



April 2023

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Letter from the Board

Dear Neighbors,

As we enter the month of April, we hope this letter finds you all in good health and high spirits. This letter aims to update you on a few matters related to our community.

Firstly, many thanks to Diane Kohler for her leadership of the Social Committee over the past several months. Diane is stepping down from this role to focus on other HOA board responsibilities. With this change, we are in need of a new Social Director for our HOA. This important position plays a vital role in organizing events and fostering a sense of community within our neighborhood. If you are interested in this position, please reach out to RowCal or come to the next board meeting, and we will be happy to provide you with more information.

Secondly, the architectural committee will be conducting spring walks in the coming weeks. During these walks, they will inspect the exterior of homes and look for any violations of our community's architectural guidelines. We kindly ask that you ensure your home is in compliance with these guidelines to avoid any fines or penalties. Regarding keeping our community looking great, please be sure to clean up after your pets.

Lastly, we would like to remind everyone to please close the doors to the tennis courts after use. This will help keep the courts clean and protect them from damage, ensuring they remain a valuable amenity for our community.

Thank you for your attention to these matters, and we look forward to a great month ahead!

Sincerely,
The HOA Board

Willow Creek Women's Club Events

Sponsored by Willow Creek Women's Club | Submitted by Fiona Maguire-O'Shea

Willow Creek Easter Egg Hunt | Saturday, April 8 at 10 a.m. | Willow Way Clubhouse

Join us for the Willow Creek Easter Egg Hunt, Saturday, April 8 at the Willow Way Clubhouse, 7700 S. Willow Way. The Easter Egg hunt is open to all Willow Creek kids, elementary age or younger. Please arrive a few minutes early. We plan to start promptly at 10 a.m. The Easter Bunny will make a special appearance!



A couple of reminders:

- Bring an Easter basket
- Please limit your kids to 5 eggs
- We will have bins to collect plastic eggs

Thank you to Juhi Johnson of RE/MAX Professionals and the Willow Creek Women's Club for sponsoring this annual event.

Diaper Drive during Easter Egg Hunt

Willow Creek Women's Club is hosting a diaper drive during the Easter Egg hunt for WeeCycle. WeeCycle is a nonprofit that distributed 4 million diapers to families in need in 2023 alone. One in three families report lacking enough diapers. Please help us give back to the community by donating:

- Diapers, Size 3,4,5 &6
- Wipes
- Diaper Rash Cream
- Baby Shampoo, Wash, Lotion
- Thermometers, nail clippers and nasal aspirators

We will have bins at the Easter Egg hunt to accept your donations.

Earth Day Event

All Willow Creek neighbors are invited to help clean up the neighborhood on Sunday, April 23 from noon to 2 p.m. Meet at the Caterpillar Park, which is the toddler park at Willow Creek Park. Willow Creek Elementary will provide the bags, gloves and maps with designated routes. We hope you can join us!



Willow Creek 3 Board Meetings

Board Meetings are held at 6 p.m.
the 2nd Thursday of each month.

The Architectural Control Committee meets at
6 p.m. the 1st Monday of each month.

Meetings are held at the Willow Creek III clubhouse:
8091 East Phillips Circle



Community Contacts

Perfect Pools (WC3 pool management): 303-795-1191
hb@perfect-pools.com

JBK Landscape: Email the WC III community manager with
questions: careteam@rowcal.com

Waste Management (trash and recycling) 303-288-2100

Dolphins Swim Team (Willow Creek 3 youth swim team)
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Willow Creek Tennis Club: Stephanie Burt, Chair
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Organizes tennis activities for all 3 Willow Creek communities.

Willow Creek Women's Club: willowcreekwomensclub@gmail.com

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City street repairs (not HOA alleyways)— if you see potholes in the city streets,
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ACC News

Please clean up after your dogs and have your dog walkers clean up after them. There has been an increase of poop along the trails and in the green spaces between the town homes.

Christmas lights and decorations must be taken down immediately. The rule is they are to come down 30 days after New Years.

The ACC will start doing walk arounds as soon as weather permits. Violations will start going out after our 3 year hiatus due to COVID 19.

Diane Kohler is stepping down as chairperson of the Social Committee due to her commitments with the ACC, the HOA board all while having a full time job. This is a fun position and allows creativity and interaction between neighbors. The success of our community means becoming involved our community. If you are interested in this position or would like more information contact Diane at dkarn856@gmail.com.



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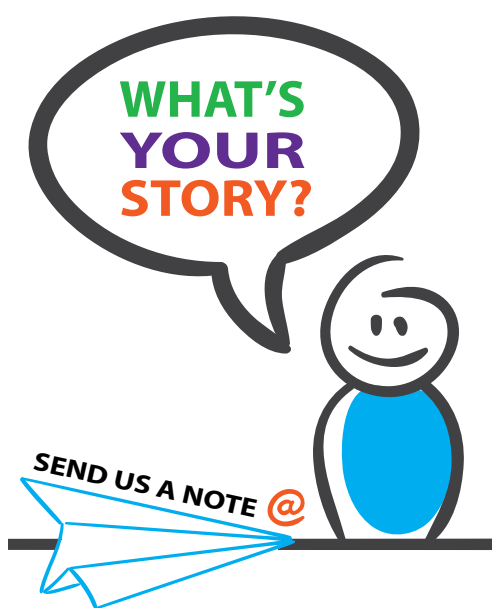
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Dolphins Swim Team 2023 Registration

April 1, 2023 - June 1, 2023

Willow Creek III has a summer swim team! It is a must for all of the kids in the neighborhood and surrounding areas. You don't have to be a Willow Creek resident to join!

It is a great place to practice what the kids may already know, learn more and learn other strokes and generally be more comfortable and proficient around the water. And they usually have a lot of fun while they're at it! Plus hanging out with their friends or meeting new friends!

Our team is for all abilities and levels with an emphasis on learning to swim better. There are a handful of year-round swimmers, but the big majority of the team is kids having fun for the first part of the summer. Many swimmers have little or no experience when they start, and it's our job to introduce them to the sport of swimming.

Our website is loaded with plenty of information! www.wc3dolphins.com

Willow Creek 3 2022 RECYCLING PICK-UP DATES ☉ Waste Connections: 303-288-2100				
Trash day is every Friday (excluding holidays). Recycling pickup takes place every second Friday.				
April 2023	May 2023	June 2023	July 2023	August 2023
Friday, April 7 Friday, April 21	Friday, May 5 Friday, May 19	SATURDAY June 3 Memorial Day Recycling & trash 1 day holiday delay Friday, June 16 Friday, June 30	Friday, July 14 Friday, July 28	Friday, August 11 Friday, August 25
September 2023	October 2023	November 2023	December 2023	Reminder: Trash containers are not permitted to be placed on the curb prior to 5 p.m. the night before pickup. Empty containers must be retrieved by 8 p.m. the day of pickup.
Saturday, September 9 Labor Day Recycling & trash 1 day holiday delay Friday, September 22	Friday, October 6 Friday, October 20	Friday, November 3 Friday, November 17	Friday, December 1 Friday, December 15 Saturday, December 30 Recycling & trash 1 day holiday delay	

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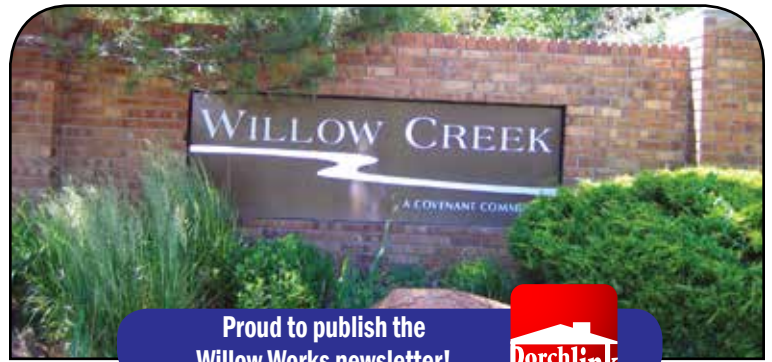
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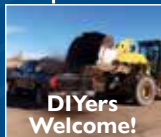


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- Access to the courts is by key card only. Key cards can be obtained from the management company.
- Please ensure gates are closed and locked when leaving courts to avoid vandalism!

To reserve courts, please use the online reservation system. This system is available only for WC3 residents. Please read the following rules for use of the reservation system and how to register as a new user for the system.

- Courts 1 and 2 are tennis courts available for reservation.
- Court 3 is a pickleball and tennis court available for reservation.
- Court 4 is a pickleball and tennis court available for walk-on play only.
- Courts 1, 2, and 3 are available for reservation 7 days a week from 6am-8pm.
- Reservations can be made up to 7 days in advance through the online system. Each reservation can be for 30 minutes up to 2 hours maximum.
- There is a limit to 1 reservation per day and up to 7 reservations per week per user.
- All reservations must be made at least 2 hours in advance.
- Reservations are not allowed to be made for guests/non-residents. The WC3 resident who made the reservation must be the one using the reserved court. This resident is allowed to bring their own guests to occupy the court with them.

How to make a court reservation:

- Visit: <https://sites.onlinecourtreservations.com/?facility=11>
- In upper left, click Sign In
- Click Register as a New User
- Enter email address, name, password of your choice, and self registration code.
- Self registration code is 8091

Please do not share your login, username, or password with anyone.

- To reserve a court, login and then click on the court and time in which you would like to reserve.
- Follow on-screen prompts.
- Reservations can also be cancelled by clicking on your reservation and following on-screen prompts.

Pickleball Information:

- The WC3 Board of Directors has generously purchased 2 pickleball nets and a storage container for use by WC3 members.
- The storage container is located on Court 4 and the lockbox code is 0000.
- Please follow the these guidelines when using the equipment:
- Do not remove the nets from the WC3 tennis courts. They are the property of the HOA and are not for personal use outside of the pickleball courts.
- Please return the nets inside their bags to the storage box and lock the storage box when you are finished.
- Please treat the nets with care as they were purchased by the HOA for use by residents and their guests.



April 2023 Tennis Talk

Submitted by Stephanie Burt, WCTCC Chair

Spring is in the air – well almost- and USTA tennis leagues starts this month! Let's talk about where to find the rules of tennis. Did you know that the USTA Friend at Court 2023, Part 2, is USTA's guide to fair play and the unwritten rules of tennis- otherwise known as The Code? The Code is not part of the ITF Rules of Tennis. It is a summary of procedures and unwritten rules that custom and tradition dictate all players should follow. No system of rules will cover every specific problem or situation, but if players follow The Code, they should always be able to reach an agreement making tennis more fun and a better game for all. Some rather interesting parts of The Code discuss warming up, making fair calls, serving, scoring, and hindrance issues. Make sure to check it out before heading onto the courts this year. You might even want to print this section of the Friend at Court to keep in your tennis bag!

I know everyone is very excited to get onto the tennis and pickleball courts but remember to wait for the snow to melt! Please do not take shovels to our courts. They will damage the surface.

Finally, keep your eye out for our summer social schedules. This is a great way to get out and enjoy the Willow Creek tennis community.

Send your tennis questions to willowcreek123tennis@gmail.com and have a great start to the season!



The Willow Creek Homeowners Association No. 3

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes / March 9, 2023

Meeting held at the Willow Creek 3 Clubhouse

I. Call to Order/Roll Call

- a. The Willow Creek HOA 3 Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 6:02 PM
- b. Board members attending were: Aidan O'Shea, Steve Lubell, Jerry Grant, Diane Kohler, Luke Adeline, and Eric Sinclair. Mary Beth Doerr was not in attendance.
- c. RowCal attendees were Codey Bolte and Brad Farnham

II. Homeowner Forum

- a. Homeowner 1
 - i. Concerns were mentioned over ACC walk-throughs and violations not being enforced as strenuously as before.
 - ii. A specific concern over the truck enforcements policy was mentioned.
 - 1. The board and ACC members noted that spring walkthroughs are commencing and the truck policy is being finalized to clearly define commercial vehicles.
- b. Homeowner 2
 - 1. A homeowner was concerned about replacing a tree which had been removed several years ago.
 - a. The landscape committee advised that there are plans to replace a tree in a nearby area.
- c. Homeowner 3
 - i. A homeowner mentioned that there is a gap below the steps to the clubhouse which needs to be filled.
 - 1. **Action Items:** A workorder needs to be entered to have that filled.

III. Committee Reports

- a. Landscape
 - i. The board previously approved a proposal to plant several trees throughout the neighborhood. It was noted that the contract was signed and the vendor is awaiting payment
 - 1. **Rowcal Action Item:** Ensure payment is processed by March 17th
- b. Pool
 - i. No pool committee report. A one-year contract with Perfect Pools is being modified for the coming season.
- c. Social Committee
 - i. The Dig In Eats event was well attended
 - ii. Diane is stepping down and a replacement is needed to head up the social committee
- d. Welcome Committee
 - i. An updated report of new residents hasn't been received from RowCal
- e. Swim Committee
 - i. No swim committee report
- f. Tennis Committee
 - i. League play starts in April.

- ii. An email reminder on court rules and reservation process will be sent to the community.

- 1. **RowCal Action Item:** Order automatic gate closers for court gates

g. Amenities

- i. Clubhouse/Pool Bathrooms
 - 1. The architectural design and finish proposals are complete. RowCal is working on multiple bids are pending.
 - 2. Completion by the beginning of pool season is targeted.
- ii. Quebec Fence – Bids are in pending
- iii. Sidewalks – Bids are pending for asphalt or concrete replacement
- iv. County Line Rd Fence – This is not owned or controlled by the HOA, but residents are working seek support from the county for a full replacements
- v. Pool umbrellas and shades – broken shades will need to be replaced, with longer term plans for a more permanent shade structure.

h. ACC

- i. The ACC has approved 2 requests, as well as paint requests
- ii. There was a discussion with RowCal attendees about the process for incoming requests and ensuring they are routed correctly
- iii. Truck, Xeroscape, and Dumpster policies are being reviewed
- iv. Recent ACC notices have focused on trashcans and holiday lights
- v. The 'Spring Walk' will be conducted soon
- i. Website: No update

IV. Minutes

- i. February minute approval (via email) was ratified
- ii. January minutes are being corrected

V. Financial Report

- a. February financials are missing accounts and do not include budget information
 - i. Jerry will meet with RowCal to correct the report formal and address accounts which are not currently shown on financials.
- b. January and February financials have not been approved.
- c. The selection of a new auditor was approved via email, this vote was ratified.
- d. The Reserve Study is pending changes prior to approval.

VI. Executive Session was held

VII. Following Executive Session

- i. A proposal to reduce monthly late fees from \$25 to \$5 was approved. Jerry proposed this, Diane seconded it, and all approved.

VIII. Meeting Adjourned: 8:05 PM (Luke proposed/Diane seconded/all in favor)



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2023 South Suburban Board Election: Meet the Candidates

The next regular election for the South Suburban Parks and Recreation Board of Directors will be held on Tuesday, May 2, 2023. Two board positions will be filled, each to serve a four-year term. Learn more about each candidate here. The League of Women Voters will host a candidate forum at the Sports Complex on April 15, 2023, at 10 am in the Board Room. The event is open to the public, no registration required. More information, including instructions for receiving an absentee ballot, is available at ssprd.org/election.

Summer Catalog: Online Registration Opens April 11

The South Suburban Summer 2023 Catalog will go live online on April 11, and the printed version will hit homes starting the third week of April. From summer camp adventures to fitness favorites and so much more, view and register for all summer programs at register.ssprd.org.

New Tee-Time Reservation Software

South Suburban launched a new golf tee-time reservation system in March. Existing golf accounts were automatically moved over to the new system, and golfers received emails with instructions for activating their accounts. All tee-times can be made at ssprd.org/Tee-Times. Please be patient, as this exciting system is new for the staff and our members. Allow for extra time to check in as we learn the system and work through bugs.

Splash Pass

Dive into summer with a Splash Pass! Enjoy unlimited admission to Harlow, Holly, Franklin and Cook Creek pools all summer long for an affordable price. Passes are available for purchase starting May 1 at any South Suburban pools and recreation centers, or at ssprd.org/Passes.

Upcoming Events

Active Adult Healthy Living Expo

Tuesday, April 4 9-11 am

Take advantage of free interactive demos and learn about local resources at the Active Adult Healthy Living Expo. Come to Buck Recreation Center to engage with over 40 top-notch resources that offer a variety of support and services. This event is free and open to the public. Event sponsored by McGill Insurance.

Rockin' on the River 5k

Sunday, April 16 at 9 am

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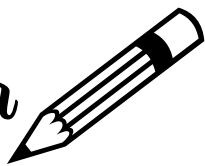
Gardeners of all experience levels are invited to join South Suburban for the annual Rose Pruning Workshop! The workshop will be held at the War Memorial Rose Garden at 5804 S. Bemis Street. The event is free, but registration is required. Learn more and sign up at ssprd.org.

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forgottenheroescampaign.org

How Does The Program Work?

Through a variety of media sources, Veteran groups and congressional offices, FHC is contacted by men and women who should have been awarded earned medals and other decorations by the United States or by foreign countries, but were never officially presented.

The Campaign provides the Veteran with the correct forms and information, and conducts research to support the case for having the awards issued.

The campaign utilizes its extensive contacts within Congress and the Military to expedite the processing of these applications with the Veteran's Administration and Department of Defense.

Upon issuance, the FHC will coordinate presenting the awards to the Veteran or his/her family an appropriate ceremony.

If you know of a veteran who is missing any military awards including medals, please visit our contact page and submit an application form.

Article submitted by Barry Fiore, Public Relations Director for The Forgotten Heroes Campaign and Centennial Resident

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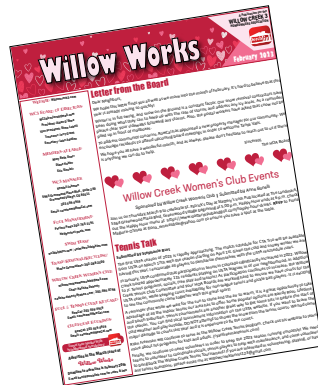


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Hands in the Dirt

If you are anything like me, around this time of year when the days are more blue sky than grey and warmer than winter cold, you get the itch to garden. It is too early to plant warm weather favorites like tomatoes, peppers, cucumbers, and squash. During April, the soil is usually too cold and the weather too unpredictable for those plants. But do not despair, you can still start planting! It is a perfect time to plant some cool-season veggies that can bring the freshly picked garden flavors to your table in the meantime. The good news is even a patio box garden of green leafy vegetables like kale, Swiss chard, spinach, lettuce, arugula, and radish tops can provide you several meals with delicious and nutritious produce right from your own backyard. The even better news is that they are easy to grow.

Most leafy greens prefer to grow in cooler weather with a soil temperature of at least 40 degrees but do not perform well when the weather turns hot so planting in April allows plenty of time for plants to mature and for several harvests in between. These cooler-weather-loving plants are frost-hardy and can be harvested during any time of growth. Many varieties can be grown in garden beds, raised beds, patio planters or even large flowerpots.

First things first, though; whatever method you choose to plant your garden, be sure the planter is clean if using a recycled planter, or that the garden or raised bed has been cleared of dead plants and debris and is ready for planting. If you plan to grow in an area that gave you garden problems the prior season, consider a soil test and amending the soil based on those recommendations prior to sowing. If planting in a container, use the best quality potting mix you can find. These steps can give your garden the best chance of success before you even poke the first seed in the soil.

A few choices among many for varieties that grow well in our climate zone:

- Spinach: Bloomsdale, Palco and Renegade
- Kale: Dwarf Blue Vates, Winter Red and Ragged Jack
- Swiss Chard: Bright Lights, Rhubarb, and Fordhook
- Lettuce: Little Gem, Mesclun mix and Marvel of Four Seasons
- Arugula: Roquette, Surrey, and Wild Rocket
- Radish: Cherry Belle, Purple Plum, and French Breakfast

Properly space seeds when sowing and keep them moist (but not soaking wet) until they germinate. A thin layer of mulch can help retain moisture for seedlings to grow through. For most varieties your seeds should start to sprout in about a week or two. If necessary, thin seedlings as instructed on the seed packets. Thinning helps create space for plants to mature. The clippings can make a delicious tender green addition to salads, omelets, stir-fries and smoothies as well as tasty microgreens, the uses are as creative as the harvester.



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