

AVA NEWSLETTER

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Message From the AVA President

This past year has brought significant change to the Applewood Valley Association. Sadly, long-time AVA President Barbara Barry lost her courageous battle against cancer.

Barb worked tirelessly to galvanize public awareness and action in response to developments that could have been detrimental to our community. Her work resulted in numerous accomplishments that directly impacted the quality of life in our unique residential setting. Suffice it to say, if you shared her concerns about maintaining open space, preserving the character of our neighborhood, and protecting Applewood residents from crime of all sorts, you have benefitted from her efforts. Barb was a true champion for the Applewood Valley & her spirit, fight, and friendship will be greatly missed!

We have experienced another very active year. Major areas of involvement included ongoing efforts to protect both Applewood Golf Course & Stober Elementary School.

As we strive to meet the example Barb set, your continued support and input is even more instrumental in our efforts.

This year will be an exciting one on the technology front. AVA will soon be unveiling a new website, email, & Facebook page. We are especially focused on building out a complete AVA email list in the ongoing effort to provide up-to-the-minute information about neighborhood issues. In that spirit, we hope you will provide your email address on the attached form.

Ballot Initiative to Impact Stober

Citizens for Jeffco Schools kicked off the Yes on 3A and 3 B campaigns in August.

In support of 3A, the Jefferson County Board of Education has indicated that 3A would provide support in the following areas:

- Compensation to attract and retain good teachers
- STEM/tech and prep for workforce/college
- Mental health and security
- Covering any funding gaps if the state reduces funding
- A portion to public charter schools

In support of 3B, the Board has indicated that 3B would provide support in the following areas:

- Improvements and Repairs to 110 schools
- Major renovations/additions of 45 schools and facilities
- 4 replacement and 3 new elementary schools
- Security upgrades
- A portion to public charter schools

You are cordially invited to attend the
2016 AVA Annual Meeting
Tuesday, October 4

6:00 pm • *Candidate Meet and Greet*
6:30 – 7:30 • *Business Meeting*
7:30 – 8:30 • *Key Topic Discussion*

Applewood Valley United Methodist Church
20th and Ellis Street

In the past members of the Applewood Valley Association (“AVA”) community have laboriously campaigned to save one of its community schools, Stober Elementary School. In regards to 3B, a frequently asked question by many in the community is “What would happen to Stober if the bond/mill levy is passed?”

According to the Facilities Master Plan as adopted by the Board and information posted on the Board’s web page, the following are indicated as Planned Capital Improvements for Stober Elementary School at a cost of \$7 million:

- Conversion to a K-5 facility
- Four-Classroom addition
- Renovation
- Removal of the modular classroom buildings

Another frequently asked question by members of the AVA community is “If voters approved a \$535 million bond and a \$33 million mill levy, how much would I pay?”

According to information posted on the Board’s web page, the cost per \$100K residential home value would be \$4.12/month or \$49.44/year. The cost to non-residential \$100K property value would be \$15.03/month or \$180.36/year.

A link to the Facilities Master Plan with this and additional information is available on the Board’s website jeffcopublicschools.org.

Board members will be hosting “Now Boarding” fall forums to discuss 3A and 3B and other topics currently affecting Jeffco Schools. The forums are open to everyone in the Jeffco community and will include time for questions and discussions.

More detailed information about the mill and bond can be found at the Board’s website and at supportjeffcoschools.com.

**The AVA: A Neighborhood Association
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Do you own and reside north of Colfax, east of Eldridge, South of 26th/27th and West of Simms? As a homeowner, you are qualified to be a member. AVA is a voluntary association - not a mandatory HOA. Our mission is: Ensure the integrity of the neighborhood and participate in decisions to protect its unique character. We are always looking for volunteers to help with various projects. Each year, we elect members to fill about half of the board seats for two-year terms. This year we are searching for candidates who may be incumbents or new individuals. Our Board meetings are usually every other month. If we have projects to manage, the board members and committees will generally meet more frequently.

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Participation in your neighborhood association makes a real difference.

Your annual \$10 per individual or \$20 per household dues pays for AVA operations. Stay in good standing, or become a voting member today. AVA Annual membership runs from September to August of every calendar year.

Please make check payable to Applewood Valley Association and mail it and this form to:

AVA, P.O. Box 25, Golden, CO 80402

- \$10 Individual (1 vote)
- \$20 Household (2 votes)

per AVA By-Laws, Article III, Members, Sec 1 Membership

Name	2 nd Name (if household)	
Address	Email (Never shared or sold. For official AVA communications only.)	Phone