 50 cents a can, smoke alarms for \$12, and fire extinguishers for \$6.

Again, recycling isn't free, but you don't have much choice with many of these items, because it is illegal to send them to the dump. Since July 1, 2013 it is Colorado state law that electronics may not be thrown in the trash. This law applies to electronic devices throughout the state of Colorado and affects both residents and businesses.

You can contact the company at www.sustainability-recycling.com or 303-425-9226.

4. If You Have to Take it to the Landfill

If your item cannot be recycled by any of the above methods, you can take a pickup truck load to Republic Services Foothills Landfill at 8900 Highway 93 in Golden. Their website doesn't say how much they charge, but a review on Google said they charge \$86 for a pickup load. A resource if you don't have a pickup is to call Dave Carlson at 720-427-5660. He will take a pickup truck load to the landfill for \$150. You can combine with neighbors, or he may have a day where he is going to the dump with a partial load and so will charge you less. You can also email him at dave@greenchair.net.

Important Numbers

Jefferson County Zoning: 303-271-8700
www.jeffco.us/2332/Zoning-Complaints

You can make a complaint online. You will have to enter your name and contact info, but this information will not be given to the homeowner.

Jeffco Sheriff (non-emergency): 303-277-0211

Animal Control: 303-271-5070

Foothills Parks and Rec.: 303-409-2305



Good Neighbor Award

Nominate someone if you want to see their name here in the next newsletter! This issue we honor Mike Stange for mowing the strip along Marlowe between Lakehurst and Vermillion.

New Board

The Board of Directors for 2019
Bonny Griffith, President Susan Hall, Vice-President
Vicki Yancey, Treasurer Nicole Padgett, Acting Secretary

Easter Egg Hunt at Peiffer

On April 20th the HOA sponsored an Easter Egg Hunt at Peiffer Elementary School. Many children and their parents attended and everyone had a good time. There was even a special appearance by the Easter Bunny! A big thank you to everyone who helped.

This year's events include the concert in the park in August, a Halloween decorating contest in October, and Santa Claus in December.

Clean Up Day

The first community clean up day of the season will be held on Saturday, June 29th. We will meet at the parking lot of the Medical Center on Lakehurst Way at 9:00 a.m. Please bring any tools you might want to use. We will have large black sacks. We would like to concentrate on sprucing up along Marlowe Avenue, since that is what visitors and potential buyers see first.

COHOPE Report

Brian Kellogg and Julie Scott-Blair attended the most recent COHOPE meeting. COHOPE is a council of 10 homeowners groups in south Jeffco. The speaker was Jim Smith, from Golden Real Estate. He writes a column every week in Your Hub for the Denver Post. He discussed issues with selling one's home. Highway noise or the smell of tobacco smoke have an impact on selling price. If a house is priced right, it will sell quickly and usually for more than the asking price. The median number of days a house is on the market is 21 days. Jim also said that insurance companies are now depreciating roofs. The older the roof is, the less you get for hail damages.

What is the best investment when improving your property? It depends on whether you are doing improvements for living in the house or for selling it. If you want to do something that will benefit you, make sure that it is something that you will get to enjoy for 3 - 4 years. If you want to sell your house, fix anything that is an eyesore. He suggests replacing the fabric in window screens. Someone asked about about solar panels? Jims said don't buy them unless you are going to live there for at least 5 years. If you are looking for sustainability: insulate, put in a heat pump, or put in solar tubes (or sun tunnels). Sun tunnels are like skylights, but small and direct sunlight into hallways, stairways and other dark areas. You can buy and install them for \$500-\$600.

SERVICE PROJECT IDEA

Would you like to perform a service project for the neighborhood? Our parks could definitely use some more "poop stations." Little boxes that can hold plastic newspaper bags or grocery sacks for dog poop pick up could be mounted in multiple locations. Someone made one out of a PVC pipe and mounted it near the trail in the open space next to Tufts Drive. If you would like to make some of these, please call 720-945-9126 for more information.

2019 MEMBERSHIP INVOICE

Membership in the neighborhood association is voluntary. Members are residents who live in Lakehurst and want to keep it a great place to live!

Dues are only \$35 a year, and help pay for the garage sale, community improvements, the concert in the park and other events, and the newsletter.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Check if you would be interested in serving on the following committees:

- Clean up
 Special events Newsletter
 Garage sale Other _____

Mail form and check for \$35 made out to Lakehurst West HOA at:
PO Box 620175, Littleton, 80162. Thank you!

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