

ANDOVER GLEN GAZETTE

JULY 2015

ANNUAL PICNIC

This year's annual Andover Glen HOA parade/picnic is scheduled for Saturday, August 22. Parade starts at 4 pm and will course through the neighborhood ending at the Andover Glen Park gazebo. Streets will be closed to all but local resident traffic to ensure the safety of the parade participants. It is not too early to plan for decorating your bikes, scooters, ATVs, and pets for this fun event. The "Bouncy House" will be back as well as other games to entertain all. Jay Johnson has been recruited to provide is world famous BBQ. Fried chicken and beverages will also be provided. Residents will be asked to bring a side dish to share. There will be an adult beverage recipe contest with the winner getting the coveted traveling trophy to display in their home until the Holiday party event. Kathy Johnson is the reigning champion and welcomes all challengers. We have invited the PAR officer and fire department to attend.

Planning and executing this event is a big undertaking. Deb, Kathy, Jay, Pete, and Derrick spend many hours organizing, shopping, and cooking for the event. Volunteer help from the community is appreciated and welcomed. If you have a few hours to give, please contact any HOA board member. Assistance is needed for set-up, tear down and clean-up of the event, impartial judges for the adult beverage recipe contest, and policing the parade route to insure no vehicles interfere.

JULY CALENDAR

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| July 1 | Deadline to pay HOA dues |
| July 4 | Independence Day |
| July 5 | Free day Denver Art Museum |
| July 15 | Andover Glen HOA meeting
7 pm Shalom Park |

DUMPSTER DAYS RECAP

A few problems arose at this year's Spring Dumpster Days that need to be addressed. The 11 am arrival of the dumpster inconvenienced a few of the residents. Republic Services will not guarantee a delivery time due to demand for the dumpsters. This year's delivery was delayed somewhat because priority was given to areas that had experienced extensive flood damage from the rains. Tree limbs and cabinets were not broken down and filled the dumpster early. Some residents ignored the **FULL** sign posted on the dumpster and created an unsafe situation for Norm & Quink who took it upon themselves to get into the dumpster to level it out. Because of this, the HOA board is considering canceling the event. It has been a very popular event in past years, but misuse that creates a safety hazard for our residents cannot be tolerated. The HOA board welcomes community input on this issue. The next meeting is 7 pm Wednesday, July 15 at Shalom Park.

COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP DAY

Community clean-up day was held on Saturday, June 27. **THANK YOU** to the 14 residents that showed up early Saturday morning to volunteer a few hours of their time plus muscle and sweat to help keep our community a showcase for the city. Volunteers spread 9 pick-up loads of free mulch that was provided by the City of Aurora (old Xmas trees and storm damaged trees). This mulch helps lower the association water bills and keeps weeds to a minimum. We all owe special thanks to Brooke, Ben, Janet, Bonnie, Kathy, Carie, Deb, Andrea, Dave, Gil, Pete, Derrick and Lynn for their effort and community pride. We hope to see more volunteers next year.

RTD EAGLE P3 PROJECT

Anyone interested in the RTD Light Rail construction from Aurora to DIA? Bus tours for the public to see the Eagle P3 Project are available through October 2015. On the East Rail Line tour you will see: Rail alignment near DIA, Station platforms and Park-n-Rides under construction, and installation of pedestrian and motorist signal gate. Tours are on the first Thursday and third Saturday each month. Space is limited to the first 35 people who sign up for each tour. For tour information and reservations call Joshua Solis at 303-837-5284.

CORRECTION

Last month's Gazette did not include the phone number for the At Your Door recycling program. It is 1-800-449-7587. Cost is \$20 for home pick-up.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are all blessed to live in a small community where most residents take pride in the upkeep of their property. Our streets and park are clear of trash and litter. We have a community picnic in the summer and holiday party in the winter. Dumpsters are provided twice a year for residents, document shredding and electronic recycling one a year. Covenants are enforced to insure the integrity of the neighborhood and increase the values of our properties. Much of this is due to the small group of volunteers in the neighborhood. Volunteers serve on the HOA board of directors, pick up trash in the park and along Parker Rd, supervise the landscaping and irrigation, clean and repair the tennis courts, spread mulch in the common areas to reduce water consumption, and plan the social events. Without volunteers, we would all be paying a professional HOA management company to provide these services. The cost of these services would more than double our annual HOA dues. Currently we have nine volunteers that serve on the HOA Board of Directors. One has served 4 3-year terms, two have served 3 3-year terms, four have served 2 3-three year terms, and one is in their first three-year term. In addition, we have two non-board members that supervise the landscaping and irrigation companies that maintain our common areas. Several board members have decided that they will not serve another term. If we are unable to seat a Board of Directors, we will be required by state law to engage a professional management company to oversee the HOA. Do you want to pay \$1,000/year dues? Think about giving a few hours to your community.