Saxony Homeowners Association, Inc.

SAXONY NEWS

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To give everyone an update on the landscaping this summer, we would like to thank GroundMasters for honoring the warranty on all the sod that was replaced from the failed installation last year. So far everything looks really good, and we also thank residents for their patience while extra watering was needed for the new sod. Our regular watering schedule following Denver Water rationing regulations should resume very soon.

We have also adjusted the tree trimming schedule to move the fine pruning and removal of dead branches of the ash trees along South Dayton to be done this summer instead of waiting for late fall. Please be assured that tree trimming will remain a major concern, and that trimming will resume according to a set schedule and funds available. The crabapples and Hawthornes will be trimmed later this year when they are dormant.

You may have noticed a new **Caution Children Playing** sign at the entrance in an effort to help drivers be more aware of our youngest residents. Please observe Saxony's posted 10 MPH speed limit, and kindly advise visitors and contract people of the same.

The Board would also like to remind residents of the regulation items previously addressed in the April Newsletter and a kiosk notice recently posted stating that we all need to observe the rules and regulations set forth in our governing documents. Please be aware of the rules for parking cars either in the street or on your driveway, to dogs needing to be in control of their owner and to pick up after them, and also storage of unused items and trash around the outside of some homes is prohibited.

At the last Board Meeting we met with our insurance agent to review the current Saxony policy in detail. As a result of that evaluation, the Board voted to increase our coverage for Money and Securities lost due to employee wrongful acts from \$25,000 to \$75,000, which more closely matches our HOA funds level. This change will take effect immediately (prorated), and will add \$143 to our annual insurance premium.

The Board also voted to approve installation of a new irrigation control system that will help us better utilize our water. The new system adjusts output based on real time sensing of rainfall, temperature, humidity and sunlight. This upgrade should qualify for a rebate from Denver Water on the equipment costs, making it more cost effective to Saxony. The funds for this capital expense will come out of our Reserve Account. Our property manager, Dave Littler and GroundMasters have both had prior experience with the operation and benefits of this system.

To clarify the process for homeowner landscaping requests, GroundMasters and management both keep a record of all requests as they are received. Requests will be accumulated and work will be done in a timely manner, but work crews will not be sent out to address each item individually. Urgent situations will be handled as appropriate.

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Since it is summer and most exterior home improvements are done this time of year, the Board would like to remind everyone that you must submit an ARC request form for all work <u>prior</u> to any job being started. To obtain an ARC request form please contact Dave Littler at 303 884-4912 or from the web site. When completed, please return to a board member or Dave so that your request can be reviewed and voted on by the Board. New to this process is the Board's request that homeowners supply proof of your contractor's insurance, prior to work commencing.

The Caley wood gate has been repaired and the fence facing the street on that section of the drainage easement has been stained. Looks much better! In addition, most of the Bramante fence damage (facing our west side) has been repaired and the remaining owners are being contacted by Arapahoe County Zoning to commence their repairs as well. As previously mentioned, this matter has been turned over to the County and incurs no cost to Saxony.

Have a great summer!

Your Saxony Board,

Al, Craig and Maria