

DURANGO WEST II

Metro District News

JUNE 2020 Newsletter

Drinking Water Quality Report for Calendar Year 2019 Available

Durango West Metro District #2's Annual Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) is now available on our website and at this direct URL:

<http://www.dw2.co.municipalgovt.org/Portals/91/CCR2020.pdf>

The CCR is a thorough analysis required by State Health to ensure that customers have the opportunity to understand the quality of the water they are receiving. If you would like a copy emailed to you, please email the District Manager at dw2@mydurango.net. If you have questions about the water quality analysis, call our water operator Dave Marsa at 759-1609.



Annual Garage Sale Cancelled

The DW2 sponsored annual garage sale held the second Saturday in June is cancelled this year due to COVID-19.

Vandalism Costs Everyone

There have been several recent vandalism attacks on district property. These cost the district money and resources that now will not be available to spend on other projects or needed repairs around the neighborhood. We have a small budget for maintenance and improvements to the common areas. These acts of vandalism included:

- Someone rolled our bench into the pond last fall. It was heavy, we had to pull it out with a truck and a pulley and could not get it pulled out until this spring. Someone just pushed it back down the hill into the pond and now the concrete part is unfixable.
- Graffiti was painted last month on both sides of ball wall as well as on the basketball court.
- Last year, the community AED was strewn on a neighbors lawn;
- A glass window was broken at the mail building;
- The community bulletin case acrylic window was broken. It not only needed replacing but has led to problems with closing the bulletin board properly which renders it not very useful.

If you see someone, take a photo. Report to police if you can. Email any information to the district. Talk to the people in your household about vandalism and its toll on our neighborhood. As residents, we all pay for these actions. They not only cost the district to repair but also take precious resources away from providing other amenities and badly needed maintenance.

Road Projects 2020 Begin June 8

This year's road projects will begin June 8th. They include: crack-filling and weed spraying curb-line around the subdivision; repair and sealcoat upper portion of Cedar Drive, Elm Court, and Willow Court as well as pave the emergency exit at the top of Aspen Drive. Please do not park on the street as this greatly hinders their work.



Stage 1 Fire Restrictions

At the request of local fire chiefs, La Plata County commissioners unanimously enacted Stage 1 fire restrictions on May 12th in the unincorporated areas of the county, as well as lands owned by La Plata County. The restrictions include: A ban on open burns, burn barrels and agricultural burning.

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to enclosed vehicles or buildings, in developed recreational sites or in an area that is surrounded by 3 feet in diameter that is clear of flammable vegetation. Using explosive material, such as fireworks, blasting caps or incendiary devices. Please note, these may have already moved into Stage 2 or may at any time depending on weather. Keep informed by checking the County website at: <http://www.co.laplata.co.us/>.



Eliminate Mosquito Breeding Grounds

The District has contracted with Animas Mosquito Control District to treat the pond areas for mosquito larvae. Please do your part in eliminating breeding grounds for mosquitoes by checking for standing water around your homes and getting rid of it. This small effort will help protect yourself, your family, and your neighbors from mosquito-borne diseases.

Mosquitoes breed in standing water as small as a bottle cap. So the EPA recommends:

- Eliminate standing water in rain gutters, old tires, buckets, plastic covers, toys, tree holes, plastic covers or tarpaulins and or any other container where mosquitoes can breed.
- Empty and change the water in bird baths, fountains, pet bowls, wading pools, rain barrels, and potted plant trays/saucers at least once a week to destroy potential mosquito habitats.

No Slash or Materials on District Greenbelt or Trails

While conducting fire mitigation, our contractor noticed slash piles and construction materials in district greenbelt. Residents should remove any slash or materials they or a previous owner may have put onto district land. Additionally, residents should not push or deposit needles or other yard waste on any trails or district greenbelt. We have received reports of individuals doing this. Please immediately stop doing so and remove what you have put onto the trails or greenbelt. While those doing this may have good intentions, depositing any materials on the trails is prohibited. It can be a fire danger as well as a hindrance or danger for bikers, etc. Thank you for your cooperation.

No Posting

Posting on street signposts or light poles is prohibited. Please only post flyers in the community bulletin board at the mail building.

Pond Update

The pond is filled for the season. There are dragonflies and blackbirds among other wildlife to check out while sitting on one of the benches or walking by on the paths. The Cutrine treatment is working well on the algae. We will continue to monitor it through the summer.

Bears and Springtime



Bears are back. Trash containers should be inside so the bears do not start frequenting our neighborhood. La Plata County has an ordinance that fines residents at

least \$200 for not securing trash containers from wildlife. Residents must leave their trash containers in a garage until the day of pick-up and put the container back inside by the end of the day; or have a bear-proof garbage container. You can report trash can raids by bears to County Dispatch at 385-2900. Check out bearsmartdurango.org for more resources

Be Considerate

Nice weather means more windows are open, day and night. Please be considerate of your neighbors. Revving engines, barking dogs and loud music can all be annoying to your neighbors. So that all residents can enjoy our streets and trails, please also be considerate by keeping your dogs on a leash and picking up after them.

Pay Your Bill Hassle-Free and On-Time

More and more residents are enjoying the benefits of having their DW2 payment automatically withdrawn from their checking account each month. Forget the hassle of paying your bill every month or worrying if it's late. Have your payment withdrawn the day after payment is due. Save paper, time, stamps, envelopes. Just sign up for DW2 auto-draft. Email dw2@mydurango.net to receive a simple form to fill out.



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***** Next Meeting is June 17, 2020 at 6 p.m. at the Mail House*****

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Fred Owen

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Carly Thomson • 759-9156 • Treasurer • May 2020 David Cramer • 739-3681 • Director • May 2023
Beverly Lawrence • 799-2775 • VP • May 2022

DURANGO WEST II BUSINESS BRIEFS:

The Business Briefs section of the newsletter is provided as a free service to current DW2 residents who wish to have their business or service listed. If you would like to have a listing, please email your brief to dw2@mydurango.net.

- ▶ House sitting and pet care when you are away! Let me ease your worries and take care of your home.
Tutoring: K-8 in all subject areas. Licensed in CO & NM with 20 yrs of classroom experience.
Plexus: An all-natural, plant based line of health & wellness products that help regulate your body to work more efficiently. We offer weight loss, detoxification, pain relief, vitamins, and so much more. Contact Carrie at 259-4599.
- ▶ Big Toy Boat, RV & Mini Storage provides storage options for Household & Business, Boats, Campers & RV's at competitive prices. Wendell & Vindred Qualls @ 970-247-2680, or www.BigToyStorageDurango.com
- ▶ Holistic Chiropractor. Dr. Robert Stein. In practice since 1985. DWII homeowner since 1996. Call 382-8500. www.drrobertstein.com
- ▶ House sitting and/or pet care. What are your needs? Overnights? Feeding? Walking? I'm retired, reliable, responsible and a resident (of DW2). Call Ken Hibbard 970-749-1378
- ▶ Lawn mowing and weed trimming services: Call Mason O'Bannon at 970-946-6041. Very reasonable prices as 13 years old - jobs starting at \$15.
- ▶ Certified babysitter and can care for your pets and plants while you are gone. I am responsible, caring and reliable and love spending time with children and pets. I am a licensed driver with reliable transportation. Please call Cassandra at (970)-317-1439
- ▶ Kokikai Durango Japanese Martial Arts: Practical self-defense & personal development through traditional training. Classes Mon and Thurs at 6:00 pm & Sat at 9 am in the Durango Recreation Center. Contact Thomas Holmes at (970) 799-7632 or visit www.kokikaidurango.com.
- ▶ Zumba With Donna Middleton. Classes at the Smiley Building 2nd floor dance studio. Wed. 5:45 pm. Fri. 1:30 pm. Sat. 8:45 am. Twice a month Sun. 9:00am. Call Donna @ 759-9944
- ▶ Cedar Enterprises LLC specializes in fire mitigation/fuels reduction in or around dwellings. Call for an estimate. Cedar wood cords neighborhood special \$250. Contact Bryan at 769-3438
- ▶ Aspen Roof Repair, LLC. Owned and operated by Nathan Ekola, a DW2 resident since 2009. Roofer of the neighborhood mail house. Fully insured. Roof repairs, maintenance, & snow removal. 970.903.5303. aspenroofrepair.com
- ▶ San Juan Paralegal Services; Contract Paralegal. Over 10 years of experience. Areas of knowledge include: Criminal Law, Civil Litigation, Personal Injury, Family, Business/Contracts, Trademarks. Contact Molly Pagano at (303) 881-4631.
- ▶ Join a Reiki class with Licensed Reiki Master Teacher, Teresa Jantz. Classes are held at Cafe of Life downtown Durango. Reiki is a stress reduction technique that promotes healing for the mind, body and spirit that anyone can learn. All levels offered. Learn more and register at www.TouchpointTherapy.com or call Teresa at 970-903-2547.
- ▶ ABC Plumbing & Heating is available for plumbing & hot water heater service, repairs & remodels. Call 970-764-4315, www.abcpumbingdurango.com
- ▶ Are you ready to sell? Staging your house is key to getting top dollar. We also do Interior Design. With over 20 years of design experience, we can help! And we are right here in DWII. Call Maria at Spruce It Up Durango at 303-912-1279 for your consultation. www.spruceitupdurango.com.
- ▶ Dance with Wendy Graham Settle. Private lessons for weddings, reunions, and special occasions or "just for fun" including Swing, Latin, Blues, Waltz, and Two-Step. Fun and easy barn dances for groups of all ages and sizes with live music! Monthly dances at the Smiley building for all ages 1 to 100, and teen and adults. No partner or experience needed. Contact: 970.903.9402, perkypantsdance@gmail.com, or go to www.perkypantsdance.com.
- ▶ Ali Jacobs, owner of Empowered Living, offering Massage Therapy in DW2. Call 970-903-3189.. Massage includes essential oils, CBD Lotion (if desired) and hot towels to create a relaxing session! Also offering Access Bars® touch Therapy (32 points on the head) which can be used to change all areas of your life.



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