

**RUBY RANCH OWNERS ASSOCIATION
2007 ANNUAL MEETING**

Report from Security Committee

I spoke on August 13 to Captain Joe Ray of the Summit County Sheriff's office for an update on security issues affecting Ruby Ranch. Ruby Ranch has had another quiet year from a security standpoint. The only specific problems affecting Ruby Ranch this past year related to renters of Ruby Ranch homes. In one case the disruptive and deceptive behavior of a couple renting a Ruby Ranch home and boarding a horse at the barn prompted us to call the Sheriff's office. Two deputies met with me and then with the renters to try to resolve the situation. A background check was also completed on the couple. The couple subsequently left Ruby Ranch. There have been several other situations where renters have failed to abide by the Ranch's rental policies adopted at least year's Annual Meeting. The Owner Association Board contacted the home owners involved and asked them to bring their rentals into compliance. All owners are encouraged to familiarize themselves with the rental policies including the requirement to sign a rental agreement with the Owners Association before considering renting their homes. If you have questions regarding the rental policies, please contact Don Samuels at don@snowedunder.com.

The Sheriff's office advises Ruby Ranch to keep doing what we're doing regarding security: watch out for each other, keep the Ruby Ranch car and pedestrian gates closed, continue to utilize the rearview mirror reflecting tape to identify fellow residents, and challenge potential trespassers but do not hesitate to call the Sheriff if you feel uncomfortable doing so. The Owners Association Board also asks that residents and their visitors drive slowly on Ranch roads, keep their pets in control at all times, and take the time to close the pedestrian gate next to the main car gate if you see it open. If you have an event that requires a special gate code or for the gate to remain open for a short period of time, please contact Conner Shepherd, the District's manager, at conner@ccrider.us.

Countywide, increased traffic on the roads due to the growing population and number of visitors has been the biggest issue for the Sheriff and police departments this past year. In addition to traffic congestion we have all experienced, there has been an increase in speeding and drivers seeking alternate routes within neighborhoods, causing safety issues for children playing. The growth in population has led to some increase in the number of home and automobile thefts in the county. The Sheriff's office advises all residents to keep their homes and cars locked. Summit County's seasonal, transient, and younger population means that drug and alcohol problems are inevitable but there has been no notable increase in incidence in the last year.

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