September 2023

Surrey Ridge neighbors are encouraged to visit the website often for neighborhood news, events and meetings. This will be the OFFICIAL SOURCE for communicating with the neighborhood.

Please check the website often for current updates. www.surreyridge.co

### **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

Residents please remember to keep trashcans in your garage or otherwise protected. There have been a few recent reports of trashcans being "foraged."

# New Board and ACC Member Elections

Our last annual meeting did not have a quorum thus the current SRHOA Board members and new ACC members are merely interim positions. Positions on the board and ACC are still available and we encourage new nominations or volunteers to serve for the 2023/2024 year of operation.

If no other parties are nominated or volunteer then we will confirm the current interim board members as the new board by a quorum vote at our **Continued Annual SRHOA meeting.** We look forward to seeing everyone on **Tuesday evening September 26, 2023 at Journey Church at 6:30 p.m.** 



# Save the Date

# **Next Board meeting and Annual HOA meeting**

Continued AnnualSR SRHOA meeting: Tuesday September 26, 2023, at Journey church starting at 6:30 p.m. (Lower Level-South Side)

Next SRHOA Board meeting: TBD – Please check website for updates.

## **Reminders for all Residents of Surrey Ridge**

#### Existing HOA restrictions to keep in mind:

- Only two horses are allowed per lot.
- Leach fields must be outside corrals.
- Barns, corrals, arenas, paddocks, run pens, round pens, or parking areas must be set back at least 25 feet from streets, side lot lines and rear lot lines.
- No more than 25% of the property may be devegetated (to include driveways that are gravel or dirt).
- Manure must be removed or composted and removed in a regular and reasonable manner as to protect surface and ground water and to minimize odor and the breeding of flies. Manure shall not be buried.
- Manure piles must be set back at least 25 feet from lot lines.
- Manure shall be shielded from view

As you all are aware, our properties have easements and the covenants set forth equestrian riding trails throughout the neighborhood.

The SRHOA Board is responsible to help maintain and regulate use of the trails and common areas (riding arena and picnic area). The current Trail Rules are as follows:

- Equestrians horses have the rights of way.
- NO motorized vehicles.
- No bicycles.
- Equestrians ride at their own risk.
- No littering.
- Dogs must be on a leash and under control at all times. If your dog is not behaved near horses then do not take them on the trails.

Be respectful of private property along the trails.

#### **Corral Rules**

- Clean up after your horse.
- Close the gates when done riding.
- Put away any jumps or other obstacles after riding.
- Be aware of and respectful of private property located near the corrals.

### For more details, please visit the SRHOA website http://www.surreyridge.co

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# **Surrey Ridge History** (Part 1 of 7) – Visit *http://www.surreyridge.co* for full story Way Back When – Part II

from the Jan 1999 Surrey Sentinel Vol. 6, Issue 1

In this installment, we again discuss the Schweigers and introduce Art Ceresa. John Schweiger, introduced in Part I of this series, married Anna Engle, niece of Upper Lake Gulch pioneer George Engle. They moved from the two room homestead (possible remains exist on the Bluffs) John shared with his mother and two brothers, into the big farmhouse still standing east of Exit 191. John and Anna had seven children.

Over the years John Sr. acquired many acres and built a large ranch. In 1925, John Sr. died and sons John Jr. and Max continued to farm and ranch. They purchased more land; some for as little as \$2.50 per acre.

Another major area landholder was Arthur Ceresa, who came to the U.S. from Austria (or Germany) before WWI with his cousin, Herman. Art and Herman bought pieces of the Happy Canyon Ranch on both sides of I-25. They began cattle ranching and built a ranch house – the big two story white house on the west side of Clydesdale at exit 190. Herman eventually built a house on the east side of exit 190 and moved there. Art married Mary, had a son, successfully ranched, and continued buying sections of land. Over the years, Ceresa and the Schweigers traded, purchased, and sold sections of land to consolidate their holdings.

Eventually Art Ceresa owned all of present day Surrey Ridge and Estates, and most of Oak Hills, stating he purchased the land for an average cost of \$6.25 per acre.

Stay tuned, our next installment describes untimely deaths, possible murder, and the sell out to realtors – info not available in history books, but provided and collaborated by several original residents of Surrey Ridge!

#### Neighborhood Watch

With more and more homeless migrating via the RTD light rail system we need to be aware of what our options are when sighting such, i.e., contact Lone Tree or Douglas County Sheriff and advise; write to Douglas County and complain about the increasing trash and fire hazard; and, contact our local news source – Castle Pines Connection 303-785-6520 and ask for a story to advise residents further to an increasing problem.

#### Fire Mitigation

Please keep yourself informed about viable escape routes for you and your family and animals in the event of a fire. There are also other solutions to help minimize immediate fire damage to your home.

Check with South Metro Fire Station 36, 421 E. Castle Pines Pkwy. Further info on our

website - www.surreyridge.co.



5	Annual HOA Meeting	Tuesday - September 26 <sup>th</sup> : Meeting will start @ 6:30pm	Journey Church	Ed at 626- 688-8484		
6	Fall Neighborhood Cleanup	Saturday- September 30 <sup>th</sup> : Refreshments @8:30am & Cleanup starts@ 9am	Surrey Josh at Ridge Park 720-883- 3998			
7	Fall Annual Trail Cleanup	Saturday-September 30th: Starts @10:00am until 4pm. Equipment will be rented to help with cleanup.	Surrey Ridge Park	Jerry at 360-420- 0478		
8	Annual Car Show	Saturday- October 7 <sup>th</sup> : Potluck sides @ 4pm	Surrey Ridge Park	Ed at 626- 688-8484		
9	Halloween Hayride Trick or Treat	Tuesday - October 31 <sup>st</sup> : Meet @ 5pm	Cul-de-sac at the south end of Corral	Stephanie at 720- 300-65552		
10	Christmas Fun: Santa & Caroling	Coming Soon				

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