## RED ROCK RANCH HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

## RED ROCK RANCH NEWS

SPRING NEWSLETTER

MARCH, 2012

### 2012 ACTIVITIES

-KELLY McGuire

**Slash and Mulch** Last year we visited this subject in this space and offered to set up a mulching operation on individual properties for interested homeowners. We received no interest from residents for that effort so we will not be sponsoring that activity this year. Perhaps sometime in the future we will revisit that subject. Please let us know if you are willing to participate in a joint slash and mulching effort.

**Neighborhood Garage Sale** We received sufficient interest in the proposed garage sale idea to proceed with planning for this event. A volunteer planner-coordinator, Lucy McGuire @ 481-9377, will take on the effort but will require several helpers to do the task properly. She envisions a Woodmoor styled organization to include advertising, printed maps with directions, signs, contact info and the like.

This event is scheduled for Friday, Saturday and perhaps Sunday, June 1, 2 (&3), 2012. Please contact Lucy soon to get on the volunteer list or to pre-register. She will send you a sign-up packet (non binding) via e-mail.

**Annual Clean-up** We will hold the annual clean-up, featuring the large dumpsters, on the weekend following the Garage Sale weekend. This year's dates are Friday thru Sunday, June 8, 9, &10 from 8:00 AM until 5:00 PM (or until the dumpster is full that day). We will again use the Nevins Park property at the tennis courts.

This year we will host an informal swap opportunity with the clean-up. Bring your stuff to the tennis court pavilion to swap and we'll hold it separate from the dumpster stuff until someone wants it. Free to claim stuff as well. NO SALES will be conducted in this effort. No liability will be assumed by the HOA. RRR residents only, please.

## COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

#### -MARY KETELS

I have lived in the Tri-Lakes area since 1972. I am an LP graduate, a retired LPSD elementary teacher and I am currently involved with Faye Brenneman in Mountain Community Transportation for Seniors (MCTS). This program provides free and consistent transportation to Tri-Lakes seniors, 60 years of age and over with the hope that their health and well-being will be maintained and/or improved, allowing them to continue to enrich our community.

We are a non-profit, grant funded organization that depends on volunteer drivers. We provide the only transportation service in the Tri-Lakes area to medical appointments, groceries, banking, legal appointments, prescriptions, senior lunches, shopping, and to the many activities offered through the senior center and community.

We are in need of additional volunteer drivers to meet the growing needs of our ever-increasing senior population. Volunteers are provided with an orientation after criminal and driving records have been screened. Mileage is reimbursed if volunteers use their own vehicle.

This is a very flexible program and volunteers can be involved as much as they choose to be. We operate Mon-Thurs. We would appreciate it if you could pass the word along or mention it to those you feel would be an asset to this wonderful program.

If there are any questions, or if I can drop off brochures, please email me at <a href="mailto:browneyesmlk@hotmail.com">browneyesmlk@hotmail.com</a> or call 481 -2470. You can also contact Faye Brenneman at 481-2527 or leave a message with our dispatcher at 488-0076.

## BOARD MEMBERS NEEDED

At the beginning of a new year, and with all the pre-election debates going on nationally, it is time to think of elections locally. Yes, the Red Rock Ranch Homeowners Association is looking for a few good men and women to throw their hats in the ring and run for a seat on the Association Board of Directors. Meetings are held once a month and usually last an hour so it is not a big time commitment. It is a good time to become actively involved with your neighbors on the Ranch, and bring up new ideas that would benefit all of us.

If you are interested, call President Kelly McGuire at 481-9377 or Recorder Jim Bergeron at 481-2624

## ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL PRIMER

-FRANK CHUBA

### **UPGRADING OR MAKING EXTERNAL MODIFICATIONS TO YOUR PROPERTY?**

(Sheds, driveways, decks, reroofs, exterior refinishing/repainting, etc.)

Here's a quick guide to obtaining approval from the RRRHOA Architectural Control Committee:

Paragraph (5) of the RRRHOA Covenants provides for an Architectural Control Committee to "...provide on behalf of lot owners, architectural control within the subdivisions." While the key function of this committee is to ensure that new dwellings are built in conformance with the RRRHOA covenants, the Committee bears an ongoing responsibility to review and approve any additional improvements or modifications for compliance with the covenants. Since few vacant lots remain, additions and modifications have become the Committee's primary focus.

Standard fees for Architectural approval apply. (\$0.10 per square foot or \$25.00 minimum for projects that are not delineated by area. e.g.: fences.)

So how do I get Architectural Committee approval for my project?

- 1. Visit the architectural control tab on the RRRHOA website. (www.rrrhoa.org)
- 2. Review the covenants as they apply to your project.
- 3. Download and complete the Architectural Request form.
- 4. Email /contact the Committee chairman or any board member and advise them that you are seeking architectural approval.
- 5. Attend the next RRRHOA board meeting to present your request. (Second Monday of the month)
- 6. Submit payment of the fee at the board meeting or by mail to the PO Box listed on the architectural request form.

The goal of the RRRHOA board is to expeditiously assist you in completing your project in compliance with the covenants. We recommend your attending the board meeting as the most efficient way to complete the process. Bring your architectural control request form, plans, color samples and anything else that will assist in showing your project. You will be placed first on the meeting agenda to minimize your time involved in the process and have the opportunity to directly address any questions that may come up. On larger projects and new dwellings you may want to have your contractor be present or represent you.

As with all matters involving our community the key is your individual support of the program. From time to time we find projects underway without approval and a committee member must then approach the resident to obtain retroactive approval and collect the fees. We do not enjoy the role of "architectural police" and would much prefer partnering with you to get your project moving from the outset. If you are in doubt as to whether you project requires approval send a quick email to the committee chairman or any board member and we can advise you.

We appreciate the efforts of individual homeowners to enhance and upgrade their properties thereby improving the quality and appearance of the Ranch as a community. Your board will do all that it can to assist you in this effort.

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### THANKS TO OUR 2011 CONTRIBUTORS

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## Trash on the Ranch

With heavy winds that seem to constantly blow throughout Red Rock Ranch, unwanted trash is a constant problem, especially when it ends up on our property- usually high enough in the scrub oak where we have to remove it using a step ladder or long handled rake. Much of the problem can be eliminated if we just follow one simple step, and that is using trash containers with securely fitting lids, sometimes held in place with bungee straps. Now that certainly will



not deter bears when they come out of hibernation, but it does deter crows and magpies with strong beaks that can tear into the toughest plastic, as well as gusts of wind. Trash containers with lids can be purchased at Wal-Mart or Home Depot at reasonable prices, or your pickup service will provide them at a nominal fee. Let's be considerate of our neighbors and make the Ranch a trash-free place to live.

### RED ROCK RANCH HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

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### WE'RE ON THE WEB

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BOARD MEMBERS			
•	Kelly McGuire, President	481-9377	
•	Jim Bergeron, Secretary	481-2624	
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RRRHOA meetings are held the second Monday of the month at 7pm at the Tri-Lakes Cares building (235 N. Jefferson, Monument). Email boardpresident@rrrhoa.org to confirm time or location and to request the discussion of specific issues.

### Getting Into Social Media ???

The FVAWD management company has a twitter account that they use for outage and maintenance notices. Goto fvawd.com for information.

### 2012 RED ROCK RANCH HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT

BEGINNING BALANCE AS OF 1/1/2011		13068.97
INCOME		
VOLUNTARY DONATIONS	4890.00	
ARCH. CONTROL FEES	1309.00	
INTEREST	32.38	
TOTAL INCOME	6231.38	
EXPENSES		
SCA INSURANCE	1839.00	
BALDWIN DUMPSTER	1100.00	
ELK CREEK MOWING	470.00	
TRI-LAKES PRINTING	468.69	
ANNUAL PICNIC BANNERS	258.62	
ANIMAL REMOVAL	225.00	
TRI-LAKES CARES	200.00	
STAMPS AND ENVELOPES	101.50	
SAFE DEPOSIT-BOX RENTAL	94.00	
PICNIC EXPENSE	77.43	
NEPPCO ASSOCIATION	70.00	
WATER USAGE	23.57	
STATE LICENSE RENEWAL	10.00	
TOTAL EXPENSE	4937.81	
ENDING BALANCE AS OF 12/31/2011		14362.54

Red Rock Ranch has a healthy population as noted by all the hikers, bikers, and walkers along the paths and roads throughout the area. With springtime rapidly approaching, it is a good time to remind everyone to be cautious of traffic and remember the rules of the road: walk against traffic on the left side of the road and ride with traffic on the right side of the road. Enjoy the fresh air and beauty of our bit of paradise, but be safe.



## 2012 Donation Form (Clip and Mail)

Thank you for helping us defray the costs of the RRRHOA!

Please return your 2012 donation at your earliest convenience. Donors will be listed in the next newsletter. Our suggested amount is \$35. The Association currently operates without mandatory dues. Donations are used for park maintenance, association expenses and community improvements.

Know a new neighbor, or someone with a change of address? Please enclose a note so that we can update our mailing records. Feel free to pass on this newsletter as well.

Thanks to those who have already donated this year!

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