

Homeowner

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January 2023 Election

he 2023 elections will be held in January to fill (3) positions on the Community Services Committee (CSC) and (1) at-large position on the PHA Executive Board. Please consider serving.

The Executive Board is responsible for establishing corporate policy and the finances for the association.

The Community Services
Committee (CSC) is responsible
for upkeep of common properties,
managing the trash and RV programs and coordinating the Pinery
community events. (See website,
pinery.org for more information on
the responsibilities of the CSC.)

If you would like to serve your community in any of these ways, please consider having your name placed on the ballot.

Candidate information should be submitted to the PHA office, 8170 Hillcrest Way, Parker, CO 80134 or <u>pha@pinery.org</u>, by November 30, 2022.

The January 2023 newsletter will provide ballot and candidate information.



Pinery Trash Program Yearly and Quarterly Payments due

December 1, 2022

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2023 Proposed Budget

The Pinery Homeowners'
Association Executive Board
is currently finalizing the 2023
Proposed Budget, to be voted on in
January. The Proposed 2023 Budget
will be posted on the Pinery HOA
website as soon as it is completed
and printed in the January 2023
Newsletter.



Job Position Open for Grounds Maintenance Coordinator

The Pinery Homeowners' Association is looking for a part-time Grounds Maintenance Coordinator to work directly with the Community Services Committee (CSC). A Pinery resident, with love for this community, is preferred.

Responsibilities include:

- managing the RV lots
- Point of Contact with all community contractors
- walking all properties weekly and documenting findings
- preparing monthly reports from weekly assessments on property condition and repairs
- implementing action plans originated by the CSC

The job averages 5-10 hours per week. There may be additional hours during large projects and less during winter months. This is not an office position.

This person will be communicating closely with the CSC and office staff requiring excellent time management and communication skills.

For application and more details see the Pinery website: <u>www.pinery.org</u>. Applications due by <u>December 1, 2022</u>.



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2023 Newsletter Back Page

Attention *Pinery Homeowner* Advertisers

Are you interested in advertising on the

<u>Back Page</u> of the newsletter in 2023?

If you were a regular advertiser in 2022, (that is, you advertised at least three times with an ad larger than a directory page) and would like to advertise on the back page of the *Pinery Homeowner* in 2023, please notify the PHA office in writing by <u>Tuesday</u>, November 15th.

- Send the dates you desire to the PHA, 8170 Hillcrest Way, Parker, CO 80134 or email pha@pinery.org.
- The back page can accommodate <u>only</u> half page ads.
- The cost is: \$225 for Pinery residents and \$400 for non-residents (10% discount does not apply).
- No one advertiser may be on the back page two issues in a row, unless there have been no other requests.
- After the 2023 back page schedule is completed, notification will be given to each advertiser.
- Any unfilled dates will be available on a first come, first serve basis.



2022 PHA Board of Directors

Sonia Eyre President

James Glavin Vice-President

Barry Hong Treasurer

Mark Griffin Secretary

Debra Cain Director

Meagan Kentfield Director

AppFolio Software

Yearly Trash/Dues Invoices will be mailed out on November 1st

Our Software is up and running. If you would like to pay your invoice online look for an email from AppFolio to set up your online portal.







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School District Surplus Property Tract 1, Pinery Filing 6

Yeah! The developer pulled out of building a development on this property!

The many comments and letters paid off!

History

This is a 12 acre parcel of property North of The Pinery's North Park, bordered on the South by Sunridge Hollow Rd, Ponderosa Way and on the west by Betts Ranch Rd. and on the North and East by existing residential Development. It is currently owned by the Douglas County School District. The original owners of The Pinery, donated it to the County, as required at that time, for a future school. The deed says that the property should be used solely for public purposes.

The School District identified that this was surplus property in 2021 and signed a pending contract with a developer. The developer submitted a request to the county on February 15, 2022 to change the zoning on this property from a school district site to a single-family residential zone. The Pinery HOA submitted comments objecting to this. Over 100 residents also submitted letters. Due to strong and organized opposition and other issues, the developer closed their application for rezoning on September 19, 2022. They also released the pending contract with the school district.

Next Steps

Given all the building going on in the area, The Pinery HOA would like to have this area designated as open space so that we continue to have an area for the deer, turkeys and residents to roam. These 12 acres are adjacent to our 5 acres in North Park, creating over a 17-acre area. The Pinery is pursuing having Douglas County acquire this property and designate it as open space. If you have not already signed the petition to designate this as open space, please do so by going to www.Pinery.org.

Additional information is at <u>www.Pinery.org</u> and scroll down to development news. If you have any questions, please email us at ARC@Pinery.org.



Pinery and Hidden Village residents celebrate in the Pinery's North Park, celebrating that the developer has pulled out of the pending contract with the School District. The School District surplus property is in the near background.

Emergency Telephone Numbers

Ambulance

24 Hour Line—911

Sheriff

Emergency only—911 Administration 303-660-7505

Southmetro Fire Dept.

Emergency Only—911 Administration 720-989-2000

CORE (IREA) (Electricity) 24 Hour Line 303-688-3100

Xcel Energy (Gas) (North Pinery area) 24 Hour Line—800-895-4999

Black Hills Energy (Gas) (South Pinery Area) 24 Hour Line—800-694-8989

Pinery Water District (water & sewer) 24 Hour Line—303-841-2797

Animals & Wildlife

Douglas County Animal Welfare 303-660-7529

Colorado Division of Wildlife 303-291-7227

Utility Locator 811 Call before you dig!



Douglas County to Vote on Protecting Parks, Trails, and Open Space in November Election

On Election Day this November 8th, Douglas County voters will be asked to continue to protect parks, trails, open space, and historic preservation without raising taxes or incurring debt. Ballot question 1A proposes to continue the .17% Douglas County Open Space sales-and-use tax for another 15 years.

Funding from this tax has been the cornerstone for parks, trails, open space, and historic preservation in Douglas County since its original inception in 1994 and its last extension in 2002. Douglas County residents including The Pinery have benefitted from this program with:

- ⇒ regional parks development and maintenance;
- ⇒ acquisition and maintenance of one hundred miles of trails;
- ⇒ permanent protection of tens of thousands of acres of open space; and
- \Rightarrow historic preservation.

Come January 2024, the tax is scheduled to expire, but with ballot measure 1A, voters can continue it another 15 years. Without the continuation of the tax, funding for important open space acquisition and maintenance will be lost, park and trail funding will be cut by more than one-third, and Douglas County will lose the opportunity for \$2.92 of matching fund from Community Organizations for every \$1 raised by the sales-and-use tax.



Christmas Tree Disposal

You can Recycle your tree
December 26—January 31



Castle Rock

500 Fairgrounds Drive

Bring Christmas trees by at anytime and place in the mulching area. When recycling your tree, please be sure they are completely undecorated. This means removing all ornaments, lights, tinsel, garland, plastic wrap, tree stands, wire, rope, nails, etc. before bringing trees to be recycled. Live trees with artificial snow sprayed on the branches cannot be mulched.

Mulch available on-site while supplies last.

Call Douglas County Parks Department at 720-733-6990 for more information.



Classic Pinery Filings Covenants Available Online

Covenants for Pinery filings 1-8A can be found on our website, www.pinery.org

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If you don't know your filing, there are instructions to help you determine which filing you are in.

COVENANT CORNER

The Pinery Architectural Review Committee



Tree Decline in the Pinery

One can't help but notice the number of trees, deciduous and evergreen, that appear to have quite a bit of die back. There are several reasons that may contribute to the decline of the trees.

Over the past 4-5 years, our area has experienced temperature swings of more than 60 degrees in one day with active trees. This drop from warm to freezing temperatures while sap is active causes much of the damage we are seeing throughout the metro area, including The Pinery. Application of magnesium chloride on the roads during winter storms causes soil toxicity, adding to trees' weakness. The lower rainfall over several years, the conditions of our clay soils all add to the tree stress. While one can't control the crazy Colorado weather, we can strive to provide needed care.

Declining evergreen trees are an invitation for the Pine beetle and the control of the pine beetle is achieved using a preventative pesticide spray, injection into the bark or soil. Mountain Pine Beetles and IPS beetles have been found in The Pinery.

The Pinery HOA has worked with tree care services for many years, as needed to maintain HOA properties. Our annual budget for tree maintenance and replacement is \$40,000. As our budget allows, we will continue to remove the trees that do not pull through.

Winter tree watering should be done 1-2 times per month from late fall into early spring. For more information see: https://www.botanicgardens.org/blog/winter-watering-colorado
If one has concerns or questions regarding tree health, there are many tree services with an arborist available in our area. Additionally, the following resources will help you identify what you have and what you can do to prevent or treat your trees. These resources are from the Colorado Extension Service:

<u>Mountain Pine Beetle</u> - <u>https://extension.colostate.edu/topic-areas/insects/mountain-pine-beetle-5-528/</u>

Ips beetle - https://extension.colostate.edu/docs/pubs/insect/05558.pdf

Some browning and needle drop happens each year as part of the normal tree shedding process.

For more information go to: https://csfs.colostate.edu/2021/09/22/fading-off-color-pine-needles-normal-in-autumn/

ARC requirements

The Pinery Protective Covenants requires that any diseased (or dead) trees be removed. If you have dead or diseased trees on your property, please provide available documentation such as photographs of the tree(s) in question to our office or arc@pinery.org. If it is clearly deceased or dead we will give you an approval usually within 2 workdays. This will ensure compliance with covenants, maintenance of the beauty of the neighborhood and reduction of fire danger.

If it is a tree that is not clearly dead or diseased, please submit additional information, such as a diagnosis from a certified arborist or other reason and documentation of why it should be removed.

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Fire Mitigation

Pinery Chipper Days 2022

As we near the end for our 2022 Chipper Days Event, we are happy to report an upwards of 95+ participants this year! As of now our vendor, Matt's Maintenance, is reporting 18-20 cubic yards of material being collected at the end of each day of the event. This means by the end; we will have collectively removed approximately 160 cu yards of flammable debris from our neighborhood! Last year we successfully removed 139 cubic yards, so thank you to all participants for your hard work, in the past and the present! Please be sure you

are still logging your hours worked around your properties, as we will close our reporting in mid-November for this year. Any hours reported after will count as next years work, so you may continue to report all year round!

Report Your Fire Mitigation Hours

Please report your hours by going to the Pinery website, www.Pinery.org. On the home page, scroll down to PINERY FIRE MITIGATION and "CLICK HERE". On next page click on the LOG YOUR MITIGATION HOURS and input the requested information. You can report on a single day or a range of days at one time.

All homeowners who submit hours will be entered in a quarterly drawing for one of three \$25 gift cards to local businesses. We need 25 participants minimum each quarter to hold a drawing!

Free Fire Mitigation Property Assessments

For a free assessment you can contact South Metro Fire Rescue's Community Risk Reduction Specialists at riskreduction@southmetro.org or at 303-419-8807

An easy, but important thing to do is to clean the pine needles out of your gutters!

The Scoop on the Poop and Leash Laws

Pet owners are responsible for regularly cleaning up after their animals. If this becomes a problem in a neighboring yard, we always encourage residents to have a friendly discussion, which in most cases takes care of the matter. In the event that further action is needed, Douglas County Animal Control, 303-660-7529, can visit with the homeowner to ensure the problem is corrected.

Also, failure to 'clean up after' is becoming an evident problem at trails around The Pinery. Douglas County ordinance requires that dogs be contained or on-leash at all times. When walking your dog, please be sure to take along a bag and take care of business.

Commercial Signs

Commercial (advertising) signs are not allowed in The Pinery.

Please remove any of these signs.



Anonymous Complaints

The Architectural Review Committee is unable to address anonymous complaints. To file a complaint, please email ARC@pinery.org and provide your name, address and the address of concern. All complaints are held confidential.

Community E-recycling

Douglas County residents may recycle their electronics for free year-round beginning April 14

Drop-Off Location: Techno Rescue, 3251 Lewiston Street, Suite 10 in Aurora

- Check-in at the Front Office and state the drop-off is for the Douglas County event
- Proof of Residency will be required (photo id and verification of address such as driver's license or state id)

Drop-Off Dates and Times – Monday to Friday from 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. and the following Saturdays from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.:

July 16, August 20, September 17, October 15, November 19, December 17

Acceptable Items:

DVD players/VCRs bathroom & food scales paper shredders drones binoculars power cords, printers electric lawnmowers (no gas) cables remote control devices electric Lawn trimmers (no gas) cameras & lenses remotes electric scooters car stereos & radios satellite dishes electrical wire & stereo cables cassette tapes/VHS tapes servers & network equipment hard drives & memory CD's, cell phones sewing machines keyboards & mice computer monitors speakers lead-acid back up batteries computer towers stereo equipment lithium-ion computer batteries computes/laptops telescopes copy machines Misc. computer parts televisions (all sizes, types) microscopes corded power tools typewriters modems/routers corded telephones vacuums cordless power tools network switches VOIP phones

Non-acceptable Items

- · Large appliances including refrigerators, freezers, washing machines, and dryers
- Air Conditioning and Swamp Coolers
- Broken or exposed cathode ray tube (CRT) glass
- Items that contain Freon (mini-refrigerator, wine refrigerator)
- Items containing liquid mercury (Thermostats, fire detectors, carbon monoxide detectors, etc)
- Light bulbs of any kind
- Microwave ovens
- Poly-chlorinated biphenyl ballasts (PBC) found in fluorescent light fixtures

Donations

Donations will be accepted via the following links benefitting <u>Douglas County Search and Rescue</u> (dcsarco.org/donate)

and

DCSO Community Safety Volunteers (csvadc.org/donations/direct)

Techno Rescue WILL NOT accept donations.

For questions or additional information please call Techno Rescue at 303-482-2207.

PHA Trash & Recycle Program **Enrollment Form**

The Pinery Homeowners' Association invites you to participate in the Trash and Recycle Program offered to Pinery residents.

Trash is picked up every Wednesday and recycling items are picked up every other Wednesday.

Each household may order two complementary carts

For a large or bulk item picked up, schedule with Little Dumpsters for a small fee 303-841-7144.

> All trash starts must be received in the PHA office no later than 1 p.m. on the Monday prior

64 gallon and/or 96 gallon. There will be a \$25 delivery fee. (You may order below.)			carts will be delivered in 7—10 days.				
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		ash vendors for the purp					

Little Dumpsters Information

BAG ALL OF YOUR TRASH

Inside & outside of container Unbagged trash will not be picked up

DO NOT BAG RECYCLE

ALL BAGS—40 LBS OR LESS Easily carried & tossed

BRANCH BUNDLES

Not bagged—cut 4 ft or less & tied Easily carried and tossed

Pinery HOA Trash Program

Missed Trash Pick up

If your trash or recycle is missed or if you have another concern, please contact Little Dumpsters at **303-841-7144**.

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Is Your House Number Clearly Visible?

Please make sure that your house number is placed on your home as well as on your mailbox. The numbers need to be large enough to be easily read from the street and in a color that can be clearly seen.

- Emergency vehicles need to be able to easily find your home.
- Those delivering packages look for numbers on houses.

These are times when you definitely want to be found.

RV Lot Reminder



RV Storage Lot and Snow Removal

The Pinery Storage Facility Lease (Page 2, paragraph 5) states that the Association does not do removal of snow. In addition to being very costly, plowing snow at the lots would be problematic. The soft surfaces at the lot could be easily damaged and, snow would of necessity be plowed in front of spaces of lessees.

Be sure to be aware of this as you make plans for use of your stored vehicle(s).

Public Schools in the Pinery Area



Mountain View Elementary (K-2)

8502 N. Pinery Parkway 303-387-8675



Northeast Elementary (3-5)

6598 N. State Highway 83 303-387-8600



Sagewood Middle School (6-8)

4725 Fox Sparrow Rd. 303-387-4300



Ponderosa High School (9-12)

7007 E. Bayou Gulch Rd. 303-387-4000



RV Dump Station News

B ecause of problems with frozen pipes in the past, the water at the dump station was shut off on November 1 and will be turned back on in the spring. The dump facilities will still be available.

November 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	Pinery Trash & recycle A week	3	4 Noon deadline for ARC meeting	5
6	7	8 ARC Meeting 6:30 p.m.	9 Pinery Trash & recycle B week	10 CSC Meeting 6:30 p.m.	11	12
13	14	15	Pinery Trash & recycle A week	17	18	19
20	21	22	Pinery Trash & recycle B week	24 Thanksgiving Office	25 Closed	26
27	28	29	Pinery Trash & recycle A week			

December 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5 newsletter deadline	6	7 Pinery Trash & recycle B week	8	9 Noon deadline for ARC meeting	10
11	12	13 ARC Meeting 6:30 p.m.	Pinery Trash & recycle A week	15	16	17
18	19	20	Pinery Trash & recycle B week	22	23	24
25	26	27	Pinery Trash & recycle A week	29	30	31
	Office Closed for the holidays					

January 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 YEAR	2 Office Closed	3	Pinery Trash & recycle B week	5	6 Noon deadline for ARC meeting	7
8	9	ARC Meeting 6:30 p.m.	11 Pinery Trash & recycle A week	CSC Meeting 6:30 p.m.	13	14
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