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TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT

Trudy Peterson, General Manager



How Residents Can Participate In Traffic Enforcement Through The DCSO

As we have learned in all our research on traffic enforcement in Roxborough Park, the Douglas County Sheriff's Office cannot issue speeding citations in the community. They can however issue citations, into the Douglas County Court, for other violations of the Model Traffic Code. They can issue citations for careless driving, reckless driving, any alcohol related offense, illegal backing and hit and run. Speeding is not necessarily a factor in careless or reckless driving however it may be a component of the charge. Following are the definitions, directly from the Model Traffic Code, describing what constitutes reckless and careless driving.

- Reckless Driving - (1) Any person who drives any motor vehicle, bicycle, or motorized bicycle in such a manner as to indicate either a wanton or willful disregard for the safety of persons or property is guilty of reckless driving.
- Careless Driving – (1) Any person who drives any motor vehicle, bicycle, or motorized bicycle in a careless and imprudent manner, without due regard for the width, grade, curves, corners, traffic, and use of the streets and highways and all other attendant circumstances, is guilty of careless driving. (2) If the person's actions are the proximate cause of bodily injury or death to another, such person commits a traffic offense.

The Sheriff's Office will accept a signed complaint from anyone witnessing behaviors that they can attest fit the behaviors detailed in the definitions. Additionally the complainant needs to be able to identify the vehicle, license number, driver of the vehicle and the date, location and time of the incident.

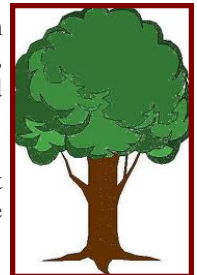
All of this does involve your time and commitment to making your neighborhood a safer place to live. If you observe people "behaving badly" behind the wheel of their vehicle, and you can provide the information needed, please take the time to contact the Douglas County Sheriff's Office at their non-emergency number, 303-660-7500, and report the incident to an officer. We should all strive to make it a community ethic that bad driving behaviors will be noticed and reported in Roxborough Park.

ROXBOROUGH TREE PROGRAM

Trudy Peterson, General Manager

Many of you responded to the idea of the Foundation obtaining trees at a reduced price and making them available to the residents. Unfortunately the Arapahoe Acres idea did not pan out as we had hoped. However, we are pursuing the same idea with another nursery. We are getting final plans organized to move forward with the project. We hope to be able to give complete information in the next week or so.

I will e-mail the information to everyone who has indicated an interest. If you did not respond to the August 6th Echoes article and are interested please e-mail your interest to me at tpeterson@roxborough-park.com. The particulars will also be included in the next issue of Echoes.



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AMENDMENTS 60 & 61 and PROPOSITION 101

The 2010 General Election includes three ballot issues; Amendments 60 and 61 and Proposition 101 that could have serious impacts on all local governments in Colorado. One of our residents spoke about the impacts that approval of these ballot issues would have on your county government and your school district. Your water and sanitation district may also be affected as their efforts to provide a sustainable water supply for the Roxborough area continues. The Board of Directors, at this time, has not chosen to take a position on any of the election questions however encourages every resident to read and research, on their own, the pros and cons of these ballot questions.

The Douglas County Board of County Commissioners, the Roxborough Village Metropolitan District and One Roxborough are a few of the entities that have passed Resolutions opposing Amendments 60 and 61 and Proposition 101. The Douglas County website however has a very balanced and impartial reference guide that would be helpful to residents in their research of these initiatives. You may find the Guide at www.douglas.co.us. Look on the left side of the homepage for "Hot Topics – 2010 Ballot Initiatives (60, 61,101) and Board Adopted Resolution of Opposition.". You can also go to www.colorado.gov and click on the "State Legislature" tab to access the Colorado Legislative Council section of the website to access information from their research of the initiatives. The Colorado Legislative Council is the nonpartisan staff and research arm of the Colorado General Assembly.

All three of these initiatives propose far reaching impacts to the citizens of Colorado. Please study these issues and be prepared to cast a well informed and well considered vote in November.

IPS BEETLE



We have had some foresters make comments that Castle Rock and Castle Pines are having a good deal of trouble with the IPS Beetle. We have seen very few trees here in Roxborough Park that have been infested with the beetle, however, it might be prudent to have a specialist look at your trees. We have learned that there are eleven different species of IPS Beetles in Colorado. Pine and Spruce trees are susceptible. When the larval tunnel, affected parts of the tree discolor ("fade") and die. These symptoms may be limited to parts of the tree, such as a single branch or the top. However unlike mountain pine beetle, infestation by IPS beetles does not necessarily mean the whole tree will die, but over time, attacks may progress as later generations "fill" the tree and then ultimately the host can die. We understand that there is a preventative sprays that can be used to stop the infestation and save trees.

You may learn more about IPS at <http://www.ext.colostate.edu/pubs/insect/05558.html>.



SUNDANCE RANCH OPEN HOUSE



Our next event will be an open house at the Sundance Ranch scheduled for Saturday September 11, 2010 from 1-4 pm. The 1908 silica brick homestead of Horace Persse will be open for you to tour.

The Sundance Ranch is located in Roxborough State Park and can be reached by hiking a mile from the electronic gate at the end of Roxborough Drive or by entering Roxborough State Park and hiking the Willow Creek to Carpenter Peak trails to the back road. No reservations are needed, however if you enter through Roxborough State Park you will need a State Parks Pass.

Come and enjoy a beautiful fall hike and learn about the fascinating people who once made the Sundance Ranch their home. If you have questions or need further information, please contact Susie Trumble at 303-973-8622 or roxhistory@q.com.

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SEPTEMBER IS YOGA MONTH

Yes, September is *National Yoga Month* (really!). And this year Park residents are lucky to have three terrific instructors teaching weekly yoga classes in the Roxborough Park Community Center. If you're new to yoga, or new to these instructors, please make a point to try a class. They are eager to share the physical and emotional benefits of yoga with you.

Drew Overholser, M.A., teaches **Monday, 9:00 to 10:15 AM**. Drew's been involved with yoga and mind/body fitness for over ten years and is a certified Hatha Yoga instructor. Drew's style combines alignment cues, safety, breath awareness, flowing movements, and strength building. His classes provide just the right amount of challenge, leaving participants feeling strong, balanced, centered, and more alive. Questions: drewoverholser@gmail.com or 303-884-2540.

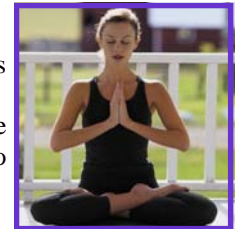
Kathy Rose teaches **Saturday, 8:00 to 9:00 AM**. She's been teaching for seven years and practicing for nine. Kathy teaches a blend of Vinyasa and Power yoga, having trained with Shiva Rea and Anna Forrest. She appreciates the opportunity to share yoga and hopes to serve as a clear vessel so each person can reach their own potential.

Questions: kathy.rose@comcast.net.

Terri Schader teaches **Tuesday, 7:00 to 8:00 PM**. She is newly certified through Yoga Fit, but has been practicing yoga for five years.

All classes are appropriate for Level 1 (beginning) and Level 2 (intermediate) students. So wear comfortable clothing and bring a water bottle and yoga mat. Current students -- men and women from 30 something to 60 something -- encourage you to check out this rewarding community resource this fall.

See the yoga calendar on the Foundation website: www.Roxborough-Park.com.



TRIPLE E PROGRESS

The emergency road, south of the electronic gate at Thunder Run is progressing very quickly. The new road will provide a route south, out of the Park, in case of emergencies. It will also provide a route for emergency vehicles to access the south part of Roxborough Park if they cannot use the main entrance.

The County has amended the design of the roadway to accommodate the existing conditions directly south of the gate. Fire mitigation will not be done until the road is complete and the Foundation can assess what needs to be done to make the roadway a safe ingress/egress for emergency use.

ENTRY BUILDING



I am sure anyone who has entered or left the community since Wednesday has notice the activity happening at the site of the new entry station. The road needed to be partially closed on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, during work hours to accommodate the installation of the utilities and the excavation of the building site. These should be the only days that traffic is disrupted to this degree during the construction.

Thank you all for your patience and your consideration during this construction! Building will progress at a steady pace and, providing we do not get an extreme amount of bad weather, the building should be in use by early November at the latest.

ART COMMITTEE

This year's upcoming Fall Fine Art Show and Sale is going to include a Silent Auction on Friday night the 5th of November at the reception which will be held from 5:30 - 8:00 pm. This is also an excellent time to preview and purchase artwork prior to the show opening to the public. Public show hours are 11-5 on Saturday and Sunday November 6 & 7.

We are gathering an interesting selection of items and services that will be open to bid on...stay tuned for news of what we are gathering!

We are still accepting applications for the show through September 17th which is the deadline for submissions.



TAC raises money through its events to help fund projects that are ongoing in the Community Center and to put on free shows for the Roxborough community, such as last winter's photography exhibit. Please help us continue to create these and other exciting events for you by supporting the shows and festivals. Members of TAC thank you!

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COLORADO STATE PARKS PASS



Just in time for fall outdoor activities and Holiday gift-giving, the Colorado Annual State Parks Pass will be available for purchase, effective September 1 at the Douglas County Recorders office, 301 Wilcox Street in Castle Rock.

Colorado's Annual State Parks Pass is valid for a full 12 months after purchase. The pass is good through the last day of the month, one year from purchase. Cost of the annual pass is \$60.00 and allows entry to all 42 Colorado state parks including the three state parks located in Douglas County: Chatfield State Recreation Area, Roxborough State Park; and Castlewood Canyon State Park.

For additional information please visit <http://www.douglas.co.us/clerk/recording> or contact the Recording Division by calling 303-660-7446.

DOUGLAS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE GOLF TOURNAMENT

2010 INNAUGURAL CHRISTMAS FOR KIDS GOLF TOURNAMENT

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2010 @1pm - 4 MAN MODIFIED SCRAMBLE

The tournament is a great way for us to raise funds for our Christmas For Kids Program. December is a ways off, but the program grows every year and the Sheriff's Office wants to make sure each kid sponsored has a happy Christmas Day. The program is funded solely by donations and in kind contributions.

We are also happy to partner with the Missing Kids Task Force, which helps fund issues surrounding missing kids in Colorado. Two great programs that need funding and one spectacular day of golf at a beautiful course.

The tournament is in September, but registration deadline is just over a month away. It will fill up quickly, so whatever you can do to spread the word and the tournament.



COST IS \$125.00 PER PLAYER and includes:

Lunch at 11:30am., green fees, cart with GPS, range balls, all on-course food, all on-course non-alcoholic drinks, personalized arrowhead bag tag and dinner.

PRIZES, SILENT AUCTION AND LONGEST DRIVE COMPETITION FOLLOWING THE TOURNAMENT.

PROCEEDS WILL BENEFIT OUR CHRISTMAS FOR KIDS AND MISSING CHILDREN PROGRAMS

Registration deadline is August 27th.



NAME _____ PHONE (____) _____ EMAIL _____

____ **INDIVIDUAL GOLFER:** We can assign if you are an individual golfer!!!!!!

____ **TEAM REGISTRATION:** One registration form per team. 4 players per team. Please list team members.

Name 2: _____

Name 3: _____

Name 4: _____

**Registration is limited to the first 144 paid golfers.
 Please make checks payable to Y.E.S.S. (A 501C3 non-profit)
 On the memo line please put Golf Tournament. Please send
 Payment and registration to: ATTN Sgt Jeff Bredehoeft or
 Deputy Brian Duffy at Douglas County Sheriff's Office
 4000 Justice Way, Castle Rock Co, 80109.**

Total Amount \$ _____

For questions please contact Sgt Jeff Bredehoeft at jbredeho@dcsheriff.net or 303-525-6719

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DOUGLAS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE



NARRATIVE: DOUGLAS COUNTY, CO – The Douglas County Sheriff's Office will be stepping up their efforts to apprehend intoxicated and impaired drivers during the up-coming Labor Day Holiday weekend which takes place the weekend of September 3rd. Deputies will be providing extra enforcement from Friday, September 3 at 6:00 pm through Monday, September 6, at 3:00 am.

The Douglas County Sheriff's Office along with many other agencies and the State Patrol will be out in force during this "**Heat is On,**" enforcement period. The Sheriff's Office will conduct DUI saturation patrols throughout unincorporated Douglas County on roadways that have been identified as problem areas for accidents and high incidents of DUI arrests.

Deputies will also be participating in the EUDL Underage Drinking Enforcement Project. Extra patrols are planned for the weekend to identify underage kids' illegally consuming alcohol. Deputies will concentrate on parks, open space and the National Forest areas where juveniles congregate, looking for underage consumption of alcohol.

"It is imperative that we do what we can to keep our citizens safe; those on the roadways, as well as the youth who may be faced with the decision to consume alcohol with other underage kids. I encourage parents to talk to their kids about the consequences of saying yes when faced with the decision to drink alcohol. For those adults who may be drinking at a holiday function, please have a plan in place and designate a sober driver before you get to any of your weekend festivities," says Sheriff Dave Weaver.

DOUGLAS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT



DCSD Offers Countless Ways to Volunteer in Local Schools

From organizing fundraisers, school events and yearbooks to reading to students, stuffing Thursday folders and working in the front office, Douglas County School District volunteers are instrumental in the success of our schools. In fact, more than 15,000 parents, grandparents and others assist our teachers, principals, staff, and students each and every day. Last year, these volunteers logged nearly 500,000 hours across the district.



Want to volunteer at your school? To more directly assist teachers and staff, most schools in the district have a part-time paid volunteer coordinator. The goal of the volunteer coordinator is to enrich student potential by serving as a liaison between staff and parents, placing volunteers in classrooms, libraries, offices, and computer labs. They also coordinate volunteers for special programs, such as Vision/Hearing Screening, New Family Outreach and Junior Achievement. To be a Community Volunteer, please apply directly to the school you are interested in.

Parent Organizations (PTO): At each school dedicated parents assist their school community in organizing fundraisers, and other events and activities within the school. These groups work within the community to foster goodwill with various local businesses as well. Contact your school directly for more information about how you can help.

Douglas County Spellbinders: Love to tell stories? The Douglas County Chapter of Spellbinders consists of trained volunteers telling stories in the oral tradition. Settings are classrooms, libraries or other supervised locales where stories can be presented in an informal, intimate way. The Douglas County Chapter of Spellbinders is a collaborative partnership between Douglas County Libraries and Douglas County School District. Spellbinders must complete a free, eight-hour training session that will equip them with the tools and techniques to be an effective storyteller, along with guidelines for working in our schools. Storytellers need to be 55 years or older. For more information email pqueen@dclibraries.org.



Want to know more about volunteer opportunities in our community? The Douglas County Volunteer Coalition, of which DCSD is a member, is hosting a Volunteer Fair for the public, September 16 at The Wildlife Experience in Parker. This is also a great opportunity for high school students needing community service hours to graduate to hear about different options that are available. To learn more about the event, click here. http://www.dcsdk12.org/portal/page/portal/DCSD/Communications/Timely_Topics/DCVC%20Volunteer%20Fair.pdf

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Don Rohr Resign as Co-Chair for the Trails and Paths Committee

Don Rohr has given many years of his time to the development of trails and paths in Roxborough Park. He has resigned as the Co-Chair of the Trails and Paths Committee to pursue other interests. Jim Hermann and George Rasmussen have been designated as the Co-Chairs for the Committee going forward.

Thanks go to Don for all his time, effort and care he has provided with his service to the Roxborough Park community. Good luck and many happy trails in your future activities!

Roxborough State Park Asks for Grant Funds to Acquire 60 Acres of the Goodwin Property

Del Kelley, Friends of Roxborough State Park, attended the August 24th meeting of the Board of Directors to inform the Foundation that Roxborough State Park has applied for a GOCO grant to acquire 60 of the 68 acres owned by the Goodwin family. The Park must come up with matching funds should they be successful in their grant application.

For more information please contact the Roxborough State Park at 303-973-3959.

Gina Sanderson of Council Fire is a Master Gardener and has submitted the following information for the Douglas County Extension Office. You can access their website at www.douglascountyextension.org. Hours for immediate help from a Douglas County Master Gardener are Mon- Fri, 8:30 am- 4:30 pm @ (720) 733-6935. The Douglas County Extension office is at 410 Fairgrounds Road, Castle Rock 80104. It is south on Santa Fe, east on Plum Creek Rd, north on Fairgrounds Rd and located in a Santa Fe styled building in the front end of the fairgrounds. The Master Gardeners welcome walk-ins with plant, soil, insect, and wildlife questions. Online, you can print "fact sheets" on the latest, research based horticulture practices in Colorado.

Gina is a volunteer Master Gardener for Douglas County and she states that they have a wonderful resource for you online, without cost, to determine the most successful trees and shrubs for our area, how to plant them properly; and keep them alive while they establish and grow. Gina says that this is a public service to Douglas County citizens and it is the most innovated, researched information in horticulture from our Land Grant University at CSU.

**THE FOUNDATION OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY,
SEPTEMBER 6TH.**

We hope everyone has a fun filled, safe holiday.



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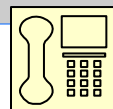
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