



# Midway Ranches

Property Owners Association

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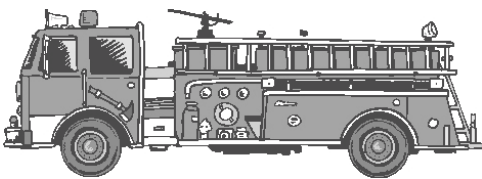
## News From the Board

**Road Maintenance** - Only you can help maintain our roads! Speeding, spinning tires, etc... greatly increase the cost of maintaining our roads. The Board realizes that it is only a few who abuse, but the few cause all of us to pay the ever increasing costs. The Board has, in the past, assessed property owners additional fees for damaging our roads. We plan to continue the practice in the future. Please drive safely.

**Unregistered Vehicles** - Our roads are covered under the laws of Pueblo County and the State of Colorado. Unregistered vehicles, those without a valid license plate & licensed driver can not legally be driven on our roads. Vehicles such as motorcycles and ATVs on our roads are subject to fines, and if driven by underage drivers, impounded by the Sheriff's Department. It is the responsibility of all property owners to call the Sheriff and call for enforcement when someone is breaking the law.

## Fall Road Trash Clean up

Remember to participate in the Fall road trash clean up. Have some pride in our community & help pick up the trash along the roads. This is scheduled for Saturday **September 26th at 9:00am**. In case of poor weather the rain date is set for October 3rd at 9:00am. After the road clean up plan to attend the Fire Department Open House.



## Fire District Update

### **Open House**

Welcome one and all to the Open House on Saturday, September 26, from 11 am to 4 pm at Station 3 (next to Prairie Heights elementary school). The whole community is encouraged and welcome to attend. All fire department apparatus will be on display. Food and drinks will be provided such as hot dogs, hamburgers, chips, potato salad, etc.

Please come and meet your Volunteer firefighters and show our community support, meet the neighbors and have fun.

### **Fire District Status**

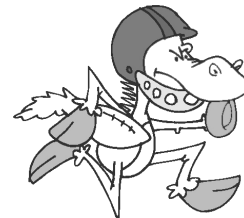
We are in the process of negotiation our contract with the Hanover Fire Protection District (HFPD). At our first meeting we were able to agree to what services we, as a small community and HFPD can provide. The negotiations went extremely well and are in the final stage of signing the agreement.

We are also ready to submit our Service Plan to the County Commissioners, the first step in forming our own Fire District.

## It's Football Season!!! Go Broncos!

### 2009 Denver Broncos Schedule

Sept 13 @ Cincinnati 11:00	Nov 15 @ Washington 11:00
Sept 20 Cleveland 2:15	Nov 22 San Diego 2:15
Sept 27 @ Oakland 2:15	Nov 26 N.Y. Giants 6:20
Oct 4 Dallas 2:15	Nov 6 @ Kansas City 6:20
Oct 11 New England 2:15	Dec 13 @ Indianapolis 11:00
Oct 19 @ San Diego 6:30	Dec 20 Oakland 2:05
Nov 1 @ Baltimore 11:00	Dec 27 @ Philadelphia 11:00
Nov 9 Pittsburgh 6:30	Jan 3 Kansas City 2:15



## **School News on Back**

**This Newsletter & information is uploaded to our website & community calendar.**



*Autumn leaves float gently down  
The air is crisp all over town  
Children have returned to school  
and the weather turns from warm to cool.*

*The scent of fall is on the wind  
And from green to brown the grass has thinned  
To warmer places some birds will fly  
And our gentle winter will mystify.*

-Melissa Mathies-

## School News

Welcome back to school! School is in full swing now at the Hanover campus & Prairie Heights Elementary.

September 9<sup>th</sup> is the first day of the pre-school program at Hanover Elementary School.

We Welcome the new Prairie Heights Principal Rebecca Dunn.

September 11, no school as there will be Parent / Teacher conferences 10 am to 6 pm.

September 16, will be an early dismissal day. The school day will end at 12:25 pm for Teachers in Service meetings.

October 24<sup>th</sup> is the October Harvest Costume Carnival held at Prairie Heights Elementary gymnasium from 5:30p-8:00p. There will be no admission charge – free games – minimal charge for food. Come join the fun, play games and meet your neighbors! Costume parade will also be held. For further information, please contact Cathie Wolff at 382-5714 or Cynthia Aldecocea at 382-9529. Volunteers are needed to help with the food, games, and decorating. Thank you.

### **ABC News Warns Massive Swine Flu Spread**

#### **Vaccine may be available next month**

By fall half of the American population could be infected with H1N1 Swine Flu. 60-120 million will get sick, 30 million infected with no symptoms, 1-8 million hospitalized & 90,000 possible deaths. More deaths will occur among children. It has been tested in laboratory animals that the Swine Flu is spread more easily through direct contact since animals in adjacent cages did not spread the flu, but animals in cages together infected one another. There is a vaccine under development & it could be released as early as next month. The vaccine will consist of 2 shots separated by 3 weeks; the patient will be protected only after the 2nd shot.

Help prevent the spread of the swine flu by washing your hands & staying away from other people if you feel ill. Children sick with Swine Flu sent to school can spread this flu easily.

This outlook is a worse case scenario from the CDC, ABC News & Yahoo Video.

### **Helpful Contacts & Phone Numbers:**

**ICE-Immigration & Customs Enforcement:** 1-866-347-2423  
<http://www.ice.gov>

**Crime Stoppers:** 719-544-7867

**Pueblo County Sheriff Department.:** 719-583-6250

**Kenny Burke-Brand Inspector:** 719-382-5016

**Denver Brand Inspector HQ:** 1-800-886-7683

**Pueblo Animal Services:** Domestic Animal Control-719-544-3005 ONLINE-[www.puebloanimalservices.com](http://www.puebloanimalservices.com)

**Pueblo Regional Building—JD Potter:**719-543-0002, online permit searches <http://www.prbd.com>, enter address

**Pueblo Cty Planning & Development—Merv Terrill:** Illegal land-use-living in campers/shacks, junk vehicles, 719-583-6100

**Pueblo County Health Dept.:** Dumping/burying trash, etc.-719-583-4300 Environmental Health: Raw sewage, etc. 719-583-4323, online - [www.pueblohealthdept.org](http://www.pueblohealthdept.org)

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