

Montarbor Homeowners Association

Community News ♦ October 2010



You're Invited to the Annual General Membership Meeting!

Save the date! The annual meeting of the association is scheduled for **November 5, 2010 at 7pm**. You will receive a formal notice in the mail one-month before the meeting.

Remember, it's YOUR community and your HOA and you get a vote! We look forward to seeing you.

Date: November 5, 2010

Time: 6:45pm (check-in begins at 6:45pm)

Place: Fire Station #20

6755 Rangewood Drive

Colorado Springs, CO 80918

Have you Noticed the New Landscaping?

The landscapers are in the process of removing all of the mulch throughout the

community and replacing it with rock.

They are also planting new shrubs and moving plants for better esthetics.

The project will continue in the Spring.



Houseplants You Can't Kill

By Marie Iannotti, About.com Guide

1. Cast Iron Plant (*Aspidistra elatior*) Earned its name by growing under the worst of conditions, even outdoors in deep shade. Prefers low lights. Grows in a clump. Leaves are sword-like, pointed, about 4" wide & 2' long. Occasionally flowers indoors. A variegated version is available with white stripes.



2. Christmas Cactus (*Zygocactus* or *Schlumbergera*) A trailing member of the cactus family that produces deep pink / red flowers in early winter. Seems to do its best when ignored. Can handle low light, but you'll get more flowers in bright light. Pruning after blooming with keep the plant bushy.

3. Dragon tree (*Dracaena marginata*) & Lucky Bamboo (*Dracaena sanderian*) Dracaena have long been the centerpiece of container plantings. Street plantings in towns across America feature 1 spiky dracaena stuck in the center of red blooming geraniums in a half whisky barrel. But there is actually a good amount of variety in dracaena and most make excellent, easy care houseplants.

4. Mother-in-law's tongue or Snake plant or Bird's-nest plant (*Sansevieria*) Called Mother-in-law's tongue because of its long, sharp, pointed leaves and because it never leaves. These are long-lived, easy care houseplants. Very tolerant of low light. Water sparingly or it will rot.

5. Pothos (*Epipremnum*) One of the easiest houseplants to grow; almost impossible to kill. Trailing plants that just keep on growing, 10+ feet. Pruning the plants will keep them fuller at the base and each cutting can be rooted in water to create more plants.

6. Spider Plant (*Chlorophytum comosum*) Spider plants just keep on giving. You almost never see a spider plant that doesn't have babies attached. Often grown in hanging baskets, spider plants will get 2 to 2½' wide and 2 to 3' long. Their roots tend to fill a pot, so repotting may be necessary every couple of years.

Friendly Reminders

Parking—Your garage is your assigned “two” parking spaces. If your garage is not accessible to park due to storage, you must remedy this. All outside parking spaces in the community are designated for guests. Please note the tow signs for illegal parking and be aware that your vehicle can be towed if not properly parked, at your expense. Please inform your guests of this as well.



Pets— As per section 5.6 of the Rules & Regulations only one (1) pet is allowed per unit. Additional pets must be approved by the board of directors prior to that animal being brought onto the property.

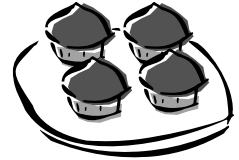
New Payment Options

Paying homeowner dues has never been easier than right now! In addition to the many payment options available up until now, homeowners can now pay association dues 24 hours a day, 7 days a week online or by phone at 866.289.5977! Visit the website for the link www.diversifiedprop.com. There is a \$14.95 convenience fee for paying your dues online by eCheck or Visa/MasterCard/Discover. If you setup an auto-pay eCheck payment, the fee is only \$2 per transaction.



Blueberry Pumpkin Muffins

Yield: 12 servings



Ingredients

- 1 2/3 cup Flour
- 1 tsp Baking soda
- 1/2 tsp Baking powder
- 1/2 tsp Salt
- 1 tsp Cinnamon
- 1/2 tsp Allspice
- 1 cup Pumpkin puree
- 1/4 cup Evaporated milk
- 1/3 cup Shortening
- 1 cup Firmly packed light brown sugar
- 1 Egg
- 1 cup Blueberries, frozen or fresh
- 1 Tbs Flour

Streusel Topping:

- 2 Tbs Flour
 - 2 Tbs Sugar
 - 1/4 tsp Cinnamon
 - 1 Tbs Butter
- Combine until crumbly

Instructions: Combine first 6 ingredients. Combine pumpkin and evaporated milk, until well blended. Cream shortening and sugar in large mixer bowl. Add egg, beat until mixture is fluffy. Add flour mixture alternately with pumpkin mixture, beating well after each addition. Combine blueberries and flour. Gently stir into batter. Fill 12 large paper-lined muffin cups 3/4 full. Sprinkle streusel over top of muffins. Bake in moderate oven (350 F) 40 minutes or until toothpick inserted in center comes out clean.

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Your HOA Community Update

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