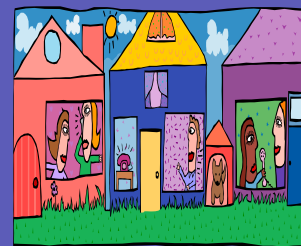




# The Bluffs Newsletter



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March 2007

## The Bluffs at Seven Hills HOA Calendar 2007

APRIL 3<sup>RD</sup>

HOA MEETING—  
7:00pm BARBARA SCHWARTZ

APRIL ??

EASTER EGG HUNT –  
VOLUNTEER  
NEEDED

APRIL 14<sup>TH</sup> RAIN OR  
SNOW APRIL 28<sup>TH</sup>

SPARKLE DAY-  
CLEAN UP 10:00am  
GEORGE TAKACS

MAY 8<sup>TH</sup>

HOA MEETING -  
7:00pm BARBARA  
SCHWARTZ

MAY ??

COMMUNITY GA-  
RAGE SALE  
VOLUNTEER  
NEEDED

JUNE 5<sup>TH</sup>

HOA MEETING -7pm  
BARBARA  
SCHWARTZ

JUNE ??

BLOCK PARK-  
VOLUNTEER  
NEEDED

JUNE ??

ICE CREAM SOCIAL-  
VOLUNTEER  
NEEDED

## EMAIL ADDRESS

### REQUIRED!



WE WOULD LIKE TO DISTRIBUTE THE NEWSLETTER AND ALL HOA INFO BY EMAIL. PLEASE SEND YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS TO [edfoster1@comcast.net](mailto:edfoster1@comcast.net). THANKS



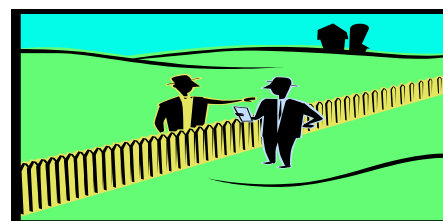
## NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH??

IS ANYONE INTERESTED IN HELPING DAN SULLIVAN SET UP A NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH PROGRAM ? THIS ISSUE WILL BE DISCUSSED AT THE HOA MEETING APRIL 3<sup>RD</sup>.

HOA MEETING IS ON TUESDAY APRIL 3<sup>RD</sup> AT 7:00 pm. THE MEETING WILL BE HELD AT THE HOME OF BARBARA SCHWARTZ .

THIS MEETING IS FOR **ALL** HOMEOWNERS WITH CONCERNS FOR AND ABOUT OUR NEIGHBORHOOD.

PLEASE CALL 5 DAYS IN ADVANCE OF MEETING WITH ADDITION TO THE AGENDA @ 303-766-1999.



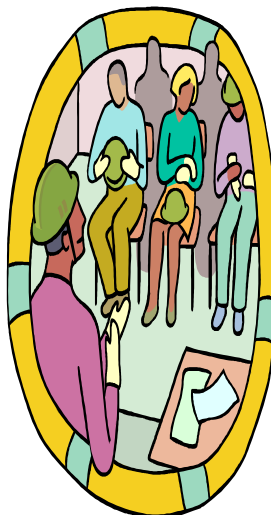
## EXTERIOR PAINT??

PLANNING ON PAINTING THE EXTERIOR OF YOUR HOME? PLEASE CONTACT BARBARA FOR THE COLOR CHART AND SEAN GILLETTE OF THE ADC COMMITTEE FOR APPROVAL.

## Volunteers Needed!!

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS TO BE IN CHARGE OF OUR EASTER EGG HUNT, COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE, JUNE BLOCK PARTY.

IF YOU ATTENDED THE OCTOBER 2006 HOA MEETING AND SIGNED UP TO BE A VOLUNTEER (HERE IS YOUR CHANCE) PLEASE CALL BARBARA SCHWARTZ @ 303-766-1999 YOU ASSISTANCE IS GREATLY NEEDED.



## THE BLUFFS HOA BOARD MEMBERS

BARBARA SCHWARTZ,

PRESIDENT 303-766-1999

TIM JOHNSON,

BOARD MEMBER 303-617-1229

ELTON JONES, BOARD MEMBER 303-699-7161

RITA HARRIS, SECRETARY 303-617-0486

JOMARIE VANN, BOARD MEMBER 303-693-8937

GEORGE TAKAS, ADC 303-693-6607

SEAN GILLETTE, ADC 303-954-49432

Dear Homeowners,

Is anybody missing a bottle of Gordon's Citrus Flavored Vodka? The contents, of course, are missing, but I do have the bottle. My husband found it in our mail box.

"Small thing," you say. True. But that is exactly what successful communities are based on – a series of small things strung together to create a community that works.

How are we doing? Since your homes represent an investment hovering at three hundred thousand dollars this is a worthwhile question. Look around and decide for yourselves Ask your friends living in surrounding communities.

Look at the wood fences falling in every direction left to lay there by the homeowners or renters exposing yards filled with trash and even garbage. Look at the shopping centers where gangs of young men move restlessly from place to place holding up their pants and being vulgar, usually accompanied by half dressed young girls. Look in the creeks that run through Aurora. The main form of wildlife seems to be half submerged shopping carts.

Does any of this have anything to do with us or our homes or our community?

If you think it doesn't, I think you are probably part of the problem rather than part of the solution.

Look again at our community. See the new Bluffs sign installed on the Floyd corner by Ed Foster of our community. Look at our fence between the Lutheran Church and the west side houses - it is in repair after thirteen years. Caring starts with each of us. There are plenty of people who do and you deserve our respect and thanks.

There are chances to serve the community in big and little ways. The first is keeping up your own home and yard. Did you notice how many people shoveled their walks and driveways during our snowy winter? Sean Gillette used his snowblower to clear the walks on Cornell saving us getting a citation. Our surrounding neighborhoods didn't do as well.

The second is - don't be anonymous. Get to know your neighbors. That sense of identity and caring is exactly what is missing from so much of Aurora. Do you have problems with your property or the community? Let our HOA Board know. Don't think it doesn't matter or that you don't either. I frequently hear that America is going downhill. It can go the other way - person by person, family by family and community by community. I know The Bluffs can make a difference!

## NEWSLETTER PUBLICATION

THE NEWSLETTER WILL BE PRINTED EVERY QUARTER. IF YOU HAVE SOMETHING THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO HAVE PUT IN THE NEWSLETTER, PLEASE SEND THE INFORMATION TO [edfoster1@comcast.net](mailto:edfoster1@comcast.net). OR CALL EMILY FOSTER @ 303-400-5286. THE DEADLINE WILL BE THE 15<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY, SEPTEMBER & DECEMBER 2007.

## NEWSLETTER ADVERTISEMENTS

DO YOU HAVE A SERVICE THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADVERTISE? Such as babysitting, lawn care etc.

DO YOU HAVE A PRODUCT TO SELL? NEW OR USED? PUT IT IN THE NEWSLETTER!!

CONTACT EMILY OR VIRGINIA FOSTER AT 303-400-5286 OR EMAIL TO [edfoster1@comcast.net](mailto:edfoster1@comcast.net).

## ADVERTISEMENTS



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HOME SECURITY CONCERNS?  
CALL ED FOSTER OF ALERT MONITORING SERVICES AT 303-618-2678 . SPECIALIZING IN HOME & BUSINESS



## SPECIAL THANKS TO

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**SEAN GILLETTE FOR CLEARING THE NORTH COMMONS AREA OF SNOW**

**GEORGE TAKAS FOR HEADING UP SPARKLE DAY**

**DAN SULLIVAN FOR MAINTAINING HOA WEB SITE**

**ED FOSTER FOR REPLACING LETTERS ON SIGN AT SOUTH ENTRANCE**



### MARCH GARDENING TO DO LIST

- Plant dormant, hardy container and balled and burlapped plants
- Sow seeds of warm-season annuals indoors
- Remove winter mulch, lightly cultivate soil if thawed
- Prune out winter damage
- Apply dormant spray to fruit trees
- Plant or transplant frost-tolerant [perennials](#)
- Sow seeds for tender [perennials](#) indoors
- Plant bare-root roses
- Plant bare-root trees, shrubs, and vines
- Prune winter-blooming shrubs and vines just after bloom
- Plant bare-root perennial vegetables (asparagus, rhubarb etc.)
- Plant seedlings of cool-season vegetables
- Sow seeds for cool- and warm-season vegetables
- Protect tender plants from frost

### Own Root Roses

#### THE ADVANTAGES:

- HEALTHIER PLANTS
- NO VIRUS
- MORE BLOOMS
- MORE WINTER HARDY
- NO ROOT STOCK SUCKERS
- TRUE TO TYPE
- LONG LIFE
- OWN ROOT ROSES

Own root roses have several advantages over budded roses: they are more winter hardy; they are more virus free and no suckers to contend with. They have a far better chance of survival during severe winters as they can freeze to the ground and still spring back from their roots and bloom the following summer when a budded plant would be dead. Own root roses are much truer to type than budded roses. Own root roses have a much longer life than budded roses. After 10 years or so, budded roses form a large woody knot at the bud union and cease to put up new canes to rebuild the plant each year. The bush loses its vigor and must be removed. Roses on their own roots can live a long and healthy life to 100 years or more, and some experts feel that own root roses are more free-flowering. Own root roses are smaller than budded roses in the beginning and grow very rapidly. Seedlings develop a strong root system and have no transplant shock as do bare-root roses. Heirloom Roses are shipped dormant through the winter and leafed out in the spring, summer and fall so you may order from them and plant at any time of the year, except during periods of extreme cold. If they are out of a variety you want, they can back-order and ship it later as they have crops maturing all year. I planted these for the first time last year and am anxious to see how they fared over our hard winter weather. Their web address is [www.HeirloomRoses.com](http://www.HeirloomRoses.com). Check it out I think the Buck Hardy roses are best for our climate.