

# DURANGO WEST II

## Metro District News

SEPTEMBER 2021 Newsletter

### District Email Address Change

The Durango West 2 email address is now [dw2@dgowest2.com](mailto:dw2@dgowest2.com). While [dw2@mydurango.net](mailto:dw2@mydurango.net) will work for a little while more, please start using the new email address as soon as possible and make a note of it.



### 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!

### Pickleball Prohibited on Tennis Court

Board Statement on Pickleball: The board has been evaluating the impacts of pickleball play on the tennis courts for the past year. Although the board decided not to pursue prohibiting pickleball play in September 2020, the board has now decided that allowing pickleball play on the tennis courts is not in community's best interests, as allowing pickleball play may require more resources than the board is willing to allocate. Therefore, pickleball play is now prohibited on or near the tennis courts.

### Respect Our Bears

Keep our neighborhood and our bear neighbors safe by not providing easy food access.

Bears are out and 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, Animal Protection through Central Dispatch 970-385-2900. Reporting incidents of trash being allowed to be accessed by bears is very important to make our area safe for both bears and people. Check out [bearsmartdurango.org](http://bearsmartdurango.org) for more resources and videos. BearSmart encourages reporting all bear activity to Colorado Parks & Wildlife (970-247-0855) and to Bear Smart Durango by using the form on the BSD website: <http://bearsmartdurango.org>.



Bear Smart Durango is urging residents to use excess fruit instead of leaving it on or under trees. 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>.



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## Pond Update

The District is aware of the pond condition. We are looking at both short and longer-term options. Due to the prolonged extreme drought, the district has not had water to spare to pump into the pond over the last several years to fill the pond. The overall climate trend is drier and hotter along with warmer temps for longer periods (starting earlier in the spring and extending into the fall longer). This combined with the pond shrinking create perfect conditions for algae growth and cattails.

## Annual Sewer Line Cleaning

The District will be doing the annual sewer line cleaning this fall. The actual date has not been scheduled, but we will send out an email to the Durango West 2 Group email list (please make sure you are on that list).

## Preventative Maintenance

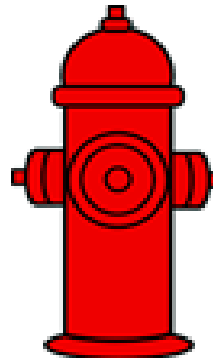


Fall is a great time to do some regular preventative maintenance on your faucets, toilets, water softeners, etc. This can end up saving you lots of water and money. Be a waterwise resident and save water by doing proper maintenance and conserve water by installing water efficient toilets, shower heads etc.

## Water-Saving Tip

Many residents already do this but here is a good water-saving tip: **Turn off the water to your toilets when you leave town.** Each year, residents leave home for an extended time, not aware that their toilet is running. Even a slow leak could waste up to 50,000 gallons in a month. Please keep a close eye on all your plumbing to ensure water is not being wasted, especially with most residents working so hard to conserve our precious water supply.

## Accessibility of District Utilities and Traffic Signs



includes bushes, tree branches, etc.

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



## No Parking on Streets

Parking on District streets is prohibited anytime under Resolution 2004-03, It is a safety hazard as we do not have sidewalks in the subdivision. Additionally, it seriously impedes our maintenance efforts. **Residents and guests**

**need to park vehicles including RVs in your private driveways and off the street.**

## Contact Information

Please make sure we have a current email address and phone number to contact you. Send an email to [dw2@mydurango.net](mailto: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 15, 2021 at 6 p.m. at the Mail House  
or Remote – contact [dw2@mydurango.net](mailto:dw2@mydurango.net) for instructions

### District Manager

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### District Accountant

Fred Owen

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Beverly Lawrence • 970-799-2775 • VP • May 2022

Wayne Schrader • 970-317-5109 • Treasurer • May 2023

David Cramer • 970-739-3681 • Director • May 2023

Derek Ryter • 402-613-3323 • Director • 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](mailto:dw2@mydurango.net).

- Hair Services: Bella Vie Hair Studio. Certified Color Specialist, trained in precision cutting techniques. Call or Text Jamie to schedule an appointment 801-671-6805
- 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](http://www.BigToyStorageDurango.com)
- Holistic Chiropractor. Dr. Robert Stein. In practice since 1985. DWII home-owner since 1996. Call 382-8500. [www.drrobertstein.com](http://www.drrobertstein.com)
- Fully-facilitated immersion programs to Guatemala!! Originally Spanish4Educators.org, DW2 resident Steve Foster also offers general immersion programs to beautiful Antigua, Guatemala as well as specialized programs for educators and medical professionals. Contact Steve, 970-844-0724 or [sfoster1010@gmail.com](mailto:sfoster1010@gmail.com)
- James' Home Improvements & Repairs - Fully Insured; James Bowkett - 970-317-1467; <https://www.facebook.com/fourcornersimprov>
- House sitting and pet care when you are away! Tutoring: K-8 in all subject areas. Licensed 20 yrs of classroom experience.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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](http://www.kokikaidurango.com).
- Pet and plant care from a caring, reliable college student. Call or text Cassandra at 970-317-1439.
- 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
- 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.rockymountain-roastery@gmail.com](mailto:mark.rockymountain-roastery@gmail.com) or text 303.385.7755
- ABC Plumbing & Heating is available for plumbing & hot water heater service, repairs & remodels. Call 970-764-4315, [www.abcplumbingdurango.com](http://www.abcplumbingdurango.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](http://www.TouchpointTherapy.com) or call Teresa at 970-903-2547.
- Psychologist in DWII for 38 years. Dr. Katherine accepts private insurance and Medicaid. Over 40 years of experience. Office in town or use of secure Zoom. (970) 769-6907
- 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](mailto:perkypantsdance@gmail.com), or go to [www.perkypantsdance.com](http://www.perkypantsdance.com).
- Custom-designed travel and tours. Contact Cindi Taylor, Taylored Tours, 970.335.8670 or visit [trips.tayloredtours.com](http://trips.tayloredtours.com).
- House sitting and/or pet care including walking. I'm retired, reliable, responsible. Call Ken Hibbard 970-749-1378



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