



SKYLAND CHRONICLE

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President's Message

To Skyland Association Homeowners,

Spring is finally here in Crested Butte. The snow is melting, flowers are blooming, and the river water is rushing full speed from this year's runoff. I am excited for a great summer season in the Gunnison Valley.

A couple of updates from the Association Board, the snow removal this winter went well, the streets and paths were taken care of by the Skyland Metro staff and Lacy Construction with no major issues or damage to the roads and paths. Earlier this month, the cracks in roads and paths were sealed as preventive maintenance. Also, last year the paving of the last section of Skyland Drive was completed.

Last summer the Board approved the revamping of the reservation system for the Pavilion. The Association has moved from a deposit and refund system to a non-refundable fee system. This seems to be a more efficient system for the owners and staff. A reminder, the reservation form is on the Association website under Forms and the fee is \$100.

The Skyland Metro District is in the process of hiring an individual to assist the Design and Review Committee. This will ease the workload of the current staff and work directly with the Design and Review Committee on the building projects. Currently there are four projects from 2021 projects that should be finished this year. There were six homes started in 2022 that should be completed by 2024. There have been five homes approved by the Design and Review Committee (DRC) this year and six more building projects in the DRC process. A reminder for projects in progress that construction is permitted from 7:00 am until 6:00 pm, Monday through Saturday.

We are continuing to work on receiving approval from you, the owners of Skyland Homeowners Association, for the acceptance of gas fireplaces and fire pits within Skyland for a change in the covenants. Currently, the use of gas fireplaces and fire pits are prohibited. There will be additional information provided at the Annual Meeting this year. The Annual Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, July 9th at the Club at Crested Butte in Skyland.



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Special points:

- *The Annual Meeting will be Sunday, July 9th at 4:00pm at the Club at Crested Butte.*
- *The Annual Picnic will be held at Lake Grant at 6:00 pm; following the meeting.*
- *There will be an upcoming vote for acceptance of gas fireplaces and fire pits within Skyland*



Skyland and Crested Butte have melted out nicely, the river flows are strong and still picking up with a lot of snow still up high. Staff has been busy preparing Skyland for another beautiful Crested Butte summer. Skyland staff includes myself, Nola, Grant, and Doug who all work diligently to keep the community running smoothly and looking great, if you see us out and about feel free to stop and say hello.

Proposed Covenant Change

The Skyland Board of Directors has proposed a Covenant Change to allow for fire pits in Skyland. The proposal only includes gas fire devices and will not allow wood or solid fuel burning fire pits to avoid wildfire hazard from sparks and embers. All fire pits will need to go through the Skyland Design Review process for approval.

A ballot was mailed out last year with a very limited response received back. The proposal requires at least 67% positive homeowner responses to change the Covenants. A new ballot will be mailed out around July 1st. It is anticipated that ballots will be available at the Annual Homeowners Meeting as well as the Association's office.

Whether you are in approval of the Covenant change or against it, please provide your response so that this matter can be finalized.

Path Work

The Bridges Trail from the Skyland spur above Lake Grant to the Upper Loop intersection will be receiving some work. Since it was built several years ago, the Bridges Trail has settled exposing rocks and other impediments making it difficult for hiking and biking. A trails improvement crew will work to smooth out the trail and hopefully make it a bit more enjoyable.

Lake Grant

The Boat Lay Down Area is a very popular place and has become crowded with boats being stored there. The Skyland Community Association expanded the area in the past to help with storage and usage. Please check on your craft and if it is damaged, please remove it. Staff will be removing damaged and abandoned boats this summer and fall.



Around the Neighborhood

Please be responsible pet owners and keep your dogs under voice or leash control at all times. Dogs are not allowed to wander. When out walking your dogs, please be a good neighbor and always pick up after them.

Bears and other wildlife are always active in the Skyland area. Help keep bears wild and be responsible about trash and bird feeders.

For Your Information (FYI)

To help save you time and the cost of a stamp, there is a payment drop box located inside of the postal depot on Brush Creek Road. The box is on the wall to your left as you walk in to the building. There is also a drop box by the main office door at 350 Country Club Dr., Ste. 112A, for when the office is closed.

District and Association Board Meetings



District Meetings

The Skyland Metropolitan and East River Regional Sanitation Districts normally meet the third Wednesday of each month. The start time is 4:00pm and the meetings are held at the Skyland Lodge, Suite 112A.

Community Association Meetings

The Skyland Community Association Board meets about 4 to 6 times per year. They also meet in the Skyland Lodge, Suite 112A.

Design Review Meetings

The Skyland Design Review Committee typically meets one time per month or on an as-needed basis. Contact the management office at (970) 349-7411 for meeting dates and times. The Design Review also meets in the Skyland Lodge, Suite 112A.

Spraying for Noxious Weeds

The Skyland Metropolitan District continues to spray for noxious weeds every summer. Our weed spraying program has been in effect for several years and has been very successful. Unfortunately, the weeds continue to grow and we continue to spray common and open space areas as needed.



Once again, we are offering to "spot spray" the noxious weeds (dandelions, chamomile daises, yellow toadflax) on your property. Please contact the office at (970) 349-7411 to get on the spraying schedule. The cost of spraying is currently \$25.00 per hour plus the cost of the herbicide.



Lake Grant Pavilion

The Lake Grant Pavilion is an absolutely wonderful place in the summer for an impromptu picnic or a planned family get-together. The pavilion is available for use by any association member.

Availability may be checked at any time by simply going to the Skyland Community Association website at www.skylandonline.com and clicking on "Community Calendar" or by calling the office at (970) 349-7411. If you wish to reserve the pavilion, the Pavilion Use Permit Form can be found on the website under Forms & Documents in the Skyland Community Association section. We are also more than happy to fax, email or mail the form at your request.

Please keep in mind that in order to reserve the pavilion your Skyland Community Association account must be in good standing and a non-refundable use fee of \$100.00 is required in the form of cash or check. We ask that you take all trash with you so as not to encourage bears or other animals. Please be respectful of the surrounding homes and plan to end your gathering no later than 1/2 hour after dark. A complete copy of the Lake Grant Pavilion Exclusive Use Policy is included with the Permit Form.



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A reminder to conserve water again this summer. Even though we have had a great snow season this winter, your efforts to reduce your water usage is appreciated.

I want to take this opportunity to let you know we lost Steve Polan, Association Board member and longtime resident of Skyland, to cancer in March of this year. His time and contributions to the Association will be missed.

Bill Leer has graciously agreed to take Steve Polan's place on the Board starting in June.

In closing, I want to thank the staff, Mike, Nola, Grant, and Doug for their work this last year. They are the people behind the work that makes Skyland Association, Skyland Metro District, and East River Regional Sanitation District run smoothly.

My best to all of you this year.

Sincerely,



Kent Fulton
President
Skyland Homeowners Association

Watering Times

5:00am to 10:00am
or
5:00pm to 10:00pm

on your designated odd numbered day
or even numbered day based on your
street address.



Direct Pay (ACH)



The Skyland Metropolitan District and East River Regional Sanitation District both offer the Direct Pay or ACH program. Once you are signed up, your water and sewer charges will automatically be deducted from your bank account on the due date (the last day of each month for water and the last day of the first month of each quarter for sewer). You can find the Direct Pay Authorization forms for both Skyland and East River on the Skyland website at www.skylandonline.com.

Please contact Nola if you have any questions about signing up for direct pay.

PARKING PERMITS and BOAT STICKERS



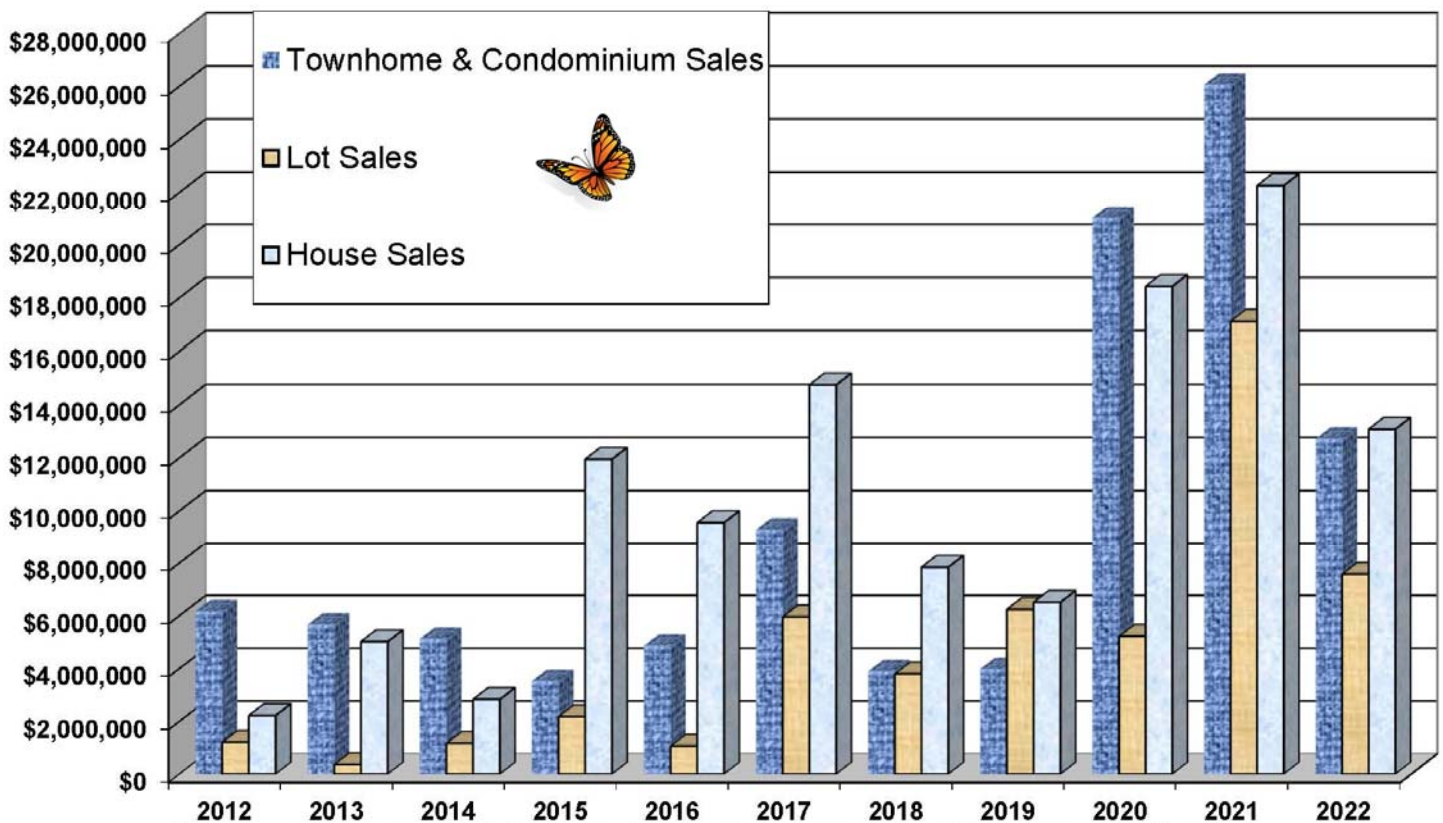
In an effort to curb illegal parking and access to Skyland property owner amenities, the Skyland Community Association has continued to maintain a vehicle permit and boat sticker program. We know that these permits and stickers have helped the staff to enforce parking and use of owner amenities.

The Association updated the parking stickers to placards that hang from your rear view mirror. These placards can be used in any of your vehicles. The old stickers are still good for as long as you have your vehicle or until you have to replace the windshield.

Please note:

- ◆ Only 2 (two) parking permits will be issued to each household.
- ◆ Replacement permits are \$100.00 each.
- ◆ Temporary passes are available at the Association office for your guests and long-term renters.

Skyland Real Estate Sales 2012 - 2022



These figures have been compiled by Coldwell Banker Mountain Properties. Information contained herein deemed reliable but not guaranteed.



Skyland Community Association

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Crested Butte, CO 81224

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We realize that owner information changes often and we like to keep the information we have on file for each owner as up to date as possible. This information is important to us so we can manage the association more efficiently and contact you if the need arises.

Lot/Unit Number

or Address:

Name and

Mailing Address:

Crested Butte Information:

Home Phone:

Work Phone:

Fax:

E-mail Address:

Out of Town Information:

Home Phone:

Work Phone:

Fax:

E-mail Address:

Skyland Property Management Information:

Company/Individual Name:

Address:

Contact Name:

Contact Phone:

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.



Sincerely,

Skyland Community Association Management

****PLEASE MAIL OR DROP OFF COMPLETED FORM TO THE ADDRESS ABOVE.****

Bearproofing Your Home

Help Keep Bears Wild



Only people can prevent conflicts with bears. Please do your part to protect your home and property, and prevent conflicts with bears.

Keep Bears Out

- Many bears that enter homes do so through an unlocked or open window or door. Close and lock all bear-accessible windows and doors when you leave the house, and at night before you go to bed.
- If you must leave downstairs windows open, install sturdy grates or bars. Screens don't keep out bears.
- Keep garage doors and windows closed and locked at night and when you're not home. Don't leave your garage door standing open when you're not outside. Install extra-sturdy doors if you have a freezer, refrigerator, pet food, bird seed, or other attractants in your garage.
- Keep car doors and windows closed and locked if you park outside. Make sure there's nothing with an odor in your vehicle, including candy, gum, air fresheners, trash, lotions and lip balms.
- Bears are great climbers — remove any tree limbs that might provide access to upper level decks and windows.
- Replace exterior lever-style door handles with good quality round door knobs that bears can't pull or push open.
- Put on talk radio (not music) when you leave home; the human voice startles most bears.

Get Rid of Attractants

- Bears follow their super-sensitive noses to anything that smells like food, and can follow scents from up to five miles away.
- Don't leave trash out overnight unless it's in a bear-proof enclosure or container. Obey all local regulations.
- We recommend feeding birds only when bears are hibernating. If you want to feed birds when bears are active, please review the Attracting Birds, Not Bears fact sheet on our Web site.

■ Don't store food of any kind in an unlocked garage, flimsy shed or on or under your deck.

■ Don't leave anything with an odor outside, near open windows or in your vehicle, even if you're home. That includes scented candles, air fresheners, soaps and lotions.

Teach Bears They're Not Welcome

- If a bear comes into your yard or close to your home, do yourself and the bear a big favor, and scare it away. A confident attitude plus loud noises like a firm yell, clapping your hands, banging on pots and pans or blowing an air horn sends most bears running.
- If a bear enters your home, open doors and windows and make sure it can leave the same way it got in. Don't approach the bear or block escape routes.
- Never approach a bear. If a bear won't leave, call your local CDOW office. If a bear presents an immediate threat to human safety, call 911.

Visit www.wildlife.state.co.us/bears for more information or call your local Division of Wildlife Office.



Please Do
Your Part
to Keep
Bears
Wild

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OWNERS



Who's Who at Skyland

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