



*Merry Christmas!
Happy Hanukkah!
2022*

Driving through our neighborhood, I smile at the neighborly joy shared by Burlanders through lights and displays during the holidays. We're all eagerly anticipating this year's Burland Lighting Contest results!

In the spring we met with several Platte Canyon HS students to decide on the winner of the 2022 Burland Scholarship. Burland's own Illectra Dixon was the clear choice and will receive \$5000 paid over four years while attending university. We wish her well for a successful academic and life career!

At Weakland-Fawks Park, a new sign kiosk similar to those in Colorado State Parks is being made by our esteemed volunteer, Patrick Urban. Centralizing the various items and rules residents need to know while using the Park, there will also be room for announcements. Thanks also to Jack Roberts, Mike Fisher, and Tim Peterson for their help. We exchanged the standard Portapotty for a handicapped accessible unit. The issues with maintenance have been resolved by Shirley Septic and we will not be billed for a year! Volunteers have cleaned up fallen limbs from the trails - thank you, Bill Beggs! and picked up litter, and many thanks to Debra Stephen for maintaining the Doggy Do receptacles.

Many private parties are hosted at the Park Pavilion. Burland HOA does not charge a fee for this. We do require a reservation and returnable deposit in case of damage, but we cover the cleaning and electricity for our residents. Bring your electric grills & chocolate fountains, and host your birthdays and reunions!

A great way to volunteer on occasion, with lots of fun, is the Events Committee! We hosted the Easter Egg Hunt and Halloween Party for Burland and Bailey at the Park, to great success. The Holiday Light Contest is happening now, and Sherrie Urban is busy envisioning new events for 2023. Please join us!

In August we donated to Park County's first National Night Out, in Fairplay. We've heard from the Sheriff that one is planned for Bailey in 2023, and we are excited for the opportunity to bring the larger Bailey Community together with this new effort.

This Christmas we donated \$1000 to Lifebridge and \$500 to Widow's Oil Food Pantries. We are grateful for Nick Miller's expert work as our new Treasurer, keeping our finances in good order.

Firewise Chair Jack Roberts is retiring in January. Bill Beggs is taking up his mantel. This year Firewise had six Saws & Slaws events. Volunteers came from Burland and Bailey, but we need more Burland volunteers. Younger people, please come help protect Burland, your own properties, and get a workout!

Elections will be held at January's Annual Members Meeting. BHOA Directors are fiduciaries, a position of trust. Our primary purpose is to maintain property values and the quality of life in Burland Ranchettes by upholding the protective covenants. We give around 2 to 20 hours a week; attend monthly Board meetings; special, executive, and committees meetings; help volunteers; and other tasks to keep good things happening. Honesty, integrity, transparency, commitment, and civil, productive discourse with property owners, residents and our fellow Board Members are required. No pay, but there is great reward. We are committed to the good of Burland. Thank you for your trust, and see you in January!

Beth Fisher, President, Burland HOA