



# mesa view news

YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD  
NEWSLETTER

## NEIGHBORHOOD HAPPINESS EVENT, TURTLE FEST-AUGUST 27TH

With all the dour national news we need our annual neighborhood special event! It's darn good fun prior to the school year, with dancing, a street party, music and food! This year's Turtle Fest plans to be the best ever. Let's forget our woes and celebrate our great neighborhood, our families and our neighbors. The fun goes from 5p.m. until 10 p.m. August 27th at Turtle Park.

We are pleased to rock to the tunes of Real Play, a great popular rock tribute band. We will have fun stuff for the kids: a jumping castle, games and plenty of room for kids and adults for dancing!



New this year are our local neighbors who are restaurateurs! So far, we have La Delicious who will donate burritos, Golden Europe who are donating brats, kraut & potato salad. The Sandovals, who own several McDonald restaurants, are providing apple pies, cookies and orange drinks for the kids. We are also talking to Tuk-tuk, Ambruscis, Chinese Gourmet & Tafolinos. Thank you sincerely to these neighbors for contributing to the success of this favorite event; please give back to these neighbors by visiting their wonderful restaurants. This year The Ice Cream Wagon will be on hand, so bring your change for ice cream treats.

Turtle Festians, experienced or first timers, will remember to bring blankets, libations and your own picnic surprises.

Can you believe it? Don't miss this happiness event!

## A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

I hope you're all enjoying this great Rocky Mountain summer!

Coming up soon is Turtlefest '11, on Aug. 27th, 5-10pm. Please come hungry this year, as we're lining up food from your neighbors who own restaurants. As always, it should be a blast.

In Foothills Park & Rec. news, we recently tried a formal mediation session with them, as some of you have suggested. In exchange for dropping our lawsuit on their secret restriction of our voting rights, they agreed to attend mediation; but, unfortunately, they offered nothing satisfactory. The condition of the park at that time was awful (as usual), but at least showing the photos of the dilapidated park seems to have had the minimal effect of getting them to turn on the water at least. We continue to try to work with them but they're not being very cooperative. We were very disappointed with the mediation.

Independence from Foothills still appears our only option. PLEASE SIGN YOUR EXCLUSION PETITION! We already have a solid majority of owners but want to demonstrate as near to unanimity as we can -- so your petition is vital. Also, only by signing could your property taxes decrease. You can download the form from [www.TheEstates.us/foothills](http://www.TheEstates.us/foothills) or ask Cici to send you one. We will do whatever you need to get your form signed and notarized, including sending a notary to your home at a time that's convenient for you. If you have questions about this, every one of us on the Board are more than glad to answer them; just contact us via the website or Cici's office, 303-233-4646. It is very important that you sign this. Thank you!

Speaking of parks and recreation, did you all make it to the Splash party? Was that great or what! It was extremely well attended so we'll look at making that a regular annual event. Be sure to come to Movie Night too. And, if you need tents for your own events, the HOA can rent you ours at a good rate.

As summer is roofing and renovation time, I wanted to highlight that we updated the roofing policy last year, and that all changes to the exterior of your property require ARC approval. We've unfortunately had some owners who chose to ignore the roofing policy, which can prove to be a very costly decision. Roofing materials have changed a lot since the last policy, 10 years ago, so we updated it to ensure it continued to meet the upscale standards required by our covenants to protect all our home values.

Sad news to report on the quest for higher Qwest DSL Internet speeds. Qwest reports they aren't interested in upgrading our equipment to handle higher speeds. Thanks to so many of you for signing on to that request, however! It was worth a try. Quite possibly the best alternative to Comcast may soon be wireless.

We're looking at making some improvements to Turtle Park, such as rejuvenating the landscaping, adding a small area of play rocks, a pergola-covered sitting space, etc. We'll post design ideas on the web site when we get them and ask for your input.

The community garden looks to be a great success. Get your reservations in early for next year!

We're doing what we can to keep the doggie presents off the sidewalks, such as installing more doggie stations around the community. Please use them and pick up after your pooches. Who, as a reminder, absolutely must be on leashes when off your property, out of respect for others and because it's Jefferson County law. Data from the speed signs show that they're having a solid effect at keeping speeds down and kids safe. Thanks for driving slowly.

Lastly, we're now on Facebook and Twitter, so Like/Follow us there and on the web site to keep on top of the latest. As always, send us any suggestions you have.

Have a great summer,

## HELP A CHARITY AND FEEL PEACHY!

If you like both juicy peaches and helping those in need, then the Golden Rotary Club's Annual Peach Sale is for you!

Peaches are sold by the box and the proceeds go to help needy citizens in Golden, along with the Golden Rotary Club's charity efforts on 4 continents. The club also provides scholarships and Leadership Training for Golden High School students.

Looking for more food-based charities? The Golden Rotary Club also organizes their Back Pack program, which provides food for needy children in Golden.

To get your hands (and mouth) on a box of sweet, fall-off-the-pit peaches, go to <http://www.clubrunner.ca/Portal/Home.aspx?cid=4251> (scroll down to "Do you like Peaches?!"). Alternatively, you can send an email to [suttonall@comcast.net](mailto:suttonall@comcast.net)



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# MESA VIEW ESTATES SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

August 27th	Turtle Fest
September 3rd	Turtle Fest Rain Date
October 29th	Fall Festival
November 16th	Annual Meeting
December 18th	Sleigh Rides in the Park

## SPLASH EVENT HUGE SUCCESS

We were monsooned the first night but we rescheduled two weeks later and the evening was perfect. Over 300 Estates neighbors had a blast at the Splash, grabbed a burger and enjoyed the evening with family and friends. We have already scheduled for next year. Thanks for making this a success!

## DO NOT DUMP

Please do not dump landscaping/trash into open space areas. It is everyone's responsibility to keep the community clean, and preserve the high standard of living that is unique to Mesa View! Thank you.

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