

"Communication is the key to a strong community"
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Large volunteer turnout makes for a successful mini-grant workday
By Norm Arlt

This year's mini-grant workday was a big success as we had a total of 31 volunteers assist in one way or another. This compares to 17 who volunteered last year. The volunteers put in several hours apiece, putting in edging and new mulch along Parker Road. The volunteers were: Linda Adams, Ron Adams, Norm Arlt, Quink Arlt, Fred Freeh, Jan Guerra, Tom Guerra, Barb Harrington, Alan Harrington, Stephen Jackson, Connor Janson, Susan Janson, Curt Krall, Derrick Laughlin, Maddie Laughlin, Julie Melton, Carl Miller, Frank Pelz, Tilly Pelz, Royal Shields, Kathy Simpson, Randy Simpson, Robert Stracy, Susan Stracy, Cody Stuart, Dana Stuart, RJ Stuart, Eric Tamminga, Seth Tamminga, Phil Tamminga, and Lynn Walton. A big THANK YOU to all these volunteers who made our neighborhood look better! This workday is an annual event, so plan to attend next year. It's usually about the same time of year- in early May. ~

A hard working but fun loving crew

Never too busy to pose for the camera

Wheelbarrows served many purposes

And of course...stunning results!

So what's up with the entryway monument?

By Barbara Harrington

Some days I think Murphy or some of his relatives must live here. We've been planning on reusing the existing foundation for our new monument. It has been determined that a portion of our existing foundation is located on the CDOT Right of Way. We applied for a permit based on the fact that we are reusing a foundation which already exists in the Right of Way, but the application was denied. Therefore, we must modify our existing foundation to remove whatever portion is on the Right of Way. A portion of the foundation can be cut off and a new pad added at the east end nearer the trees. We are now waiting for CDOT to determine how far we have to move it. We anticipate that the final figure will be somewhere between 1 and 3 feet.

In the April Gazette, Murphy got carried away and told you that the new sign will have a green stucco background with gold colored aluminum letters, when in fact the background will be black granite and the lettering will be sandcarved into it and filled with metallic gold paint. The Andover Glen Park and Dillon entrance pillars will also be getting new gold colored aluminum lettering. The new monument and new letters on the other pillars should give our park and community entrances a nice, long needed facelift. They have not been updated since they were built in 1985.

We'll keep you updated as the saga continues, but rest assured- it will be rebuilt!

Finally, a personal note of thanks all of you who came out to help with the landscaping on the Andover Glen workday. This year's good turnout made for a shorter workday for everyone, and the results look great! ~

AG Garage Sale set once more for Father's Day weekend

By Fred Freeh

Our annual Andover Glen garage sale is slated once more for Father's Day weekend, Friday and Saturday, June 18th and June 19th from 8 am to 4 pm each day. It's a great chance to get rid of that valuable "stuff" in your basement and garage and make some cash. There is usually a very good turn out for this event, with lots eager buyers, so if you're planning on having a garage sale this summer, this is the best weekend to do it! Get your items out on your driveway early, as the buyers will be lining up and ready to buy! ~

Roll-off neighborhood dumpster set for weekend of June 25th-27th

By Curt Krall

Just in case there are a few items that don't sale at your garage sale, we are going to have a large roll-off dumpster available on the following weekend. This dumpster will provide a great way to get rid of hard to get rid of items from around your house as well as yard waste like tree branches, etc. The dumpster is just for our Association members and paid for by your Association Dues, so take advantage of it! No toxic wastes like old paint, oil, batteries etc. are permitted. Wait for the City of Aurora Household Chemical Roundup in September for that. The roll-off dumpster will be parked at the same location it was last year, on Layton Dr., near the entrance to Andover Glen Park. It will be delivered sometime on Friday, June 25th and picked up on Monday, June 28th. ~

Association Dues to remain the same for 5th year in a row

By Jan Guerra

Though the cost of water and gasoline may be going through the roof, your AG Board has been working hard to keep costs in line for the Association, and is pleased to announce that it has voted to keep dues the same at \$321 for the 2004-2005 budget cycle. You should have received notice of these annual dues in the mail. Please make your check out to the Andover Glen Homeowners Association and return it to Jan Guerra at 14190 E. Saratoga Pl., Aurora CO. 80015. They are due by July 1st. Please be sure to return your payment by that date or interest penalties will be added! ~

Important Note:

The full minutes from the Andover Glen Homeowner's monthly board meetings are now available in 3 different ways:

- 1) On the Web at www.neighborhoodlink.com/aurora/andoverglen
- 2) Email Association Secretary Randy Simpson at: rgatess@yahoo.com
- 3) Call Randy Simpson at 303-693-0546

Neighborhood Garage Sale June 18 & 19 Roll-off dumpster weekend June 25-27 Neighborhood Picnic Late Summer Annual Meeting September 20

Can you solve this mystery?

By Barbara Harrington

When this community was originally platted in 1979 it was registered as Sundown. When the Homeowners Association was incorporated and registered in 1984, it was registered as Andover Glen HOA. How did we arrive at a change in name from Sundown to Andover Glen for our HOA and entry monument?

If you know the answer, please call me or any other board member. My number is 303-693-0868. ~

AG receives micro-grant from City

By Randy Simpson

Our neighborhood has received a micro-grant in the amount of \$100 to help fund this newsletter. The grant will be used to pay for printing costs for the remainder of the year. 30 city neighborhoods applied for \$13,000 in grants and only \$4,075 was available. ~

Tales from the Underside of Things

By Max Reed

I've heard rumors that some of you think I'm a slacker because you think I didn't show up for the mini-grant workday. Well, I'll have you know that I was there, and chose to remain incognito because I don't like anyone making a big deal out of me volunteering. I did return a few times to my house to imbibe in a margarita or 2, each time. But none the less, I worked hard when I was there, and I happen to notice a few people were resting a bit more often than others, like the real slacker pictured below.

I don't think I ever saw this loser get up once from sitting under this tree, and it wasn't water he was drinking! Whatever was in his "water" bottle could have been used to remove vegetation! So congrats to all of you who did help on the wonderful work day- and to the sorry person in the photo above- get some help, buddy! ~

Remember to file an architectural change request form before starting that project!

By Ron Adams

Spring and summer tend to be the times that many of us make those improvements to our homes, so I wanted to remind you to file an architectural change request form to the board before making exterior improvements to your house. The forms are available on the Andover Glen website at: www.neighborhoodlink.com/aurora/andoverglenn ~

Neighbor to Neighbor

Services and stuff for sale, cheap!

Baby Sitting: Red Cross Certified Babysitter!

Great rates. Responsible 8th Grader living right here in Andover Glen. Call Elizabeth Melton 303-693-5183.

Baby Sitting: Experienced neighborhood Baby- sitter. Kristin Guerra, 303-766-0464.

Baby Sitting: Red Cross Certified, thoughtful and loves kids. Call Sophia, 303-693-9356.

Dog Walking: If you need your dog walked or bathed, or just played with, I am an excellent pet handler. I have worked in a veterinary clinic and love pets! Anjali Melton, 303-693-5183.

House Cleaning: Brandy and Morgan, age 13 and 14 will do housework at reasonable prices. Call 303-248-6213.

Firewood Removal: If you've got some old firewood that you can't use or don't want around anymore, call Norm Arlt at 303-766-7344, and he'll haul it away for free!

To place an add in this section, contact Randy Simpson at 303-693-0546, or rgatess@yahoo.com

Meeting reminder:

The next AG board meeting is open to all Andover Glen Homeowners Association members. It will take place on June 15th, 2004 at 7 p.m. at Curt Krall's house. Curt will be demonstrating how to extinguish patio furniture that has been caught on fire from an out of control barbeque.

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