

Autumn Edition, October 2023

The

Ranch Filing 3

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Autumn Skies and Pumpkin Pies

🍁 Meet The Board 🍁

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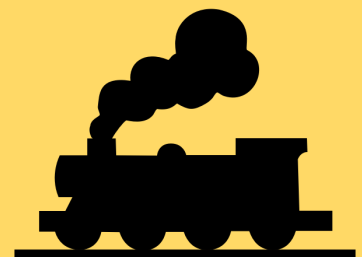
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* **Two Board members' terms will end this year**, AND our ACC needs volunteers to fill vacating positions there, as well. **Now is your opportunity to step up**, throw your hat into the ring, and **become an active supporter of the neighborhood!**

Fall Train Rides for Leaf Viewing!

Colorado is perhaps its most beautiful during this time of year. What better place to view the changing season than one of our local trains? Check out:

[The Broadmoor Manitou and Pikes Peak Cog Railway](#) (3 hr duration, \$48-\$58); [Georgetown Loop Railroad](#) (1 hr, \$23-\$29); [The Royal Gorge Route Railroad](#) (1-½ to 2-½ hrs, \$54-\$59); [Cripple Creek and Victor Narrow Gauge Railroad](#) (45 min, \$12-\$17); and [Cumbres & Toltec Scenic Railroad](#) (up to a full day duration, \$65-\$115)





Fall Fun Checklist:

- Make a leaf mandala
 - Go apple picking
 - Walk a corn maze
 - Visit a pumpkin patch
 - Decorate for Halloween
 - Sip hot apple cider
 - Roast pumpkin seeds
 - Enjoy a nature walk
 - Board game night
 - Make a leaf rubbing
 - Drink hot chocolate
 - Host a potluck
 - View changing colors
 - Go bird watching
 - Work a 500 pc puzzle
 - Knit or crochet
- Build a cozy fire

Sprucing Up for Autumn

- Clean out yard debris
- Till the vegetable garden
- Clean out gutters
- Trim rogue branches
- Aerate and feed the lawn
- Drain garden hoses
- Rake and mulch
- Blow out the sprinklers
- Prune trees and shrubs
- Clean garden tools
- Divide and cut back perennials
- Plant bulbs, shrubs, and fall annuals
- Protect the deck
- Store outdoor furniture
- Finally . . .
 - Pretend you're on the ACC committee: Would your home and property pass the "discerning eye" test?
 - Sidewalks should be clear and easily accessible by all who use them. Remember that some neighbors use strollers, walkers, or wheelchairs.
 - Please don't block the sidewalks with trash containers.
 - Please don't block the sidewalks with shrubs and or/low-lying tree limbs



"Plant and your spouse plants with you; weed and you weed alone"

– Jean Jacques Rousseau

The Ranch Filing 3 Annual Board Meeting is quickly approaching!

The Ranch Filing 3 Annual Meeting

Thursday, November 16th, 7:00PM - 9:00PM
Westminster's City Park Recreation Center
10455 N. Sheridan Blvd, Westminster CO 80020

Please plan to attend in person! This year, we'll have refreshments and plenty of time & space to commune with neighbors as we gather to vote/tally votes on incoming Board members and a neighborhood trash service provider.

Check your mail for ballots!

Be sure to visit the Ranch Filing 3 website's "[Trash Collection](#)" page so that you may compare the bids we've received from the three main trash service providers here at The Ranch. Please read through the bids so that you're prepared to VOTE for a single trash service provider.

Attention: Pet Owners

Encounters with wild animals are not uncommon! Please keep your pets inside or plan to accompany them when they're outside.

Let's keep our beloved fur babies safe!

Speaking of fur babies . . .

When walking your dog, please remember to **obey the leash law** and keep your pooch on leash at all times when outdoors. Also, please clean up after your pets. Let's all be good, respectful neighbors!

Did You Know >>> Animal feces attracts rats? Just another reason to scoop the poop!

Is there something you'd like to see in upcoming quarterly newsletters? If so, please reach out to: Communications.RF3@gmail.com

And . . . Remember to throw your hat into the ring for the 2024 HOA Board and ACC!