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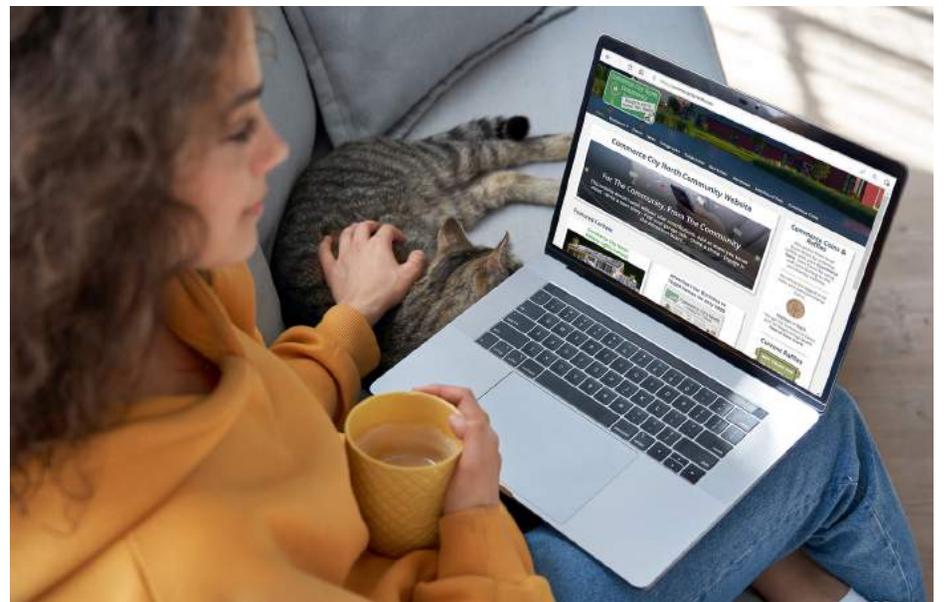
Interactive Community Website Comes to Commerce City North

I launched a new website last month and I think you are going to LOVE IT! One place where we can go for almost any type of information you could want or need about our community. There is one catch though - this website won't work without your contributions. I'm counting on the community, the businesses, the schools, churches, and our Commerce City Officials to make this website a huge success for everyone.

Events - Trivia night at the pub, free landfill day, kids club at the coffeehouse, health fairs, Easter egg hunts... If it is a business event you know about, tell them to add it or ask if you can. If it is community event, post it and earn 15 Commerce Coins. You can even post HOA events just for your subdivision that will only be posted on your subdivision's neighborhood page.

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Every month I will have an article called Website Spotlight where I will focus in on and explain one of the major sections of the website in detail. For now, I will give you a brief explanation of what you can expect to find at CommerceCityNorth.com



Home Page - has a featured content section. Right now, the featured content is the Holiday Lights Contest and Holiday Lights Map. The most recent news articles / member's stories, soonest events coming up, and current raffles are also on the home page.

Businesses - A directory of home based and brick and mortar businesses. Add your business or ask your go-to professional to add theirs. Each business can add and change a business deal at any time, so check out the business deals page regularly.

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Calendar of events

The events here are submitted by readers. Get more information, see more events, or submit an event you host or know about at www.CommerceCityNorth.com/events Check with the event host or venue to confirm events.

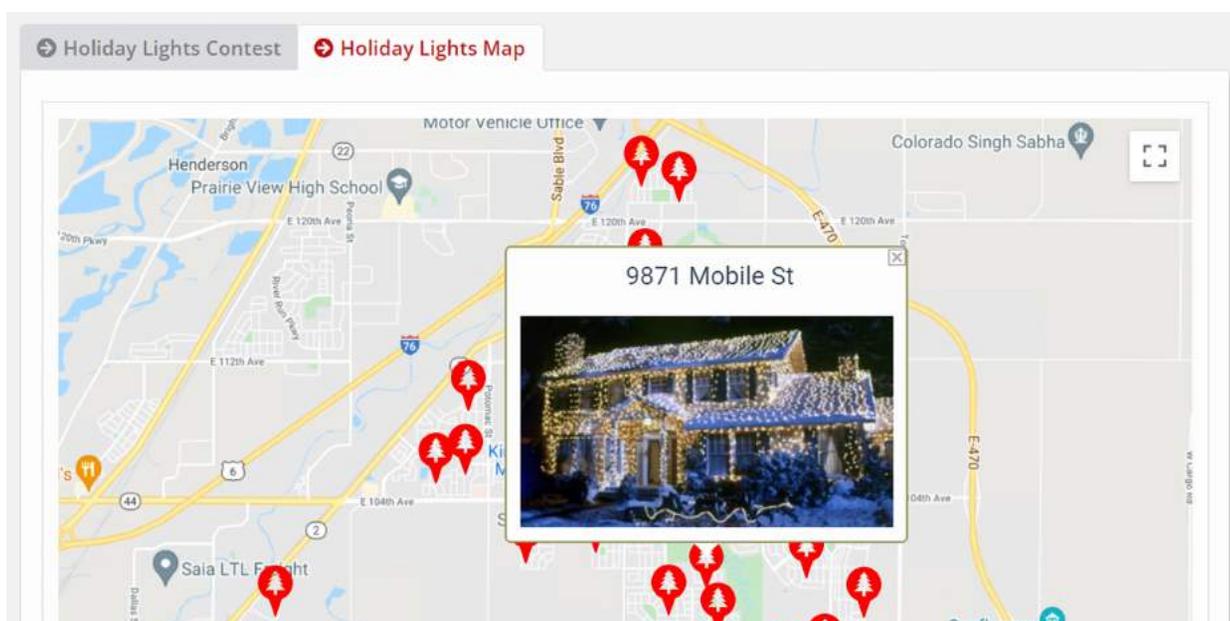
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| WED 12-01 | Wine & Paint Party at Bison Grill 15700 E 112th Ave 6:30 - 8:30 pm | MON 12-06 | Mind Master Monday Kids Club @Reunion Coffeehouse 10601 Reunion Pkwy 11:00 am - 12:00 pm |
| | Pub Poll at Pour Tap House 12433 E 104th Place #102 6:30 - 8:30 pm Also 12-15 & 12-29 | THUR 12-09 | Landmark Academy Virtual Enrollment Information Meeting Online Event 6:00 - 7:00 pm |
| THUR 12-02 | Music Bingo at Pour Tap House 12433 E 104th Place #102 7:00 - 9:00 pm Every Thursday night | SAT 12-11 | Cereal with Santa at Bison Ridge 13905 E. 112th Ave 9:00 am - 10:15 am or 10:30 am to 11:45am |

Events must be submitted by the 20th to be included in next months publication.

Holiday Lights Map

Won't it be great to have a live Google map of Holiday Lit Homes?

No more driving aimlessly through the community hoping to see the best decorated homes. Now you can take the family out with confidence to enjoy the displays while deciding which homes you want to vote for. If you have taken the time to decorate your home, make sure to show it off by entering the holiday lights contest. Remember, three random entrants will be picked to win prizes along with the top 3 vote-getters! Access the map at www.CommerceCityNorth.com/holiday (yes, it's mobile friendly)!



Holiday Lights Contest

Who has the best holiday light display in Commerce City North?

Who Should Enter

Anyone who takes the time and energy to decorate their home for the holidays. In addition to the top three vote-getters, three random entrants will also win prizes. If you need help hanging your lights, find a list of contractors who will hang your lights on the contest page.

How To Enter

Go to CommerceCityNorth.com/holiday to submit photos of your decorated house, townhome, apartment or business. Entries must be submitted by the end of the day on Wednesday December 22nd.

How To Vote

Voting starts on December 23rd and ends at midnight on December 27th. Login at CommerceCityNorth.com/holiday. Look at the entries. If you like, drive through the neighborhoods to get a better look. You can vote for your 3 favorites.

Prizes

Prizes still to be determined but they will be great. Guaranteed prize pool value of at least \$350 with \$150 going to 1st place.

Winners

Winners will be announced and notified on December 28th.

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Co-Sponsors Needed!

Donate gift cards, merchandise or cash for prizes and get great exposure in next months issue and online. Contact Nathan Hart for details.

Writers Wanted

By Your Name Here

Are you a budding writer? Even if you're not, you should try your hand at writing a story or article for the Commerce City North Community Courier. We take our news stories directly from user submitted news stories and articles on our website at www.CommerceCityNorth.com/news. Anyone who submits a story that gets published online is awarded with 15 Commerce Coins!

The news section isn't just for "NEWS", it's for stories and articles also. You can write anything that you think would be of interest to others in our community.

- Write about a day you spent at a rec center, neighborhood park, golfing, community event, etc.
- Do you know about a new business that is opening or just opened?
- Maybe you have a heartwarming or heroic story about a neighbor to share.
- Are you familiar with the history in our area, Second Creek Raceway, Buckley Ranch, The Rocky Mountain Arsenal?
- Do you have the scoop on the big high school game?
- Anything you think is newsworthy or interesting, we want to see it!

Submit your news, stories, or articles at www.commercecitynorth.com/news - **see your name and your news in print!**



Stories must be submitted by the 20th to be included in next months publication.

Commerce Coins

What Are They? How Do You Earn Them? What Are They Good For?



Commerce Coins are the official currency of The Commerce City North website.

You earn Commerce Coins just by engaging in the interactive community website. To start with, everyone who registers gets 50 Commerce Coins. Additional coins are earned by posting events, news, stories, even garage sales. Another way to earn coins is interacting in the discussion boards or commenting on articles and events. As an extra bonus, community members get 50 Commerce Coins on their birthdays and 50 more coins every year they have been an online member. Search for more ways to earn Commerce Coins while navigating through the website.

So you have been an active member and your Commerce Coin collection is enormous, now what? Now you spend them! Commerce Coins are used to purchase entries into the raffles. The raffles are filled with prizes supplied by generous businesses within Commerce City North.

If you are a business owner or manager in the Commerce City North area, consider donating products or services to a raffle. In addition to new customers, you will get free advertising on the website and right here in the monthly newspaper. For more information, see the business owners page (link in the website footer) or email to sponsor@commercecitynorth.com and ask for more details.



Speed limit increase on E. 96th Ave

The posted speed limit on E. 96th Avenue between Chambers Road and Tower Road has been changed to ...

New Auto Parts Store Coming Soon

O'Reilly Auto Parts store is currently under construction on the southeast corner of 104th Ave and ...

Colo. issues tough draft rules for Suncor refinery

Colorado will for the first time monitor and limit runoff of PFAS, dangerous "forever chemicals" threatening ...

Commerce City Police Chief Worked From Las Vegas, Drove City Vehicle Back And Forth

The police chief in Commerce City, Clint Nichols, was allowed to work remotely from Las Vegas and drove ...

Sign up for trash and recycling service alerts from Republic Services

Residents can sign up for alerts from Republic Services regarding service announcements, holiday ...



Read and comment on these and other news stories or post your own news story, article, opinion, editorial, or essay at www.CommerceCityNorth.com/news.

Win Great Prizes on Our Community Website

Commerce Coin Raffles

There is almost always a raffle you can enter with the Commerce Coins you earned by engaging with the website. If you don't like the prizes being offered for the current raffle, just wait to see what is next. Raffles tickets cost 25 Commerce Coins. You earn 50 Coins just for registering and you can earn 1 a day by logging in daily to see what's new!

Current Raffle: \$500 in King Soopers Gift Cards



Our first raffle is a prize that anyone can use - King Soopers gift cards. The drawing will take place on New Years Eve.

1st Place - \$250 King Soopers gift card
2nd Place - \$100 King Soopers gift card
3rd to 5th Place - \$50 KS gift cards

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Business Owners and Managers:

Donate gift cards, merchandise or cash for raffle prizes or hold your own exclusive raffle. Get great exposure here on the Commerce City North Community Courier and online. Contact Nathan Hart or see the business owners page online for details.

7 Tips For Controlling Your Holiday Spending

Saving up to buy a new home or add to the college fund? Don't let your holiday spending set you back! Here are 7 tips from Investopedia to help you control how much you spend on gifts, food, and decor this holiday season:



1. Set a holiday spending limit.

Look at your finances and figure out how much money can safely come out of your bank account in the next couple of months. Set a limit and stick to it! If you want a little extra cash to spend on gifts and decor, you could also dip into one of your other “fun money” budgets, like the money you would otherwise spend at Starbucks or on clothes for yourself.

2. Trim your list.

If you find yourself planning to buy gifts for more than 5 people outside of your immediate family, trim your list to a more manageable number of gift recipients. For everyone you cut, bake a huge batch of cookies to deliver in festive tins.

3. Don't try to match someone else's holiday spending.

Other friends or family members might spend more than you do, and that's okay. Everyone is at different places in their lives. Just because your older brother paid off his student loans years ago and always buys you an expensive gift doesn't mean you have to reciprocate with something just as pricey.

4. Instead, give a thoughtful gift that doesn't cost much.

Think about what that person enjoys doing. Maybe they've just started a new hobby, or bought a new house, or started a new job—what gift could they really use to help them with those things? If your best friend just moved into a new place, you could buy her a small, low-maintenance succulent to add some greenery to her otherwise empty condo.

5. Look for deals and coupons.

Black Friday, Small Business Saturday, and Cyber Monday are great times to score sweet deals on gifts. But you could also be on the lookout for coupons that arrive in your mailbox or inbox—and don't forget to search online for coupon codes.

6. Give the gift of your time.

If all you can afford is a plane ticket to visit your far-away family, buy the plane ticket. You could also create coupon cards—“One free night of babysitting,” “One home-cooked meal,” etc.

7. Consider a group volunteer day instead of a holiday party.

If you and your friends want to do something festive without spending a fortune, search VolunteerMatch to find a group volunteer project you can do instead. What better way to celebrate the holiday season than by giving back to your community?

There's no reason why you need to go into debt this holiday season. Stick to your budget so you can start the new year with your bank account in good shape!

Great Deals From Local Businesses

Business Owners and Managers who have a brick and mortar or home based business located within Commerce City north can advertise here for a small fee. Each month there will be 1 or 2 pages available for money saving offers. The newspaper is delivered to 10,000 homes/businesses, all in the Commerce City North area. All ads must have an offer of value that can be redeemed. For more details, call Nathan at 303-564-4055, email to newspaper@CommerceCityNorth.com, or see www.CommerceCityNorth.com/business-owners.

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\$300 (3 cents per home)

4 7/8" x 10" (4.875" x 10")
\$500 (5 cents per home)

Commerce City North REAL ESTATE

Update

By Nathan Hart

MLS number are updated after the 4th of the month. To view updated November figures, see the CommerceCityNorth.com real estate page after December 5th.

Home Prices

Our market is typically seasonally cyclical. Normally, when October ends, we are near the low price, or valley of our cycle. This year however, prices not only rose in October, they surpassed the highest ever median sold price in Commerce City North.

Home Supply

Not counting homes listed by builders (which are not completed yet), as of the time of writing this, there are only 22 homes for sale in all of Commerce City North. 91 homes are currently under contract and 88 homes closed within the past 30 days.

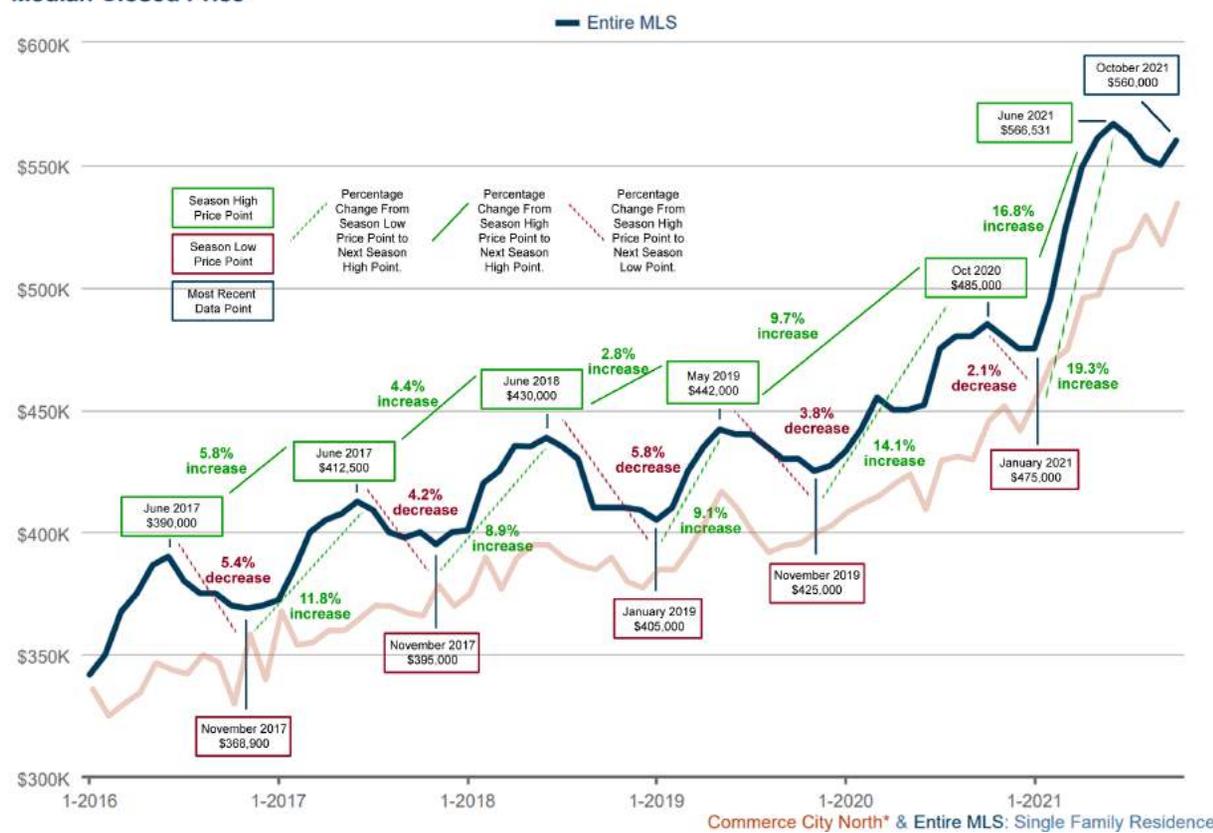
Whats Next?

I expect prices to stay steady or fluctuate slightly through January and then a steep rise starting with homes sold in February. Our inventory across the metro area and here in Commerce City North is about 60% lower than normal for this time of year. Unless interest rates rise drastically or a large number of seller who were on the fence bring their homes to market - expect another crazy spring season with multiple offers.

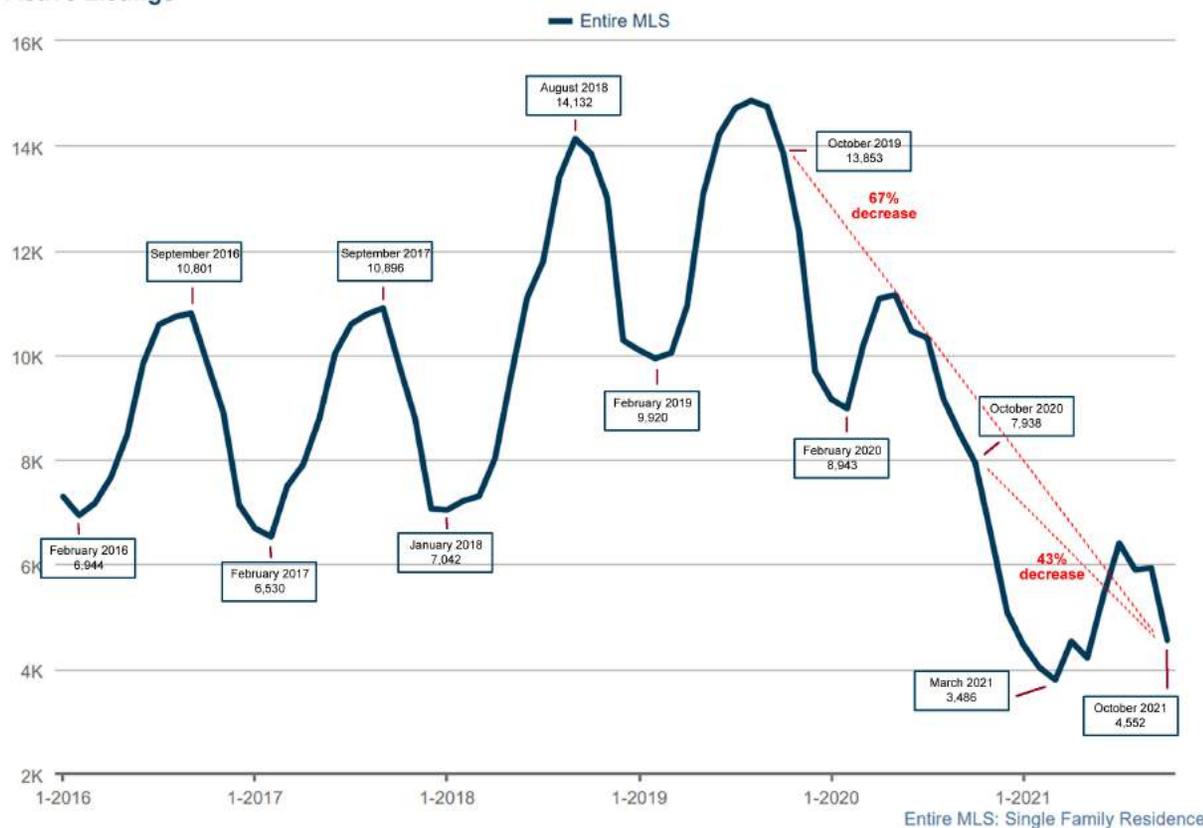
What is Your Home Worth?

Call, text or email me if you would like a free market analysis for your home. Feel free to reach out anytime if you have any questions regarding real estate!

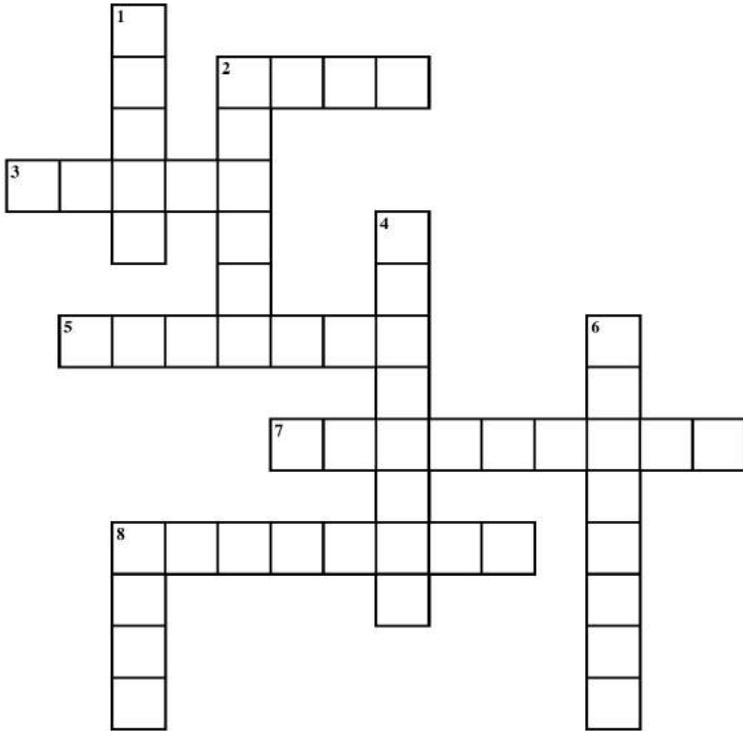
Median Closed Price



Active Listings



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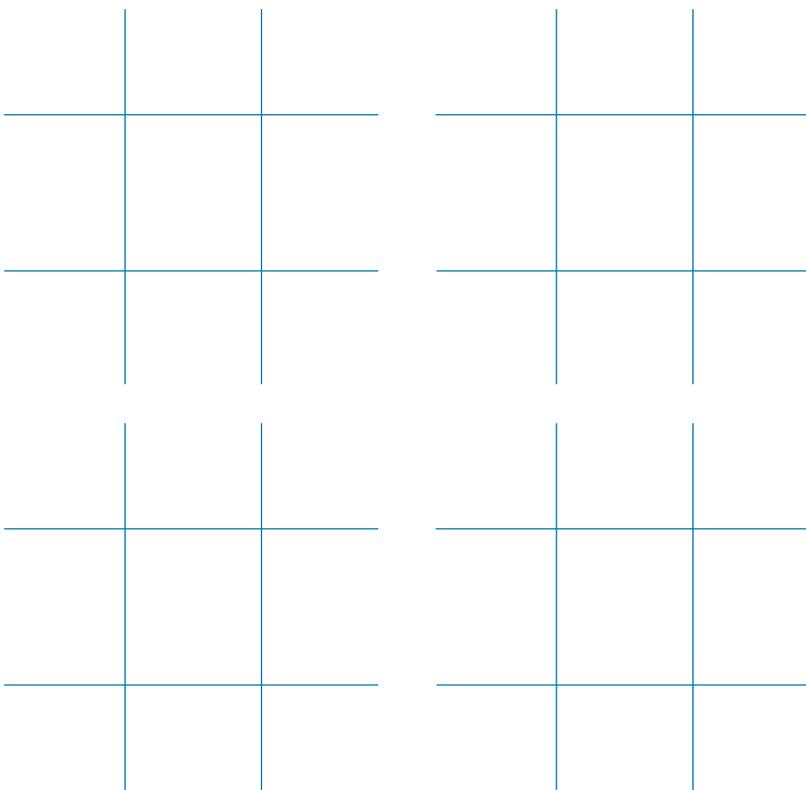
Across

- 2. noteworthy information
- 3. planned public or social occasion
- 5. a gathering of people who have not seen each other lately
- 7. a group of people living in the same area
- 8. the activity of buying & selling on a large scale

Down

- 1. minor tributary of a river
- 2. the person who will sell your house fast and for top dollar
- 4. a feature of a landscape that is easily recognized
- 6. the person who lives next door
- 8. a large town

Solution at www.CommerceCityNorth.com/games



Useless Facts

When the Candy Cane was invented in Germany, it was made into a J for Jesus. The red stripes symbolize his blood.

Black Friday is not the busiest shopping day of the year. The two days right before Christmas are.

1 in 3 men wait until Christmas Eve to do their shopping.

Buying all the gifts from the "12 Days of Christmas" would cost you a ton of money. The most expensive being "Swans a Swimmin" - about \$6,300.

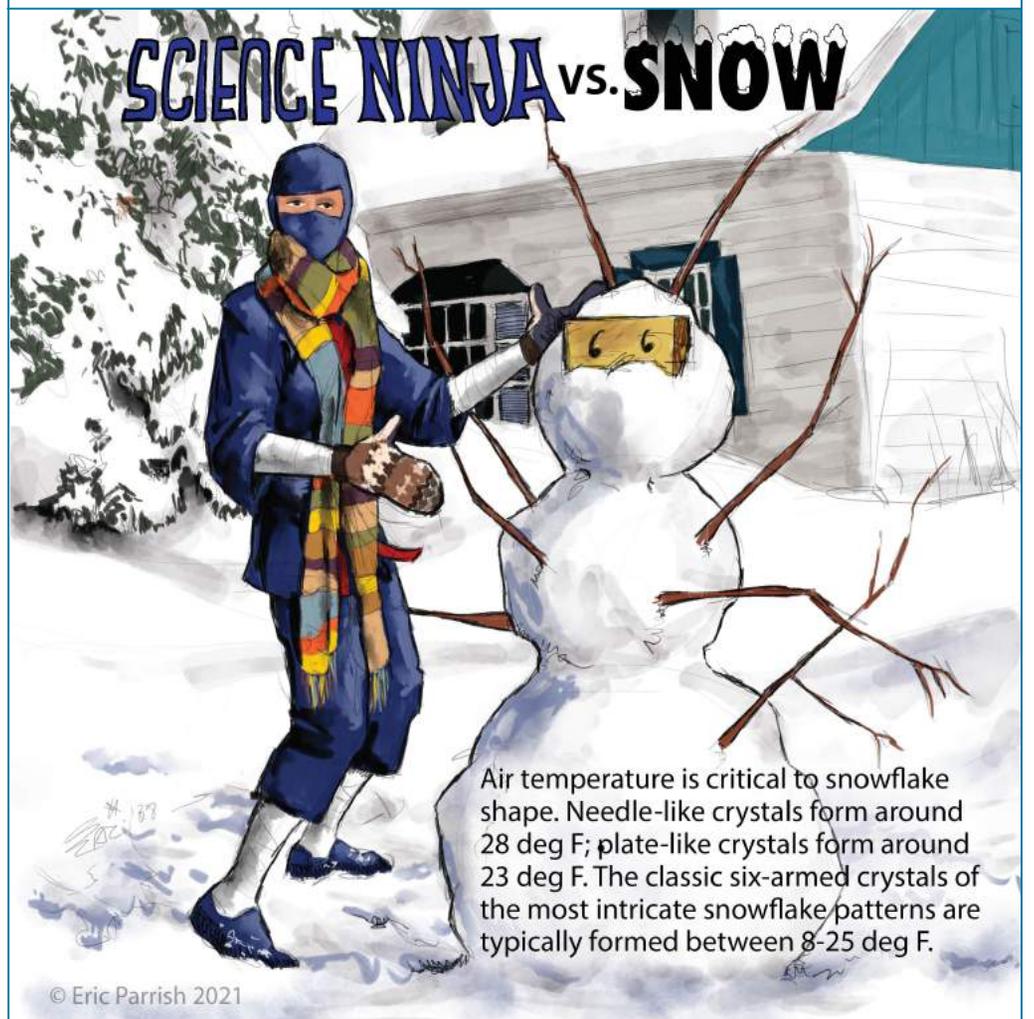
Christmas used to be illegal. Oklahoma was the last U.S. state to declare Christmas a legal Holiday in 1907.

It only took six weeks for Charles Dickens to write a Christmas Carol.

Christmas lights were so expensive that they used to be rented rather than sold.

The abbreviation X in X-Mas is not an abbreviation. It actually stands for "Chi", meaning Christ in Greek.

What do you call a snowman in the summer?

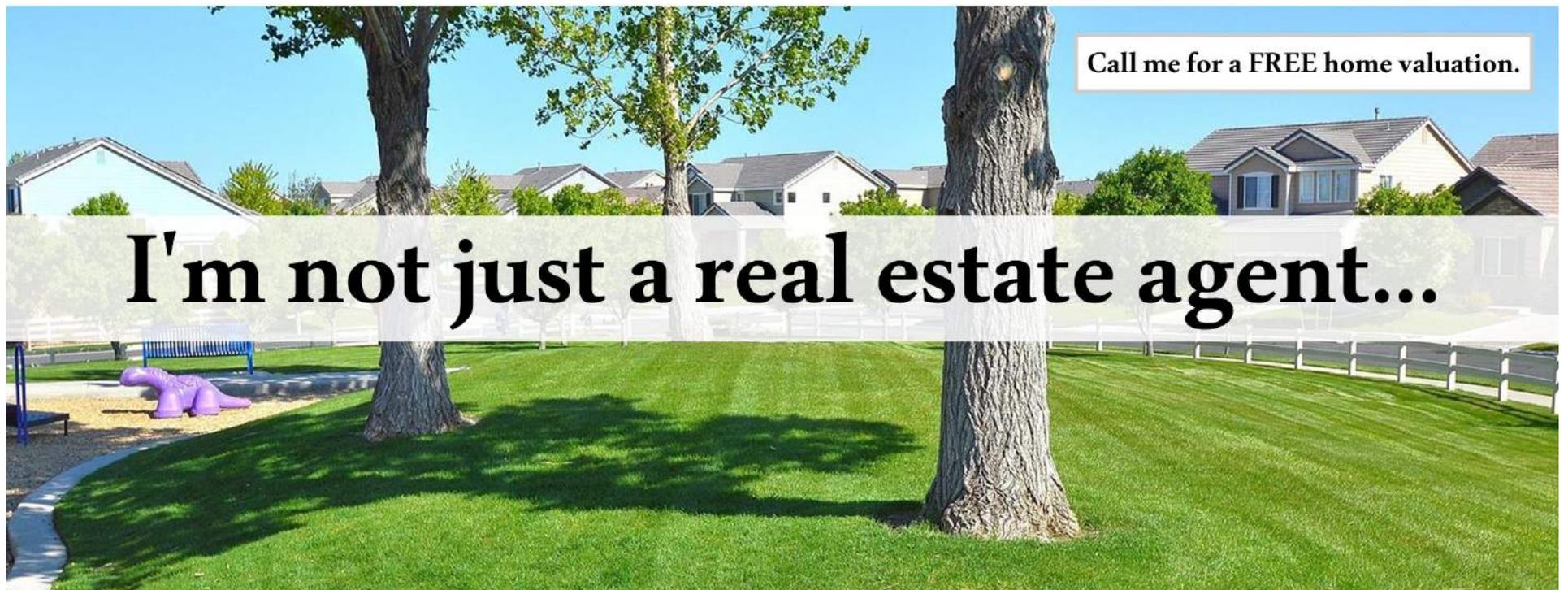


Air temperature is critical to snowflake shape. Needle-like crystals form around 28 deg F; plate-like crystals form around 23 deg F. The classic six-armed crystals of the most intricate snowflake patterns are typically formed between 8-25 deg F.

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A Puddle

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- Nathan Hart

Interactive Community Website - continued from pg 1

News & Stories - A mix of news and stories from members and from news feeds around the internet. Add your story or news and earn 15 Commerce Coins.

Garage Sales - An interactive map where you can share your garage sale. Include pictures, descriptions, dates, times, etc.

Subdivisions - Every subdivision gets their own page. Share pictures, chat on the discussion board, see real estate statistics and available/pending/sold homes in the neighborhood. Here you can also post and view events that are exclusive to your neighborhood. links & info for schools,

Real Estate - See the latest Commerce City North market report, real estate statistics, active/pending/sold homes, and more. If you are wondering what is happening in our local real estate market, this is the place to find out.

Discussion Board - What's on your mind? Ask questions about your neighborhood, talk about the new business that just opened, looking for advice or someone to play poker with? This is the place to chat with our community! Lots of opportunities to Earn Commerce Coins, 3 coins for posting a new topic and 1 point for commenting on a topic.

Lost and Found Pets - It is a scary feeling when your furry family member goes missing. I know because my dog has jumped the fence a few times. Now we have a go-to place to post a missing or found pet.

Contests, Raffles and More - Take a few minutes and explore the new Commerce City North interactive community website. Become a member and play, contribute, learn, chat, earn and win! Remember, I'm counting on you to make the website and this companion newspaper a success for the entire community!

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