

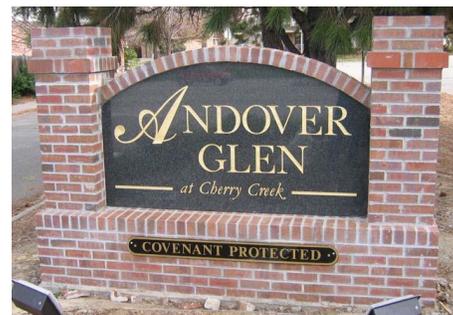
Andover Glen Homeowners Association

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TIME FOR SPRING CLEANING AND HOME IMPROVEMENTS!

The days are getting longer, the sun is shining and the birds are singing. Must be spring! Just some reminders as you venture out to spruce up your home and yard: Stretch those bodies that have been in hibernation mode over the winter. There is nothing worse than a strained back, shoulder or knee to endure through spring. Make sure your power tools are maintained and in good working order. Sharpen the blades on your mower, shovels, and pruning shears; it makes them work better and it is easier on you. Be sure to clean your gutters. Water damage done to homes can be extensive and expensive. Read the labels on all fertilizers, herbicides and pesticides. Follow the directions to make sure that you and the environment are safe.

From the **ACC** (architectural control committee) desk: Please submit an **ACC** form for your home improvements BEFORE work is initiated; forms are easily found on the AG website at andoverglen.org and the form is designed for computer "fill-in". From landscaping changes or modifications to structural re-paints and upgrades or additions, if it can be viewed from the public streets "**LEAVE NO DOUBT AND FILL IT OUT**".



Upcoming Events

May 11

Mother's day

May 21

Andover Glen Board Meeting
(Shalom Park, 7pm)

May 30

Common Grounds Coffee
Cancelled due to Garage Sale

May 30 & 31

AG and Woodgate HOA Garage
Sale 7am-3pm

June 7 & 8

AGHOA Dumpster Days

June 15

Father's Day

June 18

Andover Glen Board Meeting
(Shalom Park, 7pm) or location TBD

June 27

Common Grounds Coffee with
Penny and Lynn Lowman

4843 S. Crystal Street, Andover Glen

Andover Glen Forum, Homeowners Speak Their Mind (Newsletter Editorial Issue)

Technology May Connect, But Being Personal Will Last (by Melissa M. Garcia & Jarrid Wilson)

Divorce your phone, your apps, your social-feeds, and engage in relationship with people that actually matter. Vow to spend significant time off your mobile-devices, unplugged, and instead get back to making personal relationships that will stand the test of time.

As association leaders and residents in our HOA we are always turning to technology for ways to be more efficient, accessible, flexible, and in general make our lives easier. But we must not forget that smart phones, social media, texts and the like, should not replace the true encounters and relationships we create with people within our community. Technology may make the connection, but it does not foster the people and bonds formed. The personal relationship is what is real, and what will last. The reality is we're all married to our phones or some sort of technology in one way or another.

Break the pattern of modern day life and try these simple tips to bring back the personable you:

1. *Learn to balance the time you spend on your phone.*
2. *Make your phone an accessory rather than a priority.*
3. *Give yourself limitations as to when and where your phone can be used.*
4. *Control how you use technology, and stop allowing it to control you.*
5. *Try spending parts of your weekends unplugged, offline, and away from computers, cellular phones, I pads and other devices of the 21st century.*
6. *Have dinner and spend an evening of games with a neighbor and "check in" all technology at the door.*



In the Community

May 17 \$10,000 Trout Tournament Aurora Reservoir

One contestant will walk away from the 23rd annual Trout Tournament with a \$10,000 check! Register online to compete with other anglers for great prizes. Winners are based on catching the largest trout on the day of the contest, based on weight. Aurora Reservoir is known as one of the state's premier locations for anglers; so cast a line and enjoy a day of fishing and friendly competition. www.auroragov.org/reservoirs

Electronics Recycling Event Tallyn's Reach Library

Aurora residents and non-residents may recycle DVD players, computers, VCRs, stereos, printers, fax machines, cell phones, microwaves, small appliances and more. The cost is \$2 for most items (\$15 for televisions, except for rear projection TVs that are \$1 per inch diagonal, and \$10 for computer monitors). No charge for mouse, cables, other computer equipment and cell phones. Recycling provided by Metech International. Contact 303-739-7173

Aurora Summer Concert Series

2014 Concert Schedule
All concerts will take place
Thursdays evenings from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

June 19, Utah Park: Buckstein - Country Rock, Voted Top 5 2013 Denver's A-List

June 26, Bicentennial Park: Dean Bushnell Orchestra - Big Band Swing

More events- Go to city Calendar <https://www.auroragov.org>

The Weedman Cometh to an Association Near You

January 1, 2014 has come and gone with initial reports estimating sales at over one million dollars in marijuana for the first day. .

Going hand in hand with the high (pun intended) sales figures, law enforcement officials from neighboring states have warned that marijuana is still illegal in Wyoming, Utah, Kansas, and every other state in the Union with exception of Washington and that marijuana is still not legal to smoke in public. This leads to questions such as while it is legal, where is it all going to be consumed? Most of the marijuana purchased will be taken home and used in the private residences of the purchasers. With the large influx of a previously illegal substance that has a very distinctive smell, homeowner associations are questioning what they can do to balance the rights of owners to use the newly legal substance with the rights of those neighbors that do not want to partake, but also do not want the smell invading and odorizing their property and privacy.

In responding to the questions being asked, depending upon the area in question, some answers are easy whereas others not so much. Starting with the easy answers, in most cases, HOAs and associations, through their Board of Directors, has the authority, without further HOA resident approval, to regulate the use of the common areas. This includes, to some extent, the limited common elements. This means, the association can adopt uniform rules regulating the growing and smoking of marijuana in parking lots and landscaped areas owned by the association. This authority, along with the provisions of the Colorado Clean Air Act which prohibits any smoking in indoor hallways, stair cases and elevators, the only place left for a marijuana user to enjoy their recently purchased weed, is in their home units.



Associations have very limited or no right or ability to regulate the consumption of a legal product on or in the private property of an owner. Courts have been very reluctant to permit associations to regulate legal behavior on a given property without specific authority in the association's declaration. This includes use of an association's existing nuisance provision, this provision would seem to permit an association to regulate a nuisance odor emanating from one property from entering into another property. However, the adage one person's nuisance is another person's treasure applies. Just because the smell may annoy one owner, as the conduct is legal, without more than a mere annoyance, courts have refrained from extending the force of law to curb the legal behavior.

As this new world continues to unfold, Associations, Owners, Board Members, Property Owners as well as the courts will find their way through the haze of smoke over the Rockies.

Andover Glen Garage Sale

Fri. and Sat. May 30 and 31

The Andover Glen Garage Sale will be Friday, May 30th and Saturday, May 31st. This annual date has been set to correspond with Woodgate HOA's Garage Sale.

The Garage Sale will be well advertised, so be ready for those early shoppers. I have noticed in the past years that people start coming around as early as 7:00 a.m. If you have any questions, suggestions or concerns, please contact me at debsew79@msn.com. - Debra Jones

Andover Glen Community Dumpster Days

Sat. and Sun. June 7th & 8th

As is tradition, follow our garage sale weekend we will have Dumpster Days! A large 40ft roll-off dumpster will be available on Saturday, June 7th and Sunday, June 8th near AG Park.

Just a few friendly reminders, if you have any large tree branches or bushes, please cut them down to smaller pieces. The following items are not allowed in the dumpster; no toxic wastes like old paint, oil, batteries, tires, etc. If you have any of these items, please wait for the City of Aurora Household Chemical Roundup in September. If you have good, useable items left over from the Garage Sale, please donate those items to your favorite charity.

Here are a couple of numbers in case you have donations that you would like picked up from your home. You can call to schedule a pick-up from the Vietnam Veterans of America 1-(800)-775-VETS (8387) and/or ARC (303) 238-5263.

Please remember that once the dumpster is full – **IT'S FULL!** If we overfill it, the waste management company will not take it. If we overfill it, we all pay for another dumpster!

The dumpster is for Andover Glen homeowners only and is paid for by your Association Dues. Thanks again for everyone's efforts so we can keep offering this service to our community. If you have any questions, suggestions or concerns, please contact me at debsew79@msn.com.

- Debra Jones

Important Numbers for the City: Call [303-627-3100](tel:303-627-3100) to report suspicious activity (APD Dispatch, Access Aurora) City of Aurora Code Enforcement [303-739-7280](tel:303-739-7280)