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FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Prairie Village Board of Directors consists of homeowners who are interested in maintaining the quality of life in Prairie Village. They share your concerns and ask that all owners follow the Rules & Regulations of the Community. Please consider applying a re-emergent to prevent weeds throughout the summer. Properly fertilized grass requires less water and deters weeds. If you are using the back and side yards for storage, please consider taking the time to clean up and throw out the materials stored outside of your home. All exterior changes including but not limited to extending the driveway, roof replacement, stone or concrete work, landscaping, fences, decks or patios, and painting require pre-approval by the Architectural Control Committee. A copy of the Architectural Review Request Form for any of these exterior changes may be found on the Prairie Village website. The committee is happy to work with you to determine what changes may be approved. Maintaining your property is essential to the quality of life within the neighborhood. If you have any questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

The Board would like to thank Dave and Nancy Throup for cleaning up the field after the winds blew trash all over. Thanks for the effort to keep our community clean.

Vandalism and Theft

A truck was reported stolen from Prairie Village that was parked in front of a resident's home. The same night that this truck was stolen, 2 others were stolen in Longmont. Since this is not a gated community, we are susceptible to vandalism and theft. It is always good to keep homes locked. Vehicles parked outside of garages are always going to be vulnerable to theft and vandalism. And we have a lot of vehicles parked in the street and in driveways.

Graffiti was found sprayed on a utility box. If you see any graffiti, contact the police department and they will have it removed, usually within 24 hours.

SOCIAL EVENTS

In the past, there have been a few social events held for the neighborhood. These are: Summer picnic, Oktoberfest, Neighborhood garage sale, and Progressive Holiday Party. To make these events happen, volunteers are needed to organize them. If there is an event that particularly interests you and you would like to see happen, please volunteer to organize it. You might get a couple of your neighbors to help you. The HOA will help with resources to defray costs. For more information or to volunteer for an event, contact Ruth Lorenzetti at a.ruth@comcast.net

THERE IS NO 'POOP BAG FAIRY'

With Spring upon us and warmer temperatures comes the melting and yes, the aroma of the winter's thawing of the dog 'leftovers.' It is the rite of spring, the scooping, and yet, we are confronted by the increasing observance of the lonely poop bag sitting, waiting on trails edge, edge of a homeowners lawn, on fence posts or hanging from trees, the poor bags waiting for the owners to claim them and dispose of them properly.

The question that comes to mind is: Why? Why bother to bag if not intending to dispose? What's the purpose then? Is there a hope of a mysterious fairy that comes in the darkness to collect these treasures? Not that I have witnessed.

It is appreciated that the dog leftovers are bagged so others don't step in it, but please take it a step further and dispose of it yourself. I think those of us who own dogs have enough from our dogs to clean up we don't enjoy cleaning up after other dogs and those who don't own dogs – there is a reason for that. The plastic wrapper from newspapers work well and also, someone has been leaving empty bags that can be used for poop bags by the Rough and Ready trail. Keeping our park areas, trails, and neighbors yards poop free is greatly appreciated by many.