



It's time for the annual Arapahoe Ridge...

## July 4th Celebration!

There are many reasons why AR is a great place to live. Some of the biggest perks are the fun-filled community events the association hosts throughout the year. Monday, July 4<sup>th</sup>, is our annual parade and picnic at Arapahoe Ridge park. Children of all ages are invited to the clubhouse at 10:00am to decorate their strollers, wagons, bikes, etc., for the parade around the park, which begins at 10:30am. Decorations will be provided free of charge. At 11:00am the association has invited Ann Lincoln to perform an outdoor entertainment show. Ann is a juggler/magician/comedian who entertains children all over the Front Range. Ann will stick around after the show for a few hours to do some facepainting and make balloon hats and animals. The show, facepainting and balloons are free. At 11:30 we'll be serving up hotdogs, watermelon and other goodies at the cookout/potluck. For the potluck, please bring a side dish if your last name begins with A-M. Please bring a dessert if your last name begins with N-Z.

As you know, the July 4<sup>th</sup> celebration is in conjunction with Safety Day. The Fire Department will be on hand with a paramedic unit.

We are always in need of volunteers. To help, please contact Diana Walley @ [secretary@arhoa.org](mailto:secretary@arhoa.org) or via phone @ 303.604.9800.



### Swimming Pool News & Rules

Neighbors,

By now most everyone has their pool key and is enjoying our facility. If you still do not have your key, please contact Four Star Management. I hope you have noticed that the pool temperature is a little warmer this year!

I would like to go over some of the rules & procedures for the pool:

1. The pool is officially open from 10:00am to 9:00pm daily. We have arranged for lifeguards to be on duty during that time.
2. Children should never be at the pool unattended.
3. The baby pool is for babies and toddlers and no one over 6 years old should be in that pool.
4. Children 13 and older may come to the pool without an adult, but only when there is a lifeguard on duty.

During the summer months we have many days with afternoon thunderstorms. It is a legal requirement that the pool be closed if there is a chance of lightening. The guards will close the pool, wait a half hour, and if the danger has gone away, will allow everyone to swim. However, if the danger still exists they will wait a few minutes more and then close the pool. I have asked the pool company to put a sign up saying the pool has been closed due to weather. Depending on the time, the pool may remain closed for the rest of the day. This is for everyone's safety.

I open the pool (unlock the master lock) on the front pool gate every morning at 6:00am. This is for the use of adult swimmers (18 and over) to swim laps, etc. There are no lifeguards on duty and the restrooms are still locked and unavailable until the guards arrive at 10:00am.

I do this as your **volunteer** so please remember if I am a few minutes late, I am sorry. My husband and I are the only

people currently volunteering. I expect to be away some days this summer and currently am looking for volunteers to help open at 6:00 am when I am gone or to share some of the days. Please give me a call if you are an early riser (303-665-1447) and wouldn't mind helping out. If I can't find anyone to help, especially when I am out of town, I will publish when the pool will be closed until 10:00 am when the guards arrive.

I will be volunteering to teach aqua aerobics at 6:00am to 7:00am beginning Monday, June 20th. Please bring a noodle if you decide to come to class. I am a certified instructor and just do this as a volunteer activity for your benefit. I do work full-time as well as teach part-time at the Bob Burger Recreation Center, so I just do this to benefit anyone who wants to come and exercise.

Please remind your teens or young adults that our pool is a family facility and to respect the fact that there are children around, as well as adults, who do not want to hear off-color language. There have been a number of times, already this year, that parents of the younger children have called me to discuss this issue, so **please be considerate**. Thanks!!!

All in all, we have a great neighborhood and a wonderful pool. We are fortunate to have this, and remember, this is **your** property so please treat it as you would your own home. Be considerate of others and please pick up after yourselves.

Thanks for all of your help in maintaining a great environment for our children and everyone in the community.

Sincerely,

Shaun O'Reilly

July 4 <sup>th</sup> Events	
10:00am	Meet at the clubhouse to decorate strollers, bikes, wagons, etc. Decorations will be provided.
10:30am	The annual parade around the park begins at the clubhouse.
11:00 am	Ann Lincoln's outdoor entertainment show at the park.
11:25am	Ann Lincoln begins facepainting and making balloon hats and animals.
11:30am	Cookout begins - Please bring a dish for the potluck.

Pool Notes	
Official Pool Hours (with lifeguards)	10:00am-9:00pm daily.
Adult Lap Swim	6:00am daily*.
Aqua Aerobics	6:00am-7:00am beginning 6/20.

\*When a volunteer is available to unlock the gate.



**Neighborhood Watch Update**

*Annual Community Meeting*

Please join your neighbors at the annual community meeting on Wednesday, July 20<sup>th</sup>, at the Arapahoe Ridge clubhouse. The meeting will be held from 7:00pm – 9:00pm. Erie’s new Police Chief will be on hand to answer questions and discuss the growing police department. Also, a former US probation officer will speak on protecting your children from sex offenders. A flyer with more details will be mailed out to each resident later this month.

*National Night Out*

National Night Out (NNO) is August 2nd. This is when some of the block captains choose to have their annual block party. Others have block parties at different times during the summer. There will be more information about NNO during the community meeting mentioned above. Please contact the Neighborhood Watch Program directors @ [NW@arhoa.org](mailto:NW@arhoa.org) if you would like to become a block captain.



**Landscaping News**

Our community will be looking a lot greener this summer! That’s because AR is participating in the Town of Erie HOA tree cost share program. With assistance from our landscaping company, the BOD toured the AR property looking for unhealthy trees which need replacing and spaces for new trees. We submitted plans to the town to plant 44 new trees – and the plans were accepted! The town will reimburse AR for 50% of the cost of the trees, labor and warranties. Most of the trees will be planted along 111<sup>th</sup>, Beasley and Arapahoe. Planting should be completed by the end of June. You will notice a nice variety of trees including Chanticleer Pear, Hackberry, Thornless Cockspur Hawthorns, and a few different types of Maples.

As always, you are welcome to contact our landscaping company, Sun & Shade, for services at your home. The number for Sun & Shade is 303.702. 1232.



**Volunteer Opportunities**

The BOD would like to thank Miri and Dan Froelich for organizing a terrific party for the pool opening in May! Without them the party would most likely have been cancelled due to the lack of volunteers. We are always in need of additional volunteers. Help make a difference in your community! Please contact Diana Walley @ [secretary@arhoa.org](mailto:secretary@arhoa.org) or via phone @ 303.604.9800 for more information.

**Open Positions:**

- *Special Events Committee members.*
- *Budget Oversight Committee members.*
- *Neighborhood Watch block captains.*
- *Design Review Committee members.*



**Financial Update**

As of May 31, 2005

<b>Account Description</b>	<b>Totals</b>
Cash Checking	61,840.61
Reserves	555,834.44
Assessments Receivable	8,849.00
Late Fees Receivable	540.00
Legal Fees Receivable	2,095.14
Misc. Owner Receivable	247.00
Fines –Receivable	425.00
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>629,831.19</b>



**Arapahoe Ridge STARS**

The BOD is proud to announce the newest Arapahoe Ridge STAR – Nancy Welch! Nancy was nominated by a neighbor who said, “when you wrote

about using success, talent and attitude to make a difference in our neighborhood [in the last newsletter], she [Nancy] was the first one to pop into my head.”

For the last six years Nancy, a.k.a. the Easter Bunny, has volunteered to organize an Easter egg hunt at Arapahoe Ridge Park. Before the hunt, Nancy and her crew spend weeks stuffing hundreds of colorful plastic eggs with treats. Nancy dresses as the Easter Bunny and children line up to talk with her, get a prize, take their picture or Nancy's favorite, get a great big hug from the Easter Bunny!

Nancy uses her energy and cheerful attitude to create this event, and her artistic talents to keep it festive and exciting for the children and families that participate.

Nancy has served AR as a member of the Board of Directors, pool committee and holiday lights committee. But, her neighbor says, “...her passion for the Easter egg hunt brings me to write you.”

Nancy, thank you for all that you do for our community!

You can nominate an AR resident who use Success, Talent, Attitude and Results to make a difference in the neighborhood, the local community and/or the world. Please submit your nominations by August 1, 2005, to [secretary@arhoa.org](mailto:secretary@arhoa.org), or phone Diana Walley @ 303.604.9800.



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