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Newsletter

TODD CREEK VILLAGE
METROPOLITAN DISTRICT
Smart Water Homes



VOICE OF THE VILLAGE

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The National Western Stockshow



January 10-25, 2009
The National Western Complex
is located just east of I-25 on
I-70 and is easily accessible by
taking the Brighton Blvd. or
Coliseum exits.

National Western Complex
4655 Humboldt St.
Denver, CO 80216

Make a Wish!

What do you wish for our planet this year? In a month where many of us make New Year resolutions, whether it's to lose some of the holiday weight gain, spend more quality time with our children, or volunteer and give through community service, January is a time of both reflection and action. It's cold outside. It's still dark so early in the day. Why not use the extra time to decide what you'd like to do differently for yourself and for others. Our planet is changing. From energy resources to climate, our District resolution is to provide the information that helps every homeowner in Todd Creek Village be a smart water consumer. That's what our monthly newsletters and website are all about.



It's also our goal to keep on top of the latest technologies that best serve you. We are proud to be a model example of the good stewardship we practice here in Todd Creek Village by way of our dual-pipe water system. We are fortunate to have a more efficient operation of water processing and distribution because we're designed to treat only our indoor (potable) water and to recycle grey water for outdoor landscaping, called (non-potable). This literally saves our community millions of gallons of water in unnecessary expense from having to treat all water to drinking water standards. While this helps minimize rising costs, it is still up to us to use our water responsibly. After all, having a healthy planet for future generations is certainly worth it, so we thank you for all you do to keep your home and gardens environmentally friendly.

Keeping you 'in the know'...here's what's going on.

The District continues to work on ensuring its long term water supply. In 2008, we purchased two existing reservoirs from the City of Westminster. They have been dry for a number of years which gives us the opportunity to repair and expand the storage space to hold approximately 300 acre feet of water. We already have water rights secured from Signal Ditch and once the reservoirs are ready, this will become part of our expanded irrigation system.

As many of you know, our community utilizes two water-filled reservoirs: Smith and Marcus.

Mile High Holidays

Local bargains through
January 31, 2009, Presented by
The Convention & Visitors Bureau

Did you know...Denver offers
bargain hotel rates and special
packages through January? Rates
start at just \$52.80 per room and
getaway packages start at \$100.

Take in a show, ride a horse-
drawn carriage, shop and dine.
You deserve a mini-vacation, so
why not take advantage of an in-
town getaway! Rates are based on
availability and subject to change.

Visit Our Reverse Os- mosis Treatment Plant!

Small groups (4-6 people at a
time) will be fascinated to see
how this highly sophisticated
water treatment process works.

Please email to schedule:
customers@toddcreekvillage.org
and put "RO visit" in subject line
to schedule a tour.

Your Email is Needed

For everyone's safety in the
event of any water related issue
(such as a line break or water
pressure irregularity), a Water
Notification Email Alert will be
sent to every one of our 1200+
customers. Please be assured
of your complete privacy. This
information is solely for our
communication purposes with
you, our customer. Please take
a moment & send us your email
now along with your customer
account number, address or ID.
Thank you!

Reminder

New 2009 Approved Water
Rate: \$49 for potable; \$32 for
irrigation. Thanks again to all
residents, board members and
citizen task force members for
your participation in working to
achieve a minimal, but necessary
rate increase to best serve the
community.!

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a Smart Water Home!

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Jim Worley - District Manager

Past newsletters have introduced you to our wonderful volunteer citizen member task force - residents who live in Todd Creek Village - who help us with important community work. Here's a little info on the guy who's helping to ensure your water needs are met and the District runs efficiently.

Jim has lived in Highlands Ranch since 1985. He has managed several Colorado Special Districts since 1986, beginning as the General Manager for the Highlands Ranch Metropolitan District for nine years. He also served as a Director for the Highlands Ranch Metro District #1, where he was Board Treasurer for three years. Jim has also managed Centennial Water & Sanitation District. From 1996 to 2006, Jim worked for R. S. Wells LLC, a Special District Management Company where he managed a variety of Colorado Special Districts along the Front Range prior to becoming District Manager of Todd Creek Village.

Over the years, Jim has served the community in many ways. He was part of a citizen committee that recommended the name for Highlands Ranch High School. He was also a Charter Member and two-year President of the Highlands Ranch High School Touchdown Club. Jim is also a longtime member of the Emergency 911 Board (E911). He and his wife, Melanie (a former Douglas County commissioner) are parents to daughter Brittany and son Blake. Jim enjoys spending time with family and friends in addition to playing golf.

Brighton: Its Roots and Sweet History

Established in 1887, Brighton was the first incorporated town in Adams County and was selected as the county seat in 1904.

Brighton has a long history in agriculture and business and was established as the commerce center of the area when it became a stop along the Front Range rail line in 1884. The first official "industry" in the town was the Brighton Creamery - also established in 1884 - where local farmers went to sell their milk. Brighton-area produce has been a key product in the state of Colorado, dating back to 1889, when The Brighton Canning Company began. However, that company failed after a few years, as did the Colorado Vinegar and Pickle Company, which followed soon after. But in 1907, Max Kuner, who owned a large canning company in Greeley, built a small facility in Brighton to package sauerkraut and pickles. This venture worked and the Kuner facility was later sold to Stokely-Van Camp, and continues to provide a market for local farmers today.



Railroad construction in the area attracted a large number of Japanese laborers, many who would eventually settle in the Brighton area. By the early 1900's several Japanese-American groups had formed, eventually leading to the current Brighton Japanese American Association. The group, representing citizens of varied backgrounds, is a strong and vital force in the town.

In the early part of the century, Colorado "wheelmen" (now known as "bicyclists") considered Brighton the local center of their sport. In fact, the Brighton Wheel Club, sponsored a number of challenging road races, and remained active until the popularity of the car overwhelmed the club. It was this early commitment to cycling that was key to helping Adams County build an interlocking system of hiking and biking trails throughout the county.

Throughout the last century (until the 1970's), the Brighton Sugar Factory was vital to the city. In the early 1900's Brighton processed thousands of pounds of sugar beets into sugar. At its height, the plant processed six hundred tons of beets every day and was the most important industry in the area. Farmers were paid according to the sugar content of the beets they delivered. The industry prospered for years, until the Great Western Sugar Company closed the facility in 1977.

Today, Brighton's economy is as diverse as it has ever been. Some of the businesses that keep our residents working include: American Pride Coop, Intertape Polymer Group, Kmart Distribution Center, Platte Valley Medical Center, United Power, Wayne's Electric, and Western United Electric Supply Corporation.

Brighton has also become a bedroom community for nearby economic centers, particularly Denver. Brighton's relatively low housing costs, new housing options, excellent schools, parks, and medical facilities, and proximity to the state's transportation centers, make it an attractive option for working families.