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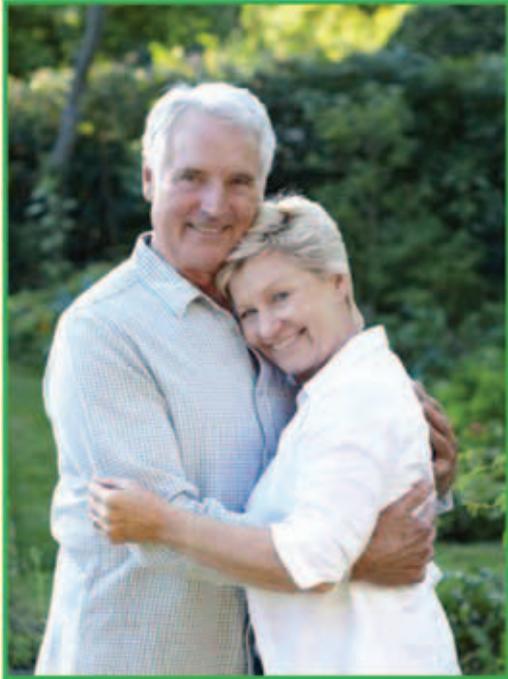
*Many of the sights and sounds of Memorial Day are repeated on Independence Day. Only the overall theme becomes one of celebration. Watch for flyovers like this one at the Colorado Freedom Memorial on May 28 by two National Guard jets from nearby Buckley Air Force Base. Their next flyover was in Silverthorne. For those attending the Memorial Day ceremony, it was thrilling.
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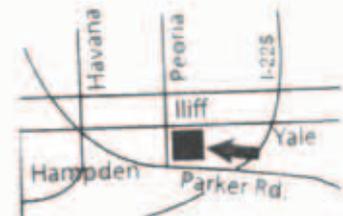


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Residents raised issues about building fire, HGNet negotiations

All directors attended the June 14 meeting of the HGA Board of Directors.

Emergency Preparedness Committee (EPC) Chair Michael Lickteig proposed that HG develop an emergency response team, to offer assistance to HG residents affected by events such as the May 22 building fire. He suggested a small budget of \$5,000, and coordination efforts, should an emergency occur.

“Security can activate a call system, to notify the general manager and response-team members,” he explained. He outlined a scenario of providing blankets and bottled water to those who must leave their units, and transporting the affected residents to the Clubhouse, to provide comfort and assistance.

Regarding on-site comfort and assistance, HGA Director Kathy Buhrman remarked, “The Red Cross did that [on May 22]. I’m concerned about opening the Clubhouse [to emergencies] — for how long? What about training [for the response team]? I’m not sure we want more people [on site] to contribute to the chaos.”

“This would be in addition to the Red Cross,” Lickteig replied. “We’re offering comfort, not first aid.”

Other directors offered input, indicating they had reservations about liability as well as possible conflicts with the fire department and other first responders.

HGA Director Kay Sawyer asked Lickteig, “Did your committee recommend this?”

He replied, the EPC is working on a motion to present to the HGMD Board of Directors, on Thursday. The motion will ask to use the Clubhouse as part of the emergency-response plan.

Drew Hartman, B224, addressed the board, saying, “My concern is fire safety. Have we had the standpipe tested under load? Can we get our fire alarm connected to the fire station? (The answer was, no.) What feedback and lessons did we get [from the B217 fire]?”

Buhrman explained, “We were looking at fire safety before the fire. We have a ventilation study, and a contractor is here, now, looking at that.”

Eddy-White added, “We have engineers looking at our alarm system.” He added HG is examining what can be done to make the buildings safer, without triggering a need to update the buildings to existing code.

Jim Alsum, B217, said, “I’m displaced. It’s a problem.” Eddy-White responded that both HG’s insurance company and HG have building hygenists inspecting the building. Because sheet rock will have to be removed, and possibly walls too, residents on the sixth floor, and possibly others, will have to pack and empty their unit, using their own insurance claim. The goal, Eddy-White said, is “to turn over the building completely clean.”

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Candy Compton, B220, asked the board to be more transparent when presenting the benefits of the proposed HGNet fiber system and double play package to residents. She noted the contract would be a 10-year commitment, and “we [homeowners] are the sole source of funding for this contract. Only the positive is presented. The negatives should not be glossed over.”

Buhrman responded, “We have put some hard language into the contract. Comcast is ready to negotiate. But, without a signed contract, we can’t reveal all its liabilities. It is considered to be on hold, as we are going back and forth, negotiating.”

HGA Director Jay Bluestein added, “What you’re doing now, I think, is negotiating terms and conditions.”

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Area Representative Organization (ARO) President Pete Clarendon announced that ARs Donna Szewczynski, B235; Mary Frevert, B216; and Yolanda Lickteig, B233; will join Chair Debbie Stelle and Buhrman, to serve on the Nominating Committee for the HGA Board election in October 2016. This committee identifies candidates, and assists in getting self-nominating forms submitted. (See page 6 for more details.)

Nominating Committee

The board approved installing a second stack of water recirculation pipes in B215, to generate faster hot water to building units. The project is budgeted, not to exceed \$84,393. General Manager Calvin Eddy-White explained that eight six-story buildings (B215–B233) have only a single recirculation line installed. For units in a stack

Hot water fix

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The HG outdoor pool at the Clubhouse opened for the summer on Saturday, May 28. Colorado weather quickly warmed up in June, making the pool a favorite spot for residents and guests to enjoy. Photo by Anne Hummel-Gillis.

Extra! Extra! Information for you—

HGA Board looks for candidates

In compliance with Procedures Memorandum PM E-1, dated June 9, 2015, the Nominating Committee is now accepting applications for nominations to fill the three positions on the Heather Gardens Association (HGA) Board of Directors, which will become vacant on Jan. 1, 2017.

Qualifications and eligibility considerations:

A. Must be a Heather Gardens (HG) owner-resident.

B. Must have lived in HG (physically present) for at least 12 months as of the August board meeting.

C. Should have one or more of the

following:

1. Ability and willingness to devote required time to office being sought.

2. Administrative and leadership experience and abilities.

3. Experience in functional areas represented in the HGA organizational structure.

Application procedure:

Please complete an "Application for Nomination" form, available from the Management Office or any member of the Nominating Committee. A résumé is a required part of the application. It should be included on

or attached to the original application.

B. Deadline for receipt of applications by the committee is one week prior to the regular HGA Board of Directors meeting in August. Applications must be submitted to the Management Office by close of business (4 pm) on Monday, Aug. 2.

C. The Nominating Committee will review all applications and publish a list of all candidates meeting the above qualifications during the Aug. 9 board meeting.

— Deborah Stelle
Chair, Nominating Committee

Huge potential savings with bulk TV

A HGNet survey by Campus Technology Committee (CTC) of one building recently showed that of the 71 percent (44 of 62 residents) wanted the new service. The average savings was \$37.80 a month, or about \$450/year. For a 10-year term with Comcast, a resident could save \$4,500. There is the potential for even more savings if residents participate at a higher rate (65 percent) in the double-play plan being proposed.

Today 75.6 percent of HG residents pay some kind of bill to Comcast each month, totaling about \$3 million a year. They will have good reason to switch to HGNET Double Play, which upgrades everyone to a higher speed fiber optic network.

CTC feels it is important to give every resident the opportunity to save money on their bill with bulk pricing. We will gladly pay the bulk bill of \$22 million over the 10 years,

because without it, the residents will collectively pay out \$30 million over the same period. That's right — with 65 percent participation, HG residents could collectively save \$8 million over 10 years.

The potential savings could be even higher if you do some careful shopping. There are other low price options for movie upgrades such as Netflix for \$9.99/month. Thus, you

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Emergency Preparedness: Cooking Fires

The HG Emergency Preparedness Committee (EPC) announces that Manfred "Manny" Meerkat is the newest member of the EPC Team (see image to right). He will appear frequently in *Heather 'n Yon* and flyers to buildings/areas to provide advice on how to prevent, or properly respond to emergencies. This relatively new HGA committee is chaired by HGA Director Michael



HG Manny

Lichteig. As this committee considered what its purpose and activities should be, dispensing what members research was identified as a priority.

Did you know? The meerkat hails from the Kalahari Desert, a large semi-arid sandy savanna in southern Africa. The meerkat became well known from a well-received wildlife documentary for Animal Planet International, called *Meerkat Manor*, which first appeared on TV in England, 2005.

Meerkats are best known for standing sentry and warning community members of imminent dangers.

A meerkat's practice of providing friendly vigilance brings him to the EPC. A meerkat will be EPC's mascot for articles to HG residents about being prepared, preventing accidents and recovering from emergencies.

Here's the first in the proposed series.

Good Day! My name is Manfred Meerkat. Manny to my friends. I am pleased to be part of the HG EPC and look forward to providing useful information.

Today's Topic Is Cooking Fires
More home fires occur in the kitchen

See cooking fires...page 10

A tale of three organs dominates HGMD meeting

All directors participated in the June 16 meeting of the HGMD Board of Directors. Vince Velasquez joined the meeting remotely, via telephone.

The new business portion of the meeting agenda was dominated by what Director/Foundation Chair Ed Kurtz dubbed, "A Tale of Three Organs." The large musical instruments, used in Sandberg Auditorium, primarily for church services, have become a problem as they age.

The board approved authorizing Clubhouse Manager Linda Aluise to dispose of one organ, about 50 years old, which HG has been storing, but which is no longer functional. HG bought this organ, but now, it can no longer be repaired.

A second organ, which HG does not own, also is about 50 years old. This organ was donated to HG's religious congregations.

The board discussed contacting its attorney regarding liability for storing and moving an organ it does not own. The organ must be moved from Sandberg Auditorium periodically, and accusations have occurred that alleged HG staff damaged the organ while moving it.

President Larry Francone agreed: "We need an agreement to determine whose responsibility it is."

Kurtz disagreed. "This organ was brought in without coordination with this board. I don't think we need to incur attorneys fees." Craig Baldwin withdrew his motion to authorize the general manager to contact HG's attorney.

A movement is afoot to purchase a third, functioning

organ for Sandberg Auditorium, using Foundation funds.

"When we buy our own, we'll tell them to get [the old organ] out." Kurtz said.

...

The board considered a motion by Baldwin, recommended by the HGA Emergency Preparedness Committee (EPC), to accept, in concept, that an emergency response team may use the Clubhouse to shelter residents, if needed.

Emergency Clubhouse use

While some directors supported the motion, others felt it was too vague. The motion failed on a two-two vote (Kurtz and Twyla Gaugenmaier voted no). EPC Chair Michael Lickteig explained that having permission to use the Clubhouse was required before preparing a detailed plan for the proposed emergency response team.

Kurtz and Gaugenmaier countered that, without such a detailed plan, the HGMD Board could not know the extent to which it was committing use of the Clubhouse. Francone added, "There are many questions regarding the legality of [an HG response team] not interfering with authorities," such as firefighters or the Red Cross.

The board approved reimbursing a resident for unused punches on a 40-play golf card. After using the card only a few times, the resident fell ill, and is unable to continue playing golf.

The board approved a motion to move into executive session, to discuss issues related to contracts.

HG gets grant for recycling containers

Sound the trumpets and beat the drums!

HG has been awarded a grant from Aurora's Neighborhood Beautification Grant Program, thanks to the hard work of several Green Team members, spearheaded by David Faris, STH.

2016 marks the second year of this program, which has become extremely popular. According to the official report, competition was fierce.

The committee received 34 grant applications, totaling \$160,968. However, available funding totaled \$60,000, divided at \$10,000 per ward. (There are 6 wards in Aurora.) Due to this limit, the review committee could only recommend funding for those applications that scored highest, according to their pre-established criteria.

Apparently, the Green Team proposal was one of the highest scores. Funds to purchase and install three

attractive recycling containers for the Clubhouse was proposed. Full funding was given, \$1,522. Very soon you will see these containers. We hope you will make use of them.

If you are interested in environmental issues and would like to learn more, please join the Green Team, noon-2 pm Thursday, July 14, in the Skyview Room.

– Wendy Pfaffhausen
NTH, 303-306-0066

Removing a bee hive

As we walked past B203 on June 4, Nancy and I were stopped in our tracks. Two beekeepers in full gear were working 40 feet off the ground on the blue lift that had been parked there for several days.

As we watched (from a safe distance) the two men extracted large slabs of honeycomb and carefully sucked the bees off of it with what looked like a shop vac. Dawn Friedkin, Roads & Grounds Arborist, put

us in touch with beekeeper, Frank Holland, who had managed the delicate operation. He described the job.

"A good sized hive had been established up inside the hollow soffit

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HGA...from page 5

without recirculation pipes, it can take three minutes to get hot water.

The board approved a contract with OJ Watson Equipment to fit a stake-dump bed (\$9,000) onto a used Chevrolet crew-cab truck to be purchased for up to \$27,000 from a different vendor. The Budget & Finance (B&F) and Roads & Grounds Committees performed yeoman's work, according the President Winnie Jennings, to lower the project cost by \$8,000.

"We saved a lot of money this way," Jennings remarked. Roads & Grounds Chair Linda Serio noted that

Used Truck

she would have preferred to purchase a new truck, already fitted with a stake-dump bed, and under warranty. She was overruled when B&F turned the original request down. Her committee selected the best that could be done.

Long Range Planning Committee Chair Bluestein reported that his committee recommended HG "not do anything" about making **No gates** HG a gated community.

Other approvals by the board:

...added Treasurer Susan Lambert as a signer on HG's Key Bank checks.

...a resident's request to install two round skylights in a patio home, CP1.

Cooking fires...from page 6

than anywhere else in the house. Unattended cooking is the number one cause of home fires.

Cooking is one of the most natural things you can do. It is exhilarating, and yes, even fun. It can also be incredibly relaxing. I enjoy inviting my friends to my home for a cooking feast. It's easy to get distracted by conversation with guests and forget about the vegetables roasting in the oven.

Most of the time I cook for myself. It is so comfortable to put my feet up in my recliner while my minestrone soup is heating on the stove. So easy to nod off — and wake to the buzzing of the smoke alarm.

Following the safety tips below

can help prevent a cooking fire in your home:

🔥 Never leave cooking food unattended. Stay in the kitchen when frying, grilling or broiling food. If you have to leave the kitchen, even for a second, turn off the stove.

🔥 Use a timer so you'll remember that the stove or oven is on. Its alarm may wake you up, if you fall asleep.

🔥 Keep anything that can catch fire — pot holders, oven mitts, wooden utensils, paper or plastic bags, food packaging, and towels or curtains — away from your stove, oven or any other appliance in the kitchen that generates heat.

🔥 Clean cooking surfaces on a regular basis to prevent grease build-up.

– Donna Szewczynski
B235, Emergency Preparedness Committee

For a complete list of the 10 ways to prevent kitchen fires, go to www.redcross.org/news/article/Avoid-Kitchen-Fires-Use-Red-Cross-Tips

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Bees...from page 7

at the roofline of the building [B203]. After removing the plywood, we were able to go inside and remove the bees and honeycomb. The comb was beautiful with healthy white caps on the cells, and loaded with incredible honey.

"The 'bee vac' we used is of my own design and constructed with a lower speed airflow to protect the bees from harm. Down inside the drum is a hive all ready for them to populate, so the bees that were pulled in had a home and even a honeycomb ready for them. Back at my shop, I added the comb we had removed, so the new hive smelled familiar to them.

"After a couple of days, I checked the hive from HG. It appears that the

queen did not make it into the box or did not survive the extraction. The brood that I was able to save had viable eggs that the bees made into queen cells that will make a new queen. She should emerge in about 10 days, then will take a mating flight, and hopefully make it back to continue the hive. If she doesn't make it back I will combine this hive with another hive that has a queen. These bees will go to work for her.

"Heather Gardens is such a wonderful habitat that could support several hives if we can find an out-of-the-way place to put them. This is some of the nicest honey I have seen in my years of beekeeping."

On June 18, Holland reported, "Opened the hive today and found a virgin queen. She is not laying yet, so hopefully in a few days."

– Bruce and Nancy Henson, STH



B203 gets a bee hive removed by expert beekeepers on June 4.



HGMD Board President Reports

By Larry Francone

My first letter to the Heather Gardens (HG) community as president of the Heather Gardens Metropolitan District (HGMD) should include a short introduction. In my previous life, I was the owner of a small business that serviced and installed fueling systems. I retired in 2008. My wife and I moved into HG in 2012. We both have become involved in community activities. We enjoy the lifestyle here in HG very much.

I am proud to serve on the HGMD Board, following Ed Kurtz as president. We, as a board, have accomplished much in the last two years: completed a management agreement between HGA and HGMD, rewrote the bylaws for the HGMD, and took over responsibility for three committees that were previously chaired by HGA directors (Clubhouse, Restaurant and Golf).

In the next 2–3 years, HG will be facing a transformation. HGMD has high hopes that we can help keep the community the exceptional place it already is. Managing well the facilities that HGMD owns will help with this goal.

The Golf Committee has been looking at ways to reduce cost and increase income. It has been successful

to a degree, but more needs to be done. The committee, which I chaired until two months ago, have researched and contracted with TeeSnap to install a POS system with online tee time reservations. It should be active in June. With the online tee time presence, HG Pro Shop should be able to increase the number of rounds of golf by attracting non-resident players. The Golf Course Superintendent Brian Benko has assured me that the Goosinator will be put back to work on Aug. 1.

The HGMD Foundation, in coordination with the Contracts Department, has been working hard to secure bids and funding for remodeling the water feature near the #9 tee box. They also would like to fund changes to the Clubhouse Reception Desk, including some new overhead lighting. Bids are being secured

The Restaurant/Clubhouse Committee has been looking at ways to save money and improve operations. Some of these ideas will be brought to the board soon.

The Ad Hoc Committee for Yale Frontage Road has Identified some signs that need to be replaced to improve safety on Linvale Place. They have also been involved with the City of Aurora and the HGA Board as the city identifies ideas for calming traffic on South Heather Gardens Way and East Marina Drive.

If you would like to be involved in projects such as these the committees are working on, volunteer to become a committee member. All residents are welcome to show up at the meetings, signing the guest list to give your input.

Look for the agendas posted on the HG website (heathergardens.org), under the Resources tab.

HGNet...from page 6

don't have to pay Comcast for this add-on feature. You can get phone service for \$3/month from contractors like MagicJack. Many younger residents won't need a landline because they use a cell phone exclusively.

The Campus Technology Committee has investigated projected technology changes and projected viewing habits. Streaming video will increase in the coming years. Conventional cable TV will decrease gradually over the next 10 years. The fiber optic infrastructure will position HG to take advantage of these trends.

CTC is negotiating protection clauses into the contract with Comcast to mitigate the financial risks to HG and preserve the significant savings. It is premature to publish this information until negotiations are done.

Remember, CTC members are HG residents who don't want to increase risks or liabilities for the community. The choices that CTC made came after months of examining all pros and cons to developing a community-wide network.

I am confident that the savings will be substantial and that the risks are low.

– Ron Hileman, CTC, B223



**MONDAY,
JULY 4
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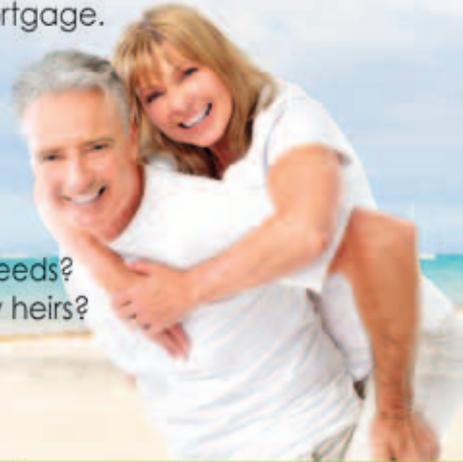
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Publisher's Corner

Light Rail R Line (I-225) approaches completion

by Lynn Donaldson, Editor of Heather 'n Yon

If you missed the RTD Open House at Iliff Station on June 18, you missed a chance to see how traffic will enter and exit the station, or pull into the parking garage. You also missed getting information on the R line, which is scheduled to open at the end of 2016. In fact, in some segments, testing is underway as I noted on a drive up Abilene recently.

Here's RTD's press release on the current status of the R Line.

"The people who live, work, and play in Aurora have watched the scenery of their city change drastically over the past few years. Just as the skyline is taking shape with new housing developments, buildings and other structures, much is happening closer to the ground

"Roads have been improved, sidewalks expanded, bus stops moved, and light rail tracks now make their way through the city.

"After three years of heavy construction on the Aurora Line/I-225 Rail Line, the work is finally nearing completion. As Kiewit Infrastructure — RTD's construction partner — crews finish work in each area along the future R Line, they are simultaneously addressing items on the project punch list.

What's a "punch list"?

"During a "punch list walk," team members from the design side (RTD) and construction (Kiewit) inspect every element of the line together and compile a list of items to be addressed before the line is considered complete.

"The line was designed and constructed in roughly ten seg-

ments, and each segment will be evaluated by the team as work is completed."

To prepare for opening the line, RTD has borrowed a humorous safety campaign, entitled: "A Dumb Way to Die," from Melbourne, Australia. A catchy ditty accompanies the cartoonish characters that die after silly, often stupid actions. Ultimately, the warnings identify things not to do around buses or trains: stay off the tracks, don't touch those wires (or throw things at them); stand back from moving vehicles; don't chase a train if you miss it; watch the doors; and be patient at pedestrian and vehicle crossings.

Three of these cartoonish characters were at the Open House. Here's the relevant lyrics to the song that match these

characters:

Set fire to your hair. *[Blue character with orange hair, below middle]*

Poke a stick at a grizzly bear.

Eat medicine, that's out of date,

Use your private parts as piranha bait.

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So many dumb ways to die!

Get your toast out with a fork.

Use your own electrical work.

Teach yourself how to fly.

Eat a 2-week-old, unrefrigerated pie. *[Blue character with green mouth, below right]*

Dumb ways to die!

So many dumb ways to die!

Stand on the edge of a train station platform. *[Pink character with yellow hair, far left]*

Drive around the boom-gates at a level crossing.

Run across the tracks between platforms.

It may not rhyme but it's quite possibly:

The dumbest ways to die!

If you cannot imagine how the song sounds, go to www.rtd-denver.com/safety.shtml. It lasts about three minutes. Quite catchy!

The HG residents I saw at the Open House were enjoying yogurt with various toppings. Tasty, but expensive, they told me.



Right: RTD employees answered questions posed by folks who came to the Open House at Iliff Station. Held in the parking lot, drivers learned how to enter and exit from the station.





Management

HG shares emergency procedures in multiple ways

By Calvin Eddy-White
General Manager

Summer seems to be here, with temperatures jumping into the 90 degrees. Seasonal work around the property is in full swing. Unfortunately, Heather Gardens' (HG) normal work has been compounded by a recent fire in B217. We are saddened by the death of one resident in that fire. I extend my condolences to the family and friends of the victim.

The topic of Fire Safety has been resounding through the community over these past few weeks. As you can imagine, there is an over-abundance of rumors, as well as questions and concerns.

Prior to the fire at B217, the HGA Board had created a new committee called Emergency Preparedness (EPC). This committee's primary function is to help educate the community on what to do in an emergency, as well as to discuss ways in which the HGA can prevent or minimize the effects of a possible catastrophe.

Safety education is on everyone's mind. What do you do in case of a fire, flood, tornado, etc.? You will see, over the next few months and beyond, an effort by HG to share information with the community, answering those questions. You will also see recommendations from the

EPC on ways to shape the property with modern resources to help deal with future emergencies.

HG is a tightly knit community with many dedicated volunteers working on the board, committees, and in other capacities. My staff and both boards want to pool our resources, working together to strengthen our community. Communication is going to be imperative, and it is very important that, as residents, you only disseminate true, factual information and advice.

HG will continue working with city departments to get you the proper information. The Police and Fire Departments have, in the past, visited Heather Gardens to educate and answer questions you might have. They will be here throughout the year to continue these efforts.

Security Chief Larry Baker and his staff will be the primary conduit for getting information to the Area Representatives (ARs) that can be posted in your buildings. HG will also have information on the website (heathergardens.org). Implemented this past year, HG will expand usage of email blasts so that you can be updated more quickly. It means that residents will have many sources from which to get the correct information.

Keep an eye out for seminars or building meetings where speakers will meet residents, update on safe procedures and answer questions.

My open forum is held every month on the same day as the Heather Gardens Metro District (HGMD) Board meeting. This is a great opportunity to ask your questions or concerns. It's a way for the board and me to get feedback from residents on topics that concern the community. Please show up and participate. I look forward to seeing you there or at any future educational meetings.

GM's Report

General Manager

- Attended board, committee, and ARO meetings.
- Reviewed payables and Capital Projects.
- Reviewed ACC Project Approval forms.
- Began fire claim process for B217.
- Promoted Mel Grimm to Contracts Manager.
- Continued planning 2016 projects.

Controller

- Submitted the 2015 Final Audit for HGMD to the State of Colorado.
- Attended the annual employers update from Mountain States Employer's Council.
- Mailed out the 2015 Year End Refunds.
- Finished the 2016 Budget Amendment for HGMD.
- Submitted the HGA Insurance ap-

plications for October renewal.

- Updated bank signers for HGMD.
- Met with Insurance brokers regarding fire in B217.
- Met with employees regarding the annual summer picnic.

Paint

- Completed 17 work orders.
- Attended HGA Board walk around.
- Continued working on chair rail project in B216.
- Hired one new painter.
- Attended B206 meeting to discuss chair rail project.

Maintenance

- Completed 943 building orders, of those 107 were billable.
- Completed plumbing inspections at Buildings 219 and 242, and CP1 and CP2.
- Copper pipe repairs done in numerous locations.
- Rewired B221 and B241 garage door openers.
- Met with engineer at B223 to start

work on air flow/exhaust issues.

- Replaced boiler circulation pump in B236.
- Repaired underground wiring for area lights by B208 and B209.
- Worked on getting all multi-story buildings evaporative coolers running.
- Installed an elevator pit ladder and hand hold in B202.
- Installed a continuous hinge on the parking slab door in B213.
- Completed elevator panel replacement in B223.
- Ran new sump pump drain pipe outside B222.
- Installed a new 20-foot light pole on PS3 and rewired electrical.
- Installed an elevator pit oil/water sensor, alarm, and a sump pump in B211.
- Worked with Travelers Insurance and disaster restoration on B217 fire.

Clubhouse

- Held six events with over 650 par-

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Fire rocks HG, generates many homeowner questions

On May 22, a kitchen fire on the sixth floor of B217, unit 601, was the most serious event of its kind in HG history. The occupant of the unit where the fire occurred, Jerry Altman, lost his life.

The occupants of 11 units on the sixth floor, as well as other residents whose units got water or smoke damage, have been displaced by the fire. Other B217 occupants, living on lower floors and/or on the east side of the building, were able to continue living in their condos.

A statement issued by the HG Management Office, on May 27, said, "Heather Gardens Association is working diligently to ensure the safety and integrity of the building's common areas, including eliminating smoke and water damage, so that temporarily displaced residents can return to their homes...Results of the Aurora Fire Department examination into the circumstances regarding the event may not be known and made public for two weeks or more." The statement added, "According to Aurora Fire Rescue, the blaze was the result of an unattended cooking fire."

Kitchen fires have occurred at HG before; however, this was the first one severe enough to cause loss of life and drive residents from their homes. In addition, water damage from putting the fire out shut down the elevator.

HGA Board Member Kathy Buhrman, B250, Chair of the Structure

Maintenance Committee, said she got a call notifying her about the fire at 10:30 pm on May 22, after the fire was out. She went to B217, and found a number of HG staff members on the scene, including Maintenance Department Supervisor Jon Howell and Security Department Chief Larry Baker, as well as members of their staffs.

The fire chief told Buhrman that the building would be partially habitable, after the fire. The building elevator was out of commission, and HG staff worked diligently with the elevator company to get the building's only elevator back in operation, which was accomplished the following day.

Tony Giardina, B217 Assistant Area Representative (AAR), lives on the second floor in unit 201, the same stack as unit 601. Giardina explained that occupants of the sixth floor had to move out after the fire. In addition, the fifth-floor unit under

where the fire originated (501) had to vacate, due to water damage.

Other units in the stack (401, 301, 201) needed varying degrees of repair. Units adjacent to those in the affected stack, such as unit

403, experienced some water damage.

Giardina said he was told that all the walls in the sixth floor units have been stripped out, and soon all ceilings will be removed. Re-occupancy of sixth-floor units could be months away.

B217 residents who fled their units during the fire were cared for while outdoors for three hours. First Responders furnished water and chairs.

Giardina said that, of Aurora's 17 fire stations, 11 responded to the HG

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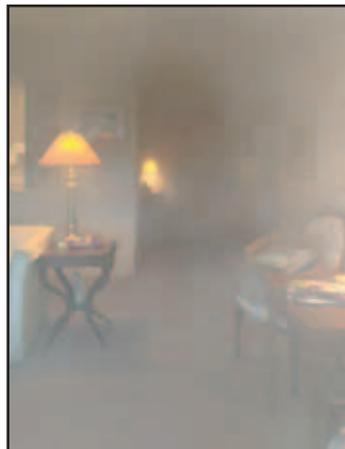


Above and right: Fire units from 11 of Aurora's 17 fire stations responded to the fire at HG about 7:30 on May 22. Firefighters from Tower Crew 6 snaked a hose up the side of B217, across the fifth floor,



and up to sixth floor, to fight the fire. The fire was contained by 9:30 pm. Fire truck photo by Rudy Morris, B217/103. Below: Julie O'Dea was visiting her father John, in unit 602, across the hall from the fire. She took the photos of his smoke-filled condo before they exited to his lanai, closing the sliding glass doors. From there, Julie took the photo of residents in unit 604 watching the firemen find a place to bring water to the fire (top photo).

Below right: Unit 602 at 8:46 pm after fire put out.





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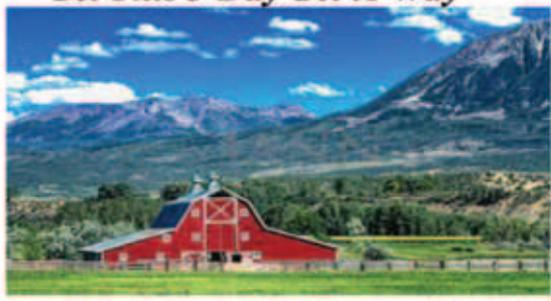
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Bicyclists like HG proximity to many bicycle trails

As up to 2,000 bicyclists on the Denver Century Ride streamed along South Heather Gardens Way on Saturday, June 18, Jim Dingfelder, B244, peddled the Ride's quarter-century loop (25 miles) around Rocky Mountain Arsenal in support of Rocky Mountain Fisher House, a favorite charity that he and his wife Pat support.

"The Century Ride combines two things I like doing: bicycling and Rocky Mountain Fisher House awareness," said Jim.

Straight after retiring in 2015, Jim and Pat are in their ninth month of volunteer work for the Fisher House.

"The best way to describe the Fisher House is, it is like a lovely bed and breakfast. It is a home away from home for the loved ones and families of veterans who are receiving care at the VA hospital," said Jim. "We volunteer at the house and we also coordinate a lot of volunteer activities like the Century Ride to raise awareness."

"We go food shopping for the guests. We organize the cabinets, the food. We organized the linen closets. We organize donations. Anything the manager has for us to do," said Pat.

"Pat and I made it our mission to create awareness for the good work that they do," said Jim.

Guests at the Fisher House may remain there for weeks, if not months, at

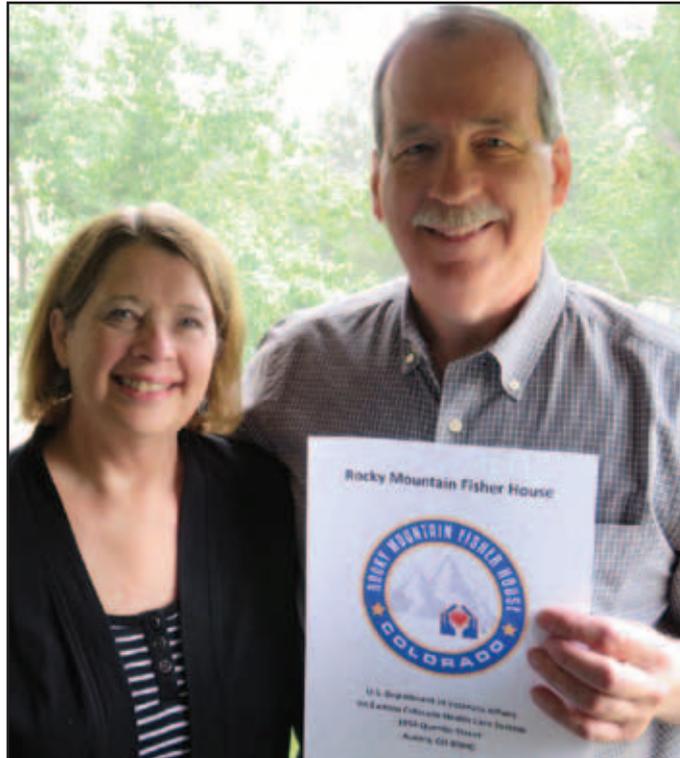
a time while the veteran receives care at the VA. It offers a place to relax and talk with other guests.

"As we approached retirement, Pat and I wanted to do something to help the community. Since our nation has been at war continuously for 15 years, veterans have been in the news," said Jim.

They checked out various charities for veterans and found charitable watchdog groups give the Fisher House an A+ rating. Over 92 percent of the

Left: Pat and Jim Dingfelder, B244, hold a brochure for the Rocky Mountain Fisher House, where the couple volunteers. It provides housing for the families of veterans who are being treated at the VA hospital.

Below: This year, part of the Denver Century Ride went through HG on South Heather Gardens way on June 18.



The Denver Century Ride, held on June 18, featured courses for all cycling skill levels. Benefiting Bicycle Colorado, BikeDenver and Bike Jeffco, this healthy lifestyle cycling event is Colorado's premier urban bicycle ride and is open to the public. Exploring some of the most beautiful views, diverse terrains and charming neighborhoods in the Denver Metro Area and along the Front Range, the five new routes utilize the vast area of cycle safe streets and bike paths that interconnect the Denver/Boulder corridor. The Denver Century Ride provides the ideal scenic tour of this gorgeous region. Find the bicycle course that fits your ability and cycling style and register early to save money. It is held annually. <http://denvercenturyride.com/>



dollars they raise go to directly support the veterans and their families, according to Jim. Guests lodge in a safe, comfortable environment at no charge while volunteers provide transportation to the hospital. The Aurora Fisher House services five states.

Jim and Pat grew up in New Jersey. He lived across the George Washington Bridge; she lived in a suburb further south.

Once they met and married, they lived in rural Readington, a community in central New Jersey. Pat commuted to work at Bell Labs. Jim recruited and trained service operation teams that managed databases and

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The Month (June)

At the May 26 meeting of the Ad Hoc Committee/Yale Frontage, Chair Twyla Gaugenmaier reported, "The city [of Aurora] came up with a plan, in early April, for calming traffic on East Marina Drive (EMD) and South Heather Gardens Way (SHGW). Their traffic people and [Ward V Councilman] Bob Roth will present the plan," at a public meeting on June 16, in the Sandberg Auditorium.

Gaugenmaier explained the purpose of the meeting was to allow the city to make its plans known, and to get feedback from the public. She noted that, after comments were received, "the board will decide on the proposal. There will not be a community-wide vote."

About 130 people attended the June 16 presentation by City of Aurora representatives that also included Ward V City Councilman Bob Roth and HG's General Manager Calvin Eddy-White. City Engineer Cindy Colip presented the traffic-calming plan.

In summary, HG's wide boulevards and streets encourage drivers to speed, allowing them adequate room to swerve around slower traffic.

The city's proposal is to narrow the driving area to one lane, without performing any actual "concrete" changes. The low cost solution is to use paint striping to designate parking lanes and bike lanes that will create horizontally painted "buffer" spaces. Thus, there would be a single traffic lane in each direction, with no left-turn "pockets," except in front of the Clubhouse. The city suggests that motorists who wish to speed through HG will be frus-

trated, as they must stop behind cars making a left turn. The slowness of the driving experience might encourage commuters to try another route.

Colip also discussed adding a traffic light at Yale Avenue and EMD, and redesigning the entrance at Yale and Abilene. She outlined putting wider sidewalks, with crosswalks across Yale, on either side of Abilene, to SHGW. She also suggested the entrance lane into HG (south on Abilene) could be narrowed to one lane. Currently there are two lanes: a right-turn lane onto SHGW and a left-turn lane, onto Linvale.

The audience response to Colip's proposals seemed neutral to generally positive. One audience member commented, "I think this idea of having a 'frustration control' is the most brilliant thing I've heard of."

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And speaking of "traffic calming": They call it an Irish traffic jam, in the old country, when the roads are full of sheep, traveling from one pasture to another. Motorists wait quietly, recognizing the delay is just part of life.

On June 13, there was a HG traffic jam, at the intersection of Abilene and Yale. The already tricky three-way stop was complicated by several families of geese, which were herding goslings through the area. Drivers had to zigzag through several groups of geese, milling around the streets.

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reported that HG has ordered new siding for the Country Places, to replace the siding damage in two prior-year hail storms (2013 and 2014).

"We hope to begin replacing the siding in a few months," he said.

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On May 29, at 3:20 am, a security officer on patrol saw flames coming from a plastic trash container near Parking Structure 1, on E. Bates Ave. The officer called 911. When Engine 7 arrived to put out the flames, firefighters discovered the fire had been started by hot charcoal briquettes being thrown in the trash can. Residents are reminded that charcoal grills are not allowed at HG.

Security Chief Larry Baker asked residents to please be responsible, and follow HG's rules. Neighborhood safety is the concern of all residents.

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Correction: In the June issue of *Heather 'n Yon*, Tom Fahey's first wife was incorrectly identified. Her name was Becky. Our apologies to the Fahey family.

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Roads and Grounds Chair Linda Serio reports that all open positions on her committee are now filled.

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A memorial tree was planted at B243 in May in memory of Bruce Jones, HGA Board Treasurer, who died earlier this year. Photographed surrounding the tree are Del Samac-Townsend (left) and Lea Miller, both long-time building residents. Miller was Area Representative (AR) for many years, but now assists AR Pete Clarendon.



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Colorado Freedom Memorial

The Colorado Freedom Memorial (above) lists the names of all Coloradans who have died while in military service to the U.S. On May 28, the Memorial Day celebration solemnly reminded attendees of these sacrifices. Rick Crandall, MC, has been instrumental in getting the memorial built and developing associate programs. Speakers included Representative Mike Coffman and the Adjutant General of the Colorado National Guard. Music included Taps by a lone bugler, several patriotic songs by Sound of the Rockies men's chorus. An Honor Bell, scheduled to be installed at Ft. Logan, was rung.



Later, there was a concert by the Denver Brass with help from Legacy Quartet and Celtic Colorado Pipes & Drums. The Colorado National Guard

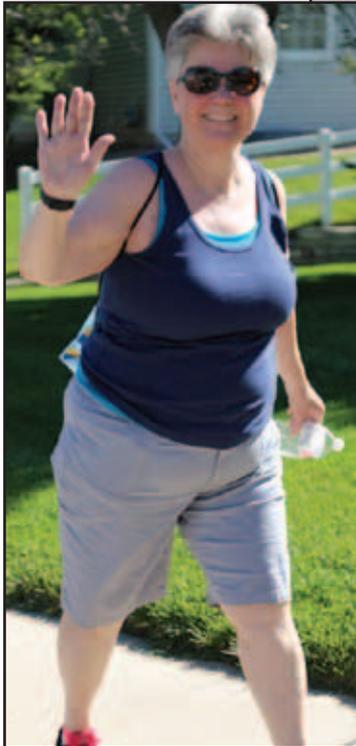
3-157th Field Artillery Battalion provided percussive accent to 1776 Overture.



Photos by Anne Hummel-Gillis

HG Fitness Fair

Held in the third week of May this year, the annual Fitness Fair included its traditional walk around HG, a 2.5 mile circuit. Demonstrations that you could try included jazzercise and pickleball (below right). Vendors showed you what products you might use to improve overall fitness. There were healthy refreshments for all participants.



Photos by Anne Hummel-Gillis



B217 fire...from page 17

fire. Some firefighters, lost amid hallway smoke inside the building, called a "May Day," he said, while the problems with pumping water caused other response units to be summoned.

HG's fire procedure for multi-story-building fires is to "shelter in place." Once the fire is out, fire department members "release" the occupants to venture out of their units.

HG's buildings are highly fire resistant because they are built of cement. A firefighter who once lived in B221 said he selected HG for his retirement home because its buildings are the most fireproof, made of stone and concrete, with very little wood.

Because the fire occurred inside unit 601, that occupant, who reportedly was wheelchair bound, fled into the hallways. It is speculated that opening his unit door allowed the smoke and fire to move into the hallway, where he perished. A household pet from another unit, a dog, also escaped into the smoke-filled hallways, and died.

Rudy Morris, B217, unit 103, is a member of the newly created Emergency Preparedness Committee (EPC). Formed in March, the committee's purpose is to identify potential emergencies that result from weather, or other factors that would

disrupt normal functions of HG. The committee was formed only two months ago, before the B217 fire occurred. Fire safety was one of the subjects the EPC had started to examine, including building ventilation issues and the fire-alarm system.

Morris prepared a report, dated June 15, which he presented to the EPC. In the report, Morris said he talked with residents, firemen, ambulance personnel, and alarm technicians. Compiling the report, he used personal observations and photos.



Signs of soot and smoke damage to the 6th floor hall and unit 602 on the day after the fire. Photos by Julie O'Dea.

Morris made allowances for errors, omissions and "enhanced" information, due to faulty memories.

In summary, Morris reported that upon arriving at B217 on May 22, the fire fighting crew from Fire Engine #6 hooked up to the fire hydrants. The crew then hooked into a rusty, corroded "standpipe" beside B217, which burst.

"The standpipe ruptured at the base and underground...the ruptured standpipe pushed water and mud up into an electrical closet in the basement, which put water into the elevator control panel, damaging the main controller. That took the building elevator out of service."

With no water, Tower Crew 6 was called to the scene, to pump water up to the 6th floor. Tower Crew 6

ran a hose from outside the east side of the building, through a fifth floor lanai, then up to the west side of the sixth floor. The fire was out by approximately 9:30 pm.

A fire damage report, distributed at the Communications Committee meeting, stated that building standpipes are to be inspected every five years. The B217 standpipe was due for inspection later in 2016. The fire triggered questions over which entity should inspect the standpipe (HG or the fire department) and over HG's procedure to report any perceived deficiencies to the fire department.

Julie O'Dea was in unit 602, with her father, when the fire started. Because he uses a walker, the two sheltered in place until the fire was out. They evacuated to the unit 602 lanai, closing the lanai door behind them. Julie took many of the photos of fire damage in the building.

The fire served as a wake-up call on several fronts. Fire-alarm issues are being assessed. The fire alarm that sounded in unit 601, where the fire occurred, was not heard in many other parts of the building. The fire alarm does not connect to the fire department, so calling 911 was necessary. Some hallway alarms might not have sounded on all floors, or might have sounded, but not loudly enough to be heard in all units.

The fire also was a reminder that residents need to know what their condo/homeowners insurance covers. Many evacuated residents are having to shelter in hotels or other off-site housing. Red Cross was onsite, on May 22, to assist the displaced; however, residents are bearing the costs of alternate housing themselves, unless their condo insurance helps defray costs.

At the June 14 HGA Board Meeting, General Manager Calvin Eddy-White was asked if the displaced still needed to pay their monthly HOA fees. He responded that homeowners must pay the HOA, even if not living in the unit, and suggested those affected should consult with their insurance companies to see if HOA

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Above and right: A red standpipe near B217 burst from water pressure, while firefighters tried to battle the blaze.



Dingfelder ...from page 19

contracts for fortune 500 companies. They loved Readington, where a buffalo farm a few miles away from their home raised meat for restaurants. Pat was a classroom mom and Girl Scout leader. She volunteered for dance, sports and battered women.

Twice they moved for his job, first in 2001 to Buck's County, Pennsylvania; second in 2006 to Denver. Their daughter was in college. She didn't make the Denver transfer. Their 11-year old son finished growing up in Denver.

"I relocated for work, but we certainly were attracted to all the outdoor activities here. We took advantage of it," said Jim.

They are happy, too, to have transitioned from their large Denver house to HG. Pat joined her building's Social Committee and has helped with Veterans Day, Valentines Day, Ice Cream Social, and Colorado Day activities.

"Pat is a great organizer," said Jim.

"I just help," said Pat.

Jim likes HG's proximity to bicycle trails. It's a short ride to access Cherry Creek Trail, heading south, or the Spillway Trail to Toll Gate Creek Spillway Trail, heading north. He

bought himself a "comfort" bicycle when he retired and rides out 10 miles several times a week. Once a week, he does 25 miles. He especially likes riding the Highline Canal Trail.

"Bicycle riding is something I've always enjoyed doing. It is basic good exercise. I also find that when riding, you can clear your mind. You can do a lot of thinking, observing."

He likes the trail connections, the variety of landscapes and cityscapes he encounters. He enjoys the urban trails, where he sees city areas not visible from a car. For example, the South Platte Trail, as it winds through Denver, goes past a power station, then goes past the water treatment plant.

"I enjoy all that stuff. I find it fascinating to see all that stuff."

He usually rides solo but has rid-



Above: Pat Dingfelder, B244, waved to photographer Dala Giffin as the Denver Century Ride went through HG on South Heather Gardens Way.

den with small groups from HG, and intends to do more riding with people from HG as his schedule opens up.

Jim foresees a demographic shift in HG toward younger residents who are more likely to ride for recreation. He values HG's wide streets that make it safe for riders, and would support lane striping to guide and calm motorists and cyclists.

Referring to plans outlined by the city of Aurora at its HG meeting on June 16, Jim noted, "Putting bicycle lanes there is not going to interfere with anybody's driving."

– Dala Giffin

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reimbursement through individual insurance policies is possible.

HG has hired an independent insurance broker, he added, to interact

with the many insurance companies that insure HG homeowners.

Jim Alsum, B217, unit 611, addressed the board, stating, "I'm displaced. I would sure like to see an update on what is going on."

Eddy-White responded, "You

should have received an email from our insurance broker last week. We don't have a timeline [for when the displaced might return to their units]. We want to turn the building over [to owners] only when it's completely clean."

– Mary Hafka

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- **July 14:** Meadowood Park: Pan Jumbies (Steel

Drum) On site vendor: Atlanta Bread.

- **July 21,** Aurora Municipal Center: Chris Daniels & the Kings with Freddi Gowdy (Roots Rock and Roll with Horns) On site vendor: L&L Hawaiian BBQ
- **July 28,** Aurora Municipal Center: 6 Million Dollar Band (1980s) On site vendor: Jim 'n Nicks Bar-B-Q

August 4 will be a make-up rain day, if required

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ticipants.

- Scheduled three trips for May: Casino trip, *Once*, downtown aquarium.
- Opened outdoor pool for the season.
- Hosted Aurora Center for Active Adults Volunteer Appreciation.
- Assisted in coordinating the Salvation Army Truck.
- Assisting with Emergency Planning for Clubhouse.
- Planned summer classes, class brochure, and summer events.

Contracts

- Contractors assembling metal stair case in B231.
- Approved NTH and STH siding contract.
- Met with H & H Construction, and walked property for siding project.
- Met with EC Power Systems and Berg Electric Corp. to look at a generator.
- Sent out carpet selection information to building floors that are scheduled for replacing carpet.
- Worked with architect and contractor for Seville Spa repairs.
- Researched material for CP roof replacement.

Custodial

- Completed 18 Work Orders.

- Completed 10 Set-Ups at Clubhouse.
- Continued to complete walk around work orders.
- Continued building inspections.
- Completed power wash and trash chute at B201-B206.
- Completed restaurant's inspections.

Roads and Grounds

- Continued to work on storm damaged trees throughout the property.
- Completed start-up and repairs to irrigation system.
- Began annual mowing routines.
- Swept and power washed parking garages in all 6-story buildings.
- Swept parking structures.
- Pruned around buildings for painting contractor.
- Worked on concrete and asphalt inspections for 2016 repair contract.
- Completed pruning work orders.
- Sprayed and pulled weeds.
- Attended HGA Board walk-around.
- Trained seasonal workers.

Golf

- Installed well pump.
- Began stump grinding with new skid steer attachment.
- Hired two seasonal employees.
- Installed additional out of bounds markers.
- Installed "no fishing" signs.
- Repaired irrigation mainline under

cart path at #2 tee area.

- Applied surfactants to putting green dry areas.
- Repaired sod in putting green and #3 green.
- Cleaned waterfall intake and started waterfall
- Continued daily mowing and golf preparations.

Restaurant

- Hosted Mother's Day buffet.
- Held annual Memorial Day buffet.
- Held first karaoke night with very good attendance.
- Hired new servers.
- Hosted four memorials.
- Patio and pool service is in full swing.
- Sunday brunch sales hold strong.

Security

- Total of 366 reports written and 3,088 miles patrolled.
- Scheduled a seminar that discussed at-risk adults, DNR, living wills, and wills in general.
- Attended Emergency Preparedness Committee meeting.
- Completed draft of Emergency Plan for the Safety Committee
- Responded to B217 fire, assisted those in need.
- Attended HGA Board walk around. Distributed ACC Courtesy Notices.

Employee of the Month: Steve Canon, Custodial.

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Letters

Heather 'n Yon

I would like to thank all the residents who sent me wonderful notes and cards after the death of my mother. You all will never know how much they were appreciated. She will be greatly missed. Thank you all so much.

**Beverly Nelson
CP4**

Heather 'n Yon

I wanted to personally thank the Heather Gardens' staff who were on the scene for the fire in B217. When I received the call at 10:30 pm, I felt, as a board director in charge of HGA's Structure and Maintenance Committee, I should go over to B217. I was impressed with how everything was handled.

I talked with the Fire Chief, and he let me know that part of the building would still be habitable. I found HG's Structure Maintenance Supervisor Jon Howell, and several of his staff, as well as Security Chief Larry Baker, and several of his staff, already working hard.

I was concerned that since the building would be partially habitable, we get the elevator working as soon as possible. Jon had already called the elevator company and put together a plan to get the elevator up and running.

I was impressed with the work that Howell and Baker had accomplished, continued to do well into the night and the next morning. As chair of the Structure Maintenance Committee, I can't say thank you enough to this great team of people who serve HG on a 24-hour basis.

I also want to give a second big thank you to all the Area Representatives (AR) and Assistant ARs I met during the board walk around (in

May). It is heart warming to me to see people who are willing to be the person on point for those things that need to be fixed in a building.

Everyday I am happy to be a resident of HG. This past month, I have had two great examples of why I want to continue to live here.

So as Shakespeare reportedly said: "Thank you, thank you and again thank you."

**Kathy Buhrman
HGA Board Director
B250**

Heather 'n Yon

Let Us Remember Them!

HG had a wonderful time at its 5th Memorial Day Observance. HG residents come to the community from all walks of life, and each one brings great abilities. The program was "One Hour of Power."

I thank HG General Manager Calvin Eddy-White for his support of the simple ceremony this year. Also a special thank you to Clubhouse Manager Linda Aluise.

A special thanks to all the volunteers who made the day possible: Sam Pitzen, Donna Szewczynski, John Murphy, Hope Goetz, Chuck Finder, Judy Brehmer, Pastor Bill Cheyne, Ruth Prendergast, Cindy Crocket, Cheryl Branch, Cathy Achatz, Ruth Wilkinson, Eileen Schurr, Al Reasoner, Beverly Havens, Sandra Linse, Steve Wolther, the HG Tap Dancers.

Special thanks to Richard Lindahl, Colorado Home Realty, for the refreshments and Rudy Morris,

photographer. Leonarda VanDerwerf provided the POW/MIA flags.

Thanks to all.

**Lucky Highfill
B210**

Heather 'n Yon

There are heroes among us!

My neighbor slipped and fell, getting out of the shower. She suffered a broken femur. She thinks it was at least 45 minutes until she got help. A bottle of cleaner was within reach, so she began beating against the wall. She said the pain was not severe, but laying there in her birthday suit was quite embarrassing! (And I am sure rather chilly!)

Steve, one of HG's painters, heard her summoning help. He called 911. He is hero #1.

There are two beautiful white cats involved. They are so lonesome. I can hear them crying as I go by the door. Hero #2: Area Representative Mary Frevert called Candia Lang.

Hero #3: Candia contacted her friend.

Hero #4: Jeff will be taking care of the cats until the owner returns.

My neighbor was in rehab at Life Care Center of Aurora. She was hopeful about getting back to her cats and friends, ASAP! She also wants to bid when playing bridge, and make a Grand Slam! Good luck, Shirley.

**Maggie Ruby
B216**

Heather 'n Yon

To all of you that donated to the Junior Golf Tournament fundraiser, we say thank you. Three organizations, the HG Men's and Women's Golf Clubs joined with the HG Optimist Club to raise money to provide two young golfers the opportunity to compete in the local challenge. Eligible youth range in the age from 10 to 18.

With your generous donations, we sponsored Jake Gilbert and Caroline Brandon. The Colorado Optimist district will send 26 finalists to the international competition in Florida next month.

A special thanks goes to HGLGC President Bonnie McMullen and HG-
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Lucky Highfill, B210, confers with Clubhouse Manager Linda Aluise before the HG Memorial Day event.

Heather 'n Yon welcomes letters concerned with community issues. Letters must be signed, dated and include the writer's address and phone number. Letters may be edited for clarity. The HGA Board requires that letters longer than 300 words be returned to the writer to shorten if editing cannot do it. Letters will not be run from the same individual in successive months. Writers may publish only 4 letters per year.

JULY CALENDAR

Fri	1	HG Men's Golf Scoring (every Friday)	Game Room	8 am–1 pm
		Men with a Purpose Coffee	Skyview Room	10 am
Sat	2	500 Club (every Friday)	Skyview Room	12:30–4 pm
		Mah Jongg (every Friday)	Blue Spruce Room	12:30–4 pm
		Clubhouse Matinee: The Music Man	Sandberg Auditorium	1 pm
		Clubhouse Movie: The Music Man	Sandberg Auditorium	6:30 pm
		Men's Poker (every Friday)	Game Room	4–9:45 pm
		B224 Picnic	Sandberg Auditorium	6:30 pm
		Mexican Train Dominoes (every Saturday)	Arts & Crafts Room	noon–4:30 pm
		Ping Pong Doubles/Intermediate (every Saturday)	Game Room	2–5 pm
		Clubhouse Event - 1st Saturday Night Live Dance	Sandberg Auditorium	6:30–9:30 pm
		Sun	3	B250 Picnic
Mon	4	Mah Jongg (every Monday)	Blue Spruce Room	12:30–4 pm
		Men's Bridge (every Monday)	Skyview Room	1–4 pm
		Ping Pong Singles/Advanced (every Monday)	Game Room	2–5 pm
		Pinochle - Open (every Monday)	Mountainview Room	6:30–9:30 pm
Tue	5	Bridge (every Tuesday)	Skyview Room	12:30–4 pm
		Hand and Foot (every Tuesday)	Mountainview Room	12:30–4 pm
		Ping Pong Doubles/Intermediate (every Tuesday)	Game Room	2–5 pm
		B215 Happy Hour	Rendezvous Restaurant	5 pm
Wed	6	Co-Ed Billiards Club (every Tuesday)	Billiards Room	6:30 pm
		HG Ladies Golf Scoring (every Wednesday)	Game Room	7 am–1 pm
Thu	7	Mobile Post Office	Circle Driveway	10:45–11 am
		Clubhouse Event: Pewter Hummingbird	Wood Shop	1–4 pm
		ACBL Duplicate Bridge (every Wednesday)	Aspen/Blue Spruce Room	1–4:30 pm
		Pinochle (every Wednesday)	Mountainview Room	1:30–4 pm
		Men's Poker (every Wednesday)	Game Room	4–9:45 pm
		Mary Blumer Piano (every Wednesday)	Rendezvous Restaurant	4–7 pm
		CP1 Happy Hour	Rendezvous Restaurant	5 pm
		Square Dancing Club	Sandberg Auditorium	7:30–9:30 pm
		HG Breakfast Optimist Club	Rendezvous Restaurant	7:55 am
		TOPS (every Thursday)	Blue Spruce Room	8:30–9:30 am
Clubhouse Event: Great Rabbis, Great Insights	Blue Spruce Room	10 am		
HG Writers Club (every Thursday)	Mountainview Room	1–3:30 pm		
Bunko	Blue Spruce Room	1–3:30 pm		

Advertised Activities and Seminars

Mon, July 4	Bayer Ear Clinic (Every Monday) Arts & Craft Room, 9 am–noon (see ad, p. 52)	Sat, July 16	Alzheimer's Disease Seminar, Harvard Square, 2–3 pm (see ad, p. 8)
Thu, July 7	Hearing Rehab Center, Skyview Room, 10 am–noon (see ad, p. 57)	July 18-22	10 Year Anniversary Celebration., St Andrew's Village, 4:30–6 pm (see ad, p. 29)
Wed, July 13	iPhone Workshop, GroovyTek, 10–11 am (p. 16)	Thu, July 21	Reverse Mortgage Seminar, Kent Montavon, Skyview Room 10:18–11 am (see ad, p. 12)
Thu, July 14	Learn About Replacement Windows, Rendezvous, 11 am (see ad, p. 36)	Wed, July 27	MBKuisine Dinner, The Inn at Greenwood Village 4:30–6:30 pm (see ad, p. 21)
Sat, July 16	Country Fair, MorningStar, 1–4 pm (see p. 18)		

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Thu 7 (cont'd)	Cribbage (every Thursday) Ping Pong Doubles/Intermediate (every Thursday) CP4 Social League of Women Voters, Arapahoe and Douglas ACBL Duplicate Bridge (every Thursday) Kiwanis Club of Aurora (every Thursday) Men's 9-Ball Billiard Tournament (every Thursday)	Arts & Crafts Room Game Room Rendezvous Restaurant Rendezvous Restaurant Blue Spruce Room Rendezvous Restaurant Billiards Room	1-3:30 pm 2-5 pm 5 pm 5:30 pm 6:30-9:30 pm 6:30 pm 7-9:30 pm
Fri 8	Clubhouse Event: Foot Care B213 Picnic	Arts & Crafts Room Picnic Pavilion	1 pm 4 pm
Sat 9	50 and Who's Counting B214 Picnic	Aspen/Blue Spruce Room Picnic Pavilion	5:30-9:30 pm 5:30 pm
Tue 12	VNA Clinic B203 and B204 Social Drinks/Dinner	Blue Spruce Room Rendezvous Restaurant	1-3:30 pm 5 pm
Wed 13	Clubhouse Event - Active Minds: Van Gogh Tennis Club Social and Dinner Aviation Club	Sandberg Auditorium Rendezvous Restaurant Aspen Room	2 pm 5:30 pm 7 pm
Thu 14	Clubhouse Event: Great Rabbis, Great Insights Green Team Residents' Open Forum <i>ARO Quarterly Meeting</i>	Blue Spruce Room Skyview Room Rendezvous Restaurant Sandberg Auditorium	10 am noon 3 pm 7 pm
Fri 15	Men with a Purpose Coffee Clubhouse Event: Mountain Fruit and Nut Clubhouse Matinee: Hello, My Name is Doris Clubhouse Movie Night: Hello, My Name is Doris Clubhouse Event: Texas Hold 'em	Skyview Room Clubhouse Lobby Sandberg Auditorium Sandberg Auditorium Aspen/Blue Spruce Room	10 am 10 am 1 pm 6:30 pm 6:30 pm
Sat 16	Wine and Cheese Social Club	Aspen/Blue Spruce Rooms	3-5 pm
Sun 17	Clubhouse Event: HG Got Talent!	Sandberg Auditorium	3 pm
Mon 18	VNA Clinic CP4 Liverpool Rummy	Blue Spruce Room Mountainview Room	1-3:30 pm 2-5 pm
Tue 19	Genealogy Swap Shop Photography Club B205 and B206 Happy Hour	Aspen Room Aspen Room Rendezvous Restaurant	10 am 12:30 pm 5 pm
Wed 20	Colorado Symphony Guild (Hilltop SE Chapter) Clubhouse Event: Be Prepared CP3 Social Capitol Update with Colorado Legislators Square Dancing Club	Rendezvous Restaurant Skyview Room Rendezvous Restaurant Aspen/Blue Spruce Rooms Sandberg Auditorium	11:30 am 2 pm 5 pm 6:30 pm 7:30-9:30 pm
Thu 21	HG Breakfast Optimist Club Bunko	Rendezvous Restaurant Blue Spruce Room	8 am 1-3:30 pm
Fri 22	Clubhouse Event: Generations Jazz Trio B220 Party	Sandberg Auditorium Aspen/Blue Spruce Rooms	1 pm 5 pm
Sat 23	B208 Picnic	Picnic Pavilion	3 pm
Mon 25	Low Vision Support Group	Mountainview Room	1:30 pm



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JULY CALENDAR, Cont.

Tue 26	HG Republican Club Picnic HG Democrat Club Caregivers Support Group	Picnic Pavilion Rendezvous Restaurant Aspen Room	1:30 pm 4:30 pm 7 pm
Wed 27	Resident Orientation Clubhouse Event: Ask a Pharmacist	Board Room Skyview Room	10 am 2 pm
Thu 28	Tops Picnic	Picnic Pavilion	11:30 am
Fri 29	Clubhouse Event: Smart Phone	Arts & Crafts Room	noon
Sat 30	B221 Picnic	Picnic Pavilion	4:30 pm

Bible Study (Interdenominational), Wednesday 8–9 am

We probe the Scriptures with an eye to practical applications for everyday living. It is a great mid-week boost. Women meet in the Aspen Room. Men in the Mountainview Room. For more information, call Daisy Hoeme, 303-752-2312.

Rosary Prayer Group - meets every Tuesday, 9 am, in the Aspen Room. For information, call Joe, 913-526-4177.

Catholic Mass - Saturday, 1 pm, Sandberg Auditorium. All HG residents are welcome. Father Terry Kissell presiding.

Chapel (Interdenominational Church Service) - 11 am, Sunday, Sandberg Auditorium. Reverend Bill Cheyne.

Bible Study - Sunday, 10 am, Mountainview Room. Leader: Reverend Bill Cheyne.

Coffee Time - 3rd Sunday, prior to the chapel service.

Prayer Meeting - 2nd Thursday, 2 pm.

Heather 'n Yon Deadline - 6/15

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- Communications – 10 am Tue, July 5
- Golf – 1 pm Tue, July 5
- Long Range Planning – 10 am July 6
- Civic Affairs – 10 am Thu, July 7
- Budget & Finance – 10 am Mon, July 11
- HGA Board – 1 pm Tue, July 12**
- Foundation – 1:30 am Wed, July 13
- HGMD Board – 1 pm Thu, July 14**
- Resident Open Forum – 3 pm Thu, July 14
(Rendezvous)
- Clubhouse/Rest – 9 am Mon, July 19
- Campus Tech – 10 am Tue, July 19
- Emergency Prepare – 1 pm Wed, July 20
- ACC – 10 am Thu, July 21
- Roads and Grounds – 10 am Tue, July 26
- Structure Maintenance – 1 pm Tue, July 26
- Ad Hoc Yale Frontage – 10 am Thu, July 28

FYI

Ward V Town Hall Meetings

Councilman Bob Roth, who represents HG/Ward V on city council, has monthly town hall meetings on various topics. The next meeting will be 6–8 pm Tuesday, July 19, at Shalom Cares, 14800 East Belleview Dr., Aurora, 80015. Topics: Aurora Public Schools and Civil Service Commission. Check www.auroragov.org, for details.

HG Car Show at Clubhouse

10 am–1 pm Saturday, Sept. 17

Do you have a classic car? Do you know someone who lives in HG or elsewhere who has a classic car? It would be fun to see all the great cars that are hiding in garages around the area. There will be an entry form available, starting early in August. There is no fee for bringing your car to the show. There will be a “ride around” HG to show off all the beautiful vehicles. Also, an ice cream social will take place on the patio. Contact fischsegal@aol.com.

Colorado Freedom Memorial

The fourth Saturday of June through September, 9 am–11 am, take a *Walking History Tour* of the Memorial, with visits by special guests. It's a chance to meet veterans, honor the fallen and learn about this monument to Colorado's fallen. Grab a cup of coffee and spend a few hours with us! Springhill Community Park, 756 Telluride St. Aurora, 80011 www.cfmf.net, 303-248-3990. Colorado Freedom Memorial Foundation, P.O. Box 472333, Aurora, CO 80047-2333.

VNA Senior Wellness Clinics

Charges: Toenail Cutting (includes blood pressure) \$45 (1st visit, 1 hour), \$35 (returning client); Fingernail trim \$15; Blood Pressures \$3; B-12 Shots (serum supplied by client) \$15, Glucose \$5. *If you cannot keep your appointment, please cancel or you will be charged \$5.* Have exact cash amount or checks, made out to “VNA.” The clinic has no change.

Schedule:

Tuesday, July 12, 1–3:30 pm, Blue Spruce Room,
Barbara McShane and Trudy
Schneider, 303-755-2683

Monday, July 18, 1–3:30 pm, Blue Spruce Room,
Blanche McKinney, 303-751-6444

Note: Kaiser covers 100% medical foot care for some patients. Call 303-698-6496 to verify coverage. Or call Trudy Schneider, 303-755-2683, for information.

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MGC George Brown for their help in organizing this effort.

**Donlie Smith, NTH
Craig Baldwin, B242**

Heather 'n Yon

I applaud efforts to calm traffic on South Heather Gardens Way and East Marina Drive. However, I want to address the ever-present, forever nagging and repeatedly troublesome traffic concerns on Linvale Place.

Aurora police confirm, tickets are not issued unless drivers exceed 35 mph, but police have no authority to ticket on Linvale, a private road. HG Security staff cannot issue tickets either! Current signage warns the public that Linvale is a "private road and they travel at their own risk." What exactly is that risk?

Besides the ticketing issue, the sidewalk on Linvale is too narrow and has no curb. By legal definition, "sidewalks are pedestrian lanes that provide people with space to travel within the public right-of-way, separated from motor vehicles and on-road bicycles. Sidewalks should have a level, hard surface and be separated from motor vehicle traffic by a curb, buffer or curb with buffer."

Linvale has small wooden posts with reflectors by the sidewalk, spaced about 30 feet apart. These posts cannot function as a buffer or as safety barrier! An important question: "Is this sidewalk compliant with the Americans with Disability Act?"

Numerous Colorado neighborhoods, businesses and parking lots use speed cushions and have overcome the snow removal argument. Speed cushions are NOT speed bumps! Cushions allow for the quick passage of emergency vehicles. Aurora police told me they work. Research supports it.

However, mentioning speed cushions causes many HG residents and management anxiety! I am asking the HGMD and all opposing residents to research the differences between speed cushions and speed bumps.

Ask law enforcement and consider speed cushions as an effective way to discourage the public from using Linvale as a public thoroughfare. Slowing down resident traffic is a positive outcome.

**Beverly Taylor
CP4**

Heather 'n Yon

Did you know? If you have any bills, including HOA dues, on automatic payment — you have given those bill collectors the ability to withdraw money from your account at any time without your permission. I have confirmed this with three banks, including Chase. The solution recommended was to review your statements and file a complaint, if needed.

Did you know? HG's General Manager Calvin Eddy-White has stated that "the residents do NOT pay my salary, the corporation does." Who do you think pays the corporation? Yes, we the residents through HOA dues. Do we not have a right to know how much each manager is paid? Where is the accountability?

Did you know another benefit has been taken away from HG residents? For years, we have had the ability to print pages from the library computers. Now, no more printing airline boarding passes, etc. There is no printing capability from those computers. How much more is going to be taken away before we the residents do something?

**Ed Langley
CP5**

Heather 'n Yon

I am submitting some photos from a Chair Zumba class on June 10, at which had four generations of the Redmond clan together in class.

Krista Loetscher, B215, takes the class regularly. This time, she brought her family, who were visiting. Had grandma Lucille (age 98) been able to travel from Oregon, there would have been five generations doing Zumba! Braydon (5 years old) was amazing at keeping up with all the moves!

**Patti Macintire
HG Group Fitness Instructor**

Below: The Redmond clan from left: Kimberly (Krista's daughter), Krista, Lilly (Krista's granddaughter), Linda and Gary Redmond (Krista's parents) and in front, Braydon (Krista's grandson).

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Above: Zumba participants were (from left) granddaughter Lilly, Krista, grandson Braydon and daughter Kimberly. Seated is mother Linda Redmond.

Left: Grandma Redmond (age 98) enjoyed her recreation in Oregon.

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Heather 'n Yon

My building recently had a presentation by Bruce Henson, who chairs the Campus Technology Subcommittee (CTC). When he introduced himself to the group, he told us he and his wife are both realtors with Heather Gardens Brokers. He also said that we can see his ad on the back of *Heather 'n Yon*. I feel this is a conflict of interest for him to be chairing this subcommittee. He is getting free advertising whenever he does a presentation. I'm not aware of any other realtors giving presentations and getting free advertising. For that reason, I feel he should be replaced by someone else who is not a realtor.

**Kathy Rodwell
B224**

{Editor's Note: I understand that when any CTC member does a presentation, he introduces himself and identifies his credentials to the audience. Otherwise, why would you listen to someone about technology enhancements at HG? The Hensons have been selling real estate in HG since 1989, when they married. Before that, Nancy was in partnership with her father, Nick Nicholas (an early resident), who started HG Brokers with Jerry Lippert (another resident), just about the time that resales of condos began.

Having institutional knowledge about HG that few residents (or realtors) can claim, the Hensons moved into HG seven years ago. Their positive commitment to the community has no equal.

At a time when it is hard to get volunteers on committees, I am delighted that both Bruce and Nancy have been willing to share their expertise on various committees and activities. They sponsor the Clubhouse Fitness event every year.}

Heather 'n Yon

I am a retired IT person, specializing in large scale software development projects and consulting. In 2000/2001 I was the technical advisor to the head of the Internet Division of DARPA. This agency is the technology arm of the Department of Defense where the Internet originated.

The Campus Technology Committee (CTC) is in the midst of an aggressive campaign to convince HG residents that we need to acquire a fiber optic cable infrastructure in order to improve Internet service and provide infrastructure for fire alarm and security systems. To do so, HG would have to enter into a complex 10-year financial commitment to Comcast. This commitment is a bet that either the technology and competition will not change for the next 10 years, or that anyone can predict how it is going to change.

I am not against paying for the new infrastructure, as long as it is done independently from Comcast and explicitly, after the installation, service providers can compete for HG business, and the investment can be recouped. I am against concealing the huge financial risk in the proposed CTC deal.

HG's current cable infrastructure is sufficient for residential use. I use Internet for streaming TV, telephone landline, and heavy general use. Since I moved here in April 2015, there were no Internet outages, and the service was provided at consistent speeds. The service is satisfactory to me, and should be to most residents. Also, fiber optic cable is not a requirement for an effective fire alarm or security system.

The preferred and natural solution is to do nothing and wait until it becomes too expensive for Comcast to maintain the existing infrastructure. They will have no choice but to pay for the fiber optic cable, or lose business in HG.

**Zack Spirytus
B232**

Heather 'n Yon

About the Comcast contract:

- This is a 10 year contract. HG routinely enters into contracts without residents approval. However, these contracts are funded by HG and included in HOA fees. This contract is not. HG can only require owners to pay monthly HOA fees. How can they obligate owners to pay for a separate/ non-HOA expense, such as this Comcast contract?

- Residents are the ONLY source of funding for this contract. With 65 percent of 2,426 units subscribing, the monthly fee will be \$97.30 (\$92.30 + \$5 admin fee) + tax. The bulk rate per month will be \$145,560 (2,426 units X \$60). Add \$15,770/month for admin fee and tax (\$7,885 each). The bulk rate will be \$1,746,720 the first year. The 10 year contract, with 4 percent inflation allowed per year, it will cost approximately \$20 million. Administrative fees and taxes for the 65 percent will add another \$1,892,400. Total cost is just under \$22 million.

- If subscribers fall below 65 percent, what will happen? Who will pay? Possible special assessment up to \$900 every year? Yes, it could happen.

- As the only source of funding, owners should be able to see and approve this contract before it is signed.

- No single plays in this double play package for 10 years.

- After the contract ends, how much will HOA fees increase to pay for maintenance of the fiber optic network?

- Would a 10 year contract with a liability of over \$20 million cause us to lose FHA loans, and reverse mortgages?

- What about selling your unit if there is a continuous annual special assessment?

The savings per month sounds good, but you will be potentially liable for 10 years. Is it worth it?

Candice Compton, B220

Heather 'n Yon

The HG Grief Support Group will begin weekly sessions again on Sept. 6 at the Clubhouse. If you have lost a loved one and are struggling with your grief, consider this support group with education about grief, interaction and understanding. Our sessions will be 6-8 weeks, depending on the number of those registered. This group will be here for you. I have helped many grieverers with this program.

Please call me, 303-750-9722 for more information. You must register in advance. I can help!

Joanne Brand, B233

Clubs and Organizations

Men with Purpose

A group of men, with diversified backgrounds, gather to discuss timely topics regarding healthy aging and purposeful retirement. Books and articles relating to these topics are discussed by group members.

Leadership is shared. Men With Purpose meets the first and third Fridays of each month, 10–11 am, in the Skyview Room. For further information, contact Gene Dawson, 720-535-9672.

Joppa Daylight Lodge AF & AM

All Master Masons living in HG are invited to attend Joppa Daylight Lodge. We meet the first and third Tuesdays of the month at Radiant Temple, 225 Acoma St., Denver. Lunch is at 11:30 am. Lodge is at 12:15 pm.

We are the only lodge that meets during the day in the Denver metro area. For information, call Bill Rapp, 303-632-4515.

Meditation Group.

This group meets once a week, 10:30 am Wednesdays, in CP1. It offers a practical method to relax, focus, and improve the quality of your life. Free. Call Carl, 720-495-9979, for more information.

CP1

Our happy hour is held 5 pm in Rendezvous' Banquet Room on the first Wednesday of each month. See you on July 6!

Save the date — Wednesday, Aug. 10 for a hoedown at 5 pm. Our summer party will be a Western Hoedown at the HG Ranch [Pavilion], featuring a Boot Scootin' BBQ menu with all the trimm'n's! Don't miss the fun! Y'all plan to come!

HG Breakfast Optimist Club

This month's programs are:

July 7: Member Marie Connelly, will speak on the topic, "How to Navigate Through Healthcare Concerns."

July 21: Dr. Steve Gumpenberger, will speak on the topic, "Understanding Your True Health Potential."

Everyone is invited to visit us for a breakfast buffet starting at 7:55, on the first and third Thursdays. Your first meal is free. Call Craig Baldwin

for reservations.

Our June fundraiser for the Optimist Junior Golf Tournament was a huge success. See Letters, p. 31. Our Mission: "Optimists bring out the best in kids."

TOPS

Take off pounds sensibly (TOPS) is so much more than just a weight loss group, or a diet group, or a support group, or a nutritional group, or a group that talks about how the food we eat affects our health. We are all of the above.

Did we mention we also are the least expensive weight loss group around? At only \$32 a year and 15¢ a meeting, it's a real bargain. We meet at 8:30 am every Thursday in the Blue Spruce Room. Come on in around 8:15 am, so we can all say "hi" and welcome you.

The meeting ends at 9:30 am. We pack that hour with fun, support and education. For more information, call Linda Russell, 303-751-1624, or Marge Bunkers, 303-369-9726.

HG Writers Club

Whether you're just beginning to put pen to paper or you are a published author, we invite you to join us for a time of education, fellowship and inspiration. New members are always welcome.

We currently meet 1–3:30 pm every Thursday in a Clubhouse room. Please contact Joanne Brand, 303-750-9722, for further information. We look forward to meeting you.

CP4

Our monthly socials are 5 pm in Rendezvous on the first Thursday of the month. Come meet your neighbors. Ordering food is optional.

Also join us for Liverpool Rummy on the third Monday each month, 2 pm, in the Mountainview Room. — Carol Drollinger

League of Women Voters

Our unit meets 5:30 pm at the Rendezvous Restaurant on the first Thursday of most months. HG is home to a number of members (Arapahoe and Douglas Counties, LWVADC).

LWVADC is a cadre of dedicated volunteers whose mission is to edu-

cate, advocate, and empower our fellow citizens in the democratic processes. This work carries enhanced importance in this critical election year. We will be conducting non-partisan Voter Registration Drives throughout our two counties.

We also sponsor candidate forums and debates. The League advocates for positive changes at the local, state, and national levels regarding education, government accountability, and money in politics. Membership is open to women and men, filled with opportunities to learn and lead, shape issues important to you and your family, and become part of the larger network across the country, and have fun while sharing the League's important role. For information, please call Charlotte Faris, 303-690-8466, or Mary Lou Scott, 303-481-8898.

Kiwanis Club of Aurora

The Kiwanis Club is a member of a global organization of volunteers, dedicated to changing the world, one child and one community at a time. The club meets 6 pm Thursdays at the HG Rendezvous Restaurant.

We also are on the web: Aurora-co.kiwanisone.org. For more information, call Rich Richardson, 303-368-5747.

50 and Who's Counting

You are invited to join the monthly social. We meet in the Aspen/Blue Spruce Rooms on the second Saturday of each month.

Our July 9 social time begins at 5:30 pm, dinner at 6. Remember to bring your own drink and a dish to share. We will have a birthday party in red, white and blue, celebrating everyone's birthday for the year. Entertainment to be determined. — Sheila Bluestein

Ports of Call Singles

The original Ports of Call Singles (POCS) group is seeking new members. We recently celebrated our 35th anniversary. The club holds two social hours per month. The first is 4–6 pm on the second Monday of each month, at Senior Ric's.

The second monthly social is 4–6 pm, on the fourth Thursday, at Baker St. Pub. Call JoAnn Cunningham, B241, at 303-751-5195, Membership chair, for the monthly newsletter and additional information.

Parkinson Support Group

This group (Aurora) meets on the second Tuesday of each month, at the Life Care Center of Aurora, 1-3 pm, at 14101 E. Evans Ave.

B203 and B204

These buildings hold a combined social, meeting at Rendezvous on the second Tuesday of each month, 5 pm, for drinks and dinner. – Elle Pope

HG Aviation Club

This club meets the second Wednesday to review events and activities in aviation. The next meeting will be 7 pm Wednesday, July 13, in the Aspen Room.

The program will be, "The Gathering of Mustangs and Legends," a historic event that occurred in Columbus, Ohio in 2007. The event honored the P-51 Mustang, and the men and women who flew it. There were over 75 P-51 Mustangs, and more than 50 World War 2 aces and other pilots who flew the mustang. It featured the F-22 Raptor demo team, and the Air Force Thunderbirds, as well as 100,000+ spectators and many other aerobic teams. For information, contact Rudy Morris, *rudy-morris4@gmail.com*, 817-240-9394.

The Green Team

The next meeting will be noon Thursday, July 14, in the Skyview Room. Anyone who is interested in environmental issues and our legacy for our children and grandchildren is welcome.

Wine & Cheese Social Club

Come join us on the third

Saturday of each month, 3-5 pm. We get together in the Aspen/Blue Spruce Room. Everyone is welcome. Bring a bottle of wine and a snack. Enjoy socializing with other HG neighbors.

Entertainment is provided. If you have a talent you want to share, we invite you to join in. – Karen McClaury

Aurora Christian Women's Vital Network

We invite you to join us the third Tuesday of the month, 9:30-11 am, at Blossoms in Windsor Gardens. We have a special feature that is always interesting, and a speaker who has an uplifting message.

We have brunch, which costs \$13, including tax and tip. Everyone is welcome. For information, call Mae Shockley, 720-748-2508.

Genealogy Swap Shop

If you are interested in finding your ancestors and tracing your family history, please join us on the third Tuesday of each month, 10 am-noon, Aspen Room. For information, contact Harold Thompson, 720-748-7090, or Ruth Miller, 720-535-4954.

Photo Club

The club meets on the third Tuesday of each month at 12:30 in Aspen Room.

B205 and B206

Happy hour is 5 pm on the third Tuesday each month in Rendezvous.

Colorado Symphony Guild-Hilltop/Southeast Chapter

This unit of the Colorado Symphony Guild meets over lunch the third Wednesday of each month at Rendezvous. A business meeting starts at 11:30 am. We invite new members to join us. RSVPs are required. For further information, call Connie Reger, 720-535-6485.

CP3

The social meets 5 pm on the third Wednesday of each month in Rendezvous Restaurant.

Seville Recreation Association

SRA meets the fourth Monday of every month, 10 am, in a different Seville building. For information: Joe Moore, 303-671-4653.

Low Vision Support Group

Our no-cost meetings are held the fourth Monday of the month,

1:30 pm, Arts & Crafts Room. We hope you will join us. For additional information, call Richard Bennett, 303-369-6066.

HG Republican Club

Everyone is invited to meet and talk with the Republican candidates for U.S., Colorado and Arapahoe County offices. This "meet and greet" will be 1:30-3:30 pm Tuesday, July 26, at the Picnic Pavilion.

We will invite the winner of the Colorado Senate primary. In addition, Arapahoe County Chair Joy Hoffman and State Party Chairman Steve House have been invited. Please join us and participate in this important meeting. Refreshments will be served. – Larry Swift, President, HGRC, 303-369-5642

HG Democrats

Please plan to attend our monthly Democratic meeting, 4:30 pm Tuesday, July 26, in the Rendezvous Banquet Room. Our speaker will be Rich Jones from the Bell Policy Center. Jones is a senior executive director. His talk will be about the most recently passed Colorado State budget, and its consequences for spending and taxes for people like you and me, who are reading this.

Questions? Call Tom Fitzgerald, 303-338-4360.

HG Grief Support

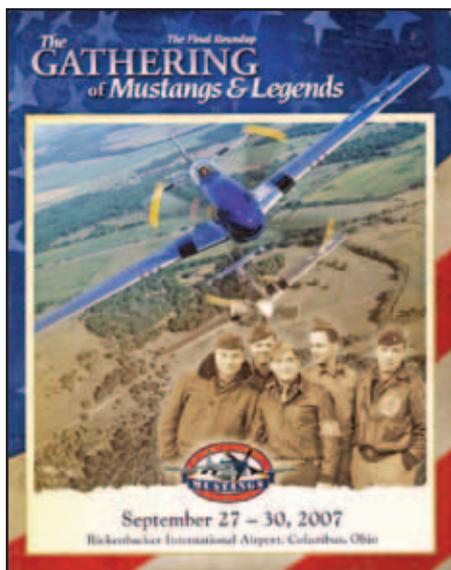
Grief is the price of love. This support group is a means to help you through the loss of your loved one. We give education, support and guidance. Eight-week sessions are held at the HG Clubhouse. A new session begins Sept. 6. Call Joanne Brand, 303-750-9722.

Caregivers Support Group

HG Caregivers Support Group meets on the last Tuesday of the month, 7-8:30 pm, in the Aspen Room. The group is open to all residents of HG who provide care for family or friends.

The object is to meet for fellowship, fun, education, and to solve our problems together. It is a chance to meet others in the same situation, and to learn how we each meet the challenges of caregiving. For more information, call Nancy Fuhr, 303-337-4890.

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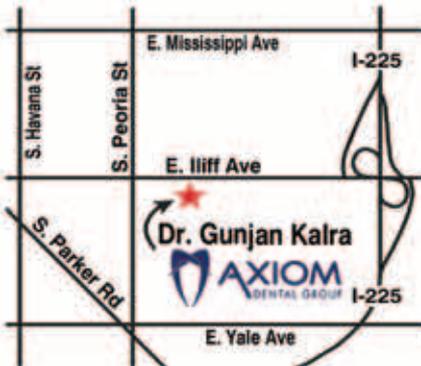
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Sports and Recreation

HG Men's Golf Club Tournament Results May 20

A Flight

- 1st Eli Henrie
- 2nd Bill Schmit
- 3rd Gene Barth
- 4th Vern Thompson, Jerry Joy,
Ed Stevens, Dave Oakland,
Jim Lamb

B Flight

- 1st Paul Zipps
- 2nd Ray Binder
- 3rd Manny Gallegos, Tom Smith
- 4th David Croak
- 5th Tony Maestas, Matt Dunne,
Henry Hein, Tom Fitzgerald,
Mark Hayden, Carlos Chavez

C Flight

- 1st Ted Cowan, Virgil Thompson
- 2nd Jim Jensen, Bob Bamford
- 3rd Rich Richardson,
John McMullen

D Flight

- 1st Phil Corliss
- 2nd Sam Mathieson, Len Liss
- 3rd Bill Archambault

E Flight

- 1st Milton Bonham
- 2nd John Murphy
- 3rd Dave Loomis

May 27

A Flight

- 1st Gene Barth
- 2nd Jerry Joy
- 3rd Ed Stevens, Dave Oakland,
Neil Buck

B Flight

- 1st Bob Neu
- 2nd Jim Regan, John Good,
Dave Hartenbach
- 3rd Tony Maestas
- 4th Tom Smith, Paul Zipps

C Flight

- 1st Gale Gibson, Tom Leavy
- 2nd Bob Budden, James Sellers

D Flight

- 1st Dean Coleman

E Flight

- 1st Neil Miller
- 2nd James Sparks,
Milton Bonham,
David Loomis

June 3

A Flight

- 1st Neil Buck
- 2nd Randy White, Chuck Finder
- 3rd Monte Brook, Dave Oakland
- 4th Ed Stevens, Dave Bushman

B Flight

- 1st Bob Bengen
- 2nd Bob Neu, Carlos Chavez
- 3rd Tom Smith
- 4th Gary Hizer

C Flight

- 1st Jim Regan, Jim Pardikes,
Larry Milton, Larry Francone
- 2nd Dean Mills
- 3rd Tom Leavy, Ted Cowan,
James Sellers

D Flight

- 1st Dean Coleman
- 2nd Len Liss, Steve Galambos
- 3rd Don Nussbaum, Tom Scally
- 4th Larry Maitland, Ralph Romero
- 5th Michael Worthey, Bob Budden

E Flight

- 1st David Loomis
- 2nd Dale Hartung, Dave Westfall

June 10

A Flight

- 1st Gene Barth
- 2nd Eli Henrie & John Bender
- 3rd Monte Brook, Dave Bushman,
Jerry Joy, Neil Buck

B Flight

- 1st Owen Williams, Bob Bengen
- 2nd Bob Rae, Dave Hartenbach
- 3rd Gary Hizer, Mark Hayden

C Flight

- 1st Jim Pardikes
- 2nd Tom Leavy
- 3rd Mark Marquardt
- 4th Manny Gallegos
- 5th Larry Milton

D Flight

- 1st Neil Miller
- 2nd John R. McLaughlin, Len Liss
- 3rd Tom Scally, Don Nussbaum,
Rich Richardson

E Flight

- 1st David Loomis
 - 2nd Dave Westfall
 - 3rd John Murphy
- Rich Richardson: if there are any questions call me, 303-368-5647.

Mexican Train Dominoes

We play noon–4 pm every Saturday, Arts & Crafts Room. Games start at noon and at 2 pm. For information, call Viola, 720-535-5638, or Peggy, 303-752-4696.

Mah Jongg

We meet 12:30–4 pm every Monday and Friday, Blue Spruce Room, except the third Monday of each month, when the VNA has Blue Spruce. Then we meet in the Arts & Crafts Room, where three card tables are set up for us.

You must have the latest Mah Jongg League card. We play for a maximum of \$3 — bring your nickels, dimes and quarters. All HG players are welcome. For information: Lorraine Solomon, 303-696-8771.

Men's Bridge

This group meets every Monday, 1–4 pm, in the Skyview Room. Call Maris Kuga, 720-748-0590.

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Beginning players may meet on Fridays at 2 pm, but you need to call Hope Goetz, 303-750-2881. She can arrange for an advanced player to come help you learn the rules, and teach you to play. Bring a friend with whom to play.

The advanced and intermediate players both are welcome Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, 2–3:30 pm, Game Room. See you there.

Pinochle

Evening Pinochle meets 6:30–9:30 pm Monday nights in the Mountainview Room. For information, call Ann Gagliardi, 303-332-2163.

Afternoon Pinochle meets the second and fourth Wednesdays, 1:30–4 pm, Mountainview Room. We only play for fun and entertainment. With questions, call Virginia Walcher, 303-632-8039.

Hand and Foot

This card game is fun, and easy to learn. We meet every Tuesday, 12:30–4 pm, Mountainview. Questions, call Phyllis Lann, 720-535-8531.

Billiard Club

The club's play schedule is: Co-ed 8-Ball, 7 pm Tuesdays; Men's 9-Ball, 7 pm Thursdays. Annual dues of \$9 are payable on Jan. 1 of each year. All new players are welcome.

Questions? Call Sean Kelliher, 720-427-6174.

Co-ed 8-Ball May 15

- 1st Cathy Schmit, Sean Kelliher
- 2nd Dee Moore, Roger Goldstein
- 3rd Ann Dhority, John Murphy

May 24

- 1st Ann Dhority, Chuck Finder
- 2nd Connie Burns, Sean Kelliher
- 3rd Judy Brehmer, Jim Huter

May 31

- 1st Judy Brehmer, Sean Kelliher
- 2nd Cathy Schmit, Tony Cozzette
- 3rd Ann Dhority, Jim Huter

June 7

- 1st Ann Dhority, Lindy Davenport
- 2nd Joe Ozorkiewiez,
John Murphy
- 3rd Vicki Edmundson,
Gordon Richards

Men's 9-Ball May 19

- 1st Chuck Finder

- 2nd Lucky Highfill
- 3rd Lindy Davenport

May 26

- 1st Lucky Highfill
- 2nd Hi Reynolds

June 2

- 1st Gordon Richards
- 2nd Lucky Highfill

June 9

- 1st Hi Reynolds
- 2nd Lucky Highfill
– Cathy Schmit

Ladies Golf Club

A big thanks to everyone who helped with the Optimist Club bake sale, to sponsor junior golfers.

The Rally for the Cure Golf Tournament is rapidly approaching, and is almost filled. The tournament (four-woman scramble) will be held on Wednesday, July 13, 8:30 am shotgun start. Registration forms are available at the HG Pro Shop or on our website, www.heathergardensladiesgolfclub.com.

We will have "In Memory Of" and "In Honor Of" name recognition (great way to remember, and honor, family and friends) to be presented during the rally for a contribution of \$10 per name. Deadline is July 7.

If you are interested in volunteering or donating items/money for the Silent Auction/Wine Pull/Raffle, please contact Darlyn Boss, 303-340-4560, Joyce Laffea, 720-253-5063, or Pat Martin, 720-272-6925.

The HGLGC Championship Tournament will be played on Aug. 15, and Aug. 17. The championship picnic is after play on Wednesday, in the Picnic Pavilion. A membership meeting and election of 2017 officers will follow. Please let Bonnie McMullen know if you are interested in running for any office.



Winners in the May Texas Hold 'em tournament were (from left): 2nd Barb McShane, B222; 1st David Burdick, B242; 3rd Donna Osterberg, B243

Tournament Winners May 25

Flight A

- 1st Joyce Laffea
- 2nd Kathy Hunt
- 3rd Lynn Donaldson

Flight B

- 1st Connie Burns
- 2nd Rosalie Einspahr, Shirley Hendren, Toni Condon,
Cecily Kittleson, Sally Koepke,
Kathy Shields

Flight C

- 1st Beverly Nelson,
Margaret Morton
- 2nd Lillie Pickrel, Lee Boland,
Marilyn Cornell

Flight D

- 1st Joyce Angel
- 2nd Kathy Liss
- 3rd MaryAnn Symons

Tournament Winners June 1

Flight A

- 1st Lynn Donaldson,
Barbara Toslosky
- 2nd Nancy Bonniwell,
Margie Francone, Sara King

Flight B

- 1st Rosalie Einspahr
- 2nd Chris Rothwell,

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In the 2nd Annual "Battle of the Gardens" tournament, Heather Gardens beat the Windsor Gardens women golfers. Thanks to Windsor Gardens, which sponsored the first half of the tournament. Congratulations to everyone in our club who played in the second day at HG, securing the win.



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Employee Recognition

Employee of the Month

When the Custodial Department was combined with the Contracts Department, Steve Cannon accepted his new supervisor, the Contracts Manager, and continued to accomplish his assignments with a can-do attitude.

Cannon manages the custodians, sets up the special projects team, and manages the carpet cleaning in the restaurant.

He does a great job inspecting the buildings and maintaining the standards of Heather Gardens (HG). This past year, HG has had more compliments on the custodians

Clubs...from page 39

Frolics Club

After a very good Spring Show this Spring, the Frolics Club looks forward to next year's show. If you have an idea for script, or a script already to go, please contact Barbara Schneller, Frolics Club president, prior to July 31. – Judy Shormann

Wood Shop Meeting

The next Wood Shop Club meeting will be at 4 pm on Wednesday, Aug. 3, in the Mountainview Room. Please join us and bring your ideas, concerns and expertise. – Jim Sollecchio

than many previous years. Several were nominated for Employee of the Month and Year. I think these compliments and nominations are a credit to Steve's leadership.

Always helpful, Cannon assists other departments, when needed. He recently stayed late to help maintenance with a sewer back-up in a townhome. Steve coordinated the steam cleaning of the kitchen after the busy holiday season. He and his crew make sure the Maintenance Shop and restrooms are clean at the start of the day.

For these reasons, I would like to nominate Steve Cannon as employee of the month for May 2016.

– Calvin Eddy-White
General Manager



Steve Cannon
Custodial

HGMD Foundation

The Foundation Committee continues to work on several issues. Both the Waterfall Renovation Project and the Clubhouse Desk Renovation Project are currently being worked by HG staff. They are developing bid and estimate alternatives for the projects. This is taking a bit longer than usual because both projects are "high dollar" items. The Foundation wants to make sure that HG gets the absolute best value. I anticipate, or hope, that the Foundation will be able to make a recommendation to the HGMD Board at their July meeting.

To date, donations to the Foundation Fund have been \$968 for the year. Expenditures have been \$3,343, for the same period.

Donations to the General Fund, April and May 2016

- Dee Moore, B231, in memory of Will Sinton
- Mountain Man in appreciation for candy sale proceeds
- B234 in memory of Joan Eime
- B217 in memory of Jerry Altman

Donations to the Tree Fund, April and May 2016

- Owen and Marylyn Lee in memory of Will Sinton
- B220 in memory of Keith Conyers

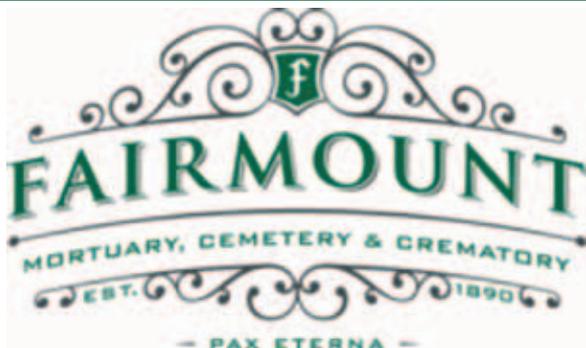
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Barb Tucker

Flight C

- 1st Cindy Belz
- 2nd Karen Huber
- 3rd Beverly Nelson

Flight D

- 1st Kathy Liss
- 2nd MaryAnn Symons
- 3rd Lee Strang

Tournament Winners June 8

Flight A

- 1st Barb McShane
- 2nd Margie Francone
- 3rd Sara King, JoAnn Fitch

Flight B

- 1st Judy Kauzlarich
- 2nd Sally Koepke
- 3rd Carolyn Manly

Flight C

- 1st Karen Huber
- 2nd Mary Lou Corliss
- 3rd Sharla Sheeks

Flight D

- 1st Lee Strang
- 2nd Joyce Angel, Jeanne Flaherty,
Lorayne Rosenfeldt

The next board meeting will be 1 pm Wednesday, July 27, in the Board Room. For new membership information, call Carolyn Manly, 303-745-1060, Check out website at www.heathergardensladiesgolfclub.com for additional information.

HG ACBL Duplicate Bridge

This club plays 1 pm Wednesdays and 6:30 pm Thursdays in Blue Spruce Room. Help setting up is appreciated, so come early.

For more information, call John Osterberg, 720-535-1038, or Dona Kozak, 720-384-5717. For partnership information, call Corley Freisen, 303-872-3308.

Square Dancing

Fun, exercise, and friendship. Come square dance on the first and third Wednesdays of each month, 7:30–9:30 pm, Sandberg Auditorium. Bob Riggs is the caller.

All square dancers are welcome. Call Dolores Bendekgey with questions, 720-747-4666. Cost: \$5 per person.

Bunko

Bunko is played 1–3:30 pm on the first and third Thursdays of each month in the Blue Spruce Room. For information: Debbie Brooks, 303-923-3809.

Tennis Club

The club welcomed in summer at a picnic on June 3. We started with fun tennis contests, conducted by “Coach” Gene Dawson and his wife Mary. Gene set up a series of contest for serving, overheads, and lobs. Players won prizes.

We had a great burger-and-brats barbecue with Russ and JoAnn Fitch, and Bruce Neale cooking. The rest of the feast was brought by members.

Bruce was our picnic chairman. He recognized our oldest member, Ernie Friesen, who in his late 80s, What a guy he is, playing just about every day!

We finished the picnic with Wendy Pfaffhausen quizing us. Wendy made table decorations from tennis balls (what else would you expect?). The tennis quiz had questions: “who invented the tennis racket?” and “where was tennis first played?” The questions were harder than an “ace” serve; however, we all now know more about the great game of tennis!

The highlight of the picnic was the wedding-cake cutting by our two newlyweds, Bruce Neale and Joni

Gruber. Who knows what can happen if you’re a tennis club member?

Summer schedule for tennis: May thru Sept, 8 to 10 Mon thru Fri (Wed: Men’s Day) (Thur: Ladies Day)

The club has a monthly social on the 2nd Wednesday of each month, 5 pm in Rendezvous Restaurant.

For more information regarding the tennis club, contact Donlie Smith at 303 745 3210. – Donlie Smith, JoAnn Fitch

Pickleball

The schedule for Pickleball will be emailed to everyone on the Pickleball email list for July. We will play mostly outdoors on the HG Pickleball courts. New players are welcome, so come out and join us. Enjoy this fast growing sport! We recently started some beginner clinics for newer players and former players that need some practice.

To see this fun sport in action, check out the website: plaidflannel.com/pickleball. If you want to learn more about Pickleball, or get on the Pickleball roster, call Rosalie, 303-751-1226, or Judy, 303-369-6258.

HG 50 Bowling League

It’s never too early to dust off your bowling balls, get in some practice and decide to join the league for fun and relaxation. Our league will start the middle of August.

The actual start date has not yet been determined. We will wait for the bowling alley to let us know. If you know of anyone who would like to join, have them call Larry Schneller, 303-923-3992.

If you haven’t bowled in ????? years (too many to count), look at it as a challenge. We’ve all been there, and still love the game and the friendships made.



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Atrium K Fully Remodeled/GC View \$215,000

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Denver Botanic Gardens

Wednesday, July 27, 10 am
Cost \$11
Signup Deadline: Wednesday, July 6
Visit the gardens and see the time honored traditions of European horticulture merge with a dynamic diversity of plants and design that represent the best in horticultural achievement.

Beautiful: The Carole King Musical

Thursday, July 28, 2 pm,
DCPA: The Buell Theater
Cost \$32
Signup Deadline: Wed., June 15
This musical won the Tony Award in 2015. It tells the inspiring, true story of Carole King's remarkable rise to stardom. Along the way, she made more than beautiful music — she wrote the soundtrack to a generation.

Butterfly Pavilion

Tuesday, Aug. 9, 10:30 am
Cost \$12
Signup Deadline: Tuesday, July 19,
This unique pavilion is the zoo of small wonders and BIG experiences! It is home to over 5,000 animals! Step to the Water's Edge to be immersed in an underwater world full of sea

creatures. Explore a tropical rainforest where 1,600 butterflies rule the sky! The majority of residents may be small, but populous. Invertebrates, animals without backbones, make up 97 percent of all animal species on the planet! The zoo is designed to showcase the diversity of these small wonders, their habitats and the *big* role they play in ensuring the health of the environment. Lunch at own expense.

Downtown Aquarium

Wednesday, Aug. 10, 10:30 am
Cost \$17
Signup Deadline: Wed., July 20
The entertainment and dining complex features a public aquarium boasting more than one million gallons of underwater exhibits that highlight fascinating ecosystems around the world and house over 500 species of animals including an interactive stingray touch tank. The Aquarium Restaurant and amusements are for the entire family. After your self-guided tour, you can eat at the snack shack or the Aquarium Restaurant. Lunch at own expense.

Footloose

Saturday, Aug. 13, noon
BDT Stage
Cost \$40
Signup Deadline: Saturday, July 23

When Ren and his mother move from Chicago to a small farming town, Ren is prepared for the inevitable adjustment period at his new high school. What he isn't prepared for are the rigorous local edicts, including a ban on dancing instituted by the local preacher. The preacher is determined to exercise control

over the town's youth that he cannot command in his own home.

National Parks Adventure IMAX 3D

Tuesday, Aug. 16, 10:30 am
Cost \$20
Signup Deadline: Tuesday, July 26

Soar over red rock canyons and hurtle up craggy mountain peaks into the otherworldly realms of America's legendary outdoor playgrounds in National Parks Adventure 3D. This ultimate off-trail escapade takes you to Yellowstone, Glacier, Yosemite, Arches, and other beloved sites around our country to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the National Park Service. Narrated by Robert Redford. Price includes admission to the IMAX film and admission to the Museum of Nature and Science.

CU Wildlife Experience

Wednesday, Aug. 24, 11:30 am,
Cost \$11
Signup Deadline: Wednesday, Aug. 3

From the dry African Savanna to the water drenched Rainforest, you can explore the world's wildlife and natural places through fine art, natural history exhibits and film. Hop on the Ride this August and enjoy interactive exhibits that contain hands-on activities, live animals, a unique assortment of taxidermy and fine art including: Search for Essence, From Nature to Art, Steps in Stone: Walking Through Time, Facing the Wind, Imagination Playground, H2Ohh!, Globeology and more. All exhibits are included with admission! You will get your choice of movies: 1 pm Walking with Dinosaurs 3D, or 2 pm Galapagos 3D.

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All HG trips include an escort and small administrative fee. RTD fares are not included in trip fees and are to be paid to RTD bus driver at time of pickup. Exact change required. Drivers and HG staff do not have change available.

Phantom of The Opera

Thursday, Aug. 25, 2 pm
DCPA: The Buell Theater
Cost \$40

Signup Deadline: Wed., July 29

Hailed by critics as "bigger and better than ever before," Cameron Mackintosh's spectacular new production of Andrew Lloyd Webber's *The Phantom of the Opera* boasts many exciting special effects including the show's legendary chandelier, new scenic and lighting designs, new staging and choreography.

Cinzetti's

Tuesday, Aug. 30, 11 am
Cost \$3

Signup Deadline: Tuesday, Aug. 9

An Italian feast for the senses. Imagine a moment of exotic retreat as you stand by a granite and cobblestone Piazza, that faithfully recreates a centuries old Tuscan Villa. The price of your meal doesn't change no matter how much you eat! \$8.59 for senior lunch, price subject to change, does not include beverage, tax or 15 percent gratuity.

A Taste of Argentine Tango

Wednesday, Sept. 14, 1:30 pm
Lone Tree Arts Center
Cost \$21

Signup Deadline: Wednesday, Aug. 24

Lose yourself in the joy and passion of tango! Join Parasol Arts to learn more about the different dances and forms of tango, including folk dance, improvised tango, tangos, milonga with guitarist, tango parody, and group choreography. Refreshments are provided as a part of your ticket, so please stay after the performance to talk with performers, reflect on what you saw, and enjoy social time.

Islamorada

Thursday, Sept. 22, 10:30 am
Bass Pro Shop
Cost \$3

Signup Deadline: Thursday, Sept. 1

Islamorada Fish Company, owned and operated by Bass Pro Shops, is rich in tradition, atmosphere, and one of the best food and beverage menus in the city. The restaurant atmosphere features several true-to-life oceanic scenes

and murals. The 13,000 gallon salt water aquarium is behind the bar and is filled with many different species of salt water fish that are indigenous to the Islamorada area. After lunch you will have 30 minutes to explore the Big Bass Pro Shop. Lunch is at your own expense. Restaurant does not accept checks.

Jazz Choir/Senior Luncheon

Friday, Sept. 23, 11:30 am
Overland High School
FREE

Signup Deadline: Friday, Sept. 2

Join the students of Overland High School for their annual Senior Luncheon! Their Jazz Choir will perform for you as you dine!

Casino Trips

Mardi Gras and Golden Gate – Blackhawk

Tuesday, July 19, 8:30 am–3 pm
Tuesday, Aug. 16, 8:30 am–3 pm
Cost: \$6

For this monthly trip, passengers receive \$10 food voucher, redeemable at either Mardi Gras Casino or Golden Gate Casino. You will get \$5 free play on a Players Card. If you don't have an existing Players Card, you will need to register for one when you get there!

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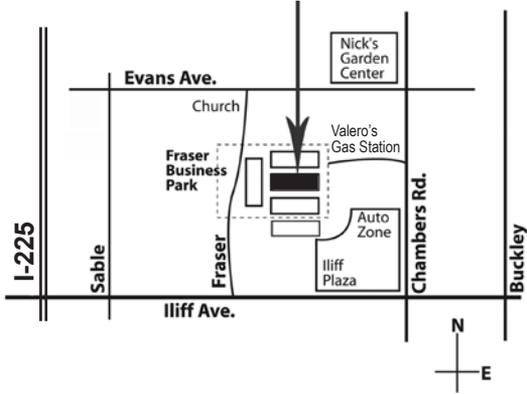
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Events Committee: Do you enjoy helping plan an event and being involved? The Events Committee is recruiting members to assist in the planning and executing Clubhouse Special Events. If interested, fill out an application at the Reception Desk.

Movie Matinee and Night: *The Music Man*

Friday, July 1, 1 pm and 6:30 pm, Sandberg Auditorium

Fee: \$4 pre-register, \$5 on day of event

\$12 for Dinner and Movie (Comfort Food)

When Harold Hill (Robert Preston), a traveling con man, arrives in River City, he convinces the locals to start a band by purchasing the uniforms and instruments from him. His intention is to flee as soon as he receives the money. Librarian Marian Paroo (Shirley Jones) suspects Harold is a fraud, but holds her tongue since her moody brother, Winthrop (Ronny Howard), is excited about the band. As Harold begins to develop feelings for Marian, he faces a difficult decision about skipping town.

1st Saturday Night Live Dance

Saturday, July 2, 6:30–9:30 pm, Sandberg Auditorium

Music by Tom and Shirley Yook

Fee: HG resident, \$5

Non-resident and on the day of event, \$7

Enjoy an evening of dance, good music and good friends. There will be dance hosts, mixer dances and light refreshments. Alcoholic beverages can be purchased at the restaurant bar prior to 7 pm. Bar opens at the dance at 7 pm. Note: Dance hosts receive complimentary admission, and the event can always use more volunteers for that pleasant task.

Pewter Hummingbird

Wednesday, July 6, 1–4 pm, Wood Shop

Fee: \$23

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Movie Matinee and Night: *Hello My Name is Doris*

Friday, July 15, 1 pm and 6:30 pm, Sandberg Auditorium

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When Doris Miller meets John Fremont, her company's hip new art director, sparks fly — at least for Doris. In the cluttered house she shared with her late mother, Doris searches the Internet for information on her one-and-only, guided by the 13-year-old granddaughter of her best pal Roz. When Doris begins showing up at John's regular haunts, she wins over his Williamsburg friends. Her new life brings Doris a thrilling perspective, but also creates a rift between her and her long-time friends and family, who believe she's making a fool of herself. Rated R for language.

Texas Hold 'em Poker

Friday, July 15, 6:30 pm, Aspen/Blue Spruce Room

Fee: \$5

Everyone starts with \$2,000 in chips. Sign up by 5 pm on Wednesday, July 13, get \$500 in extra chips. Only HG residents may participate. Practice session at 5:30.

Heather Gardens Got Talent!

Sunday, July 17, 3 pm

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Friday, July 22, 1 pm, Sandberg Auditorium
Fee: \$3

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Wednesday, July 27, 2 pm, Skyview Room
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Staying in Touch Using Your Smart Phone

Friday, July 29, noon, Arts & Crafts Room
Fee: \$3, registration requested.

A guide to using your Smartphone to stay in touch, including the basics of using FaceTime and Skype. Sponsored by GroovyTek. Pizza Lunch provided.

Annual Flea Market

Friday Aug. 12; Saturday, Aug. 13, 8 am–4 pm
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Outdoor Pool Notes

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Greetings to all of my soon-to-be-loyal fans. I am Miss Morticia, a newcomer to HG and *Heather 'n Yon's* newest columnist.

The position of canine columnist has been empty for some months due to the passing of the last furry fellow to occupy the job. My predecessor, Ripper, carved out a notable niche as HG's travel correspondent. He left behind large canine booties to fill.

Travelling to exotic locals, such as Estes Park and Collin County, Texas, was Ripper's hobby. I, on the other hand, am a lady of refinement. Chasing elk around the Stanley Hotel and dodging rampaging armadillos is not my idea of a good time.

I prefer more refined pursuits, which is why I thought I'd be better suited to offer readers a column that stresses etiquette and proper behavior. Maybe there are HG residents who prefer a more gracious style of living, as I do.

Judith Martin, "Miss Manners," is an inspirational columnist who comes to mind, as does etiquette maven, the late Letitia Baldrige. Because such a serious subject often is received best when offered with a dose of humor, I must include among my role models the comedienne Lily Tomlin's "Good Taste Lady."

I should explain that I'm a city girl. Thus, I am somewhat a "fish out of water" here in the woodsy confines of HG. Luckily, good manners are at home in any setting. I'm earnestly committed to doing my part to promote the causes of refinement and elegance.

Taking a morning constitutional, the other day, around the palatial park-like grounds that comprise HG, I was rudely reminded that some persons, though well meaning, are not well versed in the art of how to

address a lady. One overly familiar fellow put his large paw on my head, and pronounced that I was a good dog.

The issue was not my goodness, however; rather, his own lack of decorum. One should never put hands on a lady upon the first introduction. Even shaking hands — or paws — ought to not occur unless the lady indicates, first, that she feels such contact is appropriate and desirable.

It's clear that I have my work cut out for me. After the upsetting experience of being thumped on the head, and retreating to the safety of my patio-home abode for a fortifying chamomile tea, I resolved to write my thoughts. I will dispense advice on good manners, stressing the advantages of taste and decorum in one's daily existence.

I'm not sure my human, Mary, fully understands the extent of my mission. She keeps trying to drag me on long walks through tall grass and muddy surfaces — an activity positively guaranteed to ruin a girl's doggie pedicure.

Just the other day, my human conceived the bizarre notion that we would hike together, from CP6, to the HG Clubhouse. Although she filled her pocket with nourishing treats for me, she completely neglected to pack necessities to ensure preparedness for such an arduous trek.

At a minimum, she should have carried a canteen of water, a first-aid kit, and emergency snow apparel — this is Colorado, after all. I quickly put my paw down on such a risky endeavor, and she abandoned the foolhardy journey.

One needn't venture too far from home, anyway, to encounter danger in the wilderness. While surveying my little portion of the HG universe,

the other day, I was nearly bowled over by a rowdy rabbit that shot from underneath some bushes — without any regard for the safety of other pedestrians — and ran helter-skelter down the lane. As I picked myself up and attempted to straighten out my crinoline, yet another rabbit dashed from his hiding place, and clipped me going the other direction.

The experience was so upsetting, I nearly experienced an onset of the vapors. I assure you, the event rattled me down to my dewclaws.

One needn't travel to Estes Park, either, to encounter giant hooved mammals roaming the streets. Now and again, a few mule deer escape the bounds of the neighboring wilderness preserve and venture into the gentler confines of HG. Dancing with deer isn't my notion of a proper pastime for a lady dog. If encountered, I tend to give these creatures a wide berth.

But these are wild animals, of course. One can't expect the same standard of behavior from them that we, of a more domestic nature, must exhibit.

With high hopes and a perky attitude, I'm resolved to embark on my new assignment of writing for *Heather 'n Yon*. I hope the task isn't too demanding, and leaves me sufficient time for other elements of gracious living: getting enough beauty sleep, indulging in such girly pastimes as frequent visits to the dog groomer and receiving canine massages, with cucumber facials.

While doing some research for my column, I stumbled across some helpful household hints, designed to increase the comfort of pampered pets everywhere. Household domestic guru, Martha Stewart, suggests that — to help keep the home sparkling clean — a homeowner should wash the face of her pets every night with a warm, damp washcloth. I hope my pet person is reading this column, and will adjust her behavior accordingly.





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