

HEATHER RIDGE METRO DISTRICT NO. 1



May 2010

Wow, this month's newsletter makes two publications in a row-- a record by anyone's standards! Sadly, this will be our last newsletter... BECAUSE we are switching to a 16-page magazine format for June! Named Metro Matters and published monthly, it will be delivered to each household or distribution points near you. Off site owners may subscribe for \$20 annually. Our new printed format, along with websites and electronic newsletters, represent our communication efforts to be high touch as well as high tech. Contribute to it by visiting, referring, and using your golf course-club facilities!

Golf News:

- The golf gods have finally blessed us with spring weather and green grass, so come play YOUR golf course! For economy minded golfers looking for great golf packages, call 720-246-0303 to talk with a real, live person! As the golf season progresses, look for promotions for early morning or late day play. There's nothing as relaxing or reflective as an early morning walk on dewy grass, or an afterwork round of golf. Please, come join us!
- Celebrity golf tournament May 17th: All proceeds will go to the American Red Cross. Play 18 holes of fun; meet new friends and celebrities; and have drinks and food all for a good cause! The cost is \$100 a person, but if you put together a foursome it's only \$350! The tournament is a shotgun start at 9 a.m. so be there early to hit balls and get ready. Contests include: a \$1 million hole-in-one, longest drive, closest to the pin, and lowest scores. Call 720-246-0303 to sign up NOW!
- Golf course pathways: New signs will be posted warning walkers-bikers that golfers have priority! Everyone needs to be vigilant and respectful of golf play, so hopefully these signs will work. All pathway users are welcome, but common sense and courtesies must be observed. Golf balls can be hazardous to your health, so keep an eye open for players.

Metro District News, Metro Matters!

- **Well drilling is done!** The new well is pumping 180 gallons per minute of sweet, fresh water for irrigation. Everyone is happy, especially nearby residents and the ducks. The project is not complete yet awaiting installation of new pumps, but all the hard and noisy work is done!
- HOA Boards' Party! On May 7, from 5-7 p.m., the Metro District will host a cocktail party for all Heather Ridge HOA boards and their guests at the county club. All ten Metro District HOAs have been mailed invitations requesting RSVPs, so please don't miss this event. This will be the first time all ten boards have come together! Speakers will include City of Aurora, Metro District officials, and Heather Gardens. Please RSVP for this historic occasion.
- Check your property tax statements: Everyone, please review your 2009 county property tax statement and look for the Heather Ridge Metro District No. 1 annual property tax assessment. Arapahoe County Assessor's Office informed us that up to 200 properties, mostly in Burgundy and Sausalito, did not appear on the property tax rolls and thus were mistakenly not taxed by the Metro District on the recently received property tax statements. An Amended Court Order has been issued to correct the tax rolls, and Arapahoe County will re-issue revised and corrected property tax statements for the affected properties within the Metro District. Arapahoe County will be mailing revised property tax statements to the affected properties outlining payment amount, due dates, and recourse. Again, everyone check your statements!
- *Metro Matters*: A news magazine for Heather Ridge Metro District No.1. Get ready to read about fellow HOAs, Metro District happenings, and golf course-club house news. Each HOA will have up to one page of free space to write its newsletter. There will also be space for individual services,



classified ads (Lynn Donaldson, 303-766-8649, <u>LynnNue@comcast.net</u>), all other ads (Cindy Crockett, 303-690-7702, <u>cindycrokett@gmail.com</u>), news articles, and community issues. *Metro Matters* will be published by the same people who do Heather Garden's magazine, *Heather 'n Yon*. To submit stories, ideas, and features, please contact Lynn Donaldson (see above for contact information). Deadline for the June 15th publication is June 1st.

- Landscaping Contest: Friends of the Fairways! To enhance the beauty of our golf fairways this season, the Metro District is having a contest for best flower decorations. If you live on or very, very close to the course, contact Bette Secord to register (bettesecord@gmail.com; or, 303-695-9582). There will be one winner for each HOA—so register now to win a \$50 dining certificate for Dumitri's restaurant! Of course there are rules and regulations, but they're simple and practical, e.g. you can't dig or plant a new garden without HOA or golf course permission. Call and register for details by June 15.
- Spring Fling! a successful night. On April 23, over 125 residents mingled and munched at the country club to listen to Aurora and Metro District speakers. City Council members Molly Markert and Bob Fitzgerald spoke about current and future city events! Former city council member and Metro District supporter Bob LeGare was introduced, too. Lastly, district president Errol Rowland outlined projects and programs bringing everyone up to date. The big crowd was credited to community interest, civic pride, and free hors d'oeuvres.
- Congratulations to Dumitri: Winner of this year's Business Person by Aurora Chamber of Commerce! Over 600 people attended the annual dining event, including a very surprised and pleased Dumitri. His daughter and business partner, Juliana, coordinated his award presentation with family photographs, guests, and secrecy. No small task for a daughter whose father runs a "tight ship" and doesn't like surprises. Cheers to Dumitri!!

Dumitri's Restaurant at Heather Ridge



Please join us for our Mother's Day Brunch, Sunday, May 9th from 9am-2:30pm

Eggs Benedict*Prime Rib*Shrimp Cocktail*Much, Much More

Unlimited Champagne, Mimosas or Bloody Marys \$6.00 Sparkling Cider \$4.00

\$23.95 per person (\$12.95 children ages 3-10) For Reservations Call (720) 246-0309

WW II Veteran's "Victory in Europe" Radio Telecast and Buffet Breakfast

Celebrate and remember VE Day on May 7th at Dumitri's at Heather Ridge

Radio DJ, Rick Crandall, KEZW 1430AM will interview veterans and their families from 6:00 to 11:00 a.m. Special guest: Jeremy Bloom, Olympian & football player will be here from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. Buffett breakfast starts at 7:00 a.m.

Cost: 7:00 per person Everyone Welcome!

Other Important Events at Dimitri's & the Golf Club at Heather Ridge

May 7th: HRMD HOA Boards cocktail party (invitation only) 5:00-7:00 pm

May 8th: Moms play golf free after 1:00 p.m. with paying customer

May 9th: Moms play golf free after 1:00 p.m. with paying customer

May 14th: Denim & Diamonds Event (Music: Tony David & Pam Hughes)

May 17th: Charity Golf Tournament

For live music schedule visit <u>www.dimitrisonthegreen.com</u>