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Meadow Mountain Summer Newsletter 2021



Happy Summer!

MEADOW MOUNTAIN'S RAPTORS

Since early spring, several volunteers with Longmont's Raptor Monitoring Program visit numerous raptor nesting sites across the City of Longmont and some outside the city. You will recognize these sites that have nesting platforms on tall wooden utility poles.

According to Scott Severs, who is the Natural Resources Senior Wildlife Technician with the City of Longmont, reports that this is only one nesting site near Meadow Mountain and that is a kestrel box on 75th Street just south of Nelson Road.

In addition to American Kestrels, several other species including Bald Eagles, Barn Owls, Great-Horned Owls, Cooper's Hawks, Ospreys, Red-Tailed Hawks and Swainson's Hawks use the nesting sites.

Your HOA asks our residents to exercise caution, restraint and common sense when approaching a raptor nest. In answer to several questions, Scott Severs goes on to advise that "In general, people should never directly approach a raptor nest, but observe from a safe distance with binoculars and scopes. Use a car as a blind, and if the birds are agitated by your presence (calling and diving at you), you should leave immediately. Keep observations to a minimum, only a few minutes. All dogs on leash, per the citywide policy.

All birds are incubating or attending young now. By the early summer, all owls will have fledged, and hawks, ospreys, and eagles will have nestlings in their nests. By the end of July to mid-August all young will have left the nest.

If anyone is harassing a nest or find an injured bird, they should call Animal Control at (303) 651-8500.

Your HOA Board of Directors thanks all of you for your cooperation in this.

MEADOW MOUNTAIN'S ANNUAL SOCIAL: CANCELLED

Your Meadow Mountain HOA Board of Directors regrets to inform our residents that our Annual Social is once again cancelled due to COVID precautions. Following a discussion amongst Board Members and David McCarty, Manager of Flagstaff Management, Inc., the difficult decision was reached because of the possibility (even remotely) that someone could contract COVID from such a gathering. There is no way of knowing who was vaccinated or not and no way of enforcing the wearing of masks for those who are not. Should it be proven a person caught the virus at this event, the liability would be very costly as there is no insurance coverage for such a thing. We hope we can offer the event next year.

MEADOW MOUNTAIN HOA'S ANNUAL MEETING

Your HOA Board of Directors invites all residents to attend its annual meeting scheduled for October 18, 2021. The time and location will be announced later. This is an ideal place for residents to raise any questions, issues or concerns and get a considered response from the Board.

A FEW WORDS FROM YOUR HOA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

All of us experienced a grueling year plus of the COVID-19 pandemic, political tensions, social strife, and the rest. We want to commend our friends and neighbors of Meadow Mountain who demonstrated courage, restraint, patience, and common sense during these highly stressful times. We are just coming back to some level of normalcy at this point, but precautions are still in order. Many of us have probably known friends or family members who may have contracted the virus and survived or may not have survived.

With the increase in COVID cases due to the Delta Variant, we can only recommend getting the vaccinations. We realize there are several issues surrounding the vaccines from vaccine hesitancy to vaccine resistance. You need to make the best personal choice for the protection of you and your families.

Many of us are on Next Door, a social networking service for neighborhoods, and have read numerous comments about overzealous HOAs who place enforcement of covenants above everything else. Many of you have probably seen the Geico television commercial with the HOA member named Cynthia, who chops down hanging flower planters and cutting off mailbox posts while shouting, "Violation, violation, violation!"

Your Meadow Mountain HOA Board of Directors does its best *not* to deal with any potential issues in that way. We prefer communication back and forth to find challenges and ways of dealing with them. Your Board eased many of the requirements during COVID and we will continue to work with residents to make the best decisions for our Meadow Mountain subdivision.

We encourage anyone with any potential issues to bring those to the attention of David McCarty, Manager of Flagstaff Management, Inc., at fmc900@flagstaffmanagement.com or by phone at (303) 682-0098, who will bring the matter to the attention of the Board for action.