

Woodmoor Improvement Association Board of Directors, Oct. 25

## Board seeks candidates, maintains annual dues amount

By Jackie Burhans

The Woodmoor Improvement Association (WIA) board met on Oct. 25 to discuss the upcoming board elections and annual meeting, clarify sharing of event information, support the Safe Route to Schools grant, and present the 2018 budget. Forestry Director Ed Miller and Public Safety Director Brad Gleason were absent.

### Board elections and annual meeting

President Peter Bille noted that WIA board elections are coming up in January. Three board positions are open. Those interested in running can fill out a nomination form online at <https://www.woodmoor.org/wia-board-nomination/>. Once the nomination form has been submitted, a WIA staff member will follow up. The deadline for nominations has been extended until Nov. 30. Biographical information on candidates and ballots will be mailed in December's annual dues invoice.

The election will be held at the annual meeting Jan. 29. Secretary and Director of Community Outreach Jennifer Cunningham is soliciting donations for door prizes from local companies for the annual meeting.

### Sharing event information

Vice President Brian Bush clarified that WIA may choose to inform members of certain events at the Barn and in the community via social media and the WIA website if they think the information is relevant and may consider doing so if requested for non-commercial events. Cunningham indicated that anyone wishing WIA to inform the community about an event should email her at [DirCommunityOutreach@woodmoor.org](mailto:DirCommunityOutreach@woodmoor.org) and copy HOA administrator Denise

Cagliario at [denise@woodmoor.org](mailto:denise@woodmoor.org).

### Safe Routes to School grant letter

Members of the WIA board and staff have been meeting with representatives from the Lewis-Palmer School District to discuss the district's application for a Safe Routes to School grant to fund 20 percent of the projected cost, not to exceed \$44,845, of a trail that would go around Lake Woodmoor. It would connect Lewis-Palmer Elementary School and Lewis-Palmer Middle School, and end at the boundary to Palmer Ridge High School. The grant application was submitted to the state on Nov. 1 and the decision will be available in March 2018.

The district has asked WIA to partner with it on the grant, which requires three things:

1. Commitment to funding 20 percent of the \$44,845 projected project cost
2. Allowing use of 5,000 linear feet of the common area for the trail
3. Maintaining the portion of the trail that is east of Woodmoor Drive (the district would maintain the portion that is west of Woodmoor Drive).

Bush said that the proposal has merit and shows that the community is progressive. He asked for a motion to direct President Bille to sign the letter of support for the proposal. The board unanimously approved the motion.

### 2018 budget keeps same dues

Treasurer Lee Hanson noted that the board met the previous week to put together the proposed 2018 budget, which was approved by the board. Hanson stated that the budget is consistent with 2018 plans and includes keeping the annual dues at the same rate. The budget was presented to the public in this Oct. 25

board meeting. Budget statements, when available, can be found on the internet along with other WIA financial information by scrolling to the bottom of <https://www.woodmoor.org/board-of-directors/>.

### Board report highlights

- Bush reiterated that the increased covenant fines are not a revenue-generating activity for the board. The board seeks compliance and has many ways to resolve covenant violations that don't involve fines, which are only used as a last measure.
- HOA administrator Cagliario noted that the document scanning project is making great strides through the efforts of WIA staff member Amy Mast.
- Bears have become very active in preparing for the winter; residents should not leave out trash cans, dog food, or bird feeders.
- The recent edition of the Tribune noted that it has been 40 years since voters approved the purchase of the Barn for \$100,000 by the Woodmoor Improvement Association.

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The WIA Board of Directors usually meets at 7 p.m. on the fourth Wednesday of each month in the Barn at 1691 Woodmoor Drive, Monument. The next meeting be on Nov. 15 due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

The WIA calendar can be found at <https://www.woodmoor.org/wia-calendar/>. WIA board meeting minutes can be found at <https://www.woodmoor.org/meeting-minutes/> once approved and posted.

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## October Weather Wrap

By Bill Kappel

October was a little warmer and drier than normal. During the month, there were two periods of cool weather and moisture, otherwise the rest of the month was mild and dry.

The month started with relatively cool weather and lots of fog, lows clouds, drizzle, and rain showers. Highs were in the upper 60s on the first, then mid-50s from the 2nd through the 4th. Drier and warmer weather moved in for the next few days with upper 60s to low 70s from the 5th through the 8th. These temperatures were a good 15-20 degrees warmer than normal. Of course, this was ahead of some cooler air and our first taste of winter.

An initial cold front moved in during the early evening of the 8th, then a secondary push moved in around 11 p.m. This produced some light flurries in the region before midnight with snow and blowing snow filling in just after midnight. The snow continued through the next afternoon before clear skies moved back in. Cold air stuck around all day with the "high" falling to temperatures just above freezing at midnight. Temperatures on the 9th were stuck in the 20s around the region, making for a cold day, especially after the previously warm weather. Anywhere from 1-3 inches of snow accumulated around the region, and with the previously warm weather, much of this turned to ice on the roads, causing some tough driving conditions.

Dry and mild conditions then quickly returned for the next two weeks. Highs reached the mid-50s

on the 10th, then mid-70s on the 11th and 12th. Temperatures dropped slightly the next few days, with low 70s for highs from the 13th through the 15th before warming again from the 16th through the 20th. Temperatures cooled again slightly, moving back to about normal levels with mid-50s to mid-60s from the 21st to the 24th. One last day of warmth occurred on the 25th, as highs reached near-record levels in the mid-70's on the 25th.

The last week of the month saw a return to cooler and unsettled conditions. A quick-moving cold front brought cooler temperatures by the afternoon of the 26th and some light snow. Temperatures were chilly the next day with lows starting in the single digits and teens on the morning of the 27th. Temperatures warmed to near 50 on the 28th, then upper 60s on the 29th, before a final cold front moved in during the evening of the 29th.

This last front brought some treacherous driving conditions with it, as areas of freezing drizzle developed that evening and continued into the morning of the 30th. Roads were covered in a sheet of ice around the region, making the morning commute very difficult. Light snow and flurries developed again that afternoon and continued through the morning of the 31st. Temperatures stayed cool through the afternoon, before sunshine returned just in time for Halloween afternoon.

### A look ahead

November is generally dry and cool around the re-

gion. We usually get several light snowfalls interspersed with sunny skies. Gusty winds commonly develop on a couple of days as the jet stream becomes more active and more directly affects Colorado. Our first sub-zero morning low temperatures occur during the month as well. High temperatures average in the upper 40s early in the month to low 40s by the end with overnight lows often dipping into the teens and single digits.

### October 2017 Weather Statistics

Average High	61.1° (+1.6°)
100-year return frequency value max	67.7° min 50.7°
Average Low	29.8° (+1.5°)
100-year return frequency value max	36.8° min 26.4°
Monthly Precipitation	0.41" (-1.32")
100-year return frequency value max	4.63" min 0.18"
Monthly Snowfall	4.1" (-6.9")
Highest Temperature	76° on the 11th
Lowest Temperature	14° on the 27th
Season to Date Snow	4.1" (-7.1")
	(the snow season, October 1 to September 30)
Season to Date Precip.	0.41" (-1.32")
	(the precip season, October 1 to September 30)
Heating Degree Days	584 (+6)
Cooling Degree Days	0 (0)

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## Letters to Our Community

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### Support for schools

In regard to the misleading attack ad that appeared in the October OCN, I can only say that we're lucky we have any teachers left in D38. I'm sick and tired of the vilification of teachers. The lack of respect and support for teachers exhibited by many people in this community is disgraceful.

D38 is moving in a liberal direction? I believe that, like many educational institutions, D-38 encourages people to have open minds. If that's your definition of liberal, so be it. Whoever paid for the publication

of that screed obviously had enough money to buy a half-page ad, but they are bankrupt morally and ethically. Since they didn't have the courage to attach their name to it, I can only assume a) they never finished high school or had a bad high school experience; b) they certainly have never been a teacher, or c) they're just bitter and resentful of anyone with a higher level of education.

I would like to see such critics do a teacher's job for just one week. I doubt they would last a day. Teaching is the most noble of professions. Doctors and nurses may save lives, public safety and military professionals may protect us, but you wouldn't have people in those professions without teachers now would you? Long ago someone paid for my high school education. Ever since then I've considered it

my civic duty to pay for those coming up behind me, to provide them with the best education possible. It's my obligation. It's the right thing to do. It's the responsible thing to do.

Bill Beagle

### De Angelis for D38

It is an honor to run for the D38 school board and I want to thank everyone, whether a supporter or not, for your engagement.

I am running as a father of two kids in D38 and as someone who grew up in a family of 10 diverse learners. I believe public schools are here to serve all students, and that we, as a community, should lead this effort.

I am running as an Air Force Academy graduate and former service member. I believe in integrity and