ANDOVER GLEN GAZETTE

FEBRUARY 2015

ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY

The annual Andover Glen holiday party was held on Saturday, January 10. Deb Jones and Kathy Johnson organized the menus with help from master chef Jay Johnson. Appetizers and dinner were graciously hosted by the Johnsons, Bruhns, and Kline-Levines. Dessert and cocktails was hosted by M.L. Hanson and Mike Zabinski at their "Layton Lodge". The party was a great opportunity to reconnect with established neighbors and meet new neighbors. The annual drink contest was a spirited competition as always, with Kathy Johnson winning the coveted traveling trophy to proudly display in her home until the summer picnic competition. Deb Jones provided embroidered bar towels for the top three finishers. Our thanks to the organizers and hosts for making this year's holiday party a fun and memorable event.

COMMUNITY GARDEN

The annual Home & Garden Show is coming up soon which serves as a reminder that spring is just around the corner. The community garden at the Andover Glen Park was expanded last year to 25 plots. The plots are available on a first come / first served basis. If you are interested in reserving a plot for this year's growing season, contact Norm Arlt at 303-766-7344. There is a small rental fee for each plot. This is the sixth year of the community garden and gardeners have harvested bountiful crops of a wide variety of vegetables, fruits and even flowers. Gardeners are always happy to share their expertise and bountiful harvests, especially zucchini. The garden also helps reduce the amount of water needed to irrigate the park as a drip irrigation system is used to water the plots. Get your seed catalogs out, sharpen your shovels, and start planning now to enjoy this year's growing season.

FEBRUARY CALENDAR

- Feb 1 Super Bowl
- Feb 2 Groundhog's Day
- Feb 3 Free day at the Children's Museum 4-8 pm
- Feb 6 Free day at the Denver Zoo
- Feb 7 Free day at the Denver Art Museum
- Feb 7 Aurora Recycling roundup
- Feb 14 Valentine's Day
- Feb 16 Free Day at the Denver Botanical Gardens
- Feb 16 President's Day
- Feb 17 Mardi Gras
- Feb 18 Andover Glen HOA Board meeting at Shalom Park 7 pm
- Feb 19 Chinese New Year Year of the Goat
- Feb 27 Rockies Spring Training starts

RECYCLING ROUNDUP

Did you know that it is illegal to put electronic waste in your trash? The next Aurora Electronic Recycling event is scheduled for Saturday, February 7, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Aurora Central Facilities Recycling Drop-off, 13646 E. Ellsworth Ave. Fees are \$2 for most items (\$15 for televisions or \$1 per inch diagonally for rear projection televisions and \$10 for computer monitors). Visit www.auroragov.org/recycle or call 303-739-7173 for details

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Looking for a way to give back to our community? Be a Snowbuster. Sign up to be a Snowbuster and help an elderly neighbor or neighbor with disabilities keep up with shoveling the sidewalk this winter after a snowfall. Assignments are within a 2 mile radius of your home. For details, visit www.auroragov.org/volunteer or call 303-739-7492. Other volunteer opportunities within our community are also available at this website.

ANDOVER GLEN PARK

One of the amenities we have as residents of Andover Glen is our beautiful park that is bordered by Parker Road and Layton St., and Shop Creek. In addition to the community garden, the park has a gazebo for picnics and parties and a tennis court that is available to all residents of Andover Glen. The courts are fenced and locked with access allowed to residents only. If you do not have a key for the tennis courts, please contact Pete O'Meara at 303-680-1690.

DON'T FORGET THAT ARCHITECTURAL IMPROVEMENT REQUEST

Our warm weather the past few weeks has allowed contractors an opportunity to start outdoor projects in the neighborhood. Remember that any improvement, or repair to your property that is visible from the street needs to have approval from the architectural committee. The process begins by having you fill out an Architectural Improvement Request form that is available at the Andover Glen website: www.andoverglen.org Complete the form and deliver it to the chairman of the committee, Dave Estes, or any other HOA board member. Contact information is available on the website. Please provide the form at least two weeks prior to the start of the project. If you have questions, reference the web site to review the covenants, or call Dave with your questions.

We love to improve our homes, let's just make sure that we follow the guidelines to keep our neighborhood one we'll always be proud of. Thank you in advance and now let's get ready for another great season of improvements in the Glen!