

Woodgate South News



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Aurora, CO

Woodgate South editorial

By newsletter staff

2009 and 2010 has been some tough years for the world. We've all read the news about the mortgage & investment breakdowns and now the oil spill in the gulf. We have to be fortunate that we are here in Woodgate South. It's a great community with a lot of comrade. You can find families and kids out every day playing and enjoying each other's company. We have a lot going for ourselves and I think we would all agree we need to keep it that way.

The volunteer Board of Directors and past board members have been faced with some very tough decisions to ensure that our community remains a desirable place to live. I'm sure that none of them enjoy the current situation with the lawsuit, increasing maintenance costs and the community's unrest. The end is unclear but the responsibilities are right in front of them.

Several of the neighbors proposed to organize neighbors to stain the perimeter fence. It will save our community about \$8,000 if we do it ourselves. When the concept was first introduced I honestly thought this will never fly. Neighbors will prefer to just pay the bill. Well, Woodgate South has

proven me wrong. As to date we have about 50 volunteers signed up to help in one way or another on September 11th.

The stain project is a definite go!

The organizers are busy making sure that the project goes smoothly and more information will be forth coming. Please look in your email, neighborhood mailboxes and maybe even your door.

If you live along an exterior fence, please trim any interior fence vegetation that is close to the fence by September 10th. This includes trees, flowers, bushes, etc. We would like the project to go as smoothly as possible and not ruin anything. Your help is appreciated.

May folks have called or wrote saying that are unable to attend or help with the project but have volunteered in other ways. If you want to help but are unable the day of the event, please call 720-535-1099 and speak with George to determine what might be helpful. We can get creative with ideas.

Thanks to all the neighbors for making this a great place to live.

Look what's happening!

Next HOA meeting

To be announced soon

Garage Sale apologies

Goodwill had offered to pick up left over garage sale items. Unfortunately, due to overwhelming demand from surrounding areas, they never made it to Woodgate South. Sincere apologies for anyone inconvenienced.

Volunteer September 11th

Stain the fence 8 to noon

Register at

woodgatesouth@gmail.com or

call 720-535-1099

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Community Picnic

September 11th starting at 4

Plenty of fun and food for everyone
more information to come

The Zimmerman Moth

Long pine needle trees need to be sprayed. The moth will destroy your pine and August is the month to get them. Tree specialist will spray your tree for about \$50 which is small in comparison of replacement.

Learn more at

Important Links

[City of Aurora Government Officials](#)

[Cherry Creek Schools](#)

[City of Aurora Water](#)

[Woodgate South Official website](#)

[Woodgate South By-Laws](#)

[Woodgate South Informal Social Network for our Neighbors \(Ning\)](#)

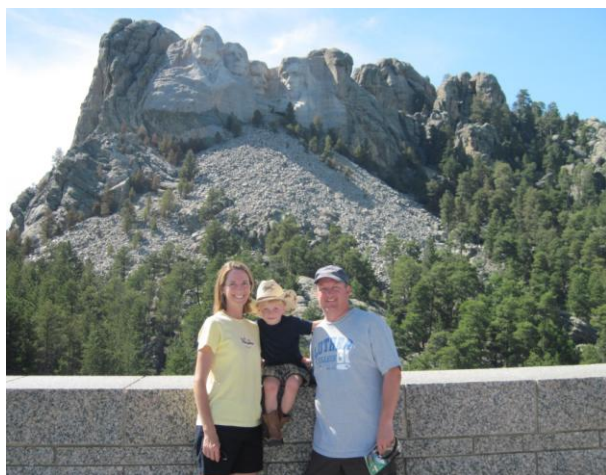
Featured Family - The Luther's

Gregg, Jennifer and their son Dalton live at 5265 South Fraser Street. They moved here in 2003 and call it home. Jen is a Denver native and Gregg is from Minnesota. Dalton is pure Coloradoan.

Getting to know the family, Gregg is a high flying software salesman and can be seen in many airports across the US. Jennifer is an 8th grade science teacher and loves the summer break.

When interviewed and asked what's on their iPod, we found Dave Matthews, Jackson Browne, Puff the Magic Dragon just to name a few. The favorite "Powerball Winning Question" revealed Jen would get a place either in the mountains or Hawaii and Gregg would purchase a new pool for his alma mater Luther College. Dalton loves being read Dr Seuss while Jen likes "A Time To Kill" and Gregg has a long list of periodicals.

Why live in Woodgate South? Well, at first it was the quiet neighborhood with great views. Once we moved in found that it's the friendly neighbors which make it a home.



The Luther Family

Shelley's gardening tips!



2010 Perennial Plant of the Year

Baptisia australis is an excellent plant to anchor the back of the border. It is best as a specimen or planted in small groups. Light - Plants thrive in full sun. Plants grown in partial shade may require staking.

Soil - This North American native is easily grown in well-drained soil and is drought tolerant after establishment.

Uses - This spring flowering shrub-like perennial may be used to fill the back of the border or in the wild garden.

Unique Qualities - The combination of flower and leaf color is dramatic in the early blooming season. Flowers are followed by inflated seed pods that are useful for dried flower arrangements.



What can you plant - My favorite biennials - Hollyhocks, English daisies, foxgloves, Canterbury Bells and Sweet William. Plant the seeds now, protect with mulch over the winter and they will bloom next year. Let them go to seed after flowering and you will have new plants that bloom year after year.



Maintain grass at a height of 2.5 to 3 inches to alleviate drought stress problems.



With our hot, windy weather, your container-grown flowers and vegetables need to be watered once or maybe even twice a day. Fertilize regularly with a dilute fertilizer because constant watering leaches nutrients from the soil.

Upcoming Events

August 28-29 - Colorado Parade of Ponds

Location: over 50 water gardens in the south Denver metro area

Time: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. on Sat. and 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. on Sun.



**Please drive slowly through the neighborhood-
"kids at play"**

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President's Corner

By Jamie Collins

Happy Summer everyone! I hope everyone is having a safe and fun summer. I love the summers in Colorado –perfect during the day for outdoor activities and if we get an evening shower it cools everything down for good sleeping!

Keep your eyes open for information for painting the community fence this summer. We are looking for volunteers to bring their brushes, rollers and enthusiasm so we can paint the outside of the fence that surrounds the neighborhood. The HOA will provide the stain, but we're looking for volunteers to do the painting in order to save some money.

Lastly, please welcome Romita Gandhi as the newest member of the Board of Directors. She is filling the vacancy left by Evie Cornelius, who moved out of state earlier this summer.

Sincerely, Jamie

Blue Ribbon Awards

It was really tough for the 2010 Blue Ribbon Award Committee which included Kathy Morgan, Mishelle Macias, Shelly Samuelson and George McDonough to agree on the top 10 homes but the results are in. Thanks to everyone who competed. Listed are recipients in no particular order and hope you would congratulate each of them.

5245 S. Fraser Street - The Jezier's
5252 S. Fraser Way – The Ryan's
15243 E. Progress Place – Doris Bender
15231 E. Hialeah Place – The Figueroa's
5184 S. Fraser Street – The Blair's

5288 S. Fraser Street – The Parks
15274 E. Progress Place – The Schanowski's
15223 E. Progress Place – The Demery's
5133 S. Fraser Way – The McMinn's
5215 S. Fraser Street – The Finn's



Emergency Telephone Numbers

*Buff Cards are available
See your neighborhood
Smoky Hill football player to
purchase*

Xcel Energy
Gas Emergency/Gas Odor
24 hour line - 1-800-895-2999

Electric Emergency/Power Outage
24 hour line - 1-800-895-1999

Poison Control Hotline
24 hour line - 1-800-222-1222

Aurora Water
After hours - 303-739-6772

Utility Locator
Call before you dig! - 811

Aurora Animal Care
303-326-8288

Colorado Division of Wildlife
303-291-7227

Alpine Waste & Recycling
303-744-9881

Need to throw away some big stuff, call Alpine and they will arrange for a very small fee to haul it away on the regular trash day.

