

WOODMAR SQUARE

RESIDENT'S NEWSLETTER

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Dates & Thanks

Our residents have responded to help make 2024 a great year of fun and friendship. Mark your calendars for these events – still time to pitch in and help! Check out our new website – updated and maintained beautifully by Woodmar resident Lauren Blake. www.WoodmarSquare.org

Dumpster Day: May 4
Coordinator Lisa Castro

Garage Sale: May 31-June 1
Sponsored this year by Jamin Cook
RE/MAX Professionals - Troy Hansford Team

Movie Night: July 20
Coordinator Amy Ascencio
and Danielle Runyon

Back to School Picnic: August 10
Coordinator Amy Ascencio

Drive: September 9. Personal hygiene
(soap, toothbrushes, etc)
coordinator Jennifer Magri

**Halloween Parade and Pumpkin Festival:
Thursday, October 31 at 4:30**
Coordinator or Sponsor needed

Drive: November 11. Food and coats.
Coordinator Jennifer Magri



Teen Services

Does your teen want to help out neighbors this summer and earn some extra cash? Send their contact info, age and job inquiry to our newsletter email and we will publish it. Babysitting, lawn care, pet care, etc.

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Dumpster Day in Woodmar Square

Paid HOA members can dump for free on May 4 until the rolloff is full. Reminders: Restricted Items Adhesives, Car Batteries, Fluorescent Lightbulbs, Food Waste, Freon, Hot Water Tanks, Household Cleaners, Inks & Resins, Oils, Fuels & Propane Tanks, Paint and Lacquers, Railroad Ties & Telephone Poles, Tires, Hazardous Waste. For more information you can contact Elite at 303.287.7800

Garage Sale Weekend

Join us for our neighborhood garage sale on Friday, May 31st and Saturday, June 1st sponsored by Jamin Cook with RE/MAX Professionals. Please click on the link to register for the garage sale. Jamin will put out directional signs on Thursday night and a sign in your yard, so people know you are participating in the garage sale. <https://forms.gle/vibrci8FXsA3p4zF7>

Delivery Person

Our newsletter team needs one more deliverer to ensure all homes in Woodmar Square get the newsletter! Anyone in the community can be a deliverer - route is along Coal Mine and west of Yukon. We need help ASAP. WoodmarSquareHOA@gmail.com

Hops In The Park

Craft Brews in Clement Park beer festival! May 11, 2024

Colorado is home to all different sizes and styles of breweries and beers. What better place to enjoy those beers than at scenic Clement Park! Hops in the Park is a festival for ages 21+, featuring beer sampling, food trucks, vendors selling the hottest beer related swag, artist booths, yard games, and entertainment.

This is an Adults Only event, ages 21+ (children, toddlers and babies will not be admitted)

Location: Clement Park, near the Grant Family Amphitheater, off of the Long Street Entrance (7306 W Bowles Ave, Littleton, CO 80123)

What to Expect: Beer tasting from some of your favorite Colorado breweries, food trucks, vendors selling the hottest beer related swag, artist booths, community business booths, yard games, and entertainment.

Ticket Information: Buy Tickets – includes entry into the event, souvenir Hops in the Park taster glass, samples from participating breweries, and access to booths and games at <https://www.ifoohills.org/beerfest/>

Red, White, And Blue Trifle

When you're looking for festive Memorial Day desserts or just an easy summer treat, turn to this red, white, and blue trifle to satisfy your sweet tooth. The key to this patriotic trifle is using fresh, ripe berries. Skip the frozen fruit here.

YIELDS: 8 - 10 serving(s); TOTAL TIME: 30 mins

Ingredients:

- 8 oz. cream cheese, at room temperature
- 1/2 c. granulated sugar
- 1 1/2 c. heavy cream
- 1 tsp. vanilla extract
- 1 lb. pound cake, cubed
- Two 6 oz. containers blueberries (about 2 cups)
- Two 6 oz. containers blackberries (about 2 1/2 cups)
- One 1/2 qt. strawberries, stems removed, sliced

Directions

1. Combine the cream cheese and granulated sugar in the bowl of a stand mixer with a paddle attachment. Beat on medium-high speed for 1 to 2 minutes until smooth. Scrape the sides and bottom of the bowl. With the mixer on medium, slowly add the heavy cream and vanilla and mix until combined. Switch to the whisk attachment and whip at medium speed until soft peaks form and the mixture is easy to dollop.

2. Place a single layer of cake cubes in a large trifle dish (about 12 to 14 cups). Top with 2/3 of the blueberries and blackberries, then 1/2 of the whipped cream (about 2 cups), then 2/3 of the strawberries. Repeat the cake and cream layers once more, then decorate the top with the remaining berries. Serve immediately or make in advance and store for up to 24 hours in the refrigerator.

— <https://www.thepioneerwoman.com/>

Peace Officers Memorial Day

Every May 15th Peace Officers Memorial Day pays tribute to local, state, and federal law enforcement officers who have made the ultimate sacrifice or been injured in the line of duty. The observance takes place during Police Week. According to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund, more than 800,000 law enforcement officers serve in the United States today. Each year, the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial adds new names to the wall. The average is 163 deaths per year. Fallen law enforcement officers represent all levels of law enforcement, including local, state, federal, tribal, and military law enforcement. They are family members, husbands, wives, parents, sons, and daughters.

Woodmar HOA Board Members

OFFICERS

- President – Christi Bontempo
- Vice President – John Eiler
- Treasurer – John Pagliarini
- Secretary – OPEN. Provides welcome to new residents
- Newsletter Editor – OPEN. Gathers articles and local information for monthly publication
- Activities – Amy Ascencio
- Website – Lauren Blake

Newsletter Coordinators – Dick & Mary Palmer and Kyle Barrackman

Our Voluntary HOA is looking for residents to support our community by volunteering to manage an event, or hold a board position. for more information email WoodmarSquareHOA@gmail.com.

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News Articles

The deadline for news articles is the 12th of the month before the next month's issue. Please email news articles to the editor at woodmarsquarehoa@gmail.com. No endorsement of any product or service is implied or stated by its inclusion in the newsletter.

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Help Protect Loved Ones From Scams

In part from the Jeffco Sheriff's Behind the Badge Newsletter

Our victims of scams are not numbers, however; they're real people. People like Susan, who was victimized and whose name we have changed to tell her story.

Susan, 76, got a call from a man claiming to work for an Internet provider. He told her that while he was checking her Internet speed, he noticed she had a \$500 credit on her account for services she was entitled to but did not use. He instructed her to get on her computer and when she did, a page was already open that she did not recall opening. The caller told Susan she had accidentally hit a button that selected a refund of \$5,000 instead of \$500. The caller then told Susan he would lose his job if he didn't get the extra \$4,500 back.

The caller instructed Susan to withdraw \$4,500 from her bank and purchase nine \$500 gift cards. He stayed on the phone with Susan while she went to the bank and two separate stores to purchase the gifts cards. During the call, Susan asked him several times if he was scamming her. He said no. Once she had the gift cards, the caller instructed her to tell him the gift card numbers and security codes. Susan did. After the call ended, Susan tried calling his phone number back but the number was disconnected.

Unfortunately Susan was scammed for \$4,500.00. Could the same happen to your parents? Your grandparents? Even you? Scams come in many forms, but how we should respond to them is the same:

- Do not answer calls from unknown numbers. If it's important, they'll leave a message.

- Do not provide personal information on the phone or in an email or text message to anyone you do not know. Personal information includes date of birth, social security number, credit card numbers, and bank account information.
- Do not withdraw money, send money, purchase gift cards, or make other financial transactions for someone you do not know.
- If you suspect it's a scam, end all communication – hang up the phone or delete the email or text message.
- If you have been scammed or your personal information has been used without your knowledge or permission (for example, a new credit card arrives in your name), report it to local law enforcement immediately (and cancel the card!).

One of the best ways to help protect your older loved ones from being scammed is to talk to them about common scams and how to avoid them. For more information, visit <https://www.jeffco.us/985/Scams>.

– Reggie Marinelli, Sheriff

Bike Month

May is National Bike Month. If you don't already have bikes for the family, late spring is a good time to invest in one you can use all summer. Dress up your bikes with Memorial Day decorations like stars and streamers, then head out for a family ride. Add embellishments to your helmets, and wear red, white, and blue for a fun and patriotic ride around town.

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MARKET ON YOUR CALENDAR

<p style="color: #0070c0; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.2em;">Saturdays</p> <p style="color: #c00000; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.1em;">SOUTHWEST PLAZA</p> <p style="color: #0070c0; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.1em;">MAY 4 - OCT 26</p> <p style="font-size: 0.9em;">Southeast Parking Lot Wadsworth & Bowles 8am-2pm or Sellout</p>	<p style="color: #0070c0; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.2em;">Saturdays</p> <p style="color: #c00000; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.1em;">LAKEWOOD</p> <p style="color: #0070c0; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.1em;">JUN 15 - SEP 28</p> <p style="font-size: 0.9em;">Mile Hi Church Alameda & Garrison 10am-2pm or Sellout</p>
<p style="color: #0070c0; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.2em;">Sundays</p> <p style="color: #c00000; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.1em;">HIGHLANDS RANCH</p> <p style="color: #0070c0; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.1em;">MAY 5 - OCT 27</p> <p style="font-size: 0.9em;">HR Town Center 9288 Dorchester St. 10am-2pm or Sellout</p>	<p style="color: #0070c0; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.2em;">Wednesdays</p> <p style="color: #c00000; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.1em;">LITTLETON</p> <p style="color: #0070c0; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.1em;">JUN 19 - SEP 25</p> <p style="font-size: 0.9em;">Aspen Grove 7301 S. Santa Fe Dr. 10am-2pm or Sellout</p>

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Memorial Day Activities With Kids

We're so excited for the summer! The pools are opening, the grill's heating up, and school's winding down. But in the midst of the fun, take a few minutes to teach your family that Memorial Day is a special time to recognize the service men and women who've fought for our country.

Explain the History of Memorial Day

The Memorial Day tradition began around the Civil War, when folks wanted to honor the soldiers who had died in that conflict by decorating their graves. There's some disagreement over whether this started in the south or in Waterloo, NY, but in either case, the tradition started as Decoration Day. Families would gather together at cemeteries, bringing picnics and remembering, together, those whom they had lost. Gradually Decoration Day became Memorial Day, and in 1971, Memorial Day became a national holiday to be celebrated on the last Monday of May. While Memorial Day is specifically a holiday to recognize the sacrifices of men and women who have died in combat, many people also spend the day honoring veterans and current service personnel and working for peace and unity with all people.



Watch a Parade or Memorial Service

We have some local parades, and kids love a parade, but you can also take the opportunity to point out traditions and Memorial Day etiquette. Teach children that we stand and

take off hats as veterans pass in a parade. Have them look for American flags, and point out that, officially, flags are to be flown at half-staff until noon on Memorial Day as a remembrance. During services you may also see soldiers fire rifles into the air or people throwing flowers into the ocean in memory of those lost at sea. Next time you're at your local town hall or playground, check for a memorial and take time to read it with your kids.

Make a Tasty Treat

Bring cookies or another treat to our neighbor, a World War II veteran. It's wonderful to recognize someone your kids know. But it's also fun to enjoy a treat yourselves! A simple one is a blueberry and strawberry parfait with yogurt, whipped cream, or ice cream. Put them into clear plastic containers to show the patriotic colors, and pop them into the freezer if it's a hot day.

Craft Something Special

Want to slide in a history lesson while keeping little hands busy? You can help kids make a tissue paper poppy while explaining about Memorial Day's origins, then explain that poppies, because they are blood-red, became a symbol of sacrifice during World War I. These are easy to create, and they make a lovely gift.

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-Maya Angelou

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Woodmar Square Statistics for April 2024

Current Homes FOR SALE in Woodmar Square

	Lowest	Highest	How Many?
Ranch Style	None	None	0
2-story	None	None	0
Tri/Multi-level	None	None	0
Bi-level	None	None	0

Current Homes UNDER CONTRACT in Woodmar Square

	Lowest	Highest	How Many?
Ranch Style	None	None	0
2-story	None	None	0
Tri/Multi-level	\$695,000	\$695,000	1
Bi-level	None	None	0

Homes SOLD in Woodmar Square (June 1, 2023–Apr. 15, 2024)

	Lowest	Highest	How Many?
Ranch Style	\$605,000	\$651,200	2
2-story	\$650,000	\$850,000	4
Tri/Multi-level	\$595,000	\$700,000	5
Bi-level	None	None	0

The statistical information is based on MLS data April 15, 2024. Not all of the properties were listed and/or sold by Duffy & Associates, LLC.

What Clients are Saying About Duane...

The experience of working with Duane was phenomenal! He will tell you the truth, not just what you want to hear. He is methodical and calming—excellent personality traits that carry you through a trying time. The fact that Duane is an expert in the Columbine area is an added bonus. I would wholeheartedly recommend Duane to sell your home. Don't hesitate—he will take excellent care of you! J. S.

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