



The Copper Leaf

Coming Soon— The Arboretum!

Are you looking forward to a pleasurable summer at Copperleaf? Construction of The Arboretum, consisting of 2 pools with stunning views of the Colorado mountains from the pool deck and grass lounging areas, is rapidly progressing! If weather cooperates and no construction delays occur, the goal is to open this pool to residents on Memorial Day weekend with a Grand Opening Event to be scheduled later in the pool season. The pool will be open through Labor Day.

For your enjoyment this summer, The Arboretum will consist of a 6-lane lap pool and a large, zero-entry to 3-foot depth “splash garden” pool which will have several exciting water features for the entire family to enjoy.

The pools will be available for resident use between 10 A.M. and 8 P.M. Pool access cards and pool rules will be issued to residents. Lifeguards will be on duty and will offer private and group swim lessons if there is enough resident interest. More information about swim lessons will

be available prior to opening day.

Two large shade structures, picnic tables, restrooms, family changing rooms, and a variety of pool chairs will be available to enhance your enjoyment when visiting the pool this summer. An additional shade structure will be located next to the tot lot on the outside of the pool fence.

Construction later in 2008 is anticipated to also include additional landscape as well as a half court basketball/hockey playing area.



Opening This Summer—The Arboretum (artist's rendering)

This facility is truly designed to be used by the entire family. So get ready to have a “funtastic” summer at The Arboretum!

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Design Review Process—How Does It Work?

If this is your first experience living in a covenant-protected community, you may be wondering about the Design Review Committee and how it works. Residents are required to submit all exterior improvements such as landscaping, fencing, decks, spas, exterior painting, to name just a few items, to the Design Review Committee prior to installation of the improvement.

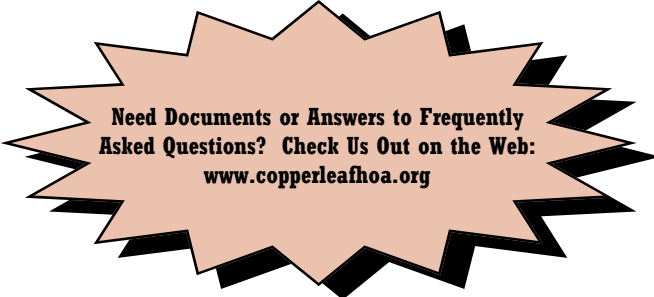
The process is designed to protect individual owners by assuring that they are installing improvements that meet the Association's guidelines and approval of your project offers protection in the event of a neighbor complaint. This process, in turn, helps protect property values for all residents in the community.

The Board wants to make this process as painless as possible and our goal is to provide a very rapid response time to all requests so that residents can move forward quickly with their planned projects. In most cases, the turn-around time will only take a few days but the Design Review Committee appreciates your cooperation in submission of plans in advance of your project.

There are several forms on the Association's web site to help you with your submission. For most improvements, you will need to use the Design Review Committee Request for Approval form. If you are painting the exterior of your

home, you will need to use the Exterior Paint Request form and the Accessory Building Request form is needed for patio covers or additions to your home. These forms are all available for you to print from the Association's web site. If you do not have access to the Association's web site, please let the management company know and we'll mail you some forms.

Don't forget to check out the web site's latest version of the Residential Improvement Design Guidelines which lists criteria for various kinds of improvements. You are also welcome to call the management company at any time for additional assistance.



Need Documents or Answers to Frequently Asked Questions? Check Us Out on the Web:
www.copperleafhoa.org



Trash Tidbits

Waste Management appears to be doing a terrific job of providing weekly curbside trash service to residents. In the unlikely event that you do experience a disruption in service, please contact Prokopiak Management Company (303.466.2432) as soon as possible so that we can assist you in getting prompt service.

To help keep the neighborhood in pristine condition, please store your trash containers in your garage or behind your fence. Containers may be placed at curbside after sundown on Monday evenings and must be stored correctly by sundown on Tuesday evenings. Waste Management recommends that trash be bagged before placing in your totes so that trash doesn't blow throughout the neighborhood on windy days. Your cooperation is appreciated!

Waste Management is also pleased to announce that Single Stream Recycling is now in your neighborhood. With Single Stream Recycling all items can go in the same container, there is no need to sort. Waste Management is also able to accept more items than ever before.

Acceptable Items: Aluminum Food and Beverage Containers, Glass Food and Beverage Containers, Tin Cans, #1 and #2 plastic bottleneck containers, #3-#7 plastic bottles, Newspapers, Corrugated Cardboard (cut into 2 ft. by 2 ft. pieces), Magazines, Catalogs, Cereal Boxes, Telephone Books, Printer and Copier Paper, Junk Mail. You can continue to use the recycling tubs you have now. Customer Service: 303-797-1600.

"Recycling is included in the trash service on an every other week basis. Do you want to participate?"

Call Waste Management (303.797.1600) to order your recycling bins. Waste Management will bill you directly for the cost of the bins.

Is Your Yard Ready for Spring?

One of the great challenges for new home owners is the balancing act required to install your landscape within the required one year from your closing while also complying with the water restrictions for new sod/seed installation from East Cherry Creek Water and Sanitation District (E.C.C.V.). But don't despair. By starting the installation process early, you can beautify your home with a terrific landscape **and** comply with E.C.C.V. watering restrictions.

Here are some tips to help you along the way. First, be sure to submit your landscape plan to the Design Review Committee for approval prior to installation. Plans do not need to be professionally drawn. If you are using "sweat equity" to install your landscape, you can draw your plan on the plot plan (also called an Improvement Location Certificate) given to you by your builder.

Next, start your installation as early as possible after your closing. Often, landscape installation can be done in phases. Colorado winters typically have many mild

weeks of weather in which "hardscape" items, such as rock borders and installation of irrigation systems can be installed.

When Spring brings milder weather, you can begin soil preparation in anticipation of sod installation. Be sure to follow E.C.C.V. requirements for sod installation noted in the article below. Once you have the required landscape elements of lawn and perimeter landscape installed, you can think about the future phases of landscaping that you may want to do. For most of us, landscape is a "work in progress" for several years as we find new plant materials to enhance our homes.

On the Association's web site, you will find a link to PlantTalk Colorado. This site can provide many helpful landscape ideas such as flower garden design, tree and shrub selection, and xeriscape principles.

The final step is the best! Put some garden furniture on your deck and enjoy your beautiful home. Fire up the barbeque and invite your neighbors over to admire your hard work.

*"A good home must be made,
not bought."*

—Joyce Maynard

News From East Cherry Creek Valley Water & Sanitation District 2008 Watering Guidelines

ECCV's 2008 watering program allows outdoor turf watering three days a week for residential customers. Beginning April 1st, residential and commercial customers with addresses ending with an even number may water on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Sundays. Odd-numbered addresses may water on Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays. Fridays are a no-watering day. No watering will be permitted between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. every day.

The maximum recommended watering time is 15 minutes per zone, and this should be adjusted seasonally. Residents found violating these restrictions will be fined. Depending on the amount of spring precipitation, you may not need to irrigate your turf as early as April.

Sod & Seed Planting Guidelines: Customers planting new sod and turf seed are granted some variances from current District watering restrictions. Sod or seed planting is allowed from April 1 to May 15 and after September 15, 2008. Residents planting new sod may water every day for 14 days between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. to establish the sod. Watering is acceptable up to three times a day, five minutes per zone for pop-up spray heads, 15 minutes for rotors. After the initial 14 days, residents must comply with ECCV's watering restrictions as detailed above. The same guidelines apply to seed watering, except that for the third week after planting, residents may water one cycle per day. For the fourth week, watering must be limited to once every other day. No special permits are required, but save your receipt in case you are cited for a violation in error.

Important Phone Numbers

Arapahoe County Administration	303.795.4400
Arapahoe County Sheriff	303.795.4711
Arapahoe Park & Recreation District	303.730.6109
East Cherry Creek Valley Water & San. Dist.	303.693.3800

I. R.E.A. (Electric Only)	303.688.3100
Prokopiak Management Company	303.466.2432-office 303.466.7602- fax
Waste Management	303.797.1600
Xcel Energy (Gas Only)	800.481.4700

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***Copperleaf—you can put down roots
and find plenty of room to grow.***

Here's What's Planned for Copperleaf in 2008

The Geology Park located in the Hawthorne neighborhood was completed in 2007. In 2008, construction of the Presidential Park in the Cherry neighborhood is planned to begin. In keeping with the cherry tree theme of the neighborhood, this park will provide an educational theme about our nation's Presidents through a series of plaques about each President.

Additional streetscape will be installed in the Picadilly median. Landscape at the new entry monuments on E. Quincy Ave. at S. Picadilly St. and east of S. Himalaya will be installed this year to give a welcoming look to the Copperleaf community. And colorful flower beds will enhance the entrances to the Cherry, Linden, Hawthorne and Cottonwood neighborhoods this summer.

Mandatory Matters

Colorado Senate Bill 100 requires homeowner associations to provide disclosures to owners on an annual basis. These disclosures include copies of governing documents (CC&R's, Bylaws, Articles of Incorporation) as well such things as policies and procedures, budgets, board meeting minutes and financial statements. Many of these documents were provided to you by your builder at the time of contract, but these disclosures are also available to you on the Association's web site: www.copperleafhoa.org. Please call the management company if you have any questions.

Take the Trivia Quiz!

Do You Know This About Copperleaf?

- Although Copperleaf has an Aurora mailing address, the entire project is located in unincorporated Arapahoe County.
- 2000+ single-family detached homes are currently planned for "build-out" of the Copperleaf Community.
- Most of the streets in Copperleaf are public streets which are maintained by Arapahoe County. A few neighborhoods will have private streets which are maintained by the Association, such as several streets in the Linden neighborhood.
- Currently, there are three approved builders with homes under construction: Beazer Homes (Cherry neighborhood), Richmond American Homes (Hawthorne neighborhood), and Capital Pacific Homes (Cottonwood neighborhood). Additional builders are likely as future neighborhoods are constructed.

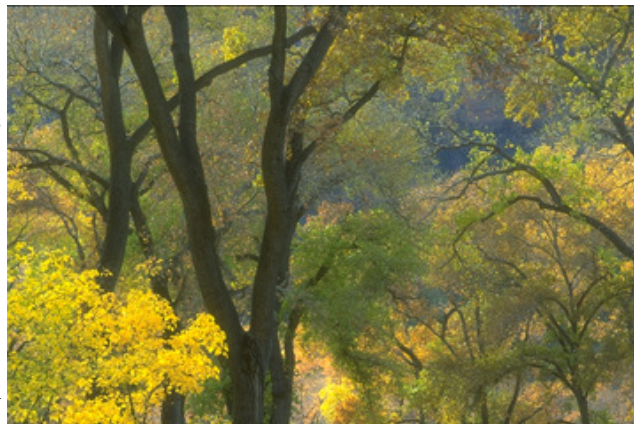
What Is An Arboretum?

If you check for definitions of **Arboretum** on the Web or in a dictionary, you will find a number of definitions which refer to an Arboretum as a park-like environment or garden where a collection of specimen trees are grown for their educational or scientific interest.

The Copperleaf community is full of adventure and educational opportunities in the future. Residents and visitors can choose their own adventure while exploring the proposed 10-mile network of trails that link the neighborhoods and parks to be constructed by Arapahoe Park and Recreation District.

Strolling along the paths, you will eventually come across the Arboretum. Why is it called The Arboretum? In a community where the neighborhoods are named

after trees, it only makes sense that the community's focal point, the recreation center, be named The Arboretum. With a variety of over 50 types of trees and more than 100 trees on site, The Arboretum becomes an interactive landscape that lives up to its name.



An Arboretum of trees will beautify Copperleaf in years to come!

Come and explore The Arboretum this summer and learn about all the different species of trees in the community. When Copperleaf is completed, over 10,000 trees are planned in the landscape environment, including all parks, open space areas, and individual homes. We promise, however, that there won't

be a test to identify all 10,000 trees within the Copperleaf community!