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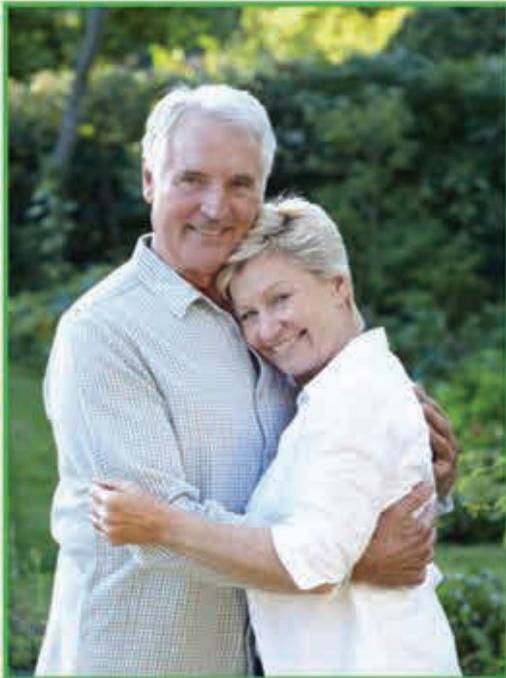
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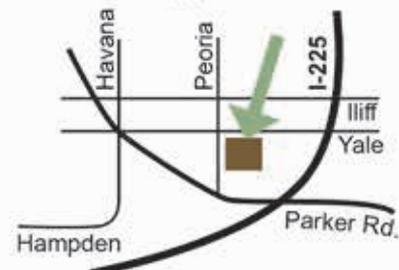
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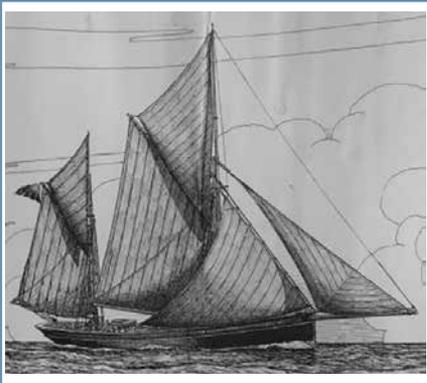
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HGA treasurer appointed; “no support” for combining two boards

Six directors attended the June 13 meeting of the HGA Board of Directors. A seventh was quickly added, when John Coil, B244, was selected as the board’s latest appointed director and its treasurer.

Coil has been a member of the Budget & Finance Committee, which he will now chair, as treasurer. Coil replaces HGA Treasurer Susan Lambert, who resigned from the board in May.

Coil headed the committee and was principal architect of creating a Capital Reserve Plan for HG. The board approved the framework for the Capital Reserve program at its April 11 meeting (See page 6.)

Ron Hileman, B223, asked, “Is this board [the homeowner’s association] in favor of merging with HGMD?” [The Heather Gardens Metropolitan District (HGMD) is the board that owns HG’s recreational properties.]

HGA President Kay Sawyer responded, “No.” She did not elaborate further.

One additional board seat is empty because Jim Sutton resigned from the board in early June. Applicants for appointment to Sutton’s seat are being sought. Director Kathy Buhrman also was absent from the meeting.

Director Bill Reynolds, chair of the Nominating Committee, announced there will be five openings on the board at the Oct. 3 election. He remarked that the Nominating Committee, which Reynolds chairs, hopes to have at least 10 candidates vying for the five open spots.

The “Meet The Candidates” forum will be on Saturday, Sept. 16, 3–5 pm in Sandberg Auditorium. At this venue, office seekers present their credentials to HG residents and answer questions.

John Smith, B217, asked for the board’s permission to swap his parking space for that of Jerry Altman, the resident who died last year in the B217 fire. For reasons of health, being 11 spaces closer to the elevator would make a tremendous difference to his and his wife’s daily living, Smith said.

The board voted in favor of his request, dependent upon his successfully negotiating a deeded swap of the property (parking spaces), to be recorded with Arapahoe County. The heirs of Jerry Altman have agreed to the swap, Smith said, as they are selling their B217 unit anyway.

Bill Wilson, B210, asked the board why it had not offered a progress report on the repairs to the sixth floor of B217. “This board is responsible for providing updates,” he said.

Residents displaced by the B217 fire “are in a desperate struggle to move back into their units — it has been more than a year. Their insurance [to pay for alternate housing] is running out, and they are living on savings... it’s an absolute disgrace how these elderly people are being treated,” Wilson said.

He added, “The general manager should take full responsibility for the ineptitude of handling this project.”

Following on the same theme, Chuck Ramsey, CP5, stated, “We should look at a property manager taking over. It would save money, and they have qualified contractors. I would request we start looking into that.”

Dawn Wooderson, B206, asked the board to consider a moratorium on enforcing code violations until the ACC procedure memorandum could be “professionally” rewritten. She complained that PM A-1 is confusing, and hard to follow.

ACC Chair Dave Archer responded, “We are doing just that [rewriting the PMs] now to simplify the language and get rid of ambiguity.”

Archer moved that the board change another ACC PM, regarding what can be stored in parking-structure spaces, in front of a car. The rules were relaxed a while ago, but “people took advantage of it,” Archer said. The board approved his motion to “remove the paragraph, and go back to the old system.”

Jim Sollechio, B210, asked when HGA is going to start enforcing the rules in the community garden.

“There’s lots of trash there,” he said. “People were told to forget about the rules, since no one knows what they are.” General Manager Calvin White said that a walk

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This hand-made Honor Quilt, proclaiming “Land of the Free, Home of the Brave,” was prominently displayed at HG’s Memorial Day Event. Creator Carolyn Morris, B217, stands by it. Photo by Anne Hummel-Gillis.

Extra! Extra! Information for you—

Capital Project Financing Plan

Over the past 12+ months, your Reserve Subcommittee has been hard at work with staff to determine what Heather Gardens Association (HGA) needs to finance its capital projects for the next 30 years. This work is called conducting a capital reserve study.

While efforts had been undertaken in the past, none produced a final product. That is not true this time. The Reserve Subcommittee completed the Capital Reserve Study and produced a document called, "The Capital Projects Financing Plan." This was just for the HGA. A separate study is still needed for the Heather Gardens Metropolitan District.

The members of the Reserve Subcommittee learned about the past and noticed problems. The capital portion of your HGA fee would rise and fall based on the immediate capital project needs. For the short term, you could not assess what the fees would be from one year to the next. On the longer term, the fees might rise significantly as major projects arose. Some of the major projects were not even anticipated. Typically in those cases, funds were borrowed from the Impound Fund to pay for those unexpected costs. Fees were raised and stretched over a number of years to pay back to the Impound Fund what was borrowed. Capital financing was not getting HGA's

capital reserve fund ready for the big projects still coming. When that happens, each resident would be hit with an increase in fees that might cover many years in a row.

That leads to the reason for conducting a Capital Reserve Study. The primary reason is to minimize the need to ever have any form of a special assessment issued to owners. Such a study identifies the capital needs in HG for the next 30 years. We have a projected stream of capital expenses covering repairs and replacements in the facilities that are needed to keep HGA in good capital financial shape.

To balance the forecast costs, a revenue stream makes the payments when needed. The revenue stream is defined as a steady flow of funds (deposits) into the capital reserve fund (the bank). As projects are done, funds are withdrawn from "the bank" to pay for the costs.

The revenue stream is kept steady so that each of us can anticipate the funds needed each year to be placed in "the bank." The stream is also kept steady by increasing the deposited amount by the rate of inflation, keeping revenues on par with costs that continue to rise.

The Reserve Subcommittee began with the 20-year capital projects list from the 2016 budget. Based on collective knowledge, members of

the subcommittee added a number of missing project categories. HG staff was supportive in defining the missing categories, but we did not stop at that point. A typical capital reserve project must meet criteria to be included on the project list.

We found that HGA is regularly doing capital projects that were not anticipated. Much of this is because HG is not a young community. The residential buildings are 30–45 years old. As such, the Reserve Subcommittee created a "filler" category for these projects. We assigned a frequency that these unanticipated projects might occur as well as the cost estimate. It will take a few years to get a better handle on unanticipated projects.

The next step was to estimate the costs in future years. The key unknown is future capital projects inflation rate. We found a number of sources toward that end. However, what we really need is a history of capital project cost inflation at HG. That does not exist. It will take a few years to assemble. In the interim, the Reserve Subcommittee recommends applying an inflation rate of 3.5 percent per year. If the actual inflation rate is 3.6 percent per year, your fees would increase about \$1 per month per unit. Conversely, if the actual inflation rate dropped 0.1

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Amber Alert

You may ask what does "amber alert" mean. It stands for *America's Missing: Broadcast Emergency Response*. This program was designed to achieve a uniform, interoperable network of plans across the country and to minimize potentially deadly delays because of confusion among varying jurisdictions.

The four guidelines for issuing an **Amber Alert** are as follows:

1. Law enforcement must confirm an abduction prior to issuing an alert.

This is essential when determining the level of risk to the child. To allow activations, in the absence of significant information that an abduction has occurred, could lead to abuse of the system and ultimately weaken the plan's effectiveness.

2. Risk of serious bodily injury or death must be assessed before an **Amber Alert** can be issued. This assessment is clearly related to law enforcement recognition that stranger abductions represent the greatest danger to children.

3. Sufficient descriptive information by law enforcement is important to locate the child and the abductor, as well as descriptive information about the suspect and the suspect's vehicle.

4. Every state adopted the "17 years of age or younger" standard; or, at a minimum, agree to honor the

See *Amber Alert...*page 51



Quorum achieved: June meeting convenes with two directors

Both directors of HGMD, who were determined by legal counsel to be properly seated on the board — Craig Baldwin and Vincent Velasquez — attended the regular meeting on June 15. With a quorum present, the directors passed several measures that had stacked up. Because the last two regular board meetings (April and May) lacked a quorum, board business could not be done and no motions passed.

Baldwin introduced two representatives of Special District Management Services (SDMS), A. J. Beckman and Elizabeth Ward. Beckman is the designated election official for the HGMD Recall Election, scheduled for Aug. 9; Ward is the assistant designated election official. SDMS is an independent, third-party entity that has been retained by the HGMD.

“We will be working closely with your counsel (Judith Ivey), to conduct the recall election properly, according to law,” Beckman said. He and Ward outlined practices and procedures for the election, in response to questions submitted by the audience.

Mail-in ballots will be mailed to voters between July 18 and 25, he noted. There will be no polling place, but a drop-box will be located in the Clubhouse lobby, so that voters can drop off their ballots, if they prefer that to mailing them back.

Ballots must be returned by 7 pm Wednesday, Aug. 9. Tabulating the ballots will begin as they are received at the SDMS office. After the election, a canvas board, of Beckman, Craig Baldwin and George Stokes, will be convened, to examine the conclusions of the election judges, ensuring that all numbers of ballots, ballot stubs and envelopes agree.

The canvas board will certify the results and deliver a certificate to the new director, if Velasquez is recalled and another is elected to replace him. Once the new member takes the oath of office, is duly sworn, and the oath is cer-

tified, the business of taking up HGMD’s work can begin. Beckman offered his phone number, if any HG resident had a question about the Recall Election, 303-987-0835.

A special meeting of HGMD has been scheduled for 1 pm Friday, Aug. 25. Should the recall of Velasquez be successful, the new director plus Baldwin will appoint three additional directors, bringing the board back to its full complement of five directors.

At the regular HGMD Board Election, in May 2018, four slots will be open. Baldwin’s and Velasquez’s terms of office are up in 2020.

Ward commented that measures to verify signatures of voters would be the same as that used by the state of Colorado. If Velasquez wants to appoint a poll watcher, he is free to do so, although the ongoing nature of counting the ballots make appointing a poll watcher unusual — it’s not usually done for mail-in elections.

On a two-to-zero vote, the directors approved the following items of old business:

...award a contract to Metro Pavers to move the storm drain by the south exit of the Clubhouse parking lot about 30 feet eastward (\$27,940, which is \$1,640 under budget).

...replace carpet in the Clubhouse lobby and around the Reception desk (\$10,488).

...purchase a Toro Fairway lawn mower from L.L. Johnson, for the golf course (\$58,540, which is \$4,924 under budget).

...approve a contract with the Frolics Club, for it to use the Sandberg Auditorium for its 2018 spring show, under the same terms as 2017.

...approve changes to the Clubhouse/Restaurant Procedures Memorandum, CR-1 Sect. 4, regarding closing the restaurant to the public for large events.

HGA Board looks for candidates

In compliance with Procedures Memorandum PM E-1, dated June 9, 2015, the Nominating Committee is now accepting applications for nominations to fill five positions on the Heather Gardens Association (HGA) Board of Directors, which will become vacant on Jan. 1, 2018.

Qualifications and eligibility considerations:

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

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

C. Should have one or more of

the following:

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

2. Administrative and leadership experience and abilities.

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

Application procedure:

Please complete an “Application for Nomination” form, available from the Management Office or any member of the Nominating Committee.

A. A résumé is a required part of the application. It should be included

on or attached to the original application.

B. Deadline for receipt of applications by the committee is one week prior to the regular HGA Board of Directors meeting in August. Applications must be submitted to the Management Office by close of business (4 pm) on Monday, July 31.

C. The Nominating Committee will review all applications and publish a list of all candidates meeting the above qualifications during the Aug. 8 board meeting.

– Bill Reynolds
Chair, Nominating Committee

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The Heather Gardens Association (HGA) oversees all residential properties. The Heather Gardens Metropolitan District (HGMD) oversees community amenities and bond payments.

A Management Agreement established in 1983 (updated occasionally in subsequent years) has coordinated the workings of the HGA and the HGMD for decades.

Over recent months Mr. Vincent Velasquez, a current HGMD Board member, has sought to terminate the long-standing HGA-HGMD Management Agreement and to undermine HG's harmonious government functioning.

1. FINANCIAL IRRESPONSIBILITY.

Mr. Velasquez has ignored his duty to provide careful management of our community's finances.

- ▲ Mr. Velasquez has acted to terminate the HGA-HGMD Management Agreement without researching costs involved.
- ▲ He has taken actions – again without cost vs. benefit analyses– or consideration of consequences that have resulted in a decline of golf course use by non-residents. This decline has produced a loss of revenue that may come to require increased HOA dues.
- ▲ He has made costly demands on the District's legal counsel.
- ▲ He has filed a lawsuit seeking removal of HG's General Manager, the HGMD Board Acting Chair, and the District's attorney. Expenses for defense will fall to HG residents.
- ▲ He has required that the present Ballot Measure take place on a mail-in basis, which will cost roughly \$10,000 more than an on-site election polling center. Board minutes reflect that Mr. Velasquez expressed delight at the higher cost.

2. BEHAVIORAL IRRESPONSIBILITY.

Mr. Velasquez has repeatedly been disorderly and belligerent, ignoring established procedures and even basic courtesy.

- ▲ Mr. Velasquez has been absent from meetings without informing the Acting Board Chair. He walked out of the May 2017 and the June 2017 meetings before adjournment.
- ▲ He unilaterally removed the Golf Pro from the Golf Committee in violation of HGMD By-Laws.
- ▲ He has engaged in intimidating behavior directed at staff. His belligerent manner contributed to the decision of the HG Comptroller to resign her position.

For more information regarding Mr. Velasquez's repeatedly harmful behavior, please consult *Heather 'n Yon* issues from February 2017 onward. Talk with neighbors who have attended recent District Board meetings.



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Recall Velasquez election ballots to be mailed in mid-July

For the first time in its history, HG is holding an election to recall one of its directors. Vincent Velasquez, who was elected to a four-year term on the HGMD Board, in an unopposed election in May 2016, is the subject of the recall.

Speaking at the June 15 HGMD Board Meeting, Designated Election Official A. J. Beckman announced the ballots would drop into the mail between July 18 and 25. All eligible electors of the HG Metropolitan District must mail the completed ballots back, or deliver them to drop boxes in the HG Clubhouse, no later than 7 pm Wednesday, Aug. 9.

Protect our Property Values (POPV), a group of residents that formed to spearhead the recall of Velasquez, announced they had retained an attorney, should additional legal advice be needed. At a meeting held on June 15, following the HGMD board meeting, members of the POPV Steering Committee said the recall-committee attorney retained is Paul Rufien of Hamre, Rodriguez, Ostrander & Dingess.

Should no additional legal work be needed, beyond the preliminary work performed by the law firm Inman Flynn, Steering Committee Member Larry Francone said

he expects that some of the retainer paid to Rufien would be returned. Steering Committee Chair Al Lindeman reported that Rufien found the work performed by Inman Flynn to be very good, and wasn't sure that much more would be required.

In accounting for how the committee is spending the money donated to the recall-election effort, Bill DeWitt reported that a full-page ad would run in the July issue of *Heather 'n Yon*, with a half-page ad to follow in the August issue. The July ad would explain in detail, DeWitt said, why the recall is desirable, noting, "Someone is trying to tear the fabric of HG apart. That's what the recall is really about — this is not just about golf. It's a serious structural issue" [cancelling the management agreement between the HGA and HGMD Boards and/or merging the two boards into one].

Lindeman asked those in the audience, to "please use [the July ad] as a guide when you talk to your neighbors about what's going on."

Asked about the future of the POPV after the call election is complete, Lindeman remarked, "I hope we become thin vapor."

Capital Reserve ...from page 6

percent per year, your fees would decrease about \$1 per month per unit. Staff needs to document costs over time to calculate a capital project inflation rate for HG's project mix.

Estimating an earning rate for the balance in the capital reserve fund is next. With low balance levels, we have been able to earn only the lowest available rates of return. As the fund grows to normal levels, we should be able to increase the earnings somewhat. The Reserve Subcommittee has a task for this summer to begin assessing reasonable alternative earning rates for the capital reserve fund. An annual increase in revenues around \$30,000 will reduce the HGA capital fees by about \$1 per month per unit.

What about the amount in "the bank"? Based on the completed assessment, the HGA Capital Reserve Fund is too low. New funds need to be deposited in "the bank". We do not yet have sufficient reserves in the bank to handle some special levels of expenses. HGA has about 20 percent capital funding rate. That funding rate puts HG in a group with other

HOAs that are highly subjected to special assessments at any time. We also found that the amount of deposits in 2016 and 2017 are below that necessary to keep the reserve fund afloat for many years. The Reserves Subcommittee does not want to keep HGA in either of those conditions.

The Reserve Subcommittee had a hard time defining a reasonable level of reserves in the bank. We looked at the theoretical high showing 100 percent funding. That seemed to yield a bank balance way too high. We looked at lower level — 50 percent, 60 percent and 70 percent. We settled on recommending a target of 60 percent funding with a minimum of 50 percent. We still have to a way to go, to get to the minimum level of capital reserves funding. To achieve just the 50 percent minimum by 2035, we need to raise the existing capital funds deposit by about \$10 per month per unit. It will take additional years to reach the 60 percent target funding level. The 60 percent target funding level should give us sufficient reserves to minimize (but not eliminate) any form of special as-

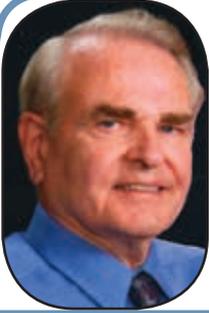
essment. The capital portion of the HGA fee could be reduced if (a) the actual capital project inflation rate was less than 3.5 percent per year and/or (b) additional earnings could be realized on the fund balance.

Two special activities are to be started this summer:

- Defining a HGA capital project inflation rate
- Assessing any reasonable higher investment earnings rates.

These are in addition to the regular monitoring efforts on capital projects and the capital projects financing plan. The Reserve Subcommittee will report back to the Budget & Finance Committee and to the Board on any changes that might be needed, and the recommended capital projects deposit component of HGA fee. Contact the HGA office for a copy of the HGA Capital Projects Financing Plan. The initial version was adopted in April, 2017 as a starting framework.

— John Coil
HGA Board Treasurer
Reserve Subcommittee chair



HGMD Board Secretary Reports

By Craig Baldwin

Thanksgiving in July

We will be celebrating the traditional Thanksgiving on Thursday, Nov. 23 this year. There have been a number of recent events, I feel HG residents have cause to celebrate early. In no particular order, let me name some of the ways.

At a special HGMD meeting in May, the auditing team from Rubin Brown presented their findings for the year 2016 to an overflow crowd in the Sandberg Auditorium. They presented what is called in accounting circles an "unmodified opinion." They found the financial position of HGMD is in excellent shape, and praised the staff of HGA for a "Job Well Done."

At the same meeting, we voted to conduct a special Recall Election, choosing to use a mail-in ballot. The firm of Special District Management Services has been hired to conduct the election, providing a Designated Election Official (DEO) because of the complexity of the process. The estimated cost to HGMD is \$41,000.

Normal HGMD elections cost approximately \$12-

15,000. However that money was not spent for a number of years (at least six), since not enough candidates were running.

Ballots will be mailed starting July 18. You should expect to get yours within a week. Completed ballots must be returned by Aug. 9. You may bring your ballot to the Clubhouse, using the drop box to deliver. Or, you may mail it to the company conducting the election. I urge everyone to please vote; renters and property owners.

You will be asked to recall Director Vincent Velasquez, and choose his replacement from the candidates listed on the same ballot. As of this writing, ballot petitioners are: Gary Hizer, B232; Bonnie McMullen, B234; Charles Wall, B224; and Sandy Rosenberg, STH.

Another of the many things I find to celebrate is the tremendous support this community as shown these past several months. This started when the first petition was circulated and garnered over 300 signatures in January, protesting the changes made by the golf committee chairman.

That was followed recently by the successful recall petition drive initiated by the Protect Our Property Values Committee. Their efforts resulted in acquiring 639 signatures in just one week.

And finally, your attendance at HGMD meetings, plus emails, phone calls and personal contacts, have been an inspiration to me to carry on the important task of "righting the ship" of your HGMD. Thank you.

My contact information has changed. Please email me at craig.baldwin@heathergardens.org or leave a message, 720-535-1917.

Vacancy on HGA Board of Directors

A vacancy on the 2017 HGA Board of Directors exists. Interested homeowners may apply to fill the vacancy. Obtain an "Application for Appointment" form in the Management Office. You must be a resident-owner in HG, and have lived in HG for at least 12 months.

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For additional information, contact Executive Assistant Stephanie Wyche, 303-755-0652, x102, or Stephanie.wyche@heathergardens.org.

IN MEMORIAM

Dorothy Baker (215)
Shirley Mitchell (former 207)
William Sowell (215)
Richard Weiland (217)

HGA...from page 5

through of the gardens has been done and notices given.

The board was told that a preliminary report from the Farnsworth Group, Phase 1, a building life-cycle analysis of one parking structure, is complete. Representatives from Farnsworth will be prepared to discuss their findings in July.

Other actions by the board:

...approved a contract with Denver Commercial Coatings (\$68,000) to re-coat the roof of B222, due to hail damage. The unbudgeted cost will be paid with insurance funds.

...approved request by a CP2 homeowner to add a Solatube skylight in the living room, at the owner's expense.

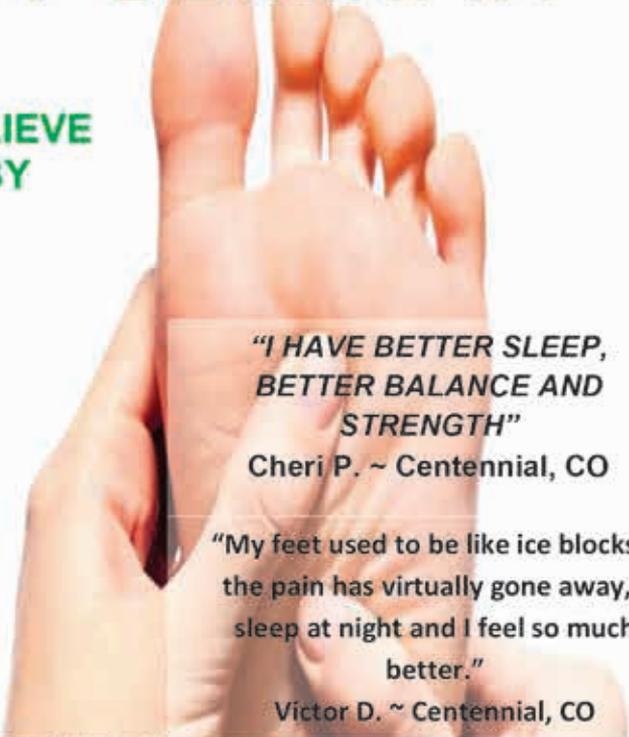


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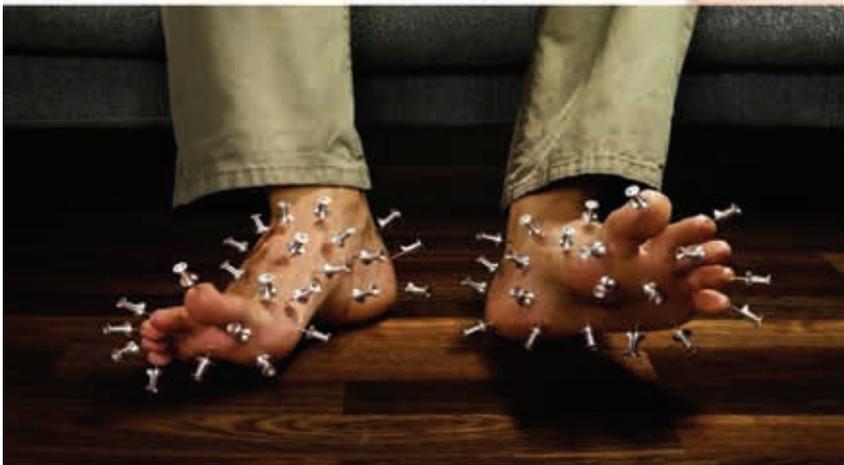


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Publisher's Corner

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by Lynn Donaldson, Editor of *Heather 'n Yon*

I would be remiss, while celebrating our 30th Anniversary of *Heather 'n Yon*, if I did not mention the advertisers that have been with us all along. One caveat to make: while my parents, Helen and Bob Donaldson, helped develop the monthly format from March 1988, it was not until March 1991 that they took over the business end to the newsmagazine — selling advertising, paying printing bills, hiring an advertising manager and paying all who worked on monthly publication.

Here are the advertisers that have been with Donaldsons Inc. since 1991: Heather Gardens Brokers (now Re/Max Unlimited, Heather Gardens Brokers team), Martha Karnopp, Dun-Rite, Renaissance Dome Lighting, Chambers Liquor, Dayton Place (now Morningstar at Dayton), Aspenwood Dental (Dr. Yaros) and Cherry Creek Retirement Center. Special note — resident Ron Dissette, B216, advertised his insurance company, Farmers Insurance Group, from 1991 until he retired.

It was a common occurrence to keep an advertiser for many years — until they retired. Some local businesses like the bank and a pharmacy advertised until they were acquired by another, larger company. Sometimes the new company continued advertising, but both are gone now.

I have always considered these long-term advertisers to be “part of the HG family.” They care enough about the community to put their marketing dollars towards bringing this newsmagazine to your doorstep every month. If you patronize these advertisers, I hope you will give them an extra thank you for their long commitment to HG.

In fact, I hope you thank all advertisers with whom you have contact. Many have been advertising 10

or 20 years — also a significant commitment.

The first issue by Donaldsons Inc. (March 1991) had 15 advertisers under contract. Twelve more were added the next month. By the time Donaldsons had concluded sharing ad revenue with the previous publisher, there were 34 advertisers under contract. Today, we have 90–103 advertisers under contract each month.

One thing that changed in 1991 with a new publisher — the residents of HG would benefit financially from this publication. It is a practice that continues today. Part of the profits to Donaldsons Inc., after all expenses for *Heather 'n Yon* are paid, are shared with HG. It is done quarterly, and is now called a licensing fee since the trademark, “*Heather 'n Yon*,” is owned by HG. My father insisted on that designation from the start. I have renewed that trademark twice (it lasts 10 years), but continued naming HG as the owner.

One thing you notice readily as you look back over the years — advertising has changed significantly in the intervening years. Not only did *Heather 'n Yon*, start to do ads in 4-color after years of black/white exclusively (sometimes with only a single color creating highlights), but the graphics improved. I am pleased to say that

current Advertising Manager Tammy Sillstrop is a talented graphic artist. She put my self-taught efforts to shame as she gave this newsmagazine a more professional look this past year.

Sometimes, things need to be shook up.

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Management

Handle the Stress

By Calvin White
General Manager

Most people have built in mechanisms to help them cope with normal everyday stress. Unfortunately, we are not living in normal times. The political and economic climate weighs on everyone. And everyday, the impact of that weight gives us more stress, wrinkles, ulcers and depression.

The following are some ideas to help each of us reduce the stress and enjoy every day that has been given us.

1. *Limit your intake of negativity.* Emails, gossiping neighbors, social media, and TV news, even when on in the background while you cook dinner or play with the grandkids, are insidious, stress inducers. As human beings, we can only take on so much misfortune and heart-break that is not our own.

2. *Gain Perspective.* Look at life from a historical perspective. Where were you 10, 20, 30, 40, or even 50 years ago? Remember that you obviously survived other difficult times, and probably some of those times were more difficult than what you face today

3. *Have a passion.* Whatever your passion — golf, reading, sewing, gardening, volunteering — drop yourself into it and spend a few hours that takes you completely away from the daily grind. Don't put it off. Do it!

4. *Exercise.* Nothing lowers your stress level and makes you feel a lot better in mind, body and spirit than exercise. Don't procrastinate. Don't think of a dozen different excuses not to exercise. Make the time. Whatever your physical capabilities are, there are exercises that you can do that will help you make your day better.

5. *Choose a reaction with grace.* You can choose to respond to others who are angry, hostile and downright unpleasant with grace. Grace to give them your attention and understanding. Grace to allow yourself the breathing room and understanding not to be angry right back.

6. *Put good stuff out there.* Now more than ever, it is important to remember that what you put out into the world will come back to you. Choose to put joy out there even when you may not be feeling joyful yourself.

7. *Say "Thank You" more often.* Even if you are never thanked for what you do, say "thank you" to your neighbor, a stranger, a Heather Gardens employee, the grocery clerk and to your family.

8. *Focus on what is unchanged.* Your dog loves you. Your grandchildren think you created the heaven and earth. The smell of fresh brewed coffee in the morning is wonderful. Summer is here. Things will be better, because these stressful times are part of a cycle, just like the seasons.

GM's Report

General Manager

- Attended board and committee meetings.
- Reviewed payables and Capital Projects.
- Reviewed ACC Project Approval forms.
- Attended B217 meeting.
- Continued to respond to HGMD email.
- Attended National CAI Conference.

Controller

- Trained on various company software programs.
- Met with admin department regarding overview of duties.
- Met with Key Bank representatives.
- Reviewed financial layout from prior controller.
- Reviewed and became familiarized with B217 project.
- Analyzed B217 contractor and insurance carrier proposals.

- Prepared annual paperwork for Hanover insurance renewal.
- Met with USI representative to discuss upcoming insurance renewals.

Paint

- Completed 57 work orders.
- Continued working on B207 chair rail project.
- Began scheduling walk-around work orders.
- Scheduled crew for asbestos training.
- Primed and painted 6th floor walls and ceilings in common hallways in B217.

Maintenance

- Completed 874 work orders. Of those, 134 were billable to owners.
- Completed plumbing inspections at B218, B219, B241, B242, and CP1.
- Installed a cement swale for drainage away from units in CP4.
- Repaired roof leaks at B242, B243, and B244.
- Completed dryer-vent cleaning on 1st floor of B217 and B218.
- Opened Clubhouse and Seville outdoor pools.

- Repaired Clubhouse indoor pool heater.

- B201, B202, B213 and B214: Electric Contractor inspected and tighten all electrical connections behind unit meters and did visual inspection of main branch wires coming into the building in garage electrical room.
- Repaired hot water supply pipe in Restaurant.
- Replaced damaged heat pipe in concrete floor at B217.
- Contractor replaced B217 air supply duct insulation.
- Installed Fire Department key Knox Boxes in B217, B218, B219 and B220.
- Replaced fire-hose valve on first and third floors of B209.
- Replaced damaged mailbox and bulletin board in STH.
- Installed garage fan in B235 to isolate fans from concrete wall.
- Installed a new heat exchanger in B210 boiler room.

Clubhouse

- Attended: Events Committee,

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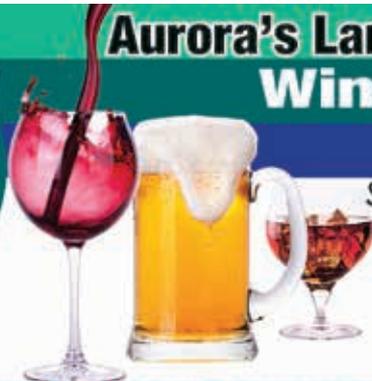
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After WW2, this resident met her German husband; he brought her to Denver

Leafing through a photo album on a clement summer day, Betty Young, B216, points out desiccated homes and farms near Juarez, Mexico. Her index finger stops short of the frame almost as though the photo, too, would turn to powder were it to be touched. She took these photos while on a mission with her son's BridgeWay Church to bring care, love and comfort to the people. It's a conviction she learned from her parents early in life.

The night of September 7, 1940, 11-year-old Betty and younger brother John flinched to Hitler's opening salvos on England. Out in the street, their next door neighbors tensed as a blast rendered them instantly homeless. Betty's family housed the couple in their small two bedroom home for the next four months. Situated at the mouth of the Thames, Leigh-on-Sea would withstand nightly bombardment of its residences, businesses and industry through May 1941.

Nothing was safe from the strafing. Bedtimes found Betty and John under the stairs playing Snakes and Ladders or other box games until dawn. Afternoons they walked along the water's edge and played in the sand. Their mother initiated home schooling, but mostly they read. Food, gasoline, electric power were heavily rationed. Sea mines prevented freshly caught fish from being an option. Ten ounces of meat per week was allocated. Their mother rendered the fat to be poured over toast.

"We got to love it so much, because it was the only thing we had to eat," said Betty.

Life improved when the family evacuated to High Wycombe, January 1941. There they had half an acre upon which to grow spinach, lettuce, cabbage, peas, beans, onions, beets, turnips, celery and parsley. They gathered apples and edible mushrooms. At times, they ate meals served two miles distant in the town hall, where the children walked to school.

Upon the war's end, Betty trained in London for a profession in podiatry. She enjoyed life as a young professional who owned her own business. She saved enough money for a sailing vacation with friends on a four-masted ship in the English Channel. On that trip, she met her future husband, Helmut Junge.

Son of a wealthy and well-known cinema art direc-

tor, Helmut, too, had been displaced by WW2. At age 11 he, along with his brother, were approaching the age for conscription in Hitler's Youth Army — an abhorrence their father would not tolerate. In 1933, the family dressed for a "pretend walk" covering the distance from Berlin to the

North Sea, "not taking anything with them, not a sandwich, no

Below: Betty was photographed with friends on the four-masted ship, Rulewater.



Above center: Betty Young, B216, stands next to a painting by her father-in-law, Alfred Junge, of a Berlin country side.

Above: Betty shows photos taken in Juarez, Mexico, in her album.

coats or carrying a bag of clothing or anything."

They caught passage to England, "otherwise they would have been captured and put into a concentration camp," said Betty.

Several years later, Helmut met fellow student Eugene Sternberg (later to become a noted city planner and architect in Denver) as they earned degrees in architecture at Cambridge. Despite England's dire need for architects and city planners, no one could afford to pay them. Following Sternberg's lead, Helmet decided to go to Denver, where he became one of a first-class team of associates at Eugene D. Sternberg and Associates. But first, he took a vacation.

Betty was preparing to take a year off from her practice and visit her brother in Ceylon. Helmut was two weeks away from traveling to America when the two met on the deck of the Rulewater. Neither was expecting to fall in love. Four weeks into her Ceylon visit, Betty decided to sell her podiatry business and marry Helmet in America.

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B217 residents outline difficulties faced by fire victims

We'd like to respond to HGA Board President Kay Sawyer's column in last month's *Heather 'n Yon*. I think there are a few more things that all residents should know [about the fire in B217]. First, it took three months for us [affected residents] to learn that the Homeowners Association (HOA) had the sole right to rebuild the structure. So, even though most residents had structural insurance coverage, we could not move forward with repairs. We were dependent on the board.

We weren't told this by the board, management or their attorney. In fact, General Manager Calvin White specifically told us to work through our individual insurance companies. State Senator Nancy Todd, who attended many of our monthly meetings, arranged a conference call with the Insurance Commissioner, and the head of Department of Regulatory Affairs' (DORA) HOA division. That's when we were told.

I emailed a partial estimate, and a rough sketch of the condo to Travelers [our insurance company]. I received approval of an initial claim within a couple of days. We hired a contractor in early August, but had to wait for White to sign the contract on Sept. 13, 2016. Travelers has approved all our claims within days. The public adjuster hired by the HGA Board did not work on our claim. And for the record, there was no negotiation with the residents' insurance companies. Our adjusters were never contacted by Travelers, management or the public adjuster.

Rescon was hired by the HGA on Sept. 13 — no three bids, no discussion, and certainly no emergency, after almost four months. Two months later, Rescon was still making excuses about why they had not completed the estimate. Rescon's CEO Bill Graham said they had to do a lot of additional work to bring the building up to code. That same day, Aurora City Councilman Bob Roth, who has attended every meeting he was invited to, brought the city inspector, who said the city would require only minimum upgrades. Also, it should be noted that the city assigned three inspectors to the B217 project to avoid conflicting opinions. These inspectors volunteered to come out on weekends, if needed, to get us home sooner.

In December, seven months after the fire, work on the 6th floor began. Most work was done on the weekends. Rescon provided weekly reports to the residents, and White. We met no less than monthly with White, and complained about the lack of work. We had several meetings with Bill Graham, and complained about the lack of work. Periodically, various HGA Board directors would attend, but never said anything while we complained about the lack of work.

Excuses from Bill Graham included waiting for inspections; that Travelers hadn't paid or had changed what they would cover; and that White spent all the insurance money. None was true.

We checked with the city. Rescon hadn't requested any inspections when that excuse was given. We reported this to White. We told him about the city website where inspections could be monitored. Yet, at the following HGMD Board meeting when asked, White said Rescon was waiting on inspections.

In January, I attended the HGA Board meeting. Little work had been done on the 6th floor. I read a statement to the board that was approved by the 6th floor residents, trying to urge the board into action. I told the board there was just enough time to finish work before the residents' displacement insurance ended — one year from the fire date. None of the directors asked any questions. In fact, President Kay Sawyer abruptly interrupted me to tell me that my time was up, although she had given other speakers a 1-minute warning. I was allowed to finish the last four sentences of my statement only because of the audience uproar.

The following day, Treasurer Susan Lambert emailed me. She asked what we needed from the board? Lambert had volunteered as a board liaison to the 6th floor residents for many months. She had been making reports to the board since July 2016. I responded that the board, as Rescon's employer, needed to insist upon a full-time project manager. The project manager was rarely onsite. Rescon treated the 6th floor as one job. It is not. It is 11 jobs, each unit with unique layouts, and finishes.

Rescon continually pressured residents to choose the same fixtures, cabinets, etc. Next, I said that they needed full-time crews. There are never more than two or three workers [onsite]. Rarely was any work done during the day, during the week. I also said that White needed to do a physical walk through at least once or twice a week. The board needed to know if the weekly reports were accurate. I also said the board needed to monitor the project themselves.

The project manager's sudden resignation on May 1 was not the cause of the problem. The problem has been the lack of oversight by the HGA Board. Fiduciary duty requires the minimal effort of walking over to the building to see if the work is being done. If Sawyer believed Bill Graham to be "genuine" on May 2, clearly she and the board have not been listening.

Since the column last month [and drafting this letter on June 12], virtually no work has been done by Rescon. A painter was working recently. The problem? Rescon has been paid for all work done to date, except for a few

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The Month (June)

At a special meeting of the HGMD Board on May 22, with only two agenda items: review the Rubin Brown 2016 audit report and set a date for a Recall Election, deposed Director Bob Gullion (sitting at left in photo to the right) refused to leave the board table. Security Chief Terrence Jones was called first to get him to voluntarily leave.

Because the audience for the meeting was too large for the Banquet Room, the discussion between Gullion and HGMD Board Secretary Craig Baldwin continued in the Lobby as the Sandberg Auditorium was being set up for the meeting. By then Aurora Police had been called (middle photo).

At the meeting, audience speakers chided Director Vincent Velasquez (below right) for his position on many issues, including not to approve the audit report and choosing the most expensive election for his recall. While Gullion remained seated at the board table, his vote was not counted on any motion made. He did not repeat the action at the regular HGMD Board meeting, June 15.

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At its June 6 monthly meeting, the Golf Committee convened under the temporary chairmanship of HGMD Secretary Craig Baldwin. He announced that the committee could not meet as a standing committee, but would continue as an ad hoc committee, for the time being.

Many members of the Golf Committee were named by appointed HGMD Director Dave Bushman, who subsequently was deemed by HGMD's attorney not to have been appointed to the board properly. Baldwin noted that he hoped, after





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That Was...

the scheduled Aug. 9 election to recall HGMD Director Vincent Velasquez, that the HGMD Board, and its committees, could regain some equilibrium. If Velasquez is successfully recalled, another director will be elected on that date to replace him.

Several golf committee members expressed their concerns that the months of summer are precisely when a golf committee is needed. In addition, summer is when committees begin preliminary work to prepare the following year's budget.

Problems also exist with a tee-time-making website. No online tee-time-making function currently is in operation for the HG golf course, but the website has never been taken down.

On June 16, Baldwin distributed an email, telling Golf Committee members that HGMD bylaws do allow him — as committee chair — to appoint committee members to four-year terms. Their membership can only be revoked, Baldwin said, by “resignation or action by the HGMD Board upon the recommendation of the chairman.”

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“Colorado’s licensing program for homeowners association managers will enter its third year in July, and the Colorado Department of Regulatory Agencies (DORA) is already weighing whether it should continue,” according to *The Denver Post*, June 1, 2017.

“One scenario would be to let the nascent program — which requires background checks on HOA managers and an exam — to expire after a ‘sunset’ review.”

The more likely course would be for DORA to improve and extend the program, the article continued. Program facilitators are trying to obtain more input about how well the program is working.

The article quoted Stan Hrinkevich, leader of the large HOA group, Colorado HOA Forum, as saying that — while “the law is one of the few HOA measures on the books in Colorado with teeth,” its “rules were left vague.” Making the rules more explicit, and extending the law for another nominal period (five years) would produce some data that could be applied to future decisions regarding how to regulate HOA property managers in Colorado.

The law originally was passed due to some HOAs having retained a property manager who was not properly qualified. In some cases, the HOA manager was dishonest, leaving the communities in financial straits.

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The **9Health Fair**, held in conjunction with HG's **Fitness Day** on June 10, overwhelmed the Clubhouse with many non-residents coming for the free medical tests. There were lines out the front



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door and lines through the halls. It is hoped that all who came had a chance to get tested on those items they wanted.



Left and above: One fitness class was held outside Rendezvous Restaurant, and a small group did the 2.5 mile walk around HG.



Memorial Day

An annual tradition at HG is to remember those who have served in the military and died.



Photos by Anne Hummel-Gillis



Above: POW-MIA table explained by Sam Pitzen, B243.

Left: Air Force Veterans stood when Shel McClaury, CP3, sang the service's anthem.

Below: Members of American Legion Post 2012 folded the American flag.



Below: Among the women veterans honored were Etta June Hanson (Air Force), B214; Leigh Ellis (Army), B233; Peggy McCoy (Army Nurse), B210; Pat Hamburg (Air Force), CP1; Christina Toon (Air Force), CP3; Ida Marlene Beam (Army Nurse), CP2; Charlene Cheyne (Air Force), HG Chapel; and Lynn Donaldson (Army), Heather 'n Yon editor. (Not all were photographed.)



Right: Mary Haddon, from Rocky Mountain Honor Flights, explained the group's efforts to take veterans to visit memorials in Washington, D.C.



Left: MSgt Veronica Gomez, Buckley Air Force Base, gave keynote address honoring women in military service.



Young...from page 17

The couple Americanized their name to Young to avoid placing a German surname on the buildings Helmut designed and built. The firm contracted some 400 residential, government, and school projects, including Colorado Department of Health, Heritage High School, and Denver General Hospital.

Betty and Helmut had a son and daughter. Son Peter is now Pastor at nondenominational BridgeWay Church of Denver. Caroline is a physical therapist.

"We loved it here. We never wanted to go back to England. We loved camping, hiking, skiing," said Betty. In time, she would take all 10 grandchildren on trips to England to absorb European history.

After Helmut died in 1978, Betty opened a business as a Foot Doctor — her license from Britain did not qualify her to use the term podiatrist in the U.S.

Over the past 20 years, she has made 15 mission trips with Peter's church, a project she loved, but had to give up four years ago. Now she volunteers monthly with the Salvation

Army, and participates in HG Bible Study and aquatics classes.

Her soft, English-accented voice rises as she looks at her mission photos.

"Look at the land, isn't that awful? Children can't go to school. No wonder they're suffering so much and yet we, as a country, won't take any of them in. They need it. They need to be fed. They need to be helped."

"In looking back at my life, I feel that living through the second world war, living in England, was the best time of my life, because it made you realize how much we reached out and loved people and helped them, comforted them, encouraged them. It's important to realize we need to reach out and love others. We like to receive it, too. God loves us all. I'm a Christian, and that's the most important part of my life."

— Dala Giffin

Betty Young is the daughter-in-law of German-born scenic artist Alfred Junge, who worked 30 years in British cinema, and substantially contributed to the importance of set design. Painter, costume designer, lighting technician and set builder, Junge managed a large art department staff for MGM-British in the 1930s to 1950s. The top three films noted for his art design are: *Life and Death of Colonel Blimp* (1943); *A Matter of Life and Death* (1946); and *Black Narcissus* (1947), for which he received an Oscar from the Motion Picture Academy Arts and Sciences. A replica of the Oscar sits on a bookcase in Betty's home.



B217...from page 19

supplemental bills. The electrical subcontractor will not finish work until it is paid by Rescon for work already done. The kitchen cabinets for four units are sitting at the supplier because Rescon only paid one half of the cost.

Rescon's Vice President Randy Hume took over as project manager. He spoke with each resident to see what needed to be done. He promised to bring his crews up from Colorado Springs. He seemed very responsive, and professional. He lasted one month before he resigned.

The buck stops with the HGA Board. Sixth floor residents have been waving the warning flags for over a year. We have heard HG employees call us whiners. The damage done is irreparable.

Sawyer acknowledged that end-

less stress affects health in her article. I have watched the health of the 6th floor residents deteriorate over the last 13 months from the constant stress, and physical hardship of displacement. How would HGA Board directors feel if they were the ones who had to change holiday plans with family, live without their possessions, not have a receipt for a medical bill, or not even be able to do their taxes because all their important papers are in storage?

The HGA Board met with Rescon CEO Bill Graham. They have never met with us. They operate in secret. All discussions are in executive session. Residents can only make statements to the board. They don't answer. There is no mechanism to require an explanation for action or omission. Their only accountability comes at the ballot box

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Update: On June 21, at the bi-weekly meeting of the 6th floor group, General Manager Calvin White and Rescon CEO Bill Graham did not attend. No Rescon employee attended. HGA Board President Kay Sawyer was invited, but curtly declined.

Residents have gotten no answers to questions raised at the last meeting two weeks ago. No work has been done by Rescon. The board approved a payment to get the electrical contractor back on the job, and they have been working.

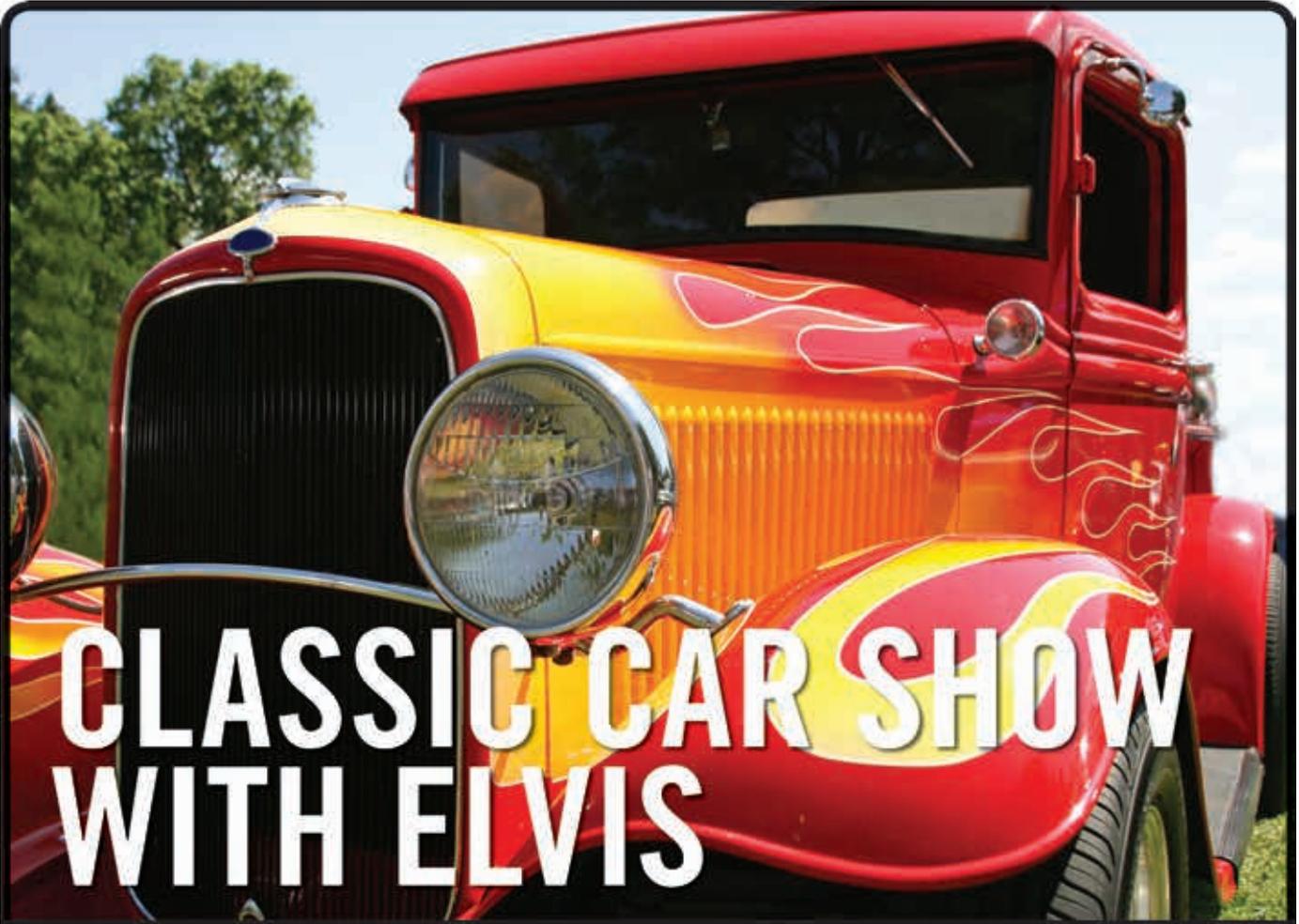
Tom Leslie, HG Special Projects Manager, attended. He has been working diligently with the residents, but has no authority over Rescon. The 6th floor group voted to send each HGA Board Director written notice of the project status.

Daniel J. Taylor
Carol Anne Mayne
B217



It was a joyous visit to HG on June 8, when a jazz group, called **Youth All Stars**, from **Northwest Missouri University**, entertained. An added bonus was the Ice Cream Social — with plenty of ice cream and root beer floats served up by students who were traveling with the jazz band. It was a winning combination — music and ice cream!





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Healthcare spending has far outstripped both GDP growth and increases in median family income. In the period 1960–2014, median family income grew 78 percent and GDP grew 447 percent. Healthcare costs have increased by 873 percent during the same period. (All these costs were adjusted for inflation to provide valid comparison.)

If healthcare costs continue to increase at the rate since 1960, it will bankrupt the nation. Rather than simply shifting costs, we believe congress needs to focus on lowering

costs.

If you believe issues like this deserve our attention, please join us for our HG Indivisible meeting at 3:30 pm in the Aspen Room on the second Tuesday of each month. Topics for the July meeting will include medical care and its impact on national debt.

– Al Lindeman

(Data cited is from Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, the Commonwealth Fund, OCED, NBC News, and the St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank)

GM Report...from page 15

Class Committee.

- Held five trips and six events.
- Held Memorial Day event.
- Changed entry code for Woodshop
- Held Pool Attendant meeting to review outdoor pool schedule.
- Met with committee to discuss indoor pool closure for cleaning.
- Continued planning for Health and Wellness Day, partnering with 9Health Fair.

Contracts

- Monitored siding, roofing and chimney replacement at CP2, CP3, and CP5.
- Monitored B233 and B235 exterior painting.
- Worked with architect and contractor for Seville Spa repairs.
- Worked with contractor for B217 carpet replacement.
- Worked with contractor for to replace carpet in multistory buildings.
- Worked with contractor on Seville footbridge replacement.
- Worked with contractor on multistory building fascia replacement.
- Worked with Maintenance Connection on new work order software.
- Worked on the Reserve Study.
- Reviewed bids received for elevator preventative maintenance.

Custodial

- Completed 18 work orders.
- Completed 11 set-ups at Clubhouse.
- Completed inspections of the Clubhouse, Restaurant, and 32 multistory

buildings.

- Power washed garage windows and vents after garage sweeping.

Roads and Grounds

- Swept and power-washed garages in 19 six-story buildings.
- Cleaned up debris from two snowstorms.
- Continued to assist roofing and siding contractors with tree and shrub pruning.
- Continued hiring and training seasonal workers.
- Planted 20 replacement trees and replaced plantings at the Clubhouse.
- Continued to pull weeds, and apply herbicide.
- Removed vegetation at B235 for deck repairs.
- Completed sweeping of PS1 through PS4.
- Planted flowers at outdoor pool.
- Attended first two days of board walk-around.

Golf

- Daily mowing and golf preparations continuing.
- Rescued and unbound gosling with string around its wing.
- Planted several trees on golf course.
- Installed cedar bark in planter beds and tree wells.
- Repaired mainline leak right of #7 fairway.
- Purchased and received new lake aerator equipment.
- Installed drainage adjacent to new concrete between #9 and #6 greens.
- Repaired pumphouse roof.

Restaurant

- Held two memorials, Optimist pancake breakfast, two late night dances, 80th birthday celebration, four graduation parties, Frolics brunch, Denver University Volunteer Appreciation dinner, and Mother's Day brunch (new record sale of \$8,400)

Security

- Total of 577 reports written and 5,098 miles patrolled.
- Attended the HGMD Board and ACC meetings.
- Ordered new security uniforms.
- Attended a meeting for B203.
- Began the annual "Board Walk-Around," to address ACC and PM A-1 violations.

Employee of the Month: Rachel Micone, Security Department



Letters

Heather 'n Yon

The Budget & Finance (B&F) Committee has two vacancies. We are specifically seeking someone who has experience in long term funding of capital improvements. Other budget and finance skills are also welcome. The B&F Committee meets once a month and specifically aids in developing the HGA budget.

The B&F Committee's Reserves Subcommittee has three vacancies. The Reserves Subcommittee aids in maintaining a 30-year capital improvements list for the HGA common areas. It finishes its work each year by recommending the capital improvement component of the HGA budget/fees. Any resident can be appointed to the Reserves Subcommittee. (It is ideal for those who just want a more limited involvement in HGA activities.) This subcommittee meets 2-3 times a year.

John Coil
HGA Board Treasurer
B244

Heather 'n Yon

Combine HGA and HGMD?
NOT A GOOD IDEA

In response to Bob Gullion's March 19, 2017, memo on combining the HGA and HGMD functions, I want to offer this concern...FHA Reverse Mortgages is ONLY for RESIDENTIAL properties. It does not apply to commercial properties like the Golf Course, Clubhouse, Restaurant, etc. In short, all the property owned and managed by the HGMD is com-

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

mercial. The HGMD was created as a governmental district to allow issuing and repaying bonds to finance projects like HG's new Clubhouse.

My wife and I moved to HG in May 2015 just as a FHA review and recertification process was nearing a conclusion. The FHA reviews the certification of properties eligible for reverse mortgages every two years. The last review raised some concerns about HG commercial properties as it relates to the residential properties. After a protracted process, the FHA lawyers finally re-certified HG after the HGA and HGMD Management Agreement wording was modified to clarify the distinction.

If we were to merge the two boards that would most surely disqualify HG as a reverse mortgage certified community. Many of you may not have a reverse mortgage and say so what?

A little history is in order. During the Reagan administration, reverse mortgages (RM) were initiated. There were some problems early on and RM got a 'bad' reputation. In more recent years, Congress changed the laws so that today, RM are gaining in popularity. It has become an important sales tool for marketing HG's properties. My RM enabled us to purchase property here that we would have not been able to do otherwise.

Please take this important "tool" into account when proposing changes with HG management structure.

Also, I would offer this advice to all of us...Life is Short, most of us are in our mid-70s and are living our last 10-15 years. Let's all mellow out, relax, be friendly and enjoy our remaining years.

We don't need a few people trying to "run the show," change things, and getting angry about the business and people of HG.

As Pharrell Williams song goes...
BE HAPPY!!

Rudy Morris
B217

Heather 'n Yon

It seems that there are some in our community that have taken our levels of intelligence and civility to a

new low. How is it that we have freedom of speech in this country, and yet, when we disagree, we become so uncivilized that our reaction borders on mob rule mentality?

It is a travesty that this situation became so distorted that it could not be settled in a more civilized and less costly manner.

It seems a shame that HG's board and general manager were not able to mediate for a better solution before it escalated. There is so much unrest and inhumanity in this world, it is sad to see it here.

Karen and Shel McClaury
CP3

Heather 'n Yon

I recently resigned from the HGA Board, but that is not the subject of this letter. Last month another key employee resigned, Jessica Martinez, Resident Services Manager and ACC Coordinator. The turmoil at HG continues to take its toll on employees, board directors and your pocketbook. One lawsuit has been filed and another is pending. The expense for the recall election to date is \$41,000. That is only the first charge on our tab, because substantial legal fees are accruing.

Rather than throw up our hands — a simple, elegant solution exists, if we only have the wherewithal to make a fundamental change. More and more communities, some smaller, others much larger and more complex than HG, are leaving the do-it-yourself management system for the services of a professional property management company. The advantages are overwhelming in costs, efficiency, professionalism of operations and lack of drama in the precarious task of hiring your own general manager.

All residents need to do is have the backbone to confront current management, and tell them we've had enough. Send them packing, then select from several very qualified companies with proven track records to operate senior residential communities with a lot less brain damage. Otherwise, expect higher,

See Letters...page 35

JULY CALENDAR

Sat 1	Mexican Train Dominoes (every Saturday)	Arts & Crafts Room	noon–4:30 pm
	Ping Pong Doubles/Intermediate (every Saturday) Clubhouse Event - 1st Saturday Night Live Dance	Game Room Sandberg Auditorium	2–5 pm 6:30–9:30 pm
Mon 3	Mah Jongg (every Monday)	Blue Spruce Room	12:30–4 pm
	Men's Bridge (every Monday)	Skyview Room	1–4 pm
	Ping Pong Singles/Advanced (every Monday)	Game Room	2–5 pm
	Men's Poker (every Monday)	Skyview Room	6–9 pm
	Pinochle - Open (every Monday)	Mountainview Room	6:30–9:30 pm
Tue 4	July 4th Holiday – Management Offices Closed		
	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
	NTH Picnic	Picnic Pavilion	2–6 pm
	Grief Support Group (every Tuesday)	Mountainview Room	4 pm
	B215 Happy Hour	Rendezvous Restaurant	5 pm
	Co-Ed Billiards Club (every Tuesday)	Billiards Room	6:30 pm
	Clubhouse closes at 8 pm		
Wed 5	HG Ladies' Golf Scoring (every Wednesday)	Game Room	7 am–1 pm
	Mobile Post Office	Circle Driveway	11:30–11:45 am
	ACBL Duplicate Bridge (every Wednesday)	Aspen/Blue Spruce Rooms	1–4:30 pm
	Pinochle (every Wednesday)	Mountainview Room	1:30–4 pm
	Men's Poker (every Wednesday)	Skyview Room	4–9:15 pm
	CP1 Happy Hour	Rendezvous Restaurant	5 pm
Thu 6	Square Dancing Club	Sandberg Auditorium	7:30–9:30 pm
	TOPS (every Thursday)	Blue Spruce Room	8:30–9:30 am
	HG Writers Club (every Thursday)	Mountainview Room	1–3:30 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
	Kiwanis Club of Aurora (every Thursday)	Rendezvous Restaurant	6 pm
	Duplicate Bridge (every Thursday)	Blue Spruce Room	6–9 pm

Advertised Activities and Seminars

Sun, July 2	Celebration of America's Freedom, HG Chapel, Sandberg Auditorium 11 am, (see ad page 4)
Mon, July 3	Bayer Ear Clinic (every Monday) Arts & Craft Room, 9 am–noon (see ad page 36)
Wed, July 12	Neuropathy Seminar, RSVP, Dr. Dean Anderson, Mountainview Room, 5 pm (see ad page 12)
Wed, July 12	Reverse Mortgage Seminar, Shana Judd, Mountainview room 10:18–11 am (see ad page 40)
Sun, July 16	Classic Car Show with Elvis, Harvard Square, 2–4 pm (see ad page 29)
Thu, July 20	The Benefits of Medical Cannabis, Cure Colorado, Sandberg Auditorium, 1 pm (see ad page 9)

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Thu 6 (cont'd)	American Legion Post 212 Men's 9-Ball Billiard Tournament (every Thursday)	Mountainview Room Billiards Room	7 pm 7-9:30 pm
Fri 7	HG Men's Golf Scoring (every Friday) Men with Purpose Coffee HG Indivisible Group (every Friday) 500 Club (every Friday) Clubhouse Matinee: Beauty and the Beast (2017) Men's Poker (every Friday) Clubhouse Movie: Beauty and the Beast (2017)	Game Room Skyview Room Rendezvous Restaurant Blue Spruce Room Sandberg Auditorium Skyview Room Sandberg Auditorium	8 am-1 pm 10 am 12:15 pm 12:30-4 pm 1 pm 4-9:15 pm 6:30 pm
Sat 8	50 and Who's Counting	Aspen/Blue Spruce Room	5:30-9:30 pm
Tue 11	Clubhouse Event - Ask a Doctor VNA Clinic Parkinson's Support Group HG Indivisible Group B203 and B204 Social Drinks/Dinner	Mountainview Room Blue Spruce Room Aspen Room Aspen Room Rendezvous Restaurant	8:30 am 1-3:30 pm 1-3:30 pm 3:30 pm 5 pm
Wed 12	Clubhouse Event - Active Minds: Buddhism Tennis Club Social and Dinner Clubhouse Event: Xfinity Meet and Greet Aviation Club	Sandberg Auditorium Rendezvous Restaurant Sandberg Auditorium Aspen Room	2 pm 5 pm 5:30 pm 7 pm
Thu 13	Green Team Clubhouse Event: Conscious Aging Residents' Open Forum	Skyview Room Blue Spruce Room Rendezvous Restaurant	noon 1 pm 3 pm
Fri 14	Clubhouse Event: Gino DiQuinzio Clubhouse Event: AARP Driving Course Karaoke Club	Sandberg Auditorium Arts & Crafts Room Aspen/Blue Spruce Room	1 pm 1-5 pm 6 pm
Sat 15	Wine and Cheese Social Club	Aspen/Blue Spruce Rooms	3-5 pm
Sun 16	B250 Picnic	Picnic Pavilion	noon-4 pm
Mon 17	VNA Clinic Photography Club	Blue Spruce Room Aspen Room	1-3:30 pm 3-5 pm
Tue 18	Clubhouse Event: Chair Massage Genealogy Swap Shop B205 and B206 Happy Hour Capitol Update with Colorado Legislators	Arts & Crafts Room Skyview Room Rendezvous Restaurant Aspen/Blue Spruce Rooms	9-11:30 am 9-11 am 5 pm 6:30 pm
Wed 19	Colorado Symphony Guild (Hilltop SE Chapter) CP3 Social Square Dancing Club	Rendezvous Restaurant Rendezvous Restaurant Sandberg Auditorium	11:30 am 5 pm 7:30-9:30 pm
Thu 20	HG Breakfast Optimist Club Clubhouse Event: Bone Builders and Bone Breakers Clubhouse Event: Benefits of Medical Cannabis Bunko <i>ARO Quarterly Meeting</i>	Rendezvous Restaurant Blue Spruce Room Sandberg Auditorium Blue Spruce Room Sandberg Auditorium	7:45 am 10 am-noon 1 pm 1-3:30 pm 7 pm

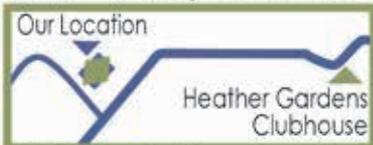
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JULY CALENDAR, Cont.

Fri 21	Men with Purpose Coffee	Skyview Room	10 am
	Clubhouse Matinee: <i>The Zookeeper's Wife</i>	Sandberg Auditorium	1 pm
	CP1 Picnic	Picnic Pavilion	4:30 pm
	Clubhouse Movie Night: <i>The Zookeeper's Wife</i>	Sandberg Auditorium	6:30 pm
Sat 22	B201 Picnic	Picnic Pavilion	noon–6 pm
Mon 24	Clubhouse Event: <i>Leading a Happy, Healthy Life</i>	Arts & Crafts Room	1 pm
	Low Vision Support Group	Mountainview Room	1:30 pm
Tue 25	HG Republican Club	Aspen Room	1:30 pm
	HG Democrat Club	Rendezvous Restaurant	4:30 pm
	Caregiver's Support Group	Aspen Room	7 pm
Wed 26	Resident Orientation	Board Room	9:45 am
	Clubhouse Event: <i>Alternative Medicine</i>	Sandberg Auditorium	2:30 pm
Thu 27	Clubhouse Event: <i>Bingo</i>	Sandberg Auditorium	1 pm
Fri 28	Clubhouse Event: <i>HG Roadshow</i>	Sandberg Auditorium	1 pm
	Clubhouse Event: <i>Texas Hold 'em</i>	Aspen/Blue Spruce Room	6:30 pm

Bible Study (Interdenominational), Wednesday 8–9 am

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

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

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

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

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

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

Prayer Meeting - 2nd Thursday, 2 pm.

FYI

Ward V Town Hall Meetings

Councilman Bob Roth, who represents HG/Ward V on city council, has monthly town hall meetings on various topics. The next meeting will be 6–8 pm Tuesday, July 18, at Shalom Cares, 14800 East Belleview Dr., Aurora, 80015. Topic: Public Safety focus — Police, Fire, Ambulance and Dispatch. Check www.auroragov.org, for details. Sign up for his weekly newsletter at broth@auroragov.org, or call him, 720-202-2695.

Food Truck Rodeo

11 am–2 pm Friday, July 7

Heather 'n Yon Deadline - 7/14

• Monthly Meetings • Boards and Committees

- ~~Communications~~ – 10 am Tue, July 4
- Long Range Plan – 10 am Wed, July 5
- Civic Affairs – 10 am Thu, July 6
- Clubhouse/Rest – 1 pm Thu, July 6
- Budget & Finance – 10 am Mon, July 10
- HGA Board – 1 pm Tue, July 11**
- Foundation – 1 pm Wed, July 12
- Resident Open Forum – 3 pm Thu, July 13
(Rendezvous)
- Campus Technology – 10 am Tue, July 18
- SEC – 1 pm Wed, July 19
- ACC – 10 am Thu, July 20
- Roads and Grounds – 10 am Tue, July 25
- Structure Maintenance – 1 pm Tue, July 25
- Golf – 1 pm Tue, Aug. 1

Cancelled

Aurora Municipal Ctr (west side)
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Come to Aurora's civic campus and try lunch at some of the hottest local food trucks. Trucks scheduled: Freddy's Cuisine (Columbian/ Latin), California Wrap Runner (SoCal salad wraps),

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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, July 11, 1–3:30 pm, Blue Spruce Room,
Rebecca Hodgkins, 303-728-4368, or
Barbara McShane

Monday, July 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.

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not lower HOA fees, with a lot of that money going to lawyers, not improvements.

**Jim Sutton
B210**

Heather 'n Yon

Shame! Shame! Shame! HGMD is no longer functional. Who is at fault? The residents of Heather Gardens! Their unwillingness to serve brought about catastrophic results to our great community.

There has not been an official election for HGMD Board of Directors for many years. In fact, all the directors over the last several years have either been appointed or put on the board by acclimation; often individuals who were more concerned about their own agenda rather than what was good for HG.

The residents of HG want tranquility and maintenance of their property values. Both are now in jeopardy. Can we fix this? The answer is yes. Thanks to the grass roots group, Protect Our Property Values (POPV), there will be a recall of an HGMD Board director.

For information, read pages 5, 10, 26-27 and 37 in the June issue of Heather 'n Yon. The Recall Election will be by mail-in ballots. I strongly recommend you vote to recall Director Vince Velasquez. Replace him by voting for Gary Hizer. Hizer has a long record of service in HG and will contribute to our tranquility and maintain our property values.

Vote! Vote! Vote! It is your duty as a HG resident.

**Ina and Bud Dickstein
B219**

Heather 'n Yon

To residents with hot water heat, check under your registers occasionally for leaking or dripping water. Mine needed a new valve, but by the time I noticed the slow leak, my wood floors had to be replaced. (Register was behind TV and Entertainment Center.)

That brings me to the point of this letter. HG Maintenance Department

is outstanding. Jon Howell and his crew were so helpful moving furniture out, removing a toilet, unhooking the ice maker, moving a Grandfather clock with care, etc., then moving everything back once the floors were installed. They were careful, professional, and very kind. Residents are so fortunate to have them here at HG. Let them know they are appreciated!



*Members of the Autobiography Class celebrated the last day of class at HG in the Mountainview Room. The class, led by Gene Dawson, will be offered again in the Fall.
Photo by Anita Huddleston, B223*

**Ginger Anderson
B220**

Heather 'n Yon

On April 22, a traffic accident occurred that took down Mailbox A in the South Townhome (STH) area. Losing the mailbox meant 12 units had to pick up their daily mail at the Post Office. We were looking at a lengthy recovery time to get a replacement mailbox, if one had to be ordered. After checking out the situation on Monday, April 24, Jon Howell, HG Maintenance Manager, and his staff had a replacement mailbox installed by Wednesday morning. The Post Office added their locks on Thursday, and the STH were back receiving mail by Friday.

In addition, Jon and his staff changed out all the individual locks so existing keys would work in the new mailbox.

The residents affected by this loss of service want to thank Jon Howell and his staff for the quick recovery. Your staff also did a great job cleaning up the broken glass and debris. You quickly had the damaged cement slab replaced. We are almost back to normal.

STH residents thank you.

**Sandra Rosenberg, AAR
Marsha Dewitt, AR
STH**

Heather 'n Yon

The June article about Tornado preparedness says that residents of multi-story buildings should seek cover in an "inner hallway." I can only speak for Somerset buildings, but the only "inner hallway" is the hallway where our storage closets are, which is directly opposite a large window on my floor. All other hallways have windows, which you should get as far away from as you can.

Having spent much of my life in Oklahoma, I recommend seeking cover in the utility room or bathroom of your unit, which has no windows and no exterior walls. An interior stairwell might be the safest place, but unless you have plenty of time to get there, the windowless interior of your own unit would be better.

Again, I only speak for Somerset buildings.

**Carol Wasteney
B223**

Heather 'n Yon

The HG Breakfast Optimist Club will hold its Ice Cream Social on Friday Aug. 4, 4-7 pm in Rendezvous Banquet Room. We invite all HG residents, their families and friends to this annual event. Ice cream will once again be sold for \$1 each. Our popular root beer floats will be sold for \$3 each.

There will be a sweepstakes drawing as part of this event. Tickets for the drawing are \$1 each, or 6 tickets for \$5. Prizes include gift certificates and various gift baskets.

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You do not need to be present to win. Drawings are held each half hour. Tickets for the drawing may be purchased at the door on the evening of the event, or during the Tuesday or Friday buffet evenings at Rendezvous. Tickets will also be sold in the Clubhouse lobby on various days. If you have a neighbor who is an Optimist member, buy your sweepstakes tickets from them.

The Optimist Club is a non-profit service organization, and with your support we can continue to serve the Boys and Girls Club of Aurora, Childhood Cancer, and Type 1 Diabetes charities.

Join us on Aug. 4 for a fun time. Hope to see you there.

Jean Baldwin, B242, chair
Paula Moore, B236 co-chair

Heather 'n Yon

Attention Men Poker Players: A dedicated group of men play poker on Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings. We welcome ALL interested men poker players to join us at our regular poker sessions. We play friendly small stakes poker, usually including a variety of "dealers choice" games. For more information, please call me, 303-829-7188, or *miltmer-*

rick@hotmail.com.

Milt Merrick
B231

Heather 'n Yon

I'd like to express my appreciation for the wonderful service *Heather 'n Yon* provides HG. I was not unaware that it is a business enterprise. That simply means it is a win, win.

Before moving to HG I subscribed to *Heather 'n Yon* for several months. I read it from cover to cover. It was such an easy way to get acquainted with the community.

Now that I am a resident, I still read it from cover to cover and refer to it frequently during the month. It is a wealth of information about all aspects of HG, delivered to my door, no work for me, and FREE.

A Big Thanks,

Mary Anne Lewis
B213

Heather 'n Yon

We have been residents of HG for over two years now. We work during the week and, therefore, are unable to attend the public meetings to voice our concerns and opinions.

Instead of the HGMD and HGA fighting over the golf course and how money is spent there, when are they going to join efforts that affect the EN-

TIRE population of HG? Specifically, doing more to attract future residents who are of the "active" retired/retiring age.

The golf course was not our main reason for moving here. Mainly the clubhouse, pools, fitness center, and the security to lock up and go when we feel like it. Also, the sense of community we feel, more so than our previous home in a residential neighborhood.

Secondly, consider working with the four office buildings on the southwest and west sides of the community and the City of Aurora to slow traffic down. The speeds along South Heather Gardens Way between Abilene and Vaughn are atrocious at the height of the rush hours; with East Marina Drive not far behind. Commuters and residents alike drive over the speed limit, cut the curves like it's a race track.

It's in everyone's best interest to slow down. I urge our residents and their families to pay attention to their speed and the curves, you never know who may be riding a bike, jogging, walking their dogs, and just pull out of the drives from the buildings. It's a safety issue for everyone.

Marietta and Paul Dodson
B241

On June 9, the HG Optimist Club joined forces with the HG Men's and Ladies' Golf Clubs outside the Golf Pro Shop to raise money to support the Optimist Junior Golf Tournaments, held on June 16-17 in Boulder and Aurora. There were baked goods and root beer floats for sale. More than \$500 was raised with about 80 floats sold. (Photos by Donlie Smith.)



Right: If you visited the Clubhouse in recent weeks, you may have noticed the totem pole next to the Reception Desk.

It is about the 4th one that Bob Palfrey, B219, has sculpted in the Wood Carving Class. This one is a burial totem pole, using the box at top to hold the ashes.



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Chibby Wibbitz (gourmet sliders and tacos), Comforts of Home (comfort food), Pavy's Sandwiches (hot sandwiches and tots), Mac Shack (Macaroni and cheese), Funnels (gourmet funnel cakes), Happy Cones (New Zealand type fruit soft-serve ice cream). Prices vary. AuroraGov.org/events.

On Havana Street

Dotsero Jazz

6-8 pm Tuesday, July 25

Bring a lawn chair and a bottle of water or something nonalcoholic to drink in the rose garden plaza. This free concert has lots of free parking and an ADA porta potty on site. The rose garden plaza is located south of

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Clubs and Organizations

Joppa Daylight Lodge AF & AM

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

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

Meditation Group

This group meets once a week, 10:30 am Wednesdays, in CP1.

Offers a practical method to relax, focus, and improve the quality of your life. Free. Call Carl, 720-495-9979, for more information.

CP1

Our monthly happy hour is on the first Wednesday of the month, 5 pm, in the Banquet Room. See you on July 5! The summer picnic is Friday, July 21. Watch for flyer.

HG Breakfast Optimist Club

We are a service organization that focuses on youth in the community, and we are always looking for folks interested in joining us. Our projects this year include Yale Elementary School, Childhood Cancer Campaign, Type 1 Diabetes, and the Aurora Cooking School.

We meet at 7:45 am in Rendezvous on the first and third Thursdays of every month; however, in July, we will meet only on the third Thursday. 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.

On July 20, come and learn about the homeless in Aurora. Our Speaker will be Brian Aronoli, Director of "Aurora Warms the Night."

Please put Friday, Aug. 4, on your calendar for our next Ice Cream Social. All proceeds will support scholarships for youth to the Aurora Cooking School.

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, support, and accountability you need to be successful. After all, this has been a winning formula for TOPS members over the last 60-some years.

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HG Writers Club

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

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

CP4

Our monthly socials are 5 pm 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.

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

American Legion Post 2012

This group will have a picnic 11 am–2 pm on Saturday, July 8. The picnic is open to all veterans and their families, in the Picnic Pavilion. Hot dogs and hamburgers will be provided. Please bring a side dish to share. Come and meet the members of our post.

If you can make it, please email or call Don, B243, copost2012cmd@gmail.com,

[gmail.com](mailto:copost2012cmd@gmail.com), or phone 720-219-8707. Hope to see you all there. — Don Clair, Commander

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.

Heather Gardens Indivisible

Our group is an informal network of citizens concerned about the increasing role of anonymous big-money organizations in our democratic processes. We focus on providing information that individual citizens can use to communicate effectively with elected officials. We view such individual involvement as the only way to counter-balance the role of big money in setting the governmental agenda at both the national and local levels.

We are concerned about the environment, the shrinking middle class, health care, quality public education, and all the fundamental factors needed to ensure that a government of the people, by the people, and for the people can survive in this era of big-money politics. We hold an informal information sharing meeting every Friday in Rendezvous at 12:15 pm, and a monthly general meeting on the second Tuesday of each month at 3:30 pm in the Aspen Room. We are developing a closed (safe) Facebook group to share information. Please join us if you share our concerns. Our web site is: <https://sites.google.com/view/hg-indivisible>. — Al Lindeman

50 & Who's Counting

Please join us for our meeting on July 8: Social time at 5:30 pm, dinner at 6, followed by a fun time, full of surprises. Dinner will be potluck; bring your own beverages. Let's get summer started with a great evening.

The NoteAbles Mixed Chorus

The community chorus (to be known as NoteAbles) will be singing weekly, 7 pm on Tuesday evenings, starting July 11, in the Sandberg

Auditorium. Residents as well as non-residents are invited to join in.

Our mission is to sing good mixed-chorus music, in a variety of musical genres, with the simple goal of enjoying singing together. Performance opportunities, for those who wish, may include holiday concerts, church services, community facilities and activities, and NoteAbles club-organized concerts.

We invite you to join us now to participate in the "ground floor" organization of our group. We will sing and have a brief meeting to consider annual dues, selection of club officers and any questions that arise.

The Green Team

June 1 found seven folks from HG in the dumps — literally. Green Team members were visiting the DADS (Denver and Arapahoe Disposal Site) landfill, located at the east end of Hampden. It is a four-square-mile facility, which is one of the top 10 landfills in the U.S. We were amazed to learn this site handles 8,000 tons of trash daily and is open 24 hours/6 days a week. With 33 employees working on such a huge amount of trash, we wanted to know how long it would take for it to be completely filled. Well, not in our lifetime; actually — 130 more years. Now that's a lot of trash to handle!

The methane gas that develops from compressed garbage is converted to energy powering 2,700 homes here in Aurora — a good thing! If you need to get rid of an old refrigerator or stove, it can be disposed at DADS for a small fee. There is a special facility for electronic waste, too. So please, don't dump these items in our trash bins.

Take a short drive east; you will be surprised at what you see. If you are interested in environmental issues, come to Green Team meetings the second Thursday every month. We meet at noon in the Mountainview Room. For information, call 303-306-0066.

Karaoke Club

The club meets 6–8 pm on the second Friday of every month in the Aspen/Blue Spruce Rooms. This month, we gather on July 14. 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.

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 Panera's, 9–11 am on the third Monday of the month: coffee, social time. Birthday Lunch Brunch, poker, pinochle, bridge plus social times. Senior Ric's, 4–6 pm, second Monday. 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, at Blossoms in 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 of each month, 1–3 pm in the Aspen Room. Please contact Meredith, 303-731-4620, with questions.

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 club meets the second Wednesday of the month (July 12), 7 pm in the Aspen Room. Anyone with an interest in planes and aviation is welcome. — Rudy Morris

Wine & Cheese Social Club

Join us on the third Saturday of each month, 3–5 pm. We get together in the Aspen/Blue Spruce Room. Everyone is welcome.

Bring a bottle of wine and a snack. Enjoy socializing with other HG neighbors.

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

Photo Club

Residents of HG who enjoy photography get together the third Monday of the month, 3–5 pm, Aspen Room, to Learn, Shoot and Share. The club is a good venue for meeting people with the same interest as yours. You can form new friendships, and enjoy learning new things about the craft.

We are about promoting photography through learning from other members about your equipment, how to shoot better photos (with occasional field trips), and sharing those photos with others to improve your skills. Whether you're a hobbyist, serious amateur or professional photographer, joining a photography club is one of the best ways to improve your skills.

Genealogy Swap Shop

If you are interested in finding your ancestors and tracing your family history, please join us on the third Tuesday of each month, 9 am–11 am, Skyview Room. For information, contact Harold Thompson, 720-748-7090, or Ruth Miller, 720-535-4954.

B205 and B206

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

Colorado Symphony Guild—Hilltop/Southeast Chapter

The Hilltop/South unit of the Colorado Symphony Guild meets over lunch the third Wednesday of each month at Rendezvous. A business meeting starts at 11:30 am. We invite new members to join us.

RSVPs are required. For further information, call Connie Reger, 720-535-6485.

CP3

The CP3 Social meets 5 pm the third Wednesday of each month in Rendezvous Restaurant.

Seville Recreation Association

SRA meets the fourth Monday of every month, 10 am, in a different Seville building each month. For information: Charles Goodgain, 303-481-8412.

Low Vision Support Group

Our no-cost meetings are held the fourth Monday of the month, 1:30 pm, Mountainview Room. We

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Seville Pickleball

Seville Pickleball is back. Seville residents and their guests are welcome to join scheduled Pickleball games 8–10 am Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays. The courts are available to all Seville residents for Pickleball, and tennis at all other times on a first-come basis.

The scheduled Pickleball sessions are for beginner and intermediate players. We are not offering instruction. Instruction is available at the HG courts. For further information, please contact Rita Effler, rl_effler@hotmail.com or 303-619-3515.

Men's Poker

We welcome all interested men poker players to join us at our regular poker sessions. We play 4–9:15 pm on Wednesday and Friday evenings in the Skyview Room. We play Texas Hold 'em 6–9 pm Mondays, in the Skyview Room.

We play friendly, small-stakes poker, usually including a variety of "dealers choice" games. For more information, please call Milt Merrick at 303-829-7188 or miltmerrick@hotmail.com.

Men's Bridge

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

Ping Pong

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

Mah Jongg

We meet 12:30–4 pm every Monday and Friday, Blue Spruce Room, except the third Monday of each month, when the VNA has the room. Then we meet in the Arts & Crafts

Room, where three card tables are set up for us.

You must have the latest Mah Jongg League card. We play for a maximum of \$3 — bring your nickels, dimes and quarters.

All HG players are welcome. For information: 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.

Mah Jongg

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

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.

Billiard Club

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

All new players are welcome. Questions? Call Sean Kelliher, 720-427-6174, or Connie Burns, 303-693-0766.

Co-ed 8 Ball May 16

1st Roger Goldstein, Geri Bartolini
2nd Dee Moore, Sean Kelliher
3rd Lindy Davenport, Rita Cusack

May 23

1st Greg Kachadoorian,
Ray Binder
2nd Dee Moore, Bimp Larry
3rd Sean Kelliher, Virginia Faubel

May 30

1st Virginia Faubel, Brian Bucenec
2nd Lindy Davenport, Dee Moore
3rd Chuck Finder, Joe Ozorkiewicz

June 6

1st Lindy Davenport, Joe Ozorkiewicz
2nd Hi Reynolds, Gil Lochhead
3rd Geri Bartolini, Sean Kelliher

June 13

1st Dee Moore, Brian Bucenec
2nd Chuck Finder, Judy Brehmer
3rd Sean Kelliher, Tony Duran

Men's 9-Ball May 18

1st Gail Gibson
2nd Greg Kachadoorian

May 25

1st Gail Gibson
2nd Chuck Finder
3rd Greg Kachadoorian

June 1

1st Greg Kachadoorian
2nd Hi Reynolds
3rd Lindy Davenport

June 8

1st Greg Kachadoorian
2nd Lucky Highfill
3rd Lindy Davenport
– Judy Brehmer

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 John Osterberg, 720-535-1038, or Merrily VanZevern, 720-282-3199. For partnership information, call Corley Freisen, 303-872-3308.

Thursday evening duplicate bridge is in the Blue Spruce Room, 6–9 pm. Contact persons: Linda Harder, 303-369-2032 or Merrily VanZevern, 720-282-3199.

Ladies Golf Club

Are we having fun or what? The 2017 season is well underway, and our golf stories just keep coming and getting better each week.

June events were both huge successes. A big thank you to all who helped with the June 9 Bake Sale — over \$285 was raised for the junior golfers to go to nationals.

The June 12, HG Men's and Ladies Mixer, was beyond fun, with 56 golfers participating. Weather was perfect, golf was great and everyone had a wonderful time. Lunch was delicious, with a special thanks to the cooks: John, Donna, and Francis Osterberg. An extra special thanks to Florence Madonna and Connie

Burns for everything they provided for the Mixer.

Mixer Team Winners:

1st Place Score = 31 (Debbie Madril, Ron Hileman, Al Reasoner, Helen Reasoner)*

2nd Place Score = 31 (Manny Gallegos, Barb Tucker, Florence Madonna, James Sellers)*

3rd Place Score = 32 (Mary Thornton, Steve Thornton, Valery Van Matre, Bob Bamford)

*Two teams tied for 1st place, which came down to comparing the handicap holes. Had to go to the second handicap hole to break the tie.

Individual Winners:

Closest to Pin – Hole #6, Ladies, Mary Ann Morris 5' 6"

Closest to Pin – Hole #8, Men, Vern Thompson, 18'

Longest Drive – Hole #7, Ladies, Beulah Gould

Longest Drive – Hole #7, Men, Vern Thompson

Let the "Battles" begin, to determine the winner of the "Battle of the Gardens 2017 Tournament" (Heather Gardens vs. Windsor Gardens). It has been rumored that the ladies of Windsor Gardens are not happy with last year's outcome, and have secretly been practicing at our course and trying to develop a winning strategy. Not sure that is going to work, as we all know that the HGLGC is the best. We are unstoppable!

We will play at WG on July 18 with a 9-hole shotgun start, and then retaliate and host at our own HG course (home course advantage) July 25, to determine the winner of this year's tournament "Battle." Following this competitive, fun, tournament, approximately 35 ladies from both clubs will enjoy lunch together at the Rendezvous Restaurant. If you have not already signed up to play, please make sure to do so ASAP.

The next board meeting will be 1 pm Wednesday, July 26.

Tournament Winners May 17

Flight A

- 1st Glenda Pitts
- 2nd Sally Perisho
- 3rd Dee Moore

Flight B

- 1st Tina McLaughlin
- 2nd Mary Ann Morris
- 3rd Judy Brehmer, Bonnie McMullen

Flight C

- 1st Cindy Belz
- 2nd Georgia Ptacek
- 3rd Diane Dean, Liane Hunt, Linda Savage

Flight D

- 1st Sharon Hartenbach
- 2nd Nancy Henson
- 3rd JoAnn Cunningham

May 24

Flight A

- 1st Beulah Gould
- 2nd Charlane Pluckcheck
- 3rd Nancy Bonniwell

Flight B

- 1st Paula Hammond
- 2nd Barbara Tucker
- 3rd Mary Ann Morris, Chris Rothwell

Flight C

- 1st Diane Dean
- 2nd Marilyn Cornell
- 3rd Karen Huber, Beth Glezen

Flight D

- 1st Joyce Angel
- 2nd JoAnn Cunningham, Candia Lang

Tournament Winners May 31

Flight A

- 1st Nancy Bonniwell
- 2nd Pat Reichert
- 3rd Glenda Pitts, Joyce Laffea

Flight B

- 1st Chris Rothwell
- 2nd Rosalie Einspahr, Shirley Hendren, Judy Kauzlarich

Flight C

- 1st Cindy Belz
- 2nd Marilyn Cornell
- 3rd Lillie Pickrel

Flight D

- 1st Candia Lang
- 2nd Joyce Angel
- 3rd Kathy Liss, Suzi Stolte

Tournament Winners June 7

Flight A

- 1st Barbara Toslosky
- 2nd Joyce Laffea
- 3rd Pat Reichert

Flight B

- 1st Rosalie Einspahr
- 2nd Kathy Shields
- 3rd Connie Burns, Mary Ann Morris

Flight C

- 1st Cindy Belz
- 2nd Mary Lou Corliss
- 3rd Linda Savage



Winners of the Texas Hold 'em Tournament on May 26 were (from left): 3rd Terry Noyes, B223; 2nd Sandra Sweeney, B206; and 1st John Osterberg, B243. Each winner is holding the gift card they won.

Flight D

- 1st Candia Lang
- 2nd JoAnn Cunningham
- 3rd Ginger Anderson

Tournament Winners June 14

Flight A

- 1st Barbara McShane
- 2nd Beulah Gould
- 3rd Dee Moore, Pat Reichert

Flight B

- 1st Susan Brennan
- 2nd Trudy Marquardt, Mary Ann Morris

Flight C

- 1st Lillie Pickrel
- 2nd Mary Frevert
- 3rd Mary Lou Corliss, Cecily Kittleson

Flight D

- 1st JoAnn Cunningham
- 2nd Ginger Anderson, Nancy Henson

For membership information, contact Carolyn Manly, 303-745-1060, or Karen Huber, 303-246-3859. Also, check out our website www.heathergardensladiesladiesgolfclub.com for additional details and our membership application.

Square Dancing

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

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

Bunko

Bunko is played 1–3:30 pm on the first and third Thursdays of each month in the Blue Spruce Room. For

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Employee Recognition

Employee of the Month

Rachel Micone was hired in December 2016. Upon joining the HG Security Department, she quickly showed interest in learning all duties required of a HG Security Officer. She became part of the team. She's demonstrated that she's capable of performing the required duties of the position and has accepted the responsibility of taking on more tasks.

Rachel has studied and familiarized herself with HG governing documents, which include the (PM) A-1, Amended and Restated Condominium Declaration and

the Security Department's Standard Operating Procedures. When asked if she would like to coordinate violation enforcement, she accepted the position without hesitation.

She continues to grow within her position, showing her abilities, skill set and professionalism.

For these reasons, I am pleased to announce Rachel Micone Employee of the Month for May 2017.

**- Calvin White, CMCA
General Manager**



Rachel Micone
Security Department

HGMD Foundation

The Foundation Committee met in June for the first time in a number of months. We welcomed two new members, Inge Millett, CP3; and Gene Burns, B244. They join Blanche McKinney, B215; Paula Moore, B236; and Bill Riley, B250.

A financial review listed \$20,050 remaining in the tree fund. The Foundation balance, as of May 31, is \$191,716. Donations have totalled \$1,288 this year. Thank you to all who made 2017 donations:

Donations to the General Fund, 2017

- B217 in memory of Irving Sharpley, Nina Andrews, Mary Myrick, Richard Weiland
- Marjorie Greene, Margaret Ruby in memory of Dick Greene
- B216 in memory of Dick and Marjorie Greene
- HG Bridge Club in memory of John Mallery
- B231 in memory of Rosie Foster
- Keith Gilchrist in memory of Carl Everhart
- Jean Tetreault, Duane and Juanita Gilbert, and Sheila Sherman in memory of Patricia Gilchrist

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hope you will join us. Marsha Bergen, 720-535-5224.

HG Republican Club

Everyone is invited to hear the thought-provoking speaker, former Congressman Tom Tancredo. He will address, "Has the Republican Party Dropped the Ball?" We meet at 1:30 pm on Tuesday, July 25. – Ruth Prendergast

HG Democrats

We meet on 4:30 pm June 27 (fourth Tuesday), at Rendezvous Restaurant. The dinner buffet is available. All are welcome!

Caregivers Support Group

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

The object is to meet for fellowship, fun, education, and to solve our problems together. It is a chance to meet others in the same situation, and to learn how we each meet the

challenges of caregiving.

Our experienced caregiver will be unavailable to take care of special people due to a schedule conflict in July and August, only. For more information, call Nancy Fuhr, 303-337-4890.

HG Grief Support

The Grief Support Group offers weekly sessions, to help participants through their grief. Registration is required.

Call Joanne Brand, 303-750-9722, for information. Brand has been offering these support groups for 12 years.

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.

Woodshop Meeting

The next Woodshop Club meeting will be 4 pm Wednesday, Aug. 2,

in the Mountainview Room. Please join us and bring your ideas, concerns and expertise. – Jim Sollecchio

Frolics Club

Board elections are coming up in August, and will be held during the annual picnic, 5:30 pm Saturday, Aug. 19, in the Picnic Pavilion. If any member is interested in running for office, or would like to be part of the nominating committee, please call Sheila Bluestein, 303-745-5646. We also will vote to approve the revised bylaws, which will be emailed to members for their review prior to Aug. 19.

The picnic will be a potluck. The cut-off date for reservations is Aug. 12; we need to know how many people will attend in order to plan for it. The Frolics Club will supply the meat (hamburgers and chicken), in addition to water and soda (BYOB if your beverage preference is something else). Last names A-H, bring appetizers; I-P, bring a side dish or salad; and Q-Z, bring dessert. Be ready to pay your 2017-18 club dues (\$10, check or cash). Hope to see you all there! – M. Mines

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20 ft fully encl lanai, laundry w/ W/D, 2 strg lkrs & garage prkg

**FOR SALE - Somerset F Amazing Remodel- Everything New!
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fixtures, windows, window cov, gar prkg, 2 strg lkrs & more.

FOR SALE - Somerset C Overlooking Greenbelt \$275,000
Beautifully Updated! 2 Bed 2 Ba nestled in the trees w/ Peek-a
Boo of GC. from encl lanai. Open flr plan, newr crpt/pt/laminate
flooring, updt Kit/baths, Laundry w/ w/d, 2 strg lkrs gar prkg.

FOR SALE - Somerset K Great Location! \$217,000
Lovely updated 2 Bed 1 Ba 1050 sq ft with open spacious flr
plan w/ full gl. encl 20 ft lanai. Enjoy the Eat-in Kit, laundry w/
w/d, yr & 1/2 old nuetral crpt/pt/blinds & new vinyl, gar Prkg.

U/C - Alpha A Quiet Location \$175,000
Beautifully updt 1200 sq ft 2 beds 2 bath. Spac open flr plan,
updt kit, nwr pt/appl/crpt/laminate flrs, encl lanai, encl prkg.

SOLD - Seville A Fabulous Remodel \$259,900
2 bed 2 bath 1232 sq ft, updated kitchen/cabs/granite, SS appl.
updated bath, new carpet/paint, glass encl lanai garage prkg.

SOLD - Atrium F NEW LISTING- GC Location \$315,000
Rare 2 beds 2 ba 1564 sq. ft. F unit w/ large eat-in kit, L/D rms,
new crpt/ pt/blinds, 2 encl lanais, w/d, 2 strg lkrs & gar prkg.

SOLD - HG Townhome Golf Course Location \$312,000
Grt updt 4 bed/4 ba TH w/ remod kit, lrg Mstr, new crpt, nwr
wndws, fin bsmt w/ nonconform bed/bed/fam rm, 2 car att gar

SOLD - Patio Home Quiet Interior Location \$315,000
Lovely 3 bedroom 3 bath PH w/ quiet location, updated kitchen
/bath, newer carpet/paint, fireplace, finished basement with
(nonconform)bed/bathroom/family room & attached garage.

SOLD - Seville Exec Exquisite Remodel \$315,000
Gorgeous \$57,000 in upgrades. 3 bedrooms 3 bath, 1876 sq. ft.,
Remodeled kitchen w/cabinets/granite counters, SS appliances
2 Masters, 2 lanais, 2 storage lkrs, washer/dryer & 2 prkg sp.

SOLD - Atrium A GC & Full Front Range View. \$249,900
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information: Debbie Brooks, 303-923-3809.

Pickleball

The schedule will be emailed to everyone on the Pickleball email list for July. We will play Pickleball outdoors on the HG tennis courts every Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday morning, 9–11 am, and Tuesday and Friday evenings, 5–7 pm.

We also are offering free Pickleball lessons for HG residents on Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday mornings, 9–10 am. Beginners are welcome.

To see this fun sport in action, visit the "Pickleball at Heather Gardens" website: plaidflannel.com/Pickleball.

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

Men's Golf Club

Gentlemen: We are now in the thick of it. Summer is here and scoring is getting HOT!

The month of July will be a great one. First and foremost will be the Disabled American Veterans (DAV) tournament on Monday, July 17. The annual DAV event raises much needed money for a very worthy cause. It's also a lot of fun. Your continued support will make it a big success.

The Memorial tournament will be played July 14 and 21. Our second beer day will be July 28. Log on to the club website, and check out the latest news.

Results of the tournaments:

May 26

A Flight

- 1st Allen Torrey, Jerry Joy
- 2nd Tom Parko, Jim Lamb
- 3rd Frank Leydens, Neil Buck, Vern Thompson, Dave Oakland, John Bender

B Flight

- 1st Brian Bucenec, Bob Neu, Gary Hizer
- 2nd Randy White, Tom Fitzgerald
- 3rd Manny Gallegos

C Flight

- 1st Tom Merges
- 2nd Ron Hileman
- 3rd Robbie Robertson, Russ Gates

D Flight

- 1st Rich Richardson, Bill Riley, Larry Maitland
- 2nd Dave Westfall
- 3rd Clyde Robinson, Sam Lozano, Henry Hein, John McMullen, Ralph Romero, John Good, Joe Heugel

E Flight

- 1st Tom Scally
- 2nd Joe Schulte
- 3rd David Loomis
- 4th David McCollom, Neil Wilkins

June 2

A Flight

- 1st Dan Wallace
- 2nd Ed Bradley, Jerry Joy
- 3rd Frank Leydens
- 4th Eli Henrie, Bob Bengen

B Flight

- 1st Neil Buck, John Densmore, Bob Neu
- 2nd Brian Bucenec
- 3rd Owen Williams, Ted Cowan, Gary Barranco

C Flight

- 1st Virgil Thompson
- 2nd Mark Marquardt
- 3rd Ron Hileman, Manny Gallegos
- 4th Russ Gates, Gale Gibson

D Flight

- 1st Rich Richardson
- 2nd John McMullen, Al Reasoner
- 3rd Bob Bamford
- 4th James Sellers, Tom Scally, John R McLaughlin,

E Flight

- 1st Gil Tellis, Jon Erion
- 2nd David McCollom, Bob Bell
- 3rd Clyde Robinson

June 9

A Flight

- 1st Eli Henrie, Ed Stevens, William Schmit, Ed Bradley
- 2nd Bob Bengen
- 3rd Jerry Joy, Dan Wallace

B Flight

- 1st Carlos Chavez
- 2nd Gary Barranco
- 3rd Tom Fitzgerald, Brian Bucenec, Bradley Kunish
- 4th David Krell, Pete Profera, Bob Neu

C Flight

- 1st Russ Gates, Jim Jensen
- 2nd Manny Gallegos
- 3rd Mike Connolly, Ron Hileman

4th Larry Milton

D Flight

- 1st Van Kinahan
- 2nd John McMullen, George Brown
- 3rd Tom Scally, James Sellers
- 4th Ralph Romero, Matt Dunne, John R McLaughlin

E Flight

- 1st Gil Tellis
- 2nd Jon Erion
- 3rd Bob Bell, Larry Maitland

So, as always, respect other players, respect the course, and keep on swinging. We all say thanks to the Golf Shop and maintenance teams for all their hard work. – Ed Bradley

Tennis Club

The Tennis Club is active and getting stronger in numbers, with three new members just since the season started last month. On Sunday, June 11, we hosted the Meadow Hills Tennis Group for the first Invitational Challenge. Eleven players from HG took on the task. Six matches were played, with HG winning two.

Congratulations to Jim Lamb and David Faris, who won handily 6-0. The final match was a real nail-bitter, with Michael Chitwood and Janis Calhoun playing doggedly in close competition, which went to a 10-point tie-breaker. They won on the last point! Afterwards, we socialized and made new friends during a snack party in the Picnic Pavilion.

The next Invitational Challenge will be 1 pm Sunday, July 9, with Heritage Eagle Bend. Come out to cheer, and watch some fun tennis.

If you would like to get back in the game, come to our monthly socials, 5 pm in the Rendezvous on the second Wednesday, or call Wendy at 303-306-0066. – Wendy Pfaffhausen



Meadow Hills Tennis Club came to HG to play a challenge of 6 matches on June 11. It was fun for all!

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- *Non-Residents may only attend as the guest of a resident.*
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Incredible Predators 3D

Wednesday, July 19, 10:30 am, DMNS IMAX

Signup Deadline: June 28, Cost \$20

The hunt is on. This new IMAX film deconstructs the world of major predators as never before, showcasing how these supreme species must be at peak performance to have any chance of success.

Botanic Gardens

Thursday, July 20, 10:30 am, Downtown

Signup Deadline: June 29
Cost \$11

See the time-honored traditions of European horticulture merge with a dynamic diversity of plants and design that represent the best in horticultural achievement.

Winter Park Fine Arts & Crafts Fair

Wait List

Saturday, July 22

DCPA - Behind The Scenes

Monday, July 24, 10 am, DCPA

Signup Deadline: July 3

Cost \$21

Go behind the scenes to see how everything comes together. Many talented people bring productions to life. We want to share their stories with everyone who gets to see the final result. Some walking involved.

Dazzle

Thursday, July 27, 10 am

Thursday, Aug. 31, 10 am

Thursday, Sept. 28, 10 am

Downtown (New Location!!!)

Signup Deadlines: Three weeks prior to each trip

Cost \$23

Lunch and 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.

Puccini's Gianni Schicchi

Wednesday, Aug. 2, 1:30 pm,

Lone Tree

Signup Deadline: July 12

Cost \$21

In this hysterical operatic farce, greedy relatives descend upon their kinsman's deathbed, enlisting Gianni Schicchi to rewrite the will to their benefit. Handed an opportunity too good to resist, the devious Schicchi turns the tables, securing the future happiness of two young lovers in the process. Refreshments provided after the show.

Mysteries of China

Tuesday, Aug. 15, 2 pm, DMNS IMAX

Signup Deadline: July 25

Cost: \$20

Through the lens of one of the great archaeological events — the discovery of the iconic terracotta warriors and the first emperor's tomb — *Mysteries of China 3D* reveals the underlying story of how this world superpower came to be.

Downtown Aquarium

Thursday, Aug. 17, 10:30, Downtown

Signup Deadline: Aug. 3

Cost \$16

The entertainment and dining complex features an aquarium boasting one million gallons of underwater exhibits that highlight fascinating ecosystems and houses over 500 species of animals; an interactive stingray touch tank; the Aquarium Restaurant and amusements for the entire family.

Colorado Rockies Game

Sunday, Aug. 20 (vs. Milwaukee Brewers)

Cost: \$33

Signup deadline: Aug. 2

Please join this special trip to a Rockies Game on a Senior Day! We will schedule a charter coach to take everyone to the game and back! Seats are along the 1st base line. Cost includes coach fare and game ticket. Signup in the Clubhouse or on-line. Meet in parking lot B243, B242, at 11:30 am. Game time 1:10 pm.

Men Are From Mars

Saturday, Aug. 26, 2 pm,

Garner Galleria

Signup Deadline: July 15

Cost \$46

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Tuesday, Aug. 15, 8:30 am–3:30 pm
Cost: \$6

Passengers get a \$10 food voucher redeemable at either casino. You will also get \$5 free play on a Players Card. If you don't have a Players Card, you will need to register for one!

A Chorus Line

Wednesday, Sept. 20, 1 pm

Main Stage

Signup Deadline: Aug. 30

Cost \$58

Everything is on the line for 17 dancers as they audition for a highly sought-after place in the chorus of a

Broadway musical. Through this exhausting process, their stories and vulnerabilities are laid on the line as they ultimately come together and become one singular sensation!

Celestial Seasonings / Sculpture Garden Tour

Tuesday, Sept. 26, 10 am, Boulder

Amber Alert...from page 6

request of any other state to issue an **Amber Alert**.

Now that I have explained what an **Amber Alert** is, you may ask, what about seniors that may be missing?

Beginning in 2006, state legislatures across the nation have been approving, and state agencies have been implementing, programs that broadcast alerts when vulnerable adults go missing. Mostly known as **Silver Alerts**, these programs feature a structured set of criteria and procedures for law enforcement to institute an alert.

Activation criteria for **Silver Alerts** vary from state to state. Some states limit **Silver Alerts** to persons over age of 65, who have been medically diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease, dementia or a mental disability.

Here in Colorado, we have a program named: "Missing Senior Citizen and Person with Developmental Disabilities Alert Program." Eligibility is for persons 60 years of age or older with a verified impaired mental condition, or persons with a developmental disability.

There is criteria that must be met to activate a Developmental Disability Alert.

1. An investigating officer who has reason to believe a missing person meets the definition of "verified developmental disabilities," may request a "Missing Person with Developmental Disabilities Alert."

2. A verification from the law enforcement agency that the missing person has a developmental disability must obtain a signed statement from a family member, close friend,

caregiver, doctor or a medical facility that verifies the missing person has a disability(ies) that is manifested before the person reaches 22 years of age, which constitutes a substantial disability to the affected individual and is attributable to mental retardation or related conditions.

In summary, the explanation of the **Silver Alerts** system is quite technical. I hope this will help you to understand the basics of the **Silver Alerts**.

If you have further concerns, I suggest you to contact your local law enforcement agency. For HG residents, if you are concerned about a missing youth or a missing senior citizen, you should call 911 and report it to the Aurora Police Department.

– **Bob Filter**
B232

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Foundation...from page 45

• Proceeds from the Clubhouse book sale.

Donations to the Tree Fund, 2017

- B235 in memory of James Tobin
- Nina Ohlson and family in memory of Loraine Short
- B215 in memory of Dorothy Baker, John Mallery and William Sowell
- Blanche McKinney, Marvin Miller

and Mary Webb in memory of Dorothy Baker

An ongoing concern was discussed that involves the accuracy of information in the Kiosk located in the Clubhouse lobby. The committee asked Paula Moore and Gene Burns to look into this matter.

When considering making tax-deductible donations to the foundation, please use the forms displayed

in the lobby. All contributions not designated for trees, clubhouse or golf will be added to the general account. Only monetary donations are accepted.

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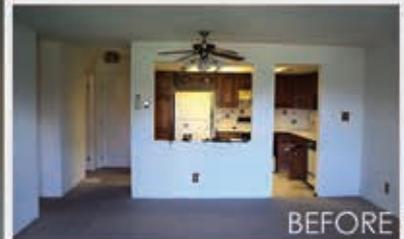
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Please bring your receipt to the event.

Clubhouse Hours: 6 am to 10 pm, Monday–Saturday
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Clubhouse Manager Linda Aluise
Assistant Clubhouse Manager Lewis Boeve

Clubhouse Closes at 8 pm on Tuesday, July 4.
Summer Classes start July 5

1st Saturday Night Live Dance

Saturday, July 1, 6:30–9:30 pm, Sandberg Auditorium

Music by Tom and Shirley Yook

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.

Movie Matinee and Night: *Beauty and the Beast*

Friday, July 7, 1 pm and 6:30 pm, Sandberg Auditorium

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

Belle (Emma Watson), a bright, beautiful and independent young woman, is taken prisoner by a beast (Dan Stevens) in its castle. Despite her fears, she befriends the castle's enchanted staff and learns to look beyond the beast's hideous exterior, allowing her to recognize the kind heart and soul of the true prince that hides on the inside. Rated PG

Fit Barre

Tuesday and Thursday, July 11–27, 7:30–8:15 am
Sandberg Auditorium

Fee: \$20, 6 week session

Instructor: Tifani Sorensen

A new specialty class is coming to HG. A twist on traditional ballet class that pairs elements of yoga, pilates and ballet with full body strengthening and gentle stretching to motivating music. In each energizing and choreographed workout, you'll use a chair, yoga mat and exercise equipment. To sculpt, slim and stretch your entire body. No ballet or dance experience needed

Ask A Doc

Tuesday, July 11, 8–9:30 am, Mountainview Room
FREE (Sponsored by St. Andrew's Village Rehabilitative Services)

Got a question and just don't know who to ask? This is your opportunity to sit down privately with a doctor of Physical Therapy and discuss options for a myriad of neuromuscular, musculoskeletal and metabolic disorders. 10-minute appointments available.

Active Minds: Buddhism

Wednesday, July 12, 2 pm, Sandberg Auditorium

FREE: Registration requested, call 303-751-1811

Buddhism is the fourth largest religion in the world with some 500 million adherents. Join Active Minds for an examination of its origins, teachings and practices. We will discuss the life and teachings of Siddhartha Gautama (Buddha) and discuss the various types of Buddhism, including Zen Buddhism, Tibetan Buddhism and others.

Xfinity Meet and Greet with Live X1 Demo

Wednesday, July 12, 5:30–7 pm, Sandberg Auditorium

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Conscious Aging

Thursday, July 13, 1 pm, Blue Spruce Room

FREE: Registration appreciated, call 303-751-1811

A positive understanding of life, thereby enabling participants to find a new vision for living. Conscious Aging seeks to build resilience by providing information on topics related to emotional wellness. Group sharing builds community, and is designed to offer seniors hope and meaning to better cope with the stresses of aging and to harvest the opportunities of aging. Some of the benefits include: explore self-limiting beliefs, develop self-compassion, reflect on what has given heart and meaning to one's life, identify and heal regrets and suffering, enhance connection and reduce isolation from others, reduce fear and increase acceptance. Cultivate a roadmap for the aging journey by deepening your mind/body/spirit connections and learning to make each moment matter.

Gino DiQuinzio

Friday, July 14, 1 pm, Sandberg Auditorium

Fee: \$3

Gino is one of Colorado's premier musicians in the contemporary Jazz, Swing, and R&B genres. Gino uses vocals, sax and flute to play swing, big band, and great American songbook music for these venues. Music from the 20s through 60s: Duke Ellington, Count Basie, Sinatra, Tony Bennet, Nat King Cole, Cole Porter, etc. An entertaining afternoon.

AARP Drivers Safety

Friday, July 14, 1 pm, Arts & Crafts Room

Fee: \$15 AARP Members, \$20 Non-Members

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Chair Massage

Tuesday, July 18, 9–11 am, Art & Crafts Room

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Chair massage is a style of seated massage that focuses mainly on your neck, shoulders, back, arms and hands. It is done over your clothes and does not require the use of any lotions or oils. You will be seated in a special chair made for massage, which allows you to feel completely supported while your therapist uses a combination of techniques to relieve tension and promote relaxation. Enjoy a relaxing 15-minute chair massage.

Bone Builders and Bone Breakers

Thursday, July 20, 10 am–noon, Blue Spruce Room

FREE: Registration requested, call 303-751-1811

It's never too late to build bone health, men too! Bones are living tissue that respond to bone building care throughout life. Support lifelong bone health by knowing how to get all the nutrients your bones need. Presented by American Bone Health Society and Natural Grocers.

The Benefits of Medical Cannabis

Thursday July 20, 1 pm, Sandberg Auditorium

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We would like to invite you to participate in a product-knowledge seminar pertaining to the medical marijuana industry. We will speak on the different options that can help with pain management and other ailments that affect ones daily living such as: Topicals, pain patches, tinctures and much more. Presented by Cure Colorado.

Movie Matinee and Night: *The Zookeeper's Wife*

Friday, July 21, 1 pm and 6:30 pm, Sandberg Auditorium

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

The time is 1939 and the place is Poland, homeland of Antonina Zabinski and her husband, Dr. Jan Zabinski. The Warsaw Zoo flourishes under Jan's stewardship and Antonina's care. When their country is invaded by the Nazis, Jan and Antonina are forced to report to the Reich's newly appointed chief zoologist, Lutz Heck. The Zabinskis covertly begin working with the Resistance and put into action plans to save the lives of hundreds from what has become the Warsaw Ghetto.

Leading a Happy Healthy Life...

Monday, July 24, 1 pm, Arts & Crafts Room

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Wednesday, July 26, 2:30–3:30 pm,

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Bingo

Thursday, July 27, 1 pm, Sandberg Auditorium

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Heather Gardens Road Show

Friday, July 28, 1 pm, Sandberg Auditorium

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Texas Hold 'em Poker

Friday, July 28, 6:30 pm, Aspen/Blue Spruce Room

Fee: \$5

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Fruit Shack

Sundays, 9 am- 2 pm, Clubhouse parking lot

The Fruit Shack will be in the Clubhouse parking lot selling fresh seasonal fruit and vegetables.

Flea Market

Friday, Saturday, Aug. 11 and 12

Applications available July 1 by email or by picking up at the Clubhouse Reception Desk. Tables are on a first come basis. Fee: \$15 per table. Limit 2 tables if space allows. Residents only.

Heather Gardens Got Talent Show

Sunday, Aug. 13, 3 pm, Sandberg Auditorium

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Overheard @ HG

Let the hammering begin

by Mary Hafka

I moved into Heather Gardens (HG) in the summer of 1998. Dad had just died, and Mother needed some assistance, if she was to continue to live here.

I was in the process of being laid off from my job at Jones Intercable [cable company], which was bought out by Comcast. Moving to a place where I could spend mornings on the golf course, afternoons lounging by the pool, and evenings taking a brisk stroll around the neighborhood's perimeter — all while someone else cut the lawn and dug the weeds — sounded like a “win-win-oh-yes-you-are-the-big-winner!” situation, to me.

I cheerfully sold my tiny house, located five minutes from HG, next to the Quincy Reservoir — where I'd been cutting my own lawn and battling my own weeds. I quickly experienced the sensation, living at HG, that many other new residents have expressed to me: that I'd just moved into a resort.

Just one, tiny, little snake crept into this Garden of Eden. The tires on my car inexplicably kept going flat.

The tiny, little snakes turned out to be slithery, little nails that littered the ground everywhere. The shake shingles on my patio home in CP1 were being torn off, and replaced by flame-resistant cement roofing tiles. Roofing tacks landed in the driveway, and laid in wait for my unsuspecting tires.

And, then, there was the hammering. The roofers working on the new tiles started early in the morning, to avoid being sun-stroked on the roof, in the summer heat.

They hammered and they hammered. And I ground my teeth. And my mother rolled her eyes.

[I have a friend who once told

me that, if eye rolling were an Olympic sport, my mother would have won the gold. No one could roll her eyes more expressively than Mother could.]

Reminding myself that I'd given up my quiet, little house near the Quincy Reservoir — where I'd already recently replaced the roof — for this noisy wakeup-call setting, I'd did the only thing a sensible woman could do. I loaded my mother into the car — during the periods when the tires were fully inflated — and the two of us fled to the HG restaurant bar, on a daily basis. It was quieter, and they served margaritas.

We went out to lunch a lot, too. Anything to stay away from the old homestead, while the workers were at it, hammer and tongs.

Thus, the “Summer of the Overhead Hammering” duly passed. Mother and I made lots of new friends among people who also recognized the therapeutic value of drinking margaritas.

The roofs finally got completed in CP1. The cement tiles were attractive and uniform, and were supposed to last 30 years.

I missed the brouhaha that preceded the selection of tile roofs as a substitute for shake shingles that were on all HG patio homes. I've heard there were protests from some building residents, who objected to paying for the expensive roofs on the patio homes.

The community response has always been, the patio home residents help pay for elevators, when they need repair, so the multi-story buildings get to help pay for patio-home roofs. This pooling of resources is how HG has always operated.

Another HG old-timer explained to me that color had been a healthy

area of debate, too. The tiles selected were cement-gray in color. Some thought that red terra-cotta-colored tiles would be more attractive, spicing up the patio homes a bit.

But I'd missed out on all of the pre-roof wrangling. I moved in with Mother just as the hammering began and the nails started to scatter.

CP1 was the first patio-home neighborhood to get tile roofs. As the years went on, the other patio-home communities got theirs, with one neighborhood replaced each summer. CP6, where I now live, was the last patio-home neighborhood to receive its tile roofing, 'round about 2003.

So today, as I enter my 20th year of living in HG, the reader can imagine my horror when I look out upon the lanes and landscape of CP6.

The sight that greets me is the specter of another crew of roofers atop the patio homes. They are stripping off those neat, good-looking cement tiles. They toss them, from the roof, into dumpsters in the driveway below, where passers-by can hear the tiles breaking.

The cement tiles, it seems, didn't stand up well to substantial trauma, such as golf-ball strikes and heavy hailstorms. The old supplier has gone out of business, and replacement cement tiles no longer are available.

The cement tiles are being replaced with work-a-day asphalt roofing. As I see the stream of work coming up the lane, from CP5, nearer to me, in CP6, I know it will just be a matter of time before I get to enjoy yet another summer with hammering overhead gracing all waking hours.

My auto-club membership is in good standing, which is fortunate. I'm expecting I'll again confront the unwanted experience of striding into the garage, anticipating a stimulating foray to my local thrift stores, but instead finding a tire or two flat on my Toyota.

So, tell me: how early does the Rendezvous bar open these days?



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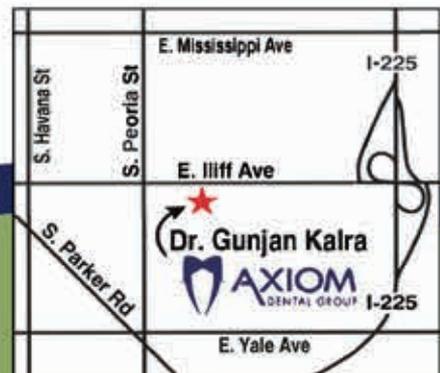
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