

# CIMARRON WOODS



*Spring 2014 Newsletter*



## Comments from the HOA President...

As I am sure you are aware, it has been awhile since you have received an HOA newsletter. A few months ago Becky Miller informed the board she wanted to step away from the newsletter duties after many years of dedicated time and effort. On behalf of the board, I would like to say thanks to Becky for her past efforts. The board has been working on assembling a new team to produce and distribute the newsletter. Like many things in life, this has taken longer than expected.

With springtime just around the corner (I hope), there are two annual rites of springtime. First, the SID arranges to have the streets cleaned of all the sand and debris left over from the winter. While no date has been set to date, the SID will monitor the weather forecast and schedule this cleaning as soon as it is prudent to carry out. Secondly, springtime and warmer weather brings the children out of the house. They will be playing in the driveways and walking along the sidewalk. While parents are constantly telling their kids not to run into the street, kids sometime forget. Therefore, as drivers, we need to be constantly aware of the surroundings in an effort to avoid an accident involving kids.

At this point, I would like to pass on some SID news. Recently, the SID engineer met with the engineer for the City of La Vista. In this meeting, the issue of annexation arose. Cimarron Woods West is on the City of La Vista's 1 to 5 year annexation plan with it likely to be closer to the 1 year than the 5 year. The SID attorney will be checking with the City Manager for more information. Additionally, the following improvement projects will be taken on by the SID around our neighborhood.

- Tree trimming along the west side of the neighborhood. The intent is to remove dead trees and limbs, limbs which significantly overhanging lots, and any saplings growing through the existing fence.
- Grading and seeding of the lot near the splash park. This lot has been reserved for a parking lot if it is deemed necessary in the future.
- Reseeding of the practice soccer fields in the park.
- Completion of the existing walking trail to the 99<sup>th</sup> Street cul-de-sac with removal of the stairs between the two villas connecting the walking trail to Olive Street.
- Reseeding areas between the walking trail and Harrison Street from Cimarron Woods Drive to 99<sup>th</sup> Street.

Have a Safe and Enjoyable Spring!

**Terry Helphrey, President  
Cimarron Woods HOA**

# Cimarron Woods Egg Hunt

**Sunday, April 13th 2:00 p.m.**

**In the Woods on Cimarron Woods Drive**

**Please have your child bring a bag or basket...and don't be late or you will miss it!**

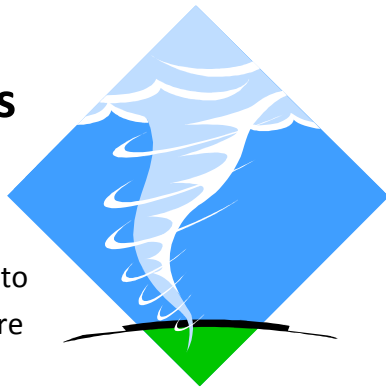
**Egg Prep will take place Friday, April 11th, at 6:30 p.m., Kim Galgerud's house, 10259 Cimarron Woods Drive.**



## City of LaVista

### Emergency Notifications

LaVista now provides mass notification services to city residents. We are able to receive emergency and other notifications via cell phone, landline and/or email.



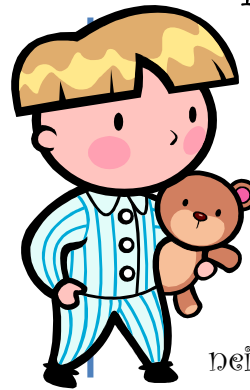
Messages sent to subscribers will be those of alerts, advisories, or community events that will impact a specific area with a large population.

If you have not enrolled for the notification system, and wish to do so, you may subscribe via the LaVista website at [www.cityoflavista.org](http://www.cityoflavista.org).

Do you know of someone who wants to be on the Cimarron Woods Babysitter

List?

Please email us ([rlmeister1@cox.net](mailto:rlmeister1@cox.net) or [kfbanks@gmail.com](mailto:kfbanks@gmail.com)) so that we can create a new list to be distributed within our neighborhood. The previous list has become outdated.



## Help

In order to continue the fun community activities that happen in the neighborhood, Cimarron Woods is in need of several adults to be a part of an Events Planning Committee. The committee would work together to help plan and organize the events that go on in the neighborhood. Obviously, the more people on the committee, the less time involvement everyone has to contribute.

It is a fun way to get to know others in the neighborhood! Please contact Kim, [kgalgerud@cox.net](mailto:kgalgerud@cox.net), to join the committee.

# Other Events

## Lauritzen Gardens Easter Egg Hunt and Activities

April 19th Easter Extravaganza  
9 a.m. to noon

The garden is the perfect venue to celebrate Easter with the family. Families can enjoy pictures with the Easter Bunny, candy-filled eggs, crafts and more at Easter Extravaganza. Fun and engaging crafts will be available from 9 to 11 a.m. with Easter egg hunts for children through 12 years of age at 10 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 11 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. A separate egg hunt area will be designated for younger children.



The cafe opens at 9 a.m., allowing visitors to grab coffee or breakfast before starting in on all the fun activities. The Easter Bunny will be on hand the entire morning for photo opportunities (bring your camera!)

Standard garden admission rates apply for this event. Members are admitted free. An additional charge of \$3 per child is required to participate in the egg hunt and children's crafts.

Due to limited capacity, advanced registration is required for the egg hunt and activities. To register, call (402) 346-4002, ext. 262 by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, April 16.

<http://www.lauritzengardens.org/wfdata/frame8809-1202/index.asp>

## Party for the Planet

April 19th

Join Omaha's Henry Doorly Zoo and Aquarium to celebrate Earth Day and discover ways you can help save our planet at *Party for the Planet* on Saturday, April 19th, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Stop by one of the conservation-themed booths. Your toes will be tappin' as Omaha Street Percussion performs music on recycled trash cans and buckets.

Event activities are free to Omaha's Zoo and Aquarium members or with regular paid zoo admission.

## Cheesecake Bunnies

Hop on down to the grocery store for a premade cheesecake to make this super-easy Easter dessert.

- 1 premade cheesecake, plain
- 1 package shredded coconut
- Large marshmallows
- Pink decorating sugar
- Small marshmallows
- Edible googly eyes
- Large, heart-shaped sprinkles

Scoop out large tablespoons of cheesecake and form into 1- to 1 1/2-inch balls.

Roll each cheesecake ball in shredded coconut. Place on waxed-paper-lined baking sheets. Refrigerate for at least 1 hour until firm.

Cut large marshmallows in half diagonally to make 2 ears. Dip the cut sides into pink decorating sugar and place both ears on the top of each bunny. If they don't stick well, move aside a little of the coconut with a toothpick and press marshmallows down directly onto the cheesecake.

Place a small marshmallow on the back end of each bunny for the tail.

Attach 2 edible googly eyes and a heart-shaped sprinkle nose to each bunny face.

Store in refrigerator until ready to serve.



# Holiday Treats

Feel free to let us know if you have information that you would like to pass along to the neighborhood in a future newsletter.  
Send submissions to:  
rlmeister1@cox.net or ktffbanks@gmail.com