

DURANGO WEST II

Metro District News

SEPTEMBER 2020 Newsletter



Happy Back to School – SLOW DOWN

Children (and parents) are once again walking in the subdivision to and from the bus in the mornings and afternoons. Please

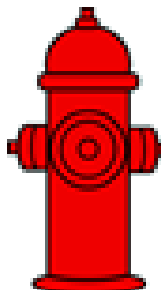
SLOW DOWN as you drive through the neighborhood and be conscientious of our children, neighbors, pets and wildlife!

Trails – Use Designated Access Points

Residents are advised to please access trails right by the TRAIL sign and not take shortcuts. Specifically, this includes the trail by the tennis courts. Please access that trail directly next to the trail marker sign and not use the other short cut trail that is on private property. Be respectful of private property.

Accessibility of District Utilities and Traffic Signs

Reminder to all residents who have District traffic signs or facilities on an easement on your property, including sewer manholes, water curb stops, and fire hydrants: you must maintain adequate access to these facilities. Manholes, fire hydrants and water valves are not to be covered in landscaping which includes bushes, tree branches, etc.



Pond Update

The District completed the second of two algaeicide applications to the pond. There is already improvement from the first one in terms of algae on top of the pond. We continue to look for the best method to attack the type of algae growing from the bottom. We have moved up fire mitigation around the pond to this fall rather than next spring as it is easier to get at some of the vegetation and trees while the water is lower. This will begin the week of September 21. It should also help with reducing water loss next year.

Greenbelt Encroachment Prohibited

This is a reminder to all residents that encroachment on District Greenbelts is prohibited. Adopted by the Board of Directors in 2006, Resolution 2006-04 prohibits the personal use of the District's greenbelts as a means of extending one's own backyard or side yards. For example, no structures (sheds, fences, storage units, etc.) may be placed in the greenbelt; no recreational equipment (trampolines, tree houses, etc.) may be placed in the greenbelt; and no improvements (gardens, plantings, etc.) may be made in the greenbelts. If you have such a structure or equipment on district greenbelt, please remove it before the end of September. There are fines in place for offenders and existing violations are not exempt. If you would like a copy of the resolution, please call 259-3946.

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Use of Tennis Court

The District has had several complaints of young people on the tennis court with bikes, scooters, skateboards, etc. Please note that only tennis shoes or sneakers are allowed on the tennis court. Anything else is prohibited including bikes, scooters, skateboards, etc. Please speak with your children and teens about this.



Save Time, Paper, Postage AND Pay the Last Date Possible

Residents can have their DW2 monthly payment automatically drafted from their bank account each month.

You do not have to think about writing or sending in a check, finding an envelope or postage, or getting it in on time. **BONUS:** your payment doesn't get drawn from your account until the 5th of the month! Just email dw2@mydurango.net to sign up.

No Parking – Keep Roads Safe

Parking on District streets is prohibited under Resolution 2004-03, It is a safety hazard as we do not have sidewalks in the subdivision. No one wants to be responsible for someone or someone's pet getting hurt because they parked in the street. It also greatly hinders our maintenance efforts. Please park vehicles including RVs in your private driveways, and remind your guests and neighbors of our policy.

Budget Ideas Welcome

The District will be preparing next year's budget. While there are limited funds, please let us know if you have ideas that you would like the Board to consider as expenditures in 2021. Please email them to dw2@mydurango.net with contact information by September 15th or attend the next Board Meeting. The monthly fees paid by residents are directed toward the operations and maintenance of our



water, sewer, road and recreational facilities.

Bears and Trash

Bears are already out and will soon be looking for even more food on their quest to fatten up for winter. Please do not leave birdfeeders or pet food dishes out at night. Do NOT leave your trash can out before the morning of pick-up. Residents must either 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. La Plata County has an ordinance that fines residents at least \$200 for not securing trash containers from wildlife. To report a violation, call the Sheriff's office at 385-2900. Check out bearsmartdurango.org for more resources. Bear Smart Durango is urging residents to use excess fruit instead of leaving it on or under trees. Although household trash is the primary source of local bear/human conflicts, unused ripened fruit is another. Extra fruit can be used for livestock feed, human consumption and composting. An additional benefit of using all available fruit is a reduced likelihood of tree damage by bears. To access the Fruit Gleaning Hub, which helps residents find businesses and individuals seeking excess fruit, visit <http://fruitglean.org>.

Be BearSmart

Residents can learn more about bear behavior, staying safe and smart by visiting the BearSmart Durango website: bearsmartdurango.org. You can also report a bear sighting here.



Contact Information

Please make sure we have a current email address and phone number to contact you. Send an email to dw2@mydurango.net with both your phone number and email address, so we have a way to contact you if there is a need.

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***** Next Meeting is September 16, 2020 at 6 p.m. at the Mail House*****

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Water Operator

Dave Marsa

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District Accountant

Fred Owen

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Wayne Schrader • 317-5109 • President • May 2020 Wendell Qualls • 946-6755 • Director • May 2020
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! Tutoring: K-8 in all subject areas. Licensed 20 yrs of classroom experience.
- ▶ Plexus: An all-natural, plant based line of health & wellness products. 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 including walking. I'm retired, reliable, responsible. Call Ken Hibbard 970-749-1378
- ▶ Lawn mowing and weed trimming services: Call Mason O'Bannon at 970-946-6041. Experienced 15 year old with own mower, weed trimmer and gas. \$20 per hour.
- ▶ Pet and plant care from a caring, reliable college student. Call or text Cassandra at 970-317-1439.
- ▶ Kokikai Durango Japanese Martial Arts: Practical self-defense & personal development through traditional training. 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. 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. Reiki is a stress reduction technique. 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.abc-plumbingdurango.com
- ▶ Are you ready to sell? Staging your house is key to getting top dollar. We also do Interior Design. Over 20 years of design experience. 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 including Swing, Latin, Blues, Waltz, and Two-Step. 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. Also offering Access Bars® touch Therapy (32 points on the head) which can be used to change all areas of your life.
- ▶ Get amazing locally roasted coffee here in DW2. You've probably seen our red and blue trailer parked at the entrance on Friday's. Feel free to contact me directly at mark.rockymountainroastery@gmail or text 303.385.7755



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