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"Friends of the Fairway" Winners

Twenty-three homeowners signed up this summer to be "Friends of the Fairway." The purpose of the contest was to promote enhancement to porches that face the Golf Course at Heather Ridge. On August 27, one entry was chosen in each participating HOA as most outstanding. Jake Wolf. Master Horticulturist from Nick's Garden Center & Farm Market, 2001 S. Chambers in Aurora, selected the winners. Each will be awarded a \$50 gift certificate to Dumitri's Restaurant.

The winners are:

- Cobblestone Chimney Hill Sausalito
- (3539) Ray and Kay Griffiths
- (3568) Tom and Terri Benz
 - (3596) Pat and Larry Horton
- Burgundy
- (3608) Monica and Bill Kazi
- Heather Ridge South (3641) Monique Boehm Strawberry
- (3655) Lori Samuelson Cobblestone Crossing (13452) Sharri and Steve Mitchell,

The winner of the most outstanding area facing the Golf Course at Heather Ridge:

Liz and Greg Van Dell, Chimney Hill (Photo above and more on page 8)

HRMD would like to thank Richard Ortega, owner / manager of "Nick's Garden Center & Farm Market," for offering us the services of Jake Wolf. Be sure to stop by and see the large variety of pumpkins, get some locally grown produce, walk through the straw maze and take a drive through the haunted house.

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Yearly Property Tax Statement: Reading and understanding it

Each HRMD No. 1 resident/property owner should review their individual tax statements for correctness, in particular the Taxing Entity section. Annually there should be a line item labeled HRMD01 (currently showing 0.042500, or 42.5 mills for tax year 2009, collecting in year 2010). Reviewing this data is important because about 200 property owners in Sausalito and Burgundy discovered recently that HRMD01 did not appear on their original January tax statements from the county. The county has since mailed corrected tax notices to those properties including the amount due for HRMD No. 1 taxes and payment schedules.

Property taxes (currently 42.5 mills) collected for HRMD No. 1 funds two metro district expenses: 31.0 mills for bond debt service and 11.5 mills for the metro district's governmental administrative budget. Bonds were used to buy the golf club open space.

The HRMD No. 1's budget is created each year based on the district's projected needs for bond debt ser-

vice and governmental administration. Annually the mill amount and the revenues produced can change! Remember, all property taxes are paid in arrears!

The 2009 budgeted expenses were paid from 2008 taxes collected in 2009. The 2010 budgeted expenses for debt service and governmental administration are being paid from 2009 taxes collected in 2010.

Likewise the budget for 2011 will be determined this fall. The corresponding mill levies submitted to the county by Dec. 15 for tax year 2010 will be collected in 2011. Golf course operating expenses are not paid from property taxes, but rather from golf course revenues only.

Residential property values are determined by the county every two years in odd numbered years only. As previously noted, property taxes are collected in arrears. In January of each year, Colorado counties mail out property tax statements for the previous year. Taxes can be paid in total no later than April 30, or in two equal installments by Feb. 28 and June 15.

Heather Ridge Metropolitan District No. 1: Notice of Regular Meeting (Starting Aug. 19, 2010) Notice is Hereby Given that the Board of Directors of the **Heather Ridge Metropolitan District No. 1**, of the City of Aurora, County of Arapahoe, State of Colorado, will hold regular meetings on the third Thursdays of each month as deemed necessary. Regular meetings will be held at 4 pm, 13521 E. Iliff Ave., Aurora, Colorado, for the purpose of conducting such business as may come before the Board of Directors. The meeting is open to the public. Pursuant to § 24-6-402(2)(c), C.R.S., the agenda may be obtained by visiting *www.whitebearankele.com** or, alternatively, by call 303-858-1800.

By Order of the Board of Directors: Heather Ridge Metropolitan District No. 1

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HRMD No. 1 Pool Survey : Open the Indoor Pool?

The Heather Ridge Metro District No. 1 needs to know how much interest there is for the following plan:

- Open indoor pool by December 1, 2010
- Daily pass for HRMD residents \$3 (various usage packages/passes)
- Open pool first, followed by weights and exercise rooms
- · Water and floor exercise classes, lap swimming, adult swim, family time
- Usage hours 5:30 am to 9 pm, seven days a week

The HRMD Board of Directors need to know ASAP if you are interested and would pay to come! Rates are lower than present City of Aurora pools. Cast your vote NOW by contacting:

Bette Secord: 303-695-9582 / bettesecord@gmail.com

Results will be published in the October Metro Matters magazine.





Pete Traynor Double Tree 303-877-9538 Ptofcolo@aol.com

Selling Your Home with Pete and Van

Heather Ridge is 1,127 homes in 10 HOAs — not a small matter when it comes to marketing. Although many homes and areas look alike, real estate is all about making your home different... and unique! The goal is optimum price — all things being equal.

Pete has lived in Heather Ridge since 1980; likewise, Van since 1991. Each has over 36 years in real estate, so listing your home for sale gets you 72 years of experience for the price of one. In today's bargain driven economy, how could you do better?

Call today for a professional examination of your home's market potential. To Pete and Van, each home and owner is unique because we all live here together!

Market Conditions

For the past three months, June-July-August, metro Denver MLS sold statistics have shown home re-sales down 20–33 percent from one year ago. And why is that? The federal housing tax credit is the main reason. Like the defunct 'Cash for Clunkers' program, this will fade once it passes through the economy.



Van Lewis Heather Ridge South 303-550-1362 van@vanlewis.com

The question to ask — was the recent federal housing credit program a flash in the pan, or did it do any long-term good? The answers to non-buyers and sellers would be "yes" and "no." However, if you bought or sold, then it was a really good deal. History will decide. Significant real estate concerns now focus on employment and incomes issues. Those issues and others are clearly reflected in neighborhood prices across the metro Denver area. Heather Ridge is priced right — now ranking in the top 5 "price growth" areas according to Denver's FOX news. Neighborhoods with homes priced over \$300,000 are struggling. As home sales cool, rental property is going through the roof. The demand for rentals now outstrips supply, especially in Arapahoe County. Recent statistics claim an occupancy rate approaching 98 percent for single family and condo rental. As long as foreclosures, job losses and "tough" mortgage loan procedures continue — rental property will be a good investment.

(All of the Following Properties May Have Been Listed or Sold by Other Companies)

Homes for Sale in Heather Ridge

НОА	List Price	No.	Street	Baths	Beds	SqFt	Gar/Spaces	Style
Burgundy	\$139,900	2635	S Xanadu Way D	2	2	1,162	Garage, Det	2 Story
Burgundy	\$117,000	2629	S Xanadu Way B	2	2	1,162	None	2 Story
Chimney Hill	\$149,900	2084	S Worchester	3	3	1,457	1-Garage, Att	2 Story
Cobblestone Crossing	\$103,000	1913	S Xanadu Way	2	2	1,208	1-Garage, Det	2 Story
Cobblestone Crossing	\$119,900	2172	S Victor St C	2	2	1,208	Off Street, Res	2 Story
Cobblestone Crossing	\$119,900	1999	S Xanadu Way	2	2	1,392	Off Street, Res	2 Story
Country Club Ridge	\$220,000	2260	S Vaughn A	3	3	1,680	2-Garage,Att	2 Story
Fairway 16	\$167,500	2426	S Vaughn Way F	4	3	1,650	2-Garage,Att	2 Story
Heather Ridge South	\$109,000	2720	S Xanadu Way	4	3	1,633	1-Garage,Att	2 Story
Heather Ridge South	\$191,400	2764	S Xanadu Way	4	3	1,633	2-Garage,Att	2 Story
Sausalito	\$145,000	2501	S Victor St	2	3	1,282	2-Garage,Att	1 Story
Sausalito	\$105,000	2408	S Victor St E	2	3	1,273	2-Garage,Att	2 Story
Strawberry 1	\$49,500	13605	E Yale Ave A	1	1	856	1-Reserved	2 Story
Strawberry 1	\$55,000	2608	S Xanadu Way B	1	1	856	1-Carport	2 Story
Strawberry 1	\$68,000	2614	S Xanadu Way B	1	1	856	1-Carport	2 Story
Strawberry II	\$99,950	2461	S Xanadu Way D	2	2	1,091	Off Street	2 Story
Strawberry II	\$79,900	2463	S Xanadu Way C	2	2	1,091	Off Street	2 Story

For more information, call Pete or Van!

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Homes under Contract in Heather Ridge

НОА	List Price	No.	Street	Baths	Beds	SqFt	Gar/Spaces	Style
Chimney Hill	\$135,000	13612	E Evans Ave	2	2	1,512	1-Garage, Att	2 Story
Cobblestone	\$124,900	2161	S Victor St B	2	2	1,392	1-Garage,Det	2 Story
Cobblestone Crossing	\$125,000	1957	S Xanadu Way	2	2	1,392	2-Off Street,Det	2 Story
Fairway 16	\$180,000	2698	S Vaughn Way	4	4	2,380	2-Garage,Att	2 Story
Sausalito	\$144,999	2522	S Worchester D	2	3	1,230	2-Garage,Att	Ranch
Strawberry I	\$44,900	2608	S Xanadu Way F	1	1	856	1-Carport	2 Story
Strawberry I	\$74,900	2614	S Xanadu Way A	2	2	1,098	None	Ranch
Strawberry I	\$75,000	13613	E Yale Ave C	2	2	1,170	1-Carport	2 Story

Homes Sold in Heather Ridge

НОА	List Price	No.	Street	Baths	Beds	SqFt	Gar/Spaces	Style
Burgundy	\$120,000	2675	S Xanadu Way D	2	2	1,121	1-Garage, Det	2 Story
Chimney Hill	\$91,000	2084	S Worchester Way	3	2	1,457	2-Garage, Att	2 Story
Chimney Hill	\$156,500	13664	E Evans Way	3	3	1,512	1-Garage, Att	2 Story
Country Club Ridge	\$186,000	2250	S Vaughn Way	2	3	1,693	2-Garage, Att	Ranch
Heather Ridge So	\$163,000	2841	S Xanadu Way	3	4	1,633	2-Garage, Att	2 Story
Sausalito	\$98,000	2501	S Victor Way E	2	3	1,282	1-Garage, Att	1.5 Story
Sausalito	\$169,900	2409	S Worchester Way	3	3	1,510	2-Garage, Att	2 Story
Strawberry	\$69,000	2608	S Xanadu Way C	1	1	856	1-Carport Det	2 Story
Strawberry 1	\$75,011	2664	S Xanadu Way B	2	2	1,153	1-Carport	2 Story
Strawberry 1	\$104,000	2666	S Xanadu Way D	2	2	1,144	1-Carport	2 Story

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Homeowners' Association News

Sausalito by Carol McCormick

Landscaping. Landscapers have been busy this past month trimming bushes and trees. Maintaining the old irrigation system continues to be an undertaking. Please contact Tony, 720-535-9705, with any landscaping issues.

Sausalito Annual Meeting. The Annual Meeting took place on Monday, Aug. 9 at the Golf Clubhouse. There was some lively discussion about the heavy use of the pools this summer, the need for a qualified, responsive security company, and future plans for roof replacement. The board is working hard to address all these issues.

Swimming Pools: The Victor and Worchester pools closed Labor Day after a very busy summer season.

Trash Removal Days. Regular trash removal days are every Tuesday. Recycling days are every other Tuesday for those homeowners participating in the program.

Monthly Meetings. The board meets at 6:30 pm on the 2nd Wednesday of every month at the Heather Ridge Golf Club.

Sausalito website: Please take the time to look at the community website, *www.sausalito.com*. If you have pictures of the community that you would like to have posted, please submit them to Bill McKinney for approval. You can also submit your comments, concerns and maintenance forms to Bill.

Helpful Information. Check out *www.xcel.com* and click on *My Account* online service to track your energy usage plus find out about other helpful information

Burgundy by Lori Rust

Annual Meeting for Property Owners – Oct. 14 Dinner 6:30 • Meeting will begin at 7:30

HOA Dues/Assessments: Make plans to attend the Burgundy annual meeting on Thursday, Oct. 14. Learn about what has occurred this last year, plans for the upcoming year, the status of the HOA and more. There will be several open seats on the board. Please consider contributing by running for a position on the Board.

What's involved to be a board member?

Board meetings are held the 2nd Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm, typically lasting 1.5 to 2 hours. That's 18–24 hours maximum per year. The board reviews the financial status and needs of the community to determine where and how revenues from dues is spent. Board members remember that they represent the entire community. They need to have the community and all residents' best interest in mind. If you feel you can contribute to improve the lifestyle at Burgundy, you should run for the board.

Why serve on the board? Your home at Burgundy is probably one of your largest assets. By being on the board, you will be able to have a voice on how to protect including conservation ideas and online promotions. For those interested in adding Solar Panels to your home, which two residents have done, Xcel has a solar power program which offers rebates



and Renewable Energy Credit payments for customers who want to install solar photovoltaic (PV) systems on their homes. Sausalito is not endorsing the Xcel program. This information is strictly FYI.

United Associations of Heather Ridge website contains valuable information for all residents. Be sure to check it out. www.uahr.org.

School is back in session. Please Watch for Children at the bus stop on Vaughn Way by the Victor entrance.

Frontier Historical Museum's Eighth Annual Historic Ghost Walk: Oct. 19–21 and 26–28, Glenwood Springs, Colorado.

Did you know Doc Holliday, of O.K. Corral fame, is buried in the hot spring resort town of Glenwood Springs? Find out who else lived, died and was buried in the soil of Glenwood along the guided Frontier Historical Museum's Ghost Walk. Costume-clad actors play the parts of both famous and infamous spirits as you tour the oldest cemetery in town. Be sure to bring your own flashlight or lantern and dress for the weather. It's an eerie family-friendly romp through the darker side of history, just before Halloween.

and improve that asset. It's rewarding to be part of such a wonderful HOA and Metropolitan District.

Special Projects Paint and Siding



Repairs: The painters will be fixing siding, trim and doing touchup painting in September, finishing the job by the end of October. If you have an unauthorized TV Dish and/ or cabling installed, it will be removed. It is imperative that any items you have attached to the exterior of your unit are approved by the Architecture Committee. If they are not approved, they will be removed.

Asphalt/Parking Lots: We need people on a special project committee for asphalt and parking lot issues. *Residents from neighborhood "C" and "E" are especially needed!* Please call McKinney Management if you can help with this project.

Interested in having a party or holding event: Rent

See facing page

the Burgundy Clubhouse. Contact Karen Berg, 303-695-9630, to reserve your party day and time now! Bookings for fall and holidays are open.

Rates per event (Special reduced rates will apply for multiple scheduled rentals.)

Burgundy Resident	\$45	Damage Deposit \$150
Metro District Reside	ent \$75	Damage Deposit \$150
Non-Resident	\$100	Damage Deposit \$250

Thoughts and Prayers: Dick Witting has held many positions on the board, and he is currently our treasurer. We all wish Dick a speedy recovery from his recent surgery, and look forward to seeing him up and around soon.

Cobblestone by Kay Griffiths

Annual Meeting: Please be aware that the annual HOA meeting will be held sometime in October at Overland High School. Watch for posted information as to the date and time. The board encourages residents to attend the meeting to voice comments, concerns and questions.

Dogs: As always, please be responsible concerning the beauty and sanitation of your community. Pick up after your dog.

Pool: At the time this is being written, the pool will be kept open for one or two weeks after Labor Day, depending upon the weather. The pool has had a lot of use this summer. Thanks to a pool service and conscientious residents, it has remained in good condition the entire season.

Recycle: Due to the popularity of the community recycling endeavors, an additional recycle bin has been added. The middle dumpster (near the original recycle bin) is now a recycle bin, and no longer collects trash. Please read the instructions for what items can be recycled.

Parking: Remember that the Guest Parking is for visitors to the community. It is not intended for long-term storage of extra vehicles. There have been complaints about cars parked for extended periods, making it difficult

Strawberry by Jan Lucas

Newsletter Change: You will receive *Strawberry Update* for September/October, and November/December, then monthly, beginning January 2011. With all the

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2631 S. Xanadu Way C
28R/2BA Garage; Resrvd Pkg
2635 S. Xanadu Way D
28R/2BA Garage; Resrvd Pkg
2667 S. Xanadu Way E
28R+loft /2BA Resrvd Pkg
2693 S. Xanadu Way B
28R+loft /2BA Garage; Resrvd Pkg
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Burgundy Management Company – McKinney Management, 303-783-0395; email: *bcmmci@aol.com*

for others to find a space. For residents, it is recommended that you use the reserved space and/ or garage for long-term parking needs. Please be



advised that vehicles parked long-term could be labeled as "abandoned" and towed at the owner's expense.

Security: Our community is still shopping for a reliable and effective security company. If any other communities have suggestions, please let us know.

Golf Course: Most of the units in Cobblestone are on the golf course. Many residents have expressed their delight at seeing so many golfers on the course this spring and summer. It gives a great sense of security to see so



many taking advantage of this beautiful course. It is reassuring to know that everyone can continue to enjoy living in this wonderful environment. Thanks so much to all of the people involved in making a great idea an even greater reality.

Please remember to drive slowly through the community!

Strawberry

repairs and construction going on, in addition to the regular routine, it has been frantic. The board has tried to keep everyone advised as to when and where changes are happening. More to come, so watch for "spiffing up" in your area.

So Long Summer... Yes, it is hard to believe

summer is drawing to a close. That means kids are back in school. Watch for them along Xanadu in the mornings and afternoons. Drive carefully. Aurora Police Department will be adding speed control reminder boards along Xanadu. That should somewhat alleviate the speeding problem. Always watch out for pedestrians — large and small. Your cooperation is appreciated.

See Strawberry...page 11



Winning landscape in Chimney Hill

Liz and Greg Van Dell, Chimney Hill, had the winning landscape design in the "Friends of the Fairway" contest. These photos show how they continued their winning ways along the side (above) and front of their home (right).



Oktoberfest Celebration

You are invited to join the United Associations Homeowners for a fall gatherin



Homeowners for a fall gathering of friends and neighbors.

Friday, Oct. 1, 5–7 pm Dumitri's Restaurant at Heather Ridge Happy Hour Priced Well Drinks and German Appetizers

First Annual Charity Chili Cookoff Saturday, Sept. 25, 11 am–2 pm Southlands Shopping Center

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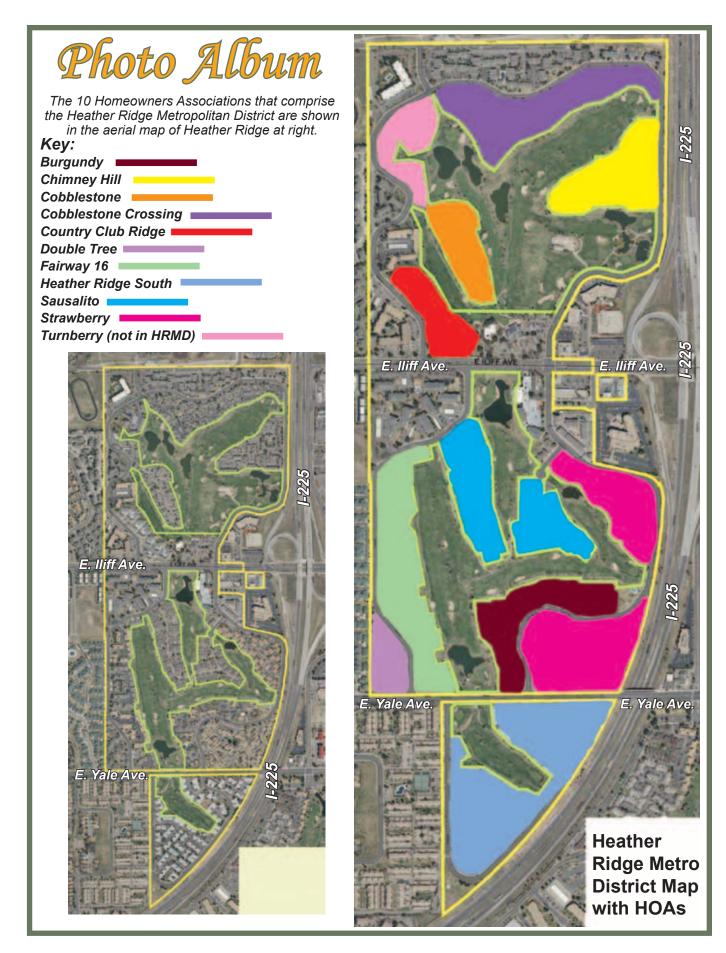
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Golf Club at Heather **Ridge Monthly Update**

Greetings to Home and Golf Course Owners,

August was the busiest month of the season!

Usually July is the busiest month for a golf course in Colorado, but the Golf Club at Heather Ridge achieved the highest numbers for the year in August. Rounds were 4,122 in June; 4,650 in July, and a record 5,154 in August. Marketing efforts are paying off. Many golfers, when asked, report enjoying the course and service that is provided. Kudos to all the staff who have worked so hard this summer to set Heather Ridge apart from the competition!

The greens have just been aerified (holes punched in them), which is essential for good turf quality. Opening these holes allows water, nutrients and air to get down to the roots of the grass. Although the short term results are rough, the greens will quickly bounce back and remain in great shape thanks to Bob Knutson and his terrific team.

September is a great golf month in Colorado. I invite all homeowners to come out and enjoy your course. If you haven't had a chance to bring friends and family to Heather Ridge yet this season, now is the time. Check the golf course web page at www.GolfClubAtHeather-Ridge.com and look for specials that will be running as fall evolves.

Most new businesses do not survive their first year, but this first season is turning out to be a great success. I look forward to many improvements in the months and years ahead. I appreciate all the support you have given the golf course this first year!

Mike Ritter Heather Ridge Golf Course Staff

Heather Ridge Women's 18

Hole Club Championship

1st Low Gross – Teresa Anderson

1st Low Gross – Kathy Chandler

1st Low Net - Bobbie Janulewicz

1st Low Gross - Sharon Berkowitz

10 Players Alternate Flight, low net

1st M Oklesson Net 64

2nd Low Net – Karen Johnston

Club Champion - Diane White

1st Low Net - Judy Weber

1st Low Net - Sally Simon

Low Gross J Daum, 74

2nd P Traynor

3rd L Gonzales

Fliaht A

Flight B

Men's Golf Association Club Championship Club Champion: Trent Daum Championship Flight: Low Net Ben Barnes • 1st Flight: Low Gross/Low Net Dave Barela

 2nd Flight: Low Gross/Low Net Ed Oswald

• 3rd Flight: Low Net **Russ Barrett**

Senior Championship:

1st Flight: John Curzon 2nd Flight: John Kytle 3rd Flight: Don Copeland Tournament Championship:

Low Net John Curzon

A handy list of all

the insurance companies

who offer more

discounts than Farmers:

President Writes:

I would like to thank all the members who have supported me during my terms as president of the Men's Golf Association. It is now time to pass the torch to someone else. If you have an interest in running for the board, please let Dean Weber or Larry Ricketts know before the annual banquet on Sept. 24. This year has had its ups and downs but overall it has gone pretty smooth. I'm sure, under the direction of Mike Ritter, you will see improvements. He has already worked out a way for money on the books to be carried over to the next year. I would encourage you to support the Pro Shop and take advantage of any upcoming sales. I am sure Mike would like input as to merchandise you would like to see in the future.

- Dave Barela

2nd Low Net - Sue Smith Mens Golf Club – Tournament Flight C 1st Low Gross – Marilyn May Of Champions, Aug. 28 1st Low Net – Peggy Coppens 28 Players in Champions Flight 2nd Low Net - Lou Ford 1st Place Net and Trophy

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Strawberry...from page 7

It's The Law! Earlier this summer there was mention made concerning animals running loose in Strawberry. In early August, someone was bitten by a loose cat whose owner had no idea as to whether or not the animal had its rabies shots. There are far too many animals loose on the property. As a result, Aurora Animal Control will be patrolling and impounding any dog or cat found running loose. Keep your animals — dogs and cats — inside or on a leash. It is not only an association rule but a City of Aurora law.

Parking Issues: Please do not back into your parking space outside the carports. When your vehicle is running and backed in, it fills nearby units with exhaust. Keep in mind, with winter coming on, unattended, idling vehicles will be ticketed. Parking in posted *Fire Lane* areas is illegal. Security will have violators towed. *Note:* Brownstone Security issued 28 vehicle violations during the first weekend in August. Within two weeks, 26 of those were remedied by bringing tags current or making the vehicle operable.

Security Update: This new security company is great! If you have not met Randy or Paul, please introduce yourselves. Even though it was announced in the July newsletter that Strawberry was getting security, many people were surprised to see the guys doing foot patrols. Feel free to contact them either by phone, or in person, if you would like them to know who you are. Once again, it is Brownstone Security, 720- 879-4568.

Gutter Cleanout: Gutters and downspouts will be cleaned and flushed within the next few weeks. Metro HOA Services will be doing the work and it will be occurring on all levels of the units.

Painting: Trim touchup painting will begin soon. Ed, Strawberry's maintenance person, will be doing the work. There is a lot to be done. It will not all be finished this season.

Paving Project: Concrete and asphalt repair has been delayed. The original contract was cancelled by your board of directors after seeing the work being performed by the contractor. Thanks for your understanding.

Paving for carport 26 was completed in mid-August by a second contractor. He did satisfactory work, and may be contracted to pave other areas. You will receive plenty of notice when the work is to be done in your parking area. Then you can make temporary parking arrangements elsewhere.

Have you noticed the new trash enclosures? More to come.

Chemical Dropoff Day: Once again, the City of Aurora is sponsoring a chemical dropoff day on Saturday, Sept. 11. As a service to residents, you may drop off items you need to dispose of at the clubhouse, or leave by the door to the garage anytime up to 9 am Saturday. Items accepted are paint, auto fluids (oil, transmission fluid), household and garden chemicals, batteries, fluorescent light bulbs and tubes and tires (\$3 charge per tire). Items **NOT ALLOWED** are: medical, business or radiological (e.g. smoke detectors), containers over 5 gallons, mixed products. Do NOT mix products or chemicals, explosives, fire extinguishers, propane or butane containers.

Emergencies: Before you make that phone call determine if the matter you are calling about is truly an emergency. All calls for problems in and around your unit should go to CAP first. Avoid calls after hours and on weekends unless you have a valid emergency. If work needs to be done in your unit, please make arrangements to be present during the day or have someone else there on your behalf.

Meetings: Your September HOA Meeting will be 7 pm Monday, Sept. 20, at the Clubhouse. Your October HOA Meeting will be 7 pm Monday, Oct. 18, at the Clubhouse. See you there!

Strawberry Board:

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Heather Ridge South by Vicki Braun

What a sensational summer! Heather Ridge South rolled out the red carpet, or should I say green grass, to residents. The annual Luau was, as always, spectacular! Check out a few party photos on our website. If you have pictures to share, please send them to *victoriad2003@ comcast.net*.

While insurance isn't much fun to talk about, unless you're an insurance agent or warped, it is a very important part of our well-being. Everyone is inundated with ads about auto insurance, overwhelmed with health insurance and even pestered by pet insurance offers. With so many decisions to make, there's an insurance policy you should not be without — that's an H06 condo policy. It's not only an easy-on-the-pocket purchase, but a smart purchase!

At the risk of sounding like one of the warped ones,

I want to chat about the insurance policy purchased by the condominium association, called the "master" policy.



Master Policy

• Buildings

• Rebuild the basic structure. IMPORTANT: Interior building damage from an insurable loss is replaced by the ORIGINAL builder, provided purchase conditions and quality...Yep, what was installed then is similar to what you'll get now. You better hope some of those colors are no longer available if there is an insurable loss. This isn't saying you're getting the short end of the stick. Your place

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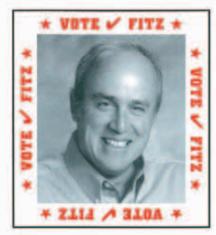
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Friends,

Arapahoe County is facing many of the same challenges we addressed in the Aurora City Council.

Maria and I have called Aurora our home for 23 years and my late parents were long-time residents of Heather Gardens. We're here for the duration and I want to see the Arapahoe County Commission continue to have responsible leadership. This means job creation, A transparent return of the dollars to the district and an immediate address of noise and traffic issues.

I appreciate your time and would be honored to have your vote.

Sincerely,







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September Calendar at Heather Ridge

Wed 15	Dumitri's Trivia Night 7 pm	
Thu 16	Dumitri's – Tom Allen Duo 6 pm	
Fri 17	9 Hole Ladies Golf Championship Dumitri's – Tony David & Pam Hughes	
Sat 18	Men's Club American Legion Post 1992 8 am Dumitri's – Tony David & Pam Hughes	
Sun 19	Men's Club MDA Tournament 7:30 am	
	Dance Lesson 6–7 pm	
	Open Dancing, \$10 per person 7–9:30 pm	
Tue 21	Dumitri's Ladies Night: Karaoke 8 pm	
Wed 22	Dumitri's Trivia Night 7 pm	
Thu 23	Dumitri's – Tom Allen Duo 6 pm	
Fri 24	9 Hole Ladies Golf Championship Men's Golf Club Fall Banquet Annual Senior Golf Club Banquet Dumitri's – Magic Moments	
Sat 25	2-Man Reverse Scramble 8:30 am Dumitri's – Magic Moments	
Sun 26	Men's Golf Club Lowry Family Center8 amDance Lesson6–7 pmOpen Dancing, \$10 per person7–9:30 pm	

Tue 28 Dumitri's Ladies Night: Karaoke 8 pm Wed 29 Dumitri's Trivia Night 7 pm Thu 30 Dumitri's - Tom Allen Duo 6 pm October Calendar at Heather Ridge Fri 1 Octoberfest for HRMD Residents 5–7 pm Dumitri's - Tony David & Pam Hughes Sat 2 Women's 18 Hole Closing Golf Luncheon Dumitri's – Magic Moments Wed 6 Dumitri's Trivia Night 7 pm Fri 8 Dumitri's - Michael Sangster Sat 9 Dumitri's - Magic Moments Wed 15 Dumitri's - Tony David & Pam Hughes Thu 16 Dumitri's – Magic Moments Mon 20 Dumitri's Trivia Night 7 pm Wed 22 Dumitri's - Tony David & Pam Hughes Wed 29 Dumitri's - Tony David & Pam Hughes Thu 30 Halloween Party featuring Hot Toddy

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will look good. However, if you've updated your unit in any way, unless you have proper HO6 coverage, your unit will be replaced as stated above.

• Personal property of the Association (e.g., equipment, clubhouse contents, etc.)

- General liability on the common areas
- Fidelity coverage
- Director and officer coverage

H06 or Condo Coverage

Coverage varies, so contact a licensed insurance agent for details. By combining multiple policies, such as auto or life, you may be eligible for a great discount.

Insure yourself against an accident on your property

 remember if someone falls down in your yard, garage,
 or condo — the liability falls on you. Dragging them to a
 common area constitutes insurance fraud and may ruin
 a friendship, especially if you cause even further injury.
 There are several liability coverage options. Talk to your
 insurance agent, while your circle of friends is still well rounded.

• You worked hard to look this good — insure those improvements! Remember, a finished basement, upgraded countertops, kitchen cupboards, remodeled bathrooms, upgraded carpet/flooring, built in appliances, etc. wasn't part of the ORIGINAL building. Cover your assets!

• Insure your personal property contents - including

Letters

Metro Matters

Kathy Traynor Memorial

On Aug. 16, 2010, friends and family of Kathy Traynor gathered for a "hit and giggle" golf tournament at the Golf Club at Heather Ridge. Kathy was a long time member of Heather Ridge and loved to play golf with her many friends. She had two holes in one. Number 8 and 10.

"We had 100 golfers and another 30+ for the dinner and awards after-

ward. Great turn out and a fun day. She would have loved to participate." Special thanks to the golf staff, Dumitri and the friends that organized what could be an annual event. Enjoy Everyday!!!!

Pete Traynor

Metro Matters

The women's 18 hole club has enjoyed a busy year. October brings the end to our golfing season. The closing golf & luncheon is on Oct. 2. This event includes awards for the year and election of next years offi-

wall coverings, pictures, furniture, furnishings, computers, etc.

• Don't forget to check out coverage to make sure you have a place to stay that's paid for in the event your home is not habitable during repairs. That circle of friends gets rather small when you're sleeping on their couch and eating their food for more than a day or two.

• Do you know that a leak in your bathroom or a flood in your basement can cause a serious leak in your wallet if you don't have the proper coverage? (Hint: it's not in the master policy!)

I really do have a life, so this has to end somewhere. Just know, for less than a couple hundred bucks a year, your insurance agent can be your new best friend AND ensure you and your home are properly covered against accidents and disasters.

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cers. Look for the sign-up sheet out side the 19th hole.

Anne Murlin

Metro Matters

"Out to Lunch Bunch" survey. Any HRMD resident who would be interested in participating in a monthly lunch gathering at Dumitri's, please call Ginny Lewis, 303-337-6118, ginny.lewis@comcast.net. The time can be used to meet old and new friends, share successes and failures, gather ideas.

Ginny Lewis

Photos of Heather Ridge

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