



WEATHERSTONE AT HIGHLANDS RANCH

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WEATHERSTONE NEWS...

President's Message – by Pat O'Keefe

Hello Weatherstone residents!

The Weatherstone Board has gone through some changes this year. Most notably, two of our longest serving members – Skip Wehner and Clay Shubin – have completed their board service. Skip and his family have moved to Texas. Clay has started a new job with new demands on his time. Their contributions over the years haven't been incredible and I personally appreciate the passion they showed for our amazing community.

These openings have created opportunities for new members and some fresh perspectives. Eric Mack, Walter Morton and Rob Schultz joined earlier this year, and Martin Perkins recently assumed the opening when Clay stepped off the board. We are lucky to have them give a little of their time to Weatherstone. This is my third year serving on the board. I guess that will have to pass for seniority and experience with the new group in serving as president.

Our focus over the past year has been the upkeep of our existing community assets. It is hard to believe the community has been around long enough to worry about wear and tear, but it has and we do. We made a major investment earlier in the year by replacing all of the mulch in the common areas. We re-stained the pergola at the pool. In the next few weeks, we will re-paint the wrought iron fence around the pool and picnic area. In the less visible category, we had to replace a few major components in the pool boiler and some sprinkler system hardware.

On the always-interesting topic of pool behavior and related security, we took a slightly different approach this year. We contracted for a combination of an on-site guard during the busy days and random patrols at night. Not perfect, but definitely less trouble than previous years. That said, the Board will review our approach and dedication of financial resources before we make any commitments for next summer. Your comments and ideas are welcome.

I hope everyone has a fantastic rest of the summer.

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Community News – by Jean Fraser

Don Guffey passed away with his family at his side on Saturday, June 26, 2010. Don was an amazing father, friend, volunteer, brother and son. He leaves behind his beloved son, Tommy, his favorite dog – Duke and a long list of dear friends and family. Don will be deeply missed by the Weatherstone Community. He worked tirelessly as a volunteer and a sponsor on the Weatherstone Social Committee for the past seven years and he was always involved in all of our Weatherstone and community outreach events. It was always a pleasure to work with Don on any project that I had and he and I spent many hours creating the first and second Weatherstone Guides and the Welcome Packets for new neighbors. As we look back over the past seven years many of us can remember Don walking his dog Duke and visiting with neighbors, wearing his chief hat and grilling at the Pool BBQ, sponsoring the annual Garage Sale and the Dunk tank at the Concert for Kyle, hosting a fundraiser for The Sunshine Kids Foundation and The Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure, donating the bouncies for the Fall Carnival and hanging and organizing the Christmas Lights. When Jill Lamb went into real estate Don was her mentor. Don will always be remembered as the neighbor with the bright blue eyes and the million-dollar smile; someone who was a great friend and who was always involved in his community. To his friends and family; “Don Guffey was the Prom King of Weatherstone”. Our deepest sympathy goes out to the Guffey family.

Volunteers Needed on the Social Committee

If you're interested in volunteering on the Social Committee please contact Jean Fraser at jmlfraser@comcast.net. Please see openings available under the Block Captain list in the far left column.

Message from the Treasurer by Rob Schultz

Our FY2009 Audit has been completed (but not approved as of the authoring of this). Upon approval by the Board it will be posted on our website at www.weatherstone.us.

Some highlights from the annual audit:

- Our Replacement Fund has a balance of \$109,561.
- The Operating Fund reflected an estimated surplus of over \$30,000. The bulk of which was transferred to the Replacement Fund for scheduled repairs.

Generally, revenues and expenses are in accordance with expectations. Some extraordinary items worth mentioning that are not in the budget include:

- The funding of some irrigation maintenance that has already shown savings in our monthly utility costs;
- Costs for mulch in the community had been budgeted for, and provided for, in part, by savings from last year's revenues. However, it was decided to replace the mulch one year earlier than anticipated (this will show as a net unfavorable variance to the budget in the next quarterly report); and,
- Repairs to the boiler at the pool and new doors for the maintenance shed will be extraordinary items as well.

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Lastly, I would like to mention three specific proposals on the November ballot – Amendment 60, 61 and Proposition 101. While the Board does not formally have a position on these initiatives, I feel they are worthy of significant personal research and thought. These proposals will affect our community directly. Please find more information at <http://www.ballotpedia.com/wiki/index.php/Colorado>.

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