



# HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

## Spring 2017 Newsletter

### Sunwest Board of Directors:

**President:** Joseph Mellblom

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**Member at Large:** Donna El-Hehiawy

### Committee Members:

#### Architecture Control Committee (ACC)

**Chair:** Joseph Mellblom

**Social Committee Chair:** Donna El-Hehiawy

#### Neighborhood Watch Community

**Coordinator:** Sandalphon

### Mission Statement of Sunwest Homeowners Association

*To establish and maintain Sunwest as a quality, family friendly, community while maintaining aesthetic appeal, and strong property values.*

The Board encourages participation and input from the Sunwest community. The next regularly scheduled Board meeting is April 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. at 325 Conrad Drive.

### Contact Info:

#### MSI LLC (Property Management Company)

Christopher Alcon, CMCA 720-974-4129

[CAalcon@msiho.com](mailto:CAalcon@msiho.com)

#### Erie Police Dispatch:

303.441.4444

**HOA President:** [president@sunwest-hoa.org](mailto:president@sunwest-hoa.org)

#### HOA Architecture Committee:

[architecture@sunwest-hoa.org](mailto:architecture@sunwest-hoa.org)

**Sunwest Website:** <http://sunwest-hoa.org>

Thanks to Val Johnson for the Sunwest logo used in this newsletter.

### Sunwest HOA Fees Due April 1st

1<sup>st</sup> quarter HOA fees are due April 1st. There is a grace period, but if dues are not received within 30 days of the due date a \$25 late fee is charged to the homeowner's account. Delinquent accounts also accrue interest charges of 18%, so it pays to get your payments in on time.

### Sunwest Neighborhood Watch

Homeowners are reminded to call 911 in the event of an emergency. To report barking dogs, vandalism or a crime in progress (non-emergency) call police dispatch at 303-441-4444. To report Town of Erie code violations, or other police business call Erie PD at 303-926-2800.

### Peaceful Enjoyment of Your Property

Homeowners should be able to enjoy their property without undue disturbances. The Town of Erie municipal code and Sunwest HOA CC&Rs require that homeowners do not permit obnoxious activities that will unduly disturb their neighbors. Such activities include loud noises, bright lights that shine into a neighbor's property, obnoxious odors, etc. Homeowners should use common sense when planning parties, installing security lights, or maintaining a compost heap. MSI will be sending out violation notices when the above activities cross the line from reasonable to obnoxious behavior.

### Reduce, Reuse, Recycle

Recycling is a wonderful thing. But not so much when your neighbor's recycling ends up in your yard. Erie has a great climate, but it also has gusty winds that can blow the recycling out of our baskets and all over the neighborhood. Please be mindful of those particularly windy days when it is better to keep the recycling inside until the morning of the collection.

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## Perimeter Fence

The perimeter fence along Erie Parkway and Meller Street needs some repairs. If your property includes a section of the fence that requires a post replacement, you will be notified of the day(s) that repair is scheduled. Please make sure no dogs are in the backyard during the repair work, and that the repair persons have access to the fence from the backyard at that time. By the way, do not allow plants to grow up against the wooden surface of the fence. This causes the fence to wear out prematurely. If a section of fence falls apart due to damage from a homeowner's trees or bushes, the cost of those repairs will fall on that homeowner.

## Homeowner Fences

Speaking of fences, if the fence on your property faces the street, take a good look at it and see if it looks OK or is starting to show signs of weathering (turning grey or black). Fences visible from the street should be kept in good repair since they are the first thing visitors and potential home buyers see when they come into the neighborhood. Once a fence has weathered to the point of turning grey or black it may be necessary to paint the fence since stain may not work properly on seriously weathered wood.

## Basketball Hoops

Sunwest has a fair number of basketball hoops throughout the neighborhood. Some of those hoops are in disrepair. Hoops with missing or torn nets need to have the nets replaced or have the hoops removed if they are not being used.

## Scoop That Poop

Most dog owners in Sunwest are responsible and pick up after their dog. Unfortunately there are still a few bad apples that let their dogs roam the neighborhood and poop in their neighbor's yards. If you see that behavior please report it to [president@sunwest-hoa.org](mailto:president@sunwest-hoa.org) along with any supporting information so we can try to reduce those incidents.

## You Can Get the Information You Need About Sunwest HOA on Our Website

Clicking on the blue underlined text (hyperlinks) will take you directly to that Web page. The Sunwest HOA Web site is at <http://sunwest-hoa.org>. Our Web site has all of the Sunwest [documents](#) available for your perusal or downloading. Also there are pages that describe the [Architectural Request](#) process, and the [Enforcement](#) and [Hearing](#) process. You can find past [minutes](#) of the HOA Board meetings, a set of [frequently asked questions](#) (FAQ), and previous [newsletters](#). You can also add your email address to our rapid response email list by clicking on the text in the left hand column that says "[Sunwest residents sign up here for email alerts and news](#)". You can find local services that are recommended by your neighbors on the [Homeowners Info](#) page.

Send questions or comments for the Board to [president@sunwest-hoa.org](mailto:president@sunwest-hoa.org).

**First quarter HOA fees of \$140 are due January 1st. Please use your coupon book or automatic checking debit when making a quarterly assessment payment.**