

The Cherry Pickins

March 2010



Holly Pool Belly Flop

In a year of budget cuts, layoffs and decreased spending, we look to our recreation district for fun and relaxing times. Spring is just around the corner and Pool Time is on the way.

Many of us enjoy the quality time spent at Holly Pool with our friends and family. Coming home from a long day at the office, exchanging one suit for another, packing a cooler and heading down to the pool. Walking down the ramp and hearing the sounds of kids playing and the popular shout out, "hey mom, dad, watch me". Turning up the hill to see other neighbors socializing, listening to music and unwinding. Ahhhhh, this is exactly what I needed.

But those times are gone; an unexpected jolt to our precious three months of the year.

South Suburban, and their two million dollar short fall, decided to save \$10,662.00 by changing the hours of operation at Holly Pool. Hours are now noon to 5pm Monday - Sunday.

Another reason cited for the change was pool attendance during these hours, although figures have not been provided.

When asked what we could do to have just three days of extended hours, the reply from Dave Lorenz was that residents needed to "guarantee" that South Suburban would not lose more money at Holly Pool.

Financials for 2009 show all South Suburban pools lost money; an average of \$31k. Supposedly Holly Pool does not generate positive revenue. When asked what SS has done to look at ways for Holly Pool to generate money, the question could not be answered.

Harlow and Franklin pools have changed hours as well. The only South Suburban pool to keep the same hours, M-F 11-7, S/S 10-6, is Cook Creek, newly renovated (paid for by Lone Tree), bigger pool with more amenities.

Although their attendance numbers are greater than ours, Cook Creek loses money, too.

Finally I received figures from SSPRD showing the cost to keep the pool open two additional hours, three days a week. The cost is \$188wk for eleven weeks.

Where does the money come from? I am open for suggestions but our community needs the leisure service that is not being provided. (See SSPRD mission statement)

Voice your comments to David Lorenz, 303-798-5131

The Cherry Park Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday April 3rd - 11 a.m.

Hop on over to Cherry Park for a wonderful Egg-stravaganza!!

Contact Shannon Kasperbauer if you would like to volunteer on the Easter Egg committee - 303-773-0370 .



Spring Yard Competition

It's never too early to start thinking about Spring gardening and here is a little incentive.

The Cherry Park Homeowner's Association will be having a **Yard of the Month** competition. The competition will run from May to September 2010 honoring one homeowner a month. The winner will get the Yard of the Month recognition sign placed in their front yard for the month and will be rewarded with a gift card to a nearby nursery.

The Yard of the Month is a fun way to recognize and reward great looking yards in our neighborhood.



Got Stuff? We've A Solution...

Heritage Place and Cherry Park are holding a joint neighborhood garage sale on Friday June 4th and Saturday June 5th from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Each participating resident will sell items from his/her own yard. Maps will be available at the Arapahoe, Quebec and Weaver entrances of the neighborhood, guiding buyers to participating homes.

If you would like to participate in this year's event, please contact either Ted Conti (720-985-5178) for Heritage Place – or John Castellano, 303.221.8744 for Cherry Park.

Please contact us by May 7th, so that there will be plenty of time to add your household to the map.

Volunteers will be needed to distribute signs, flyers and balloons, and help prepare maps. Please let us know how you can help!

So go through your closets and find those treasures to sell!!!

Notice to All Registered Voters with Party Affiliation:

Precinct caucuses will be held on the 3rd Tuesday in March, 2010, as required by state statute - **March 16, 2010.**

Cherry Park is completely encompassed in Precinct # 250.

The Republican Caucus will be held at 7pm at Heritage Elementary School.

The Democratic Caucus will be held at 7pm at Dry Creek Elementary School.

Please arrive early to allow time for check-in.

DUMPSTER DAY 2010

Mark your calendar.

Dotson Scaggs is bringing Dumpster Day to Cherry Park on June 12 at 8:00am near Holly Pool.

This will be the 16th year for this popular event and it is always well received.



May the winds of fortune sail you.
May you sail a gentle sea.
May it always be the other guy who says, "this drink's on me".

Have fun, be safe and **Don't Drink and Drive.**



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Winter Maintenance of Sidewalks and Gutters in Centennial

The City of Centennial's Snow and Ice Plan helps direct our limited resources to address those conditions and circumstances that best serve the greatest population within our community. The City of Centennial's primary focus during the winter snow season is to keep the main arterials and collector streets throughout the City travel safe. Due to limited funding and resources, it is simply not possible to clear ice and snow from the approximately 800 miles of sidewalks or the residential streets throughout the City. The City depends on neighbor to neighbor cooperation, asking residents and businesses to voluntarily assist by shoveling the walks directly in front of their property or adjacent to their property within 24 hours after the snowstorm ends.

As is the case for sidewalk snow removal, funding is not available to remove ice from the gutters and sidewalks. Residents should shovel the snow from driveways and sidewalks onto their yards and not into the street where it can melt, refreeze and cause problems in the future. Clearing snow from gutter areas that are on the south side of a street and are shaded by a house or evergreen tree will help reduce ice build-up problems



Is your child like a little fish in the water? If so, we have the perfect summer activity for you! The Holly Park Sharks is our community swim team that provides a great opportunity for kids from 5-18 to test their athletic abilities in the pool. Being on the team is a great way to meet new friends while participating in a competitive activity! The team has daily practice options and weekly meets so your child will be swimming like a champion in no time! For more information, take a look at the South Suburban website at www.ssprd.org under Outdoor Pools. Registration forms can be found here also.

There will be a parent meeting at Goodson Recreation Center on April 23 at 7:00pm for all new and returning parents. Please join the meeting so all of your questions can be answered. We look forward to seeing you at the meeting and on the Holly Park Sharks Swim Team!

CPOA MEETINGS

Koelbel Library
(meeting room A or B)
March 31, 2010
7:00pm - 9:00pm

Members and Cherry park residents are encouraged to attend.

BREAKING NEWS

A very special Thanks goes out to Jeff Simpson and Claire Geiger for their years of bringing the Cherry Pickins to our awesome neighborhood.

The new Editor is John Castellano and Jill McDougall is Director of Advertising.

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"I very highly recommend STarr Painting! We painted our house last year, and we were very pleased with 1) the professionalism, honesty, and attention we received; 2) the price; 3) the quality; and 4) the employees. I was very happy with the job."

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Remember to visit www.cherrypark.org for Application for Architectural Change upcoming Cherry Park community activities Association news Covenants Association's Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws Minutes and adopted policies.

Cherry Park Classified

Nanny possibly needed: the Simpsons are starting to make plans for their new little addition.

They are looking for either a full-time or part-time nanny for a 1 year old child.

Please send info to Jeff Simpson at Simpson562001@yahoo.com.

The Cherry Pickins Newsletter

For business ads, story submission, or comments, contact: John Castellano— JVC2112@yahoo.com.

Ask the Space Therapist...

Paint Colors

Choosing paint colors for your walls can be a daunting task! But the payoff of living in a house with great paint colors is worth the process. Spaces can be completely transformed when color is introduced. Different colors have the ability to make us feel calm, relaxed, or energized - conversely, the wrong color can even be overstimulating or cause irritation! Applying the psychology of color to paint selection can encourage the right mood for different spaces in your home. Reds are often used in dining rooms because they stimulate the appetite. Bright yellows are known to make people argue more. Blues are known as tranquil and relaxing. Understanding the basic effect that warm colors, cool colors, and neutrals have on the overall ambience of a spaces helps in the process of color selection.

- **Warm colors** like reds, yellows, and oranges, generally make a room feel cozy and inviting, and encourage conversation and activity. A tip about bright colors: try a shade or two less intense than the paint chip you think you want- when color is in a large area, it appears more bold. Yellow especially tends to appear very bright- a hint of yellow goes a long way.

Cool colors tend to invoke a peaceful, relaxed feeling. Cool colors are opposite warm on the color wheel, and include greens, blues, and violets. Lighter color tones create the look of walls receding, and therefore make a room feel more spacious, open and expansive. I often recommend cool, subtle colors for bedrooms- they should be places to unwind! Often, color schemes for kids' bedrooms involve bright colors, but keep in mind that a softer, more mellow color palette will help them relax and unwind when it's time for bed.

- **Neutrals** can create a fabulous backdrop for other elements of your decor to stand out. Traditional

neutrals include variations of white, gray, and beige; however, the new neutrals can be almost any color that has a less intense tone. A subtle neutral may be just the thing you need to show off colorful furniture, pillows, window treatments, and accessories. Another benefit of a neutral paint color- you can change your decor without necessarily having to repaint!

Tips for choosing colors:

When you first visit the paint store to get ideas, be sure to bring fabric swatches, tile or carpet samples, and even artwork that will be in the room. Often, a color can be matched straight from the samples you bring in! Considering all of the elements really helps to create a coordinated look.

Narrow down your choices to two or three colors (for each space you're working on). Since colors are often a little different than the color chip, it's worth buying a small paint sample of each color, and paint each on posterboard or cardboard. Hold the board up to each wall during different times of day so you can get a sense of how lighting affects the color.

Make sure that the colors you choose for different rooms look good together. A coordinated color palette creates an overall sense of flow and cohesiveness throughout your home.

Happy Painting!! ~Jill

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