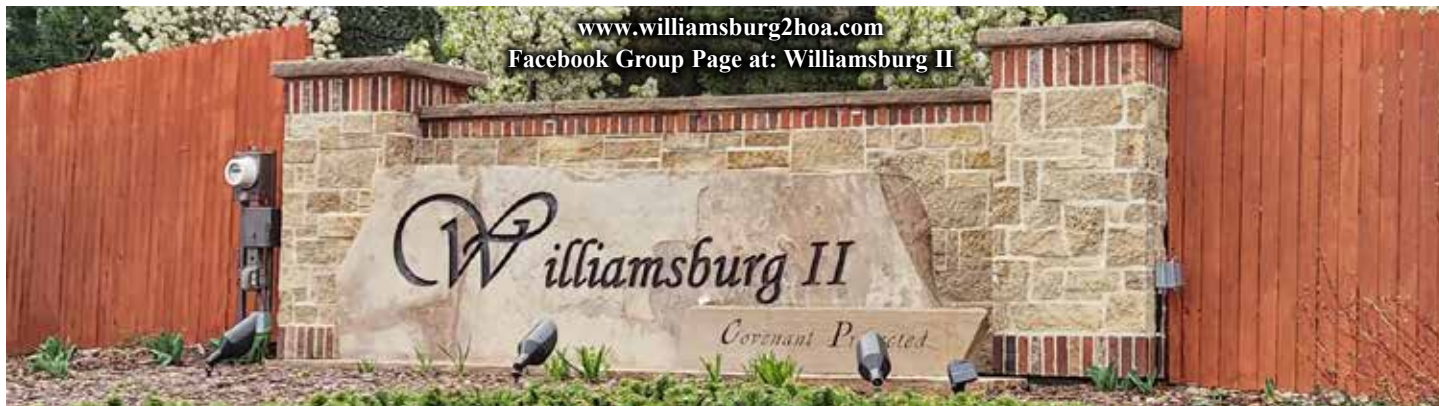




Save The Date!

December 5: Holiday Hay Ride

Minutes For September 14, 2026

Met by Zoom

Board members present: Krista, Kathy, Mark, Angelina

New Business

Discussed wildlife in the area.

Halloween lighting contest. Three winners will win a \$25 gift card. See Facebook to vote for your favorites.

Holiday lighting contest. Five winners will win a \$25 gift card.

Littleton Fall Festival

Sunday, October 11, 12 - 4 p.m.

Clement Park,

Grant Amphitheater

Join us for the Littleton Fall Festival on October 11th at Clement Park! This family-friendly celebration brings the community together for a full day of festive fun.

Pick out a pumpkin to take home (1 per family), browse a variety of local vendors and food trucks, and enjoy live music throughout the day. There will be plenty of family-friendly activities to keep everyone entertained from start to finish.

Last year we welcomed over 2,000 attendees, and this year we are expecting even more! Come spend the day with your neighbors and celebrate fall in Littleton.

—<https://www.eventbrite.com>

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Wildlife Reminder

We've had some recent wildlife visitors in the neighborhood, including bears and raccoons, and possibly other critters looking for an easy meal. A few simple steps can help keep them from becoming regular visitors:

- **Please bring birdfeeders in at night.** Birdseed can attract more than just birds!
- **Please wait until trash day to put your trash bins out.** With Republic Services picking up in the afternoon, there's no need to put bins out the night before. Keeping them secured until the morning helps reduce the temptation for wildlife to investigate.

Thank you for helping keep our neighborhood – and our wildlife – safe!

Happy Halloween



BOO-rific Bash & Splash

Friday, October 23, 2026, 6 - 8 p.m.

Ridge Recreation Center,
6613 S. Ward St.

Purchase your BOO-rific tickets in advance to skip the pay-at-the-door line and go directly in to the event! Tickets are \$5 per child and entry is free for adults accompanying their children. Only register each child who will be attending. This fun and affordable indoor trick-or-treating event allows children to dress in full costume, trick-or-treat among community business tables and enjoy fun activities.

Swimming in the Ridge Pools is included in the festivities, swimsuit required to go swimming. Children 5 and under **MUST** be accompanied in the water by an adult (age 18 or older) and be within arm's reach at all times.

NO REFUNDS! Prepay tickets are non-refundable. If you aren't sure if you can make it to the event, please pay at the door.

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News Articles

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Neighborhood Guide To A Safe Halloween

Halloween is one of the most exciting nights of the year for our community's children, but it also brings unique safety challenges. According to the National Safety Council (NSC), children are more than twice as likely to be hit by a car on Halloween than on any other day of the year. To make sure our neighborhood stays safe and fun, keep these essential tips from organizations like the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) and the CDC in mind.

COSTUME SAFETY: See and Be Seen. Add Reflection: Fasten reflective tape to dark costumes and treat bags, or have children carry glow sticks and flashlights. Ditch the Masks: Opt for non-toxic face paint instead of masks, which can easily block a child's peripheral vision. Watch the Length: Ensure costumes are short enough to prevent tripping hazards on sidewalks and stairs. Check the Label: Look for fabrics labeled "flame resistant" like nylon or polyester when buying wigs and outfits.

FOR TRICK-OR-TREATERS: Smart Street Habits. Stick to Sidewalks: Walk only on sidewalks. If our street lacks them, walk on the far edge of the road facing traffic. Cross at Corners: Always cross streets at designated crosswalks or intersections. Never dart out from between parked cars.

USE THE BUDDY SYSTEM: Children under 12 should always have adult supervision. Older kids should stay in a trusted group and follow a pre-planned route.



CHECK THE STASH: Instruct kids not to eat any treats until they get home, allowing parents to inspect wrappers for tampering or food allergens.

FOR DRIVERS: Slow Down and Stay Alert. Drop Your Speed: Drive at least 5 mph below the posted speed limit through residential streets to give yourself extra stopping time.

WATCH THE DRIVEWAYS: Take extreme care when backing out of driveways or turning into alleys, as excited children can appear out of nowhere. Eliminate Distractions: Keep your phone completely put away while driving. Turn your headlights all the way on—not just daytime running lights—to improve visibility.

FOR HOMEOWNERS: Prep Your Porch. Light the Way: Keep your porch lights on and make sure walkways are brightly lit for visitors. Clear the Path: Remove tripping hazards like garden hoses, lawn decorations, or wet leaves from your front steps and yard.

PROTECT YOUR PETS: Keep dogs and cats in a quiet room inside. Constant doorbells and costumes can stress animals, increasing the risk of bites or escapes.

Let's work together to keep the scares fun and the night safe for everyone!

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Garden Fresh Skillet Pasta Primavera

Author: Lisa @ This Pilgrim Life • Prep Time: 15 minutes • Cook Time: 15 minutes • Total Time: 30 minutes • Yield: 6-8 servings

INGREDIENTS

- 1 lb pasta noodles*
- 2 Tbsp olive oil
- 2 Tbsp high-quality butter
- 1/2 cup thinly sliced red onion (about 1/2 an onion)
- 1 Tablespoon minced fresh garlic (about 2-3 medium cloves)
- 1 zucchini, cut into 2" spears
- 1 yellow squash, cut into 2" spears
- Handful of cherry tomatoes, halved
- 1/2 cup fresh peas
- 1/2 tsp kosher salt + more to taste
- 1 tsp dried basil**
- 1 tsp dried parsley**
- 1 Tbsp lemon juice
- 1 cup parmesan cheese, shredded
- 1 cup reserved pasta cooking liquid



minced garlic, zucchini, and squash in with the onion. Season with a half a teaspoon of kosher salt and the dried herbs. Let the vegetables cook without stirring 5-10 minutes. Add the halved tomatoes and green peas. Stir, then continue to cook without moving the vegetables until they are all fork tender.

3. When the vegetables are tender and done cooking, stir in the lemon juice, then add the cooked pasta to the pan. Carefully toss the pasta with the sautéed vegetables, adding the cheese and reserved cooking liquid to the pan while you mix.
4. Season with additional salt to taste. Serve with extra parmesan cheese if desired.

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Fill a pot with water and bring to a boil. Cook the pasta according to package directions, then drain and set to the side, reserving a cup of the cooking liquid.
2. Heat a 12" skillet over medium heat. Add the olive oil and butter, then the sliced onion. Sauté for about five minutes, until the onion starts to soften. Stir the

* You can use your favorite noodles in this recipe – gluten-free, homemade, short or long. For the dish in the picture, I made homemade fettuccine with 5 eggs and about 3 1/2 cups of flour. (More on homemade pasta here).

** If using fresh herbs, roughly chop and stir in at the end before serving.



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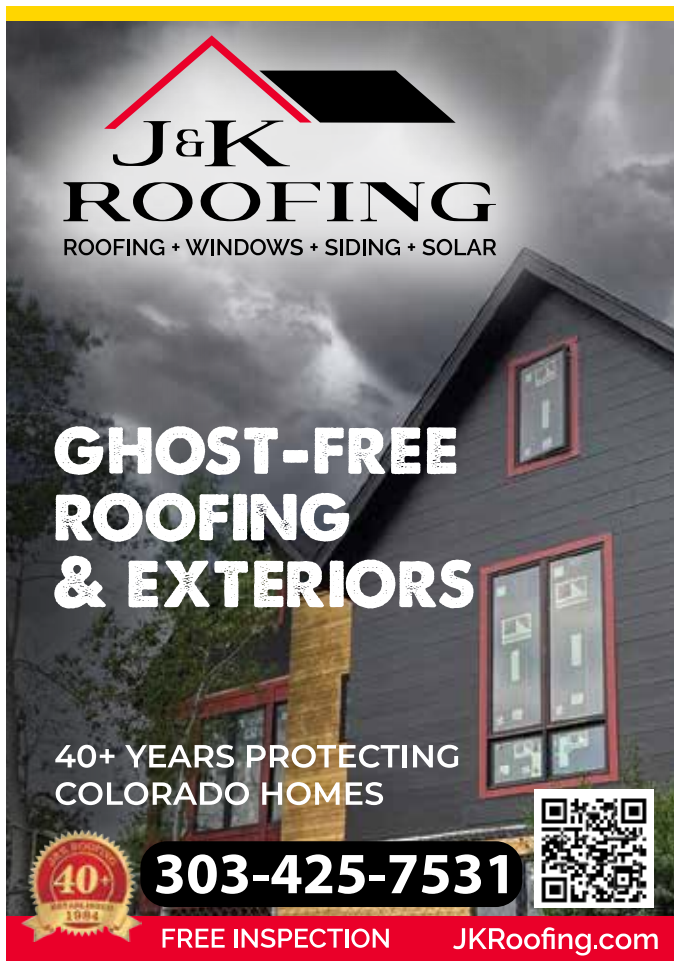
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Fall has always been my favorite season. The time when everything bursts with its last beauty, as if nature had been saving up all year for the grand finale. —Lauren DeStefano, Wither



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- **Plug Directly Into Walls:** Never use an extension cord or power strip with a space heater, as they can easily overheat and cause an electrical fire.
- **Shut It Down:** Always turn off and unplug space heaters before leaving a room or going to bed.

2. Mind Your Yard Waste & Leaf Piles. Fall yard cleanup is a seasonal staple, but dry yard debris can easily become fuel for an accidental fire:

- **Clear the Perimeter:** Clean dry leaves, twigs, and pine needles out of your rain gutters and away from your home's siding or deck, where a stray spark could easily ignite them.
- **Never Park on Leaves:** Avoid parking your vehicle over large piles of dry leaves. The extreme heat from your car's catalytic converter can ignite the leaves underneath, potentially destroying your vehicle.
- **Check Local Burn Rules:** Before using an outdoor fire pit or burning yard waste, always check with the local fire department for active fire restrictions or high-wind burn bans.

3. Practice Kitchen & Candle Caution. With the holidays approaching and candle season in full swing, everyday household habits require a bit more vigilance:

- **Stay by the Stove:** Unattended cooking remains the leading cause of home fires. Never leave a hot burner or oven unmonitored while preparing meals.
- **Smother Grease Fires:** If a grease fire starts on your stovetop, never throw water on it. Instead, slide a metal lid over the pan to smother the flames and turn off the heat source.
- **Blow Out the Ambiance:** Never leave lit candles unattended, and keep them at least 12 inches away from seasonal decorations or flammable materials. Consider switching to flameless LED candles for a completely worry-free autumn glow.

4. Do Your Five-Minute Alarm Check. Before turning on your home's furnace or fireplace for the first time this season, complete these two lifesaving checks:

- **Test the Buttons:** Push the test button on every smoke and carbon monoxide alarm in your house.
- **Replace Older Alarms:** Change out old batteries. If any of your smoke alarms are more than 10 years old, they should be fully replaced.



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