



# *The Perry Park*

# *Sentinel*

MAY 2017



## **SPRINGTIME**

Violets



Springtime

A season of renewal  
A season of hope

It was the springtime  
Of my life,  
My heart open  
To beauty.

Remembering

In the front yard  
Of a small white collage  
Untended, unconfined  
Bloomed a host  
Of beautiful purple violets,  
Their fragrance  
Scenting the morning air.

This was beauty

So pure, so perfect,  
It filled my very being  
With awe and joy.

And unknowingly  
Became a treasure of mine  
At unexpected moments  
In the winter of my life.

A mental vision

Of those purple violets  
Brings a touch of springtime  
To my heart.

~by Montez Smith,  
Resident, Perry Park Ranch



**CINCO DE MAYO STREET PARTY AND CONCERT:** Friday, May 5, 6 - 10 p.m. Hosted by Downtown Castle Rock: Perry Street between 4th and 5th Streets. There will be bounce houses, live music, food vendors

and family activities.

**THE PERRY PARK COMMUNITY GARAGE SALES AND OPEN HOUSES EVENT** is growing. We now have at least 16 garage sales representing 20 households and four open houses. The event is scheduled for Friday, May 12, and Saturday, May 13, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. each day. Contact Craig Van Doorn by text or phone call to 918-697-9751 for additional information. A map book of participants will be available.

**THE PERRY PARK BOOK CLUB** will meet on Tuesday, May 16, at the home of Shawn Jones, 6945 Perry Park Boulevard in Perry Park Ranch. The book for discussion is *The 100-Year-Old-Man Who Climbed Out the Window and Disappeared* (BCE) by Swedish novelist Jonas Jonassen. It is the humorous saga of Allan Karlsson's escape from his retirement home on his 100th birthday. After stealing a young punk's money-filled suitcase, he embarks on a wild adventure and, through a combination of wits, luck, and circumstance, ends up on the lam. June's book is *Cutting for Stone* (BCE) by Abraham Verghese, a novel of love and betrayal, medicine and ordinary miracles—and twin brothers whose fates are forever intertwined. Newcomers are welcome. For additional information, see the website at [http://applelane.com/Perry Park Book Club.html](http://applelane.com/Perry_Park_Book_Club.html).

**ANNUAL FREE TROLLEY TOUR OF CASTLE ROCK:** Saturday, May 20. This year's focus will be a tour of the Historic Craig and Gould Neighborhood. Learn about the history of the beautiful rhyolite houses and the people who used to call them home. Meet at the Castle Rock Museum to board the trolley. Tour times are at 9:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 1:00 p.m., and 2:00 p.m. and are approximately 45 minutes long. Reservations recommended as seating is limited. Please call or email the museum to reserve your spot: 303-814-0364, <http://www.castlerockmuseum.org/>

**2017 MONUMENT HILL FARMERS MARKET** in downtown Monument at 66 Jefferson will open on Saturday, May

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27 and remain open on Saturdays, May 27th through October 14th. Hours are 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Over 55 vendors participate including Abdul's Produce, C and R farms, Royal Crest Dairy, Tamales, Mountain Man Honey, Pasta and Olive Oil, James' BBQ, Tupperware, Pampered Chef, Scentsy, Avon, Jewelry, Dog Bones and Treats, Juice Plus, Antiques, Colorado Cuddles (embroidery) Sewing Crafts, Wild Birdhouses, Grammies Desserts, and Essential Oils.

**THE LARKSPUR FREE LIBRARY** (aka the Book Exchange) is open each Saturday, except holidays, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Located at 9524 Spruce Mountain Road, the free library has over 5000 volumes in categories such as popular and literary adult fiction, crafts, DIY, and gardening. We also have a wide range of children's books, from baby's first readers to young adults. No need to bring one to take one (or two or three), but donations are welcome. Stop in for a neighborly browse through our easy to shop shelves, and share the literary love. For more information contact Cindy at 303-681-3046.

**DOUGLAS LAND CONSERVANCY GUIDED HIKE** at Dawson Butte Open Space Saturday, June 10, 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Dawson Butte Open Space near Larkspur. This open space is home to many varieties of wildflowers, shrubs, and trees and provides great habitat for wildlife. This event will be led by DLC volunteers and Colorado Native Plant Masters. The trail is rated moderately easy. Space is limited. Please RSVP at <http://douglaslandconservancy.org/upcoming-events/guided-hikes/>

We will meet in the parking lot at Dawson Butte at 8:30 a.m. Bring a picnic lunch, plenty of water, sun protection, and a camera if desired. Long pants may be preferable as there is poison ivy in some areas of the open space, although we will definitely try to avoid the areas where it grows. Dogs on leash are welcome. Our hikes fill quickly. If the event is full, please contact Amy Graziano at [amyg@douglaslandconservancy.org](mailto:amyg@douglaslandconservancy.org) or 303-688-8025 to be added to the wait list.

**EXPERIENCE THE FARM WITH CALF**

CALF, Colorado Agricultural Leadership Foundation, provides a number of events throughout the year so that people can participate in the activities of farming and agriculture. Located on the East Frontage Road south of Castle Rock, Lowell Ranch offers several family events in May. Parking and admission are free.

**Pancakes for Moms - Saturday, May 13, 10 a.m.**  
 Treat mom to a pancake breakfast at CALF's Lowell Ranch and then enjoy a tour! Registration fee of \$10 includes a pancake breakfast and a leisurely tour of CALF's Lowell Ranch, visiting all the livestock, feeding the chickens and photo opportunities. The tour duration is dependent upon group, but usually lasts 1 1/2 hours.

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**Farm and Ranch Day At Lowell Ranch: Saturday, May 27, 10 a.m - 2 p.m.**

Activities for the entire family include a Plant sale, 4-H exhibits, and a free beekeeping class.

For additional information, see <http://thecalf.org/farm-and-ranch-day.html>.

**THANK YOU FROM THE LARKSPUR MOTHERS' GROUP!**

**Sarah Bretz, Director of Larkspur Mothers' Group...**



Thank you to everyone who made our 2017 Easter Egg hunt a success! What fantastic weather we had this year!



I would like to extend a big THANK YOU to our sponsors and volunteers, as well as the moms and dads of the Larkspur Mothers' Group. Without you this event would not be possible. I think all of the kids had a great time and everyone went home with a ton of goodies! Hope to see you next year!

**Sponsors and Supporters:**

- Perry Park Metropolitan District*
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- Susan D Photography*
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The Larkspur Mothers' group is open to all moms in the Larkspur area. We hold monthly play groups, moms' nights out, family events, and other special events throughout the year. Please visit us at [www.larkspur moms.com](http://www.larkspur moms.com) for more details. Current members, be sure to watch your email or check our Facebook page for our May events!

We are excited to announce the return of the Larkspur Mothers' Group Yard Sale on Saturday, June 3rd! The sale will be held at Larkspur New Covenant Church from 8 a.m.-3 p.m. If you are interested in participating in the sale, please visit our website at [www.larkspur moms.com](http://www.larkspur moms.com) to print out a registration form. There is a \$10 fee to reserve a sales spot, with all sales benefiting the Larkspur Mothers' Group. We hope to see you there!



**TRI-LAKES WOMEN'S CLUB ANNUAL PINE FOREST SPRING SHOW AND SALE**

The Tri-Lakes Women's Club is presenting its 41st annual Pine Forest Spring Show and Sale on Saturday, May 6, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sunday, May 7, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. at Lewis Palmer High School in Monument.

Please join us for an enjoyable day of browsing antiques, home decor and garden exhibits, a new Art Fest, featuring art for all ages, including pottery, water color and oil paintings, photography, Santos and so much more.

Shop "The Bakery," the best bake sale this side of the Rockies, with over 100 bakers offering goodies such as delicious pies, beautiful cakes, cookies, brownies and candies, even dog treats! These baked good are beautifully decorated, some in hand painted glassware.

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Gourmet food trucks will offer a variety of food for your dining pleasure  
Bring in your precious glassware in need of repair to our onsite glass repair expert.

There will be a \$6 entry fee.

Proceeds benefit non-profit service and educational organizations in the Tri-Lakes area.

For additional information see the website: [www.tlwc.net](http://www.tlwc.net)

Questions? [publicity@tlwc.net](mailto:publicity@tlwc.net)

**JOIN THE BLANKET BRIGADE;  
HELP MAKE QUILTS TO DONATE**

The Blanket Brigade makes quilts for anyone needing extra comfort due to a loss or trauma. One of our partnerships is with "Sweet Dream in a Bag" <http://sweetdreaminabag.org/About.aspx>. They give bedding to kids transitioning from homelessness to a house or



apartment. The Blanket Brigade provides quilts that go into the bag of bedding. Recently we were privileged to participate in one of their events, which they call "giftings." We were able to meet some of the kids who will be using the bedding. The kids were so delighted to choose their very own bag of bedding from the huge array of colorful bags, and it was a very special experience for us as well. Please join us so you can see how you, too, can become involved.

We meet the first and third Wednesdays of the month at 10 a.m. at the Perry Park Country Club. That is when we tie the quilts, so you do not need any special sewing skills. We are a 501 (c)3, and we gratefully accept donations of fabric, yarn, batting and thread. If you have a donation for us, please contact Gwen Underwood at [gwenspur@icloud.com](mailto:gwenspur@icloud.com); her phone number is 303-681-2125, or Cindy Hotaling at [cjaspsjr@yahoo.com](mailto:cjaspsjr@yahoo.com); her phone is 303-681-0374. ~GSanders



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## LARKSPUR'S CUB SCOUT PACK 631

Jennifer Martin...

Did you know that Larkspur has a Cub Scout pack for boys in first through fifth grades? It is Cub Scout Pack 631, and we are a small pack that is always looking for new scouts to join us. Once a month, all of the dens and family members gather together for a pack meeting under the direction of our Cub Master.



In addition, our cub scouts and their families participate in different activities including den meetings, pack hikes, the Rain Gutter Regatta, the Pinewood Derby, the Blue and Gold Banquet, two community service projects, and our annual pack picnic and crossover ceremony.

Our pack holds one fundraiser each year to raise money to help cover pack expenses. Our Cub Scouts sell holiday wreaths, sprays, garlands and living trees starting in September with delivery expected before Thanksgiving.

Our Pack is looking for a new Cub Master. If you have scouting experience or just want to share your time and talents with Pack 631 as our new Cub Master, please reach out using the contact information below. The Cub Master role sounds intimidating and like a lot of work, but it's really not. You are the "Leader of the Pack," but all leaders collaborate on planning, work together to fulfill those plans and help the pack be successful.

This time of year we are looking for Tiger Scouts (starting first grade in the fall) to start a new Tiger Den. We'll also need a Tiger Den leader. Each year, the current den leader advances with the den to the next level in scouting.

The Pack will be hosting a Join Night in August 2017 after school resumes. The meeting will be in the Larkspur Elementary School gym where interested parents and potential scouts can learn more about scouting and Cub Scout Pack 631, so watch for information on that date and time.

We always welcome and appreciate donations, including volunteers and parents donating their time and talents to our young Cub Scouts. If you would like more information about Pack 631 or to make a donation, please contact our Committee Chairperson, Jennifer Martin, at 303-681-9225 or email at [Jennifer\\_ross\\_martin@yahoo.com](mailto:Jennifer_ross_martin@yahoo.com). Thank you for supporting our local Cub Scout Pack 631.

*Happy Mother's Day*

## THANKS TO THE LARKSPUR FIRE DEPARTMENT!

Last month we had need to call EMTs and were impressed with their capable and professional care.



The PFD arrived within one or two minutes of placing the call. The EMTs were only a few minutes behind. Their care was thorough and beyond competent! They were even observant enough to turn boiling water off in our kitchen on their way to the second floor.

As we have aged into our 70s, we have worried about living so far from medical support; that is no longer a concern after having experience with the personnel at our local Fire Department.

THANK YOU, Moises Barrera, Ben Ohlan, Brian Johnson and Jason Goldman from Larkspur Fire Protection District.

Dona and Bob Murphy  
Perry Park Ranch

## THANKS FOR SUPPORTING THE BOOT!

Jennifer Martin, LES PTO...

The Larkspur Elementary PTO would like to extend our most sincere and heartfelt THANKS to everyone who has helped continue the tradition and success of the Boot Scootin' Boogie for the last 20 years! We are so fortunate to live in a community that supports and cares about its neighborhood school, the students and each other. Thank you for embracing the responsibility of raising our youngest community members to be caring, respectful, and giving individuals. Your support goes far beyond Larkspur Elementary School into our community and our world. Thank you for your donations, sponsorships and for attending the event! It is so nice to see our community come together for this fun event year after year!



Thank you to Tom and Diana Wiens for their generosity over these many years that they have donated use of the arena at

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"Ben and his associate were great to work with. Ben was very knowledgeable and helpful in assisting us to sell our home and navigate through the paperwork process and worked to protect our interests. Ben knows the Larkspur/Castle Rock areas very well and did a lot of research work in helping us price our home. I highly recommend Ben as a realtor."

**Mike Kelech**  
 Regarding the sale of 1262 Nightfire Circle, Castle Rock, CO 80104

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the Wiens Ranch for the event. It is truly a unique and beautiful setting and we are so appreciative of their support all these years!

We are also very grateful to our sponsors and event donors. Our sponsors alone accounted for \$11,500 in sponsorships this year! Thank you sponsors! We also had many event donors and vendors who gave us significant discounts on their goods and services or fully donated to the event. All of this enables us to provide more funds for the school. A rough estimate of the total discounts and vendor donations is over \$16,000! Other businesses and individuals donated goods and services to our event. We couldn't do this without the support and donations so **THANK YOU!**

Please look for the Sponsor Thank You and Donor Thank You ads in this publication of the *Perry Park Sentinel* so you can help us show our appreciation to these sponsors and donors by patronizing their businesses and continuing this cycle of support. We are such a strong and amazingly giving community and we are so glad to call Larkspur home!

For more information about Larkspur Elementary School, please visit [www.larkspurelementary.org](http://www.larkspurelementary.org). For information on the LES PTO, our fundraisers and their results, budgets, and other happenings, please visit [www.larkspurpto.org](http://www.larkspurpto.org). The LES PTO can be reached by email at [larkspurpto@gmail.com](mailto:larkspurpto@gmail.com). Thank you to everyone who helped make the 20th Annual Boot Scootin' Boogie the best hoedown in town! See y'all next time!

**WALT'S WORDS**

Walt Korinke...

*It takes patience to listen, but it takes skill to pretend you are actually listening...*



**LARKSPUR – As Perry Park's wa-**



**ter and sewer infrastructure** continues to age, Perry Park Water and Sanitation District is preparing for a November vote on a new bond issue that will fund a 10-year effort to bring all systems up to date (before they fail). Follow the PPW&S web site for more information so

you can make an informed **VOTE** for a much needed water and sewer system modernization.

**CASTLE ROCK – PROMENADE – POT BELLY SANDWICH SHOP** has its sign up along with **EUROPEAN WAX** and **SUPER CUTS**, all in the complex completing construction just north of Lowe's.

In the upper hill complex adjacent to Club Pilates, **POPCORN BLISS** is preparing to open. It's gourmet with popcorn made on the premises, fine chocolates and bulk candies. Gift baskets are available. **TWENTY-FOUR HOUR EXERCISE** is getting closer and has its sign up too. After several delays since the original proposed Oct 2016 opening, the **KING SOOPER MARKETPLACE** is really going to open this month and will have a **US BANK** on the premises. Their recent challenge has been finding enough employees to run the store. What about their old store (?) – **MURDOCH'S** is in the final stage of negotiations with



plans to open in 2018 in the former King Sooper store after they complete renovations which include expanding the air conditioning to the whole store (only half now with product refrigeration cooling the remainder) and work on the basement (bet you didn't know they had a basement). Another building nearing completion in the restaurant complex to Lowe's south side with no tenants announced yet.



Demolition of the old Town Center Shopping Center kicks off the start of the new \$60 million **RIVERWALK** project

in the heart of Castle Rock and the Town is already well underway with their portion of the river walk public area



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**IN LOVING MEMORY:**



The following memorial honors the extraordinary parents/guardians of Perry Park Ranch residents, Gerry Baker (Reatha) and Doug Vinton (Layne). Written by Ovid and Opal's family, the tribute was published in the *Denver Post* on April 16, 2017.

**Ovid Martin (Curly) Baker, Nov. 8, 1920 - Oct. 19, 2015.** "Curly" was born November 8, 1920, to

Ovid Martin Baker Sr. and Edna Fay (Dugger) Baker, in Glenwood Springs CO, the oldest of five siblings.

**Opal Fern Baker April 11, 1921 - April 7, 2017.** Opal was born to Effie and Evert Nokes in Meeker, CO the oldest of three siblings.

They met during their high school years at New Castle High School, (Colorado) and married (eloped), in May of their senior year, 1939. Together they happily shared over 76 years of marriage. As newlyweds they lived in Leadville, Colorado. They soon moved to Grand Junction where son Gerald Martin was born (1941). The family next moved to Denver where Ovid entered the Army Air Corp. to serve during WWII while Opal worked as a secretary at Western Beauty Supply.

In the 1950s, Opal supervised Ovid's building of their Littleton home, (a pre-cut lumber home), and maintained the home

fires while Ovid was flying the line for United Air Lines. Ovid's Captain bid required them to move to Elgin, Illinois, in the early 1960s. After a particularly cold winter in the mid 1960s, the couple moved to Los Altos, California. Soon after Douglas and Susan Vinton, nephew and niece, joined them in their home. In the summer of 1969 the family moved to Denver where Opal and Ovid remained for over four decades. In their later years, Ovid and Opal relocated to Castle Rock to be near their children.

Ovid enjoyed Lion's Club, the Rocky Mountains, photography, woodworking and a good meal. August was annually booked for Ovid' volunteer work at the annual EAA Fly-in event in Oshkosh, Wisconsin. Opal loved to garden, sew, enjoyed playing the piano, organ and listening to opera and classical music. She was also active with the UAL Flight Wives Association.

Ovid is survived by brother Jack (Baker) and brother-in-law Al (Robertson). Opal is survived by sister Jean (Nokes) Treweek, brother Glen Nokes. Both are survived by their son and his wife, Gerald and Reatha Baker, grandchildren Maren (Tom) Plisko, Corbett Baker, great grandchildren Kate and Claire Plisko, nephew Douglas (Layne) Vinton, niece Susan (Andrew) Walker, nephews James (Yvonne) Vinton, Richard (Claudia) Vinton, Gregory (Nancy) Vinton and many grand nieces and nephews who considered Opal and Ovid grandparents. Ovid, husband, brother, uncle, grandfather, great grandfather and friend was always ready for an adventure. He was bigger than life. Opal, wife, mother, sister, aunt, grandmother, great grandmother and friend, was a special woman loved for her commitment to family and devotion to Ovid. They will be greatly missed.

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that ties in with the development and their expansion of the adjacent Town building.

Target makes room for a great fast food operation on the front corner of its parcel – directly across from the Chick fil-A. Planned for over a year, construction is now under way on a new **RAISING CANE'S CHICKEN FINGERS** freestanding restaurant. Founded in 1996 in Baton Rouge, they have grown to 310 locations in 23 states, Kuwait, Bahrain and Saudi Arabia. Their single entre is a top quality chicken finger served with their specialty Cane Sauce (secret recipe), French fries, Texas toast and homemade coleslaw from fresh red and green cabbage and sliced carrots



– makes my mouth water just writing about it. The wings are made to order, piping hot and fresh and bring a new flavor to town.

Still hungry? About a year ago, we said **CULVER'S RESTAURANT** was coming to Castle Rock. Finally they are undergoing the permitting process for their planned 4,207 square foot restaurant to be located on the lot adjacent to Arby's, at 654 Genoa Way. Culver Franchising System, Inc., doing business as Culver's, is a privately owned and operated fast casual restaurant chain that operates primarily in the Midwestern United States. The first Culver's opened in 1984 in Sauk City, Wisconsin. As of March 8, 2017, the chain had 611 restaurants across the United States. Their menu includes a variety of choices ranging from their famous "Butter Burger," chicken, fish and various sandwich choices, all served with very good French fries.



**ENT CREDIT UNION** is coming to town with two locations. Signage is up but no construction start yet for their building to be built directly across from the east end of the new Sam's Club.

On the south side of town, their space is undergoing tenant finish at the old center anchored by the D C Library, Dairy Queen, etc. where they will be in the south end building behind the Valero Gas Station. As an ENT member, you are one of the owners of a not-for-profit financial cooperative, with 25 local service centers and 50 local surcharge-free ATMs. They are VERY competitive on vehicle loans.

**PALMER LAKE** – Driving by, I noticed the new little **STUB Restaurant** was open for breakfast and I gave it a try. Small but pleasant and has a nice outdoor deck in the rear. Limited but tasty menu – I enjoyed the Miss Piggy breakfast sandwich and my favorite, the country potatoes. Hamburger on the lunch menu. I will be back.



**MONUMENT** – The long overdue modernization of the **MCDONALD'S** is underway with major changes for the interior and exterior. Though challenging for access during the renovation, they are continuing to operate with entry via the playland door. Final finish will be quite modern. This has always been a very active, well located McDonalds and the new look will bring it current.



Downtown, the new **BLACK FOREST RESTAURANT** is now open in the former Shani's space following several months of renovation. It is located in the middle of the Arts District at 140 2nd St. After they level the front patio, outside tables and an awning will be added. It is a combination café and deli with inside seating and a deli shop. Open from 6 a.m. till 7 p.m, so you can start your day with a tasty burrito or biscuits and gravy and progress up the menu from there.



The effort continues to develop the former **GLENEAGLE GOLF COURSE**. In 2009, approval was granted for a 47 patio home development on the former driving range. Westbrook Capi-

tal Holdings' current plan is to build 56 single-family homes on 28-acres of the land leaving the remaining 73% of the golf course as open space. Still lots of matters to settle before a shovel hits the land, i.e. "300 year water supply rule", drainage infrastructure and erosion control, but it is getting closer.



Adjacent to the Century Community new home development, Lake of the Rockies, the town is working with Gulf Coast Resorts on the **2.23 acres fronting on Monument Lake** which

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will be divided into 6 lots for single-family residential. Lot size ranges from 13,260 square feet to 22,804 square feet. All six lots back onto Monument Lake and have a 50-foot rear setback with no boat docks or structures allowed. Access will be gated and

served by a private road called "Lake Vista Point."

The town has approved "temporary" pop-up vendors on a seasonal basis for **MONUMENT LAKE**. Adding to the summer activities at the lake you may be seeing boat rentals, summer supplies, and maybe some quick food for your day at the beach. This may carry over to winter ice fishing and ice skating activities as well. Vendors will be chosen on a lottery basis.

**COLORADO SPRINGS – POLARIS POINT** – Another tenant prepares to open in the new shops behind the Loaf and Jug. Pasadena-based **DOG HAUS BIERGARTEN** plans to expand from 21 stores in 19 states to nearly 500 stores across country over the next seven years. The Polaris Point store should



be open in the next 30 to 60 days and brings another flavor to the area – gourmet bratwursts! You can still get burgers, fries and shakes, but the dog/brat is really their specialty. A dog and a beer and fast service in a casual atmosphere. Expect to see more DHB's in our area in the near future.



A small but very busy neighborhood shopping center, **NORTHGATE VILLAGE CENTER** on Voyager at Middle Creek recently completed a 13-unit addition filling out the third and final phase of the development.

Three of the spaces have been leased with 10 to go. **FAMOUS AMERICAN BARBERHOP** is in the tenant finish stage and should be ready for customers in about 45 days. **PINOT's PALETTE** is a unique shop for those with an artistic slant where they provide art instruction while you create your masterpiece while enjoying a sip of wine – the more wine, the more interesting the creation. The other shop already packing the parking lot is **SUSHI ATO** where they state, "If you are looking for authentic homemade Japanese ramen, gyudon, teriyaki, tempura or are ready to enjoy fresh and exciting sushi created by our traditionally trained sushi chefs with over 95 years of combined experience at our 35 ft. long sushi bar, you have come to the right place!"

The Nevada Street Corridor in Colorado Springs is a fine example of how to do Urban Renewal right. From the continuing successes of the north end University Village-centered development, the newly proposed mid corridor urban plans run from the former Greyhound Race Track to the old K-Mart center at Fillmore St. and to the current activities at the **SOUTH NEVADA CORE**. Two developers have been extremely active in both building and preleasing while a third has shifted his activities further west due to the spiraling land cost in the area. The South Nevada Core consists of about 100 acres of former old hotels, retail and pawnshops along S. Nevada and S. Tejon between I-25 and E. Cheyenne Road about a mile south of the Colorado Springs central business district.

Quite a few buildings have already been razed with groundbreakings on several projects. The Harder-Diesslin Group where the Chief Motel and Stardust Lodge used to exist, the under construction



**BROADMOOR SHOPS** will include Natural Grocers, Zoe's Kitchen, Mad Greens and a Chick-fil-A which should all open later this summer. The Prime 25 two-level restaurant opened for dinner in January and the developer Ivy Group will start construction on 19 pre-sold condominiums, **CANYON CREEK TOWNHOMES**, this summer along with another 24-planned units. Having razed 40 building in the area, they also are planning a 110-unit branded hotel, and two apartment

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projects totaling 180 units with a fall start in mind. They have also fully leased a to-be-built 9,000 square foot retail building scheduled for a summer start.

**PIE FIVE PIZZA** did not last long after opening at the Citadel Crossings and Briargate Promenade last year and closing both stores in February. They also closed their Longmont and Aurora stores. Lots of new pizza operations in the area and faced with the competition, these failed to generate enough business. Original plans called for 30 Colorado stores. Fortunately, the franchisee is doing better with its Colorado **FREDDY'S** operations.



The **GARDEN OF THE GODS** complex is undergoing a \$60 million expansion – true luxury \$\$\$\$\$. The 334-acre resort just east of its namesake park just completed a \$12 million International Health and Wellness Center and

recently commenced construction of 37 upscale cottages and villas at an estimated cost of \$48 million, targeted at their 2,500 club members. Pricing ranges from \$800,000 to \$3 million. The resort also includes 44 traditional hotel rooms, 12 suites and the 27-hole Kissing Camels Golf Course.

**GENERAL RETAIL NEWS** – The apparel slump continues and **JCPENNY'S** is making big efforts to adjust. It is pushing beauty and home goods where consumers have been more



active and opening 100 plus appliance showrooms while at the same time closing 138 of its unprofitable stores. **PAYLESS SHOES** continues to lose sales to Amazon and has filed chapter 11 bankruptcy with plans to close about 400 of its 4,400 world-wide stores. **STAGE STORES** plans to acquire about half of the **GORDMAN'S** 106 existing stores under its recently filed bankruptcy action. The **DARDEN** chain (Olive Garden, etc.) has acquired **CHEDDAR'S** adding 165 restaurants in 28 states to its expansive dining selections. Try their incredible Monte Cristo sandwich at the Cheddars on InterQuest Drive. **ALBERTSON'S** is in merger talks with **SPROUTS FARMERS MARKET**, which would add health foods to the Albertson's suite of Safeway, Vons and Shaw's supermarkets. The 131-year old **SEARS** chain is in a doubtful fight to stay alive as it closes 150 stores and sells off its **CRAFTSMAN TOOLS** to **BLACK & DECKER** who already owns DeWalt, Porter Cable, Stanley, Bostitch, Mac Tools, etc. Even **WALMART** is making adjustments as it eliminated 18,000 jobs over the past year following closures of non-performing stores. The good news is that they will hire 10,000 workers for their new store openings. The retail industry lost 30,000 jobs in the month of March!

**MEMORIAL DAY: HONORING VETERANS**  
**Michael Stone...**

In the month of May, we have some special days. On May 14th, we will be able to honor our mothers on Mother's Day. On the 20th, we have Armed Forces Day, where we will honor those who are serving their country in one of our military service branches. May 29th is Memorial Day, where we honor those who have given their lives in service to the United States of America.



On Memorial Day, you may take time to remember family members, neighbors, relatives or friends who have made the "ultimate sacrifice" for this country. My

uncle, Richard W. Stone, served as a Captain in the U.S. Army and was killed during World War II. My dad, Edward L. Stone, was a Marine during World War II. Dad survived, which is why I'm here and able to write something in honor of his brother. But first, let me tell you about my dad.

Ed was born in 1920, and was the third child of nine in his family. The first child was James, who died as an infant. That left Dick as the oldest brother to everyone in his family. When World War II started, Ed volunteered for the U.S. Marines and served in the Philippines. He was on Bataan, where American Marines surrendered on April 9, 1942, but escaped the Bataan Death March by escaping with General Jonathon Wainwright, who took his men to the island of Corregidor. Although the Marines defended Corregidor against overwhelming odds, they were eventually forced to surrender on May 6th, 1942. Dad was forced into one of the "hell ships" and transported to a POW camp on the Japanese mainland. He spent the rest of World War II as a prisoner of war and was able to survive some horrible conditions to be able to return to the U.S. after the Japanese surrender in August 1945.

His brother Dick volunteered for the Army. As a young Lieutenant, he landed on Utah Beach in Normandy on July 9th, 1944. This was three days after "D-Day," so the beach landing was unopposed. Dick was in the 5th Infantry Division; 2nd Infantry Regiment, and the mission was "The Liberation of Western Europe."

From July to September, the 5th Division "Red Devils" fought for the liberation of France. On August 3, 1944, the 5th Division was assigned to the newly operational Third Army, under the command of General George S. Patton, Jr. By September 1st, Patton had moved his Third Army 700 miles to Verdun, France.

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The Third Army was preparing to enter Germany after taking Verdun on September 1st, 1944. However, General Patton had advanced so far, and so fast, that he had outrun his supply chain. This halted all forward advance until they could get supplies of ammunition and gasoline. By September 6th, the Third Army was resupplied and ready to move eastward into Germany. While the Third Army was resting and waiting to be re-supplied, the German Army was able to prepare a strong defense on the East side of the Moselle River. The next 25 days would prove to be deadly for the 5th Infantry Division in trying to establish a bridgehead across the Moselle.



The first attempt to secure a bridgehead was made on September 7th, 1944 at Dornot, France. The 5th Division made a minor advance, but was forced to withdraw after 26 enemy

counterattacks. The attacking battalion lost 50 percent of their men in this attempt. Uncle Dick was wounded in this assault. As there were so many wounded, Dick refused treatment in favor of those more seriously wounded. But he died of blood loss the next day, September 8th, 1944. Posthumously promoted to Captain, he is buried in the Epinal American Cemetery in France.

My dad and my uncle Dick both volunteered to fight in World War II. Dad survived, but Dick did not. Uncle Dick was wounded on September 7, 1944. EXACTLY seven years later on September 7th, 1951, I was born. Until I researched facts for this article, I never knew the story. But now I can understand what compelled me to volunteer for the Army. I rose to the rank of Captain in the 101st Airborne Division. My uncle was promoted to Captain after his death. As Memorial Day 2017 approaches, please try to remember what this day is all about. It's not just "another day off work." People gave their lives for us to live in this great country.



## PERRY PARK METRO DISTRICT Your Dollars, Your Voice.

All board members were in attendance at the April 13, 2017, board meeting. The agenda consisted of a slash pile burn update, IREA survey update, brief review on the Apr 6 Firewise workshop, additional 4th of July preparations, mitigation grant applications, and details for the April 29th Firewise Day.



### BOARD MEMBERS

President Randy Johnson  
VP Derek Meredith  
Asst VP Stacie Sneider  
Treasurer Vanessa Dao  
Secretary Valerie Duringer

**MINUTES** - The minutes for the March District meeting were reviewed and approved. They are available on the website: [www.perrypark.org](http://www.perrypark.org).

### TREASURER'S REPORT

Financials - April 13th, 2017  
Receipts - \$8,532.66

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**5th Annual Giddy Up & Go**

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Disbursements - \$12,012.88  
Cash Account - \$472,525.77

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

Unfortunately the Social and Events Committee is lacking in volunteers. This committee is what could make Perry Park not just a neighborhood but a community. If your plate is too full for volunteering, but you have great ideas, consider writing a quick email to Stacie and sharing. No idea or dream for Perry Park will be overlooked.

**Social and Events Committee** – Stacie Sneider email:  
[stacie.sneider@perrypark.org](mailto:stacie.sneider@perrypark.org)

**Firewise Committee** – Keith Worley email:  
[forestreedev@aol.com](mailto:forestreedev@aol.com)

### Social and Events Committee

4th of July – As we begin to nail down our plans for the 4th of July celebration we'll soon be looking for volunteer judges to help at our annual parade. Please drop us a note at [info@perrypark.org](mailto:info@perrypark.org) if you're interested.

### Firewise Committee

Keith Worley held a valuable work session for the PPMD board on April 6th. The work session was solely to familiarize the new board members with the Firewise program. The agenda consisted of review of the Firewise program and grant history, federal legislation impacting Perry Park, and review of the forward plan.



*Did you know: Perry Park is known as one of the nine oldest Firewise communities in the USA? On April 29th, 2017, Perry Park will receive an award as one of the last of the 1st nine oldest Firewise communities as we celebrate our 15th year.*

### Resident Mitigation Grant Program

The PPMD provides matching grants of up to \$500 to residents that use contract mitigators. Don't miss out, if you are planning on taking advantage of the resident mitigation grant program in 2017 please download the grant form and email to [submit@perrypark.org](mailto:submit@perrypark.org) or by mail to PPMD. We have extended the due date for applications to June 1st, 2017. Learn more about the program at the following site:

<http://perrypark.org/resident-information/resident-mitigation-grants/>



### Firewise Day

We held a Firewise Day on April 29th at the Perry Park Country Club. Update to follow in the June *Sentinel*.



### Slash Pick-up

The PPMD provides two annual slash pick-ups in order to promote resident wildfire mitigation efforts. The two seasonal pick-ups are schedule for June and October. A mailer was sent to each home early in April that gave a full detail of the slash

pick-up program. If you did not receive the mailer or need to review the slash pick-up dates and rules please access the following link: <http://perrypark.org/resident-information/slash-pickup-free-mulch/>

### SPRING SLASH PICK-UP

When: Starts June 1 and 1 zone per week.

- Place slash in a single pile near street and away from utilities
- Pile high – not long
- Slash only – no pine needles, rocks, metal, etc.
- For a map of the zones and more details go to: [www.perrypark.org](http://www.perrypark.org)



### Fall Slash Burn

The slash pile from last year's October pick-up was successfully burned on April 4<sup>th</sup> under strict guidelines thanks to Randy Johnson and the Larkspur Fire Department. Randy and his team wait for the perfect snowstorm, control the fire for hours, and then once the burn is successful it takes constant monitoring for sometimes a week or more, day and night. Thank you Larkspur Fire Department for another successful and safe burn.



TIME FOR SOME SPRING CLEANING!

Two Upcoming Opportunities to Help You With Your Spring Clean-up.

### Community Garage Sale, Fri 12<sup>th</sup> & Sat 13<sup>th</sup>

The community garage sale will be held in Perry Park Ranch on Fri & Sat between the hours of 9 a.m – 3 p.m. As of middle of April there were 21 households that will be participating and several open houses. The deadline to register has been extended to May 5<sup>th</sup>. If interested please call or text Craig by May 5<sup>th</sup> at 918-697-9751.

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Junk Dump, May 20<sup>th</sup>

With hopes that the community garage sale the week prior was successful, there still might be items that didn't sell or items you missed. Round them up and bring them to the Perry Park Gravel Pit. M & R Hauling will be helping us again this year and supplying four dumpsters, when they are full, the junk dump is over. Let's keep our community cleaned up! Reminder: For Perry Park Ranch residents only.

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**JUNK DUMP INFORMATION AND LOCATION**

Bring Proof of Residence!

When: Saturday - May 20th  
8am to Noon

(or when 4 dumpsters are full)

Where: Perry Park Gravel Pit

What: General Junk

Not: No - Large Contractor Disposals

No - Tires

No - Electronics

No - Refrigerators

No - Concrete

No - Chemicals or Paint

Directions: Follow Perry Park Blvd NW until it turns to gravel, continue to the Y and go left. Pit is one block on the right.



We want to keep you informed. Please register your email with the District. Visit the District website and click on the email icon listed in the upper right hand corner: [www.perrypark.org](http://www.perrypark.org)



**COALITION FORMED TO ACCELERATE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENTS ON I-25**

Representatives from cities, counties, business and economic development interests up and down the I-25 corridor between Denver South and Colorado Springs announced the formation of the I-25 Gap Coalition to advocate for transportation improvements in the gap area between Castle Rock and Monument.

“Coalitions have been a successful model for obtaining transportation funding and advancing projects in Colorado,” said Douglas County Commissioner Roger Partridge. “We are committed to doing what is required to organize like-minded leaders to find a construction-funding solution so that we can meet our 2019 ground-breaking commitment.”

In January, CDOT announced plans to accelerate the environmental and planning process to have a project ready for construction by summer 2019 – with a project fully constructed between Castle Rock to Monument in five years – if funding is identified for construction. The Coalition hopes to assist in identifying funding sources and financing mechanisms to advance project implementation that improve safety and trip time reliability and provide much needed relief to traffic congestion.

“Widening I-25 between Monument and Castle Rock must be a

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very high priority for the State of Colorado, as both an economic catalyst and safety improvement," noted Colorado Springs Mayor John Suthers. "I commend CDOT for its commitment to accelerating the timeline on this vital project and encourage the Colorado Legislature to find an equitable funding mechanism for this and other major state transportation initiatives."

As the primary link between Colorado's two largest urban areas – Denver and Colorado Springs – I-25 serves a variety of users and plays an important role in the transport of goods and services along Colorado's Front Range and beyond.

"Improving the I-25 'gap' is critical to ensuring efficient movement of goods, commuters, and tourists throughout Southern Colorado and the state," added Dirk Draper, president and chief executive officer of the Colorado Springs Chamber and EDC. "Our economy depends on the efficient operation of statewide arteries like I-25."

"Expanding I-25 between Castle Rock and Monument is crucial to meet the national security, public safety, and economic needs for southern Colorado in the years to come," said El Paso County Commissioner Mark Waller. "Waiting is no longer an option. We must move this project forward now."

Colorado Springs is the home of military installations ranging from the United States Air Force Academy on the north side of the city to Schriever and Peterson Air Force bases on the east side, and Fort Carson, NORAD and Cheyenne Mountain Air Station on the south.

"I-25 provides essential regional access for our residents and our business," stated Frank Gray, president and CEO of the Castle Rock Economic Development Council. "We look forward to working with our partners on the coalition to improve this vital regional infrastructure for the benefit of all our communities."

For more information about the I-25 Gap Coalition, visit [www.douglas.co.us/road-work/25-gap-coalition](http://www.douglas.co.us/road-work/25-gap-coalition).



## BEAR WISE

Howdy, Folks. Beary Bear here. Hope you all had a relaxing Easter holiday and are enjoying the wonderful spring weather. Because we bears are up and about, be extra bear aware when entering garages, outbuildings and walking around blind corners on your property. Practice your "The Voice" blind audition song out loud when outside. You may not get a four-chair turn, but you will help ensure your safety so you



can sing another day.

## New study challenges bear behavior beliefs

A six-year study of our statewide black bear population by the Colorado Parks and Wildlife department is challenging decades old assumptions about bear encounters with humans.

Wildlife researchers concluded that increasing bear-human conflicts do not mean the bear population is growing or that we bears are becoming more aggressive. Warmer temperatures have shortened our hibernation time, so we are more active later in the fall and earlier in the spring. But even with less sleep, we are still generally in a good mood.

There is some compelling new evidence that supports a trend that our population is actually declining. In southwestern Colorado around Durango, where researchers studied 617 bears starting in 2011, the female bear population decreased by 60 percent! Colorado's bear population could decline even faster statewide if current trends and practices continue.

It is hard to obtain an accurate update on the Colorado black bear population, mainly because we don't sit still. Best guess is about 17,000 statewide if you count my cousin Vinny who spends half the year in Colorado and the other half in New Mexico. The population of people in Colorado, by any measure, is increasing rapidly. To co-exist harmoniously, being Bear Wise is more important than ever.



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Class space is limited.

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You are seeing us more not because there are more of us, but because there are more of you living in and exploring areas we call home.

Researchers also recently observed that we black bears who dine on your garbage may not become addicted to it as previously believed. The team determined that bears eat human food when necessary (or easily available) to boost their weight for reproduction and hibernation, but switch back to their natural diet when possible. Of course, this doesn't explain why I obsess over pasta leftovers and will stroll right past a pile of acorns for an uneaten portion of Mamma Rosa's frozen lasagna in the bottom of your garbage can. I figure the nuts will always be there, the pasta... not so much.

However, the common belief that we bears may not be able to rehab ourselves to eat a natural bear diet once we have dined on yours is being questioned due to recent study results. This new evidence is challenging the current two-strikes policy of euthanizing "food-conditioned" bears. Currently, Colorado Parks and Wildlife follows a "two-strike" policy of tagging and relocating them once; second offenders can be killed. For the record: personally, I'm all for a change to a three-strike policy like in baseball. Or maybe even five fouls before being benched like in basketball.

### What can you do to help?

- Bear guard your garbage and other food sources like there is a reward for it, because there is. Knowing that you are keeping us healthier and safer is reward in itself. During the recent bear study, Colorado Parks & Wildlife officials worked with Durango officials to put bear-proof trash cans at homes in some neighborhoods. They found that this reduced bear-human conflicts. In areas without bear-proof cans, conflicts increased sharply.

- Do not feed us intentionally; it's the law. Report offenders to the Colorado Parks and Wildlife Division and local law enforcement agencies.



- When you see us close to your home, make as much noise as possible to scare the scat out of us so we run away. It's important to our mutual safety that we are as fearful of you as you are of us.

Many of you have reported purchasing "bear proof" garbage containers this year. Thank you for investing in our mutual safety and helping keep us black bears healthier. For you bear proof container hold outs; you may see more bear activity as the number of easy food targets continues to decrease in your neighborhood.

I look forward to seeing you soon... from a good safe distance.

Your Friend,  
**Beary**



## A WALK ON THE WILD SIDE

Susan Peters...

Euphoria!... Those Dang  
Woodpeckers  
Spring!



Officially! And we managed to squeeze in a few life-giving snowstorms for the trees and vegetation that sustain life, AND the first hummingbird right after the toad flax bloomed, April 2nd. The earliest I have seen for the toad flax. My tried and true observance is that within one or two days of the toad flax blooming, we have hummingbirds return.

I scrambled to make hummer food (recall – 1 cup of sugar to 4 cups of water, dissolved well - forget the red dye stuff.)

The next day we had a heavy snow storm. It melted quickly and the toad flax bounced right back, followed by two more storms.

The next week started the hummer sightings in the Palmer Lake area. It took still another week for me to see our first. And curiously it was a female broadtail. In the past for over 20 years, it has been a male scout, getting in position to welcome the babes.

The birdy version of the Mormon Tabernacle Choir, the wildflowers popping, our Dutch tulips we bought at the Keukenhof gardens in the Netherlands emerging in their new flower bed, just for them, the fragrant Oriental lilac already budding...Wow! This is my euphoria!

The koi are active, being primed for mating season. Too bad there are not enough left to do proper mating. Dang raccoons, and all they did is eat the brains of each fish before discarding it.

I will have to say back east in the D.C. area, fall was my favorite season. Taking walks where the crunch and smell of fallen leaves invigorated me. The temperate season is much longer there. The fall relieves the heat and humidity of the summer

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and fall is welcomed, whereas here, the fall here can be so brief, and I do not look forward to the too-long winter weather soon to come.

**Those Peckers**

Woodpeckers of many species have been a curse to many a home owner. And they can be like squirrels: once they have invaded the homestead to bear their young, you will see them forever. I have transported squirrels to at least two miles away. With a Have-a-Heart trap, I carry them off to the Bear Dance Golf Course and let them go in front of the restaurant. Perfect. A few months ago, I told about the author of One Bird at a Time, who had flickers peck through his outside wall and lay eggs. He put in a window on the inside wall to watch them. I am not quite ready to go there.

Usually stucco houses do not have the woodpecker problem that houses with wood siding do.

John Coats, a long-time neighbor in Perry Park East has been inundated with flickers and other woodpeckers. John and Carol's house is stucco.

The state of Washington put out the following information:  
"1) **Drumming:** A flicker drums to communicate with a mate

or to proclaim its territory and attract a mate. This typically happens during the breeding season (mid-March to June), but may continue into July. For reasons that are not fully understood, drumming may also occur for a short time in the fall. Drumming is the most common reason for flickers to use buildings, and while it may be annoying, the bird's activity usually does not penetrate completely through wood siding. Flickers will return year after year to the same house because it works for them; they attract a mate this way. Thus, a flicker that has been using the same location for several years will be hard to move.

To discourage drumming, try a combination of the following strategies:

Scare the flicker by hanging strips of Mylar scare tape or floating Mylar party balloons in front of the area of activity (Fig. 6). When using scare tape, strengthen each strip by attaching a piece of duct tape or nylon packing tape to each end. Tack or nail one end to the outer end of the roof soffit, just under the gutter, and attach the other end to the side of the house. Before attaching the bottom, twist the tape 6 to 7 times and keep the tape loose enough to provide some slack. The slack and twisting are necessary to produce the shimmering effect. Apply these tape strands at parallel intervals of 2 to 3 feet.

You can also try hanging aluminum pie pans horizontally along  
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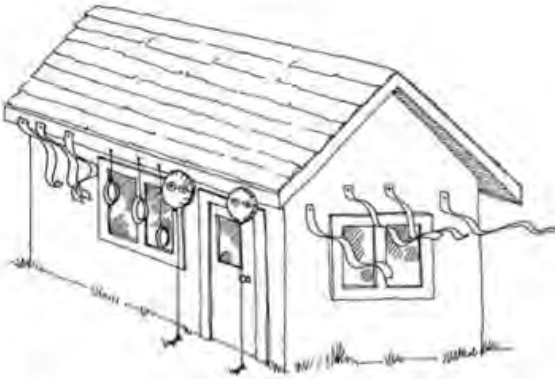
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a rope or section of twine (Fig. 6). Run one end of the rope to a convenient window and fasten it to an object inside the house. Whenever you hear drumming, jerk on the string to make the pans move.



Some people have had success with stapling large rubber spiders in the vicinity of the drumming birds. Large, black rubber spiders are available from most party stores. The Birds Away Attack Spider® is vibration/sound activated and will respond to the drumming of woodpeckers, by dropping down on a “web” cord. Batteries then retract the spider back up the cord, where it waits for the next unsuspecting woodpecker to arrive.

Scaring the flicker by shouting and banging pans outside a nearby window may provide temporary relief. A squirt of water with a garden hose can have a similar effect. Again, flickers living in urban areas likely will have grown accustomed to such noises and activity, and the results will be short lived. (Note: Scaring flickers away from a nest containing eggs or young is illegal.)

Create a barrier by covering or wrapping the gutter, down-spout, or other drumming site with a sheet, tarp, burlap, or other material. A large area of siding can be protected by hanging a sheet, tarp, or bird netting from the roof gutter or eave (Fig. 7).

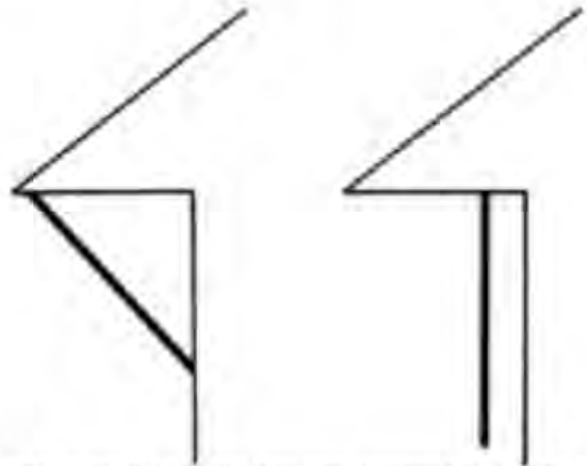
Be sure to cover any ledges or cracks the bird uses as a foothold while drumming. If you cannot fasten the material to the gutter or eave, attach it to a board that has been temporarily fastened along the top of the wall.

If a single board on the house serves as a toehold, heavy monofilament fishing line or stainless steel wire can be tightly stretched approximately 2 inches above the landing site to prevent the flicker from perching.

Repel flickers by applying a commercially available, nontoxic woodpecker-protective coating spray where activity is taking place. The spray exudes an aromatic and taste deterrent when pecked.

Figure 7. Prevent flickers from accessing the side of a house by

creating a barrier with a sheet, tarp, burlap, birdnetting, or other material. (Drawing by Jenifer Rees.)



Note: A house decorated with these deterrents may attract the ire of the HOA.

Having been on a canoe camping trip to the border of Maine and New Hampshire, I can attest to the drumming of the very large pileated woodpecker. Talk about waking the dead. One of these birds had us hunkering down in our sleeping bags to block out the mega jackhammer noise outside our tent.

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That’s all, folks, for this month. Gotta run. The first bird of the season has literally come down the chimney of our wood stove. I can’t see the red wings on this blackbird for all the soot he has accumulated.

**HowtoContactMe:** Email is [bestatsusan@larskpurconsulting.com](mailto:bestatsusan@larskpurconsulting.com). Alternatively, call my cell phone at (303) 725-6868 or send a short write-up to 2255 Quartz Mountain Drive.



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