

To Burland HOA Board,

I want to announce my intent to run for the Burland HOA Board of Director positions. I currently am serving on the board and would like to continue to support the Burland Ranchettes community and to provide historical information to others.

During my tenure of serving on the board, we have completed many tasks to include improvements and maintaining Weakland-Fawks Park to include the construction of a new fence, parking lot, equipment repairs, installing and maintaining pet stations, management of reservations of the pavilion, planning and sponsoring community activities, providing handicapped accommodations above what is required by law, awarding scholarships to community youth, and updating ByLaws to be aligned with current State laws and regulations.

Previously I have served as member and President of the Hampden Circle Condominium Homeowners Association, member and President of the Denver Arc, served on the state Arc Board of Directors and member of the Arc National Legislative Committee. I have worked with diverse groups of people and am proud of my legislative work in the passage of ADA and implementation of the Family Leave Act.

I am a retired special education school teacher, continuing to substitute teach at Platte Canyon School District and active with community activities supporting businesses and county wide committees on social and political issues. My personal goals do not influence my actions in serving as a board member, I will represent members of the Association.

I have lived in Burland since 10-2001 and feel confident in understanding the community and changing needs. We were a tight community where people helped their neighbors, waved to each other as we walked our dog or exercised, problems were worked out in person privately, block parties, and came to the rescue of our neighbors during snow storms and power outages. I long for that sense of community that has disappeared with social media.

My goal and duty to the Burland HOA is to be a fiduciary steward to ensure continued financial success to be reinvested in Burland Ranchettes while following current laws and statutes of the state. While some may want to use your money to support other communities and agencies, I do not. I believe and will focus my efforts and responsibilities of the board to the members of Burland HOA and of Burland Ranchettes residents. We are a homeowners association, and every penny we raise through our funding needs to remain in the Burland community for Burland residents while maintaining financial stability to the Association Members for years to come through a sound financial plan.

I hope you will consider me as a board member.

Debra Stephen