



# Ridge Crest

Nov. 2008

H o m e o w n e r s      A s s o c i a t i o n

## 2009 Budget Ratification Meeting

The Budget Ratification meeting will be held on November 11th, and Association members are encouraged to attend. A meeting announcement and copy of the new budget has been mailed to all members, for review prior to the meeting. Unless 67% percent of members vote to reject the new budget at this meeting, it will be automatically approved.



## Snow Removal Code

Did you know that homeowners are required to remove snow from sidewalks that border their own property per the Firestone Code.? The Code reads:

*Firestone Code 12.28.140:*

*It is unlawful for any owner, occupant or manager of any lot, tract or parcel of land within the town, to allow any snow or ice to accumulate or remain upon any sidewalk alongside such property longer than forty eight hours from the time of the last accretion of such snow and ice. (Ord. 248 §1, 1989; Ord. 246 §154(part), 1988; prior code §11-41).*

After forty eight hours, a citation may be issued. Our grounds contractor plows snow from common area walks, and the “eyebrow” streets along St. Vrain Ranch Blvd. The Town plowing subcontractor clears streets in our community. This plowing schedule is posted on the Firestone website (<http://www.ci.firestone.co.us/>) during, and immediately after, snowstorms. The schedule indicates that emergency routes and collector streets (like Sable Ave. and Firestone Blvd.) get cleared first.

## Monthly Newsletters



Newsletters are posted to the HOA website the first week of every month, and hardcopy newsletters are mailed only to new homeowners for the first three months. Members can subscribe to receive the newsletter, by email, through the HOA website. To sign up for this automated service, navigate to the *Subscribe* link, on the homepage menu bar on the left, and enter your email address when prompted. Hardcopies are also available by request, by contacting Hammersmith Management’s Client Services dept. (see sidebar).

## Decorating Committee

The HOA has allocated funds for Christmas decorations, and is calling for volunteers to form a decorating committee. The goal is to adorn entrances and other areas around the community. There are currently no provisions for lighting at these locations, but the HOA is installing power at the monument sign on CO 15. The HOA will consider ideas from the committee regarding materials, style, and location. Contact the community manager or board, to participate in this effort.

### Board of Directors:

Wendy Osborn - *President*  
Kelly Deitman - *Vice President*  
Kelly Lanning—*Secretary*  
Denny Usher  
Laura Kocur

### Direct Board Email:

[board@ridgecresthoa.com](mailto:board@ridgecresthoa.com)

### HOA Website:

[www.ridgecresthoa.com](http://www.ridgecresthoa.com)

### Arch. Advisory Committee:

Kelly Lanning  
Kelly Deitman

### Welcome Home Committee:

Penny Gagliardi  
Kelly Lanning  
Stacey Cummins  
Mary Benson  
Tina Urbanski  
Jaime Hodgson  
Jacqueline Peterson  
Brenda Wagner

### Management:

Ridge Crest Homeowners Assoc.  
c/o Hammersmith Mgmt., Inc.  
5619 DTC Parkway, Suite #900  
Greenwood Village, CO 80111  
[www.e-hammersmith.com](http://www.e-hammersmith.com)

### Community Manager:

Kacie Dreller

### Client Services:

303.980.0700  
[clientservices@e-hammersmith.com](mailto:clientservices@e-hammersmith.com)

### Board Meetings:

Board of Directors meetings are on the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm. Meetings are held at Sable Landing Event Center, 5691 Sable Avenue, (WCR 22), Firestone.

## Trustees Open Forum

One of our Board members recently attended a Trustees Open Forum, and asked Trustee Kelly Morgan the following:

Remember to honor  
Veterans on  
November 11th

- Question: How many Firestone Police Officers are on duty 3<sup>rd</sup> shift (overnight)?  
Answer: Two Patrol, and one Supervisor.  
Question: How does that compare to equal sized cities?  
Answer: The patrol coverage is above average, for equal sized.  
Question: Has Firestone considered adjusting the permit/fee charges for new residential construction, to attract more residential builders.  
Answer: At this time, no adjustments are considered.  
Question: Lower permits issued, will equal less income into the city coffers. Have there been budget adjustments?  
Answer: Yes, the 2008 and 2009 budgets were both adjusted, to compensate, although my notes did not record dollar amounts or percentages.  
Question: The City of Aurora is considering Legislation that will allow more effective control on the appearance of foreclosed, bank owned properties. This would help prevent the depreciation of neighboring properties, due to neglected homes. Would Firestone consider looking into this action?  
Answer: It will be researched.  
Question: Why are the undeveloped lots not held to the same weed control standards as the homeowners in the communities?  
Answer: They are, and will be monitored more closely, by the CSO, who does a very good job overall.  
Question: Please explain the correct procedure for complaints, regarding loose or barking, and nuisance dogs. What numbers to call during what hours?  
Answer: The regular Firestone Police 303-833-0811 or 720-652-4222.

## Local Advertising

The HOA is offering free advertising space to small business owners in the Ridge Crest community. Space is available in newsletters and the *Community News* portion of the website. Email the Board with your name, contact info., and type of business. A Director will be in touch to discuss options.

## Comments from 1955

“If cigarettes keep going up in price, I’m going to quit. A quarter a pack is ridiculous.”

“If they raise the minimum wage to \$1.00, nobody will be able to hire outside help at the store.”

“Did you see where some baseball player just signed a contract for \$75,000 a year just to pay ball? It wouldn’t surprise me if someday they’ll be making more than the president.”

“It won’t be long before young couples are going to have to hire someone to watch their kids so they can both work.”

“I’m afraid the Volkswagen car is going to open the door to a whole lot of foreign business.”

## Firestone Information

### Fire Department

Frederick-Firestone  
Fire Protection District  
303.833.2742

### Firestone Police Department

303.833.0811

### Carbon Valley Medical Ctr.

303.833.3888

### Brighton Community Hospital

303.651.1513

### Carbon Valley Animal Hosp.

303.651.7387

### Coal Ridge Animal Hosp.

303.833.1137

### Xcel Energy

303.659.0551

### Kinder Morgan

800.563.0012

### Tri-Area Sanitation District

303.833.2977

303.776.9570

### Postal Service

303.833.2412

800.275.8777

### Carbon Valley Rec. District

303.833.3660

### Tri-Area Senior Center

303.833.4300

### Prairie Ridge Elementary

720.494.3641

### Coal Ridge Middle School

303.833.4176

### Carbon Valley Academy

303.774.9555

### Imagine Charter School

303.772.3711

### Weld Library District

303.833.3510

### Town of Firestone

[www.ci.firestone.co.us](http://www.ci.firestone.co.us)