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All entries are subject to the approval by the Pres. of PVIA

PVIA Meetings: Monthly meetings are held at Sabin Elementary School, (Dartmouth & Vrain) on the: First Tues. of the month at 6:30 pm

PVIA 2016 Social Events
Christmas Party – Dec. / TBA

Trash Schedule 2016:

8-3 Trash & Recycle
8-10 Trash
8-17 Trash & Recycle
8-24 Trash, Overflow, Lg. Item
Pick up
8-31 Trash & Recycle

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POLICE - Non-emergency phone number 303-913-2000

NEXT PVIA HOA MEETING: Tuesday, August 2, 2016 at 6:30 pm in our Pinecrest Park. Make sure you bring a chair.

ISLAND COMMITTEE

The Pear trees that were damaged by the hard freeze this winter have been taken down. We will have the stumps taken out and new trees planted this fall.

The weeds along Sheridan look pretty good. Some people really keep up with them and others not so much. Please keep our neighborhood looking well kept.

MEMBERSHIP

The deadline for 2016 dues was June 30th. If you haven't paid your dues, please do so if you want a new directory.

ATTENTION RESIDENTS

There has been an increase in “vandalism / nuisance” crimes in our neighborhood recently. Items have been stolen off porches, flower pots broken, bikes taken and put somewhere else, houses t-p’d, etc. The police can only do something about this behavior if they know of it. If you see something, call the police ASAP and **REPORT IT.** The number is a non-emergency number: **303-913-2000.**

REMINDER

Kids are going back to school this month. Please keep alert for kids crossing streets and school busses in our neighborhood.

DID YOU KNOW



Garden of the Gods Park

Garden of the Gods Park in Colorado is owned by the City of Colorado Springs. Annually, visitors from all 50 states and more than 60 countries discover the beauty and history of the 1,367-acre Garden of the Gods Park, which has been designated as a National Natural Landmark. The Park is a unique biological melting pot where the grasslands of the Great Plains meet the pinon-juniper woodlands characteristic of the American Southwest, and merge with the mountain forest of the 14,115-foot Pikes Peak - America's Mountain. The 300 million years of geological history of the Garden of the Gods in Colorado Springs reveal one of the most extensive pictures of earth history found anywhere in the United States. It is a true geological wonder.

In August, 1859, two surveyors started out from Denver to begin a town site called Colorado City. While exploring locations, they came upon a beautiful area of sandstone formations. M.S. Beach suggested that it would be “a capital place for a beer garden,” when the country grew up. His companion, Rufus Cable, exclaimed, “Beer Garden! Why it is a fit place for the Gods to assemble. We will call it the Garden of the Gods.” The name stuck.

How did an area of such national significance become a city park? The answer to that question is a story of friendship, of strong commitment to the common good and of children fulfilling their father’s dream. This part of the story begins in 1879 when General William Jackson Palmer, founder of the city of Colorado Springs, convinced his good friend, Charles Elliott Perkins to buy 240 acres of land known as the Garden of the Gods. In 1899, Perkins purchased another 240 acres and in his letters to General Palmer, expressed his desire to donate his 480 acres to the City of Colorado Springs. Perkins was undoubtedly influenced by General Palmer, who already had donated more than 1,000 acres of his own land to become public city park lands.

In 1907, Charles Perkins died before he had officially arranged for the Garden of the Gods in Colorado to become a public park. However, knowing their father’s wish for the Garden, Perkins’ children deeded the 480-acre Garden of the Gods to the City of Colorado Springs on December 22, 1909, with the stipulation that it remain “**free to the entire world.**”

In 1994 the **Garden of the Gods Foundation** was created to preserve and maintain the Garden of the Gods Park. Contributions are gratefully accepted from the public and a volunteer board annually approves projects and materials to improve the garden. In the first 20 years, the foundation made contributions of more than a \$2.3 million to the park.

Today the original 480-acre Perkins land donation, “a gift of inestimable value” forms the center of Garden of the Gods in Colorado Springs, which now totals 1,367 acres. **It still is free and will always be “Kept forever free to the world.”**

