



NEWSLETTER

Winter 2021

Have you Noticed the New Trees and Marshall Park Playground Equipment?

HOW TO GET TREES PLANTED IN YOUR YARD

ECCO has teamed up with 10,000 Trees Columbia to have new oak trees planted at homes throughout Earlewood. So far, six new live oak trees have been planted at no expense to the new tree parents! 10,000 Trees Columbia was founded by two local attorneys and tree lovers, Leighton Lord and Roy Laney. They are planting trees that they themselves have grown. Follow them on Instagram at @10000treescolumbia. If you would like a free new tree for your home, send an email with your name, address, and phone number to Leighton Lord at llord@nexsenpruet.com.



HOW TO GET TREES PLANTED IN THE RIGHT-OF-WAY AT YOUR HOUSE

The City of Columbia, Forestry & Beautification Division plants several hundred new trees each year on city land in the right-of-way alongside streets. They seek to increase our urban tree diversity in order to mitigate the spread of disease associated with a single tree species to improve wildlife and vegetation resilience. Once planted, the City takes care of each tree for its entire lifespan. Services include watering for the tree for the first year, pruning and removing the tree as needed, and grinding the stump. The planting season is from November to April each year. If you are interested, please email Ann Huyler, Reforestation Program Coordinator at Ann.Huyler@columbiasc.gov.



CHECK OUT THE NEW PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT AT MARSHALL PARK



As you may recall, old playground equipment was removed in 2018 from Marshall Park due to safety concerns. Since then, ECCO worked with the City of Columbia to secure funding for the new playground equipment. New equipment was installed in November/December 2020. Go check out this large wooded park that is approximately 10 acres located between Florence Street, Lincoln Street, Union Street and Richfield Drive.



Upcoming Community Events

Spring Clean-up Day

Saturday, Feb 6
8:30a-11:30a
(Rain date = Feb 13)

ECCO Quarterly Meetings

Thursday, Feb 18
and
Thursday, Apr 15
6:30p-8:00p

Storm Drain Marking

Saturday, Mar 6
8:30a-11:30a
(Rain date = Mar 13)

The Big Flea

Saturday, April 24
8:00a-11:00a

For more information on upcoming community events, go to earlewood.org, or to the [Earlewood Neighborhood Facebook](#) page

From the President — Emily Burn



Hello and Happy New Year, Earlewood Family! This year, your ECCO Executive Council is hopeful that we will be able to safely begin hosting more of the events that we all love, including The Big Flea, National Night Out, and our annual Thanksgiving Dinner. ECCO relies on annual membership funds in order to be able to host such events and to plan neighborhood beautification and improvement projects. I would encourage everyone who is financially able to join ECCO in 2021 - the membership dues are \$10 per adult!

This year, since we cannot have a membership appreciation cookout, we are having a raffle instead! **Five new ECCO members will win a \$20 gift card to a local business.** To be entered into the raffle, you must join ECCO by January 31st!

You can join ECCO online via PayPal at www.earlewood.org/join-ecco. If you would prefer to pay with cash/check, you may drop those payments off at 3120 Park Street. Include the name, address, phone number, and email address of each member, along with any committees that you may be interested in volunteering with. We look forward to having you join ECCO!

ECCO's Business Partner of the Quarter is



Located at 2501 Main Street, the VINO Garage is your neighborhood wine and beer shop that specializes in unique options you won't find in big box stores.

Join VINO Garage for their "Garage Sale", January 23-20. Both beer and wine will be on sale as well as some good things from their distributors. As with any garage sale, there are items they're just trying to get rid of with some being 50% off!

ECCO Officers (2020-2022)

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Emily Burn

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Nailah Darby Brown

WANT TO BECOME AN ECCO BUSINESS PARTNER?

ECCO loves to support our local businesses and we are looking for business partners who want to support the Earlewood Neighborhood! This year, **we are waiving the \$35 Business Membership Fee**, as we know that small businesses are especially feeling the financial impact of the COVID pandemic. Businesses may join on our website - www.earlewood.org.

Benefits to joining ECCO include:

- Listed Partner on our ECCO website. We include a brief description of your business and your Logo. There will also be a direct link to your website and/or social media account.
- Monthly, a business member will be featured in a social media campaign across Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter.
- Quarterly, a business member will be featured in our neighborhood newsletter.
- Annually, we will honor one business that goes above and beyond for ECCO at our October Quarterly meeting.

CONGRATULATIONS TO EARLEWOOD'S YARD OF THE MONTH WINNERS!

November — 1310 Northwood Street

December — 1009 Beaufort Street

January — 3219 Lyles Street

Safety Contact Information

Non-emergency, Columbia Dispatch: 803.252.2911
Columbia Police Department: 803.545.3500
Street Light Outage: 800.251.7234
Code Enforcement: 803.518.4634

Community Response Team Sergeant for Columbia
Police Department's North Region: SGT Ryan McIntyre

Report all suspicious activity to Columbia Dispatch. Even if nothing is damaged or missing, information gathered is important and could assist the Police Department as they continue working to keep Earlewood safe.

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