



Falcon Estates



Neighborhood Newsletter

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July General Membership Meeting Cancelled...

The General Membership Meeting previously scheduled for Wednesday 15 July 2020 has been cancelled due to the COVID issue closing the Library 21C as well as limiting the size of gatherings at this time. The next General Membership meeting will be in January 2021.

Survey Results...

Thank you for the 83 people who responded to the recent survey about Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) and Short Term Rentals (STRs). The board appreciates your input, so we know what to focus on. We received responses from roughly 40% of the email addresses we have contact information for from the properties covered by the Falcon Estates Covenants. As a reminder, the questions in the Survey were:

1. ADUs, AFSs being permitted in Falcon Estates? FOR/AGAINST
2. UTILIZING PRIMARY RESIDENCE FOR SHORT TERM RENTAL PURPOSES SUCH AS AIRbNb, VRBO, etc.? FOR/AGAIINST

Of the 208 people who received the email, 86 responded. Of those, 6 did not answer the survey questions. For those who answered, the results were:

	For	Against
Question 1: Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs)	37	43
Question 2: Short Term Rentals	27	53

Based on these results, there is **not** the required 67% of the property owners against either ADUs or STRs – the level of support required to modify the covenants to prevent these from occurring. As indicated in the survey the Board will forego any further action on ADUs or STRs given the lack of support for doing so. Thank you again to everyone who provided input on this survey.

Chipping / Fire Mitigation

Week of October 19th

The Colorado Springs Fire Department works in stewardship with over 100 neighborhoods to assist residents with disposal of tree branches and hazardous vegetation via our neighborhood chipping program.

Participants **MUST individually register** AND review the CSFD presentation attached to this email. Register by contacting Ashley Whitworth at 719-385-7342 or at Ashley.Whitworth@coloradosprings.gov

Visit the city chipping program webpage for more information
[https:// coloradosprings.gov/wildfiremitigation](https://coloradosprings.gov/wildfiremitigation)

Vehicle Parking –

Did you know that Colorado Springs city code 7.4.204J states that RVs and other extra vehicles must be parked on asphalt, concrete surface, brick, pavers, crushed stones and/or other similar surfaces? Section 9.6.504 of the code covers unlicensed vehicles. All vehicles stored outside using the above rules must be current and properly licensed.

There are several residences in the neighborhood where vehicles are incorrectly parked and are, therefore, in violation of city code.

Fall Cleanup – October 10th and 11th

Times for HOA members to bring items to the dumpsters will be from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on both Saturday and Sunday. HOUSEHOLD AND YARD WASTE ONLY. NO HAZARDOUS WASTE SUCH AS CAR BATTERIES, PAINT, CHEMICALS, ETC. WILL BE ACCEPTED. Volunteers staffing the dumpsters will have a current list of property owners and if a resident is not a current member we will sign them up at that time at the regular dues rate. On the west side, the dumpster will be available on the Venhorst side of 1114 Berglund Road. On the east side, the dumpster will be available at 7285 Ross Drive.

Free Libraries

Both the east and west side of Falcon Estates have “free library” kiosks. Residents have been making good use of the "Neighborhood Free Library" kiosks. Don't forget to visit them and exchange books!

East-side Free Library is at the corner of Copley and Ross Drive.

West-side Free Library is at 7312 Milner Drive.

Pothole Repairs

Potholes have been filled on west side on Venhorst and Collins. Pot-holes have also been filled on Copley on the east side. If residents see other places where repair is necessary, contact the "pothole" department.

In Colorado Springs you can dial the pothole “hotline” at 385-ROAD. Leave as many details as possible like an address or cross street. You can also submit a request on the GoCo Spring App or the cities website.

Around the Neighborhood...

With the recent "stay home"/"safer at home" orders, summer activities have included more people walking their dogs in our neighborhoods. That is good exercise for humans and dogs, BUT PLEASE PICK UP AFTER YOUR DOG AND TAKE THE BAG HOME FOR DISPOSAL!! There have been several instances when dog owners have picked up after their dog BUT have left the bag along the road!!! Be courteous to your neighbors and dispose of the bags AT HOME!

As we all enjoy the wonderful weather and the beauty of our neighborhood please remember that leash laws dictate that dogs must be on a leash when not on your property.

Calling all gardeners and gardening enthusiasts! Some Falcon Estates residents have started a neighborhood gardening page. Check out the FCE (Falcon and Columbine estates) garden club on Facebook!

HOA Updates...

At this time, both the Board and ACC are in need of volunteers. If you would like to volunteer for a position on the ACC, Board of Directors or assist either group in any capacity, please contact any of the Board members.

2020 HOAFE Board of Directors

TBD - Chairperson & Director at Large

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