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**The pumpkin patch at Chatfield Farm  
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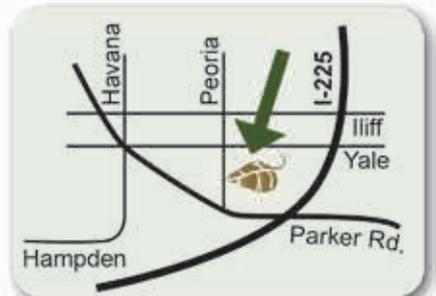


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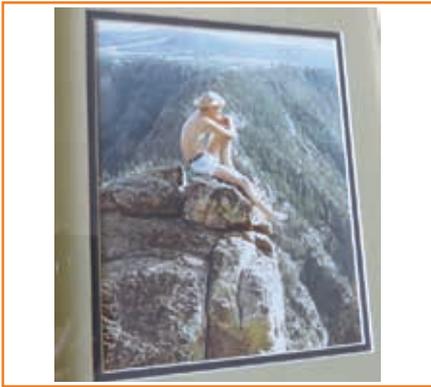


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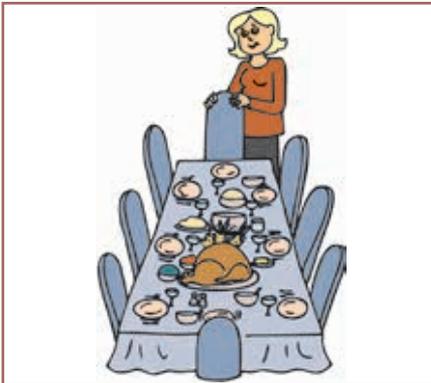
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# 2019 budget review focuses on increasing wages

The Budget & Finance Committee (B&F) convened in daily public sessions, Oct. 15–18, to review a proposed HGA and HGMD budget for 2019, prepared by HG’s management staff. On the last day, Oct. 18, B&F approved the following recommendation:

## 2019 Proposed Budget

\$11,736,000\* Heather Gardens Association

\$ 1,298,000\* Recreational Fee (HGMD)

**\$13,034,000\* Total Combined Budget**

The proposal represents an increase of 8.4 percent, compared to 2018, for the HGA portion; an increase of 22.7 percent for the HGMD portion; and a combined total increase of 9.6 percent, when compared to 2018. The HGA portion generates a \$403 average cost for monthly fees, and the HGMD portion is a \$45 average fee, for a total average of \$448 combined monthly dues.

Actual dues will vary, based upon the type of unit in which residents live. Average increase is about \$39 per month, per unit.

The largest single factor triggering the increase in fees is a payroll increase, designed to bring HG employees more into line with salaries paid for comparable jobs in the Rocky Mountain area. General Manager Calvin White stated that HG salaries are seriously below the market, which makes hiring and retaining workers difficult. He called the new approach to salary compensation, “a shift in our payroll philosophy, using benchmarks.”

The 2019 proposed budget brings HG workers closer to targeted benchmarks, using market figures as a guide. A second increase, to complete the process, is recommended for the 2020 budget.

To attain the desired salaries, no position will receive more than a 15 percent raise. Some positions do not require the full 15 percent to attain a market benchmark in the 50th percentile (matching the average pay for the job classification). Controller Brian Herrera stated the average increase for payroll would be 14.9 percent.

For positions that still are under the 50th percentile benchmark after a 15 percent increase (13 out of 42 positions), a second increase could occur in

*\* Budget numbers were rounded to nearest \$1,000 by Treasurer John Coil at the HGA Board meeting on Oct. 23.*

2020, to bring that position to the average benchmark. Adjustments in 2021 — for other factors, such as cost of living — should complete the process of making HG salaries competitive in the Rocky Mountain marketplace.

HG’s turnover rate is high, White said. One goal of the salary increases is to at least bring HG’s rate to the market average for turnover. Although HG saves money when it doesn’t pay for vacant positions, the cost of turnover (“Nine months of salary is eaten up in a vacant position,” he said) outweighs the money saved when positions go unfilled.

B&F Committee Member Susan Lambert added that HG “either must keep up with the rest of the economy, or we start cutting services.”

Other adjustments in payroll include evaluating and modifying certain positions at HG. White said the Contracts Manager position would not be replaced, while redistributing certain work among other workers will be examined. Some new-hire positions might look different in the future than previously.

HG’s IT/computer position might be brought in-house, to save money. Other functions might be brought in-house, when HG has developed the platform to do so. Several part-time/seasonal Roads & Grounds (R&G) positions were eliminated. These were replaced by two full-time jobs. Instead of performing pruning and other grounds-keeping tasks primarily in summer months, such work will be performed year round.

The budget includes adding one full-time employee (FTE) Security officer position. This will increase the Security staff to eight. The Aurora Police Department recommended that HG add a Security officer to cover evening and nighttime hours more fully, not just during one shift.

The budget for R&G uniforms is more than doubling. White remarked, “We have been supplying inadequate clothing and safety equipment, including shoes and hats.”

In addition to rising payroll costs, insurance increased 6.6 percent for 2019. Millions of dollars were saved by HG when insurance money for hail damage replaced roofs, chimneys and siding for CPs and THs (with a \$3 million overage, that went into the bank/capital reserves); however, these claims, as well as the B217 fire claim, and

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**The League of Women Voters** (left) attracted about 140 residents to their seminar on Colorado ballot measures in Sandberg Auditorium on Oct. 4. It was likely a smart move: there are 9 amendments to the Colorado Constitution, 5 City of Aurora ballot questions, 4 statutory propositions, 1 Adams-Arapahoe School District ballot issue and 1 Urban Drainage and Flood Control District ballot issue.

# Extra! Extra! Information for you –

## New Golf Pro hired

I am happy to announce that Gregory Kohr has accepted the position of Golf Pro for Heather Gardens, beginning Nov. 5. Greg is a Class A PGA professional with 12 years of experience, most recently with the City of Westminster at Legacy Ridge Golf Course.

Kohr is well versed in several of the Point-of-Sale and tee-time systems for golf. He is eager to help HG find a computer system that will meet the resident's, HGMD accounting and employee's needs. He has many ideas related to classes and potential ways to expand services in partnership with the restaurant. He also has many ideas about new golf classes: new golf rules for 2019, player development classes, etc.

As chair of the ad hoc Golf Staffing Committee, I wanted to remind everyone of the process we went through to select Kohr.

Committee meetings, open to the community, were held monthly beginning early in 2018. The first step was to decide whether to continue with a contract for a Golf Pro or to bring all Golf Course staffing inhouse. In the current market, only about 1 percent of golf professionals hold their own contract. The remaining 99 percent are employees of the golf community they serve.

The first decision by the committee and approved by the HGA Board was to bring the staffing inhouse. Then the committee developed job descriptions, using benchmark salaries for similar job descriptions, PGA information, and area standards. We also looked at the hours that need to be staffed, salaries for the employees and ideas for merchandising in the Golf Shop.

The Golf Pro position was advertised in early September. We received 47 applications. A subset of the ad hoc committee (HGMD Director Sandra Rosenberg, STH; HGMD Treasurer Bill Archambault, B209; General Manager Calvin White, HR Katie Counts and myself) got these narrowed down to 13 candidates.

These 13 applications were reviewed by an interview team (HGMD Director Gary Hizer, B233; George Brown, B212; Debbie Madril, STH; Mavis Richardson, CP3; GM

Calvin White and myself). Of these, seven were selected for interviews.

After these 7 interviews, 2 candidates (Bob Macaluso and Gregory Kohr) were brought back for a second interview. We sent eight questions to each of the candidates to address in their interview. After both second interviews, the team met and came to a unanimous decision — selecting Greg Kohr.

The current Golf Course employees are being hired by HG to continue in their present roles. The Golf Shop merchandise will be by HGMD Director Gary Hizer and the Golf Committee he chairs. It is possible that a survey may be issued to find which items HG golfers want to see for sale in the Golf Shop. Revenue for golf car rentals, pull cart rentals, and player lessons will now be added to the HGMD budget.

I want to thank Golf Pro Bob Macaluso for his many years of service to HG as an independent contractor. Many members of the community provided glowing letters of reference for Macaluso, and the services he has provided. It was a hard decision to make. That is why I wanted many members from the golf community on the committee and interview team.

I know this decision will engender some disagreement from some golfers. However, I believe that once residents and golfers get to know Greg Kohr, we will have a positive response from all residents.

I want to personally thank the members of the committee, interview team and observers for providing information and support during this process.

– Kathy Buhrman  
Chair, ad hoc Golf Staffing Committee  
B250



Greg Kohr  
HG's new Golf Pro

## Kitchen Fires in HG

Once again, HG had a stove fire on Sept. 10, in B222. This time, it was not food on the stove, but a cardboard box. Fortunately the new tenant involved had not moved their furniture in yet, so damage was not as bad as it might have been. (See the story in the October issue of *Heather 'n Yon*).

Kitchen fires represent some 75 percent of fires in the home. HG is no exception. Fire data from HG Security for the last three years (2016-

2018) reported an average of 1.3 fires per month, 15.3 fires per year. These are fires where the Aurora Fire Department may or may not have been called. Several were reported to HG Security, but the fire had already been extinguished.

In the March 2017 issue of *Heather 'n Yon*, the HG SEC Committee published information about an affordable, automatic stove top fire extinguishing system. We also obtained a 10 percent discount from

the distributor. Unfortunately, few residents ordered the system. We are again offering this very effective system. This time HG Maintenance will install your system at NO Charge!

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# Results of HGA Board election announced

Results of the HGA election for new board directors for 2019 were published Oct. 22, the Monday following the Friday, Oct. 19 deadline for voting. The top four vote getters were

Carol Anne Mayne	910 votes
Al Lindeman	830
Kim Deal	712
Jill Bacon	673

Mayne, Lindeman and Deal will serve three-year terms on the HGA Board, beginning January 2019. Bacon will serve a two-year term created by a resignation.

Other election results were

Kevin Olson	667
Forrest McClure	514
David Funk	409
Douglas Vap	200

The votes were tabulated on Oct. 22, during the day, in the Board Room, by an independent agency.

Traditionally, new directors also will vote, at the November board meeting, for officers for 2019. New committee chairs for the coming year are named in December by the president of the board.



Above: Successful candidates for the HGA Board were photographed at a campaign event on Sept. 27. From left: Jill Bacon, Kim Deal, Al Lindeman and Carol Ann Mayne.

Left and above: Candidates Lindeman and Mayne spoke and listened to residents attending the event in the Aspen/Blue Spruce Room. (Photos by Anne Hummel-Gillis)

## HGA Board Election results announced, 2019 budget outlined

The board of the HGA met on Oct. 23, with all eight current directors in attendance. President Kay Sawyer presented results of the election for 2019 board vacancies, noting the directors joining the board in January would be Carol Anne Mayne, B217; Al Lindeman, CP5; Kim Deal B211; and Jill Bacon (incumbent), B244.

Treasurer John Coil gave the board a summary of the proposal of the Budget & Finance (B&F) Committee's recommendation for HG's 2019 budget. See story, page 5. He remarked that the overall increase to fees would be approximately 9.6 percent (\$39), with major changes in payroll (14.9 percent), insurance premiums (6.6 percent), water and sewer costs (3.5 percent) and capital reserve (3.5 percent).

The two boards will have the opportunity to approve the budget at public meetings on Nov. 8, at 10 am for the HGMD, and at 1 pm for HGA. Director-elect Lindeman commended B&F for their detailed work, and lamented that only a handful of audience members attended the budget reviews – and most of those were directors of either board.

Chair Forrest McClure announced that Councilman Bob Roth, Ward V, and the city attorney would attend the Nov. 1 meeting of the Civic Affairs Committee. The topic will be information gathering regarding what would happen to the assets of the Heather Gardens Metropolitan District, should that special district ever be dissolved.

Kevin Olson, NTH, noted that outgoing Executive Assistant Stephanie Wyche was another valuable employee lost to turnover. She did not receive an exit interview, he said.

Chair Bill Reynolds reported the Communications Committee continues to evaluate costs and concerns of redesigning HG's logo. Deb Smith, CP2, questioned whether residents would benefit from the potentially large amount of money required to change all of HG signage, uniforms and other corporate representations, should the logo change.

After the regular meeting, the board adjourned into executive session, to discuss an undisclosed topic.

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PRESIDENT ABRAHAM LINCOLN



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	<b>Village East</b>	Wed., Nov. 7 8:30-10:30 a.m.	Veterans and active-duty servicemen and women will be greeted by our kindergarten, first- and second-grade students. Then they will be the guests of honor at a patriotic parade and a catered pancake breakfast. Following breakfast, fifth-graders will read essays to our honored guests and third- and fourth-graders will distribute hand-written thank you letters. The celebration will conclude with students performing a musical medley. <b>RSVP to 720-747-2000</b>
	<b>Challenge School</b>	Thurs., Nov. 8 8:20-9:20 a.m.	We will be hosting a Veterans Day breakfast for our community. Our PTCO Bakers and Chefs Committee will be providing a light breakfast of pastries, coffee and juices. Girl Scout Troop 68052 will lead the Pledge of Allegiance ceremony. Middle school student leaders will present speeches and musical selections. Students will also write letters to veterans. <b>RSVP to 720-747-2103</b>
SECONDARY	<b>Prairie Middle</b>	Thurs., Nov. 8 8:30-10:30 a.m.	Prairie Middle School will celebrate veterans and active duty servicemen and women with a Veterans Day breakfast followed by a "Thank You" performance featuring student speakers and musical groups. <b>RSVP to 720-747-3060</b>
	<b>Overland High</b>	Mon., Nov. 5 8:45 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.	Overland High School continues its tradition of recognizing local veterans during a breakfast reception at 8:45 a.m. and a schoolwide celebration at 10:00 a.m. Veterans will be individually recognized during the assembly, which includes a spectacular collaboration of 250 talented Performing Arts Blazers and an uplifting performance by our Cecilians Choir. <b>RSVP to 720-747-3872 or sruiz9@cherrycreekschools.org</b>

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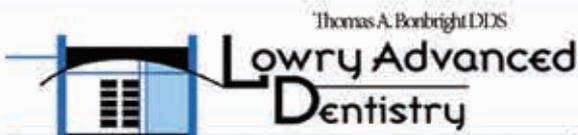
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# HGMD Clubhouse usage

Recently I learned about a young adult resident of Heather Gardens (HG) being confronted by a senior resident who questioned her right to use the Clubhouse. This is the fourth time this person has been confronted and forced to defend herself.

The most recent event happened in the Fitness Center, where the senior resident tried to organize others in the fitness center to help run the young adult resident out of the facility. Resident-to-resident confrontations should not be happening in the Clubhouse, Restaurant, Golf Course or any other HGMD location.

While the Heather Gardens Association (HGA) is an age-restricted community, only one person in each unit must be at least 55 years of age or older. Other occupants must be at least 18 years of age or older.

The 2018 HG census results can be found in the August 2018 issue of *Heather 'n Yon*. HG had 1,999 of the 2,426 units respond this year. The results of the census show that out of 2,791 residents, only 70 are under the age of 55. The average resident age is 73.6.

In viewing these numbers, please remember that 427 units did not respond, which means we have more than 2,791 residents living in HG. It is likely that more than 70 residents are under the age of 55.

All HG residents have the right to use and enjoy HGMD facilities. In addition, HGMD facilities (Clubhouse, Restaurant and Golf Course) are open to the public. Non-

residents may pay a fee to use one or more areas of the Clubhouse facility. While that is rare, it is possible.

It is more commonly understood that non-residents pay to play golf at the HG Golf Course, or pay for meals in Rendezvous.

If you have concerns about the legitimacy of a user, please take that matter up with the manager overseeing that facility area. Do not take matters into your own hands, or you may find yourself as the subject of a complaint for harassment and/or intimidation.

Young adult residents: please know that you are welcome to use HGMD facilities to the same extent as any other resident. Make sure your name is listed in the Heather Gardens Resident Directory. Make yourself known to Reception Desk and Clubhouse management staff. And, lastly, if you are being confronted by another resident, contact anyone at the Reception Desk or a Security officer, so they can help educate HG members about your rights.

Our role as residents is to partake in and enjoy the many activities provided by the common, shared facilities. The HG management staff is here to enforce the rules and regulations. Let's let them do their jobs.

**– Sandra Rosenberg  
HGMD Director  
Chair, Clubhouse/Restaurant Committee**

## 2019 Budget...from page 5

hurricane and flood claims nationwide, are driving up HG insurance premiums.

Credit card expense is increasing 40 percent, as fees are going up, and areas within HG that accept credit cards are growing.

There will be a 3.5 percent rate of increase to the capital reserve contribution in 2019, Treasurer John Coil remarked.

The custodial budget increased 25 percent, compared to 2018. This figure included a 29-percent increase in wages and benefits. (A custodial supervisor was hired in 2018.)

The Maintenance Department, which represents the largest part of HG's budget, experienced a 6.5 percent increase in wages and benefits. The cost of maintenance operating expenses was flat.

Increases in the 2019 budget were reduced by excess funds from the 2017 budget. (Excess funds from 2018, if any, will roll into the 2020 budget. White remarked, "Departments 'were tighter' this year than last, in terms of coming in on target.")

On the HGMD side, in the restaurant, salaries for workers in 2019 were increased to 23 percent of sales (from 19 percent of sales, in 2018). Recent hiring of new restaurant workers demonstrated the 19 percent figure was inadequate.

A hot/cold buffet table is in the 2019 budget, for the restaurant. Rendezvous is doing more buffets than ever, and complaints about cold food are an ongoing problem.

Changes to the Golf Pro Shop structure, and other factors, will increase payroll and operating expenses for the Golf Course by 11 percent. The Clubhouse is experiencing a 10 percent increase in total payroll and operating expenses.

The Clubhouse is replacing chairs, including those used in Sandberg Auditorium. Recreational equipment is being replaced, including some tools in the Woodshop.

The total expenses/budget for HGMD was \$2,292,001. Total operating expenses for HGMD decreased by 5.7 percent.

B&F voted separately on Oct. 18 on the two budget proposals, HGA and HGMD, with a recommendation for the respective board to approve its portion of the budget.

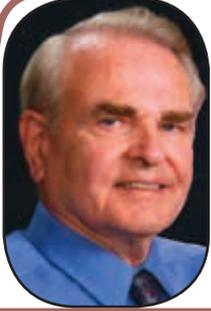
Coil reported on the 2019 budget to the HGA Board on Oct. 23. This article was revised to use his updated numbers.

The HGMD has scheduled a public hearing on its budget, at a special board meeting to be held at 10 am Thursday, Nov. 8, in the Board Room.

The HGA is scheduled to approve the overall 2019 budget, at 1 pm Thursday, Nov. 8, after HGMD approves its portion.

A summary of the budget will be available online for HGA members to review, by Tuesday, Nov. 13. The summary will be mailed to all members. Copies of the full budget will be available for review in the Management Office.

The HGA then will set a date and time for an annual membership meeting of all HG homeowners. The meeting tentatively has been scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 29, at a time and location TBA. To veto the budget, a majority of the full membership (one vote per unit) must vote "no."



## HGMD Board President Reports

By Craig Baldwin

On Oct. 9, the Heather Gardens Metropolitan District (HGMD) hosted a farewell party for Executive Secretary Stephanie Wyche. She has served HGMD for nearly six years. No one knows the special district state statutes better. She knew when to prepare meeting agendas, to file the proper paperwork with the county and state, and how to keep proper records. Stephanie has also “advised” me from time to time on proper procedures.

Many thanks to Director Sandra Rosenberg for organizing the event. Also a shout out to Rendezvous Manager Cormac Ronan, Assistant Manager Courtney Haynes and Chef Kevin Marquet for providing and serving such fine refreshments.

Both Boards are busy preparing budgets for 2019. Before we do that, HGMD must amend the 2018 budget, and file the revision with the Arapahoe County Clerk and Recorder. This is required when a Special District exceeds expenditures during a current year.

Some notable changes/increases for 2018 are: In-

door poll boiler replacement and start up costs, \$37,000, legal fees, \$25,000, Rendezvous, \$75,000; and Golf Course \$80,000. Financially this has been an unusual year. Employee changes were a major factor.

Factors affecting the 2019 budget will be capital outlay that will exceed the 2018 budget by nearly \$100,000. Operating expenses will be increased about the same amount. At 10 am Thursday, Nov. 8, HGMD will hold a hearing in the Board Room. The 2019 budget will be presented. Residents attending the meeting will have the opportunity to offer comments and suggestions. Following that discussion, your Directors will adopt its 2019 budget.

Prior to Dec. 15, the HGMD will set the mill levy required to pay interest on the Clubhouse bonds.

I received questions and concerns from a few residents regarding the decision to cancel the regular meetings in September and October. In January of each year, HGMD must file a resolution with the county and state stating how the board is going to conduct its business. If we do not hold regular meetings on the date and time specified in the resolution, we must notify the electors and authorities of the changes.

The October meeting was held on Thursday, Oct. 25. Upon the recommendation of the Maintenance Department, we approved replacing the indoor pool spa boiler, at total cost of \$15,935. Also approved was replacing the HVAC equipment in the Maintenance Building (estimated cost, \$15,000).

You may contact me at [craig.baldwin@heathergardens.org](mailto:craig.baldwin@heathergardens.org) or 720-535-1917.

From the Optimist Creed: “Promise yourself to make all your friends feel that there is something in them.”

# HGMD Treasurer’s report for September 2018

### Highlights of District Operations: Month of September 2018

	Budget	Actual
Clubhouse Profit (loss)	(\$36,513)	(\$37,180)
Golf Profit (loss)	(\$10,627)	(\$4,585)
Restaurant Profit (loss)	(\$6,910)	(\$9,629)

### Year-to-Date through September 2018

	Budget	Actual
Clubhouse Profit (loss)	(\$439,993)	(\$380,476)
Golf Profit (loss)	(\$85,841)	(\$90,604)
Restaurant Profit (loss)	(\$46,965)	(\$70,682)

### Enterprise Fund

Through September, Enterprise Fund revenue was \$1,748,600, which is about \$62,000 more than expected. Expenses have been \$1,642,800, which is about \$105,800 less than expected. Year-to-date revenue from events, classes, trips and the RV Lot have been more than budgeted. Clubhouse expenses and Capital outlay expenses have been less than expected.

### Restricted Funds

**Conservation Trust Fund (Lottery).** HGMD received a quarterly distribution of lottery funds amounting to \$3,620. Year-to-date Lottery expenditures have been

\$9,498. As of Sept. 30, the lottery bank account had a balance of \$106,496.

**Foundation Fund** has received donations of \$5,312 through September, and \$18,035 has been spent on HGMD projects so far this year. At the end of September, the Foundation checking bank account had a balance of \$35,895. In addition, \$150,000 of the Foundation’s cash has been invested in a CD.

**The Debt Service Fund** has received \$480,895 in property taxes and \$31,005 of Specific Ownership tax through September. At the end of September, the Debt Service bank account had a balance of \$634,028.

– Bill Archambault  
HGMD Treasurer

## IN MEMORIAM

- Ken Briscoe (234)
- Gladys Dreiling (222)
- Arden Hartman (CP6)
- Lillie Evans (231)
- Owen Lee (231)
- Dorothy Lewis (217)
- Bill Miller (former 204)
- Peggy Rodell (former 217)
- Vincent Sanguedolce (250)
- Jack Toslosky (234)
- Janet Wagner (217)

# LYNN MYERS Enters the Race for OUR House District 41

**X** Votes for **Dahlia Weinstein** will be counted as votes for **Lynn Myers**

The Arapahoe County House District 41 Republican Vacancy Committee  
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solve problems."*



## **X** Proven Leadership

- Current Senior Vice President of the Denver South Economic Development Partnership
- Arapahoe County Commission from 2000 – 2007—two terms as Chair
- Served as Chair of the Centennial Airport Board and the E-470 Public Highway Authority Board

## District 41 Needs New Leadership

House District 41 is a great place to live but we also have a lot of work to do. Having lived and worked in Aurora for 40 years, I know this community and we need a fresh face that can work with everyone to get things done.

• **Rep. Jovan Melton, D-Aurora, has resigned his leadership role within the Colorado House but is currently seeking another term of office.** Democratic leaders and progressive groups have asked Melton to resign his seat in the wake of *The Denver Post* reports on October 10 and 11, 2018.

**X** A Vote for **Dahlia** is a Vote for **Lynn** and **New Leadership!**

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# Re-Elect Matt Crane

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### **C** State & County Elections Experience.

Matt has worked for the Colorado Department of State, the City and County of Denver, and Arapahoe County, and holds state and national certifications in elections administration.

**Under his leadership, Arapahoe County adopted Colorado's new uniform voting system.**

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*Denver Post* September 6, 2018

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**C** Matt grew up in Aurora and holds a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and History from Metro State College of Denver.

## Re-Elect Crane

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# Vote to Re-Elect Experience

Dave

# Walcher



Arapahoe County

# Sheriff



- Current Arapahoe County Sheriff
- Colorado Native, City of Aurora Resident
- 37 years of Progressive Law Enforcement Experience
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- Master's Degree, Criminal Justice
- Top Secret Clearance

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- Fiscally Conservative
- Effective and Efficient Government
- Dedicated to Community Policing
- Committed to Public/Private Partnerships
- Best Practices and Evidence-Based Decisions

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- State of Colorado Correctional Treatment Board Co-Chair
- Advocates for Children CASA Board of Directors
- Aurora Mental Health Center Board of Directors
- Highlands Ranch Law Enforcement Training Foundation Board Chair
- Arapahoe County Justice Coordinating Committee
- Asian Pacific Development Center Board of Directors

- ★ **Community Safety**
- ★ **Community Engagement**
- ★ **Community Trust**

## Connection to Heather Gardens Community

*Dave's Mother, Virginia Walcher (left), lives in B222; Dave's wife's parents, Bob and Georgia Cassidy, previously resided in B217 (below).*



Sheriff Walcher comments,  
**"Heather Gardens is like my second home."**



**Contact Dave: 720-765-8203, [DaveWalcherForSheriff@gmail.com](mailto:DaveWalcherForSheriff@gmail.com)**

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## Publisher's Corner

# Letter from a soldier boy, 100 years ago

by Lynn Donaldson, Editor of Heather 'n Yon

One hundred years ago, my paternal grandfather wrote his father from France while recovering in a hospital just before Thanksgiving (Nov. 28, 1918). He wrote about fighting in the Battle of Argonne Woods, which brought World War 1 to an end. The battle began Sept. 26. It was a major Allied offensive along the entire Western Front that ended on Armistice Day, Nov. 11, 1918.

I transcribed the letter from a newspaper clipping (see below), but I cannot decipher the faded handwriting at the top that identifies what newspaper published my grandfather's letter, or the date it was published.

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"The following letter from M.N. Donaldson was received by his father, L.L. Donaldson, the other day,

Vittel, France, Nov. 24, 1918

Dear Father:

While I am writing this letter on this dreary November day, I am thinking about the letter you are writing to me far away in our dear America. Although America is many miles away,

we soldiers feel like it is but one step back to the glorious states, and the freedom for which we fought.

We are glad to have fought with our brave allies to rid the world of the iron cross, and place in its stead the Statue of Liberty — supported by the strength of man, and guarded by the Infinite One.

I will try to write just a few lines about some of the happenings at the front.

On my arrival in France, I was placed in the regimental aid in the 91st division. The first aid works with the infantry and are under shell fire all the time the division is in the first line trenches.

I must be very brief so will just mention some main happenings at the front. It was the night of the 25th of September that we went to the first line trenches in the Argonne Woods. You have undoubtedly read of the density of this forest, and of the hard fighting in these woods.

We relieved the French and went in their dugouts for the night. At 3 am we were called out and were welcomed by some "barrage." Now I just wish you folks could imagine what I mean by a "barrage." All the firing seemed to be coming from our guns. The earth trembled and a dense fog was in the air. Although the night was a beautiful moonlight night, the flares with an occasional explosion of an ammunition dump made a beautiful scene at night. But maybe you think one is not scared when he stands there and listens to the shells whistling over his head. And this the first war I was ever in, so I was an amateur and not a professional in the game called "war."

Then came the orders to go forward, as the firing was letting up and daylight approaching. We had not gone more than two miles when we received a terrible "barrage" from the Germans. It scattered our companies, and we first aid men were lost from our companies. Instead of be-

ing with the 363rd regiment, I found myself with the 304th regiment, so I dressed several wounded men and went over the top with 304th regiment. I had one medical man and a litter bearer with me.

We worked in a woods under shellfire all day, caring for the wounded and dying. Mine eyes worked over sights that day that I hope they will never see again. If war was hell in Sherman's time, I wonder what he would have called it on the 26th day of September. It was certainly some strain to be under when boys would come to you when you were working over some wounded boy and ask you to help their buddy who is wounded there in the woods.

Well when I finally laid down for about two hours sleep I thanked the Lord that I had been carried through that day. Many of our medical men were killed — with them our top sergeant who was less than five feet behind me. From the same shell I received a piece of shrapnel through my canteen cup and canteen, but it was too large a piece to go clear through so it just knocked me down. An inch higher and it would have gone through the small of my back. Three inches lower it would have gone through my right leg. I was simply covered with pieces of flesh and blood. This was the first shell which hit close to me, and after the first day I got used to them, and finally I could sleep while they would go singing over me.

But I have only given you our side, so I will tell you about the Germans. We drove them back and gained our objective by 3 o'clock the second day. They have no infantry, all they have is machine guns and artillery. Well we lost some boys but we also gained our objective right along.

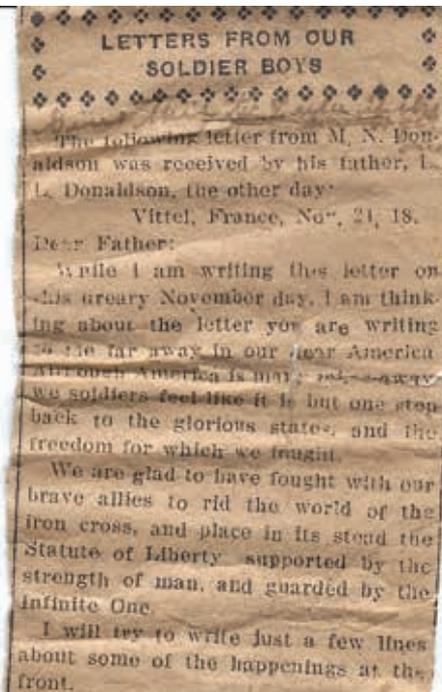
Well I see I have written nine pages so I must close.

I am over my operation and feeling fine, and also expect to be home soon, as I am considered a convalescent and they are to be sent home first. I might be home Xmas to read this letter to you.

Now if on this Xmas day I am still far away, think of this line on this glorious day.

"Peace on Earth Good Will Toward Men."

Lovingly, Murray"





## Management

### Who is responsible for repairs after insurable damages?

By Calvin White  
General Manager

Many times, there are questions about who pays for various problems in and around a condo that arise. Even though there are numerous scenarios of incidents, two that are relatively common in HG are leaks and contractor damages.

First, let's assume a kitchen sink faucet in a unit on the 4th floor springs a leak. By the time the resident in the unit discovers the problem, water has leaked down into the ceiling of the unit on the 3rd floor.

The owner in the 4th floor unit had a throw rug and vinyl tile that was damaged by the water. Let's also assume that the resident on the 3rd floor unit has a water-stained ceiling and a picture that was hanging on the wall that was also water stained.

The responsibility for repairs in this incident will be as follows:

1. If the HGA's personnel respond to the initial call, they will take whatever actions are necessary to mitigate any further damage to the affected units and the building.
2. If the broken pipe is located in the walls, then HGA will ensure that repairs are completed.
3. If the broken pipe is not in the wall but within the unit's airspace, HGA personnel will repair the broken pipe in order to ensure that there is no further damage. The 4th floor unit owner will be charged for HGA's time and materials. If HGA personnel are able to stop further dam-

age by closing a valve, they will do so. The unit owner must then contract with their own repairman to make the necessary repairs to their kitchen sink or faucet.

4. Repairs to the vinyl tile and the ceiling are insurable losses, covered by HGA's property insurance. Repairs or replacing the throw rug or picture would not be covered by the HGA's insurance. These items would probably be covered by the unit owner's personal property insurance policy referred to as an HO-6 Policy. Please be sure to have your insurance broker review your policy.

For clarity, remember that any damage to the structure or permanently attached property would be repaired and paid for by HGA's property insurance policy, excluding any deductible that may apply.

If the damages were caused by an owners' item of responsibility such as a fixture, appliance, direct action or negligence, the owner(s) will be responsible for some or all of the deductible. If the damage is the result of an HGA item, HGA will pay the deductible. As of Oct. 1, 2018, the HGA's deductible on this type of claim is \$25,000. Be sure to talk to your insurance broker about coverage for paying the insurance deductible if the responsibility for the loss is yours.

Second example: an owner hires a contractor to install new carpeting in their unit. While moving the carpet to the unit, the contractor breaks a light fixture in the elevator. He also leaves a trail of carpeting debris in the hallway from the elevator to the unit.

The contractor should report the broken light to the owner. The owner should then report the broken light to the Management Office. The contractor should also clean up any mess in the hallway; if he doesn't, it is the responsibility of the owner to do the clean-up. If the mess is not cleaned up, HGA personnel will do the cleaning, then the owner will be charged for the time to do the cleaning and the material to fix the light.

**Meet & Greet with General Manager Calvin White:** Wednesday, Nov. 7, 8–9:30 am, Clubhouse Lobby  
Join Calvin White for a roundtable discussion on a variety of topics. This is your opportunity to hear answers to your burning questions.

## GM's Report

### General Manager

- Attended board and committee meetings.
- Reviewed payables and Capital Projects.
- Reviewed ACC Project Approval forms.
- Completed budget draft.
- Completed updating the Capital Reserve Plan.

### Controller

- Participated in the annual 401k Trustee meeting with The Standard.
- Attended a foreclosure hearing with attorneys.
- Conducted budget review with the General Manager and department heads.
- Met with copier vendor to review contracts.
- Began preparing final 2019 Budget.

### Paint

- Completed 56 work orders
- Continue working on chair rail-project in B211.
- Painted Sandberg Auditorium, Clubhouse.
- Set up contractor to paint parking lines in 12 buildings parking garages.
- Discussed upcoming chair-rail project with B208 AR.

### Maintenance

- Completed 833 work orders. Of those, 124 were billable.
- Completed plumbing inspections in units at B208, B220, and B244.
- Cleaned gutters at CP and TH units.
- Rewired B211 wiring to the TES.
- Cleaned boiler tubes in B203, B222, and B241.
- Completed B232 drain project inside and outside of the exit garage door.

- Continued working on B218 recirculation project.
- Installed a domestic hot-water-isolation valve in B218, 6th floor ceiling.
- Installed a water heater in B234 and B244.
- Repaired electrical shorts on exterior lights at B221.
- Installed a heat pump in B233.
- Replaced cracked cast-iron drain pipe in the wall of B218.
- Installed new air handler shaft bearings at B210.
- Installed a railing for new concrete step off the parking deck at B233.
- Replaced a section of heat pipe in the 6th floor ceiling of B214.

### Clubhouse

- Scheduled trips to: casino, Dazzle, Rockies game, Lone Tree Arts, *Mamma Mia*, Adams

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# B222 resident, who trained, worked as EMT, responded to fire alarm

Upon hearing the fire alarm sound in B222 on Sept. 10, Greg Winslow was propelled to action. Based on his experience as a volunteer EMT with Crested Butte Fire Protection District, he shot out of his apartment and ran through hallways in a systematic search for the fire.

After locating it on the second floor, he emptied the contents of one fire extinguisher into the blaze and was on a second extinguisher when the fire intensified and spread beyond his ability to control it. He retreated when smoke descending from the ceiling reached knee level and was fast filling the hallway.

Estimating that the fire would destroy the unit and had the potential of taking more units with it, Greg shut the door and began evacuation procedures for the building.

Lessons learned from last year's fire in B217 were effective. Residents followed directions and moved quickly down the stairwells — not the elevators. A few stayed in place. Aurora Fire Department rang two alarms, arriving with double the manpower, double the trucks, double the effort, when compared with its response to the B217 fire. Damage from this fire was contained to one unit.

At a debriefing meeting, residents and staff tried to thank Greg for his quick and deft reaction, but he downplayed their praise.

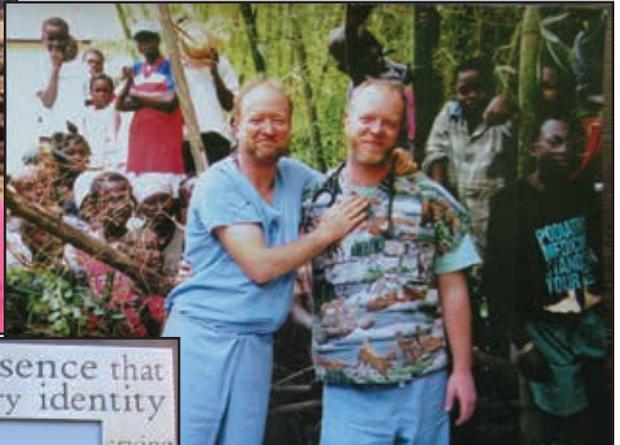
"This is what I've been trained to do. You guys are my neighbors. You're my friends. You're my family. I didn't do anything special. That's not who I am. I just did what I know how to do."

His words reflect his convictions for contributing towards helping others be better and being involved in his community that are rooted in a deeply centered faith instilled in childhood.

Greg grew up below Cherry Creek Dam, when Hampden and Havana Avenues were still "big ole" dirt ranch roads and access to Cherry Creek Lake was a safe bicycle ride away. After graduating from Cherry Creek High School, he headed west to ski, bike, hike, ice skate and fish Colorado mountains.

"I spent 40 years in Gunnison, five of them using an outhouse," he laughs. "In and amongst those times, I thought if anyone gets hurt, I just didn't know what to do. So I took an Emergency Medical Treatment (EMT) course. When I became an EMT, I also became interested in being with a fire department and learning how that all works."

Greg was certified through Wilderness Medicine Institute and the Colorado Department of Health and Education. For 30 years, he was a volunteer EMT for Gunnison Valley Hospital and Crested Butte Fire Protection District which covered Lake City, Powderhorn, Parlin and Pitkin.



Above left: Greg and Laurel Winslow, B222.

Above: Mark (left) and Greg Winslow on medical mission to Haiti. Left: Greg (left) and Mark with dog take a hike with their Mom.

Small rural communities require their volunteers to be proficient in a number of skills, able to perform what is needed when it is needed.

Greg learned the many functions of rural firefighters as well as EMTs as he performed advanced trauma life support, mountain rescues, and wilderness firefighting. He studied firefighting and instructed new volunteers. All this was peripheral to owning a small business.

On a "wing and a prayer," Greg established West Elk Windshields in Gunnison. He is proud that the business he built for 27 years continues doing well under new owners. He immersed his energies into the community. Every year, he sponsored girl's softball and boy's baseball teams. Having never had children of his own, he enjoyed watching his teams grow and develop on the ball field.

"It supported my business, but at the same time it supported them. And, it supports the community that supports all of us."

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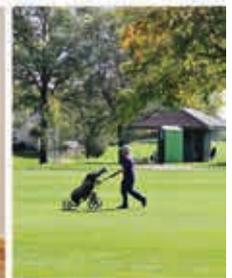
\$340,000

Rare Heather Gardens Townhome  
Backs to 2nd Fairway

## Not only does it back to the golf course,

the covered patio is on the east side of the house so it will be shaded in summer and catch the morning sun as well. There are 2 patio doors: one from the kitchen, and the second from the living room. The living room has vaulted ceiling and a wood-burning fireplace (recently cleaned by a chimney sweep). Wall-mounted TV in living

room doesn't stay, but the mounting bracket does, so you can easily mount your own TV.



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# Meet Clubhouse staff and volunteers who greet you at the Reception Desk

Greetings! That's what you will get when you come to the Clubhouse. If you haven't been to the Clubhouse lately, be sure to come by soon. There is always something happening. To help guide you, at the Reception Desk, are HG staff and volunteers. This group of wonderful people greet you, and help you with coffee and copies. They can find an answer to just about any question. It's the hub of the community. You will not believe the questions that are sometimes asked! Each staff member and volunteer brings a special spark to the Reception Desk.

The Clubhouse is open 6 am–10 pm Monday through Saturday and 6 am–8 pm Sundays. The Reception Desk is staffed at these times by dedicated personnel.

Introducing the staff, photographed right (from left on the stairs): Karen McClaury, CP3; Elle Pope, B204; Cheryl Greenman, B214; Pat Cardy, B217; Linda Bjurstrom, B216; Manager Linda Aluise, and Dorothy Simpier, B236. Standing in front of stairs: Cheryl Branch, CP6. Seated: Assistant Clubhouse Manager Lewis Boeve and Judy Nelson.

The Reception Desk also uses volunteers to help answer phones, register for classes, make copies, and other tasks that come up. These volunteers include: Judy Batchelor, B234; Honor Bradley, B242; Barbara

Brown, B242; Connie Brown, B216; Pat Fletcher, B213; Nancy Jackson, B213; Gini Klein, B216; Mary Ann Lewis, B213; Ruth Miller, CP5; Darlene Park, B218; Connie Reger, B223; Dianne Robbins, B213; Barbara Schneller, B219; Monica Seng, B223; Karyn Simon, B236; and Vicki Wolfe, B235.

The amount of information that the staff and volunteers need to know is endless, because the variety of questions is broad. Customers are registered for all Clubhouse activities. These folks need to know the classes and trips offered, and where each class is held. Knowing how

to make enlargements on the copy machine and send faxes, is another requiring task. The friendly, welcoming staff and volunteers strive to provide excellent customer service. You may recognize some faces because they are your neighbor.

The Clubhouse offers many amenities with a wide range of fitness classes, art classes, woodshop (wood carving classes), indoor pool for lap swimming and fitness, a cardio and fitness room, and over 40 different clubs.

The camaraderie of this group creates a lot of fun

and laughter! Never a dull moment! Hope to see you soon!

– Clubhouse Manager Linda Aluise



## Wine and Dine at Rendezvous

In early October, Manager Cormac Ronan, recently hired, and long-time Chef Kevin Marquet chose to revive a fine dining experience that a group of residents started in summer 2017, called *Table of Four!* The concept was to give the chef a higher price point to offer a special, gourmet dinner.

Cormac embraced the idea and put his own twist on the wine and dine concept. A fabulous, four-course wine and dinner was held on Oct. 6, for \$35 per person.

With the able support of April Torcoronte, wine distributor, and Ashley Rowe, an experienced wine sommelier

(who introduced each wine as it was served), Chef Kevin planned a gourmet dinner with a distinct wine paired with each course.

It started with an appetizer of warm nuts served with Brie cheese and crackers that was paired with a light and refreshing Ruffino Pinot Grigio 2016 (Italy).

Next was a delicate arugula salad course that was garnished with warm goat cheese, dressed with raspberry vinaigrette, and paired with a Kim Crawford New Zealand 2017 Sauvignon Blanc. This wine was described as more rounded, full-bodied wine with a pleasant lingering melon

and citrus flavor.

A Robert Mondavi Cabernet Sauvignon, aged in bourbon barrels (California) was served as a bold and spicy counterpoint to the entrée of beef tenderloin medallions with asparagus, couscous and a rich Bordelaise sauce. The tender beef could be cut with a fork. Each bite melted in the mouths of ecstatic diners.

Warren Byrne, host of The Restaurant Show on EZ-1430 KEZW, attended the event and commented afterward, "I've been really impressed with Cormac and the new things he is trying out. This dinner gave Chef

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# The Month (October)

Ballots for the General Election were delivered to registered voters (and those who had voted in the last election) during the week of Oct. 15. Ballots must be returned by 7 pm Tuesday, Nov. 7. If you did not receive a ballot, you can still register and vote at a Voter Service and Polling Center between Oct. 29 and Nov. 6. HG will have a site, located in the Arts & Crafts Room.

Fortunately for HG voters, Arapahoe County has erected a ballot box (near the Tennis Courts at the Clubhouse) where your completed ballot may be returned. With this box, you did not have to pay for the extra postage to return your ballot by mail.

For some, the Blue Book that traditionally describes the ballot propositions and amendments to the Colorado constitution did not arrive until after the ballot. This book that defines the pros and cons of a vote was needed.

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Not to be confused with the General Election, although voting overlapped in October, the HGA Board election ended on Oct. 19. The Board Room was commandeered by an outside accounting firm retained to count these ballots on Oct. 22, with the public invited to observe, but not engage those tabulating. This extended voting period for directors who will begin their 3-year term in January was created when the HGA Board decided to do a mail-in ballot, rather than the normal polling on the first Tuesday in October. (See story, page 7)

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One line in the minutes of the Roads and Grounds Committee was eye catching: "Comcast damage continues." As the new fiber optic cable is installed around various buildings in HG by digging a conduit hole in the ground then threading the fiber optic cable through, it raises the spectre that underground cables already there are cut or damaged.

There has been at least one report of a power line being cut, sending one HG building into dark-



ness. The Structure Maintenance Committee discussed how outages caused by Comcast continue to bother residents. It was suggested to resolve issues with a

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# That Was...

Comcast representative, who is onsite periodically. (See schedule on page 55.)

HG Roads and Grounds has to schedule repairing the landscape after a line was installed. All cable is expected to be installed by December, or early in 2019. Installing individual fiber optic termination points in each condo has not yet been scheduled.

(Photos by Bruce Henson, STH, and Rudy Morris, B217)

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HG residents have been asked to respond to an Opinion Survey, available in hard copy and online. The survey asks residents to weigh in on topics related to making decisions regarding Security at HG, and on serving on neighborhood committees.

Residents are asked to evaluate how they feel about security at HG, about what they would like to see improved, and how much would they be willing to pay for it. The survey also quizzes participants about their current knowledge of what security at HG covers.

Participants are asked to comment on the need for additional security cameras, fencing and other enclosures, and their assessment about crime, in general.

In a different vein, the survey asked residents about their current and past participation on HG boards and committees. Participants are invited to offer opinions about technology that could make serving on a board or committee — such as serving remotely — easier.

When survey results are tabulated, the report will break down whether opinions are different between residents who have served on boards and committees and those who have not; and, whether the type of housing in which the resident lives affects responses. Results are to be published in the December issue of *Heather 'n Yon*.

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Rendezvous Manager Cormac Ronan announced that public support for new events the restaurant has been testing has been great! (For example: sporting-event parties, wine tasting, and an Irish buffet with music) The restaurant has hired a new assistant manager, Courtney Haynes, and several new servers.

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Chair Bill Reynolds, on Oct. 2, told the Communications Committee that nine condos in HG had been sold in September. There were currently 31 condos for sale and 10 were under contract. Median days to selling a unit was 22.

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## Meet the Candidates: Annual Town Hall at Heather Gardens, sponsored by Councilman Bob Roth (right)

A few twists and mild surprises unfolded for about 100 folks present at the HG Meet the Candidates” and ballot issues forum held for voters in Ward V on Oct. 16. Candidate attendance varied from the agenda that Councilman Bob Roth, who sponsored the forum, had advertised prior to the event. Several expected candidates did not show up, while some unexpected candidates did. Voters listened to candidates give self-introductions and responses to a single question from Roth: What is the most important function of the office you seek?

Points made during the self-introductions ranged from statements that were over broad, “listening to constituents;” sweeping, “transparent and accountable;” vague, “restore voter confidence.”

Some candidates used their three minutes to present biographies that emphasized their attachment to Aurora, enumerate their platform bullet points, demonstrate their knowledge their about the responsibilities of the office, or joke.

Incumbent Secretary of State Wayne Williams arrived unexpectedly as did Lynn Myers who had announced her candidacy for House District 41 four days earlier.

From the audience, Marty Karnoff spoke her support for incumbent House District 41 Representative Jovan Melton, who did not attend.

Candidate for Sheriff Tyler Brown, candidate for Clerk and Recorder Joan Lopez, and Candidate for District 4 Commissioner Winfred Deal also did appear at the forum.

Roth adjusted the agenda to accommodate candidates who arrived after attending an earlier forum held elsewhere. Roth provided background on municipal ballot issues.

Redistricting maps for Aurora’s six wards are being drawn for 2019 municipal elections. Roth has been adamant that all of HG remain in Ward V.



*Above: Arapahoe County Sheriff Dave Walcher, who is running for re-election, spoke to two residents.*

– Dala Giffin



*Above: Arapahoe County Clerk Matt Crane is running for re-election.  
Left: Janet Buckner is running for re-election to Colorado House of Representatives, District 40*

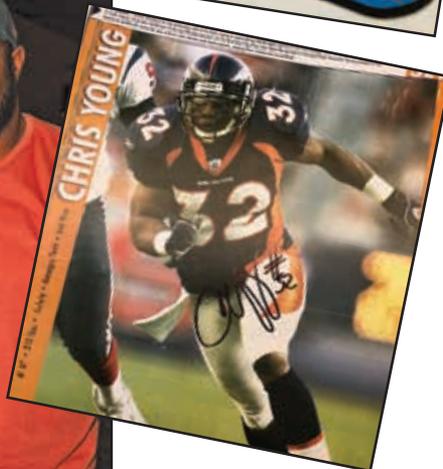
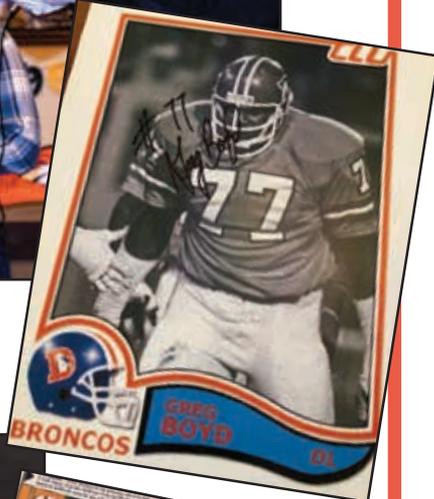


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A raucous crowd in **Rendezvous** enjoyed cheering the Denver **Broncos** against the Los Angeles Rams on Sept. 14, in the company of three former Broncos: **Greg Boyd, Rick Upchurch and Chris Young**. Right: Boyd, a former Defensive linebacker (right) and Upchurch, a former kick and punt returner/wide receiver (holding hat), led the fans in singing the National Anthem. Unfortunately, the Broncos lost, 20–23.



Below: Bev Havens, B218, a former Broncos employee, got a hug from Chris Young, a former defensive Safety.



Below right: One enthusiastic fan brought their Ford Mustang that had been painted with Bronco orange/blue stripes. They got the former players to autograph the inside of the passenger door.



Before the game, and during half-time, the former Broncos shared their autographs on photos or other memorabilia. Below, right: Several items were raffled.



Photos by Anne Hummel-Gillis

## Fires...from page 6

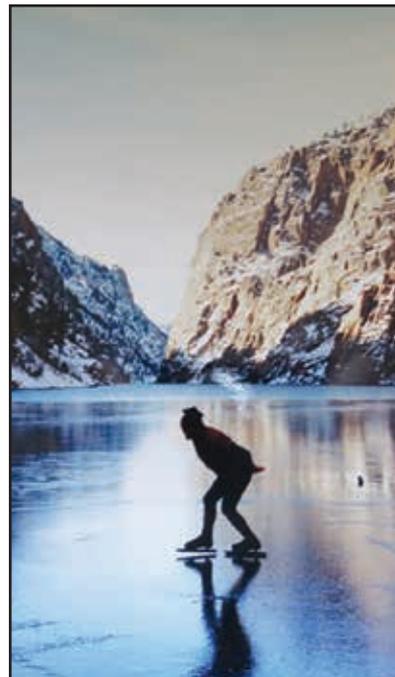
B217 took the life of the resident who owned the unit where the fire started. Smoke devastated the entire 6th floor.

You might claim, "I've never started a fire in my life," or "I don't cook anymore." Well, there is always the first time. Ask your neighbors

that have had a fire at HG. It is happening at a regular rate. If you have any questions, please call HG SEC member Rudy Morris, B217, 817-240-9394 cell.

Let everyone be safe and enjoy your retirement with less worry about fire — yours or your neighbor's!

— Rudy Morris, B217  
HG SEC Committee



Above: Greg ice skating on a frozen lake in the mountains.

## Winslow...from page 17

Inspired in the mid 90s by his physician brother Mark, he undertook a two-week medical care mission in Haiti, the most densely populated, poorest, and hungriest country in the Western Hemisphere. Although overwhelmed at times with emotions that darted between fear and sorrow, he began to notice Haitian community solidarity and gratitude. Even in the absence of fundamental basics, he found the people were happy and gentle, kind and generous. The experience changed him at a deep level of consciousness. He returned to Haiti annually for 20 years.

Greg delved deeper into exploring his faith, looking at Hindu and Buddhist ideologies to supplement his Catholic beliefs. He sees the

teachings of Buddha and the teachings of Christ as coming from divine origins.

"They're both really the same thing: Leave the world a better place than when you got here. It's how I try to live."

His life came full circle when he moved to HG after retiring in 2015. His parents have owned a home here since 1982. This past May, Greg married Laurel. He has now settled into writing a book that started out about his experiences in Haiti, but has evolved to probing the deep convictions that took him there. He hopes to publish it in December.

Greg believes ordinary actions in ordinary life, when done with the spirit of kindness, are just as important as performing heroic actions during extraordinary crisis.

"You can make a difference by

knocking on your neighbor's door and saying: 'Hi.' Hold the door open for somebody. Smile at somebody. Life isn't what happens to you, but how you deal with what happens to you. Life is short, live it well. Make sure you do the best you can."

— Dala Giffin

## Rendezvous...from page 19

Kevin the chance to show his abilities with the wine pairing at a reasonable price point.

"While the wines were well matched to the food, the dessert course was incredible. The Meiomi Pinot Noir 2017 (California) paired with the Chocolate Caramel Truffle Torte was nothing short of genius.

"I've also heard that Cormac's Broncos Game Day plan with a smaller buffet is gaining in popularity.

"The only obstacle I see is that Heather Gardens seems separate from the surrounding community, and the restaurant can be hard to find the first time.

"Even golfers who know the location may



Left: The dessert, Chocolate Caramel Truffle Torte, was served at a Rendezvous Restaurant "Wine and Dine" dinner on Oct. 6.

think the restaurant is a members-only facility.

"Overall, though, I am very excited about the work Cormac and Chef Kevin are doing."

Cormac said, "We expanded this event to seat 45. It sold out quickly. We would like to offer this every month or six weeks, starting up again after the holidays."

The date for the next event (maybe January?) is not yet set, but stop by Rendezvous, and be sure Cormac has your email address. We will all find out soon enough.

— Bruce Henson  
STH

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# Grandma's Table

My grandparents, whom we called Bedstema and Bedstefa, lived in a huge southern colonial mansion just a block from my home in Racine, Wisconsin. They drove a big black 1936 Cadillac during the Depression when I was growing up. [I just wanted to impress you before explaining.]

My grandparents lived in a huge two-story mansion with three tall white, impressive Doric columns. It was a funeral parlor that used the "family" car, the Cadillac, to transport surviving relatives to the graveyard after a funeral.

That graveyard became a cemetery, then later, a memorial park. Whatever you call it — it still held the remains of the deceased, and the name change did not help them one bit.

Grandpa and Grandma lived on one side of an enormous two family flat above the business portion of the funeral parlor, which occupied the entire first floor. The covert part of the operation took place in the basement morgue that was euphemistically called the "preparation room."

Uncle Steve, Aunt Kap and my three cousins lived on the other side of that flat since my uncle was the embalmer. He performed most of his fascinating, gory labors down in that morgue. Those cousins were my best friends and intimate playmates for most of my grade school years. We are still close.

That old mansion held many fond memories for me, but I especially remember sitting around the great dining room table, surrounded with fam-

ily and friends. It was loaded down with fragrant non-diet Danish specialties such as Frikadilla, or Koernemilk supe, followed by addicting deserts like Kringle or Citroen Framarcia.

At weddings, we would have Krunze Kaga. We also celebrated Faustelauns Balla Day, which is the Danish Martigra — it falls on the Tuesday before Lent.

That table was the largest dining room table I have ever seen in a private home outside the castles of Europe. It was dark brown, varnished walnut, with substantial carved legs ending in little wheels. It had consumed all its auxiliary leaves, so it nearly filled the room.

We never ate alone. The overflow included us kids. We often had to sit on folding chairs dragged in from the storeroom. Unless the men were down in the morgue spiffing up a client, there were never less than a dozen live bodies crowding around the table for dinner.

Grandma occupied the seat of honor closest to the kitchen where she could charge back and forth bearing platters of aromatic goodies fresh from the oven. Grandpa, who everyone called A.C., short for Andrew Christian, sat at the far end with the men. Uncle Steve usually sat next to Grandpa. They traditionally talked shop during the meal.

"That fellow who got hit by the train and lost an eye," said Grandpa, "maybe a ping pong ball or a wad of cotton might fill out the socket."

Grandma did not have a strong voice, but she squeaked out,

"ANDREW! Not at the table!"

Since Grandpa was quite deaf, and they had not invented hearing aids yet, he ignored her. Sometimes he'd smile at her in acknowledgement, too proud to admit that he hadn't heard a word.

Usually, the pastor of our church was a guest on Sundays to partake of Grandma's succulent pot roasts. The former pastor's daughter, Henrietta, had married Grandma's brother, Uncle Sam, which made her "family." Danish families count relatives as distant as Noah's son Japheth.

Even when the new pastor arrived with his pretty daughter, who was about my age, the invitations continued. This did not bother me at all. At one time, I would have liked to help bring her into the family, following Uncle Sam's example.

On his first visit, when I was nearing the end of my stint in grade school, and a year or two from my confirmation ordeal, he sat at that table. He loaded a nice thick piece of Grandma's roast onto his plate. He slathered it with some of her Danish mustard. We tried to warn him that Danish mustard had a bit more nip to it than the tame, prepared mustards he was probably used to, but he waved our caution aside and took a big bite.

There was a moment of reverent silence as we all stared at him. The red blush swelled up from somewhere beneath his collar. His eyes bugged out, and started to tear. For several moments he was speech-

See Table...page 35



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# Aurora to honor 100th Anniversary of WW1 end at 24th Annual Veterans Salute on Nov. 7

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Wednesday, Nov. 7

Wings Over the Rockies Air & Space Museum  
7711 E. Academy Blvd.

This year, there will also be a special tribute honoring and remembering 100th anniversary of the end of WW1.

Tickets are on sale but space is limited and subject to availability. There will be captivating interview opportunities and moments for photography and video.

The annual event includes a sponsor social and time to tour the museum 9:30–11:30 am followed by a lun-

cheon and formal program from 11:30 am–1:30 pm honoring those who served in all conflicts and in all branches of service.

Rick Crandall, station manager and show host with Cruisin' 1430 AM will lead the program as Master of Ceremonies.

Musical performances will be provided by The Denver Dolls and a student choir from Horizon Middle School.

The Aurora Veterans Salute is presented by the city of Aurora, and Cruisin' 1430 AM. It is hosted by the Wings Over the Rockies Air & Space Museum.

– Erin O'Neill

**Superintendent of Marketing & Special Events**  
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## GM Report *...from page 15*

Mystery Theatre.

- Held events for: Friday movies, Saturday Night Dance, Active Minds, Lima Street Band.
- Held Woodshop meetings and classes.
- Processed Craft Fair applications.
- Completed 2019 Clubhouse budget.
- Scheduled fall classes, events, and trips.
- Had Sandberg Auditorium painted and floors refinished.
- Fitness Equipment replaced: rowing machine and ARC trainer.
- Indoor Pool closed for boiler repair.
- Held monthly Reception Desk staff and volunteer meeting.
- Had Locker Room cleaned.

### Contracts

- Managed roofing project at B243.
- Completed some warranty items for siding and roofing project.
- Worked on B216 warranty roof repairs.
- Worked on pricing for audiovisual components for Clubhouse and Restaurant.
- Managed roofing re-coat at B241.
- Scheduled replacing elevator jacks in B203.
- Managed Seville Pool renovations.
- Completed carpet replacement projects.
- Received pricing for asphalt sealcoat projects.
- Worked with City of Aurora for height bars at Atrium buildings (Life Safety requirements).
- Completed pricing for City of Aurora crosswalk — items the HG will provide.
- Worked on pricing for HGA Capital Reserve spreadsheet/database.
- Working with Maintenance on new TES di-

rectory format for B244.

### Custodial

- Completed 30 set-ups at Clubhouse. (Morning Crew)
- Completed 40 set-ups at Clubhouse. (Evening Crew)
- Cleaned Restaurant thoroughly.
- Waxed laundry room and storage rooms in B207 and B208.
- Pressure washed trash chutes in B205–B212.
- Cleaned carpets in B213, B214, B217, and B219.

### Golf

- Fall aeration of greens and tees completed.
- Prepared 2019 Operating Budget.
- Cleaned the storm-water retention pond on the Golf Course. Sent report to City of Aurora.
- Hazed geese with goosinator.
- Seeded all divots on tee surfaces. Installed seed stations at all par 3 tees.
- Began edging and adding sand to bunkers.
- Continued mowing and daily golf preparations.
- Scheduled applying fall fertilizer to roughs and fairways.

### Roads and Grounds

- Hired Assistant Roads and Grounds Supervisor and Grounds Worker.
- Ordered Toro Workman GTX.
- Continued pruning shrubs and low hanging trees (work orders).

- Continued edging sidewalks and drain pans around the community.
- Continued applying herbicide in both turf and beds.
- Continued working with contractors and locators for the Comcast boring project
- Sprayed a portion of the water-wise turf along South Heather Gardens Way.
- Prepared aerators for fall aeration.
- Working with the Green Team on the recyclable dog waste stations.

### Security

- Total of 513 reports written and 3,342 miles patrolled.
- Attended the SEC Committee meeting, where the idea of having HG residential units outfitted with stove-top fire extinguishers was discussed.
- Provided statistics to the SEC Committee regarding the number of annual fires started on stove tops.
- Responded to B222 fire. Provided assistance to residents affected by the incident.

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# Letters

## Heather 'n Yon

A group of us at Heather Gardens (HG) would like to start the first LGBTQ and Friends group in our community .

Please come and join us for the first HG community LGBTQ and Friends Gathering coming in January 2019. Meetings will be held at the HG Clubhouse. More information to come in future issues of *Heather 'n Yon*. For more information, contact David Hetzel, 303-570-7529

**David Hetzel**  
**STH**

## Heather 'n Yon

A great big THANK YOU to Ray and the pool maintenance team for keeping the outdoor pool open until the indoor pool was back in operation. Those of us who frequent both pools are very grateful. I know it was extra work added to your busy schedule, much appreciated!

**Nancy Fuhr**  
**B204**

## Heather 'n Yon

At the end of December the terms of two committee members for the Structure and Maintenance Committee will end. In addition, there will be a new chair for the committee in January.

As current chair, I am looking for several applications from residents who are willing to serve on this very important committee. All maintenance and contract issues are channeled through this committee.

The committee would like members who have some experience with design, construction, electrical or mechanical issues. Also, anyone with an interest in these type of things, and is willing to review contracts or reports in detail, would be welcome.

I will NOT chose the members

for next year's committee. I am trying to get applications in hand so that the new chair can review and build his/her committee beginning in January. With interested residents applying now, there will be no delay in the committee's activities. Applications are available in the Management Office.

**Kathy Buhrman**  
**Chair, Structure Maintenance**  
**Committee, B250**

## Heather 'n Yon

The holidays will soon be here. Residents of HG will again enjoy supporting the Salvation Army Angel Tree Program, which provides toys and gifts to needy children in Aurora.

The Optimist Club will hang tags identifying the children's requests. After purchasing gifts, you can drop them off at the Clubhouse lobby. No need to wrap them. Optimist volunteers will take the gifts to the Salvation Army for distribution.

The trees in the Clubhouse Lobby and Rendezvous entrance will be ready for you to pick up tags on Monday, Nov. 26. Gifts must be returned to the Clubhouse no later than Friday, Dec. 14.

HG provides more gifts to this project than any other group. Thank you, in advance, for your generosity.

**Ronda Bollwahn**  
**B218**

## Heather 'n Yon

### *HG Optimists' Winter Food Drive*

The time has arrived! Collection begins on Saturday, Nov. 10 and continues through 9 am Saturday Nov. 17. Please deposit your donations of non-expired, non-perishable foods and canned goods in the boxes labeled "Optimist Food Drive" that will be located in the lobbies of the multi-story HG buildings.

For those who don't have lobbies, there will be a collection site in the Clubhouse near the Reception Desk.

Food from this year's drive will be distributed through food pantries at the Mississippi Avenue Baptist Church, The Friends of St. Andrew and High Point Church.

Please help the HG Optimists load up those boxes! Thank you for joining us in this gift of giving.

**Tom Merges, Co-chair**  
**B242**

## Heather 'n Yon

Could you include the following notice in *Heather 'n Yon*. It's time for our group's annual sale.

Aurora Potters' Guild Sale  
noon-8 pm Friday, Nov. 2  
9 am-4 pm Saturday, Nov. 3  
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## Heather 'n Yon

A new law may cost homeowners thousands.

HB 18-1342 was first introduced on March 26, 2018, and was signed into law on June 6, 2018. The bill was enacted so quickly and quietly that there was little opportunity for homeowner input. It requires all Homeowners Associations (HOA) in Colorado to provide their homeowners the opportunity to veto the budget proposed by their board of directors. The Bill was sponsored by HG's own legislators — Representative Jovan Melton and Senators Nancy Todd and Daniel Kagan.

The bill and other components of the Colorado Common Interest Ownership Act require HG to find a venue where all homeowners in HGA can simultaneously attend and vote. For small HOA's, this wouldn't cause much expense as their meetings could be held in someone's living room or a local library.

However, the larger the HOA, the larger the cost. HG will need a venue  
*See Letters...page 35*

*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 do not exceed 300 words. Letters will not be run from the same individual in successive months. Writers may publish only 4 letters per year.*

# NOVEMBER CALENDAR

Thu 1	HG Breakfast Optimist Club	Rendezvous Restaurant	7:45 am	
	TOPS (every Thursday)	Blue Spruce Room	8:30–9:30 am	
	<b>Clubhouse Event: Great Rabbis, Great Insights</b>	Mountainview Room	9 am	
	HG Writers Club (every Thursday)	Mountainview Room	1–4 pm	
	Bunko	Blue Spruce Room	1–3:30 pm	
	Cribbage (every Thursday)	Arts & Crafts Room	1–3:30 pm	
	Ping Pong Doubles/Intermediate (every Thursday)	Game Room	2–5 pm	
	CP4 Social	Rendezvous Restaurant	5 pm	
Fri 2	Kiwanis Club of Aurora (every Thursday)	Rendezvous Restaurant	6 pm	
	American Legion Post 2012	Mountainview Room	7 pm	
	Men's 9-Ball Billiard Tournament (every Thursday)	Billiards Room	7–9:30 pm	
	Men with Purpose Coffee	Skyview Room	10 am	
	HG Indivisible Group (every Friday)	Rendezvous Restaurant	12:15 pm	
	500 Club (every Friday)	Skyview Room	12:30–4 pm	
	<b>Clubhouse Matinee: Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again</b>	Sandberg Auditorium	1 pm	
	Men's Poker (every Friday)	Skyview Room	4–9:15 pm	
Sat 3	<b>Clubhouse Movie: Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again</b>	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	
	<b>Clubhouse Event - 1st Saturday Night Live Dance</b>	Sandberg Auditorium	6:30–9:30 pm	
	Mon 5	Men's Bridge (every Monday)	Skyview Room	11:30 am–2:30 pm
		Mah Jongg (every Monday)	Blue Spruce Room	12:30–4 pm
		Ping Pong Singles/Advanced (every Monday)	Game Room	2–5 pm
		Men's Texas Hold 'em (every Monday)	Blue Spruce Room	5–9 pm
Pinochle - Open (every Monday)		Mountainview Room	6:30–9:30 pm	
Tue 6		Bridge (every Tuesday)	Skyview Room	12:30–4 pm
	Hand and Foot (every Tuesday)	Mountainview Room	12:30–4 pm	
	Mah Jongg (every Tuesday)	Blue Spruce Room	1–4 pm	
	Ping Pong Doubles/Intermediate (every Tuesday)	Game Room	2–5 pm	
	B215 Happy Hour	Rendezvous Restaurant	5 pm	
	Co-Ed Billiards Club (every Tuesday)	Billiards Room	6:30 pm	
	NoteAbles Mixed Chorus (every Tuesday)	Sandberg Auditorium	7 pm	
	Wed 7	<b>Meet &amp; Greet with General Manager Calvin White</b>	Clubhouse Lobby	8–9:30 am
ACBL Duplicate Bridge (every Wednesday)		Aspen/Blue Spruce Room	1–4:30 pm	

## Advertised Activities and Seminars

Thu, Nov 1	Bayer Ear Clinic (Every Monday)	Arts & Craft Room, 9 am–noon (See ad, p. 28)
Wed, Nov 7	Veterans Week at Cherry Creek Schools, Events all week as different schools (See ad, p. 8)	
Thu, Nov 8	Free Lunch/Window Seminar, Renewal by Andersen, Rendezvous, 11 am–1 pm (see ad, p. 40)	
Sat, Nov 17	Free Breakfast and Presentation, Be Well Dexter, Aspen Room, 9 am or 10:30 am (See ad, p. 23)	
Sat, Nov 17	Lunch and Learn, Harvard Square, RSVP, 11:30 am–1 pm, (See ad, p. 48)	
Wed, Nov 28	Discovery Luncheon, St. Andrew's Village, RSVP, Noon–1 pm, (See ad, p. 36)	

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<b>Wed 7</b> (cont'd)	Pinochle (every Wednesday) Co-ed Poker (every Wednesday) CP1 Happy Hour Aviation Club Square Dancing Club	Mountainview Room Blue Spruce Room Rendezvous Restaurant Aspen Room Sandberg Auditorium	1:30–4 pm 5–9:15 pm 5 pm 7 pm 7:30–9:30 pm
<b>Thu 8</b>	<b>Clubhouse Event: Great Rabbis, Great Insights</b> <b>Clubhouse Event: Comcast Account Reviews</b> Green Team HG Republican Club <b>Clubhouse Event: Bingo</b>	Mountainview Room Lodgepole Lounge Skyview Room Blue Spruce Room Sandberg Auditorium	9 am 10 am–3 pm noon 1:30 pm 3–5 pm
<b>Fri 9</b>	Karaoke Club	Aspen/Blue Spruce Room	6 pm
<b>Sat 10</b>	Women with Dreams 50 and Who's Counting	Mountainview Room Picnic Pavilion	2–4 pm 5:30 pm
<b>Tue 13</b>	VNA Clinic Parkinson's Support Group HG Indivisible Group	Blue Spruce Room Aspen Room Aspen Room	1–5 pm 1–3:30 pm 3:30 pm
<b>Wed 14</b>	<b>Clubhouse Event - Active Minds: Lewis and Clark</b> Tennis Club	Sandberg Auditorium Rendezvous Restaurant	2 pm 5 pm
<b>Thu 15</b>	HG Breakfast Optimist Club <b>Clubhouse Event: Holidays on the Cheap</b> <b>Clubhouse Event: Comcast Account Reviews</b> Bunko <b>Clubhouse Event: Holiday Tea</b>	Rendezvous Restaurant Blue Spruce Room Lodgepole Lounge Blue Spruce Room Sandberg Auditorium	7:45 am 10 am 10 am–3 pm 1–3:30 pm 3 pm
<b>Fri 16</b>	Men with Purpose Coffee <b>Clubhouse Event: Creative Card Making</b> <b>Clubhouse Matinee: Three Identical Strangers</b> <b>Clubhouse Movie: Three Identical Strangers</b>	Skyview Room Arts & Crafts Room Sandberg Auditorium Sandberg Auditorium	10 am 1 pm 1 pm 6:30 pm
<b>Sat 17</b>	Wine and Cheese Social Club	Aspen/Blue Spruce Rooms	3–5 pm
<b>Mon 19</b>	VNA Clinic Photography Club	Blue Spruce Room Aspen Room	1–3:30 pm 3:15–5 pm
<b>Wed 21</b>	Colorado Symphony Guild (Hilltop SE Chapter) <b>Clubhouse closes at 6 pm</b>	Rendezvous Restaurant	11:30 am
<b>Thu 22</b>	<b>Thanksgiving Day — Management Offices and Clubhouse closed</b>		
<b>Fri 23</b>	<b>Management Offices closed</b>		
	Mobile Post Office	Circle Driveway	11:40 am–noon
<b>Mon 26</b>	Angel Tree begins: children's gifts (Salvation Army) Low Vision Support Group	Clubhouse Mountainview Room	9 am 1:30 pm
<b>Tue 27</b>	HG Democrat Club B205 and B206 Happy Hour Sevillians Dinner <b>Colorado Capitol Updates</b> Caregiver's Support Group	Aspen/Blue Spruce Room Rendezvous Restaurant Rendezvous Restaurant Mountainview Room Aspen Room	4 pm 5 pm 5–7 pm 6:30 pm 7 pm

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# NOVEMBER CALENDAR, Cont.

<b>Wed 28</b>	Resident Orientation	Board Room	10 am
<b>Thu 29</b>	<i>Clubhouse Event: Deck the Halls</i> <i>Clubhouse Event: Comcast Account Reviews</i>	Clubhouse Lodgepole Lounge	10 am 10 am–3 pm
<b>Fri 30</b>	<i>Clubhouse Event: Vintage Trio</i>	Sandberg Auditorium	1 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 Blue Spruce Room. For more information, call Daisy Hoeme, 303-752-2312.

**Six Stone Jars Catholic Bible Study**, Please join us for a journey through the Scriptures. Only requirement is your Bible. We meet @ 9:30 am Tuesdays, Sept.–May, in the Mountainview Room. For information, call Geraldine Pochowicz, 303-740-6105, or email [gerry.pochowicz@comcast.net](mailto:gerry.pochowicz@comcast.net).

**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.

## FYI

### Colorado Legislature Town Hall Meetings

Once a month, the legislators who represent HG, Senator Nancy Todd, Senator Daniel Kagan and Representative Jovan Melton, come to HG for a town hall meeting. It is your chance to share your opinions on various topics with your legislators. The next meeting is 6:30 pm Tuesday, Nov. 27, in the Mountainview Room.

### Food Truck Rodeo

Several food trucks congregate at the Aurora Municipal Center's Great Lawn, 11 am–2 pm Friday, Nov. 2. Experience new flavors at lunch. [AuroraGov.org](http://AuroraGov.org), 303-739-7182.

### Electronic Recycling

Nov. 1–7, 9 am–6 pm

Techno Rescue, 779 N. Peoria St. #15A

Techno Rescue, a veteran-owned green IT company located in Aurora, will be collecting electronics at its own facility for the first two weeks of November. Techno Rescue can recycle more than just TVs and computers. You can bring almost anything with a cord or a battery, including VCRs, stereos, printers, fax machines, cell phones, microwaves, small appliances and more. All data stor-

## Heather 'n Yon Deadline - 11/14

### • Monthly Meetings • Boards and Committees

- Civic Affairs – 10 am Thu, Nov. 1
- ~~Property Policy – 9:30 am Mon, Nov. 5~~ Cancelled
- Communications – 10 am Tue, Nov. 6
- HGMD Board – 10 am Thu, Nov. 8**
- HGA Board – 1 pm Thu, Nov. 8**
- Golf – 10 am Tue, Nov. 13
- ~~Long Range Plan – 1 pm Tue, Nov. 13~~ Cancelled
- Foundation – 1 pm Wed, Nov. 14
- ad hoc Investment Policy – 9 am Thu, Nov. 15
- Arts & Craft Room
- ACC – 10 am Thu, Nov. 15
- Clubhouse/Rest – 1 pm Thu, Nov. 15
- Budget & Finance – 10 am Mon, Nov. 19
- HGA Board – 1 pm Tue, Nov. 20**
- SEC – 1 pm Wed, Nov. 21
- Roads and Grounds – 10 am Tue, Nov. 27
- Structure Maintenance – 1 pm Tue, Nov. 27
- Annual Membership Meeting TBA**

age media are wiped and physically destroyed to protect your identity. Please review the prices and list of unacceptable items:

LCD monitors, \$5; CRT monitors, CRT TVs and flat (LED, LCD and plasma) TVs under 22 inches, \$20; TVs over 22 inches, \$40; Projection, DLP, and Console (encased in wood), \$70.

Unacceptable items: exposed or broken CRT tubes; alkaline batteries, car batteries, light bulbs, air conditioners, refrigerators, equipment containing Freon, large household appliances, office furniture, paper, plastic, glass, tires, aerosol cans, oxygen tanks, fire extinguishers, propane tanks, helium tanks, pressurized canisters, equipment containing gasoline or other

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### 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, Nov. 11, 1–3:30 pm, Blue Spruce Room, VNA 303-698-6496.

Monday, Nov. 17, 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.

## Letters...from page 31

capable of seating 2,426 homeowners. One venue stated the cost would be \$16,000.

The logistics of complying with this law is something our legislators did not consider. What will be the requirements and cost for notifica-

tions? What difficulties will seniors have getting to and from the selected venue? Will there be sufficient parking, and will homeowners have to pay to park? How will the votes be accurately counted in such a large group? Will homeowners need to be credentialed to enter the meeting?

The irony is that the meeting to

veto the budget costs enough that it must be budgeted. Another irony is that HG has to prepare for a large turnout without knowing if there will be one. Please let our legislators know your thoughts on this.

**Forrest McClure  
B231**

**Chair, Civic Affairs Committee**

## Table...from page 27

less, until he finally managed a choking, "WOW!" After that episode, his use of Danish mustard was more restrained.

There was a large double window on one wall across from where I usually sat, but the only view was of a window in the neighbor's house a few feet away. It just happened to be the bathroom window. That was not even so bad, except that the lady of the house never pulled down her shades when she had urgent business there. We could all watch her flip her dress up over the back of her head before descending onto the throne.

We did not have TV in those days, but who needed it? When Grandma discovered what us kids were sniggering about, she was embarrassed. Actually, the neighbor was quite elderly for us — probably in her late 30s. We soon lost interest. Anyway, at our next meal, Grandma pulled down OUR shade.

One day during a wake for an ancient family member who had expired, we were sitting around the dining room table enjoying a smorgy. I always enjoyed family funerals. It was like a holiday with tears. I got to see all my cousins. We had a great time dashing about the spacious rooms, destroying some of the solemnity of the occasion. I was still too young to appreciate the gravity of the situation. I was probably still in kindergarten.

The conversation turned to the interesting fact that when Uncle Han's arthritic limbs, which had frozen him into a fetal state, were stretched out, he revived on the embalming table and survived two more weeks of agony. This second time, the embalming fluid made sure there would be no resurrection. There was

speculation about whether it would have been more humane to embalm him the first time around, sparing him those two weeks of agony.

I noticed that the older set were weeping and wailing, hugging each other. I wondered why. After all, he was an old man who had suffered much in his later years. Now, at least according to what I had been taught in Sunday School, he had gone to a wonderful place called heaven where there was no pain but only joy. Why weren't they all happy for him? I wondered if I had missed something that I was not being told. I was not privy to Uncle Han's entire life. Perhaps he was not going to that happy place after all! Maybe that's why they were all crying.

Grandma always had the huge coffee pot perking 24 hours a day, not just for funerals. The grocery boy or the mailman on their rounds would stop in and pour a cup, then sit down to enjoy some of the ubiquitous pastries that always decorated one end of the table. No formal invitation was necessary.

Sometimes, Grandpa would bring up a tramp in those depression days. The tramp was treated just like family, though the fragrance was sometimes so overpowering that, despite all the culinary temptations, it drove us kids away to the living room.

In order to be polite, the adults suffered in silence. Those knights of the road (today we'd call them homeless) would never leave without a dollar. Sometimes one of Grandpa's "retired" funeral outfits with striped pants, swallow tail coat and black derby hat left with the visitor.

Grandma cremated the rags these fellows arrived in, giving them a proper burial [the rags not the fellows].

Now and then we invited an

honored guest to join us at that table. There were rumors that Victor Borgé and the King of Denmark once graced Grandma's table, but I never confirmed that. I do remember missionaries from China and India.

I remember two dark-complexioned young men from British Guiana. They wore turbans, which I suppose made it all right to invite them to eat with their hats on in those pre-integration days. For years, I corresponded with the one who went back to "BG." I added the stamps from his letters to my collection. Years later I saw one of their friends again in California when I was in seminary. I learned that they still remembered those meals around Grandma and Grandpa's table.

For all the years of my childhood and early youth, the dining room table was the center of family activity. We made plans there. We gossiped there, We commiserated there. We shared our joys and sorrows there.

I learned about death. I also learned a great deal about life. I'm sorry that my kids will have only this second-hand account to pass on to their children.

Maybe, some day they will have a big table of their own where the family can gather. Maybe I'll still be alive to join them, and instruct them how to make the best use of a dining room table.

**- Bob Ove  
CP2**

## HG Photographers

The Communications Committee is looking to select a photo to publish on the cover of the annual **Heather Gardens Directory**.

Send your photos by **Nov. 30** to [LynnNeu@comcast.net](mailto:LynnNeu@comcast.net) or [lewis.boeve@heathergardens.org](mailto:lewis.boeve@heathergardens.org)



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# Clubs and Organizations

## HG Breakfast Optimist Club

The club is a service organization that focuses on youth in the community, and is always looking for folks interested in joining us. Our projects this year include 6th Avenue Elementary School, the Salvation Army, Childhood Cancer Outreach, Type 1 Diabetes, Aurora Cooks and Aurora Warms the Night.

We meet on the first and third Thursdays of every month at 7:45 am in Rendezvous. Please join us – we'll treat you to a complementary buffet breakfast at your first visit.

For reservations, contact Jeannine Montgomerie, 309-310-5315 or [jmntg.1229@gmail.com](mailto:jmntg.1229@gmail.com). Like us on Facebook.

Our November meetings will be Nov. 1 and 15. Don't do breakfast? We're interested in starting a group that meets later in the day — get in touch for more details!

## TOPS

Are you ready to stop dieting, and start making real changes? TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) can help you reach your weight-loss goals by providing the tools, information, and support that you need to be successful.

TOPS has been a winning formula for members over the last 60+ years. At only \$32 a year and 15¢ a meeting, When you join TOPS, you will have fun with other members while you learn how to Take Off Pounds Sensibly.

The HG club meets from 8:30 to 9:30 am every Thursday in the Blue Spruce Room. Men and women are welcome. Come in around 8:15, so we can say "hi!" For more information, contact Vicki Queen, 303-489-0409, or visit [www.TOPS.org](http://www.TOPS.org).

## 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 1-4 pm every Thursday in a Clubhouse room. Please contact Gloria Leshner, 720-435-7713, for further information. We look forward to meeting you.

## CP4

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

– Carol Drollinger

## Kiwanis Club of Aurora

The 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 Rendezvous Restaurant at HG. Website: [Aurora-co.kiwanisone.org](http://Aurora-co.kiwanisone.org). For more information, call Rich Richardson, 303-368-5747.

## American Legion Post 2012

This Post meets in HG, at 7 pm on the first Thursday of the month. We would love to have you join us, and talk with the leadership, helping us help your community grow stronger in support and unity.

The Legion Family would like to welcome you into an exciting, patriotic family of great people. The American Legion is about you, and how we can be of service to you. What ideas do you have that we may bring in to your community? Contact District 6 Commander Annette Johnson, 303-627-0892.

## 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.

## Uke Crew

Are you interested in playing a fun instrument — the ukulele — and having a great time singing? The HG Uke Crew is an up-and-coming club. Members get together on the first and third Friday afternoon, 4–5 pm, B218, #407. New members are always welcomed. All you need is a ukulele, and be willing to learn and practice the music. Call Darlene Park, 303-798-5088.

## 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 every month at Radiant Temple, 225 Acoma St., Denver. Lunch is 11:30 am. Lodge 12:15 pm.

We are the only lodge that meets during the day in the Denver metro area. For information, call Bill Rapp, 303-953-1021.

## The NoteAbles Mixed Chorus

As the hot summer glided into brisk days and cool nights, we took our "Hats" off the shelf. Trees turned vivid colors, and the "Autumn Leaves" began to fall.

Did you feel it? "It's In the Air" when the "First Snowfall," "Walking Pneumonia and the Boogie Woogie Flu," and the spooks at Halloween parties become a part of a community experience.

We are fast approaching the holidays. The "Amazing Grace" that Thanksgiving brings, when "Somewhere In Our Memory" we reminisce on past gatherings, and "Sometimes" reflect upon the things that center around the friends and family we love, surround us.

The NoteAbles are preparing for another unique Christmas Concert entitled "It's In The Air," to be held Tuesday, Dec. 11. There will be no admission charged, but a good-will donation would be gratefully accepted. Mark your calendars for this special event, and come celebrate the holidays with us.

## CP1

Our happy hour meets at 5 pm on the first Wednesday (Nov. 7) of each month, in the Banquet Room.

## The Green Team

The team welcomes visitors or new members at any time. We meet the second Thursday of each month, noon–2 pm in the Skyview Room. Next meeting: Nov. 8. Questions? Information? Call 303-306-0066.

Please mark 3 pm Thursday, Dec. 13, on your calendar (in the Aspen/Blue Spruce Room). We will be honoring 12 HG residents for the wonderful environmental work they have been doing. This will be the first annual celebration of its kind in our community. We would like for everyone to come and hear what these wonderful folks have been doing to

make our neighborhood a cleaner and healthier place to live.

### **HG Republicans**

Our club will meet at 1:30 pm Thursday, Nov. 8, in the Aspen Room. Due to a conflict last month, House Minority Leader Rep. Perry Buck was not able to join us. However, we are now honored to have him scheduled in November. Everyone is invited. Refreshments will be provided.  
– Ruth Prendergast, 303-632-7873.

### **Karaoke Club**

The club meets 6–8 pm on the second Friday of every month in the Aspen/Blue Spruce Rooms. BYOB and snacks.

Great songs to choose from and sing. Sing solo or with a group. For information, call 303-398-3998 or 309-310-5315.

### **Women with Dreams**

We meet on the second Saturday of each month, 2–4 pm, in the Mountainview Room. – Charlotte Haymore

### **50 & Who's Counting**

November is our favorite month because we do our famous Thanksgiving dinner. The club will furnish and cook turkey, potatoes, and gravy. Everyone else should bring side dishes, bread or desserts.

It will be 5:30 pm Saturday, Nov. 10, for social time; 6 pm for dinner. Please feel free to invite guests. Remind members who haven't come in a while that they may come. All guests, who have not paid dues, will be asked to pay \$5 per person.

Since we must purchase food, we are asking that reservations be made before Tuesday, Nov. 6. Call Sandy Brent, 720-281-7906.

### **A Circle of Friends**

Do you need to meet new friends and find new activities? Give us a call — A Circle of Friends is the original Ports of Call Singles (OPOCS) group, 55+. We will meet and greet you, and learn what you like to do.

Monthly activities include Senior Ric's, 4–6 pm, second Monday. Panera's, 9-11 am on the third Monday of the month: coffee, social time. Birthday Lunch Brunch: poker, pinochle, bridge plus social times. Bakers St. Pub, 4–6 pm, fourth Thursday. Call Joann Cunningham, 303-751-5195, HG resident, for more information and monthly newsletter.

### **Aurora Christian Women's Vital Network Brunch**

We invite you to join us the second Tuesday of the month, 9:30–11 am, in Blossoms at Windsor Gardens. We have an interesting feature, and a speaker who has an uplifting story. We have brunch, which costs \$13, including tax and tip. Everyone is welcome. For information, call Karen, 303-888-3555.

### **Parkinson Support Group**

This group meets on the second Tuesday every month, 1-3 pm in the Aspen Room. Contact Meredith, 303-731-4620, with questions.

### **Heather Gardens Indivisible**

Our group is an informal network of citizens concerned about preserving democracy, promoting equality of opportunity, and ensuring that government serves all of the people. We focus on providing information that individual citizens can use to be informed voters and communicate with elected officials.

We meet on the second Tuesday of the month at 3:30 pm in the Aspen Room. If you are concerned about these issues, please join us.

Summaries of recent monthly meeting discussions can be found on our web site: <https://sites.google.com/view/hgindivisible>.

We hold an informal information-sharing meeting every Friday in Rendezvous at 12:15 pm. Everyone is welcome. – Al Lindeman

### **B203 and B204**

B203 and B204 hold a combined social, meeting at Rendezvous on the second Tuesday of each month, 5 pm, for drinks and dinner. – Laurel McClaren, 303-337-2685.

### **HG Aviation Club**

The HG Aviation Club meeting will be one week earlier for November ONLY, on Wednesday, Nov. 7. After that we'll return to our normal schedule on the 2nd Wednesday of the month. We will still meet in the Aspen Room at 7 pm.

I must apologize for last month's disaster. Between my schedule and no working internet in the Aspen Room, we had to abort the program. I will reschedule the 911-Flt. 93 program, probably in January.

This month's program will be the History of the Lockheed Aircraft company from its founding by broth-

ers Allan and Malcolm Loughhead (Lockheed) in 1918 to today's most modern and advanced aircraft manufacturer. They pronounced their name Loughhead as "Lock-heed." Later they changed their name to Lockheed to match the pronunciation.

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The first successful plane at Lockheed was the Vega, an all wood aircraft. It was instantly a hit. Wiley Post flew it around the world in a new record 8 days and 15 hours. Amelia Earhart flew a Vega across the Atlantic to set world records for the first woman to fly Trans-Atlantic.

The 2nd great Lockheed plane was the Electra, an all metal plane with twin engines and twin tails. It became one of the greatest planes of its time. Amelia Earhart and Wiley Post flew an Electra for their tragic around the world speed attempt.

Learn this fascinating history about a great American aircraft company. It produced the P-38 Lightning, T-33 (first jet fighter), F-104 Starfighter (first supersonic), U2 Stealth (first stealth and high altitude spy plane), and SR-71 Blackbird (record setting, high altitude and fastest jet aircraft ever built). – Rudy Morris

### **Photo Club**

The HG Photo Club meets on the third Monday, 3 pm in the Aspen Room. All are welcome to attend, and enjoy and learn about good photography.

### **B205 and B206**

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

### **Colorado Symphony Guild– Hilltop/Southeast Chapter**

This chapter of the Colorado Symphony Guild meets over lunch on the third Wednesday every month in Rendezvous. A business meeting

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# Sports and Recreation

## 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.

## Ping Pong

Fun and free, great exercise. Come join us in playing ping-pong doubles, 2 pm Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays in the Game Room. Beginners may meet on Fridays at 2 pm, but you must call Bob Schlageter, 303-751-2205, to make arrangements. You will need to bring someone to play with. See you there. – B. Schlageter

## Men's Golf

Gentlemen: the Fall Banquet, conducted at the wonderful Rendezvous Restaurant, was a big hit. We had great attendance and a delicious, well-prepared meal.

With the presentation of the Champion's trophies, and the election of next year's officers, our competitive season has drawn to an end. We will still be able to enjoy our outstanding golf course, however, during the fall and winter seasons. So get out and play some more.

Maybe you choose to explore warmer weather to the south. Do what you can to continue enjoying this wonderful game we play. You can count on your board to work hard during the offseason to make sure that next year will be as successful as this year.

## Tournament Results September 21

### A Flight

- 1st John Good
- 2nd Dave Oakland
- 3rd Gary Hill, John Bender
- 4th Neil Buck, Tom Leavey, Chuck Finder
- 5th Chris Hughes, William Schmidt, Gary Barranco

### B Flight

- 1st Brian Bucenec, Manny Gallegos
- 2nd Jess Deal
- 3rd Jim Pardikes
- 4th Mark Ruhl

### C Flight

- 1st Ray Binder
- 2nd Bob Ledford, David Krell
- 3rd Bob Neu

### D Flight

- 1st Tom Scally
- 2nd Gale Gibson
- 3rd Bruce Richards, George Dipaolo
- 4th Bill Riley
- 5th Ralph Romero, Sam Lozano

### E Flight

- 1st Steve Galambos, Larry Francone
- 2nd Jon Erion
- 3rd David McCollom

## September 28

### A Flight

- 1st Tom Leavey
- 2nd Gary Hill
- 3rd John Bender
- 4th Larry Hill
- 5th Neil Buck, William Schmidt, Bob Bengen, Chris Hughes, Tom Parko, Dave Oakland

### B Flight

- 1st Tom Merges
- 2nd Vern Thompson, Manny Gallegos
- 3rd Jess Deal

### C Flight

- 1st Ray Binder, Bob Neu
- 2nd Mark Marquardt
- 3rd Bob Ledford

### D Flight

- 1st Bruce Richards
- 2nd Rich Richardson, George Dipaolo
- 3rd Ralph Romero
- 4th Sam Lozano
- 5th Bob Bamford, George Wiemann

### E Flight

- 1st Steve Galambos, David McCollom, Tim Bessey
- 2nd Bob Budden
- 3rd Milt Bonham, Larry Francone
- 4th Joe Heugel, Mike Corcoran

Until next year, remember: respect fellow golfers, respect the course, embrace the single player and keep swinging. – Ed Bradley

## 500 Club

We want you! Do you like to play cards with a fun, easy-going group of people? Then you must join us for 500.

We play at 1 pm every Friday in the Skyview Room. Don't know the game? It's easy to learn, and we are happy to teach. See you Friday!

–Linda Serio, 303-368-8123.

## Mexican Train Dominoes

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

## Men's Bridge

This group meets every Monday, 11:30 am–2:30 pm, in the Skyview Room. Maris Kuga, 720-748-0590.

## Mah Jongg

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

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: Estelle, 303-750-0936.

## 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 Wednesdays, 1:30–4 pm, Mountainview Room. We only play for fun and entertainment. With questions, call Virginia Walcher, 303-632-8039.

## Pickleball

The schedule for Pickleball will be emailed to everyone on the Pickleball email list for November. The times to play Pickleball outdoors on the HG Tennis Courts will be every Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday afternoon, 1–3 pm. We also will play indoors when there is available time.

To see this lively sport in action, visit the "Pickleball at Heather Gardens" website: [plaidflannel.com/Pickleball](http://plaidflannel.com/Pickleball). The website offers detailed information on our current playing schedule, instructional videos and information on the game's history, rules and equipment.

If you want to learn more about Pickleball, or get on the roster, call Rosalie, 303-751-1226, or Judy, 303-369-6258, or contact us by email at "[pickleball@plaidflannel.com](mailto:pickleball@plaidflannel.com)."

## Hand and Foot

Hand and Foot is a card game that is fun, and easy to learn. We meet every Tuesday, 12:30–4 pm, Mountainview. With questions, call Phyllis Lann, 720-535-8531.

## Mah Jongg

We meet 1–4 pm every Tuesday, Blue Spruce Room, except the second Tuesday, when we play in the lobby (behind fireplace).

All players welcome, including beginners. You must have the latest Mah Jongg League card. Social game; we do not play for money, only glory.

Never played Mah Jongg? Come and observe, to see if you wish to learn. Call Carol, 720-628-4051, or Pat, 720-535-4603, for information.

## Billiard Club

The club meets for co-ed 8-Ball at 7 pm on Tuesdays, and Men's 9-Ball at 7 pm on 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, or Connie Burns, 303-695-0766.

### Co-ed 8 Ball September 18

- 1st Brian Bucenec, Judy Brehmer
- 2nd Hi Reynolds, Elaine Blinder
- 3rd Gil Lochhead, Tom Brooke

### September 25

- 1st Chuck Finder, Shannon Boyd
- 2nd Lindy Davenport, Judy Brehmer
- 3rd Gil Lochhead, Dee Moore

### October 9

- 1st Lindy Davenport, Larry Schneller
- 2nd Brian Bucenec, Ray Binder
- 3rd Hi Reynolds, Shannon Boyd

### Men's 9-Ball September 20

- 1st Brian Bucenec
- 2nd Chuck Finder
- 3rd Lindy Davenport

### September 27

- 1st Gail Gibson
- 2nd Roger Goldstein

### October 4

- 1st George Hoffman
- 2nd Roger Goldstein
- 3rd Chuck Finder

### October 11

- 1st Hi Reynolds
- 2nd Lindy Davenport
- Connie Burns

## Ladies Golf Club

Fall has arrived, and snow has fallen, bringing our 2018 golf season to a close. What a great season it was. We are so lucky to belong to this wonderful organization: Where else can you meet new friends, tell golf stories and enjoy the camaraderie this club offers?

Thanks to 2018 Club Officers, HGLGC Board and committee members for all that they have done. They made this such a wonderful season.

Major thanks goes to Linda Savage and her Social Committee for planning and organizing a fabulous Fall Luncheon in Rendezvous. Sixty-four of our members attended. By the looks of it, all had a wonderful time.

During the luncheon, the club welcomed four guests: Nancy Henson, her daughter Melinda Cary, Golf Course Supervisor Brian Benko, and Golf Pro Bob Macaluso. Bob spoke from the heart to all of us on how much he appreciated our league and all the many years he has worked with us. In addition, Bob donated 10 complimentary rounds of golf, which were given out in various gift bags.

Thank you to the various individuals who donated golf items that comprised 22 gift bags. There were some excellent surprises for the lucky winners. Lynn Donaldson, *Heather 'n Yon*, donated a new "rescue club." Chris Rothwell won it.

The famous "green jacket" (with green crown) and trophy were awarded to Pat Reichert. It was her second win – way to go, Pat!

On a closing note to the luncheon, Beulah Gould, who will be president next year, said she is looking forward to another great golf season, and invited ladies to join our wonderful group.

A very special thank you goes out to Mavis Richardson. Where does one start to thank her for everything she has handled and organized on behalf of this club? She did it all with a smile on her face, patience and genuine affection for everyone. What a great breakfast spread you provided for the Helpers Tournament. Too bad, the golf got cancelled.

I hope everyone had an awesome season — golfed well, met new friends and enjoyed the overall camaraderie of our wonderful club. FYI, as you may have heard, the PGA is changing certain rules for 2019. Please check out our website for an update. We look forward to seeing you next year.



*Texas Hold 'em Winners from Sept. 28 tournament (from left): 1st place Gina Abegg, B250; 2nd Larry Hill, B234; and 3rd Mary Helen Gautreaux, B207.*

*Special note: Abegg had never played the game before.*

## Post-season Winners Sept. 19

### Flight A

- 1st Charlane Plucheck
- 2nd Sally Perisho, Pat Reichert

### Flight B

- 1st Shirley Hendren, Judy Nelson
- 3rd Trudy Marquardt, Barb McShane

### Flight C

- 1st Beverly Nelson, Sally Koepke, Carolyn Manly

### Flight D

- 1st Ann Agee
- 2nd Cindy Belz, Linda Gonzales

## September 26

### Flight A

- 1st Charlane Plucheck, Margie Francone
- 3rd JoAnn Fitch, Pat Reichert

### Flight B

- 1st Rosalie Einspahr
- 2nd Shirley Hendren
- 3rd Judith Kauzlarich

### Flight C

- 1st Judy Brehmer, Mary Frevert
- 3rd Helen Reasoner, Sharla Sheeks

### Flight D

- 1st Linda Gonzales
- 2nd Jeanine Kilde
- 3rd Sandra Sweeney

HGLGC encourages all women interested in golfing, no matter their skill level, to join our handicapped golf league. It is a great league comprised of awesome women who enjoy weekly camaraderie, entertaining stories, great friendships and – of course – golf.

New members can obtain an application in the HG Pro Shop or by contacting Debbie Madril, 303-755-9990, or Mavis Richardson, 303-368-

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# HGMD Foundation

The Foundation committee did not meet in October.

## Donations to the General Fund in September

- Duplicate Bridge in memory of Jack Toslosky
- Susan Mitchell and B250 in memory of Vincent Sanguedolce

- B217 in memory of Janet Wagner, Dorothy Lewis and Ed Keller
- Sweatshirt sales totaled \$300 for September. Balance at end of the month was \$185,895.26 (of which \$150,000 was in certificate of deposits). Next meeting 1 pm Wednesday, Nov. 14.

**Bonnie McMullen**  
HGMD Foundation Chair, HGMD Board Director

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combustible fuel, car fluids, paint, solvents, chemicals, smoke detectors, carbon monoxide detectors, thermostats, mercury containing equipment or materials, neon signs, radioactive equipment or materials, unsanitized medical equipment.

### America Recycles Day

9 am–1 pm Thursday, Nov. 15  
Central Facilities Recycling Station  
13646 E. Ellsworth Ave.

Drop off liquid mercury in jars or containers, thermostats, barometers, and other mercury containing devices, along with alkaline and cadmium zinc batteries. Safely recycle these items at no cost.

Can't accept compact fluorescent bulbs or fluorescent tube lighting, lithium-ion batteries or other batteries not listed.

[AuroraGov.org/recycle](http://AuroraGov.org/recycle) or 303-739-7173

### Normandy (France) D-Day 2019

Sound of the Rockies men's chorus has been invited to perform at solemn services for the D-Day 75th Anniversary at Omaha Beach and at the American Cemetery in Brittany on June 6, 2019. About 15 singers need some amount of financial support to be able attend, including one singer whose father stormed that beach at

age 19 and survived.

You or your organization can help with a tax-deductible donation of any amount. There are premiums for \$50 and \$100 gifts. Some organizations have donated \$500 to \$5,000. Checks should be payable to "Sound of the Rockies" with "Normandy Fund" in the memo line and can be mailed to

Bruce Henson,  
3252 SHGW, Aurora, CO 80014  
or call 303-358-8210

### Warning Sirens Test

At 11:30 am Tuesday, Nov. 13, the Aurora Office of Emergency Management will conduct an audible test of the city's outdoor warning sirens. If you are outdoors, you should hear a three-minute wailing sound, which in the case of a real emergency would serve as a warning to take shelter and seek more information via a weather radio, local media or the city's social media. The sirens may not be audible indoors. Audible tests are conducted twice a year, with silent testing conducted weekly.

### It Looks Like Your Bank Calling

A new phone scam that's rapidly spreading is so convincing that it's even fooling tech experts!

Crooks are now spoofing the 1-800 number that's displayed on the back of our banking cards (credit or debit) and they're giving unsuspect-

ing customers a call. They will then claim to be representatives from your bank's Fraud Department. They claim that your card has unauthorized charges and it needs to be replaced.

*How to protect yourself from scams like this?*

These types of bank number-spoofing scams are relatively new. Don't be surprised if crooks now have your sensitive information such as your name, phone number, address and Social Security number on hand. But don't be readily fooled!

*Here's what you need to do:*

*Phone number:* If you receive a text or email claiming to be from your bank, do NOT call the phone number that is provided. Whenever you need to discuss banking details, always call the number that is printed on the back of your debit or credit card. That way you know the number is legit.

*Security details:* You should NEVER reveal your security details like your full passwords or PIN code over the phone. A bank will never ask for your password over the phone. They might ask you to answer a pre-set security question, which is fine, but never your password.

*Be vigilant.* Never assume that a text message or email is genuine.

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## Clubs...from page 39

starts at 11:30 am, followed by lunch and a program. We invite new members to join us. RSVPs required. Call Ruth Guy, 303-750-3981.

### Wine and Cheese Social Club

Join us on the third Saturday, Nov. 17, 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. – Debbie Brooks, 303-923-3809.

### SRA

The Seville Recreation Association meets the fourth Monday of every month, 10 am, in a different Seville building. For information: Vicki Wolfe, 360-589-9502.

### HG Democrats Club

The club meets monthly on the fourth Tuesday, 4-5:30 pm in the Aspen Room. The next meeting will be led by Tom Fitzgerald, 303-338-4360, [TTAF65@msn.com](mailto:TTAF65@msn.com). – Martha (Marty) Karnopp, Chair, 303-353-9640, [mjkarnopp@gmail.com](mailto:mjkarnopp@gmail.com).

### The Sevillians

The monthly social is 5 pm on the fourth Tuesday, Banquet Room. – Patt Clark

### The Society of Military Widows Chapter 22

We meet the fourth Saturday of the month at Blossoms in Windsor Gardens. We have lunch, which is

\$13.50, and includes tax and tip. For information, call Sally, 303-751-7299. For a reservation, call Monica, 303-341-2482. – Mae Shockley

### Low Vision Support Group

Our no-cost meetings are held the fourth Monday of the month, 1:30 pm, Mountainview Room. We hope you will join us. Free transportation to meetings is available. Call Marsha Bergen, 720-535-5224.

### Caregivers Support Group

The group meets on the last Tuesday of the month in the Aspen Room, 7 to 8:30 pm. All caregivers are welcome to attend.

This is an opportunity to share our joys, challenges, successes, solve problems, and share helpful information with each other.

If you cannot leave your care receiver alone, we have an experienced caregiver who will spend the time with your special person in another room in the clubhouse during our meeting. For more information, call Nancy Fuhr, 303-337-4890.

### CP3

We will not have a social in November. Please save the date: 5:30 pm Wednesday, Dec. 19, for our Christmas Holiday Party. Details in December. – Cindy Crockett, [cindy-crockett5@gmail.com](mailto:cindy-crockett5@gmail.com)

### Frolics Club

The club held its annual Open House in October to recruit new members and performers for next year's show. Members who would like to submit a script or ideas for next year's show must do so in writing. Please write a theme outline with songs and set suggestions, and place it in the Frolics box at the Clubhouse, c/o Maria Mines. It is not necessary to submit an entire script: a synopsis of a topic and musical themes will be accepted for review. We welcome all suggestions.

Auditions for 2018 Spring Show are scheduled: 2 pm Sunday, Jan. 6, in Sandberg Auditorium. – M. Mines

### League of Women Voters

The League of Women Voters of Arapahoe and Douglas Counties (LWVADC) is a cadre of dedicated volunteers whose mission is to educate, advocate, and empower our fellow citizens in the democratic processes. Membership is open to women and men. Call Charlotte Faris, 303-690-8466, for information on meetings.

### HG Grief Support

If you have lost a loved one, our Grief Support Group can help you. We offer eight-week sessions — spring and fall — to help participants through their grief. Registration is required. Please contact Joanne Brand, 303-750-9722, for information. Joanne Brand has been offering support groups for more than 12 years. Individual contact is available if you need help at other times.

## Sports...from page 43

5747. Also, check out our website [heathergardensladiesgolfclub.com](http://heathergardensladiesgolfclub.com) for additional details and information. The HGLGC board will hold its last meeting of 2018 at 1 pm Wednesday, Oct. 31, in the Board Room.

– Charlane Plucheck & JoAnn Fitch

### HG ACBL Duplicate Bridge

This club plays 1 pm Wednesdays in the Blue Spruce Room. Help setting up is appreciated, so come early. For more information, call Merrily VanZevern, 720-282-3199, or John Osterberg, 720-535-1038. For partnership information, call Linda Harder, 303-369-2032.

### Men's Poker

We welcome all interested men poker players to join us at our regular poker sessions. On Monday and Wednesday of each week, we play Texas Hold 'em in the Blue Spruce Room. Ladies are invited to join us at the Wednesday sessions.

On Fridays, we play friendly, small-stakes poker, in the Skyview Room, including a variety of "dealers choice" games. All play is 5–9 pm. Please call Larry Hill, 720-272-7765, or Milt Merrick, 303-829-7188.

### 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.

### Tennis Club

Starting Thursday, Nov. 1, the Tennis Club will play 1–3 pm through the fall and winter, then change back to mornings in April. We welcome everyone to join us on the courts.

Our monthly meeting/social is the second Wednesday, except in December, when the Holiday Party takes precedence. Join us at 5 pm Nov. 14 in Rendezvous, to meet members and learn about our club. Call Wendy, for information, 303-306-0066.



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# Trips and Tours

**Please Note:** Courtesy calls from the Clubhouse are made 2–3 days prior to trip to give check in times and other pertinent trip information.

- Non-residents may only attend as the guest of a resident.
- Please note refund policy prior to registering.
- *Please tell Reception Desk if you need wheelchair accessible seating.*

## Dazzle

Thursday, Nov. 29, 10:30 am  
 Deadline: Thursday, Nov. 8  
 Thursday, Dec. 27, 10:30 am  
 Downtown  
 Cost: \$28

Senior Jazz lunch features great live jazz! Includes your choice of three chef-inspired entrees, soda, coffee, tea or glass of red or white wine, draft beer or well drink. Tax and gratuity included.

## Educating Rita

Wednesday, Nov. 7, Arvada Center

**Sold Out**

## After Midnight

Wednesday, Nov. 14.  
 Lone Tree Arts Center

**Sold Out**

## A Christmas Story – The Musical

Saturday, Nov. 17,  
 Boulder Dinner Theatre Stage

**Sold Out**

## U.S. Air Force Academy Cadet Chapel

Sunday, Nov. 18,

**Sold Out**

## Denver Concert Band: Heroes and Holidays

Sunday, Nov. 18  
 Lone Tree Arts Center

**Cancelled**

## Cuba 2D

Tuesday, Nov. 20  
 Denver Museum of Natural Science

**Cancelled**

## Holiday Lights Tour

Tuesday, Dec. 4. Time TBD  
 Tuesday, Dec. 11. Time TBD  
 Thursday, Dec. 20. Time TBD  
 Cost: \$2.60

### Additional seats available!

The RTD Holiday Light Tour will take you on a tour of Denver's popular holiday lights. This yearly Senior-Ride tradition takes you to some Denver's most popular light attractions, including places such as the State Capitol, Denver Zoo and other Denver landmarks.

## A White Christmas

Thursday, Dec. 6,  
 Denver Center Performing Arts

**Sold Out**

## Sound of the Rockies: Snowbound

Saturday, Dec. 8, Newman Center

**Sold Out**

## ELF – The Musical

Wednesday, Dec. 12, 11:30 am,  
 Arvada Center  
 Cost: \$59

Deadline: Monday, Nov. 12

One of the most beloved holiday movies in recent years is live on stage! *ELF – The Musical* is the uproarious tale of Buddy, who as a child, mistakenly crawls into Santa's bag of gifts and is transported to the North Pole, where he is raised among elves. Unaware that he is actually human, Buddy's enormous size and poor toy-making abilities cause him to question where he came from. With Santa's blessing, Buddy embarks on a journey to New York City to find his birth father, and discover his true identity. By spreading his unfailing holiday cheer, Buddy helps

bring people together, and finds the human family he never knew he had. Includes lunch, 11:30 am.

## The Nutcracker

Sunday, Dec. 16, 1 pm,  
 Ellie Caulkins Opera House

**Sold Out**

## Home for the Holidays

Wednesday, Dec. 19, 1:30 pm,  
 Lone Tree Arts Center  
 Cost: \$40

Deadline: Wednesday, Nov. 28

Back by popular demand! Holidays are about traditions, so continue your tradition with hometown favorite *Home for the Holidays*. There's something for everyone in this family-friendly holiday spectacular: dancers, singers, drummers, holiday songs, and of course, a celebrity appearance by you know who! With a revised storyline for 2018, *Home for the Holidays* is sure to delight and put you into the holiday spirit.

## Colorado Mammoth Lacrosse

Sunday, Jan. 20, 11:15 am  
 Pepsi Center  
 Cost: \$35

Join Heather Gardens residents to participate in the opening ceremony of a Colorado Mammoth Lacrosse game at the Pepsi Center. You will become the "tunnel" for the players as they run onto the field to play against the Calgary Roughnecks. Since making their debut in 2003, the Mammoth have been at the center of a lacrosse boom in Colorado. Lacrosse is a high energy, fast playing game. This is a chartered-bus event. Sign up early. Bus will pick up residents between B243 and B244 at 11:15 am. Return at 4:30 pm.

## Casino Trips

### Mardi Gras or Golden Gate – Blackhawk

Tuesday, Nov. 20, 8:30 am–3:30 pm  
 Tuesday, Dec. 18, 8:30 am–3:30 pm  
 Cost: \$6

Get a \$10 food voucher upon arrival redeemable at either Mardi Gras Casino or Golden Gate Casino. You get \$5 free play on a Players card (existing or register for one at the casino). Bus will pick up travelers in the Atrium parking lots between B243 and B244.

## TRIPS POLICY

No transfers or refunds. Non residents may only attend as the guest of a resident. Note that RTD trip times listed are not actual departure times, they are approximate. Courtesy calls are made 2-3 days prior to trip to give check in times and other pertinent trip information. Please call if unable to attend. Bring your receipt to check-in.

Please note the signup/payment deadline for each trip. Don't wait until just before the trip departs to register or you'll miss it!

The local fare for SeniorRide and Senior shopper is **\$2.60 round-trip for passen-**

**gers 65 years or older** and \$5.20 round-trip for all other passengers. Regional fare is \$4.50 round-trip for passengers 65 years or older and \$9 round-trip for all other passengers. Fare paid to driver.

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.

Questions about trip availability? Call the Clubhouse, 303-751-1811.



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# HG Clubhouse Events

Please bring your receipt to the event.

Clubhouse Hours: 6 am to 10 pm, Monday–Saturday  
6 am to 8 pm Sunday • Phone 303-751-1811

Clubhouse Manager Linda Aluise

Assistant Clubhouse Manager Lewis Boeve

Clubhouse will close at 6 pm on Wednesday, Nov. 21

Clubhouse will be closed on Thursday, Nov. 22

Happy Thanksgiving!

## Great Rabbis, Great Insights

Thursday, Nov. 1 and Nov. 8, 9 am, Mountainview Room  
FREE

Rabbi Fleisher will discuss the weekly Parsha in the context of telling the story of a great Rabbi and then share some of his insights on the Parsha.

## Movie Matinee and Night: *Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again*

Friday, Nov. 2, 1 pm and 6:30 pm,  
Sandberg Auditorium

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

In 1979 young Donna, Tanya and Rosie graduate from Oxford University — leaving Donna free to embark on a series of adventures throughout Europe. On her journeys, she meets Harry, Bill and Sam. She falls in love with Sam, but he's also the man who breaks her heart. Skip forward to present day, Donna's pregnant daughter, Sophie, dreams about renovating a taverna while reuniting with her mother's old friends and boyfriends on the Greek island of Kalokairi. Rated PG-13.

## 1st Saturday Night Dance

Saturday, Nov. 3, 6:30–9:30 pm, Sandberg Auditorium  
Music by Memories

Fee: HG resident, \$6

Non-resident and on the day of event, \$8

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.

## Muscle Behind the Move

Wednesday, Nov. 7–28, 8:45–9:15 am, Sandberg Auditorium

Fee: \$12

Instructor: Tifani Sorensen

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## Bingo with Harvard Square

Thursday, Nov. 8, 3 pm, Sandberg Auditorium

FREE: Registration requested, call 303-751-1811.

Come, play a few rounds of Bingo, with great prizes and refreshments. It is free to play.

## Active Minds: The Lewis and Clark Expedition

Wednesday, Nov. 14, 2 pm, Sandberg Auditorium

FREE: Registration requested, call 303-751-1811

This program focuses upon Lewis and Clark's expedition that opened the West more than 200 years ago. The achievements and challenges of the expedition will be explored. The legacies it left for a young nation will be noted. Building upon the experiences from the expedition, your speaker will also discuss the evolution of this country's relationship with Native Americans and the lands they inhabited.

## Holidays on the Cheap

Thursday, Nov. 15, 10 am, Blue Spruce Room

FREE: Registration requested, call 303-751-1811

Mile High Cheapskate Laura Daily presents "Holidays on the Cheap," a fast-moving look at how to navigate and survive the holidays without burning a hole in your wallet. The workshop will cover ways to save on gifts and gift giving, festive feasts, decorations, craft shows, visits with Santa and his elves, as well as the tried-and-true and maybe new-to-you cultural events. We even have some tips on surviving Black Friday. Note: This is NOT a craft-making class. As always, in true *Mile High On The Cheap* fashion, there will be prizes and surprises.

## Holiday Tea

Thursday Nov. 15, 3 pm, Sandberg Auditorium

Fee: \$6 pre-register, \$7 on day of event

Enjoy a variety of teas and desserts while watching a demonstration of creating a holiday centerpiece. You will learn to make your own centerpiece, using your own creativity and simple items that are purchased. Fancy hats optional. Presented by King Soopers Florist.

## Creative Cards

Friday, Nov. 16, 1 pm, Arts & Crafts Room

Fee: \$20 material fee payable to instructor

Registration requested, call 303-751-1811

Make beautiful decorative cards for any occasion. All materials provided, just bring your creativity. Attendees will make 4 cards, 1 design each, envelopes included.

## Movie Matinee and Night: *Three Identical Strangers*

Friday, Nov. 16, 1 pm and 6:30 pm, Sandberg Auditorium

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

Three strangers are reunited by astonishing coincidence after being born identical triplets, separated at birth, and adopted by three different families. Their jaw-dropping, feel-good story instantly becomes a global sensation complete with fame and celebrity. However, the fairy-tale reunion sets in motion a series of events that unearth an unimaginable secret — with radical repercussions for all. Rated PG-13

### Deck the Halls

Thursday, Nov. 29, 9 am–noon

Help your Clubhouse staff decorate. We'll have the supplies ready. We need your help to decorate the trees and put up garland. Lunch is served to the volunteers who helped.

### Vintage Trio

Friday, Nov. 30, 1 pm. Sandberg Auditorium

*Fee:* \$4/\$5 day of event.

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Saturday, Nov. 3–Tuesday, Nov. 6, Arts & Crafts Room

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Tuesday 7 am–7 pm

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## Life as a scavenger hunt

by Mary Hafka

I think the last time I participated in an actual scavenger hunt, I was in high school — it was also the first time. This was during the 1960s, a simpler time when a bunch of teens could actually bang on a stranger's door in the Midwest, announce they were looking for a red tennis shoe, for a scavenger hunt — and not get shot or the police called.

Over the years, though, there have been a never-ending series of scavenger hunts in my life, most of them pursued without ever leaving my house. This is one of those syndromes people hear about, which exacerbate with age: I know I have a [fill in item] somewhere — I just can't remember where I put it.

The current bane of my life-as-a-scavenger hunt is two sets of new, still-in-the-pack Dr. Scholls gel shoe liners — one regular, one with a slit toe, to wear in thong sandals. This game is entering its fifth year, but I still hope to rediscover them, someday.

I have a vague memory, while unpacking from the last time I moved, of stashing the gel soles somewhere, until I needed them. I haven't seen them since and — believe me — I've looked.

Knowing that I have a bunch of unopened, unused Dr. Scholls just waiting for me — if I can find them — I refuse to purchase more. As a consequence, I limp a lot.

I once lost a pair of antique earrings for about 10 years. Rather fragile in their design, one snapped in two at the pieced-ear hook. I stowed them away until I had time to take them to the jeweler for repair.

I finally found the earrings in a place I'd already search four times. Guess the fifth time is charm. I got the earrings repaired, then hid them away again, for safe keeping.

I think I could find them now, but as I haven't worn them in many years, I'm not entirely sure.

I have an ongoing love-hate relationship with the never-ending eBay search. When something I'm offering in my eBay store finally sells online, it can take me forever to track it down.

I know it's in the house, somewhere. The uninitiated might think that packaging and mailing sale items is the most aggravating part about having an eBay store. They would be wrong.

This never-ending scavenger hunt highlights a simple fact: probably all of us — and certainly I — just have too much stuff.

A friend recently cleaned out her guest room, as she had a relative coming to stay. She discovered, while emptying the closet, she was the proud owner of 14 beach towels. She swears she doesn't know how they got there. Perhaps, in a dark, warm place, two towels got friendly, and multiplied.

When the entire "my life is a scavenger hunt" phenomenon becomes too much to bear, I recommend doing what I do every 20 years or so: move. Moving triggers going through and cleaning out the items that once seemed impossible to part with, but — now — not so much.

When I moved from my tiny, 3-bedroom home near Buckley Road, in 1998, and joined my mother in HG, I had to clear out the full, unfinished basement in my house. My father had thoughtfully built me storage shelves, and I had gotten into the habit of taking coveted items I was "saving for later" and tossing them there.

The treasures I unearthed when cleaning off those shelves were astonishing. I found a brand new

fondue set a friend had given me as a housewarming gift, still in the box, never used. I found various pieces of exotic cookware I'd been excited about, then forgotten I owned.

Today, I probably would sell these items on eBay, but this was then. Various charities — Goodwill, Disabled Veterans of America, Salvation Army — got a lot of generous donations from me that year.

When I moved from my CP1 home to my patio home in CP6, I had to clear out many things that had belonged to my parents. One treasure I came across was a small, beribboned box of letters in a handwriting that distinctly was not my father's.

Realizing I'd stumbled across a box of love letters to my mother, I carefully put those aside, for a day when I had time to sit down, and digest them fully. It was many months later, after I'd settled into my new house, that I tackled the task.

The letters were from the 1940s. My mother once had admitted to me she'd been engaged to another guy before she met and married my father. She was deeply in love with him, she said, but broke off the engagement when she learned her fiancé was unfaithful.

I had a bit of a disappointment when I began to go through the letters. I couldn't tell if they were from the former fiancé, or not, but what was clear was, the letter writer was a talented caricaturist/cartoonist.

The letters and the envelopes were festooned with cartoon figures that probably made witty points about the times and events of the day. Unfortunately, my mother only kept the drawings. She had snipped away, with a scissors, everything surrounding the cartoons, so I couldn't actually read the letters.

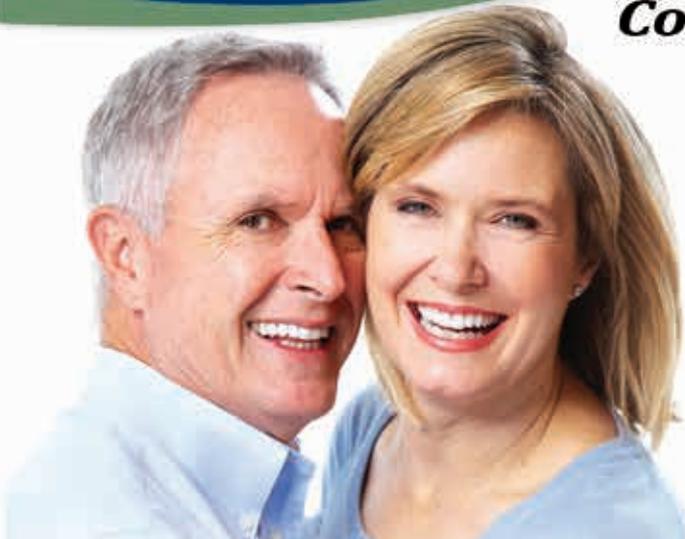
My mother had the last laugh, I suppose, protecting her privacy, but I was sort of steamed. It's true she never had my fondness for amassing stuff. Still, I felt, the least she could have done was preserve the juicy bits, for posterity.



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of the golf course. Step out to a lovely garden area with bench and lovely trees. This seller has really enjoyed her flowers. Just steps from the golf course and path to the clubhouse. **\$252,500**

## Coming Soon:

- **Patio Home** with updated kitchen and full, finished basement
- **Seville A**, 2BR/2BA new carpet, new paint
- **Alpha A**, 2BR/2BA new carpet, new paint
- **Alpha E**, 2BR/1BA totally remodeled

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• **3184 S. Heather Gardens Way #405**

**Alpha G** 2BR/2BA + Den 1380 sq.ft. Flex room with its own patio door. 4th floor vaulted ceilings **\$219,500**

• **13661 E Marina Drive #508 Somerset K** 2BR/1BA 1050 sq.ft. Quartz counter tops & quality laminate flooring. Newer appliances. French doors **\$239,500**

• **\*13931 E. Marina Drive #401 Atrium N** 1BR/1BA, 779 sq.ft. Charming Atrium with new carpet, granite counters, fresh paint. Bright and sunny south view from lanai.

\*Not all properties listed above are listed by Heather Gardens Brokers

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