

**AUGUST 2013 NEWSLETTER**

Al and Marion Brown have made the decision that the luxury of retirement living sounded pretty good to them. That said Al has resigned his position on the Board for family and health reasons. We are sad that Al won't be on the Board with us anymore, but certainly appreciate the many times that he has served on the board over the years. He has been a great asset to Saxony and an invaluable member of the current Board. Beryl Vallejo will be taking over the remainder of Al's term (through 2015).

Beryl and Jose have been Saxony owners since 2004. Beryl's background is nursing and with both Master's and Doctorate level degrees in Public Health, she has exceptional organizational and leadership experience and is very well qualified to serve on the Saxony Board.

As a reminder, mark your calendars for Wednesday, November 20<sup>th</sup> 7:00 PM for the Annual Meeting. The meeting will be held in the Paul Manion Meeting Room at the Castlewood Library, 6739 S. Uinta Street, Centennial CO 80112. Please plan to attend as owner participation and awareness are critical to the success of our HOA.

There have been inquiries as to why the sprinklers continue to run even when we have had rain. The new timer control system runs on a 24 hour cycle and adjusts only once in that time period; usually at midnight. The sensor reads the temperature, humidity, rain, and amount of sunlight etc., which then triggers adjustment of the running time up or down depending on the conditions. As a general rule, the system will not actually shut itself down during rainy days, but does adjust the running times. Thank you for your inquiries, we know it can be confusing and hope this offers a reasonable explanation.

The Board has just accepted a bid from PLM to do some concrete replacement and repairs. The work is anticipated to be commenced in October. There will be further information and a notice at the mail kiosk when the actual date is confirmed. Many residents have asked about contracting individually to do their driveways or entry walks at the same time. If you are interested, please contact PLM Asphalt & Concrete, Inc. 303-287-0777 and mention that you live in Saxony and would like to coordinate with the HOA scheduled job. You will be billed separately as this would not be an HOA expense. Our contact person is Dusty Heuchert. The Board and Management cannot recommend any particular company, nor do we guarantee their work. For that reason, we would strongly suggest that you get at least one other bid and check references and ratings for any company you may contract with, including PLM.

## Saxony Homeowners Association, Inc.

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Davey Tree will be doing some minor "clean up" tree trimming the first week of September. This will complete the 2013 tree trimming budget for Saxony. We kindly ask that you not interrupt the crew while they are working on the property.

There is also an update on the situation with the three poorly maintained medians on Caley between Dayton and Boston. Thankfully, this issue has come to the attention of Julie Huun, President of the Cherry Creek Neighborhoods' Association. As an organization they have much more influence for getting Arapahoe County to bring these medians up to a reasonable standard than we do as one small HOA. Saxony residents have tried many, many times to get Arapahoe County to make improvements without success. Hopefully, we will see some changes that will make our surrounding area more attractive. We will keep you informed of any progress.

The Denver Post Your Hub recently had an article pertaining to the responsibility of buying into an HOA community. The article in general referred to the fact that you need to do your homework first, in order to know what will be expected of you, and what you can expect from the HOA. Here is the link to the Colorado HOA Forum for a blog generally covering the same information:

[http://www.coloradohoaforum.com/files/BUYING\\_A\\_HOME\\_IN\\_AN\\_HOA.pdf](http://www.coloradohoaforum.com/files/BUYING_A_HOME_IN_AN_HOA.pdf)

And as always, information concerning Saxony can be found on our web site:

<http://www.peaktopeakmgt.com/pages/associations/saxony/index.html>

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