

Around the Square

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Important HOA Meeting

On Monday, September 19th at 7 p.m., a representative from Foothills Park and Recreation will attend the HOA meeting to answer questions and take feedback about the selling of property on the Northeast and Northwest corners of Coal Mine and Wadsworth. The HOA is looking for new members and volunteers, so please save this date! The meeting will take place at the Woodmar Park Shelter.

Bye, Bye Summer...

Summerset Festival Is Almost Here!

It's time to mark your calendar for the 27th Annual Summerset Festival. Scheduled for Friday, September 16 from 5-10 p.m., Saturday, September 17 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday, September 18 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., at Clement Park at the corner of Wadsworth and Bowles, the festival will draw over 40,000 festival-goers. General admission is free.

Friday night kicks off this annual community event with a live concert and food vendors. Weather permitting, hot air balloons will participate in a tethered glow to honor the Columbine High School tragedy. The evening will end with the traditional fall fireworks display.

This year's festival will include more than 100 craft exhibitors, business and non-profit exhibitors, pancake breakfast, fishing derby, Sheriff's Safety Fair, entertainment, athletic events, kids attractions and fun for the entire family!

On Saturday, the Wild West Auto Fest car show will be in full speed with over 500 cars. Sunday will feature the Fun Day for the Dogs event. For more information and entertainment schedule, call 303-409-2120 or visit www.summersetfest.com.



Selling Your Home? Check Out What's On The Market First

Before you put your house on the market, take the time to do a little snooping on your neighbors. Visiting a few open houses in your neighborhood can give you a better idea of what your home is worth and can highlight needed improvements.

If two or three houses on your block have recently redone their roofs or siding, for example, you probably should put that toward the top of your list so your home doesn't suffer from comparison once you start listing it.

Visiting open houses also gives you the chance to meet and talk to real-estate agents. You might meet someone with the experience and personality you want to work with, and you'll get a sense of his or her talent for sales.

Foothills Pottery Sale, September 17-18

Shop the Foothills Park & Recreation District's Pottery Booth in the Arts & Crafts Section at Summerset Festival. Handmade pottery at great prices. Booth times: Saturday, September 17, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. and Sunday, September 18, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. For more information, call 303-409-2612.

Special Teams and Training Can Save the Day

The Jefferson County Sheriff's Office is the largest full-service sheriff's office in Colorado. More than 800 employees handle law enforcement for the 190,000 people of unincorporated Jeffco, and manage a jail that serves all police agencies in the county.

Many of you have asked me why we involve ourselves in so many aspects of public safety. The reason? Colorado law outlines a hefty list of responsibilities for each sheriff. State law says that the sheriff must keep the peace and investigate crime. It also mandates that he/she must maintain the jail, act as fire warden during forest fires, transport prisoners between jails and prisons, and provide security in the courts.

To ensure these mandates are met, we have many teams within our ranks that have undergone specific and in-depth training to provide better services to our community. You've probably heard about high-profile teams like SWAT, K-9 and the Bomb Squad. Here are few lesser-known but equally important special units. You may never encounter them; but when you do their training may make the difference.

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**Woodmar Square
HOA Meeting
Mon., Sept. 19th
7 p.m.
Woodmar Park Shelter**

Growth Starts With Creative Change

Doing the same thing day after day is easy. Change calls for a fresh approach, new perspectives, a different way of thinking. And it can be hard. When you need to shake up your world a bit, try these strategies for motivating change in yourself:

- **Start small.** A seemingly minor change can sometimes spur a greater change down the line. If nothing else, it helps you get into the habit of trying something new. Take a different route to work, talk to a co-worker you don't know well, or start the day with a different task.
- **Focus on opportunity.** Change is easier when it's connected to something important. Don't obsess over how difficult a new task is – concentrate on what it will help you accomplish. Mastering a new software package may be a chore, for instance, but it will be less painful if you remember how it will help you work more efficiently in the future.
- **Track your progress.** From time to time, take a look at how far you've come already in your career and your life. You've changed more than you realize, and recognizing your success will spur you on to further progress.

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Special Teams, *continued from front page*

Crisis Intervention Team (CIT): About 170 of our deputies are trained in crisis intervention skills to provide better services to the mentally ill in our community. These deputies are trained to identify characteristics of mental illness, manage the crisis at hand, and draw on resources to help the person in need. A CIT deputy will respond to most incidents involving mental health issues or suicide attempts.

Crisis intervention training involves an intense 40-hour course with mental-health experts, role-playing scenarios with actors, and visits to local mental health facilities. Of course, a deputy isn't a doctor. But the more education a deputy has in how to assess and defuse a crisis, the better.

Crime Lab: Our 7-person crime lab brings science to the law enforcement equation. Lab technicians document and preserve evidence from crime scenes, analyze fingerprints and DNA, and identify illegal drugs. Their work and court testimony are instrumental to district attorneys seeking felony convictions. In addition to the lab techs' individual degrees and certifications, the team is accredited through the American Society of Crime Laboratory Directors.

Emergency Management: This team is made up of experts in disaster preparedness, including wildfire. They continually evaluate potential hazards, and help citizens prepare for natural and manmade disasters. They host training exercises throughout the year – often involving multiple local government agencies – to ensure that area emergency response groups are properly trained to handle disasters.

Emergency managers also lead the Incident Management Team (IMT). This team of over 100 people is mobilized when a local fire department or law enforcement agency is overwhelmed by a large-scale incident. The IMT provides management, organization and support, as it did during the March 2011 Indian Gulch Fire in Golden.

Crimes Against Children Investigators: These investigators are specially trained to handle cases involving child abuse and sex crimes involving children. Their task is delicate: learn the truth, identify and arrest offenders, and prevent re-traumatizing the child. They have expertise in child interviewing techniques, and work together with Ralston House, whose staff provides forensic interviews and medical exams.

Animal Control: The county's 11 animal control officers investigate animal abuse and regulate barking dogs and dangerous dogs. They are commissioned through the state's Department of Agriculture/ Bureau of Animal Protection. Far from the "dog catchers" of yesterday, today's animal control team handles everything from enforcing leash laws to conducting large-scale animal evacuations during wildfire.

When appropriate, animal control officers provide education and assistance to owners to improve their animals' welfare. And, when necessary, they remove abused animals from dangerous situations. In 2010 the team created a "hay bank," providing free hay upon request to devoted horse owners who are struggling financially. The hay was donated by a private citizen.

Our Independent Seal of Approval: The Jefferson County Sheriff's Office as a whole meets or exceeds the requirements of the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies and the American Correctional Association. Both independent bodies send a team of inspectors to the Sheriff's Office for a multi-day assessment every two years.

— Sheriff Ted Mink

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Don't Let The Office Fridge Become A Health Hazard

You think *your* office refrigerator is bad? In 2009, a San Jose, California office building was evacuated and seven people went to the hospital when one employee decided to clean out a long-neglected refrigerator. The mixture of mold and cleaning chemicals triggered a hazardous incident, according to a CNN report.

Your refrigerator may not be that dangerous, but for the sake of everyone's health and safety you should take steps to prevent a similar crisis. Here are some basic steps for cleaning the office fridge without risking ecological disaster:

- **Clean spills immediately.** Instead of crying over spilled milk, or spaghetti sauce, wipe it up when it's easy to remove, before lingering odors are created.
- **Notify the workforce.** Set up a schedule for cleaning the refrigerator, and notify employees a day or so ahead of time. Tell them that spoiled food will be discarded, and advise them to put their names and dates on any meals or snacks they're storing.
- **Remove food first.** Put perishables in a cooler. Keep a garbage bag handy to dispose of anything gross.
- **Remove drawers and shelves.** Pull out everything you can. You want to get to every inch of the interior, especially grooves and hard-to-reach areas where waste can fall and turn ugly. Wash out the drawers and shelves in the sink.
- **Use the right cleaning solution.** You should probably avoid a heavy chemical cleaner. A mixture of water, baking soda, and possibly vinegar will eliminate grime, germs, and odors.
- **Don't forget the freezer.** Empty out the ice tray and clear the freezer as well, putting anything you want to save into a cooler nearby. Wipe down all surfaces thoroughly.
- **Let surfaces dry.** If possible, leave the doors open and allow the unit to air dry. Otherwise, use paper towels to remove any dampness from the interior.
- **Soak up odors.** A box of baking soda, or the type of charcoal used for houseplants, can absorb odors and keep the inside of the unit smelling fresh until your next cleaning.

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Third Grade May Be Vital For Cognitive Development

If you're a parent, you know how quickly children can grow and change. Neuroscientists studying brain development in children believe they've identified major changes occurring between second and third grade, especially when arithmetic is involved.

As reported on the Science News website, two neuroscientists worked with about 90 children in the 7-9 age range, scanning the kids' brains as they worked on math problems of varying levels of difficulty. Specifically, they found that second-graders approached both easy problems (1+2=3) and more complex equations (8+4=12) using the same part of the brain. But third-graders used more of their brain related to working memory when addressing the harder problems, a strategy that may reflect their greater confidence with simple problems and may also be linked to brain development.

The research could help teachers with math instruction and could provide scientists with important new clues regarding how and when the human brain develops as it grows.

College Savings Month

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Do What You Love? Love What You Do? Consider All The Angles

The familiar saying, “Do what you love, and the money will follow,” may remind us of the importance of having dreams and pursuing your desires, but is it really practical career advice? After all, you may love lying on the beach, but there’s not much money in that. Here’s how to approach the whole “Do what you love” notion:

- **Decide what you want.** What you choose to do for a living should be based on what kind of life you want. If you dream of a life of wealth and luxury, a career as an artist (however much you love to draw) probably won’t be very satisfying. Look for a strategy that will incorporate your interests without sacrificing other legitimate goals.
- **Learn your strengths.** You may love playing the piano, but are you really good enough to make a living at it? Be honest and realistic with yourself before committing yourself to a career that could be filled with frustration.
- **Understand secondary requirements.** Every job and career includes some tasks that are less enjoyable than others. Movie stars have to deal with intrusive paparazzi; CEOs have to make tough decisions about layoffs and ethical dilemmas. Be sure you’re ready for the downside when you choose to follow your dream.

- **Remember that work is still work.** Your career has to carry you through days and weeks when you don’t really want to go to the office, or the studio, or wherever your job takes you. This is part of being realistic about your goals: Even the best jobs can seem like drudgery at times, and you’ll have to stick with it even when the initial enjoyment fades.
- **Don’t define yourself by your job.** Your career choice doesn’t have to restrict other life choices. Instead of seeking the perfect job, concentrate on finding satisfying work that allows you to enjoy your life as a whole. Remember that other old saying: “No one ever died wishing they’d spent more time at the office.”

Mold Awareness Month

Molds are microscopic organisms that produce enzymes to digest organic matter. Their spores can also create mycotoxins – toxic vapors that can have serious health effects on humans and animals. An estimated 500,000 deaths occur yearly in the United States due to exposure to indoor toxic mold. For more information, go to www.americanairandwater.com/press/toxic-mold-awareness.htm.



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