

COUNTRYSIDE HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION

5110 Waxwing Lane Rapid City SD 57702

April—June | 2022



May 14 2022
8 am start time
meet at the park

GET INVOLVED | MEET YOUR NEIGHBORS | HAVE FUN



Our park & common areas need your help to get ready for the spring & summer seasons!

Each year we gather together to clean our common areas and park. This annual event provides the opportunity to get to know Countryside residents while working together to keep our neighborhood looking great
Bring rakes, gloves, kids & a positive attitude!

Rapid City Clean up week is May 18-22

Rapid City Free Dump Day May 23rd

Earth Day is May 22

WORKING TOGETHER FOR OUR NEIGHBORHOOD

NEXT HOA MEETING

Date: July 12th , 2022

Time: 7:00 PM

Location: ZOOM link will be posted on our fb page

BOARD MEMBERS

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Doug Traub: 605-391-7641

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Dan Smith

Kathy Dirk

Justin Thiry

Dave Bertsch

PLAYGROUND CMTE

CHAIR: Tom VanVlack: 605-484-0797

Justin Thiry

Erin Simonton

Nikki Gast

Laurie Traub

Chad Enger

OTHER BOARD MEMBERS

Chad Tipton

Cory VanVlack

Dan Smith

Dave Bertsch

Jason Brandsted

Tim Crawford

Wendi Albers

NEIGHBORHOOD YARD SALE

Join us on Saturday

May 21st
2022

8am - 2pm

Countryside North Neighborhood

JUST OFF OF SHERIDAN LAKE ROAD, RAPID CITY SD



Reminder Kindly pick up after your pets.

It is hard for our residents to enjoy their walks along our neighborhood trails when walkways are lined with poo that hasn't been picked up. **Keeping our fur friends leashed in the neighborhood is one way to combat this problem.** We all understand that *sometimes* our fur babies *may* sneak out once in a while. But if you noticed that your pet has gone on a solo adventure, please grab a poo bag and retrace their known whereabouts, because chances are - they have left something behind for our neighbors to step in -which makes people cranky- and who want's cranky neighbors?

Did You Know? The City has a Code Enforcement Officer?

The HOA board has received a few anonymous complaints on issues that our covenants do not cover. If you feel that the quite enjoyment of your property is being hindered, You may want to reach out to the City's Code Enforcement Officer for insight or assistance. **Matt Owczarek 605-355-3465** or visit 1@rcgov.org for more information.

Playground Committee Plans Under Way

The playground committee has spent many hours and had many meetings over the last couple months to come up with ways to improve the parks appearance. Some of their ideas have been approved by the HOA board. Updates to the park will begin to take place during the week of May 15-20 so the park will be closed during that time. The rotted out landscape timbers will be removed to make room for clean and safe landscape curbing. We truly thank the committee for their time, commitment, enthusiasm and dedication to this project that will add value to our neighborhood and its families.



Home Exterior Spring Cleaning Checklist

- Enjoy finally being able to spend time outside again
- Make sure lawn equipment is working condition—don't forget to check the oil
- Remove Debris From Your Gutters
- **Pressure Wash Your Home's Exterior if needed** *Be careful not to use too much pressure as you can do damage to brick, concrete, and other surfaces.* You can rent a pressure washer for under \$100 a day at your local home improvement store. Start from the top and work your way down, washing patios and decks last. Spring is a much better time to pressure wash, as the plants in your yard are likely to be a lot smaller in spring and less likely to get in the way. Make a note of any damaged areas on your siding or other exterior material and make plans to get repairs as needed.
- **Clean Your Windows** and screens inside and out. This is also a great time to closely examine your windows for leaks, soft spots & caulk issues, to ensure there are no problems.
- **Clean and inspect Decks, patios and fences** inspect wood for signs of rot or decay and make repairs necessary. Wash and scrub away any stains.
- **Clean up your landscaping** Edge and cleanout mulch beds, lay down 1-2" of new mulch if needed
- Trim bushes and trees
- Clean and Inspect AC Unit & Hot tub
- **Clean or Replace light fixtures** make certain that lawn light poles have are brightly lit and in working order
- **Inspect and repair** your bird feeders, dog houses, sheds and anything else that was subject to the harsh winter weather
- Sweep and wash Driveway
- **Clean Garbage Cans** have a disgusting mess at the bottom of the cans? Make sure you get all trash out of the cans then pour some dish soap into each can, lie it on its side and use a pressure washer or broom to wash them out. After they are clean, use some household disinfectant to get them smelling great.



Feel Out Of The Loop?

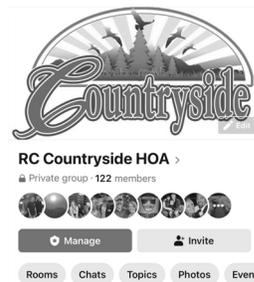
1. Join our HOA Facebook group www.facebook.com/groups/rccountrysidehoa



Be kind
when
posting!

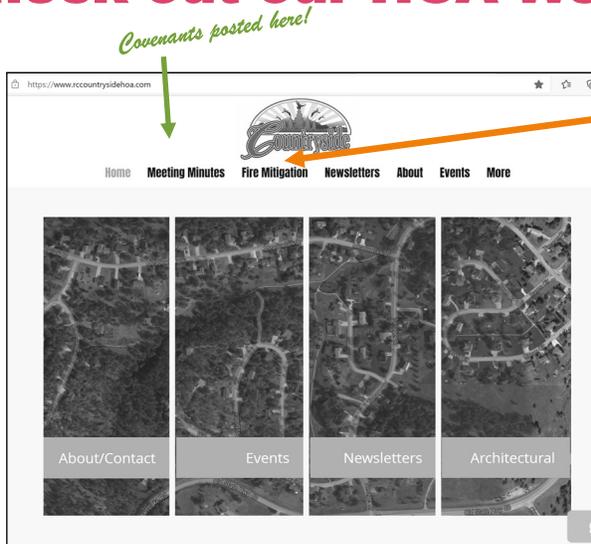
We have a private group for our current residents. Neighbors have been posting things like:

- ◆ Water line breaks
- ◆ Lost and found items
- ◆ Rogue pets
- ◆ Recent car “break ins” and theft
- ◆ Coyote and Rattle Snake spotting
- ◆ Movie Night in the park



Visit Facebook and search for the **private group** www.facebook.com/groups/rccountrysidehoa You must answer the qualifying questions to verify Countryside (North) residency in order to be vetted into the group.

2. Check out our HOA Website www.rccountrysidehoa.com



Do your trees need to be cleared out or trimmed?



Fire mitigation grants are available to countryside residents

Just apply!

You could be reimbursed up to **70%**!
Applications available on our HOA website!

Lieutenant Eric O’Conner is the point of contact for the fire mitigation program. He can answer any questions you may have. Find the application on our Countryside website then send application to Lieutenant Eric O’Conner’s office.
Email: Eric.OConnor@rcgov.org
phone: 605-390-4114

Please do not send applications to the HOA

Don’t have water?



Call the city hotline
605-394-4125

There is nothing more annoying than waking up to find there is no water to take a shower before heading to work! If you find yourself in a situation where you don’t have water: Please let the city know ASAP so they can take care of it!

There *may* be a water main break in the neighborhood and the city may have to shut the water off to fix the issue—which may affect **many** residents.

After calling it in- would you *be so kind as* to post it on our neighborhood fb page to let other neighbors know?

You may have insider information- that could help your neighbors! Who knows? You may find that another friendly neighbor has already posted about it.

Note from a thankful neighbor, Peggy Kepner

Peggy's husband was featured in the last CSHOA newsletter and she wanted to let everyone one how thankful she is, for neighbors that care. Here is the note. I got my newsletter yesterday and saw my husband's picture. Made me so happy that I cried. I was hoping to get my thank you's in before the newsletter because I wanted to tell my neighbors who helped me through this very difficult time how much they mean to me. Mary Dowse not only brought me some food, she's the one responsible for telling everyone just what a wonderful and modest man he was. My neighbors who moved to MI, (Jennifer Schofield) reached out to Cathy Thrash who then reached out to my neighbors next door to check on me. Cathy didn't just take care of my dogs during my trips to Ft. Meade. she picked up their dog poop for me too! (Wow.) How many people would even think about doing that. Then my new neighbors Julie and Joe Juenger. Julie brought me food for 2 days. Eating has not a priority lately so that was so kind And thoughtful . Then Cathy called my neighbors Linda and Rich Boernke who lived next door but had recently moved. Cathy called Linda and she helped with the dogs and beautiful flowers. So because of them I didn't feel like I was alone. I forgot how lucky I am to be living in a community with neighbors that helped me when I really needed it. So saying thank you to them doesn't seem like that's enough for what they did for me. I wish there was more. Just remember countryside is like its our own hometown. Get to know your neighbors. I hope you find them to be as kind and giving as mine

Welcome
Spring



Note from the HOA president, Doug Traub

What do you do when you find an animal carcass in the area? A neighbor in countryside recently discovered a dead deer in their yard, and was not sure of how to arrange disposal. Please note, that there is a contractor that works with the SDGFP to pick up dead deer in the city. His name is Chris Mueller and can be called to dispose of a deer carcass. Please let him know the address and accurate location of the carcass. He must have the home owners permission if the carcass is on private property. His number is : 605-381-2960. dispose of a deer carcass. Please let him know the address and accurate location of the carcass. He must have the home owners permission if the carcass is on private property. His number is : 605-381-2960.

Helpful Tips For New Residents....and reminders for the seasoned ones



LAWN LIGHT POLES Our individual lawn light poles are intended to provide safety and security for all of our residents in place of large city street lights. Please make sure your lawn light pole is in working condition and stays brightly lit.



PARK / COMMON AREAS: Residents are welcome to enjoy the park and walking paths throughout the community. Please be kind and pick up after yourself & your pets.



HOA FEE: The Countryside HOA fee is \$140 **billed annually in July** and **due by August 1**



HOA QUARTERLY MEETINGS: Quarterly meetings are held the 2nd Tuesday in January, April, July and October. The annual board membership meeting is the 2nd Tuesday of September.



TRASH DAY: Mondays- The city provides trash & recycle bins. They should face the street and be placed at least 4 feet apart. The 4ft distance provides ample room for "the claw" and prevents close trash cans from being knocked over. .



WATER: Countryside was annexed into the city in 2016. Trash and water are billed together by the city, and water charges are based on usage. Contact the city for any concerns with water, trash or recycling. Keep your bill to use as a free pass to the city dump!



STREET PARKING: Per our covenants: *On-street parking is restricted to emergencies, deliveries and guests.* **No overnight parking on streets is permitted.** Please follow this rule for the safety



WILDLIFE: Fun to watch, but feeding the deer and turkeys is strictly prohibited.



MAILBOXES: You can have your mailbox re-keyed at the USPS if needed.



ANNUAL EVENTS: Community Garage Sale and Annual Clean Up each Spring - watch mailbox, newsletter & website for dates.

Upcoming Events

Next HOA Quarterly **ZOOM MEETING** All residents welcome

July 12th 2022 | 7 pm | Zoom link will be posted on our private fb group page.

Countryside **Clean up Day** | May 14 2022 | 8 am at the park

Countryside Park Closed May 15-20 for much needed updates & construction

Rapid City **Clean Up Week** May 18-22

Annual Countryside **Neighborhood Garage Sale** May 21 2022 | 8am-2pm

Have you been cleaning out your closets and attics?

Get your items ready for this **major community event!**

Rapid City **Free Dump Day** May 23rd

Earth Day May 22

HOA Fees Billed on July 1st 2022 | Due by Aug 1st 2022

Shop Local with your neighbors

If you are a
Countryside Resident
You can advertise your
business here too!
For just \$40 each year

Email your advertisement to:
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OR
wendialbers@kw.com.

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Do you have ideas for improving our neighborhood?

We love where we live and are always open to new ideas on how we can improve our neighborhood and the lives of all of our residents. If you have ideas, your board members would love to hear them!

- 1. Come to one of our quarterly HOA meetings*
- 2. Share your concern with the board in a respectful manner.*
- 3. Provide board with possible solutions or seek the boards advice.*

***We live in a desirable area
and want to keep it that way!***

