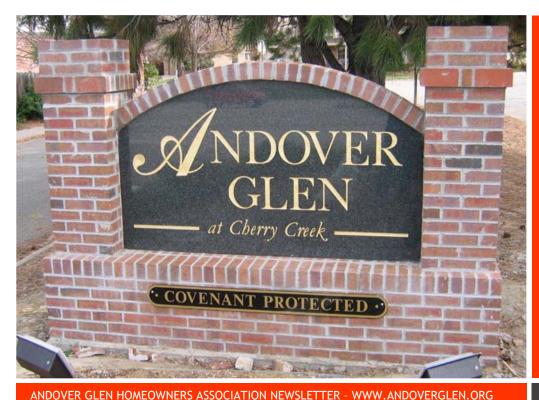
ANDOVER GLEN GAZETTE



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Gazette

From the President

It is hard to believe a year has gone by since our last annual meeting. If you are interested in being on the AGHA board, now is the time to throw your hat in the ring.

An email was sent to homeowners regarding the annual meeting which will be held via Zoom on September 21.

We hope you will join us and maybe even consider putting your name on the ballot. We have 3 positions that will need filled.

The ballots will be in your mailboxes soon. By default, the 3 board members whose term is up are on the ballot, but we would love new blood and new ideas, so if you want to join the board, please email Anne annestellmon@gmail.com or Lynn lwalton80015@comcast.net asap and we will get you added to the ballot. Be aware that we have had a recent rash of criminal incidents in our neighborhood. A truck was stolen from a garage, another truck was broken into, and a license plate was taken from a vehicle. We also had a small fire down by the tennis courts that was put out by a homeowner.

There has also been signs of a homeless encampment down by our park as well. If you see any signs of this, please call Access Aurora and report it as soon as possible; you can call Monday through Friday during business hours, at 303-739-7000.

We encourage everyone to be alert. If you see that a neighbor has left a garage door open and it is later in the evening, give them a call to let them know.

Report any suspicious activity to the Aurora Police Department; their non-emergency # is: 303-627-3100. Share information with your neighbors and above all, stay safe.

From the President

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Summer News

This summer has certainly been different with the ongoing pandemic situation; many of our usual summer activities had to be cancelled, including our neighborhood annual picnic.

It has been really nice seeing so many people out walking the neighborhood and parks, or playing tennis, which are great opportunities to get to know your neighbors.

The hot summer days are no surprise to most of us, although this summer certainly has had its share of over 90-degree days already. Despite the heat, one can really tell how much work, and sweat so many of you have put into your yards this year.

One of the many good things about Andover Glen is the obvious pride homeowners take in their properties.

Thank you all and please continue to do your part in keeping our neighborhood beautiful and the value of our properties up.

Ground Updates

Dave Kline is happy to report the sprinkler problems have been solved for a few weeks now, and the park is looking much better.

He has also invited the Aurora Senior Water Conservation Specialist over in an effort to reduce our annual water consumption and she provided several recommendations we will be implementing in the upcoming weeks. Some areas were overwatered, so we are optimistic this will reduce our costs.

In addition, a branch has been removed from a tree off Parker Road that could obscure the view, and there is a dead tree that will be removed soon on the north side of the park.

Keep Wildlife Wild

Deb Jones wanted to let the neighborhood know that we are experiencing an increase in negative interactions with raccoons, foxes, coyotes, skunks and squirrels.

She recently had a family of raccoons moving in under her deck and had to have a wildlife rescue organization remove them, at a significant cost.

The city of Aurora will not remove wild animals from your yard and if they move in, they become your responsibility.

Please be very cautious with these animals and:

Never feed wildlife; in doing so, they lose their fear of humans and can become a nuisance or even dangerous.

Never encourage wildlife to come near you or into your yard.

Never allow pets to play with wildlife and keep their immunizations current.

Never leave trash uncovered or out on the curb overnight.

Never leave pet-food outside, day or night.

Never let cats roam freely, as they can become prey to wild

animals such as coyotes and foxes.

If you see or suspect someone in intentionally feeding wildlife, immediately contact Aurora Open Space and Natural Resources at 303-739-7160. State Law prohibits feeding wildlife within city limits.

Our Community

Andover Glen is a great neighborhood of 99 homes, where most of us know each other and take great pride in our homes, yards and community areas.

That is something we are really proud of and we would all like to keep this way.

The board members of the HOA are all volunteer homeowners offering their time and knowledge to help preserve that great community feeling, along with keeping the neighborhood looking beautiful, thus helping to protect the values of all our homes.

But it isn't just the responsibility of the board, as this is our Community! Everyone here pays the same HOA fees and should share in this endeavor.

This is, however, not the case and too many people are content, or have the expectation, that someone else will do the work that needs to be done.

Therefore, and as you walk through the neighborhood, if you see trash, please pick it up. If you see something that needs to be addressed you should not or cannot remedy on your own, please bring it to one of the board members' attention.

Contest for the AGHA kids

Since school will be starting soon, whether on-line or in-person, a suggestion was made to have the kids in the neighborhood make posters to slow down cars driving through our community.

The aim is to support their creativity, keeping them busy, and reminding everyone to slow down.

Please let any board member know if your child would like to enter.

The contest begins immediately, and will end on August 31, when the Board will choose 1st, 2nd & 3rd place winners.

Prizes will be given to all who enter the contest.

Republic Services

As of now, Republic Services is not charging for extra trash bags being picked up.

However, this could change in the near future as the industry standard is moving towards charging a nominal fee per bag.

As a good possible alternative and if anyone would like another trash bin, please contact Republic Services directly at 303-286-1200; the cost for an additional bin is \$ 48.00 per year.

Friendly Reminders

Due to the pandemic situation, monthly board meetings are still being held via Zoom and will be until further notice.

They are taking place the 3rd Wednesday of every month at 07:00 PM.

If anyone would like to attend, please contact a board member.

The Annual Meeting will also be held via Zoom and will take place on September 21, at 07:00 PM.

You will receive ballots in the mail and more information soon, so please stay tuned.

BOARD MEMBERS

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