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# January 2016



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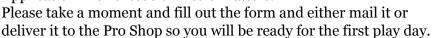
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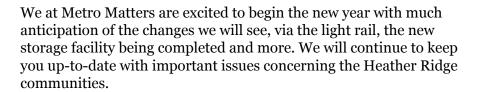


Happy New Year!

Even with all the snow we have recently had/ enjoyed, many of us are dreaming of walking on the golf course and watching our golf ball hit that "Hole-in-One".

The Heather Ridge Men's Golf Club and the Heather Ridge Women's Association 18-Hole have each put their 2016 Membership Application in this issue of Metro Matters.

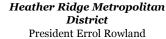




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## "Tomorrow is promised to no one!"

What an interesting and perhaps prophetic phrase. Is it saying, "Time waits for no one," and you better get done today because there might not be a tomorrow? Or, that you have no control over time but a greater power might? And better yet, how does it relate to Heather Ridge and its ten HOAs?

The ten Heather Ridge HOAs are Heather Ridge South, Fairway 16, Double Tree, Burgundy, Strawberry I & II, Sausalito, Country Club Ridge, Cobblestone, Cobblestone Crossing, and Chimney Hill. They are all independent community governments overlaid by the Heather Ridge Metro District which owns the golf course facility only. Each HOA operates separately from other Heather Ridge HOAs with perhaps two things in common – high turnover of

board members and limited training/experiences for the job.

Like so many HOA boards everywhere, HOA membership comes and goes – and that's the problem. Boards lacking membership stability may also lack continuity in knowledge, experience, and leadership. Getting something done tomorrow could be near impossible, so doing it today is critical.

The phrase, "Tomorrow is promised to no one," is credited to the Bible, Shakespeare, and other sources... including Clint Eastwood. If time waits for no one and no one has control over it, then how might HOA Boards operate in the best interests of their owners?

The answer is Leadership!

HOA boards with the best results usually have good leaders who take charge of today and plan for tomorrow. Those leaders are committed to knowing their community, planning, and working with others. Better yet, those communities publishing monthly articles in *Metro Matters* keep their property owners informed. Knowledgeable owners will support credible actions — raising dues, changes in HOA policies (parking, insurance deductible, major projects, etc.), or joining the board to fill a vacancy.

If you had a chance to buy time, would you buy today, yesterday, or tomorrow? As a board, you own today and yesterday but not tomorrow. To own it you must earn it, and that means informed and dedicated work for your community. It starts today.

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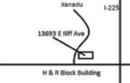


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10	11 6 pm Cobblestone Crossing Board Mtg, 3033 S Parker Rd #320	12 6 pm Burgundy Board Mtg Clubhouse	13 6:30 pm Sausalito Mo. Board Mtg HR Golf Club	6:30 pm Fairway 16 Brd Mtg-Clubhouse	15	Metro Matters Deadline
17	18 7 pm Country Club Ridge Board Mtg Noonan's	19	20 <sub>6:30</sub> pm - CH Board Mtg 19th-Hole 6:30 pm Strawberry I & II Board Mtg Clubhouse	21	22	23
24/31	25 6 pm Cobblestone Board Mtg HR Golf Club	6:30 pm HRS Board Mtg HRS Clubhouse	27	28	29	30



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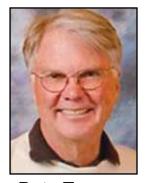
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# Market Change

"Home Closings in November Plunge!"

Yes, that was the Denver Post's business section headline on December 5, 2015. The headline caught everyone by surprise given our wonderful real estate year! However, if you read the article you might wonder if it had the wrong headline.

What prompted the headline was REColorado's (formally MLS) monthly real estate report that closings dropped 27 percent from October's 4,644 to November's 3,378 – a record drop not seen since November of 2008 (a 32 percent drop). However, closings normally decline 15 percent in those months, so why the extra decrease?



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The answer is found further in the Post's article - new federal regulations succinctly titled "TRID." Only the government could

make a new acronym title from other acronyms, but that's how it works. The "T" is from "TILA" which is the "Truth in Lending Act"; and the "R" from RESPA or "Real Estate Settlement Practices Act." The remainder of TRID is "I" for "Integrated" and "D" for "Disclosure." Don't you just love it?

This Act became effective October 3, 2015 for all loan applications thereafter. Its goal is laudable: that buyers know and approve closing costs at least three business days before closing. Wow, what a concept long time coming! Traditionally, closing costs and documents weren't available until the day of closing putting all parties under pressure to close whether they agree or not with figures. Under the new rules, if the figures change for any reason (two or more exceptions); the closing is extended another three days for compliance.

More than anything else, this has slowed down closings along with new loan processing and underwriting rules. Lenders who screw up could be fined let alone lose their mortgage license. The responsibility for correct performance falls on mortgage lenders and secondarily on title/closing companies. Real estate agents are charged to oversee the sale keeping everyone informed and contractually committed.

Heather Ridge saw little of this "doom and gloom" with homes quickly going under contract in October and November. Closings have slowed down given TRID, but sales have not. HRS homes on average are priced below \$200,000 where market demand is greatest; however, HRS prices skyrocketed last year with more and more homes now selling above \$200,000. In fact, Pete and Van recently sold a Double Tree listing for \$290,000 (see this month's Sold report for Heather Ridge — asterisks denote the five homes Pete and Van sold Nov 18 thru Dec 18 2015).

Please start 2016 by calling Pete or Van for a market update on your home. They will inspect and recommend improvements if needed, talk about market conditions, and answer the other 10,000 or more questions about buying and selling in today's ever-changing market. Remember – please don't leave home without them.



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### Homes Sold November 18 through December 18, 2015

НОА	SoldPrice	No.	Street	Be/Ba	SqFt	Sold Terms	Concess	Seller Type
Strawberry I	\$128,000	2602	S Xanadu Way A	1 - 1	856	FHA	\$0	Individual
Strawberry I	\$130,000	13625	E Yale Ave A	1 - 1	856	FHA	\$1,500	Individual
Cobblestone Crossing	\$184,000	13486	E Asbury Dr	2 - 2	1,208	FHA	\$250	Individual
Cobblestone Crossing	\$184,500	13536	E Asbury Dr	2 - 2	1,392	Conventional	\$3,400	Individual
* Burgundy	\$187,500	2679	S Xanadu Way A	2 - 2	1,260	Conventional	\$0	Individual
* Burgundy	\$195,000	2659	S Xanadu Way D	2 - 2	1,162	FHA	\$330	Individual
Fairway 16	\$220,000	2508	S Vaughn Way A	3 - 3	1,650	Conventional	\$0	Individual
* Cobblestone	\$235,000	2102	S Victor St A	2 - 2	1,392	1 Gar, Det, 1 Sp	\$0	Individual
Chimney Hill	\$243,000	13532	E Evans Ave	3 - 3	1,512	Cash	\$0	Corp/Trust
* Fairway 16	\$250,000	2508	S Vaughn Way F	3 - 3	1,650	Conventional	\$5,000	Individual
Doubletree	\$260,000	2691	S Vaughn Way	3 - 3	1,919	Conventional	\$0	Individual
* Doubletree	\$289,900	2663	S Vaughn Way	4 - 4	1,919	Conventional	\$3,000	Individual

Asterisk \* Denotes Sold By Pete and Van

### Homes Under Contract as of December 16, 2015

HOA	List Price	No.	Street	Be/Ba	SqFt	Gar/Spaces	Style
Strawberry I	\$125,000	2634	S Xanadu Way B	1 - 1	856	1 Carport	2 Story
Strawberry I	\$150,000	2690	S Xanadu Way B	2 - 2	1,153	1 Carport	2 Story
Strawberry II	\$165,999	2445	S Xanadu Way A	2 - 2	1,091	1 Space	2 Story
Strawberry I	\$175,000	2680	S Xanadu Way C	2 - 2	1,098	1 Carport	Ranch
Sausalito	\$200,000	2418	S Victor St A	3 - 2	1,273	2 Gar, Att	2 Story
Sausalito	\$219,900	2504	S Victor St C	3 - 2	1,230	2 Gar, Att	Ranch
Fairway 16	\$250,000	2548	S Vaughn Way D	4 - 4	1,650	2 Gar, Att	2 Story
Doubletree	\$259,900	13161	E Yale Ave	4 - 4	1,919	2 Gar, Att	2 Story

### Homes For Sale as of December 16, 2015

HOA	Price	No.	Street	Be/Ba	SqFt	Gar/Spaces	Style
Strawberry I	\$129,900	2612	S Xanadu Way B	1 - 1	843	1 Space	2 Story
Strawberry I	\$181,500	2694	S Xanadu Way B	2 - 2	1,153	1 Space	Ranch
Cobblestone Crossing	\$194,900	1975	S Xanadu Way	2 - 2	1,208	1 Space	2 Story
Chimney Hill	\$215,000	13637	E Evans Ave	4 - 3	1,344	1 Gar, Att	2 Story
Cobblestone	\$225,000	2161	S Victor St C	2 - 2	1,392	1 Space	2 Story









# Heather Ridge Golf Club Monthly Update

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### **Heather Ridge Men's Golf Club**

Happy New Year

I trust everyone had a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year holiday season, and I am sure several of us are eager to try out those new clubs we got for Christmas. Although the weather is not conducive for golf it will not be long and we will be back on the course participating in the Heather Ridge Men's Club tournaments.

Once again this year the Men's Club will feature 14 events to include the Member /Member, Club Championship and the Tournament of Champions tournaments. The Men's Club will have a Spring and Fall banquet with a new twist for the Spring banquet, details to follow.

The Men's Club will continue with the \$20 cash finder's fee for present members to sign up new members to the Heather Ridge Men's Club. The special golf shoe promotion of \$20 over cost was such a success that the golf shop is going continue the promotion again in 2016 for Heather Ridge Men's Club members. The golf shop computer system has been upgraded for more efficient operation and to service the customers. The grounds will feature a new look approaching the #6 green and there are several other project on the drawing board that will allow Heather Ridge Golf Course to maintain its high quality standards and commitment of making your golf experience an enjoyable

The 2016 application and schedule is on page 11 of *Metro Matters*, please fill out your application and return to the golf shop along with your payment as soon as possible so we can get you on board the HR Men's Club.

Look forward to seeing and playing with you this coming season.

Thanks for your support.

Loren J. Janulewicz President HR Men's Club

### HR Men's Golf 2016 Schedule

March 31	Men's Club Spring Banquet
April 2	Four-Man Shamble – A, B, C, D Players
•	8:00 am Shot Gun (Computer Draw)
April 16	Individual Gross/Net
•	T-times start at 8:00 am
April 30	Pending T-times start at 8:00 am
•	Possible 6-6-6
May 14	Point Par T-times start at 8:00 am
May 21 or	
May 28	Individual Gross/Net T-times start at 8:00 am
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June 4	Mixer, Men's Club & Women's Club
	8:00 am Shot Gun Start
June 18	Point Par T-times start at 8:00 am
July 9	Individual Gross/Net T-times start at 8:00 am
July 22, 23, 24	Member/Member
	T-times start at 8:00 am Saturday and Sunday
	Horse Race Friday T-times start at 5:00 pm
	Players must be within 10 strokes of each other
August 6	Point Par T-times start at 8:00 am
August 20	Pending T-times start at 8:00 am
	Must be within 10 strokes
August 27, 28	Club Championship T-times start at 8:00 am
September 10	Tournament of Champion T-times start at 8:00
am	
	Non-Winners Tournament to follow same day
September 22	Men's Golf Club Fall Awards Banquet
September 24	Year End Tournament 8:30 Shot Gun
	Two-Man Shamble (Computer Draw)

## Golf Club at Heather Ridge Men's Golf Association 2016 Membership Application

This year the GCHRMGA will continue a schedule of 14 tournaments to include a Member/Member, in addition to a Match Play tournament. Kick-Off banquet is March 31, 2016, first tournament is April 2, 2016. Membership is open to all male golfers who are 18 years or older. The nominal membership fee includes:

- USGA maintained GHIN handicap
- Access to GCHRMGA website http/hrmga.ghinclub.com (address/phone numbers)
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- Tournament access. Each tournament will have a \$20 per day fee which is paid out to the winners.

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	ent play only, and the pool will be shared by all who get a makes a Hole-in-One in 2016, it will be carried over at a
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### **Heather Ridge Women's Golf Association 18-Hole**

January, 2016 first Wednesday play day is on April sheet will be posted on the bulletin 6 and the first Saturday play day is on board near the pro shop in mid-April 9. You must be a paid member Dear Women Golfers, March. of HRWGA to participate. I would like to invite you to join the I hope you will join us for the 2016 Heather Ridge Women's 18-Hole You will find the application below. golf season. Golf Association for the 2016 Please complete the application and season. We have a fun-filled golf send it to Teresa Anderson before Please feel free to call me with any season with different tournament March 15, 2016. Your name, phone questions (303-619-8222). play each week from April through numbers and e-mail address will be September. listed in our membership roster. Sincerely, Patti Enright-Harris, President We have two play days, held on Our Kick-Off luncheon and meeting Heather Ridge Women's Wednesdays and Saturdays. The is Saturday, April 9, 2016. A sign-up 18-Hole Golf Association Heather Ridge Women's Golf Association 18-Hole 2016 Membership Application & Handicap Only Application Heather Ridge Women's Golf Association (HRWGA) is an organization open to women golfers who enjoy playing an 18-hole round of golf and who enjoy the camaraderie of their fellow women golfers. USGA/CWGA Handicap Service is available to HRWGA members and Handicap only members. Benefits of membership: Wednesday and Saturday play days Early tee times all Wednesdays and most Saturdays Membership/Guest Events Spring Luncheon and Fall Awards Event **Membership Rosters** Hole-in-One "Insurance" The Colorado Women's Golf Association (CWGA) bills Heather Ridge Women's 18-Hole Golf Association for all Women's Handicaps at the Golf Club at Heather Ridge. To join Heather Ridge Women's Golf Association. Membership dues are \$60.00 Fully complete the application below and mail it with your check (payable to Heather Ridge Women's 18-Hole Golf Association) to Teresa Anderson, 2438C South Victor Street, Aurora, CO 80014. To join Handicap Only. Fee is \$40.00 Note: This is to establish a handicap only and does not allow you to play with the women's golf league. Complete the address information for CWGA records and mail it with your check (payable to Heather Ridge Women's Golf Association) to Teresa Anderson, 2438C South Victor Street, Aurora, CO 80014 2016 Heather Ridge Women's 18-Hole Golf Association **Membership Application** 

(if received by March 15, 2016 will be included in the Roster)

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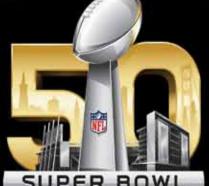
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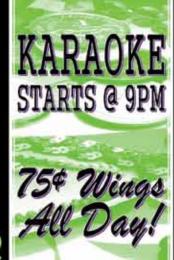


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### Heather Ridge Women's 9-Hole Golf Club

The Heather Ridge Women's 9-Hole Golf Club held its Annual Holiday Tea and Game Day at the Danbury Park Clubhouse on December 8, 2015. Along with the 9-Hole members the 18-Hole HRWGA ladies were invited, as well as guests.

Clockwise from top left (left to right): Marge Sumberg, Sonya Mathews, Sandy Finney, and Sally Simon. Mabel Jordan, Judy Straayer, and Sharon Gunderson. Chris Ledger, Sue Smith, and Bobbi Janulewicz. Ruth Bell, Sharon Berkowitz, and Dianne Barnes. Bonnie, Stacey Visentin, Joyce Scott, and Sharon Warembourg. Arlene Schell, Vonda Peecher, Guest, Marge Copeland, and Donna Brothis. Liz Clancy and Arlene Schell. Kathy Bonham, Natalie Hedlund, Ginny Lewis, and Joann Oswald. Sharon Warembourg and Joyce Scott

















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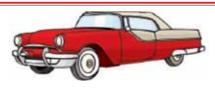
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The website is a wealth of information for residents in our community. This site can be viewed by homeowners, renters, real estate agents, future residents – basically anyone who wants to know more about our neighborhood and the activities we



are engaged in. In an effort to be more "transparent", communication between the HOA board of directors (your representatives) and our property management company is being shared with our neighbors. This comes in the way of a more timely posting of the minutes from the monthly meeting, revised Rules and Regulations (the guidelines for living in Burgundy) and any legal documents (still working on that one).

The updated and revised version of the Rules and Regulations is available online with printed copies being handed to all residents (owners and current renters). Copies will be mailed to off-site owners. Please make this document available to future residents.

Homeowner Insurance: Heading into the spring season with all kinds of weather possibilities, this is a great time to review the insurance coverage on your property. Whether you live in your home or rent from the owner, we all need to have adequate insurance coverage for our belongings. Each policy should include HO6 coverage that will help to offset HOA assessments for extraordinary issues.

**Security Issues:** While the Heather Ridge area is generally an extremely safe and secure neighborhood, we have experienced a couple of eyeopeners. Several weeks ago a homeowner called the management company to inquire when the window screens were going to be returned. The owner stated that people appeared at the door, said they were called by the management company to repair screens that were damaged by the hail. The owner was upset because it was taking too long. Unfortunately, not a happy ending. If something similar happen, remember that you will be notified by CMS if and when workers will contact you and verify the identification of any worker who appears at your door that you did not contact first.

The second situation occurred at Thanksgiving time. Several of the co-joined garages were broken into (at least one in all drives). The locks were popped to gain entry and the exposed cars were searched for identifying documents. Because it was a snowy holiday weekend, this wasn't discovered immediately.

Bottom line is that we have a responsibility to report anything/

anyone who appears out of the ordinary. If this involves criminal activity, call 911 – if not, call the PAR officer whose number is shown with Neighborhood Watch info.

**Post-Holiday Party:** We haven't forgotten about the post-holiday party. Please join your neighbors on Saturday, January 30 from 3 to 7 pm. Bring your favorite beverage and an appetizer to share. We may still have holiday decorations to put away!

**Board Meetings:** Homeowners are welcome and encouraged to attend the monthly meetings of your Board of Directors. We want and need your input. These meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 6 pm in the Clubhouse. The meeting sign is posted in the parking area during the week prior to the meeting.

Contact info for CMS: website www. cms-hoa.com, user ID is burgundy and password is aurora. This site is available to all residents, homeowners and anyone interested in knowing about Burgundy. Beth Wagoner, manager, 720-377-0100 X1304, beth@cmsincorp.net

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# Heather Ridge South

Annual Holiday Party... "And a good time was had by all"

HRS's December 5th Holiday Party was a tremendous success with over 50 guests polishing off ALL of the prime rib, turkey, and ham. Guests brought appetizers and side-dishes that filled two tables while the HOA provided gourmet desserts that caused diabetics to run in fear (this included me).

Many thanks to HRS board directors Linda Hull, Ronni Jones, and Dave Elgin who decorated the clubhouse in holiday lights and managed the party. They also conduct the summer pool party along

with management of the pool and clubhouse operation. Without them none of this would happen, so please tell them thanks. Also, let's not forget the many other volunteers who help them set up tables, decorate, and most importantly the clean up afterwards.

Annual Meeting, December 1, 2015: This year's meeting barely met quorum, but last minute arrivals saved the day. Because HRS publishes a monthly newsletter in *Metro Matters*, there were few questions about general operations, budget concerns, or personnel.

However, there were specific questions about architecture, leaf removal, and tree trimming. The architectural question concerned vinyl fences installed by the contractor who did the 2015 Triangle area drainage project. The contactor damaged and replaced two patio fences but with the wrong "style" that wasn't discovered until recently. Those fences will remain but all future fences must be approved before installation.

As for leaf cleaning and removal, the weather was blamed. Unseasonably warm weather in October and November mixed with snow kept our landscape company (JBK) off site. Most leaves were removed before the big December 14-15 snow storm, but once the snow melts the grounds will be inspected.

Some residents were concerned that tree branches were too close to chimneys and a fire hazard. In all cases with such concerns, please report them in writing to Janelle at Westwind Management Company. Each notice will be immediately inspected. If in the board's opinion a hazard exits, it will act. However, most requests can wait to be bundled along with other needs for job-cost efficiency.

Miscellaneous: Concerning snow and ice buildup, please contact Westwind for problems. Many reports concern ice buildup near downspouts caused by daily melting and freezing. If a driveway ice problem develops, call Westwind for a bucket of ice melt to be placed adjacent to your garage. Please don't "over use" the ice melt for a little bit goes a long way. Ice melt alone will not remove the ice, but it will soften it for easier scraping.

Also call when the bucket is empty.



Garage Parking: Please park in your garages! Parking outside of your garage hinders snow removal. It also creates an attractive nuisance for auto break-ins, hinders emergency vehicles, and lessens the community's appearance (HRS was designed with garages for cars, not room additions, storage, or workshops). To enforce parking rules, residents should contact Westwind for further investigations. All residents are entitled to equal access to their property, but exterior parking outside of a garage that block neighbors lessens ownership rights. Unit driveways are immediately outside of all garages but not defined by size. The HOA Declarations charges the board to oversee parking with powers for rule making and fines

Animal Control: Aurora City Animal Control rules govern HRS, so dogs and cats are not allow outside unless under leash control. Dogs are the biggest concern because of two attacks in 2015. Please call Aurora Animal Control (303-326-8288) or Aurora Police non-emergency for dog catchers on duty (303-627-3100). Please inform Janelle at Westwind for board review.

Van Lewis



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## Sausalito

Snow, Snow, and more snow – lovely, but sure tough on the commute. Drive safely.

**Neighborhood Watch:** Be alert to people walking throughout our community. Watch out for your neighbor's property while they are on vacation. Common courtesy.

**HOA Delinquencies:** Our HOA delinquencies continue to go down. Thanks for paying your dues and fines on time.

**Community Insurance Co.:** We have switched our community insurance from Nationwide to American Family. If you need insurance information, please contact H.O.A. Simple.

Trash Containers: There are too many trash containers and loose stacks of trash items being left out, or placed out after our Friday trash pick-up day. Our trash rules are clearly stated on the signs at each trash enclosure as well on our website. Trash containers can be put out on Thursday after 8 pm and must be put into your garage on Friday by 8 pm. Our wooden trash enclosures

are common area property and any items left there can be removed at the homeowners expense and a \$50.00 fine can be levied. These fines can be doubled or tripled for repeat offenders. You can purchase trash or recycling containers from Alpine Waste and Recycling at 303-744-9881.

Visitor Parking: Just a reminder that visitor parking is for visitors only with some restrictions. Ticketing and towing rules are posted on our website. Homeowners/renters are expected to park their cars in their two-car garage. For those of you who may own more than two cars, you



are to park on public streets like Vaughn Way. Cars are also not to be parked in a driveway and we have a zero tolerance policy for parking in auto courts. Also please leave visitor parking open when it is snowing so snow plows can have free access to plow.

**Board Meetings:** Homeowners are welcome to attend the monthly HOA Board meetings which are held on the second Wednesday of the month at 6:30 pm at the Heather Ridge Golf Club lower level. Our January 2016 meeting will be Wednesday the 13.

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# Chimney Hill

Happy New Year! It's hard to believe that the 2016 year has just begun!

**Thank You:** The CH Board would like to thank all the residents that came to our November annual meeting. At the annual meeting we said good bye to Amy Scott. She did a lot for the community while she served on our board. We also voted in 2 board members Kerry Reis, new to our board and community along with Scott Shaeffer who rejoins the board after a 2 year absence.

**Holiday Decorations:** Just a friendly reminder that all outdoor decorations need to be removed by the second week of January.

**Trash:** After the holidays we all tend to have more trash along with larger items for disposal. Please remember that we are all responsible for utilizing our trash removal bins appropriately. Our waste management company will charge the association extra for overflowing bins or trash items left outside the bin. If you witness anyone in the community leaving large items outside of any bin please report the responsible address to Alec at Accord Management, 720-230-7303 along with any other management concerns you may have.



Contact Accord: When emailing Alec (alec@accordhoa.com) please keep in mind that some emails may end up in the junk folder if your email address is not stored on Accord's computer. Please do not hesitate to make a follow-up call to Accord, 720-230-7303, to confirm the receipt of any email you have sent.

Winter Issues: Remember that winter is here even though it sometimes it seems that it's not. If you live in the North facing units please use the ice melt in the orange buckets if you feel that it is a bit slippery by your garage or on your steps. Remember that the steps will be shoveled when there is 2" of snow

on the ground and the streets will be plowed after the 4" of snow. Marked parking spaces are off limits when there is more than 2" of snow on the ground. Two parking spaces in front of the sign must be available to pile snow.

HOA Board Meeting: Home owners are welcome to attend the monthly HOA Board meetings which are held on the third Wednesday of the month at 6:30 pm at the Heather Ridge Golf Club's 19th hole. This month we will be meeting on January 20, 2016.

**Laura Leveroos** 

# Strawberry

**Welcome 2016:** We hope you had a great holiday and we look forward to a new year and new beginnings.

**Strawberry Board Meeting:** Our next regularly scheduled board meeting is January 20 2016. Board meetings are held in the Strawberry Clubhouse at 6:30 p.m. We value your input and encourage you to attend the meetings.

**Snow Removal:** Due to our limited space, snow removal continues to

remain a challenge. We are working with Emerald Isle to ensure our walkways and driveways are clear. With our last storm we encountered some obstacles with our snow removal. Those challenges have been addressed and future snowfalls will be handled more effectively. During heavy snowfalls, it may take up to two to three days to completely clean the property.

TV/Satellite/Architectural Control Requests: Before contracting with a satellite company or performing any architectural improvements outside of the building, you must have completed the approval process. Forms can be obtained on ACM's website portal. Contact ACM to get log-in information. If in doubt, check before proceeding. You can also contact ACM regarding any future projects.

Budget for 2016: After several meetings and modifications, the 2016 budget was presented and approved at the regularly scheduled November Board Meeting. With the everincreasing costs involved to repair, replace and perform maintenance,



a dues increase was imperative. By now you should have received the budget and your new HOA fee increase amount. Our biggest budget increase is attributed to skyrocketing insurance costs.

**HOA Board Members:** Your HOA Board Members are: Beverly Earley, President; Chris Nicklas, Vice President; Alan Stitleman, Treasurer; Brent Weynand, Director; and Jason Walker, Director.

**Chris Nicklas** 

# Country Club Ridge

Hope you all had a wonderful holiday!

#### **Happy New Year!**

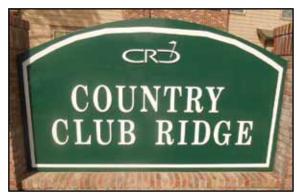
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~ Author Unknown ~

**Mocha Butkovich** 





# Fairway 16

**New Fencing:** Installation has begun for the complex. First installed were the 6' fences, where there had been that height fences prior. The other fences will be at 5' height. Residents can still negotiate with the contractor for fencing in personal areas other than front courtyards but the price will depend on when you contact Lowes and the size of area you want fenced. Contact Stanley Plaugher at Lowes, 303-369-4222 or 303-369-5791, or at his email: *Stanley.w.plaugher@store.lowes.com* for more details. Lowes will continue to contact residents in advance of courtyard fence replacement at their homes, so people will have time to move plants, furniture and decorations. Each courtyard

will present different issues you will want to discuss with the installation team, and you should definitely plan to be at home when they begin your courtyard, if your schedule allows. If not, you will want to contact them in advance and/or leave them written instructions or questions. As you can imagine, winter weather has held up the construction a bit, but it will progress as quickly as can be done.

**Budget:** At the Board meeting on December 10, the HOA Board approved the budget for next year. Our treasurer worked very diligently with our Westwind manager to construct a reasonable budget that will cover essential items, continue putting funds into our reserves, and keep on track with our maintenance schedules. This approval included an increase in the monthly association dues to \$295 per month. Residents will receive a new set of monthly payment coupons, if they have not already received them. Please note that we have not had a significant increase in monthly dues in years, and most nearby HOA's have already had significant raises or are doing so this year.

Holiday Party: Right after the



December 10 board meeting, we had a casual holiday party which was attended by quite a few residents. We had good conversations and an assortment of great savory and sweet foods, with an assortment of beverages. We hope to have these "get-togethers" several times in the coming year and hope to see Fairway 16 residents there.

**Sewer System:** Please keep in mind that we have an aging sewer system (as do all the HOA's in the area),

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### Fairway 16

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**please do not** flush the following items down the toilets: diapers, feminine personal products, dog "wee pads", or sanitary hand wipes (they really are **not** flushable despite what the boxes say).

**Other Updates Include:** 

- The R&R Committee will meet a few more times before presenting their recommendations. They are also working on updates to the Declarations and By-Laws, with a view to presenting those for resident approval at the April 2016 annual meeting.
- We still have some refrigerator magnets for residents, with the contact information for Westwind on them. Pick them up from a board member.
- Sadly, Walt Kirkwood has sold his unit and moved away from Fairway 16. Consequently he has submitted his

resignation from the HOA board. Walt's replacement will be selected by the present board, and will serve as a Member-at-Large.

**Board Meetings:** Our board meetings are the second Thursday of each month, at 6:30 pm in the clubhouse. Contacts at Westwind Management are: Tara at 303-369-1800, ext. 125, and her assistant Sarah at 303-369-1800, ext. 118.

**Karen Peters** 

### Sausalito

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**Property Management Company:** H.O.A Simple LLC. Contact Emily Bresina our Sausalito Manager at 303-260-7177 x5. If you need work done, replacement outside light bulbs, etc., please complete a maintenance request form on our Sausalito website.

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