

Andover Glen Gazette

FEBRUARY 2012

WWW.ANDOVERLGEN.ORG

For article submissions, items to sell, or other newsletter requests contact
Amy Ortiz
amymortiz@gmail.com

INSIDE THIS ISSUE:

Coffee Club	2
Tennis Courts	2
For Sale and For Hire	2
Important Paperwork	3
Andover Email Network	3
Denver Fun Free Days	4

Random Acts of Kindness

neigh-bor

[ney-ber] noun

1. a person who lives near another.
2. a person or thing that is near another.
3. one's fellow human being: to be generous toward one's less fortunate neighbors.
4. a person who shows kindness or helpfulness toward his or her fellow humans: to be a neighbor to someone in distress.
5. (used as a term of address, especially as a friendly greeting to a stranger): Tell me, neighbor, which way to town?

Saturday morning when I looked out the window I had to sigh — didn't I just snow blow and shovel 8 inches of snow yesterday? But once I geared up and headed out into the bright morning I waved to my neighbor George and with a joke

about how much fun we were having, the work seemed less dreary. After 10 minutes or so my snow blower died and I got to work shoveling. Then I spied my



neighbor Ed Paulsen also shoveling. But he wasn't shoveling his walk, which is around the corner, he was shoveling Ms. Irma's walk and drive, like I've seen him do countless times over the years. A kindness, a nice gesture from one neighbor to another. We shared a joke about how shoveling is a good calorie burning work out and got back to moving the snow! I knew with my beat up old shovel I couldn't do my whole walkway until the snow blower was working again, so I took a short break.

Later that morning when I came out

to finish my walk (hoping my blower would start) I spied a welcome sight. An unknown neighbor had finished the walk in front of my house! And as he rounded the corner back to his own I realized I had no idea who it was. But it seemed like the neighborly—ness was contagious! Dick Moore shared that there are similar neighborly stories around his corner as well.

It feels great to live in a neighborhood where people are willing to help one another out not only when they are asked to, not just with a friendly smile or a joke, but when the people they are helping out didn't even ask for the help. When its just a random act of kindness.

If you've recently caught someone in an act of kindness please let me know for inclusion in next newsletter.

Happy Valentine's Day Andover Glen.

- Amy Ortiz, editor

We need to find out who this snowblower neighbor is, because he went down our entire street... twice!!! - Carrie Eisenberg

Community Garden

The community garden is starting its fourth year and has plots available to residents wanting the opportunity to test their green thumb. There is no charge for the plot, but each plot owner is respon-

sible for providing the framework for the plot and the maintenance and upkeep of the area. There are several knowledgeable gardeners that are more than happy to help with any challenges you

may encounter. Please contact Lynn Walton or Bob Stracy if you are interested.

- Bob Stracy

Andover Common Grounds Coffee Club



Do you know there is a monthly coffee just for our neighbors here in Andover Glen? On the last Friday of most months during the year we gather at a different neighbor's home for coffee and breakfast fare. It is a chance to meet our neighbors, catch up on news and see what interesting projects are improving their houses.

The chair of the Social Committee on the Board of Directors' Home Owner's Association is Deb Jones. The monthly coffee named Common Grounds is an activity of the social committee. In addition to Common Grounds she also organizes the annual picnic and Holiday party. Deb

can be reached at deb-sew79@msn.com or 303-690-9459. If you would like to help Deb with any of the events feel free to get in touch with her.

If you would like to be included on the email announcements just send an email to mlhanson-consultant@comcast.net. If you prefer not to receive the invitations, but are interested in attending check out the Gazette at www.Andoverglen.org.

We are also looking for neighbors to be hosts. Contact M. L. at the email above or by phone at 303-627-4044 and volunteer for one of the following dates:

March 30
April 27
May 25
June 29
August 31
September 28
October 26

We hope to see you soon!

Next event is at Kathy Johnson's, 4898 S Dillon RSVP to M.L., or kathy-johnson851@msn.com

From Your Social Committee

Andover Glen
HOA Board
Meeting
Wednesday,
February 15,
7-9 PM
Shalom Park

All neighborhood
residents
welcome!

Tennis Anyone?

The days are getting longer and warmer which gets our minds to thinking about outdoor activities such as tennis. Andover Glen is fortunate to have a private park with two tennis courts that are open to all residents. Residents wishing

to use the tennis courts will need a key as they are kept locked when not in use. If you want access to the courts, please contact Pete O'Meara for your own personal key to the courts.

The board has scheduled discussion

time on the usage and maintenance of the tennis courts for the next meeting on February 15. As always, we welcome any input from the community on this or any community issue.

- Bob Stracy



CHILDCARE, PET CARE, AND MISC FOR SALE

BABY SITTING & ODD JOBS: RED CROSS CERTIFIED, 12TH GRADE, NEIGHBORHOOD BABYSITTER. WILL ALSO DO ODD JOBS LIKE HOUSE SITTING, DOG SITTING, WATERING PLANTS. VERY RESPONSIBLE. SHANNON GUERRA, 303-766-0464.

Important Paperwork: What to Keep and For How Long

[Sheri Samotin](#), December 28, 2011
Reprinted from Curb-side Data Control Newsletter
 Find full article at: www.agingcare.com



If you're like most offices, you have boxes and boxes of old files cluttering your space. You'd like to clean out but don't know what you need to keep, and for how long. As a daily money manager and Certified Professional Coach, I often get this question from my clients.

When in doubt don't throw it out unless you

are sure you can obtain the records electronically from the bank, insurance company, etc.

Retirement plan statements

Keep the quarterly statements until you receive the annual summary and if everything matches up, you can shred the quarterly statements.

Bank records

Keep any checks or statements related to your taxes, business expenses, home improvements, or mortgage payments.

Bills

Keep bills until you receive the cancelled check or credit card statement showing that your payment was received.

House/condo records

Keep all records documenting the purchase

price and the cost of all improvements, as well as records of expenses incurred in selling and buying the property for seven years after you sell it.

Credit card receipts and statements

Keep original receipts until your statements come and then match them up.

Paycheck stubs

Keep until you receive your annual W-2 form from your employer(s) and make sure the information matches.

Using the above guide, you should be able to establish a system for keeping up with things over time. If the task seems overwhelming, you might want to consider the help of a daily money manager or professional organizer.

Find full article at: www.agingcare.com

When in doubt don't throw it out . . .



Emergency Broadcast Email

The Emergency Broadcast System: This is only a Test

Do you remember the old Emergency Broadcast system announcements on television and radio? These days you hardly hear them, but when you do, it instills a sense of organization and stability for our country. Our

community has a similar system to keep you, your home and your family more safe. The AGHA email alert system is a group email which notifies those on the list of suspicious activity or police activity in the neighborhood. It is voluntary to join and email address are kept confidential. Consider being part of this neighbor-

hood watch group by sending your email to Derrick Laughlin (cusleuth@comcast.net). Right now we have about 48 households but we would like to have more. Remember, there is power in numbers – let's look out for each other!

- Derrick Laughlin

Back Page Story Headline

2012 SCFD Free Days

Denver Art Museum

January 7
February 4
March 3
April 7
April 29 (Día de los Niños)
May 5
June 2
July 7
August 4
September 1
September 8 (Friendship Powwow)
October 6
November 3
December 1

Denver Botanic Gardens:

January 16
February 20
March 27
April 22 (Earth Day)
July 26
August 28
October 1
November 2

Denver Botanic Gardens at Chatfield

January 6
February 3
March 2
April 6
June 1
July 6
August 3
November 2

Denver Center for the Performing Arts

SCFD 10 for \$10
Each Tuesday at 10am,
The Denver Center for the Performing Arts will release a limited number of \$10 tickets. Ten seats for every Denver Center Theatre Company performance in the coming week will qualify (up to 25 shows per week).
www.denvercenter.org/scfd
Use code SCFD.

Denver Museum of Nature and Science

January 9
January 30
February 27
April 22 (Earth Day Celebration)
May 6
June 17
July 2
August 12
August 20
October 14
November 19
December 9

Denver Zoo

January 6
January 7
January 18
February 5
February 6
February 16
November 5
November 16
November 28

