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Heather Ridge Metropolitan District Is **Celebrating its 10th Anniversary**

Lots to be thankful for!

Thanks to Heather Ridge residents like Vinny Roith, our golf course is celebrating its 10th anniversary! Vinny set in motion a community initiative that would eventually become the Heather Ridge Metro District. We all should be proud that in 2009 we voted to purchase the golf course, protect our property values



and preserve our way of life. Please see the full story on Page 4.

We all have many things to be thankful for and during this Thanksgiving holiday. Please remember to thank our advertisers with your patronage. Without them our magazine wouldn't be the special publication it has grown to become. Also, we are truly thankful to those individuals who write the articles for their respective communities each month. These contributions help and keep Heather Ridge a great place to live and play.

Congratulations to the finalists and to HR 9-Hole Club Champion Audrey Romero. Last month, the Heather Ridge 9-Hole Ladies' Golf Club held its Year End Banquet with a Cowgirl theme. See photos Page 10.

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Happy 10th Birthday to The **Heather Ridge Golf Course**

It seems like yesterday when Heather Ridge voters approved buying the golf course and closing on it December 1, 2009. The course's real birth certificate reads 1974 when EDI Developers opened it to complement their home building and sales. Heather Ridge was Colorado's first golf course community designed for affordable homes in a country club environment – a concept all the vogue in southern California.

When the Heather Ridge Metro District was formed in May of 2006. it was done to influence future land development should the golf course close. At that time the District had given little or no thought to buying it, but three years later the District bought it for \$3.1 million. Voters should be proud that Heather Ridge has succeeded when so many other golf courses have failed.

In saving the golf course, there's one person who stands out for special mention - that's Vinny Roith. In 2005 as the HOA president of Sausalito in Heather Ridge, he called community leaders asking, "Do you know the golf course is up for sale and the implications of that?" Vinny set in motion a community spirit and action that is now the Heather Ridge Metro District.

There were many, many others who gave so much of themselves to save the golf course. To learn more, please visit www.hrcolorado.org to read all the past issues of Metro Matters and historical and current documents/budgets – it's all there for everyone to see and know.



Vinny Roith

Thanks to everyone who volunteered, donated money, or voted "Yes" to save the open space best used as a golf course.

Confession is Good For The Soul!

My wife and I live on the 14th green at Heather Ridge where we enjoy many well-rounded visitors among them Titleist, Calloway, and Bridgestone. As uninvited guests, they have added dimples to our west facing steel siding that would make a mother proud; but in the decades we've lived here there's been only one broken window. . . and it faces away from the course in our front courtyard. Go figure.

are golfers ourselves and understand that errant golf balls and an occasional silly golfer come with the territory.

Over the years my wife and I have had fun with errant golf balls. If they land in our front courtvard when we are home, we immediately try to return them to their rightful owners. We don't hand it back to golfers directly but throw the ball onto the course from our back porch.

are smiles, laughter, and more than a little skepticism that it ricocheted back onto the course. Some golfer are suspicious, others incredulous; but mostly they look upward saying thank you! Everyone has a smile except the golf ball.

Van Lewis

We aren't complaining because we When golfers see their "lost ball" there



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The Sleep Solution Tuesday, November 19 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

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> Presented by Amy Lane of Home Care Assistance of Centennial.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	Next HRMD Meeting Novemb Providing there is busine	er 21, 2019 📃			1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10 6:30 pm Double Tree Annual HOA Mtg at Aletha Zens home	11 6 pm Cobblestone Crossing Board Mtg — Accord's Office Bldg 3022 S Parker Rd Aurora	12 6:00 pm Burgundy HOA Mtg, Burgundy Clubhouse	13 6 pm CH Board Mtg Garden Rm at HR Golf Clubhouse (Noonan's) 6:30 pm Sausalito Board Mtg. Lower Level HR Clubhouse	14 6:30 pm Fairway 16 HOA Meeting Clubhouse	15	¹⁶ Metro Matters Deadline 11/16/19
17	18 5:30 pm CCR Board Mtg 12100 E lliff Ave, # 120, Aurora Conf. Room	19	20	21	22	23
24	25 6 pm Cobblestone Board Mtg HR Golf Club	26 6:30 pm Strawberry Board Mtg, Strawberry Clubhouse 6:30 pm HRS Board Mtg HRS Clubhouse	27	28	29	30



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Behind The City Scene

There is a lot of misinformation regarding the City's role in the immigration issue. Recently the City Council has received a lot of public testimony on the GEO detention facility in particular and immigration policy in general. Speakers have utilized our accommodating and open *Public Invited to be Heard* portion of the agenda to spend from one hour to an hour and a half to discuss these issues.



Charles "Charlie" Richardson Council Member Ward IV crichard@auroragov.org

The GEO facility holds those individuals who have crossed the border without formal compliance with immigration protocols. ICE is the federal agency that enforces compliance with immigration laws. The City Council recently received a legal opinion that the GEO facility as a contractor to the Federal government is immune from City jurisdiction.

Nevertheless I supported an Ordinance to require GEO to report the outbreak of contagious diseases to our Fire Chief. This protects our firefighters and is in my opinion a limited intrusion into Federal control. Protesters recently disrupted a Council meeting by demanding the abolishment of ICE. I do not concur. We need control of our borders and ICE is a necessary component to that end.

Let me be absolutely clear our Police Officers do not enforce Federal immigration laws nor should they. But when anybody is brought into our detention facility their fingerprints and identity information is sent to the Colorado Bureau of Investigation which in turn shares that data with the Federal NCIC agency. ICE then has access to that information.

Based on that data ICE in 2019 has "picked up" 3 individuals. Two for DUIs and 1 with a domestic violence conviction. We do not hold any individuals in our detention facility solely for ICE purposes. ICE must pick up individuals in a timely manner consistent with the normal processing of any individual being held for criminal charges. I hope this explanation sheds some light on a very complex subject. I believe the protesters would be much better served by demonstrating at the offices of our Congressman and U.S. Senators.

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Pete Traynor 303-877-9538 Pete Traynor@ReMax.net

"The facts, ma'am; Just the real estate facts"

I'm not sure Detective Joe Friday used those exact words during his 1950's TV show *Dragnet*, but here are today's real estate facts **for metro-Denver:**

- It is still a "sellers' market" but not nearly as strong as 2018's from January to April. For sale inventory is now holding at 9,300 for single family and condos. In January 2018, there were just 3,103 for sale. The September average number of homes for sale is 16,500 (1985-2018) so yes, we are doing okay now!
- A sellers' market is less than a five month supply of homes for sale.Today, we have about 2.08 month supply of all homes. Supply means how long in months or days before existing inventory is consumed to zero given the consumption rate **AND** no new inventory coming to market.



- 37 percent of all residential properties are now experiencing price reductions.
- 33 percent of all homes returning to market is the result of inspection issues.
- 41 percent of homes sold now include a "seller's concession" averaging \$3,682. Two years ago, only 29 percent of homes sold had a seller's concession.
- \$450,000 median single-family sold price down 1.3 percent from August, but up 4.65 percent from Sept 2018.
 \$312,000 median condo sold price down from August (0.08%), but up 3.24 percent from Sept 2018.

Here are the facts for Heather Ridge:

- Heather Ridge mirrors the metro-Denver market, and is doing better because of its lower price range \$155,000 to \$364,000.
- 84 units sold YTD. Normally, 100-105 annual sales. We should close 105+ sales in 2019.
- \$259,331 is our average sold price YTD (just \$3,763 more than 2018's average price of \$256,505). Our median sold price is \$264,500, which is \$4,000 *LESS THAN* 2018's median price of \$268,500.
- \$98,105 YTD in seller concessions paid to buyers compared to \$76,677 *for all of 2018*. 2019's YTD average concession is \$2803 for 35 out of 84 sales. In 2018, the average concession was \$2738 for 28 sales out of 100 total sales.
- 19 days on market for Heather Ridge is slightly better than the metro average of 22 days.

Two comments: Heather Ridge's slowing price appreciation is due to greater than normal sales at or near its average price range of \$260,000 and fewer sales above \$300,000. Secondly, sellers using home buy-out companies or "selling as-is" vs. updating/remodeling are seeing much lower prices. For more info, see the Wall Street Journal on 10/12/2019, "Zillow Still Looks Like a Fixer-Upper."

Please call Pete or Van for more details - "We have the facts And the experience to help you!"





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Homes For Sale as of October 16, 2019

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НОА	Price	No.	Street	Be/Ba	SqFt	Gar/Spaces	Style
Strawberry I	\$177,000	13655	E Yale Ave D	1 - 1	856	1 Carport	2 Story
Strawberry I	\$199,900	13649	E Yale Ave	2 - 2	1,098	1 Carport, 1 Sp	2 Story
Strawberry I	\$215,000	2672	S Xanadu Way B	2 - 2	1,153	1 Carport	2 Story
Strawberry I	\$220,000	2620	S Xanadu Way A	2 - 2	1,153	1 Carport	2 Story
Strawberry I	\$229,000	2697	S Xanadu Way D	1 - 2	942	1 Carport	2 Story
Strawberry II	\$237,900	2411	S Xanadu Way D	2 - 2	1,091	1 Carport	2 Story
Burgundy	\$279,900	2649	S Xanadu Way B	2 - 2	1,314	1 Space	2 Story
ChimneyHill	\$294,900	13556	E Evans Ave	3 - 3	1,512	1 Garage, Det	2 Story
ChimneyHill	\$298,000	2054	S Worchester St	3 - 3	1,457	2 Garage, Att	2 Story

Homes Sold From September 16 to October 16, 2019

НОА	Sold Price	No.	Street	Be/Ba	SqFt	Sold Terms	Concess	Seller Type
Strawberry II	\$212,000	2469	S Xanadu Way A	2 - 2	1,091	Conventional	\$0	Individual
Cobblestone Crossing	\$215,000	1945	S Xanadu Way	2 - 2	1,392	Cash	\$0	Individual
Strawberry II	\$215,000	2491	S Xanadu Way A	2 - 2	1,091	Cash	\$500	Individual
Strawberry II	\$219,000	2451	S Xanadu Way B	2 - 2	1,101	Conventional	\$4,500	Individual
Cobblestone Crossing	\$243,000	13486	E Asbury Dr	2 - 2	1,208	Conventional	\$0	Individual
Strawberry I	\$216,000	2608	S Xanadu Way A	2 - 2	1,091		\$0	Individual
ChimneyHill	\$245,000	13643	E Evans Ave	2 - 2	1,344	Cash	\$0	Individual
Cobblestone Crossing	\$254,500	13256	E Asbury Dr	2 - 2	1,208	Conventional	\$1,000	Individual
Burgundy	\$255,000	2639	S Xanadu Way B	2 - 2	1,314	Conventional	\$5,000	Corp/Trust
Cobblestone	\$262,500	2191	S Victor St B	2 - 2	1,208	Conventional	\$3,500	Corp/Trust
Heather Ridge South	\$273,590	2723	S Xanadu Way	2 - 2	1,365	Cash	\$0	Individual
Sausalito	\$295,000	2487	S Victor St B	3 - 2	1,282	Conventional	\$2,000	Individual

Homes Under Contract as of October 16, 2019

НОА	List Price	No.	Street	Be/Ba	SqFt	Gar/Spaces	Style
Strawberry I	\$155,000	2682	S Xanadu Way A	1 - 1	856	1 Carport	2 Story
Strawberry I	\$215,000	2666	S Xanadu Way C	2 - 2	1,153	1 Carport	2 Story
Strawberry II	\$225,000	2459	S Xanadu Way A	2 - 2	1,091	1 Carport, 1 Sp	2 Story
Strawberry II	\$245,000	2499	S Xanadu Way B	2 - 2	1,091	2 Spaces	2 Story
Cobblestone	\$255,000	2101	S Victor St C	2 - 2	1,208	1 Space	2 Story
Burgundy	\$265,000	2635	S Xanadu Way E	2 - 2	1,314	2 Garage, Att	2 Story
Country Club Ridge	\$275,000	2240	S Vaughn Way 101	2 - 2	1,196	1 Garage, Att	2 Story
Sausalito	\$282,000	2501	S Victor St E	3 - 2	1,282	2 Garage, Att	2 Story
Sausalito	\$290,000	2458	S Victor St D	3 - 2	1,300	2 Garage, Att	2 Story
ChimneyHill	\$290,000	13594	E Evans Ave	2 - 3	1,344	1 Garage, Att	2 Story
Fairway 16	\$299,900	2496	S Vaughn Way B	3 - 3	1,462	2 Garage, Att	2 Story
Country Club Ridge	\$320,000	2240	S Vaughn Way 104	3 - 3	1,680	2 Garage, Att	2 Story



Heather Ridge Heather Ridge Golf Club Monthly Update

www.golfclubatheatherridge.com

HR Ladies 9-Hole Year End Award Banquet Cowgirl Theme

Club Champion Audrey Romero

A Flight Low Gross Liz Clancy Low Net Sally Simon

B Flight Low Gross Ann Habeger Low Net Marilyn May

C Flight Low Gross Sharon Warembourg Low Net Cathy Carter











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HRMC Golf Update

2019 was a great year, and it closed out with a bang for the Men's Club with our Fall Banquet at the Fresh Fish Company. I want to thank all the members for making it so successful and so much fun. Thanks to the board, too, for all their help and support during the year, I certainly could not do this alone! We are already meeting to make plans for 2020 to be even better. Everyone start working on getting new members ready to join so we can hit our goal of 100 members for 2020!!!

Your new board for 2020 is: Roger Andersen, Jack Buckley, Dick Hinson, Matt Huntington, Dwight Lyle, Steve Meyer, Darrel Vanhooser, George Wahbeh, and Arlis White. Please feel free to approach any of us with questions or suggestions for next year.

Have a safe off season! I can't wait until next year!!! Thanks again for being a member of the HRMC!!!!

https://www.heatherridgemensclub.com

Darrel Vanhooser HRMC President 303-875-4768







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From the Desk of Your Area 10 PAR Officer

Hello Everyone. My name is Officer Patty Southwick and I am your PAR (Police Area Representative) Officer for Area 10. I am looking forward to the opportunity we, as a community, have to work together toward the goal of improving the quality of life within our community. My desk/office telephone number is 303-739-1826 and my email address is psouthwi@auroragov.org. My work schedule will be Monday through Thursday from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Feel free to contact me by phone or email with any Community Policing or PAR related issues. I will be providing this newsletter to you on a monthly basis. It will include the basic crime statistics for area 10 from the previous month, crime prevention tips, and meeting notices.

Nexdoor

The Aurora Police Department is utilizing *Nextdoor*. *com* in an effort to facilitate virtual neighborhood watch and help foster neighbor-to-neighbor communications.

This is a great tool that everyone can use to share crime prevention and safety updates, neighborhood events, and emergency notifications. The Nextdoor website is kept private to only those who live in your neighborhood and who have a verified address. More than 160 police departments are using *Nextdoor*. *com* in their community. This will give our agency the opportunity to post relevant information directed towards specific neighbors in the community as well as any information directed towards the entire city.

Make sure that you continue to use the proper emergency services to report criminal or suspicious activity. Please be aware that Nextdoor is not an appropriate



way to request emergency services. You should still call 911 for any emergency or 303-627-3100 for non-emergency situations. We look forward to using Nextdoor to build stronger, safer neighborhoods throughout Aurora. Please click on the green house to register.

Crime Tips

Threatening Elder Scams Trends and Predictions

From our friends at the District Attorney's Office 18th Judicial District

"Message regarding an enforcement action executed by the United States Treasury intending your serious attention. Ignoring this will be an intentional second attempt to avoid initial appearance before magistrate judge or a grand jewelry (sic) for federal criminal offense. My number is 206-900-8697. I repeat it's 206-900-8697. Advise you to call us and help us to help you. Thank you."

Sound familiar? For the second year in a row, IRS and U.S. Treasury "extortion" scams topped the list of the most common complaints reported to the 18th Judicial DA's Office. These calls have tripled since the beginning of the new year. While few consumers report actually falling for these scams, such calls succeed in creating alarm, outrage and even panic among recipients. Extortion scams are typified by "pay now, or else" threats that are convincing enough to scare victims into sending or wiring

money. An older, but very active extortion call in play is the "grandparent scam". In this scam, callers posing as grandchildren beg unwary grandparents into bailing them out of a "bad" situation by wiring funds. Last year, older victims in the 18th Judicial reported losing over \$65,000 to this scam.

Not to be outdone by extortion scams, "too good to be true" swindles appear to be sinking to a new low. According to a U.S. Homeland Security testimony to the Senate Committee on Aging earlier this month, criminals are luring unsuspecting elders through on-line vacation offers into smuggling narcotics in to other countries. Victims don't discover the scam until they have been arrested by customs agents who find the drugs hidden in the lining of their luggage. Variations of this scam are also happening over the phone; both of which advertise all-expense paid vacations, including free luggage, to overseas destinations.

A popular "too good to be true" scam that made the list last year was the "computer fix" – or "windows" scam, whereby a computer "representative" calls explaining something is wrong with the victim's computer. Under the ruse of fixing the problem, the victim is instructed to key in certain codes on the computer, inadvertently giving the caller remote access to the owner's hard-drive. This scam has been in circulation for a while and the number of older victims continues to rise. Predictions: Expect to see a proliferation

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of telephone extortion scams, especially ploys that target older adults. Technology has revolutionized the telemarketing industry, thus making it possible nowadays for telemarketers, (legitimate or otherwise) to push out a record number of calls a min-



ute. Criminal rings operating off-shore are behind many of these scams, and cyber criminals are known for continuously changing their tactics to keep up with trends happening around the world.

To prevent becoming a victim, never give out personal or financial information to *Any* caller. Legitimate agencies don't call or email. Instead they send letters. And always check the legitimacy of a contest or anything that is advertised as "free" before entering. Think twice about entering contests on-line. For tips on how to block or filter out unwanted calls, and other related tips, go to www.da18.org. Click the Consumer Protection tab, and then click on "Alerts".

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Guidelines for 911

- 1. Speak Slowly
- 2. Give as much information as you can to the dispatcher and answer all questions
- 3. Give the dispatcher your location and address
- 4. If you don't know where you are, describe your surroundings
- 5. Teach your children their phone number and address
- 6. If you call 911 by mistake, do not hang up. Tell the dispatcher there is no emergency
- 7. Do not call 911 if you hear an outdoor warning siren, need directions or information, questions about court dates or traffic tickets.

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Last chance for this year!!



Out To Lunch Bunch

The next gathering will be

Thursday, November 21, Noon Bent Fork American Grill 12191 E Iliff Ave, Aurora, CO 303-337-6600

It's the last one for 2019. Please come join us for lunch and celebrate this Holiday Season. Invite your friends and neighbors to join us too!

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2019-2020 Art 2C Public Art Program

On Havana Street and the City of Aurora's Art in Public Places program are proud to partner to bring the Sixth Annual Art 2C on Havana sculpture exhibit and competition. Thirteen sculptures and one permanent piece will be exhibited in the Business District, which is spread along Havana Street from East First Avenue to East Yale.











Clockwise from top left: **Bending Sound** by Steve Southerland Location: Havana Exchange Shopping Cntr

Summer Wheat by Kyle Cunniff Location: Gardens on Havana

Cahaya by Pavia Justinian Location: Concorde Career College

Chief-Eye-Heart-Gut Archer of the West by Jimmy Descant Location: Havana Machine

Canyon Cirque by Frank Morbillo Location: Bella Vita Senior Living







Top row, left to right: **Sandy Springs with Clouds** by Justin Deister Location: Mark Vissering

La Catrina #2 by Victoria Patti Location: Molcajete Restaurant

Cold Moon by Sandy Friedman Location: Stampede

Middle row, left to right: George Jetsen Travels to Aurora Borealis by Annette Coleman Location: M-Mart

Matriachal Moon Creature by Reven Swanson Location: Havana Tower





Toolman by Justin Deister Location: Schomp Subaru

Bottom left: **Tide Pool Dreams**







by Annette Coleman Shortline Auto

Bottom right: **Zafira** by Pavia Justinian Location: AutaWash

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Fairway 16

Dates to Remember

1	All Saints Day
	Dios Los Muertos
5	Guy Fawkes Day
	U.S. General Election Da
11	Veteran's Day
17	World Peace Day
28	Thanksgiving Day
29	Black Friday



Visitor Parking: Additional visitor parking signs have been added to existing signs. The board felt that visitor spaces were not clearly designated and required more definitive marking to avoid confusion.

The signs state, *Short Term Visitor Parking Only. Tow Away Zone.*

Signs stating, *Wyatt's Towing* and contact number are also in place.

Front Range Patrol continues to monitor Visitor Parking. They will issue warnings to those illegally parked and contact *Wyatt's Towing* for any vehicle whose warnings have been ignored.

Gutter Cleaning: *Chimney Sweep* has been contracted to do the fall gutter and downspout cleaning on November 6th through the 8th.

Grass Seeding: The areas of grass, damaged by snow removal, have been seeded. CW has used seed, as opposed to sod, because seed will establish itself more successfully than sod at this time in the season.

The delay in addressing damaged areas is due to irrigation issues. It was necessary to insure that irrigation was functioning in order to sufficiently water new grass seeds.

Bushes and Small Tree Trimming: CW has completed the small bush and small tree trimming for the season.

Irrigation: CW installed new irrigation along the pool rock wall. This will enable plantings between rocks to thrive preventing erosion and adding stability.





Homeowners Please Contact Western Management: Please contact Roger Mitchell, 303-745-2220 or *roger@wsps.net* to report any issue concerning your unit or common, surrounding area. Although board members and our manager frequently walk the property, there are items that slip their attention or situations of which they are not aware.

Monthly Board Meetings: The Fairway 16 board meets on the second Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm at the clubhouse. The next meeting will be held on November 14, 2019.

Website for Fairway 16: *www. fairway16.com*

Western State Contact Information: Roger Mitchell, 303-745-2220, roger@wsps.net.

If you notice any vandalism, mischief or suspicious behavior in our area, please contact the authorities.

Emergency: 911 **Non-emergency:** 303-627-3100 **Front Range Patrol:** 303-591-9027

Bette Secord

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Double Tree

Board of Directors: Double Tree continues to be a self-managed community. Board members include President Alison Ruger, Vice President Bev Nosewicz, Treasurer Aletha Zens, Secretary Patt Dodd and Member-at-Large Reggie Adams. The next meeting will be the annual meeting on November 10 at 4 pm (please note this is a Broncos by-week!). The meeting will be held at Aletha Zens home, 13121 E. Yale Ave.

Annual Meeting: Please plan to attend the annual homeowners' meeting on Sunday, November 10, 2019. All materials will be delivered to your door this month. Non-resident homeowners will

receive the packet by mail. If you are unable to attend, please sign and return your proxy, but we would love to have you attend in person. There is an opening on the Board, with nominations from the floor at the meeting. If you have an interest in serving, please let a board member know.

Trash and Recycling: Trash pick-up is every Thursday but will be delayed by a day if there is a holiday. Recycling days are every other Thursday, falling this month on November 14 and 28. Remember to set your recycling out the night before, as they have been coming before 8 am. Please make sure you put your trash and recycle bins back in your garage at the end of the day on Thursday, so they don't roll or blow around.

Landscaping Update: Our tree service has finished their fall trimming. Dead branches were removed, and they thinned out some of the fuller trees to help with the weight that the snow adds. They also removed branches that were too close to the buildings, as well as branches that were scraping the roofs.

Plumbing Issues: Please do not flush anything in the toilet that is supposedly "flushable," other than toilet paper. We have had some clogged sewer issues recently, and the plumber said he cleared a lot of what appeared to be toilet paper. On the chance that personal flushable wipes contributed to the problem, we are asking all owners to put them in the trash, not the toilet.

Winter Weather: As we head into



winter, please remember that we cannot plow your driveway if your car is parked in it. Please utilize your garage as your primary parking spot. Also, please refrain from parking in the guest parking spots. Curbside parking on S. Vaughn Way is always an option, even if it may be inconvenient.

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Burgundy



Welcome all new Burgundy in Heather Ridge Owners and Tenants.

Burgundy is Covenant Controlled. Take time to familiarize yourself with Rules and Policies of Burgundy.

Homeowners Annual Meeting: The Annual Meeting took place

on October 8. President Amanda Milstead reported on projects completed this past year and those scheduled for next year, such as Phase 2 of our painting project in Driveways C and D and more work on our irrigation system. Andrew Malkowski's term as Treasurer expired and he has decided to step down and pursue new adventures. Andrew, Thank you for volunteering your time to Burgundy. It is greatly appreciated. Beverly Valvoda will fill the position of Treasurer. We welcome Joshua Ryines as our newest Board member and thank him for volunteering. Thank you to all who attended the meeting and showed interest in our community and what it takes to keep our community looking great.

Winterization: With colder weather approaching, please remember to disconnectyour exterior hose and store them away. Inside pipes and leaks are the Homeowner's responsibility. If you have not removed your hose from the outside faucet and a pipe breaks, it is the homeowner's responsibility to repair it. Any resident who stored a de-ice bucket is asked to move it to their front doorway. This will help assess containers needed for the winter season.

Snow Removal: It's time to think about snow removal. Sidewalks will

be cleared when two inches of snow accumulate, and plowing will take place at four inches.

Architectural Requests: Updates to the outside of your unit must have Board approval. This includes any changes to your windows and doors, satellite dish, venting and fences. You must submit an ACC request form, with photos if possible. Not sure or have questions; call the Management Company for procedures or check their website.

Also, a recommendation from a Burgundy Homeowner on Tankless water heater installation that lives in the neighborhood: Ryan Cassell, Beyond Home Improvements, 303-519-8797/303-261-2872.

Dumpsters: Trash must be contained and placed inside the dumpsters. No large items or electronics. Violators are subject to fines. Also, please utilize the recycling dumpsters for removal of appropriate materials and break down the boxes to allow room for more items. Please recycle responsibly. The extra charges for large items are one cause for increasing HOA dues.

Parking: Absolutely *No Resident of Burgundy* is to park in a Visitor spot and can be towed at owners expense! The visitor spot is for visitors

November Trivia:

- Approximately 280 million turkeys are eaten each year in the U.S. on Thanksgiving.
- Most of the Serial Killers are born in November!





only and *Must Have a Yellow Guest Tag* displayed. Visitor spots do have a time limit of 24 hours. *Be Thankful* you have car and don't park in Visitor spots.

Security: Please keep your porch and patio lights on at night and lock all doors and windows. Light Bulbs with Motion Sensors or Light Sensors are available at any hardware store or Amazon. Lighted areas help prevent burglaries. Holiday season is approaching so please be watchful of suspicious Porch Pirates.

Landscaping Company: Metro MCM is our Landscape Company. Gutter cleaning will occur in the late fall after leaves have fallen.

Board Meetings: Second Tuesday at 6:00 pm in the Clubhouse. All Owners welcome! If you have questions/concerns for the board during the Homeowner Forum, or wish to be added to the Agenda, contact our community Manager, Mara Robertson, 303-369-1800 ext. 142, email Mara@ westwindmanagement.com. Homeowner participation is at the start of the meeting.

Clubhouse Rental: Contact our Management Company.

Management Company/Board: Board Members: Pres – Amanda Milstead, VP – Michelle Ruble, Sec/ Treas – Beverly Valvoda, Membersat-Large – Lori Foster and Joshua Ryines. Management Company is Westwind Management, 303-369-1800, www.westwindmanagement. com.

Beverly Valvoda

Cobblestone Crossing

Financial Meeting: The HOA's Budget Meeting will take place at 6 pm on Monday, November 11th at Accord's Office Building, 3033 S. Parker Road, Aurora, CO 80014, in the lower level conference room with easiest access through the back (west side) entrance. The primary focus of the meeting will be discussion of next year's budget. Accord Property Management will send additional information to owners.

Patio/Front Porch: When cleaning up pots and plants, please remember to bag up dirt and place in dumpster. Do not dump the dirt in the rocks and/or common area.

Hoses: Please disconnect the exterior hoses if a freeze is forecast. You can reconnect to water plants and bushes as necessary when it warms up the next day

Snow Removal: It's time to think about snow removal. Sidewalks will be cleared when two inches of snow accumulate, and plowing will take place at four inches. When plowing is in progress, please take care when maneuvering around the plow!

Security: Car break-ins can occur in Cobblestone Crossing at any time. Please remember to remove any items of value from your car, always lock the doors and notify the Aurora Police Department as soon as breakin is discovered.

Exterior Lighting: While there are exterior lights throughout the

community, recommend leaving on front and back porch lights. Light control sockets can be installed in the exterior fixture to turn on lights at dusk and off at dawn.

Pets: Pets are not to be tethered on your patio or anywhere on the property, nor are they allowed to run loose. This applies to both dogs and cats. Be a responsible pet owner and pick up pet waste immediately and dispose of it. Contrary to popular belief, it's not fertilizer. Picking up after your pets is a City ordinance and failure to do so also represents a health hazard. Do not store the waste in a container outside – take it to the dumpster.

Parking: A reminder that residents are not to park in guest spots at any time and are subject to a boot. Guest spots are to be used by visitors



only, not by residents placing a guest tag in their vehicle. Oversize vehicles that block adjacent parking space and don't fit between the lines are prohibited. Please review the Rules and Regulations, located on Accord's website, for complete parking regulations. Park It Right's boot return is located on the east side of the pool.

Board Meetings: The Board meets at Accord's Office Building, 3033 S. Parker Road, Aurora, CO 80014, the second Monday of the month at 6 pm and all residents are welcome. The meeting takes place in the lower level conference room with easiest access through the back (west side) entrance.

Midge Miller



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ChimneyHill

A blast of snow has already whipped through this fall, and with the end of daylight savings time, November will continue to bring challenges to drivers on the way home from work. Be more alert coming into the community for bundled night walkers. Keeping the speed at 10 MPH will maintain the safety in our neighborhood.

Besides honoring veterans and wrapping up with Thanksgiving weekend, November is an election month with state and local issues and races on the ballot. It is always good to understand the issues and make choices for the benefit of the state and our community.

HOA Annual Meeting: November is also the month of our HOA

annual meeting, which will be held this year at the Garden Room at the Heather Ridge Golf Course Clubhouse at 6:30 pm on Wednesday, November 13. Two board member terms will be up for election, but as written in last month's article, two other board seats are open due to resignations and another seat has just opened up as another board member just sold his townhome in the community. A couple of homeowners have already reached out to put themselves on the ballot, but there is still time for other owners interested in joining the board to reach out to our property manager and put themselves on the ballot. Homeowners who are unable to attend the meeting should send in the proxy back to our property management company or hand the proxy to a fellow homeowner to pass on their votes. The meeting is also important to get a report from the board about what was accomplished the past year, as well as plans for the community in the 2020 and beyond, while the board will receive valuable responses from the homeowners. In addition, the homeowners will be voting on the HOA budget for next year, including the possibility of an increase in the monthly HOA fees.

A lot of projects to maintain the community were accomplished this year, but a lot more maintenance issues were uncovered that will need to be addressed next year. However, all in all, our community is in fine shape and will be a wonderful place to live for years to come. Find the



time to reach out and get to know the neighbors in our community.

Management: Property management is provided by LCM. Our property manager, Marilyn, can be reached by phone at 303-221-1117, ext 105 or by email at *mruybal@lcmpm.com*. Owners can also get general community information and submit requests through LCM's website at *www.lcmpm.com*. New users will have to create an account with a username and password before using the site.

Kerry Reis with input from the ChimneyHill HOA Board

Country Club Ridge



Happy Thanksgiving Country Club Ridge

Mocha Butkovich



Heather Ridge South

Management Information: For HOA management information please contact Janelle Mauch at Westwind Management at 303-369-1800 x 115; *Janelle@ westwindmanagement.com* or her assistant April at 303-369-1800 x 135, *april@westwindmanagement.com*.

Dates to remember:

HRS Annual Meeting, December 3, at 7 pm

HRS Holiday Party, December 7 – cocktails at 6 pm, dinner a 7 pm



Each year an **Annual HOA** meeting

is required by our Declarations for the Board to report to its homeowners concerning its Budget, Committee Reports, and Election of Board Members. There is a quorum of 33 percent of owners, either in person or by proxy. That means 59 people. Your proxy is very important if you cannot attend. You will be mailed a Notice of Meeting with a proxy. Please complete it as required and return it to Westwind or leave it in a Proxy drop box posted at our clubhouse.

The *Annual Holiday Party* is a tradition started in 1994 by the Board. At that time the community had completed major exterior steel siding work, roofs, and fences. The Holiday Party was to thank homeowners for their support, trust, and checks to pay off the general assessment. Since then, it has become a tradition to close out the year, visit and dine with new and old neighbors, and a toast to the upcoming New Year.

Being Good Neighbors: We live in a high-density community, so please be "thoughtful and courteous" about what happens outside your unit. First, always refer to your *Rules and Regulations* with any questions. If that doesn't work, call Janelle at Westwind. The general rule is – "If it's something outside your walls, door, roof and foundation, it's almost 100% certain the HOA has jurisdiction. . . and you need written approve."

Things to Think About Before Doing Them:

Trash Dumpster – You need

written HOA permission.

- Parking Cars Garages first. No permanent parking in driveways or guest spots.
- Windows, doors, electrical boxes, satellite dishes, etc. – written HOA permission needed.
- Landscaping, Gardens If done in owners' limited common areas, the owner is responsible for its care. If done on HOA common area land, the HOA can remove it. Please know your boundaries.
- Snow When it stops coming down the HOA immediately starts plowing interior roads and driveways. Any vehicles blocking snow removal in driveways will be towed at its owner's expense and Liability.

Away for the Holidays? If so, plan for a friend or neighbor to visit your home for safety . . . especially when its gets really cold outside. Let Janelle at Westwind know about any "extended" absences should the HOA need to enter units for health and safety reasons. Remember, all units in HRS have common water and sewer systems, so what happens with one owner could affect neighbors.

Is your contact info up to date? Are you on the HRS email-blast list? If the HOA needs to contact you, is your info available and current? Please contact Janelle at Westwind to confirm your contact information.

Van Lewis



Strawberry

Board Meetings: Strawberry's Board meetings are held the 4th Tuesday of every month except in December. Our next 2 meeting dates are as follows: Budget meeting November 26, 2019 and first meeting of the New Year is January 28, 2020 in the clubhouse, at 6:30pm. These meetings are a great way to stay informed about the goings on in the community.

ACC Requests: Please go to the website, fill out a form and provide as much information as possible, as to your plan and materials being used. This way the Board can make informed decisions. Please visit our website www.strawberry1hoa.com for meeting minutes, meeting dates, community resources, and forms needed for ACC requests.



Fall/Winter: It's time to once again begin your checklist for these next months in Colorado. A time to start thinking about checking and changing furnace filters for more efficiency. Buy a shovel, because doing your part at times is necessary. Your neighbors may be elderly and need help, please lend a hand. Check on them as we get into the colder months of year.

Make sure your HO-6 policy is up to date and covers sewer and water

issues. It protects you in so many ways. Insulate your pipes as colder temps approach us. Check and clean fireplace flues. Chimney cleaning is up to homeowners.

It's that time of year when car breakins seem to increase, as the holidays approach don't keep packages in car, keep extra eye on your surroundings and if you see something say something. Call security when needed.

With many holidays approaching please be mindful of what you put down your drains and toilets. It helps with less backups and sewer issues.





Since it's the giving season, give of your time, give of your hands, bake treats or purchase socks for homeless. You feel good helping someone.

Whatever you do to get ready for this time of season, eat yummy food, make soups, share a hot cider or hot chocolate with friends and family. Make snow Angels, cook turkeys and trim trees. Celebrate the New Year fast approaching with a smile and maybe some laughter to those that have a hard time with certain holidays. Invite and share food or just a quick conversation. You never know who you may help.

Thank you to the community of Strawberry, as this is my last time writing this article for you. Someone new will take over this role. I have learned tons in the 3 years of my term. People are people. Be kind and enjoy your time here on earth, we are never promised another day, so take the time to enjoy all you can.

Front Range Patrol: To report immediate issues call 303-591-9027. Remember to lock car doors and windows. See anything suspect, call it in to police or report to security. See something say something.

Management Information: Accord Property Management 720-230-7303. Kyle is the new manager. Call him with all issues.

Happy Holidays from Us Here at the Strawberry

Amy Ringo

Sausalito

"November comes and November goes, with the last red berries and the first white snows. With night coming early and dawn coming late, and ice in the bucket and frost by the gate. The fires burn and the kettles sing, and earth sinks to rest until next spring."

Elizabeth Coatsworth

Welcome home, residents of Sausalito at Heather Ridge! We are an HOA community, with the following Board members: **Carol McCormick**, President, 720-668-3604; **Teresa Anderson**, Vice President & Landscaping, 303-775-5970; **Betty Haarberg**, Treasurer, 303-619-7186; **Marlene Woodruff**, Secretary, 303-518-5892; **Jeff Jamieson**, Architecture & Member at Large, 720-924-6178; **Renee Reasy**, Pools & Member at Large, 720-951-3224;

Debi Martinez, Member at Large, 720-298-8323. **Meetings** are held the second Wednesday of the month, at 6:30 pm in the Heather Ridge Golf Club, downstairs, in the 19th Hole room. Homeowners are welcome to attend. Our next meeting will discuss ratifying to budget for 2020.

Information: Management Our property is managed by H.O.A. Simple, LLC. If you have any requests or issues, please contact Emily Terry at 303-260-7177 x5. Our website is www. sausalitohoa.com where you can find legal documents and other helpful community information. Our security and covenant enforcement company is Brownstone Services, LLC, owned and operated by Randy Brown, who can be reached at 720-879-4568. Our landscaping company is Landwise and C.W. Contractors, Inc., whose president is Jesse Young and Operations Manager is **Paul Menningen**. They can be reached at 303-523-0471. Our waste collection is handled by Alpine Waste and Recycling, who can be reached at 303-744-9881.

CCR's and Architectural Approval: Sausalito is governed by what's known as **Covenants, Conditions & Restrictions.** These rules are intended to keep everyone's home in relative conformity with everyone else's, to foster a cleaner and more cohesive community with higher property values. If you are planning any external home improvements, thank you in advance for getting approval from the Board before proceeding. If you need exterior touch-up paint, please contact Jeff Jamieson at 720-924-6178.

New Signs: In response to residents' safety concerns, **a new stop sign** has been added at the corner of Victor and Worchester. In addition, the existing sign at that location has been moved to a more noticeable location. Drivers are now required to stop when approaching that corner from either direction. Please respect your neighbors by heeding these signs, as sometimes this corner can contain a blind spot which might have another driver or pedestrian in it.

While not here yet, Christmas is approaching! If you'd like to decorate your homes with lights, please wait until the Friday after Thanksgiving to turn them on, and also be aware, as is Denver tradition, lights should be taken down after the Stock Show in mid-January. Until then, **Happy Thanksgiving to you and your families!**

Fun Facts: Even though the first Thanksgiving was in 1621, it did not become an official national holiday until 1863. Before then, it was known largely in New England; different states celebrated in different months ranging between October and January, and it was almost unheard of in the American South. Sarah Josepha Hale, author of "Mary Had a Little Lamb," wrote letters to five presidents for seventeen years until Abraham Lincoln finally established Thanksgiving as an officially recognized American holiday,



considered at the time a unifying day after the stress of the Civil War.

Speaking of holidays, now is a popular season for guests, so please remember to park in your garage, and leave your garage doors closed for security, thus leaving the **Visitor Spaces** available for our friends, family, and if necessary, **snow removal**. If your guests need to park overnight, please call **Brownstone Services** at **720-879-4568** to let them know. Parking is not permitted in auto courts or Fire Lanes. Ticketing and towing are in effect.

> Thank you, and Happy Fall! Jeff Jamieson





Studio Theatre Cabaret Series

Stripped — Traci Kern November 15-16, 7:30 pm



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Mainstage

The Second City's — *Twist Your Dickens* November 23-December 23



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Heather Ridge Community Map



Cobblestone Hammersmith Management Kevin Bredell, 303-980-0700 # Units: 74 HOA Meeting: 4th Mon. 6 pm Heather Ridge Golf Club

Cobblestone Crossing Accord Property Management 720-230-7393 # Units: 150 HOA Meeting: 2nd Mon. 6 pm 3033 S Parker Road, Ste 320

Country Club Ridge Colorado Management Specialists 303-690-3932 12100 E. Iliff Ave, Ste 100 # Units: 64 HOA Meeting: 3rd Mon. 5:30 pm 12100 E Iliff Ave., Ste 120

Double Tree Self Managed, Alison Ruger # Units: 24 HOA Meeting: 1st Mon. semi-monthly Contact Aletha for information

Fairway 16 Western States Property Services, Inc. Roger Mitchell, 303-745-2220 rogerwsps.net, # Units: 116 HOA Meeting: 2nd Thurs. 6:30 pm Clubhouse, 2600 S Vaughn Way www.fairway16.com

Heather Ridge South Westwind Management Group, Inc. Janelle Maninger – 303-369-1800 x115 Janelle@westwindmanagment.com # Units: 176 HOA Meeting: 4th Tues, 6:30 pm HRS Clubhouse, 2811 S Xandau Way www.Heatheridgesouth.org

Sausalito H.O.A. Simple LLC Emily Bresina, Manager ebresina@hoasimple.com 303-260-7177 x5; # Units: 159 HOA Meeting: 2nd Wed. 6:30 pm Heather Ridge Golf Club www.Sausalitohoa.com

Strawberry I & II Accord Property Management Kyle, 720-230-7303 # Units: 328 HOA Meeting: 4th Tues. 6:30 pm Strawberry Clubhouse, 2638 S Xanadu Way

Westwind Management Group, Inc. Chris Heron, Manager chris@westwindmanagement.com 303-369-1800 x 112 # Units: 120 HOA Meeting: 2nd Tues. 6 pm Burgundy Clubhouse www.cms-hoa.com ChimneyHill LCM Property Management 303-221-1117 # Units: 116 HOA Meeting: 2nd Wed. 6 pm Heather Gardens Clubhouse 2888 S Heather Gardens Way

Service Directory



Free Days in November/December 2019

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Tuesday, November 5, Tuesday, December 3 — 4-8 pm 2121 Children's Museum Drive, Denver 303-433-7444

Fine Arts Center Museum, Colorado Springs

Friday, November 1, Friday, December 6 First Friday Art Party, 5-7:30 pm 30 West Dale Street, Colorado Springs 719-634-5581, *csfineartscenter.org*

Denver Museum of

Nature & Science Saturday, November 3 — Night at the Museum Sunday, December 2 2001 Colorado Blvd., Denver 303-370-6000 *dmns.org*

Denver Botanic Gardens

Monday, November 11, Veterans Day 1007 York Street, Denver 720-865-3500 *botanicgardens.org*

Botanic Gardens, Chatfield Farms

8500 W Deer Creek Canyon Road, Littleton Tuesday, November 5 720-865-4346 botanicgardens.org/chatfield-farms

Plains Conservation Center

Thursday, November 21, Thursday, December 19 12 noon-4:30 pm 21901 E. Hampden Avenue Aurora, CO 80013 720-865-3500 info@botanicgardens.org.

Happy Thanksgiving

Denver Art Museum

Free First Saturdays Children under 18 Free everyday 100 W 14th Avenue Parkway, Denver, 720-865-5000, *denverartmuseum*. *org*

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