



# The Manor Banner

August, 2008

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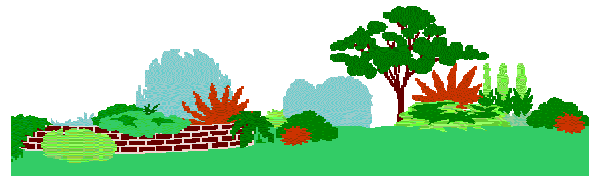
The whole neighborhood is invited to the Oktoberfest Block Party!

Geddes Circle will be blocked off at the top of the circle. The party will be in front of 5102 W. Geddes Circle. There will be games for the kids, including the ever popular body bowling. The main dish (bratwurst and hot dogs) and drinks will be provided by the Homeowners' Association.

**Please bring a side dish or dessert to share.**

Once again, the fire department will be invited. Their attendance depends on if they are free from emergency calls.

Please RSVP by September 18 to Joe Wuest at 303-904-0117 or [famwuest@msn.com](mailto:famwuest@msn.com).



## LAWN OF THE MONTH AWARDS

**Congratulations** to Marilyn Reider and Nadine Long at 5142 W. Geddes Circle for being the July 2008 winner of CMPOA Lawn of the Month. They received a \$50 gift card for Home Depot. Thank you, Marilyn and Nadine, for all the work you do on your lawn (especially with the rough July we had).

**Congratulations** to George and Inger Page at 5020 W. Fremont Ave. for receiving the August award for Lawn of the Month. A \$50 gift card was given to them and the sign is in their yard. Drive by their house at night and see the lights along their yard.

The Lawn of the Month will be back next summer! Keep attacking those weeds, watering the yard, mowing your lawn, and you could be our next

## Minutes from the 2008 Annual Meeting

The Columbine Manor Property Owner's Association Annual Meeting and Picnic was held on Sunday June 22<sup>nd</sup> in Columbine Manor Park. During the Annual Meeting Dwight Storm was recognized for his accomplishment in obtaining the Waste Management trash removal contract. The cost savings has been significant over the past 3 years. Thanks, Dwight!

President Darrel Del Duca reported that there were six homes for sale in the neighborhood. Several articles in the newspaper are warning people to be on the look out for suspicious people removing items from the homes. These people are often thieves and should be reported to police.

Secretary Diane Hicks read the proposed by-law change. The proposal was to change the beginning of the fiscal year from June 1<sup>st</sup> to March 1<sup>st</sup>. This would allow the collection of dues to match payment due date of the Waste Management contract. The by-law amendment passed with a majority of those members present voting.

President Darrel Del Duca asked everyone to complete and return the survey that was distributed with the June newsletter. Darrel also asked the membership to give the board any information about members of our armed services so they could be recognized in the Manor Banner newsletter. We would also like to hear any information about happenings in the neighborhood such as new children or grand children, graduations, or anything else in our area.

Treasurer Joe Wuest gave the treasurers report for the last fiscal year. Stating the costs had gone over budget for some of the events and the cost of publishing the Manor Banner has gone up. The association's account has \$4319 remaining.

Minutes continued.....

Three new board members elected to the board -- Hiroo & Hannah Shiba, LuAnn McGuire, and Joe Steinback.

President Darrel Del Duca called for an adjournment at approximately 2:00 pm. Motion carried. The Meeting was adjourned to a picnic of chicken, rolls, salads and dessert. After lunch, the kids (and several adults) enjoyed a water balloon toss game. There were approximately 67 people in attendance this year.

Submitted by,  
Darrel Del Duca  
President

## Free Drug Card

Arapahoe County is offering a free prescription drug card to its residents. The card hopes to save an average of 20% off most retail prescriptions. The card is administered by Caremark Rx Inc. It is available at most county buildings and at city offices with the county. The card is transferable within a family. Most of the pharmacies in the county will accept the card. There are no forms, fees or usage limits with this program. County residents with prescription insurance coverage can use the card to receive discounts on medicines not covered by their plans. The card also can be used for some pet prescriptions. For more information, visit the county's website - [co.arapahoe.co.us](http://co.arapahoe.co.us).

## COLUMBINE MANOR RESIDENT RECIPES

Chinese Pickled Beets  
From Barbara Cowherd



Here is the 3 cans version:  
6 cups canned sliced beets (3 cans)  
1 cup sugar  
1 cup vinegar  
2 tablespoons cornstarch  
18 whole cloves  
3 tablespoons ketchup  
3 tablespoons cooking oil  
1 teaspoon vanilla  
dash of salt

Drain all liquid from beets; reserving 1 ½ cups.  
Pour liquid in a saucepan. Add all ingredients except beets.  
Mix well. Add the beets. Cook over low to medium heat for 3 minutes or until liquid thickens. Serve hot or cold.

Hint: 2 cans = 1 ½ cups liquid

Here is the 2 cans version:  
2 cans of sliced beets  
2/3 cup sugar  
2/3 cup vinegar  
1 ½ tablespoons cornstarch  
12 cloves  
2 tablespoons ketchup  
2 tablespoons cooking oil  
½ teaspoon vanilla  
dash of salt

Use the same cooking instructions.

## CMPOA DINNER GROUPS

The dinner groups will be starting up again this year in early October. Please contact Andrea Del Duca at (303)973-5435 or Cindy Storm at (303)979-4586 for more information or to add your names to the list of participants. This is a great way to meet some new neighbors and to talk with old friends.

## BREAKING BREAD With NEIGHBORS

For the men; you are invited to join the Men's Breakfast Group. They meet the first Monday of each month at Denny's at 8:00 am. Organizers are Jim Barnhill and Dwight Storm.

For the ladies; you are invited to join the Ladies' Lunch group. They go to a various restaurants on the second Thursday of the month. They usually start between 11:00 and 11:30 am. Cindy Storm spearheads the ladies' group.

The number of attendees for both has been as high as eighteen. It is a fun time to hear all the neighborhood activities and solve most of the world's problems.

## Helpful Cleaning Tip

- from Marilouise Barnhill

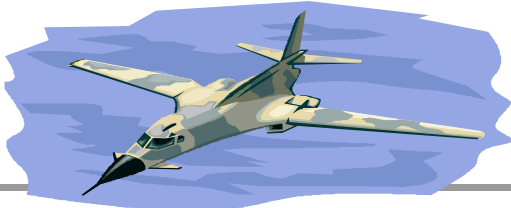
To easily clean a George Forman Grill, use this method. While still warm, rub down the grill with paper towels that have been saturated with vinegar.

## Board Members for 2008/2009

**Darrel Del Duca (President) 303-973-5435**  
**Hirro Shiba ( Vice President) 303-973-4764**  
**LuAnn McGuire ( Secretary ) 720-9819515**  
**Joe Wuest ( Treasurer) 303-904-0117**  
**Jim Barnhill ( Member ) 303-979-4594**  
**Michael Derou ( Member ) 303-978-1857**  
**Bob Engel ( Member ) 303-933-2038**  
**Annemarie Garber ( Member) 303-979-5457**  
**Joe Steinbach (Member) 303-979-2672**

## BOARD MEETINGS

The monthly meeting of your Board of Directors for CMPOA is held on the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. All members are welcome to attend any of the meetings. If you would like to attend, please call Darrell Del Duca at 303-973.5435.  
We will add a chair at the table.



We wish to recognize the service of all of our men and women who chose to serve our country. One from the neighborhood is 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Andrew Berkeley, a Marine fighter pilot. He is the son of Dan and Anne Berkeley who live on Hinsdale Circle

## HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

- Ø cleaning products
- Ø oil paint
- Ø pesticides
- Ø etcetera

The above can be disposed of by calling Curb Side, Inc. at 1-800-449-7587.

They are the authorized company for Arapahoe County. The fee is \$20. Call the number listed for disposal date.



Thanks to South Suburban for all the work that took place this summer in our area. South Suburban Parks and Recreation replaced the path from Normandy Estates to Hinsdale Drive. Making walking and biking on it much more pleasurable.

They also replaced the sprinkler system at the park. The park has benefited with the new system. It is nice to see our tax dollars paying for things in our area. Again thanks go to SSPR for the good work. We appreciate their effort and the costs being put in their budget to keep things in good upkeep.

## FLY YOUR FLAG

**September 1**  
**Labor Day**



**September 11**  
**Patriot Day**

**October 12**

If you would like to place an article in the Manor Banner, please send your article to:  
[famwuest@msn.com](mailto:famwuest@msn.com)