

DEER CREEK VILLAGES OWNERS ASSOCIATION

P.O. Box 1142, Cedaredge, CO 81413

Office: 855 SE Stonebridge Dr.

Office hours: Tuesdays 1p.m.-5p.m., Wednesdays 9a.m.1p.m.

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DCVOA Newsletter

Second Quarter

2023



Welcome to Spring!

Current Members of DCVOA Board and the DRC

The Board of Directors (BOD) is voted in by homeowners within our HOA! Each board member must also be a homeowner within the HOA, and they volunteer their time to help keep this HOA viable, in compliance, and financially stable. Protecting property values and keeping our area clean, safe, beautiful, and enjoyable is at the forefront of any decision made. The BOD also votes in active members of the community who have offered to volunteer their time to the Design Review Committee (DRC). This committee is set to meet with builders and homeowners to help ensure that the Design Review Guidelines are met for any architectural building plans /modifications, and landscaping plans. Please take time to thank these volunteers when you see them! If you would like to learn more about joining the BOD or the DRC, please visit with an acting member or with Tracy, the HOA manager. Thank you!

The 2023 officer positions are:

President: Tate Locke—hoatl99@outlook.com

Vice President: Sharon Coquillette—hawkeyes2utah@comcast.net

Treasurer: Linda Scott—la49scott@gmail.com

Secretary: Marcia Martin—marmacmartin@gmail.com

Member: Coy McTernan—cy.wellington5@gmail.com

DRC Member: Tara Fitzgerald—tara@tarafitz.com

DRC Member: Terri Howe—thowedrc@gmail.com

DRC Member: Kristine Adams—ihadams50@gmail.com

Tracy Brown of Your Admin Services, LLC, is an Independent Contractor providing part-time administrative/management services to DCVOA. She can be reached at the DCVOA phone number 970-312-0296. She also holds office hours on Tuesdays 1pm-5pm and Wednesdays 9am-1pm at the HOA building.

Please stop in to say hello, or reach out with any questions!



LANDSCAPING PLANS?

Please remember to submit all landscape plans to the DRC using either a request in PayHOA, or by reaching out to designreview@dcvoa.com. The guidelines and paperwork are also available at www.DCVOA.com. While the DRC has 60 days to approve all incoming plans, they do their best to process all requests as quickly as they can!

Own a vacant lot?

Please be sure to have lot maintenance coordinated for mowing and trimming to keep weeds and grasses below 8". Brush hog or brush hog type mowers are not allowed, and use of synthetic herbicides to control weed height is strongly discouraged. Monthly inspections of vacant lots will be performed from May through October. Questions? Please contact Tracy at 970-312-0296 or a Board Member. Thank you!

THE DESIGN REVIEW COMMITTEE NEEDS YOUR VOTE!

Our bylaws currently allow for a maximum of three DRC members; however, this limitation has created problems of availability in the past! We have had instances where there are no active DRC members (due to relocating, illness, resigning, etc.). We also have had so many builds in recent years that three members just isn't enough to easily keep up and be available to builders, landscapers, and homeowners. Adding two more members for a total of five, is the desire of both the current (and past) BOD and the DRC members. In order for this to take place, we will (once again) put it to vote at the annual meeting in December. Each time it has been put to vote, it passes with a majority, BUT, we are not having enough members vote overall to meet the quorum necessary to pass any vote! This year the BOD is asking you to fill a Proxy vote, specific to this issue, that can be counted at the annual meeting. This gives members the entire Spring, Summer, and fall to get their Proxy on file in the office specific to this vote. If you can see the value in helping with this issue, please request your Proxy via email, or stop in the office and ask Tracy for one. Thank you for your consideration!

Cluster boxes 101 by: Marcia Martin, BOD Secretary

Cluster Box Units (CBUs). Or community mailboxes, dot the neighborhood in the Deer Creek Villages Owners Association (DCVOA), and many of us elect to receive and send mail at these convenient locations. The U.S. Postal Service (USPS) does not own, install, or maintain these boxes just as it is not responsible for individual mailboxes installed in a property-owner's front yard. In addition, CBU owners must guarantee that the USPS can easily access the boxes for mail delivery and pick up.



According to their website, the USPS encourages residents to use CBUs as they, "...offer the greatest amount of fuel savings and carbon emission reductions because carriers can deliver mail to multiple customers during a single stop with less truck idle time. Increasing the use of centralized delivery for new and existing customers helps the Postal Service create 'greener' neighborhoods across the country."

According to USPS, here are the locations of the CBUs in our neighborhood:

| Location | Description |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Stonebridge (south) | Used by DCVOA and Townhomes |
| Stonebridge (north) | Used by DCVOA |
| Jay Ave / Stonebridge | Used by Townhomes |
| Village Ave | Used by Townhomes |
| Fairway Dr. | Used by DCVOA |
| Pine St. / Fairway Dr | Used by DCVOA |
| Pinyon St. / Fairway | Used by DCVOA |
| Deer Creek / Birdie Circle | Not in HOA |
| Deer Creek / Fairway | Not in HOA |

Currently the CBU on SE Pinyon St. has a leak. The Board has been looking into solutions ranging from a metal shroud to a new box. There are 31 lots in that area which, when built out, will require a larger box than is currently there, to serve the residents. The average cost of a box is \$2600.00 not including freight and installation, and of course, maintenance. The Board has projected this expense and made an allotment for repair or replacement of the CBU in the 2023 budget.

Snow removal for the Stonebridge south CBU and parking area has also been budgeted for 2023. Additional CBUs are not anticipated to need snow removal unless a significant amount has fallen and the town plows have created drifts.

If you have not previously used cluster boxes, there is an "outgoing" mail slot in each cluster that you can use for your convenience. Also, if you receive a key in your mailbox, it is used for opening the larger community box within the cluster to receive packages too large for your own box.

Are you new to our HOA?

Welcome to all who have recently joined our neighborhood! Please be sure to stop in the HOA office or contact Tracy at dcvoa2022@gmail.com to be sure your information is updated in our system and to receive a welcome packet with information specific to living in DCVOA and Cedaredge! These welcome packs can be emailed or picked up in the office on Tuesdays 1pm-5pm or Wednesdays 9am-1pm—please stop in to get yours!

Useful and On-going Information:

The HOA office is located at: 855 SE Stonebridge.

- Mailing address: PO Box 1142, Cedaredge, CO 81413
- Drop box is available and located by front door of HOA building
- Current office hours: Tuesdays 1pm-5pm, and Wednesdays 9am-1pm.
- Manager: Tracy Brown
- Phone: 970-312-0296

All members are welcome and invited to take part in all board meetings! These monthly meetings are designed to help keep your HOA fully functioning and well managed, and we appreciate the open communication within the community. Times and dates of monthly meetings are posted in advance on the PayHOA community calendar, at the front entrance of the HOA office, and online at DCVOA.com.

Dogs can be such an important part of our lives! Please remember that the Town of Cedaredge requires your dog to be registered with the town, and that leash laws are in effect anytime your dog is off of your property. Our neighborhood is full of activity including people walking with their dogs, so please be sure to follow the leash law for the safety of all. As a side note, please know that no pets are allowed in the HOA building.

Trash pick up is scheduled on Tuesday mornings (approx. 9am). Please put your trash cans out Tuesday morning rather than the night before—we have a lot of wildlife that can be a nuisance if it is put out too early. Your trash pickup is included in your HOA dues and covers weekly pick up of a maximum of 90 gallons of waste per household. You may use up to three 30-gallon trash containers, or you may call Bruin Waste to arrange for a 90-gal waste container. The 90-gal container is an additional charge to you directly from Bruin Waste (970-835-8886).

Recycling: You can take recyclable cardboard and paper to the large containers located just north of Food Town by the Public Works building. There is an aluminum can donation site on the NE side of the Food Town parking lot, or plastic/glass/tin/aluminum can also be dropped off at the Bruin Waste recycling center in Austin (currently at no charge). You can also contact Bruin Waste for recycling pickup at your home—this will be a separate expense between you and Bruin Waste.

Please make sure you are familiar with our HOA Declarations, Rules & Regulations, and Design Review Guidelines, particularly if you are planning improvements. All of this as well as information on Board Meetings and Association events can be found in your PayHOA account, or online at DCVOA.com. Please see the side note for important information regarding your PayHOA account.

PayHOA system

If you have not logged in to your account on our PayHOA system, please consider making it a part of your 2023 routine!

If you have not yet received an “activation” email to set up your PayHOA account, please send Tracy an email at dcvoa2022@gmail.com to request an account activation link, or stop in the office to get it set up.

PayHOA is an interactive website where owners can view their accounts, pay online, keep track of their building or landscaping requests, participate in surveys, and access HOA governing documents.

Using PayHOA helps automate our billing system, and can more easily track and update account information

We are also able to send communication from the Board to Owners through PayHOA, helping keep everyone up-to-date with current events, and it also serves as a message board for the community.

As we all know, the cost of most everything has increased over the past year and postage increased again in 2023. Using our PayHOA system to email invoices and important news saves on costs for the HOA, which in turn can help keep our dues from additional increases.

If you haven't provided an updated information sheet for 2023, please let Tracy know and she will update your account for 2023.

Thank you so much!!



Cedaredge Golf Course News:

Are you new to the community? New to golf? A longtime resident that has never been to the golf course? If so... You are exactly who we are looking for at Cedaredge Golf Course.

We would like to invite you to stop by and check us out. My name is Winston and I am the golf pro at Cedaredge Golf Course. What I would like to do is set up a time to take you, and anyone else that would like to tag along, on a brief tour of the facilities at the golf course. You can check out the Pro Shop where we sell a bunch of golf stuff, and take a look at the Lucky Shot Restaurant where they serve snacks, beverages, lunch and dinner. We even have a beautiful streamside covered patio for you to relax and enjoy watching the abundant wildlife on the golf course. After the tour, if you would like, I will even take you to the driving range or the putting green and let you try the game for yourself, with a little bit of coaching from me. We have all the equipment for you to use. All ages are welcome!

Here's the deal. Golf often has a negative reputation that it is only for the elite. I would like to change that perception at Cedaredge Golf Course and invite the entire community, whether golfers or not, to come out and see **YOUR** golf course and this fantastic facility we have in Cedaredge.

What's the catch you might ask? There is no catch! It's **FREE** and we would love to have you check us out and see for yourself how welcoming and beautiful this place is.

To set up an appointment, you can give me a call or email me personally. Or, if you have some time and would just like to stop by and say hello and check us out for yourself, you don't need an appointment or an invitation, just come on by anytime during daylight hours. We would love to see you!

Cedaredge Golf Course 970-856-7781 ~ Whowe@cedaredgecolorado.com ~ www.cedaredgegolf.com



*The Lucky Shot Restaurant is at the golf course!
Serving Wood Fired Pizzas Wednesdays - Saturday 1pm—8pm.*

Come sit on the deck and enjoy the view or call ahead for a pick-up order. 970-856-5035

