

## Lakehurst Honker

Newsletter for the Lakehurst West Homeowners Association 720-945-9126 www.lakehurstwest.org

October 2017

## **New Fence at Donkey Hill**

#### Joint effort between Foothills Recreation District and the HOA

At the March Lakehurst West HOA meeting, several homeowners complained that motorized vehicles were entering the open space at Donkey Hill and endangering pedestrians as well as children using the sledding hill. The HOA Board contacted Foothills Park & Recreation District to help solve the problem. For this project Foothills enlisted the help of a local Eagle Scout candidate.

On Saturday October 7, 16-year-old Caleb Anderson and his team of 35 volunteers erected new fencing at the Queen and Robb Street entrances to Donkey Hill. Caleb, an Eagle Scout candidate with Scout Troop 759, planned, organized, and supervised the entire project. Foothills dug the post holes and the hardworking volunteers drawn from

Caleb's ultra-Frisbee team and the Church of Jesus Christ LDS at Coalmine & Kipling did the rest. The Lakehurst HOA contributed \$250 towards the total \$600 cost of the project and provided water and snacks for the volunteers. Foothills funded the remainder of the project.

# Lakehurst HOA GENERAL MEETING

6:30 p.m. Tuesday November 14th Peiffer Elementary

**Elections for 2018 Board** 

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"Before" photo of entrance to Donkey Hill

Thank you to Foothills Park and Recreation District and all the volunteers and especially Caleb Anderson! Photo on previous page courtesy of Mark Gray.

## **Concert in the Park**

On July 22<sup>nd</sup> the HOA sponsored a free concert at Lakehurst Park. The Margarita Brothers played fun summer sounds and a spectacular sunset over Harriman Lake ended the evening. Thanks to all the many volunteers who helped make this event happen!

Photos courtesy of Mark Gray





#### Santa is Coming to Lakehurst Again!

#### **Star Express Barrel Train Will Provide Free Rides**

Just like last year, Santa will come to Lakehurst on December 9<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 p.m. The location will be at Peiffer Elementary. This year we are asking for donations to Peiffer.



#### Peiffer has requested donations of:

- Used balls in good condition for the playground
- Rulers
- Class set of water color paints
- Large paintbrushes
- Fake food for nutrition education (used is fine)
- Plastic sheet protectors
- Address labels (30 to a page)
- Expo markers (thin ones, preferably)
- Old jerseys for team sports
- For the clinic:

Change of clothing, especially BOTTOMS, elastic/drawstring waist, sizes 5 through 12/14. Also any kids' shoes, sizes 12/13 through 4/5

#### **Peiffer Events**

- Tuesday, October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2:30 p.m. in the gym: Halloween Parade of Children in Costumes
- Wednesday, November 8<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 p.m. Veterans Day Program
- Tuesday, December 19<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 p.m. Choir Production "Snow Show"

### **Public Pathways in the Lakehurst Subdivision**

The HOA Board has received several complaints concerning blocked access to the public pathways that run through the subdivision. Some residents have blocked these walkways with plants, no-trespassing signs, or illegally erected fences.

PLEASE NOTE THIS IS ILLEGAL! The sidewalks that run through our subdivision adjacent to houses are PUBLICALLY OWNED easements that allow everyone access to and from Peiffer Elementary School, subdivision parks and Harriman Lake. They are shown and noted on all the subdivision plans for the various filings. Homeowners MAY NOT restrict anyone from using them or invoke "squatter's rights" over these easements.

### **HOA Election at November 14<sup>th</sup> Meeting**

There will be two important issues to vote on at the General Meeting. One is that we will vote to increase our dues from \$30 to \$35. The dues have not increased in more than 30 years!

Also, the Treasurer and Vice-President spots on the Board are open for 2018. Please come and volunteer to get involved! Election of Officers for next year will be held. Only paid members can vote, but you can pay your \$30 at the meeting if you want to vote.

#### **COHOPE Report**

Betty and Burke Steinke continue to represent us at COHOPE meetings. If anyone would like to volunteer to take over this important role, they would be happy to resign. Some of the interesting topics covered at recent COHOPE meetings are the planned rebuilding of the traffic circle at Simms and Quincy and a presentation from Ron Hopp, Director of Foothills Park and Recreation District.

#### **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.

#### **Foothills Mill Levy Election**

Foothills Park & Recreation District is in need of money for maintenance and improvement to parks, trails, and facilities. While they successfully manage their budget so that services and routine maintenance are covered, they do not have enough to replace the aging irrigation systems in parks and do other much needed repairs. Under Ron Hopp's direction (since 2008) the District has refinanced debt, sold land, become more energy efficient, received Park Grants, and evaluated Programs and facilities. The District has increased earned income by 32.57%, while salaries and wages have only increased 1.73% annually, and their purchased services have increased very little. Their administrative costs have been reduced from 17% to 10%. The period of increased taxes would last 9 years. For additional information, www.ifoothills.org/mill-levy

If the mill levy passes, Lakehurst Park will receive a new irrigation system and the missing concrete in the sidewalks along the park will be repaired. The irrigation system is orginal to the 1963 construction of the park and is badly in need of repair.

**NOTE:** Because we changed the fiscal year of the HOA, membership dues are due now for 2018. If you have paid your dues since October 1<sup>st</sup>, we will consider you paid for 2018. If you have questions about whether you have paid for 2018 yet or not, please call 720-945-9126.



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## 2018 MEMBERSHIP INVOICE Why join?

Membership in this Lakehurst neighborhood association is strictly on a volunteer basis. Members are residents who live in Lakehurst and want to keep it a great place to live!

Dues are only \$35 a year, (if vote passes, otherwise \$30) and help pay for the annual garage sale, community improvements, the summer parade and other fun community events, the website, and the newsletter.

Name:	
Address:	
Phone:	
Email:	
Check if you would be interested in serving on the following committees:	
□ Clean up	☐ Covenants and zoning
☐ 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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