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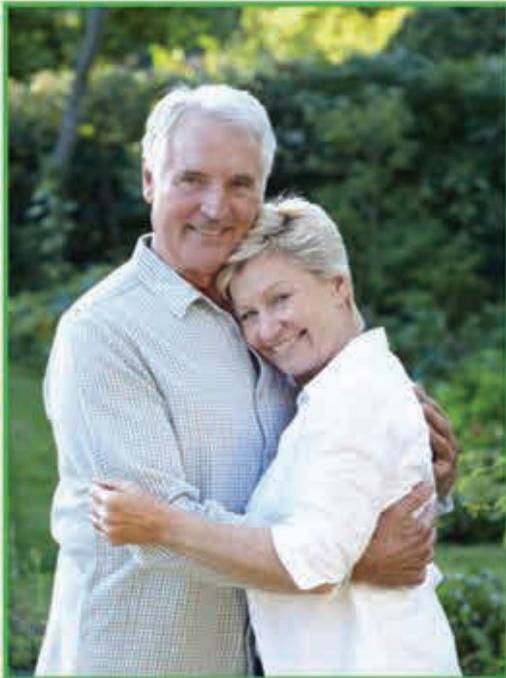


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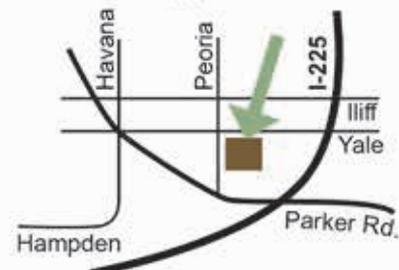
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No regular HGMD meeting; special meeting on May 22 had quorum, Recall Election set

The May 22 special meeting of the HGMD Board was a donnybrook, characterized by an ousted director grabbing a seat at the board table, and the Aurora police being called. Following a half-hour-long audit report from the firm, Rubin Brown, the squabbling quieted somewhat, and the business of the meeting was completed.

Director Vincent Velasquez insisted that he and Gullion constituted two votes, because Gullion still was a legal director, and couldn't legally be removed without a court order. Attorney Judith Ivey disagreed, and Gullion was not counted as a voting board director, although he refused to leave the table.

Resident Michael Buener-Coldrey, B234, addressed Velasquez, saying, "I think I speak for a lot of people. You've brought this whole board into disrepute. You've been threatening; you've employed bullie-boy tactics. This used to be a happy community. You've been a disaster, and we are sick of it. If you have a bit of common sense, you will resign. If you don't, we are going to crush you into oblivion with this recall vote. You should be barred from ever holding public office again."

Ivey presented the revised resolution to recall, explaining she had extended the designated voting date to the full 90 days allowable by law, setting the election date at Aug. 9. The election official, she said, could cancel the election, should Velasquez resign.

Baldwin asked Velasquez what his pleasure was, a mail-in ballot election, or polling place in the Clubhouse? Velasquez indicated he wanted the mail-in ballot.

Baldwin commented, "Everyone would pay \$10,000 more." Velasquez responded, "Good."

With the vote to hold a mail-ballot election on Aug. 9, Gullion and Velasquez walked out. Baldwin remarked, "I can't believe what just happened. It's going to cost us \$10,000 more, because that's what he [Velasquez] wanted, but we got it done."

Earlier, Rubin Brown presented its audit of the 2016 financials for HGMD. It was a clean (unmodified)

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HG resident wins beauty pageant

Jeannine Montgomery, B214, was named Ms. Colorado Senior America on April 23. Next stop, Ms. Senior America Pageant in Atlantic City, New Jersey, in October. Photo by Anne Hummel-Gillis

(see story, page 27)



HGMD Director Vincent Velasquez, on May 1, filed an action for judicial review (lawsuit) with the District Court of Arapahoe County. He alleges that he was adversely affected and aggrieved by illegal actions taken by the HGMD Board at meetings on March 16 and April 13, because there was not a quorum present. [Velasquez did not attend the April meeting.] Among the illegal actions were to appoint two new directors [since rescinded] and changing golf fees back to those approved in 2016 HGMD budget.

Velasquez requested relief that all board actions in the two named meetings be deemed invalid. He wants the board minutes transcribed at HGMD expense. Other items of relief:

- Remove Jennifer Ivey and the law firm of Icenogle Seaver, Pogu, P.C. as attorney for HGMD because her advice to HGMD Director Craig Baldwin was faulty, did not provide all directors with her communications, violated Colorado laws and was an accessory to crimes committed, and violated Colorado Rules of Professional Conduct (with regards to filing Bob Gullion's Oath of Office in a timely fashion).

- Requested that the May 11 meeting of HGMD cease and all communication with attorney Jennifer Ivey cease.

- Reinstate Bob Gullion as a director and treasurer.

- All HGMD Directors have complete access to HGMD financial records and all other records, including communications with board attorney. "No agreement, contract, board action, or bylaws can remove access to the records of the HGMD."

- Remove Craig Baldwin permanently as an HGMD Board Director, and charge him with violating HGMD Bylaws and Colorado state laws.

- Remove Calvin White permanently as agent to HGMD; charge him with violating the HGA/HGMD Management Agreement, HGMD Bylaws, Annual Resolution of HGMD and Colorado state laws.

- Terminate the HGA/HGMD Management agreement, allowing HGMD to contract its own agent, manage its own property and contracts, hire its own employees and oversee its own services...

- Court oversight of filling the remaining two board vacancies....

- Reimburse Vincent Velasquez for all attorney fees, expert witness fees, court fees, transcription fees and all costs related to correcting the illegal actions of Craig Baldwin, Calvin White and Jennifer Ivey.

Extra! Extra! Information for you—

Notice: Vacancy on the HGA Board

The Treasurer of the HGA Board recently resigned. Interested homeowners may apply to fill the vacancy. Obtain an "Application for Nomination" form in the Management Office. You must be a resident-owner in HG, and have lived in HG for at least 12 months. Return your application to the Management Office no later than May 7. The successful applicant will serve until December 2017. To continue on the board in 2018, the appointee will run for election to the board in October 2017. For additional information, contact the Executive Assistant Stephanie Wyche, 303-755-0652, x102, or Stephanie.wyche@heathergardens.org

Tornado season is here

Tornado season is mid-May to mid-July, with June being the most active month. (Two-thirds of tornadoes occur then).

Denver is not in "tornado alley" like Kansas, Oklahoma, Missouri, etc., but tornadoes do strike Colorado and the Denver metro area. Colorado is ranked 9th for tornadoes in the U.S. by the National Weather Service (NWS) with Weld County being No. 1 in the nation for number of tornados spawned (NWS).

In the past 10 years, more than



500 tornadoes were reported in Colorado, with an average of 60 per year. The record year in Colorado was in 1996, when 98 twisters were reported.

The worst tornado in Denver occurred on June 15, 1988. This most destructive tornado struck parts of south Denver, causing extensive damage in three different areas, in the vicinity of Broadway and Evans. In all, 85 buildings were damaged with a total loss estimated to be \$5–10 million dollars. The tornado was rated F3.

For more details and photos see this reference: tinyurl.com/Tornado-Denver or [\[cal.com/2014/06/13/sunday-marks-26-years-since-memorable-denver-tornado-outbreak/\]\(http://cal.com/2014/06/13/sunday-marks-26-years-since-memorable-denver-tornado-outbreak/\)](http://denver.cbslo-</p></div><div data-bbox=)

This web link shows photos of damaged buildings and cars from the 1988 Denver Tornado. Many cars were heavily damaged and even destroyed. As you can see, cars are NOT SAFE in a tornado! If caught in your car, evacuate and take shelter, if possible.

WHAT to DO

When the tornado sirens sound... Do NOT go to windows to see what is happening, because flying glass and debris are the #1 Killer. Turn on your Weather Radio or TV, and take shelter.

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Did You Know?

The HG Indivisible group believes that our democracy depends upon a broadly and factually informed voting public. The current hyper-partisan climate makes it hard to find unbiased factual information. With what we hope will be a series of short monthly columns, we will endeavor to provide unbiased sources of information about important issues.

This month, we recommend USAFacts (www.usafacts.org). This web site provides all sorts of information about our nation, including revenue and spending at all levels of government. The information is drawn from government agencies, and is presented in a very readable and searchable format. For example, you can easily look up the percent of federal spending that goes for Medicare, our military, or justice systems.

It won't answer every question, but it is an excellent place to start. Check it out.

The Indivisible group meets at 3:30 pm in the Aspen Room on the second Tuesday of every month.

— Al Lindeman

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Carpet program continues, HGA gets clean audit report

All directors attended the May 9 meeting of the HGA Board, in the Banquet Room. General Manager (GM) Calvin White and new Controller Brian Herrera also attended, while HGA's attorney, Mark Payne, was in the audience. The board wrapped up its monthly meeting in just over one-half hour.

The board approved its only new-business agenda item, continuing the carpet-replacement program, in B203, B205, B213, B220, B223 and B234. Standing contractors Resource Colorado Carpet and Carpet One will perform the work on the carpet base and carpeting (\$91,963), as they have for other HG buildings.

During "Residents Addressing the board on non-Agenda Items" session, two residents attempted to question the board regarding the eligibility of White to function as HG's GM. President Kay Sawyer deflected the questions, stating the board does not discuss personal issues in open board meetings.

Payne offered the opinion that residents were entitled to state their questions, after which it could be determined whether the information was inappropriate for open discussion. Deb Smith, CP2, questioned whether White's HOA manager's license could be valid, since, "he had obtained it fraudulently." In her opinion, he had failed to disclose information to the licensing agency that Smith suggested ought to have disqualified him.

White responded, "My license is intact." He had spoken to the Colorado's Department of Regulatory Agencies (DORA) that morning. He added that Smith had been informed of that fact by DORA, and should have received a letter to that effect.

Candice Compton, B220, asked, "Can I be heard?"

[on this subject].

Sawyer responded, "No. We don't discuss personal issues [in public meetings]."

[HG does have a long-standing policy of never discussing personnel issues in public, to protect employees' privacy and to not invite lawsuits. HGA once had a standing Personnel Committee, but now the full board sits in on personnel matters, in a closed, executive session.]

Chair Bill Reynolds announced the Nominating Committee, which solicits candidates to stand for election to the board, in October. Committee members are Reynolds, HGA Director Rex Engel, and Area Representatives Judy Boone, B203; Janet Arce, B232; and Jill Bacon, B244. He said the committee would meet for the first time in May.

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On May 16, six HGA directors attended a meeting with the Budget & Finance (B&F) Committee, to hear the auditors' report on the 2016 financial records. Treasurer Susan Lambert, HGA Directors Deb Stelle, and Jim Sutton were absent.

Representatives from Rubin Brown reported that HG had been given a clean opinion. "Statements were presented fairly in all material respects," reported Andy Anderson.

Some B&F members requested additional notes, so that readers of the audit not versed in financial terms could better understand some of its finer points. Russell White (Rubin Brown) agreed to make those changes, while praising the preliminary work performed by Treasurer Susan Lambert, and by former HG Controller Su Chae, to produce a clean audit.

POPV says "Recall Velasquez" will proceed to court, if necessary

On May 8, the grass-roots group, Protect Our Property Values (POPV) distributed an email, stating it had "received word, this morning, that our recall of Mr. Velasquez has been determined to be 'sufficient' and now the HGMD Board must set a date and method for the election, that must occur no less than 30 days from now nor no more than 90 days."

On April 13, POPV had announced its purpose was to recall Vincent Velasquez, CP3, as a Direc-

tor of the Heather Gardens Metropolitan District (HGMD). The group encouraged those registered to vote within the HGMD to sign a petition supporting the recall of Velasquez. Late in April, the group announced it had gathered twice the number of signatures needed to generate a recall election.

Approval of the petition by the election official (General Manager Calvin White) means the election can be scheduled. At the same time,

a candidate to assume Velasquez' seat — should he be recalled — can be elected.

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The POPV held a meeting following the HGMD Board gathering, on May 11, to update the audience on its efforts to recall Director Vincent Velasquez from the HGMD Board. Since no election date was set at the May 11 regular meeting of the HGMD, because there was

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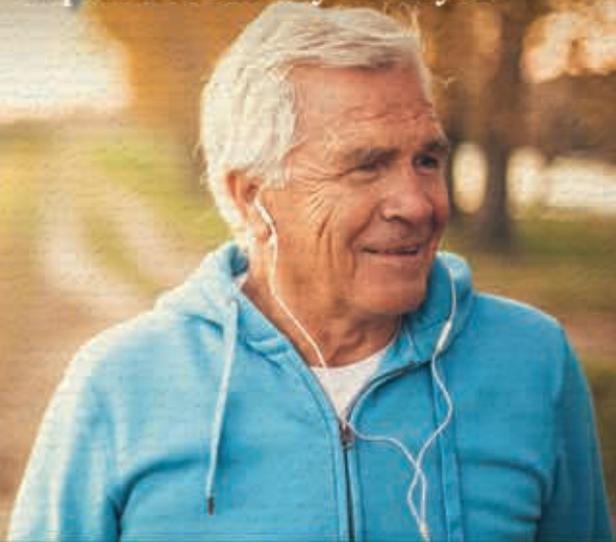
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HGMD director explains his position

First, I would like to thank the 3,000 residents who did not sign the [Recall] petition. You all know this is about the ladies and mens golf clubs who want to flex their strength in numbers in this community. The golf club members think that this community is theirs alone.

I golf here myself and enjoy it. I know many others who golf here feel the same way. This is HG's community as a whole — not just a handful of golf club members and past board members who think they are in entitled to make decisions for the entire community.

The few keep the General Manager Calvin White on their side, with their influence and mostly because of their numbers.

I have filed a complaint in district court [see page 5] requesting it to intervene and rule on the illegal and criminal activities of Craig Baldwin, Calvin White and attorney Jennifer Ivey at HGMD Board meetings. These include:

- 1) not allowing majority votes on the floor to be recorded or acknowledged;
- 2) taking action without a quorum present;
- 3) going into executive session when no quorum was present;
- 4) conducting business in the illegal executive session with Jennifer Ivey allowing non board members to attend, clearly in violation of Title 32;
- 5) lying to the community about Bob Gullion's board appointment and not telling the truth to the community about responsibilities of HGMD Agent Calvin White to Director Bob Gullion;
- 6) falsified and incomplete board meeting minutes that contain discrepancies from the audio recordings.

The Truth Of The Matter

1. The management agreement needs to be eliminated because the General Manager Calvin White has breached this agreement:

- a) White refused to be responsive to the affairs of HGMD and its bylaws.
- b) White and Ivey not being responsive to board directors by not filing Local Government Documents in a timely manner, causing Director Bob Gullion to lose his HGMD Board seat.
- c) White and Ivey not following the 2017 Annual Resolution of HGMD that directs the general manager and/or district counsel to file paperwork for all directors of the district with Local Governments and Divisions.
- d) White refusing to give detailed financial information to Treasurer Bob Gullion and the HGMD Board to do district business under Title 32, unless an amended agreement is signed, per the HGA attorney.
- e) HGMD is the official body of HG for the State of Colorado. It needs to be governed independently in accordance with its bylaws and Colorado State statutes.
- f) This is not a "long standing agreement." It was put into place Sept, 2, 2015, when the HGA and HGMD were separated because of the conflict of intermingling of budgets under Colorado State Statute Tile 32 and HOA.

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Recall Committee (POPV) Overview

Why are we presenting this information?

Over recent months, a conflict has arisen in the leadership of the HG community. Increase HOA fees and lower home values could follow.

What's the problem?

The conflict involves the relationship between two governing bodies at HG: the Heather Gardens Association (HGA) and the Heather Gardens Metropolitan District (HGMD). Primary responsibility for the problem involves the membership of the HGMD Board.

Note: The HGA manages and maintains all *residential* buildings at HG. The HGMD owns *nonresidential* HG facilities such as the Clubhouse, the Golf Course and other recreational amenities, the Maintenance Building, RV Lot, Garden Area, etc. The association (HGA) operates district (HGMD) programs and maintains its property.

What now? Why now?

The HGMD Board ordinarily comprises five individuals (directors). Since December 2016, four directors have resigned (!), including one appointed in January (resigned one month later). Board membership came, at one point, to include only three persons: Craig Baldwin, Bob Gullion, and Vince Velasquez. Motions could succeed with two "yes" votes.

During this contentious period, HGMD passed a series of motions, each of which poses a possible negative financial impact for HG property owners. These board decisions were:

- 1) raised golf course use fees, especially for non-resident (HG) golfers;
- 2) withdrew HGMD funding for the contract with HG's Golf Professional; and
- 3) most serious of all, terminated the Management Agreement that has existed for many years between the HGA and HGMD Boards. Note: That agreement, in various modestly revised forms, has been in effect since 1983 and has worked well.

What are the consequences?

- 1) Higher golf fees drove many nonresident players away HG's Golf Course. Decreased golf revenues could lead to higher HOA fees — or, at the worst, could cease to provide adequate income to maintain the course.
- 2) Failure to pay the Golf Pro might lead to a lawsuit for breach of contract. Or worse, it could force the Golf Pro to close the Golf Shop. Without a Pro Shop, there would be no way to collect fees or limit use of the course.
- 3) Likely the most risky outcome for all HG homeowners would be the many additional expenses associated with termination of shared space and mutually cooperative working relationships between HGA and HGMD. There would potentially be double costs to homeowners to support both groups.

Where are we now?

Efforts are underway to rescind some of the recent HGMD decisions that pose threats to preserving HG as most residents know it. A Recall Petition has been submitted, deemed sufficient. All that remains is for HGMD to

See Recall...page 37



HGA Board President Reports

By Kay Sawyer

There are a couple of things I think all residents should know.

The first topic is my appreciation for the great group of directors on the HGA Board. We work well as a team and feel free to discuss the many items that come to us as a group. That's not to say we agree on the various items. We always agree to disagree, but it is done with respect. All of the directors seem to be willing to take on more responsibilities, spend more time when needed, and always state ideas about what is best for the HG community. This is the front and center of all decisions (fiduciary duty).

The second topic is the mess at B217, the scene of the fire on the 6th floor last May. After weeks of negotiating with insurance companies — both Heather Gardens' (Travelers) and individual homeowners companies, RESCON was hired to supervise demolition and construction. The Project Manager assigned to HG was Darrick Maes. Jim Sutton, a HGA Board director, has been acting as liaison to the residents. He and I went to a meeting and tour of the 6th floor of B217 on May 2. Bill Graham, President and CEO of Rescon, was there with

HG maintenance supervisors. Darrick Maes had suddenly resigned on the day before.

Obviously, in hindsight, Maes didn't handle the job. Because he never asked his company for help, Maes was not honest with B217 residents, HG management, and his own company. For example, he would say that a particular project would be done by a specific date. Then when the date came, work on that project had not even started. There were many days when no workers were at the site. Finally a move-in date of May 17 was given to the residents. They were disappointed again.

Bill Graham was apologetic and accepted the responsibility to correct errors, move fast to finish the 6th floor, and get the residents back in their homes. Lack of communication between 6th floor residents and Rescon was discussed. Once Rescon has reviewed individual portfolios with the residents, and gets a grasp on where materials are for each unit, schedules and finish dates will be posted. The meeting was constructive and genuine. Further information will be posted to the *heathergardens.org* website as it becomes available.

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There is nothing wrong with expressing new ideas in the spirit of improving a decision-making process or the actions that the board takes. But the constant, unfounded criticism by a few residents creates endless stress to where it affects health and the work environment.

IN MEMORIAM

Pat Gilchrist (219)
Mary Ann Krekow (216)
Lucille Whitworth (former 234)



HGMD Board Secretary Reports

By Craig Baldwin

With all the turmoil surrounding HG Metropolitan District, I have been asked a number of times about the financial situation of HGMD. I am happy to report we have nothing to be concerned about. Our budget was set in December, and the district is right on budget. In fact, the three cost centers — golf, restaurant and Clubhouse — show a positive cash flow when compared to projections.

I cannot say the same when referring to actions of the Board. With four directors resigning since December, and three improper appointments since the January, there are only two current directors. With Director Vincent Velasquez absent from the April and May meetings, no

business could be conducted. That does not bode well for HGMD. Some major projects can not be done. The most critical of these is the replacement of the storm drain at the south entrance of the Clubhouse parking lot. That work needs to be done for the safety of all motorists.

An upcoming event that affects the future of your HGMD is a recall election that is scheduled to be held in July. You will be asked to remove Velasquez as a director and replace him with one of a number of candidates that will be on the ballot. If that recall is successful, then three more directors can be appointed, filling the vacancies that now exist. This action is critical, because in August HGMD begins its 2018 budget process. Timely decisions need to be made by HGMD directors from now through December.

The estimated cost to hold a recall election was obtained from a company specializing in district-type elections. The estimate was \$28,000 for a polling place election; \$41,000 for using mail-in ballots. That is a district expense, using your tax money.

HGMD is a defendant in a lawsuit filed by Director Vincent Velasquez, plaintiff, in district court on May 1 (see page 5). The complaint, among other things, requests the

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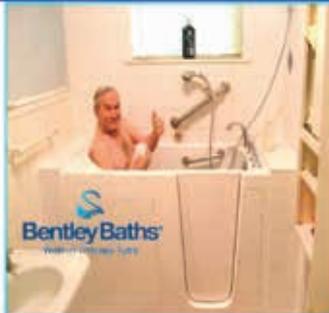
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Publisher's Corner

Technology is changing your cultural experience

by Lynn Donaldson, Editor of Heather 'n Yon

Earlier this month, Kim Komando wrote, in the *USA Today*, "20 things we don't do anymore because of technology." (May 8) Here's her list.

1. Memorize a phone number.
2. Use a phone book to find a company to do work around your house.
3. Park your used car on the street with a sign that says it's for sale.
4. Figure out math in your head.
5. Call a family member to ask where they are.
6. Telling time by hands on a clock.
7. Make photo albums.
8. Call a theater to get movie times.
9. Run to the store for a last-minute gift.
10. Have a CD or record collection.
11. Make mix tapes.
12. Watch shows when they are broadcast live.
13. Record your favorite programs on tape.
14. Cut things out of the newspaper.
15. Send a handwritten letter.
16. Looking up the spelling of words in the dictionary.
17. Getting your old checks back from the bank.
18. Use a travel agent.
19. Use a phone booth.
20. Carry enough change to make a call.

Several of these items have been thrust aside by cell phones, now smart phones (#1, 19, 20). With all of my friends, family and business contacts listed on a contact list, stored on my cell phone (and for security backed up in the cloud storage provided by Apple), I no longer have to memorize a phone number. In fact, I write it down just long enough to put it in my phone.

Even better, I no longer have to remember to add the new phone number to an address book on my computer. It automatically syncs to that site as well. (It's magic.)

That same smart phone (an iPhone) gives me the time of day, the date, and the weather (#6). Once cell phones became common, you prob-

ably saw phone booths disappearing. There is still the empty area in many hotels where pay phones used to be installed. Needless to say, having a cell phone is more convenient than trying to use a pay phone. Besides, it is less costly to make long distance phone calls.

Oh, I almost forgot. When I need a calculator, I just open the calculator app on my iPhone (#4). It could not be easier.

My husband is one of the few people I know who still looks for a phone book to look up a phone number. The last time he looked, he kvetched that the business (or person) was not even listed. So, I looked it up on the internet (#2). Producing a phonebook is expensive. Eventually, I suspect there won't be any hard copy phone books, because businesses no longer see the need to pay for their phone numbers or advertising to be included.

Having access to the internet on my computer, my iPad or my iPhone has simplified looking up addresses and getting maps, checking on show times for movie theaters or checking spelling on a word I am not sure about (#8, 16). (My husband still uses his dictionary first. He's been hard to train on these newfangled solutions.)

I also use the computer to plan trips or vacations (#18). Its not that I don't like travel agents, I just want the freedom to test out different days to fly, different locations, and different airlines.

And yes, I have used my computer to order a last minute gift for a family birthday that I had forgotten (#9). Ordering gift cards online is quite easy. And now you can choose whether those are delivered via email, or a physical card mailed (which might be late).

Even before my iPhone, I loved creating playlists on my iPod. I loaded all my CDs into iTunes on my computer, then put together lists for different uses (#11). Once, when several acquaintances were having

babies, I created a lullaby play list. Then I could burn a CD with these lullabies by different artists for them to use.

Copyright laws frown on sharing music widely via CDs you have downloaded — so I have reluctantly refrained (#10). I still have playlists for different occasions — to provide soothing, background music when traveling or working.

With a Digital Video Recorder (DVR) on my TV, I record many shows that I can't always watch live (#12). Besides, it means I can fast forward through the commercials.

I stopped getting my checks back from the bank a long time ago (#17). When I reconcile my records in Quicken on my computer with the bank statement online, I can look up any check I may have forgotten through the bank records. They provide the image.

Like another writer in this news-magazine (see page 19), I like sending handwritten notes at times. But like many of you, sending an email is just so much easier than writing a letter (#15). If it requires a review, I do it in Microsoft Word, then attach it to the email.

I never tried to sell a car by putting a sign it (#3), but I have sold a car by listing it on Craigslist. Works efficiently.

I was an early adopter of iPhoto: a way to collect your photos digitally, then create photo albums (#7). I never sent an album to be published, but have helped others do so. The output is really quite remarkable, making a special, quite personal gift.

The one thing I have not used technology for — using an app to find my husband (#5). That is because if I have not heard from him in a while, he's probably on the golf course. In a pinch, I can find his iPhone location.

Most newspapers have a digital version (#14) that can be accessed online. From there, you can email it to a friend, or print the article. *The Denver Post* and *USA Today* are both available online, but you might need a subscription to access all features. In my home, both my husband and I like to touch paper, but when traveling, it is nice to read from my iPad.

Is this your experience as well? What other practices are becoming obsolete with evolving technology?



Management

Golden rule for homeowners association residents

By Calvin White
General Manager

Heather Gardens (HG) is an amazing community, even though recent months have seemed wrought with conflict. Let's work together to keep HG the wonderful sanctuary that it is.

Here are few tips to guide you and to ensure that your experience enhances your life and our community.

Be a Good Homeowner

1. Read the Declaration of Condominium, Bylaws and HG Rules and Regulations.
2. Pay your assessments — on time.
3. Attend committee and board meetings.
4. Read *Heather 'n Yon*, Email Blasts, and meeting minutes.
5. Follow the rules.
6. Serve on the boards or committees.
7. Don't expect someone else to do it for you.
8. Vote in community-wide elections.
9. Volunteer to serve in the Clubhouse.
10. Remember that you are a member of HG. What is good for the association is good for you.

Be a Good Neighbor

11. Curb thy dog.
12. Keep televisions and music at reasonable volumes.
13. Park in your own space(s).
14. Take care of your home.
15. Participate in the neighborhood watch.
16. Walk softly.
17. Share a smile with a neighbor.
18. Offer to lend a hand.
19. Welcome new neighbors into the community.
20. Nurture relationships.
21. Talk about problems. Conversation is more effective than spreading rumors or banging on walls.

Be a Good Board Director

22. Serve because you care about your neighborhood, not because you have a hidden agenda.
23. Study the documents before you enforce them.
24. Conduct a reserve study and update it on a regular basis.
25. Focus on policies, plans, and objectives.
26. Communicate, communicate and communicate some more.
27. Seek the advice of qualified professionals.
28. Make decisions with the common good in mind, not self-interest.
29. Educate yourself and the residents.
30. Stay on top of trends in associations.
31. Build alignment and consensus within HG.
32. Anticipate and prevent or mediate conflicts.
33. Remember your fiduciary duty to protect, preserve, and enhance the value of the property.

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.
- Hired new Controller Brian Herrera.
- Completed 2016 Audit.

Maintenance

- Completed 806 work orders. Of those, 115 were billable to owners.
- Completed plumbing inspections at B204, B205, B216 and B217.
- Removed and replaced fire stand-pipe on roof of B242.
- Completed return line plumbing project on first floor of B219.
- Installed battery back-up smoke alarms in all units in B203 and B204.

- Completed railing repairs on Parking Structures 1, 2, 3 and 4.
- Installed and re-wired 20-foot light pole on PS2 deck.
- Started parking slab work at B218 and B224.
- Installed a new A/H modulating damper motor in B233.
- Completed boiler repairs at B214, B241, and B242.
- Repaired roof leak at B243.
- Replaced antenna cables in B244.
- Rebuilt garage door header in B216.
- Replaced two garage doors.
- Installed 200 feet of conduit and wiring underground for building sign lights at B243.
- Installed new conduit and wiring in B222 for under the slab exhaust fans.
- Completed dryer vent cleaning in B217 and B218.

Paint

- Completed 35 work orders.
- Continued working on B232 chair rail project.
- Completed painting in the Club-

house.

- Scheduled upcoming chair rail project with B207 AR.

Clubhouse

- Held five trips and nine events.
- Completed 2017 scheduling of Spring Classes and Events.
- Started Spring Classes.
- Worked with Frolics for their production.
- Met with Woodshop to discuss tool maintenance.
- Started planning for Health and Wellness Day — partnering with 9Health Fair.
- Scheduled Rockies game charter bus trips for May.
- Held Book Sale.

Contracts

- Monitored siding, roofing and chimney replacement at CP2, CP3 and CP5.
- Monitored PS2 stair repair.
- Monitored B206 exterior painting.
- Worked with architect and contractor for Seville Spa repairs.

See GM Report...page 30

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Inveterate volunteer, resident helps prune roses annually at mall

Anticipating summer's fragrant blossoms, outdoor concerts and convivial audiences, "Deadheader" Gloria Shea, CP5, clips errant rose canes poking through the archway in the Rose Garden on Havana.

"This is a climber; it's doing what its supposed to do," she says of a Victorian Memory Climber. "Getting them unstuck is the trick of the day." Preventing them from sticking passers-by is the goal of the moment.

Gloria is working at the Rose Garden "because of the concerts," but a look at her volunteer portfolio underscores what she said next: "It's the least we can do to keep it going and be beautiful." Gloria likes to contribute.

"Maybe it's the Italian in me," Gloria says, explaining her love of gardens, the plants, birds and bunnies within.

"It's always been a part of me."

Watching her mother propagate by using mason jars as protective hot houses for cuttings, Gloria developed a passion for gardening that earned her a backyard garden plot of her own. She grew plants from seeds. Castor Beans were her favorite. They grew rapidly to tree height before succumbing to frost.

"It's rewarding, when you're a little kid, to see something growing so immense."

Equal to gardening, Gloria likes chore music. She and her mother whisked through Saturday house work while listening to radio broadcasts of the Metropolitan Opera. Gloria sang in church and with the Opera Guild of St. Louis.

"Singing is a great part of my life. It's soothing, relaxing. It's therapy."

She graduated from World War 2 Cadette Corp of Nursing, entering a career in public health that would interest her for life. While caring for his hospitalized mother, she met her husband, Charles Shea.

After the war, she became a Visiting Nurse in St. Louis. Here, she entered cultures steeped in "customs that bordered on very strange concepts; strange traditions, things around a baby's neck to ward off spirits." Careful-

ly, she navigated clients' belief systems inculcated from centuries of practices that collided with research-based science.

"It doesn't look like milk in the baby's nursing bottle there, what is that?"

"Special Tea."

"Well, you know tea doesn't have many calories, I don't want your baby to start losing weight."

"You don't want to humiliate people and say, well, 'That's crazy.' I always felt that I should respect everybody's tradition."

Gloria's first born was three when the Air Force transferred Charles to Aurora in 1951. Hoffman Heights was so new, a road sign informed new residents: "No police, no fire protection beyond this point." Residents debated whether they wanted to be part of Aurora or remain in unincorporated Arapahoe County.

Charles and Gloria had three more children in as many years, plus two more in the early sixties. Gloria found part-time work at home doing day care, Nielson TV surveys, and writing a social column for the weekly *Aurora Advocate*, called "Muse from Hoffman Heights." Weekends, she worked at hospitals. She taught a "Siblings'



From top: Gloria Shea, CP5, and fellow "Deadheader" Pat Serafin, CP5, conclude their morning trimming roses in Havana Street Rose Garden.

Gloria tends a Victorian Memory Climber.

Gloria at home looks at a wall of family photos through many years.

Class" at St. Joseph Hospital to ease children into accepting a new baby into the family.

The family enjoyed walking, bicycling, rollerskating, and exploring the High Line Canal. Gloria tended her rose garden, growing floribundas and climbers. Every Mother's Day, she received a hybrid tea rose until she ran out of room.

After her six children had grown and moved to great-Shea...page 27



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Tools of a writer's trade

Ask any senior citizen about the recent changes in the world and you, no doubt, will spend the next hour listening to a long list — from television and microwave dinners to medical technology. I know that drill all too well. If I were to choose the one thing that has changed the most for me, I would have to say the “tools of communication.”

Consider that I began school carrying a plain canvas book bag containing a BIG Chief notebook, a few yellow Number 2 wooden pencils, a ruler and an eraser. I may have had a small box of Crayola crayons as well, since coloring was a large part of early childhood education in those days. The pencils were my favorite tool. I was fascinated by the hand-cranked pencil sharpener nailed to the wall in the classroom. There, with a few turns of the handle, the blades shaved the wood and lead to a perfect point. I probably made more trips to that wall than most of my classmates because I loved using a newly sharpened pencil. I still do. To this day, I can't stand using a pencil with a dull point.

As I graduated to upper grades, I also graduated to using ink pens, known then as “fountain pens.” The practical favorite for everyday use was a fat, colorful one made by Scheaffer or Parker. Early on, they had to be filled by dipping the pen into the bottle of ink and siphoning it with a lever — which sometimes resulted in a “fountain” of black or blue spurts on hands or paper. The process improved when the industry began making washable ink. Then pens with cartridges that *almost* could be changed without risking stained fingers or clothing were introduced. Soon various styles were made, even some elegant models that became fashion statements or status symbols. I never owned one of those.

Then came the ballpoint pen, the enduring instrument that has become the new standard for every purpose. It has evolved into a variety of styles, from the “rolling ball” to “gels.” Those that come with the added benefit of a fragrance may be carrying things a bit too far.

I still like the feel of a fountain pen and the look of real ink on paper. I have also given up the pleasure of hanging clothes on an outdoor line or making bread from scratch. These days I usually take the easy way provided by clothes dryers, bakeries and writing instruments. I am, however, particular in choosing my pencils and ball point pens.

I have used those instruments in many handwritten letters, but probably have sent many more typewritten ones. I don't remember if I ever owned a regular sized typewriter, but I did have a portable one that traveled with me on all our moves. It goes to a Minnesota cabin each summer with my husband and me. That little machine also hammered out regular family letters, with several carbon copies to parents and siblings. Fortunately — for me, at least — my mother kept many of those letters. Reading through them now, I recall the days they were written and the funny things our boys did and said. Sadly, few of our children and grandchildren will have such treasures, for even if we save photos and letters to some “permanent”

device — within a few years there will be no machines to read the saved file.

After years of typing on manual machines, both at home and in the workplace, I was thrilled to sit down to my first electric model in the newsroom at San Antonio College, where I was a middle-aged journalism student. Even more amazing was the computer-like machine at the weekly newspaper where I worked. It was ancient by today's standards, but I was enthralled with its speed and ability to move, delete and correct copy. Like a child with a new toy, I watched letters speed cross the page when I held down a key. Then I could send it to be printed — in another room!

I graduated from my personal electric typewriter to one that had some computer-like operations. It used small disks to save copy, but still printed like a typewriter. I used that one when I began working on *The Kabekona Chronicle*, a history of our lake community in Minnesota.

I have been excited with each subsequent generation of computers that my husband and I have owned, beginning with a huge desktop model that needed codes for specific programs. It had to be booted with a big floppy disk each time we used it.

From there we graduated to our first Apple computer, a small desktop version, similar to the one I used at the office. Thus began the journey through several generations of operating systems and the addition of newer models of desktops, laptops, tablets and phones.

The appearance of the Internet and Email gave me more things to learn, and more ways to keep in touch with a growing family and the many friends we had made over the years. It has become such a way of life for me, not only for messages, but for the magic of finding information about almost anyone or anything with the touch of a few keys. Although those tools are a normal part of my life today, such things would have been far beyond my imagination when I was pounding out letters, columns, curriculum and books on a small portable typewriter.

There is one thing I still write by hand — my journal. I began many years ago. I have a collection of notebooks hidden away in a cupboard. They began with some records of what I was doing and thinking, then gradually became a part of my morning devotional time. I have considered writing this on the computer, but cannot give up what, for me, is the intimacy of putting pencil to paper in the quiet of the morning and inserting favorite quotations on notes throughout the book.

I have created a “morning corner” in each place we have lived. My favorite is by the window at Kabekona, where I watch the sun rise over the lake, heralding a new day as I read the ancient, ongoing story of newness, and give thanks for each day's light and blessing — and for the writing tools of head and hand, of sentence and paragraph, of subject and predicate, adverb and adjective, of pride and humility, of celebrating life in the cycle of beginnings and endings.

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The Month (May)

The advanced Tap Dancers (right) from HG joined other groups celebrating National Tap Dance Day (2017) on Sunday, May 21, at Arvada Sr. High School. The photo shows this group at its recent performance in the Spring Frolics. (Photo by Anne Hummel-Gillis.)



...
Message From The SEC Committee: As a result of a recent incident we are advising the following to HG residents.

If you see a suspicious package on our property:

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- It is highly unlikely that this is a dangerous device, but error on the side of caution.

Rex Engel, Chair of the SEC Committee, reported at the HGA Board meeting that his group visited Aurora's District 3 dispatch center, guided by committee member Eilene Hogan. It was an interactive tour of the facility. Coincidentally, while the group was visiting, there was an emergency call from HG.

...
 The Campus Technology Committee, now an ad hoc subcommittee, will be looking at cell phone coverage in

HG, reported Chair Jim Sutton at the HGA Board meeting.

...
 Chair Bill Reynolds told the Communications Committee that there were 18 HG condos sold in April, 8 were currently for sale, one for lease, and 23 were under contract. The average number of days on the market was 14.5. Reynolds noted that the committee had two openings for new members.

...
 Selma and Russell Wood celebrated their 75th wedding anniversary on April 29. *Heather n Yon* hopes to get photos and an expanded story to share with all in the future.

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That Was...

Spring snowstorms seem to encourage HG residents to fashion snowmen. The snow is soft and wet. The outdoor temperature is warm enough that spending the time outside is not uncomfortable. This group, from B244, took advantage of an April snow to fashion a snowman in front



of the building. Standing behind their creation are (from left): Sherry Giles, Jeanne and John Coil.

Correction: In last month's issue, Joan Murphy was photographed behind a snowman guarding the Golf Course #7 fairway. John Murphy wrote a quick note that he and his wife had not fashioned the snowman, simply took advantage of the frozen statue to take a photo.

...

Two HGA committees are looking at water conservation in HG, Long Range Planning Committee and Roads & Grounds Committee. The latter group is doing an analysis of water usage in different seasons, ranking different areas in the community.

...

A memo from the Security Chief to owners about storing items in the parking spaces everywhere and parking garages on top of the Parking Structures 1-4 sparked angry responses from owners, including two board directors. What items can be stored in these locations are listed in the Architectural Control Procedure Memorandum, PM A-1. Chief Jones' memo warned that inspection of these spaces would begin on June 1, with a courtesy notice issued first. If not corrected in 72 hours, covenant violation letters will be issued to those owners not complying. Further noncompliance could lead to fines of \$10 per day being assessed.

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Annual Spring Frolics

Cast and crew collaborated for three shows in April, "Who Knew Susie?" There were singers, dancers and comedy. The annual variety show draws nearly standing room crowds. This year, the audience could join the cast and crew for a buffet dinner after the Saturday show in Rendezvous.





Photos by Anne Hummel-Gillis

HGMD ...from page 5

audit, reported Stephanie Simon, which is the highest rating possible. She gave a satisfactory grade to all cost centers of the HGMD, including the Golf Course, in how money is collected and recorded.

The motion to accept the audit failed on a one-to-one vote. Velasquez said he and Gullion "should have been involved more," with the audit.

• • •

Confusion continued to swirl around the HGMD Board, as all decisions made at the April 13 meeting were declared null and void by HGMD's attorneyj5

Jennifer Ivey, after the meeting. Because Velasquez boycotted the April meeting, the board did not have a quorum of directors necessary to conduct business — both directors needed to be present.

At that same meeting, Ivey announced that she considered Baldwin and Director Vincent Velasquez the only "properly seated" directors on the board.

Velasquez filed an action for judicial review (lawsuit) with the District Court of Arapahoe County, asking for rulings on a number of items. (See sidebar, page 5.)

At the May 11 meeting of the HGMD Board, Velasquez again was a no-show. The eight unfinished- and new-business items on the agenda could not, therefore, be voted on. When the gathering in Sandberg Auditorium again lacked a quorum of directors, Baldwin announced, "I'd like

to bring this meeting to order, but I can't."

The meeting would become a forum, he said, during which information would be conveyed, with time set aside to answer audience questions.

Bruce Cairns, CP4, disputed Ivey's statement that two directors constituted a quorum of the HGMD Board. A former Colorado state legislator, Cairns stated that three directors were needed [on a 5-person board] to constitute a quorum.

Ivey disagreed, saying that special districts are allowed to have their own bylaws, which don't necessarily have to conform to Colorado state rules. HGMD's bylaws say a quorum is half of the board's directors plus one. Since the board currently has only two directors, both directors must attend a meeting to create a quorum.

One agenda item the board couldn't rule on, but could discuss, was the resolution to schedule a recall election of Velasquez. Ivey explained that, after making several refinements to terms [wording], the petition signed by HG residents had been certified sufficient by the designated election official, General Manager Calvin White.

Deb Smith, CP2, asked what specific refinements had been made, for White to ultimately issue the certificate of sufficiency. Ivey explained changes were inconsistencies, such as calling voters "eligible" electors one time, but "qualified" electors at another place in the petition.

Baldwin noted that Ivey is "a stickler" for detail, and didn't accept

the petition until it met her high standards for consistency and accuracy.

Ivey explained that the directors of HGMD are charged to accept the petition and set the election date. Even though Velasquez is the subject of the recall, he doesn't have a choice about cooperating with it.

Four residents applied to be named to the seat vacated by Bob Guillion, whose oath of office was not signed and submitted to the state within 30 days of his appointment to the board. One applicant was Guillion himself, who did not attend the meeting. Three others presented their credentials, at the forum: Bill Archambault, B209; Jim Sollechio, B210; and Sandra Rosenberg, STH. None could be voted on, due to lack of a quorum.

Pursuant to Velasquez's Complaint for Judicial Review, Ivey reported, "Mr. Velasquez filed a complaint, asking for White to be terminated, Baldwin removed, me fired and his expenses reimbursed. Protection actions have been taken. The insurance company has been informed [of possible financial repercussions]."

Questions were asked and answered regarding the best type of recall election, mail ballot or balloting in person.

Ivey said, "The voting consultant [we have retained] recommends an all-mail ballot." She agreed that a mail ballot would be more expensive than holding the election at the Clubhouse, but "more convenient."

Baldwin stated the full cost of the recall election could be \$30,000–\$40,000.

Ivey added that Velasquez had already missed two regular HGMD meetings (April and May).

"One of his duties is to attend meetings," she noted. If he misses a third consecutive meeting (June 15), he automatically would be dropped from the board, unless it was an excused absence, due to physical or mental illness.



**Flag Day
Wednesday
June 14**

Baldwin ...from page 11

following:

- That I be permanently removed as an HGMD director
- That Calvin White be permanently removed as agent to the HGMD
- That Jennifer Ivey and her law firm be permanently removed as HGMD attorney, and
- That the HGA/HGMD management agreement be terminated.

Velasquez is asking for reimbursement of all costs and fees.

Calvin White has notified HGMD's insurance company of potential claims against the district. Because Ivey does not do litigation work, HGMD is asking its insurer to retain special counsel to advise and defend HGMD in this matter.

I would like to say all is well with your district, but you can see it is not. I would be glad to discuss our situation with you one-on-one or in a group setting with your building, CP or TH. Please call me, 720-535-1917, or email, cebaldy@comcast.net.

Shea...from page 17

er Denver, and with 10 grandchildren growing, Gloria and Charles moved into Heather Gardens. Charles died in 2007.

Gloria responded by increasing her volunteer activities. Coming home to HG from an excursion to Senior Day at the Zoo, she noticed a woman she didn't recognize remained on the bus after all others had exited the final stop. Gloria questioned the woman who said she "was on her way to the zoo now." Gloria alerted the bus driver and backtracked where the woman might have come from.

"We looked for ID's. She didn't have a purse. 'Do you have something in your pockets where you live? Do you live in a big building?' I was doing all the interrogation I could."

Where was she? The woman became terrified. She did not know where she lived. On the other side of Denver, her caretakers became alarmed that she was missing. She had wandered from her group at the zoo and followed HG/Windsor Gardens people onto their bus.

The incident prompted Gloria to suggest to the HG activities manager that an escort be designated to take charge of checking all passengers on

HG excursions. Gloria served several years as an escort until, as Gloria laughs, "I was term limited." Others wanted to serve in this capacity.

Gloria now volunteers for HG movie night. She bags popcorn and serves drinks to the well-attended movies.

"Most of us are alone. Most of us do not have a spouse with us, or a family. Volunteer. There are so many jobs you can do. And you will get to know people you are working with. You will get to know the people who come up." Start conversations, "What did you think of that movie?"

People need back and forth communication.

"You are not the only alone person. Talk with the person sitting next to you, in front of you, behind you."

Today a joyful hibiscus blooms in Gloria's living room waiting, along with numerous flowers in her window box, for spring to warm up to be placed outside. Tomorrow the Rose Garden will bloom. And soon, the concerts will begin.

— Dala Giffin

Gloria Shea, CP5, is enthusiastic about attending the free concerts in the Rose Garden on Havana Street. Held on the last Tuesday of the month, beginning in May, from 6 to 8 pm. Bring a lawn chair and a bottle of water or something non-alcoholic 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 Dick's Sporting Goods and Maurice's, 1250 S Ironton, at The Gardens on Havana (former Buckingham Square Mall location, SE corner of Mississippi & Havana).

One of the reasons Shea loves the concerts so much is that the local food vendors often provide free snacks for the music lovers. One concert it might be pizza, another might be chex mix or flavored popcorn. The last concert of the summer is always an ice cream social.

2017 Rose Garden Concert Schedule

May 30	RELIC (Classic Rock & Roll)
June 27	Tunisia (Hoagie Night)
July 25	Dotsero Jazz (Pizza)
Aug. 22	Six Foot Joe and the Red Hot Rhinos (Ice Cream Social)

Right: Jeanine Montgomerie, B214, reacts when she was declared the winner at the Ms. Colorado Senior America Pageant.



"We want all the HG ladies who were in the pageant (Micheline Fulkerson, B215; Sheila Bluestein, B223; and Ann Agee, B224) to appear in showcase, plus first and second runners up," Montgomerie explained.

October 15 to 20, Montgomerie will journey to Atlantic City, for the 38th Annual Ms. Senior America Pageant. "I understand we all will be rehearsing for some sort of opening number.

"The criteria in Atlantic City is the same as for the Colorado pageant. There will be 30 to 35 contests.

"Ten finalists are named, and the winner picked from the finalists. It will be exciting to meet women from all over the country."

— Mary Hafka

Ms. Colorado Senior America will have a busy year

"It's been fun, but it's a bit of a whirlwind," said Jeannine Montgomerie, B214, of life since she was crowned the 23rd Ms. Colorado Senior America. The pageant winner has been performing, usually once a week, and making personal appearances.

Parades are in her future: one on Memorial Day, and another on the Fourth of July. She'll be a model in a fashion show, presented as a fundraiser for charity.

With her Colorado pageant appearance behind her, Montgomerie now is a full-fledged member of The Cameo Club, whose performers hold showcases at area nursing homes, senior-living centers and veterans' organizations. Proceeds from the showcases help fund the pageant.

As reigning queen, Montgomerie performs in every showcase. Most venues ask for her talent act.

"I'm going to be entertaining at Denver YMCA. They're having a dance. I'll sing with the band."

Montgomerie is president of the HG Optimists Club. "The Optimists will reap rewards from an event in June, Art with a Heart. Village Senior Living has an annual event, auctioning off art by seniors. Our Optimists Club is one of four groups benefiting from the auction."

Just down the street, there is going to be a classic car show at Harvard Square. Montgomerie will appear, and Elvis is expected to show, as well.

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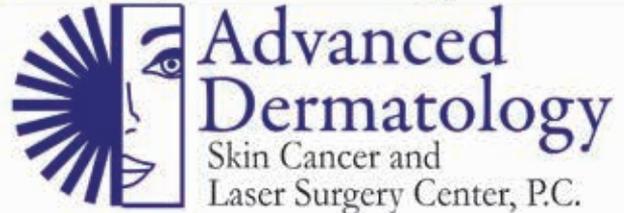
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HG residents fill a charter bus for a Colorado Rockies Baseball Game on May 7



The weather cooperated. HG fans enthusiastically showed their support as the home team won, 5-2, against the Arizona Diamondbacks. Another trip is planned for Aug. 20. (See page 50 for details).



Photos by Gini Klein, B216, Karen Propp, B216, and a compliant fan not from HG.

GM Report...from page 15

- Worked with contractor for B217 carpet replacement.
- Worked with contractor for Clubhouse carpet.
- Sent out bids for Seville footbridge replacement.
- Re-bidding water heater annual contract.
- Worked with Maintenance Connection on new work-order software.
- Worked on the Reserve Study.
- Reviewed bids received for elevator preventive-maintenance contracts.

Custodial

- Completed 17 work orders.
- Completed 15 set-ups at Clubhouse.
- Completed inspections of the Clubhouse, Restaurant, and 32 multi-story buildings.
- Extracted carpets in B201 through B210
- Hired two new part-time custodians.

Roads and Grounds

- Removed nine cottonwood trees and six pine trees.

- Applied post-emergent weed control for dandelions.
- Completed spring start-up and repairs to irrigation system.
- Completed overseeding thin areas of turf.
- Applied spring fertilizer.
- Began normal mowing routines.
- Constructed 20 new bollard posts.
- Completed flush cut on ornamental grasses around the property.
- Added new mulch to planting beds around Clubhouse.
- Completed spring garage-sweeping and power-washing schedule.
- Assisted maintenance with running new electric at B243 for address sign.

Golf

- Completed aeration and fertilization of fairways.
- Applied liquid fertilizers to greens.
- Continued hiring and training of seasonal staff.
- Installed topsoil along edges of new asphalt.
- Continued mowing and daily golf preparations.
- Continued irrigation maintenance.
- Completed algaecide treatments to lakes.

- Setup sand-seed stations on tees.
- Seeded tees 1 through 6.

Restaurant

- Held 3 memorials, Easter Brunch (386 people), Woman's Golf Banquet, Optimist Night at the Races (dinner and horse races), outside church group (50 people), English ladies group (50 people), Volunteer Appreciation Party, Frolics Dinner Show.
- Hosted one Tony David Dance (Late Night Saturdays).
- Cleaned carpets.

Security

- Total of 379 reports written and 3,746 miles patrolled.
- Attended B243 meeting.
- Coordinated with Management and the S.E.C Committee, to purchase additional cameras for the HG Clubhouse and Maintenance Shops.
- Purchased additional items for the Emergency Preparedness section of the S.E.C. Committee.
- Held staff safety meeting.

Employee of the Month: Deseree Moreno, Maintenance Department

Letters

Heather 'n Yon

Some time ago, there was a letter requesting buttons. I did not have time to write at the time. If that person still wants buttons, please call 303-283-9266.

**Dorothy Leuszler
B243**

Heather 'n Yon

The HGMD Board meeting scheduled for May 11 wasn't called to order due to lack of a quorum. Since regular business couldn't be conducted, the only director present, Craig Baldwin and the attorney, Jennifer Ivey, attempted to explain the process and estimated costs for a Recall Election, if necessary, to "recall" 1 of the 2 remaining directors on the board. Ivey stressed that an election must be held within the next 90 days.

There was some confusion regarding the different costs of the two election formats that could be used. A proposal was received from Special District Management Services, Inc. to conduct a Recall Election for a minimum charge of \$28,515 for a "Polling Place Election," and a minimum charge of \$41,195 for conducting a "Mail Ballot Election." The primary difference in cost is printing and mailing costs for mail ballots (\$12,680 more). The minimum labor charge is the same for each — \$24,150. Baldwin and Ivey were quick to point out that there would most likely be additional costs regardless of the election format.

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.

My understanding is the cost to hold a Recall Election, which isn't in the 2017 HGMD budget, is paid by HGMD but ultimately by HG owners. I'm hoping residents will agree to the "Polling Place Election" format, saving HG owners at least \$12,680.

If the Recall Election happens, there will be four vacancies on the HGMD Board and, according to Baldwin, he plans to increase the board to seven directors by August 2017, which would create two additional vacancies for a total of six new directors. If I understood Baldwin and Ivey correctly, there must be at least two directors in attendance before a board meeting can be called to order. It is "iffy" whether any business could be conducted with less than three.

**Joyce Brown
CP1**

Heather 'n Yon

I would like to propose that HG "continue" to be proactive. North of our campus, the apartment complex is becoming a reality.

I would like to see signs posted indicating to apartment dwellers that "Heather Gardens is a Senior Citizens' Community with Privately-owned Condos."

I would hazard a guess that crime in and around HG is on the rise. With turnover in condo owners, we have multiple contractors onsite every day. Some contractors are given keys to buildings.

The workers in the nearby Cherry Creek Place buildings use HG to stretch their legs during breaks and lunch hours.

I am not against having neighbors, but I do feel that rules, regulations and boundaries can help make good neighbors — just as fences do. One of the primary reasons that I choose to live at HG is for safety. I would like to know that, when I pass someone on my daily walks or see someone in the Clubhouse, they are a HG resident. I want to know that when I answer my door, it's someone who is authorized to be in my building.

At the north and south entrances, large signs could state "You are

now entering Heather Gardens, A Senior Citizen Community." I am sorry that the kiosk at the north entrance was demolished; it was a clear sign that drivers were entering a "special" community neighborhood. I also agree with the gentleman who suggested installing traffic speed-reducing pillows on HG streets.

I would also like to see signs at each driveway entrance to HG buildings. (May seem like a lot of signs, but this is where most of the crimes/thefts are occurring.) A sign posted on Linvale Avenue could say "authorized vehicles only."

By posting signs and establishing property rights, it will make it easier legally to enforce boundaries. Please! Let's be proactive NOW!

**Kathy (Werfelmann) Fenske
B215**

Heather 'n Yon

Modern Communication

We are snowbirds. During the time we are not in residence here we receive no communication regarding HG. I take that back. We do get, via U.S. Postal Service, an explanation of dues and a budget report. About 10 days into a month I can google *Heather 'n Yon* on the HGA website and get some news.

Email is a modern mode of communication. Our directory does not even have email addresses available. Anyone can "not list" their email, but should have the opportunity. Management should have it and use it. We came back to a notice of an Annual Courtesy Inspection. Had that notice been emailed we would have responded, authorizing the inspection.

We also find "notices" that might have kept us informed about what is going on in the district and/or association slipped under our door. Having email addresses listed in the directory would allow us to communicate with floor mates, building mates and even management, maintenance, security and especially activities. This is faster and easier than making phone calls or knocking on doors for floor meetings or building meetings.

See Letters...page 35

JUNE CALENDAR

Thu 1	HG Breakfast Optimist Club TOPS (every Thursday) HG Writers Club (every Thursday) Bunko Cribbage (every Thursday) Ping Pong Doubles/Intermediate (every Thursday) CP4 Social Kiwanis Club of Aurora (every Thursday) American Legion Post 2012 Men's 9-Ball Billiard Tournament (every Thursday)	Rendezvous Restaurant Blue Spruce Room Mountainview Room Blue Spruce Room Arts & Crafts Room Game Room Rendezvous Restaurant Rendezvous Restaurant Mountainview Room Billiards Room	7:45 am 8:30–9:30 am 1–3:30 pm 1–3:30 pm 1–3:30 pm 2–5 pm 5 pm 6 pm 7 pm 7–9:30 pm
Fri 2	HG Men's Golf Scoring (every Friday) Men with Purpose Coffee HG Indivisible Group (every Friday) 500 Club (every Friday) Clubhouse Matinee: Fences Men's Poker (every Friday) Clubhouse Movie: Fences	Game Room Skyview Room Rendezvous Restaurant Blue Spruce Room Sandberg Auditorium Game Room Sandberg Auditorium	8 am–1 pm 10 am 12:15 pm 12:30–4 pm 1 pm 4–9:45 pm 6:30 pm
Sat 3	Mexican Train Dominoes (every Saturday) Ping Pong Doubles/Intermediate (every Saturday) Clubhouse Event - 1st Saturday Night Live Dance	Arts & Crafts Room Game Room Sandberg Auditorium	noon–4:30 pm 2–5 pm 6:30–9:30 pm
Mon 5	Mah Jongg (every Monday) Men's Bridge (every Monday) Ping Pong Singles/Advanced (every Monday) Pinochle - Open (every Monday)	Blue Spruce Room Skyview Room Game Room Mountainview Room	12:30–4 pm 1–4 pm 2–5 pm 6:30–9:30 pm
Tue 6	Bridge (every Tuesday) Hand and Foot (every Tuesday) Mah Jongg (every Tuesday) Ping Pong Doubles/Intermediate (every Tuesday) B215 Happy Hour Co-Ed Billiards Club (every Tuesday)	Skyview Room Mountainview Room Blue Spruce Room Game Room Rendezvous Restaurant Billiards Room	12:30–4 pm 12:30–4 pm 1–4 pm 2–5 pm 5 pm 6:30 pm
Wed 7	HG Ladies' Golf Scoring (every Wednesday) Mobile Post Office ACBL Duplicate Bridge (every Wednesday)	Game Room Circle Driveway Aspen/Blue Spruce Rooms	7 am–1 pm 11:30–11:45 am 1–4:30 pm

Advertised Activities and Seminars

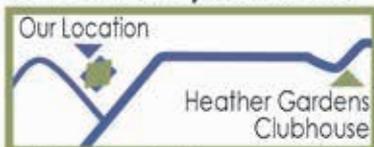
Mon, June 5	Bayer Ear Clinic (Every Monday) Arts & Craft Room, 9 am–noon (See ad, page 36)
Thu, June 8	Free Lunch/Window Seminar, Rendezvous, Renewal by Andersen (See ad, page 12)
Wed, June 14	Reverse Mortgage Seminar, Shana Judd, Mountainview Room 10:18 am (See ad, page 22)
Thu, June 15	Long-Term Care, Skyview Room, RBC Wealth Management, 11 am; 5:30 pm (See ad, page 29)
Wed, June 21	Comedy and Cocktails, RSVP by June 19, Harvard Square, 3–4:30 pm (See ad, page 46)
Sat, June 24	Asset Protection Workshop, RSVP, Aspen Room, Secure Financial, 10 am–noon (See ad, page 21)
Sat, June 24	For the Love of Chocolate, MorningStar at Dayton Place, 10 am–3 pm (See ad, page 47)

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Thu 8	Clubhouse Event: Great Rabbi, Great Insights Green Team Clubhouse Event: Denver Jazz Club Youth All Stars	Blue Spruce Room Skyview Room Sandberg Auditorium	10 am noon 2 pm
Fri 9	Clubhouse Event: AARP Driving Course Karaoke Club	Arts & Crafts Room Aspen/Blue Spruce Room	1-5 pm 6:30 pm
Sat 10	Clubhouse Event: 9Health Fair and Morning Stretch 50 and Who's Counting	Clubhouse Aspen/Blue Spruce Room	7-11 am 5:30-9:30 pm
Tue 13	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 Rendezvous Banquet Rm Rendezvous Restaurant	8:30 am 1-3:30 pm 1-3:30 pm 3:30 pm 5 pm
Wed 14	Clubhouse Event - Active Minds: Iran Tennis Club Social and Dinner Aviation Club	Sandberg Auditorium Rendezvous Restaurant Aspen Room	2 pm 5 pm 7 pm
Thu 15	HG Breakfast Optimist Club Clubhouse Event: Watch Batteries Bunko Residents' Open Forum	Rendezvous Restaurant Lodgepole Lounge Blue Spruce Room Rendezvous Restaurant	7:45 am 9 am-1 pm 1-3:30 pm 3 pm
Fri 16	Men with Purpose Coffee Clubhouse Matinee: A Dog's Purpose Clubhouse Movie Night: A Dog's Purpose	Skyview Room Sandberg Auditorium Sandberg Auditorium	10 am 1 pm 6:30 pm
Sat 17	Wine and Cheese Social Club	Aspen/Blue Spruce Rooms	3-5 pm
Mon 19	VNA Clinic Photography Club	Blue Spruce Room Aspen Room	1-3:30 pm 3-5 pm
Tue 20	Clubhouse Event: Chair Massage Genealogy Swap Shop Clubhouse Event - Basic Computer Troubleshooting B205 and B206 Happy Hour Capitol Update with Colorado Legislators	Arts & Crafts Room Skyview Room Aspen/Blue Spruce Room Rendezvous Restaurant Aspen/Blue Spruce Rooms	9-11 am 10 am 10 am 5 pm 6:30 pm
Wed 21	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 22	Clubhouse Event: Medicare 101 Clubhouse Event: Bingo Clubhouse Event: Card Making Class Clubhouse Event: Exploring Colorado Wineries	Mountainview Room Sandberg Auditorium Skyview Room Sandberg Auditorium	9:30-11:30 am 1 pm 1 pm 6-9 pm
Fri 23	Clubhouse Event: Curtis Knox	Sandberg Auditorium	1 pm

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JUNE CALENDAR, Cont.

Sat 24	B211 Picnic	Picnic Pavilion	11 am–3 pm
Mon 26	Clubhouse Event: Diabetes Management Low Vision Support Group	Aspen Room Arts & Crafts Room	1 pm 1:30 pm
Tue 27	Clubhouse Event: Pitfalls of the Internet HG Republican Club HG Democrat Club Caregiver's Support Group	Blue Spruce Room Aspen Room Rendezvous Restaurant Aspen Room	10 am 1:30 pm 4:30 pm 7 pm
Wed 28	Resident Orientation Clubhouse Event: Improving Memory Clubhouse Event: John Philip Souza Band	Board Room Sandberg Auditorium Sandberg Auditorium	9:45 am 2:30 pm 7 pm

Bible Study (Interdenominational), Wednesday 8–9 am

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

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

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

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

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

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

Prayer Meeting - 2nd Thursday, 2 pm.

Heather 'n Yon Deadline - 6/15

• Monthly Meetings • Boards and Committees

- Civic Affairs – 10 am Thu, June 1
- Communications – 10 am Tue, June 6
- Golf – 1 pm Tue, June 6
- Long Range Plan – 10 am Wed, June 7
- Clubhouse/Rest – 9 am Tue, June 8
- Budget & Finance – 10 am Mon, June 12
- HGA Board – 1 pm Tue, June 13**
- Foundation – 1 pm Wed, June 14
- ACC – 10 am Thu, June 15
- HGMD Board – 1 pm Thu, June 15**
- Resident Open Forum – 3 pm Thu, June 15
(Rendezvous)
- SEC – 1 pm Wed, June 21
- Roads and Grounds – 10 am Tue, June 27
- Structure Maintenance – 1 pm Tue, June 27

FYI

Food Truck Rodeo

11 am–2 pm Friday, June 2

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10th Annual Cruzin' Havana Car Show

Free classic car show at three locations: Havana Machine, 840 S Havana; Gibby's/Buckingham Village Shopping Center, 1555 S Havana; Waterpark/Kaiser/Stampede parking lots on the NE corner of Parker Road and Havana, noon–6 pm.

Events include: KBPI's Willie B will broadcast live 9–11 am at the Havana Machine site. Music at each site during festival.

Senior Property Tax Exemption

The senior property tax exemption is available to senior citizens and the surviving spouses of senior citizens. The state reimburses the local governments for the loss in revenue. When the State of Colorado's budget allows, 50 percent of the first \$200,000 of actual value of the qualified applicant's primary residence is exempted.

See FYI...page 59

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, June 13, 1–3:30 pm, Blue Spruce Room, Rebecca Hodgkins, 303-728-4368, or Barbara McShane
Monday, June 19, 1–3:30 pm, Blue Spruce Room, Blanche McKinney, 303-751-6444

Note: Kaiser covers 100% medical foot care for some patients. Call 303-698-6496 to verify coverage.

Letters...from page 31

The ONLY email address listed in the directory (except for ads!) was for management! So email management, management@heathergardens.org, and ask that email addresses be included in the 2018 directory. HG IS our primary home.

**Rita L. Effler
B232**

Heather 'n Yon

All residents drive through HG and see the trees and grounds. There are many trees still alive and looking lovely, but there are SO MANY dead trees, or partially dead trees. I wonder why years have gone by and those dead or partially dead trees are still in the same place they have been.

I know there is a lot of work to be done and, as usual, not enough employees. Perhaps more should be hired. I've spoken to both General Manager Calvin White and Roads and Grounds Supervisor Jeff Owens. I have been promised a tree outside my building would be taken care of last fall. But, alas, it is still there and if it had been taken care of a few years ago, it might partially be still alive.

Now I think it needs to be removed. It sure doesn't make HG look as inviting as the marketing program would like it to look.

Maybe if White or Owens see this letter, something will be done. However, I expect the tree will still be here this time next year. Surprise me!

**Carol Miller
B234**

Heather 'n Yon

Today my wife opened her computer and there was a warning screen with a voice repeating over and over that her IP address was used to visit some dangerous sites on the web. Her computer had been locked.

The background screen looked like an official Microsoft site. There was a phone number to call, 1-844-373-9778, to have a Microsoft technician correct the problem and unlock her computer. Further instructions stated "do not turn off your computer."

Important Reminder to all New HG Residents:

On the fourth Wednesday of each month, a Resident Orientation meeting is held at 9:45 am, in the Board Room, second floor of the HG Clubhouse. All new residents are provided a Resident Handbook, an indispensable publication and guide. It is filled with useful and helpful information that will greatly assist you as you transition to the unique HG lifestyle. Knowing where to find help will facilitate your access to its wonderful community resources.

If you are unable to attend the orientation session, you can pick up a copy of the handbook in the HG Management Office. An electronic version of the handbook is also available on www.heathergardens.org.

**– Chair Bill Reynolds
Communications Committee**

She called the number and reached a very "Indian" accented voice. She hung up.

I came home and shut down her computer, then rebooted it. It came back on line with no further problems. I Googled the number and found that it was reported as a spam number in many languages.

**Dave Loomis
B221**

Residents in B235, calling themselves the Young@Heart group, gathered at Jack and Patt Clark's home on Derby Day, May 6. Wearing festive hats, they placed their bets, then watched the 143rd "Run for the Roses." Helen Fleischman won, choosing Derby winner, "Always Dreaming."



Above: Mascot Ima Winner



Above: Winnie Jennings (left) was the official hat winner.

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Velasquez...from page 10

HGMD board on March 2, 2017, voted "No" 3-2, Not to amend the Management Agreement. Directors Baldwin, Gullion and Velasquez voting "NO." Directors Kurtz and Compton voting "YES". *{Editor's Note: The motion was to table the amended management agreement.}*

HGMD Board March 10, 2017, voted "Yes" 2-1 To issue letter of notice to the HGA board. Directors Gullion and Velasquez voted "YES". Director Baldwin voted "NO."

2. The golf fees were increased by the HGMD Board in October 2016. Directors Baldwin, Francone, Gaugenmaier, Velasquez and Kurtz, the vote was unanimous to increase.

3. The golf contractor has refused to implement the new software:

a) On April 20, 2016, the HGMD Board approved the software. Directors were Francone, Hizer, Archambault, Kurtz, and Gaugenmaier. The vote was unanimous.

b) On Nov. 9, 2016, HGMD President Larry Francone set up a meeting with General Manager Calvin White, Golf Pro Robert Macaluso and Director Vincent Velasquez. The golf contractor was given direction to implement the software that was installed.

The golf contractor refused to implement the software and hired an attorney the next day. White told all HGMD Board directors not to talk to the golf contractor anymore. [His contract was with HGA.] To this day the software has not been implemented.

c) The proper data to evaluate the increase or decrease of golf fees is important for this district cost center. The software is necessary to gather this data.

d) The proper data for the "2 for 1" promotion is important throughout the year, and is available from this software. To know when the slow time of season is here to use the promotion. This "2 for 1" promotion should not be used all year round because residents end up paying half the cost of the non-residents golf fees.

2014 HG Residents Subsidized \$197,000
2015 HG Residents Subsidized \$194,000
2016 HG Residents Subsidized \$134,000.

The reason for the change in 2016 is because golf staff positions were vacant and not filled and \$20,000 came from revenue when residents bought 40-play punch cards to save before rate increase in 2017.

e) HGMD Board in January 2017 voted 3-2 to remove the "2 for 1" promotion. Directors Kurtz, Compton and Velasquez voted "to Remove." Directors Francone and Baldwin voted "not to Remove." *{Editor's Note: Revising the HGMD budget is a two-step process. Once approved by the board, it must be announced in a public meeting, then approved after public comment. A public meeting was not scheduled.}*

4. HGMD has No employees. Employees of the HGA are free to resign when they decide. This has nothing to do with me.

This [Recall] petition does not state that it takes the majority of board directors to vote to implement or take action. Not one director is a quorum. Not one director can take action alone.

– Vincent Velasquez, CP3, HGMD Board Director

Recall...from page 10

schedule the Recall Election. July 10 has been targeted, but Director Velasquez has failed to attend the last two regular meetings of the HGMD Board, making it impossible to take any valid board action.

{Editor's Note: Director Bob Gullion, a renter, was removed from the board in April when the board lawyer announced that his signed oath of office had never been delivered for filling In January. That invalidated his appointment. He submitted a self-nomination application to be appointed to the board at the last regular meeting.}

– POPV Committee

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In March, Ron Hileman, B223, sent the following email to all three HGMD Board directors, dated March 14:

"Your board voted to end the operating agreement with HGA [on March 10 at a special meeting]. Many residents do not understand the reasons for this change or the need for such a change.

"Your reasons for the change need to be explained in more detail and I suggest you hold public meetings so that residents can understand the benefits of the changes. Public meetings have been a tradition at HG when there have been significant issues. For example, the Clubhouse bonds, the change in restaurant operations, the change in Declaration of Condominium and the proposed Comcast agreement — all had public meetings. Ending the operating agreement between HGMD and HGA to initiate HGMD operating on its own is a significant issue. It deserves public meetings to get support.

"My impression is that residents do not understand the issues you have and need to know more about the benefits of your solution. In fact, there is a strong effort underway to recall board members. A recall vote will be very divisive and very expensive. So, it is very important that you inform our residents.

"Here are some questions that you could address at public meetings.

- "What are the problems with the current agreement?"
- "Can these problems be solved without terminating the current agreement?"
- "If the agreement is canceled how will the Clubhouse, Golf Course, Restaurant, the RV lot, the garden and Maintenance Shop be run? If these operations will be run by third parties, then provide three bids for the services.
- "The HGA staff occupy space in the Clubhouse and Maintenance Shop in return for running the HGMD operations. Will the HGA pay rent for using these spaces?"
- "Will HGMD need staff to negotiate and monitor the third parties running the Clubhouse, Restaurant, Golf Course etc.? If so, what will this cost?"
- "How will the replacement contracts get written and reviewed?"
- Who will draft the 2018 HGMD budget?
- What will be done with the Golf Pro contract with HGA that extends past 2017?

I urge you to schedule public meetings in April."
{Editor's Note: There was a town hall meeting scheduled concurrent with the April HGMD Board meeting, but both Vince Velasquez and Bob Gullion failed to attend the meeting. No formal response to these questions has been made.}

Clubs and Organizations

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 and Type 1 Diabetes.

We meet at 7:45 am in Rendezvous on the first and third Thursdays of every month. 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.

June programs:

June 1: Barbara Warner, "Powerful Tools."

June 15: Chris Natzke, "Mind of a Champion."

Our Pancake Breakfast in May raised funds for Childhood Cancer Campaign. Thanks to your generosity, we netted \$1,000.

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 information.

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

The American Legion was chartered and incorporated by Congress in 1919, as a patriotic veterans' organization devoted to mutual helpfulness. It is the nation's largest war-time veterans service organization, committed to mentoring youth and sponsoring programs in communities, advocating patriotism and honor, promoting strong national security, and continued devotion to fellow service members and veterans.

We are a small post, chartered in 2012, and have moved to HG. We are always looking for veterans interested in helping veterans in the community. We offer friendship, community service, fellowship and fun with other vets and their families, reaching out to homeless vets. Check us out. We meet on the first Thursday of every month, 7 pm, in the Mountainview Room.

A planned Fourth of July Picnic is open to everyone: details to follow. For more information, contact Don Clair (B243), copost2012cmd@gmail.com or 720-219-8707.

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. We meet 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 the democratic processes. We focus on providing information that individual citizens can use to communicate effectively with elected officials.

We view 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 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 Rendezvous' Banquet 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

Joppa Daylight Lodge AF & AM

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

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

Woodshop Club

The next club meeting will be at 4 pm Wednesday, June 7, in the Mountainview Room. Bring your ideas, concerns and expertise. – Jim Sollecchio

CP1

Our monthly happy hour is on the first Wednesday of the month, 5 pm, in the Banquet Room. See you on June 7!

The Green Team

We meet every second Thursday of the month at noon in the Skyview Room. If you are like-minded, please join us.

Tip of the Month: anything that comes from nature should never be recycled. This includes wood, leather, fur and stones. These items go into the trash.

Clothing items, such as under garments, old socks and stockings or rags are not recyclable, either. If you are doing spring cleaning and minimizing your wardrobe, consider giving items, which are in good condition, to ARC, Goodwill or the Salvation Army. –Wendy, 303-306-0066.

Karaoke Club

The club meets 6–8 pm on the second Friday of the month in the Aspen/Blue Spruce Rooms. Great songs to choose from and sing. Sing solo or with a group. For information, call 303-398-3998, or 309-310-5315.

50 & Who's Counting

Summer is finally here! Join us for our meeting on Saturday, June 10. We will have a social time at 5:30, and a potluck dinner with lots of yummy food at 6 pm.

Following dinner, we have fun and games. Bring your own beverage, and be prepared to have a great time. – Sandy Brent

On Saturday, June 24, take a trip back to the 50s and your favorite memories and music! Come to this year's Sock Hop, 5:30–8:30 pm in Rendezvous. Shel McClaury's band, Final Approach, will be joined by Karen Osburn's group for a rockin' great sound.

There will be hula-hoop, dance and costume contests with cool prizes. For \$15 each, you will get a retro hamburger, waffle fries, root beer floats and more for dinner, and dancing to a live band. Dig out your saddle shoes and 50s garb — join the party! Call Steve, 303-601-7858, by June 20, to make your reservation. Elvis is looking forward to seeing you there!

Ports of Call Singles

The original Ports of Call Singles (POCS) group is seeking new members. The club holds two social hours per month. The first is 4–6 pm on the second Monday of each month, at

Senior Ric's.

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

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 HG Aviation Club meeting will be 7 pm Wednesday, June 14, Aspen Room. Anyone interested in planes and aviation is welcome.

The program will be the movie *Memphis Belle*, based on facts. This movie portrays the life of a B-17 Bomber crew of the Memphis Belle in World War 2.

History: The B-17 Flying Fortress called Memphis Belle (Serial No. 41-24485) is a wartime legend. Her fame did not lie only in the fact that she was the first B-17 to complete her tour of duty (25 missions) during World War 2, but also that she managed, despite severe damage, to bring all her men back from every single mission unscathed.

While the Memphis Belle is remembered for completing 25 missions, it was actually not the first. Just a few days prior, the B-17 Hell's Angels (Serial No. 41-24577) of the 303rd Bomb Group was the first crew to complete 25 missions.

Because Uncle Sam needed a morale boost back home, the Memphis Belle crew flew home to



a nationwide war-bond tour and heroes' welcome.

Postwar this magnificent bomber has had a turbulent history. Dumped to rot once in an airplane bone-yard, and later ravaged by vandals, the Belle was almost lost to the world twice — a fate unbecoming so great a war legend. In fact, it wasn't until the 1980s that people recognized her heritage, and brought her the proper respect that she deserved. Today she is located at the Air Force Museum, Wright Patterson AFB, in Dayton, Ohio, awaiting restoration.

NOTE: The Memphis Belle aircraft you see flying today is what is widely considered the movie *Memphis Belle*. This particular aircraft has no combat history and serves to honor the original crew and aircraft. You will notice the movie *Memphis Belle* has a cursive "Memphis Belle" on the nose instead of the original block letters. – Rudy Morris

Wine and 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 McClaury

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. For June, we will have a program on polarizing filters — how to use them; why and when we should use them.

The club is a good venue for meeting people who share the same interest. You not only can form new friendships, but also have fun while learning new things about the craft.

The club is open to all without regard to your photographic knowledge, experience or type of equip-

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Sports and Recreation

Bunko

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

Tennis Club

Our HG Tennis Club is delighted to announce we will be hosting a friendly competition with a Meadow Hill tennis group on Sunday, June 11, in the afternoon. This event will include two men's doubles, two women's doubles, and two mixed doubles matches. We invite everyone to come out and cheer for the home team. There will be a social in the Picnic Pavilion following the matches.

This season, not only are we playing weekday mornings, but we have added 5-7 pm on Monday and Thursday evenings. If you are interested in becoming an active member, please look for our forms in the tennis box located in the Clubhouse.

Residents pay just \$5 for an annual membership. If you have questions, call Wendy, 303-306-0066.

– Wendy Pfaffhausen

Pickleball

The schedule for Pickleball will be emailed to everyone on the Pickleball email list for June. Now that the weather has improved, we will be playing 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 will also be 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. The website offers detailed information on the free lessons, our current playing schedule, instructional videos, and information on the game's history, rules and equipment.

If you want to learn more about

Pickleball, or get on the Pickleball roster, call Rosalie, 303-751-1226, or Judy, 303-369-6258, or contact us by email at "pickleball@plaidflannel.com."

Men's Golf Club

Our season is well underway. The first two months are past, and participation has been great, even on those days when the weather was a little dicey.

The month of June will be a busy one. The annual Men's and Ladies' Clubs Mixer (June 12), Match play (beginning June 16), and the Garden Cup against Windsor Gardens (June 20 and 27) will all take place. I hope your and my game is in shape for all this activity that include four stroke play tournaments.

Results of the tournaments are as follows:

April 21

A Flight

- 1st Jerry Joy
- 2nd John Bender
- 3rd Tom Parko, Gary Barranco, Dave Bushman, Allen Torrey

B Flight

- 1st John Densmore
- 2nd Bob Neu
- 3rd Larry Francone, Tom Fitzgerald
- 4th Bradley Kunish

C Flight

- 1st Robbie Robertson
- 2nd Mark Marquardt, Ted Cowan
- 3rd John McLaughlin, Tom Merges, Jim Jensen

D Flight

- 1st Phillip Corliss
- 2nd Rich Richardson
- 3rd Van Kinahan, John McMullen, David McCollom

E Flight

- 1st Gil Tellis

April 28

A Flight

- 1st Dave Oakland
- 2nd Ed Bradley
- 3rd William Schmit, Gary Barranco, Bob Bengen, John Bender

B Flight

- 1st Manny Gallegos
- 2nd George Dipaolo
- 3rd Tom Smith, Owen Williams
- 4th Tom Fitzgerald, Bob Riley, Bradley Kunish, Larry Francone

C Flight

- 1st Tom Merges
- 2nd John McLaughlin
- 3rd Jim Jensen
- 4th Henry Hein

D Flight

- 1st Al Reasoner
- 2nd Ralph Romero, Don Nussbaum
- 3rd Joe Schulte

E Flight

- 1st Tom Scally

May 5

A Flight

- 1st Dan Wallace
- 2nd Jess Deal, Frank Leydens
- 3rd Jerry Joy, John Bender

B Flight

- 1st Tom Fitzgerald
- 2nd Paul Zipp, Brian Bucenec
- 3rd Larry Francone
- 4th Owen William David Krell, Len Liss, George Dipaolo

C Flight

- 1st Mike Meagher, Ted Cowan
- 2nd Bob Budden, Russ Gates, Tom Merges
- 3rd Robbie Robertson

D Flight

- 1st John McMullen
- 2nd Sam Lozano, Steve Galambos
- 3rd Ralph Romero, Sharad Budhdhdev, Al Reasoner

E Flight

- 1st Bill Archambault
- 2nd David McCollom
- 3rd Neil Miller
- 4th George Brown, Joe Schulte

May 12

A Flight

- 1st Ed Stevens, Jerry Joy, Gene Barth
- 2nd Jess Deal
- 3rd Bob Bengen, Jim Lamb

B Flight

- 1st Gary Barranco, Bob Riley, Dave Bushman, Larry Francone
- 2nd Bob Neu
- 3rd Tom Fitzgerald, Gary Hizer,

Randy White, Len Liss

C Flight

- 1st Ron Hileman
- 2nd Russ Gates, Robbie Robertson
- 3rd Tom Merges
- 4th Mike Connolly, Mike Meagher, Ray Binder

D Flight

- 1st Henry Hein
- 2nd Rich Richardson, John McLaughlin
- 3rd Bob Bamford, Ralph Romero
- 4th Sam Lozano, Al Reasoner, Dave Westfall

E Flight

- 1st David McCollom
- 2nd Tom Scally
- 3rd Don Nussbaum, Gil Tellis
- 4th Neil Wilkins, George Brown, Don Jackson

So there you have it; keep on swinging. Special thanks to the Golf Shop and maintenance teams for all their hard work. – Ed Bradley

Mexican Train Dominoes

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

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 Clubhouse courts (see page 42). For further information, please contact Rita Effler, rl_effler@hotmail.com, or 303-619-3515.

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 Blue Spruce. Then we meet in the Arts & Crafts Room, where three card tables are set up for us.

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

All HG players are welcome. For information: 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 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 Billiard 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 April 18

- 1st Lindy Davenport, Virginia Faubel
- 2nd Dee Moore, Gil Lochhead
- 3rd Brian Bucenec, Ray Binder

May 2

- 1st Chuck Finder, Roger Goldstein
- 2nd Greg Kachadoorian, Dee More
- 3rd Sean Kelliher, Bob Schlageter

May 9

- 1st Lindy Davenport, Gil Lochhead
- 2nd Rita Cusack, Brian Bucenec
- 3rd Sean Kelliher, Roger Goldstein

Men's 9-Ball April 20

- 1st Hi Reynolds
- 2nd Lucky Highfill

April 27

- 1st Hi Reynolds
- 2nd Lucky Highfill

May 4

- 1st Greg Kachadoorian
- 2nd Lucky Highfill
- 3rd Lindy Davenport

May 11

- 1st Gail Gibson
 - 2nd Lindy Davenport
 - 3rd Hi Reynolds
- 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 Merrill 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 Merrill VanZevern, 720-282-3199.

Ladies Golf Club

The weather was not quite as friendly as we had hoped to start our 2017 season. The first week of league was cancelled, and we had

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Employee Recognition

Employee of the Month

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She has proven herself to be a valued member of HG. She is always willing to help out any department with whatever is asked of her. Deseree not only coordinates

the Architectural Control inspections, but she also filled in when short staffed in the Inventory Department.

For these reasons, I am pleased to announce Deseree Moreno Employee of the Month for April 2017.

– Calvin White, CMCA
General Manager

Deseree Moreno, Maintenance Department



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only 22 golfers for the second week. Thanks to all of you who bundled up and braved the weather — tournament results are below.

Sun is predicted for the rest of the season, so make sure you sign up for play each week. We have three special events scheduled for this month: June 9 is our annual Bake Sale, with the Men's Club Root Beer Float Fundraiser, to raise money for four junior golfers to go to Nationals.

June 12 is the HG Men's and Women's Mixer tournament. Shotgun start with lunch to follow. Sign-up sheet will be available shortly in the Pro Shop.

June 26 is the 9-hole shotgun start "Cha-Cha-Cha" fundraiser (ladies from HGLGC, Fitzsimons and Heather Ridge), to be held at Heather Ridge Golf Course. Additional information and sign-up sheets will be available in the Scoring Room after league play.

Below is a quick update of events scheduled for this season.

- 2017 season will be every Wednesday, May 3–Sept. 27.

- Annual Battle of the Gardens tournament with Windsor Gardens will be at Windsor Gardens, July 21 and Heather Gardens, July 25. Both days will be a 9-hole shotgun start.

- HGLGC Tournament of Champions is scheduled for Aug. 28 and 30, with a luncheon and election of 2018 officers to follow on Aug. 30.

- Springhill Tournament will be held at HG on Sept. 7 and at Springhill on Sept. 14.

- Our Awards Luncheon will be Oct. 4 in the Rendezvous Banquet Room.

- Helpers Tournament is scheduled for Oct. 11.

- The next board meeting will be Wednesday, June 28, 1 pm.

Tournament Winners May 10

Flight A

- 1st Glenda Pitts
- 2nd Debbie Madril

3rd Beulah Gould

Flight B

- 1st Rosalie Einspahr
- 2nd Judith Nelson
- 3rd Florence Madonna

Flight C

- 1st Linda Savage
- 2nd Helen Reasoner
- 3rd Gini Klein

Flight D: no golfers

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.



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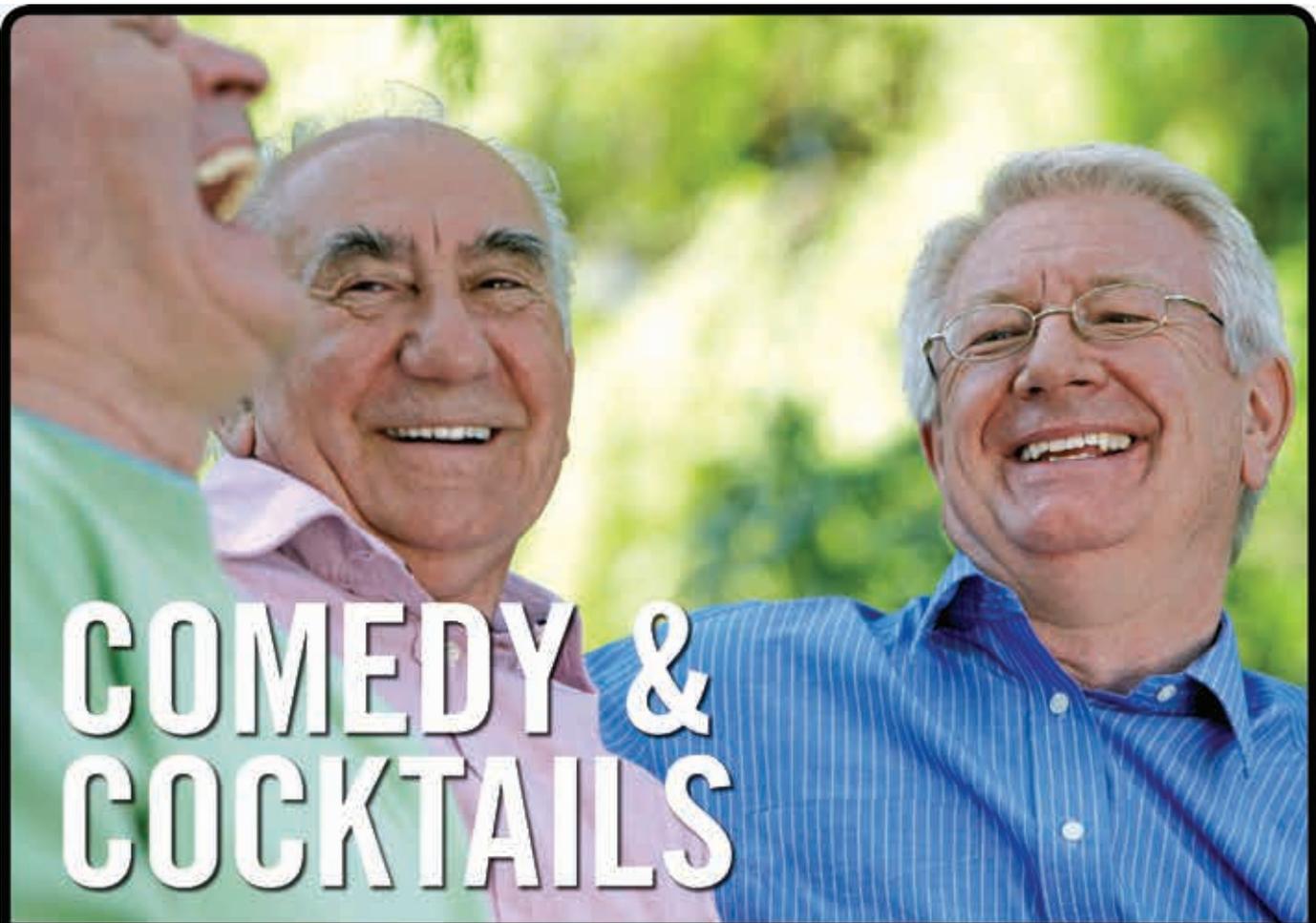
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www.clyffordstillmuseum.org June 3, 30
1250 Bannock St, Denver 10 am–5 pm

Museo de las Americas Friday, June 2
303-571-4401, 5–9 pm First Friday on Santa Fe
861 Santa Fe Dr, museo.org/about-us

Denver Art Museum Saturday, June 3
720-865-5000, 10 am–5 pm
www.denverartmuseum.org, 100 W 14th Ave Pkwy

Denver Museum of Nature and Science

303-322-7009, www.dmns.org Sunday, June 4
2001 Colorado Blvd, 9 am–5 pm
(Fee for IMAX films, Planetarium)

Denver Children's Museum Tuesday, June 6
303-433-7444, 4–8 pm, www.mychildsmuseum.org,
2121 Children's Museum Dr.

Mizel Museum Friday, June 9
303-394-9993, 9 am–4 pm
www.mizelmuseum.org, 400 S Kearney St, Denver

Denver Botanic Gardens Wednesday, June 14
720-865-3500, 9 am–9 pm
www.botanicgardens.org, 1007 York St, Denver

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ment. (iPhones do take very good photographs.) We are not about competitions. We do not collect dues.

We are about promoting photography through learning from others 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 us is one of the best ways to improve your skills.

Please join us at our next meeting. See the calendar section.

Genealogy Swap Shop

If you are interested in finding your ancestors and tracing your family history, please join us on the third Tuesday of each month, 10 am–noon, 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.

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. 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 every month, 10 am, in a different

Seville building. For information: Joe Moore, 303-671-4653.

Low Vision Support Group

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

HG Republican Club

Everyone is invited to hear our newly appointed Vice Chairman Dick Laslo, who will address the importance of "The Value of the 12th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution," and present a brief history on work by our founding fathers. The gathering is 1:30 pm Tuesday, June 27, in the Aspen Room. – Ruth Prendergast

HG Democrats

We will meet on June 27 (fourth Tuesday) at 4:30 pm in Rendezvous Restaurant. The dinner buffet is available, and 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 problems together. It is a chance to meet others in the same situation, and to learn how we each meet the challenges of caregiving.

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

HG Grief Support

This group offers weekly sessions, to help participants through their grief. Registration is required. Call Joanne Brand, 303-750-9722.

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 fellow citizens in the democratic processes. Membership is open to women and men. Call Charlotte Faris, 303-690-8466, for information on meetings.

Frolics Club

Board elections will be coming in August during the annual picnic on Aug. 19 at 5:30 pm, in the HG Pavilion. This will be a potluck. You'll be notified by email (depending on your last name) on what to prepare or bring for the picnic. 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.

The rehearsals are over, and so are the Frolics Spring Shows. We hope you enjoyed watching as much as we enjoyed performing. A big thank you to all HG residents (and non-residents) who weathered rain, snow and cold winds, to support the club by attending the performances. Thanks to your support, we came close to selling out all three shows. Thanks also to the cast and production crew, who worked hard to produce a quality show. – M. Mines

HG Garden Club

The club will have its annual picnic at 4 pm Sunday, Aug. 20, in the Picnic Pavilion. For information, call Candia, 303-513-5153.



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Saturday, July 22, 8 am–5 pm
Cost: \$26.

Signup deadline: July 1 (Signup in the Clubhouse or online)

Meet in parking lots next to B243 and B242 at 8 am. Leave Winter Park around 3 pm.

Please join this a special trip to Winter Park for their 44th annual Fine Arts & Crafts Fair, a non-profit,

juried show. We will schedule a charter coach to take everyone there and back! Approximately 70 artists are expected, featuring fine arts and crafts such as jewelry, photography, metalwork, mixed media, pottery, painting, glass, wood and fiber. Also, fabulous local shopping and restaurants!

Colorado Rockies Game: Senior Day

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.

Casino Trips

Mardi Gras or Golden Gate – Blackhawk

Tuesday, June 20, 8:30 am–3:30 pm

Tuesday, July 18, 8:30 am–3:30 pm

Cost: \$6

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Woodshop Notice

Effective May 1, the entry code to the Woodshop changed. The new code will be given to those residents:

- who have previously taken the woodshop orientation that is documented by the Clubhouse.
- can show the card that was issued upon completion of the orientation.
- complete the current orientation program.

A \$10 orientation fee is charged and includes a one-year membership to the Woodshop Club. Orientation is offered every month on the first Monday of each month. Sign up prior in Woodshop.

Everyone will need to check in at the Reception Desk to get the new code.

Outdoor Pool Opens



The Outdoor Pool opens Saturday, May 27. Family/Children hours: 10 am–12:30 pm Monday–Friday. Additional hours are 10 am–2 pm Saturdays, Sundays and holiday hours for July 4 and Labor Day. A pool attendant is on deck during these scheduled hours to greet, register swimmers and enforce pool rules.

No Lifeguard on duty. Swim at own risk. Please remember that each unit is allowed four guests without charge. All guests must be accompanied by a resident.

When inclement weather with thunder and lightning strikes, both pools will be closed for safety. Pools re-open when the storm passes.

The Indoor Pool will not be open to children during the summer season. It will close for cleaning June 18–30. During this time, the pool water will be drained, filters cleaned, tiles and pool scrubbed, and locker rooms cleaned and repaired. There will be some painting in the locker rooms.

Left: Introducing your Pool Attendants, Pat Cardy (left), B217, and Barbara Marquis, CP1. They are the cheerful faces that will greet you when you come in for family swim.

POPV...from page 7

not a quorum in attendance, Steering Committee Member Gary Hizer remarked, "Our 'out,' is to take the matter to the district court [to set an election date]."

Hizer has agreed to place his name on the recall ballot, as a candidate to replace Velasquez, should he be recalled.

"There also has to be a space, on the ballot, for a write-in vote," he noted.

"Gary will be on the ballot, but there can be others," Steering Committee Chair Al Lindeman said.

Steering Committee Member Bill DeWitt remarked, "If you want to be on the recall ballot [as a candidate], talk to Calvin — he's our designated election official. We need people who are ready to step up. It's time people 'being appointed' stops."

Lindeman reported, "I have contacted several attorneys. None of them wants to handle a recall. We need to find legal counsel, making sure we have good legal counsel."

In response to an audience question, Steering Committee Member Sharon Hartenbach explained

that, while the committee believes the HGMD attorney, Judith Ivey, has done a superb job on her end, "she can't represent us [the POPV]. That would be a conflict of interest."

Lindeman asked those in attendance whether they would prefer a "cheap" recall election (polling in the Clubhouse), or the mail-in ballot. Those raising their hands overwhelmingly opted for the "cheap" election.

Steering Committee Member Bill Archambault explained, "If this goes to court, the POPV pays the cost. The HGMD pays for the election."

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On May 16, the POPV released the following statement via email:

Recently, Mr. Velasquez sent out an email with the title "The Truth of the Matter" (see page 10). It is filled with half-truths and distortions. For example, in the email, he states that the effort for his recall is strictly a Men's and Women's Golf Club effort.

While the grassroots effort began in the golfing community, during POPV visits with many non-golfers in the community, they too voiced displeasure with Velasquez's method of governing. [The Men's and Women's

Golf Clubs number about 200 members combined, including nonresident members. Thus, the 600 signatures were not just golfers.]

The real momentum for the recall effort was generated after Mr. Velasquez proposed to terminate the management agreement between the HGA and HGMD. Such a move would greatly complicate and increase the cost of managing and maintaining the HG community. That agreement, in various modestly revised forms, has been in effect since 1983, and has worked well.

The proposal to terminate the management agreement was the overriding factor in the collection of more than 600 names, within one week, on the petition to demand a recall election for Mr. Velasquez. It should be noted that we only needed 300 names on the petition, and quit collecting signatures as soon as we were convinced that we had a sufficient number.

So, we remain tightly focused on the effort to recall Mr. Velasquez in order to minimize the damage he seems intent on inflicting on HG. Please continue to talk to your neighbors about this issue.

Tornados...from page 6

For multi-story buildings, go to an inner hall in your unit or better yet, an inner hallway in building. For Country Place units, go to an inner hallway in your unit or bathroom where there are no windows, or basement.

For Town Homes, go to the basement (preferably to a corner) and take shelter under a heavy object, like a pool table or other furniture to protect you if the floor above were to collapse.

Take your smart phone and/or a weather radio with you. Turn the volume up on your TV so you can follow what is going on.

To see a history of tornados from 1950-2016, see this interactive map: tinyurl.com/Colorado-Tornado-History

As this map illustrates, over the years, there have been quite a num-

ber of tornados around the Denver area, including Aurora. A couple have been only a few miles from HG.

Most TV stations in the Denver area offer free Weather APPS for your smart phone. If you haven't already downloaded one, the committee suggests you do so. Those apps are free, and can give you nearly real-time radar maps, weather reports and alerts. You can sign up for weather alerts and warnings to be sent automatically to your smart phone. This is an excellent way to get notified of impending severe weather and warnings of thunderstorms and tornados, even when you are asleep at night.

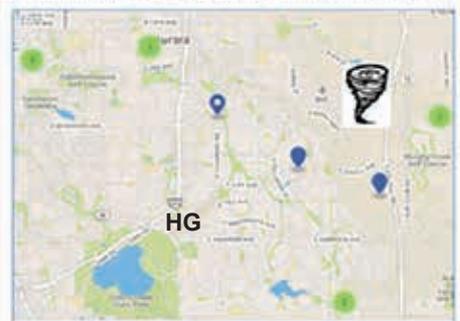
So be prepared, get a weather app for your smart phone and/or a weather radio that is portable and can be used in your shelter area. Have a plan for where to go for shelter. Take your smart phone or

weather radio with you. Lastly, watch your TV weather forecasts — they are good for giving you ample warning about upcoming severe weather. Plan ahead and stay safe!

**Rudy Morris, B217
HGA SEC Committee
Emergency Preparedness**

Colorado Tornados, 1950-2016

<http://www.denverpost.com/2016/05/25/map-colorado-tornados-1950-2015/>



Three tornados in the last 66 years were close to HG. Only the one with a star had an injury. From left: June 2014, June 1985, May 1975.

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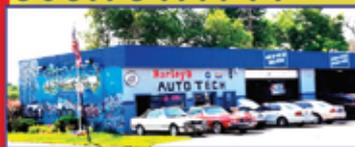


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Assistant Clubhouse Manager Lewis Boeve

Movie Matinee and Night: *Fences*

Friday, June 2, 1 pm and 6:30 pm, Sandberg Auditorium

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

Troy Maxson (Denzel Washington) makes his living as a sanitation worker in 1950s Pittsburgh. Maxson once dreamed of becoming a professional baseball player, but was deemed too old when the major leagues began admitting black athletes. Bitter over his missed opportunity, Troy creates further tension in his family when he squashes his son's (Jovan Adepo) chance to meet a college football recruiter. Rated PG 13

1st Saturday Night Live Dance

Saturday, June 3, 6:30–9:30 pm, Sandberg Auditorium

Music by Terry Norona

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.

Great Rabbis, Great Insights

Thursday, June 8, 10 am, Blue Spruce Room

FREE

A weekly exploration of a great Torah leader and some of his thoughts on the weekly Torah reading.

Denver Jazz Club: Youth All Stars

Ice Cream Social with NW Missouri University students

Thursday, June 8, 2 pm

Fee: \$5

Join us for a good old time with an Ice Cream Social while listening to music by this jazz group. These fine youths will entertain us. Ask a friend to come along.

AARP Drivers Safety

Friday, June 9, 1 pm, Arts & Crafts Room

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

A certified AARP Instructor teaches this course. Class size is limited, so registration required. Pay the instructor on the day of class.

9Health Fair

Saturday, June 10, 8–11 am

7 am Morning Stretch and Stride

This year we are partnering with the 9Health Fair for blood tests and screenings. Need volunteers to assist that day. Look for updated information.

Ask A Doc

Tuesday, June 13, 8-9:30 am

Mountainview Room

FREE: Registration required, call 303-751-1811

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. Ten-minute appointments available. Sponsored by St. Andrew's Village Rehabilitative Services.

Active Minds: Iran

Wednesday, June 14, 2 pm, Sandberg Auditorium

FREE: Registration requested, call 303-751-1811

Get an in-depth look at the country of Iran. We will discuss the thorny issue of Iran's nuclear program, the relationship between Iran's religious and political leadership, and challenges presented by regional turmoil. In particular, we will discuss how the rest of the world is responding to the various challenges presented by Iran.

Watch Batteries

Thursday, June 15, 9 am–1 pm, Lodgepole Lounge

Fee: \$6 per battery

Bring your watches, car remotes or hearing aids in for new batteries while you wait.

Movie Matinee and Night: *A Dog's Purpose*

Friday, June 16, 1 pm and 6:30 pm, Sandberg Auditorium

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

A devoted dog (Josh Gad) discovers the meaning of its own existence through the lives of the humans it teaches to laugh and love. Reincarnated as multiple canines over the course of five decades, the lovable pooch develops an unbreakable bond with a kindred spirit named Ethan (Bryce Gheisar). As the boy grows older and comes to a crossroad, the dog once again comes back into his life to remind him of his true self. Rated PG

Chair Massage

Tuesday, June 20, 9–11 am, Art & Crafts Room

Fee: \$20 per 15 min. Appointment needed, call 303-751-1811

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.

Basic Computer Troubleshooting

Tuesday June 20, 10 am–noon, Aspen/Blue Spruce Room

Fee: \$3

Instead of having to call a repair company or your kids to come fix small issues, learn how to troubleshoot many small problems with your smartphone, computer, printer, monitor, tablet and internet. This covers simple solutions to complex issues.

Medicare 101

Thursday June 22, 9:30–11:30 am, Mountainview Room
FREE: Registration requested, call 303-751-1811

Learn how to navigate Medicare and Social Security. A comprehensive overview of Medicare and Social Security. We explain Part A, Part B and Part D; which plan is best for your needs. How do you get the best healthcare from your Medicare choices. Presented by Mary Arambel.

Bingo

Thursday, June 22, 1 pm, Sandberg Auditorium
FREE: Registration requested, call 303-751-1811

Come play a few rounds of Bingo, sponsored by New Dawn Memory Care in Aurora.

Card Making

Thursday June 22, 1 pm, Skyview Room
Fee: \$5 registration

Make beautiful decorative cards for any occasion. All materials provided, just come with your creativity. \$20 material fee payable to instructor

Exploring Colorado Wineries

Thursday June 22, 6:30 pm, Sandberg Auditorium
Fee: \$7; \$9 on the day of the event

Today there are over 135 wineries and tasting rooms throughout Colorado. *Exploring Colorado Wineries: Guidebook and Journal* assists the reader in discovering ALL of them! Paula Mitchell offers a brief history of Colorado's wine industry, discusses how grapes are grown, and how grapes become wine. Everything you need to know about Colorado wineries, cideries and meaderies can be found within this comprehensive guide. Several Colorado wines will be sampled.

Curtis Knox

Friday, June 23, 1 pm, Sandberg Auditorium
Fee: \$5

An energetic and versatile entertainer, new to HG. Resident Curtis has wowed audiences repeatedly around the world for years with his showmanship and incredible vocal abilities. From country and western to rock and roll, to rhythm and blues, he does it all.

Diabetes Management

Monday, June 26, 1 pm, Aspen Room
FREE

An educational seminar relating to diabetes treatment and management. Talk will include pointers to understand diabetes as a chronic disease, identify the risk factors, and successful dietary and lifestyle changes. Learn how to possibly rid oneself of the disease with radical changes. Presented by Iora Primary Care

Pitfalls of the Internet

Tuesday, June 27, 10 am–noon, Blue Spruce Room
Fee: \$3

The Internet is amazing but can also lead to costly problems and great frustrations. Many issues are avoidable with a little knowledge. Learn how to avoid viruses,

spyware, scams, hoaxes and password confusion in this fast-paced and entertaining way to look at the complicated world of computers.

Oxford Study Lecture Series: Bridging the gap between world class research, and community health promotion.

Improving Memory, Learning and Concentration

Wednesday, June 28, 2:30–3:30 pm,
Sandberg Auditorium

Fee: \$3, \$4 on the day of event. Registration requested, call 303-751-1811

A strong mind in a strong body was the ideal of the ancient Greeks as well as the ancient Chinese. Modern research has confirmed that the brain responds to exercises just as the muscles do. Learn evidence-based techniques for improving memory, learning and concentration. Class will discuss the top eight safe, natural ways to improve overall memory and concentration.

John Philip Sousa

Wednesday, June 28, 7 pm, Sandberg Auditorium
Fee: \$5; \$7 on the day of the event

The Sousa band promotes musical enjoyment, as well as fun and fellowship. This is a high-quality musical performance for all ages.

Fruit Shack Returning

Sundays, 9 am- 2 pm, Clubhouse parking lot

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

Community Chorus

Tuesday July 11, 7 pm, Sandberg Auditorium
Fee: \$30 (per 11 week class)

We are starting a Community Chorus. Come one, come all to learn more about this new chorus. We will discuss a name for the group, the pros and cons of a class or club, and good choral music will be enjoyed by all. We especially need men. No choral singing experience is required. Shower singers and closet musicians are encouraged to join. Come ready to sing good mix of choral arrangements in all genres of music.

Heather Gardens Got Talent Show

Sunday, Aug. 13, 3 pm, Sandberg Auditorium

So much talent in our "Gardens." Come share your talent with your neighbors. Do you dance, sing, recite poetry or play an instrument? Applications are now being accepted. We want you in our talent show! Submission deadline: July 21. Must be available for audition 11 am on Monday July 24, and a dress rehearsal 1-3 pm on Thursday, Aug. 3.





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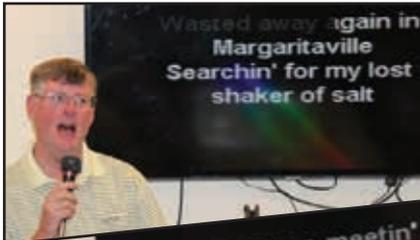


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Two HG Clubs shared photos of their activities



Above and left: The Photo Club took a field trip. Photos by club members.



Over 30 songs were performed by members of the Karaoke Club including "Delta Dawn" by Jeannine Montgomerie and Sheila Bluestein, and "Make the World Go Away" by Karyn Simon. The Karaoke Club meets on the second Friday of each month from 6-8 pm. It's BYOB and snacks.

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FYI...from page 34

Basic Requirements of a Qualifying Senior Citizen:

A qualifying senior citizen is a person who meets each of the following requirements:

- The applicant is at least 65 years old on Jan. 1 of the year in which he/she applies; and
- The applicant or his/her spouse is the property owner of record and has owned the property for at least 10 consecutive years prior to Jan. 1; and
- The applicant occupies the property as his/her primary residence, and has done so for at least 10 consecutive years prior to

Jan. 1.

Completed applications should be submitted to the assessor on or before July 15 of the year for which exemption is requested.

For additional information regarding the senior property tax exemption, contact the Colorado Division of Property Taxation, 303-864-7777, or contact your county assessor, 303-795-4600 (Arapahoe).

Arapahoe County

Citizens may schedule an appointment to get a driver's license, ID services or motor vehicle driving records beginning June 1. Go online to schedule, www.arapahoegov.com/dmv. These services will no longer be available on a walk-in

basis. Closest to HG is the Centennial Branch, 6954 S. Lima Street.

The county has a statutory duty to process motor vehicle titles and registrations for county residents. These can be processed via walk-in.

Centennial House

June 4; June 18 (Sundays), 11 am–2 pm. 1671 Galena St. Visit the oldest home on Galena St, built in 1890. 303-739-6660 or AuroraMuseum.org.

Buskers, Brews BBQ

A new signature event in Aurora will be held on the Aurora Municipal Center's Great Lawn, 11:30 am–6:30 pm June 10. Fire eaters, jugglers and street performers will wow you with their

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Publishing had more character(s)

by Mary Hafka

As we celebrate, this year, the 30th anniversary of Donaldsons, Inc., producing HG's *Heather 'n Yon* newsmagazine, I've reminisced about how producing publications has changed during the 45+ years I've been in the business. There's no comparison. It is easier to produce a printed piece now versus then.

The desktop computer eliminated many steps, and saved a lot of time, paper, and courier fees. Too bad, in the streamlining process, the work also lost some of its life-experience texture. It lost its charm.

The old way of producing publications was more collegial — dare I say it — more creative than today. Back in the old days, no one considered creating a newsletter or brochure without a staff of people, including one or more writers (who doubled as editors and proofreaders), a photographer, and a graphic designer (who also pasted-up galleys, and might do photography).

Even on the job when I found myself a one-person publications staff, I still hired freelance designers and photographers, while drafting co-workers from other departments to proofread. It was understood that if professionals tried to be a single-person shop, they'd never catch all of their own mistakes, nor have sufficient perspective to envision the many facets of a project.

The desktop computer changed the number of staffers needed to put out a publication. It also put the typography industry — once a separate, thriving, and indispensable piece of publishing — right out of business, going the way of the buggy whip.

Typesetting services was a sure venue for social interaction outside of one's own office. Just as no publications staff was expected to print its own publications, it wasn't expected to typeset them, either.

Some small typesetting businesses set up shop only a block or two from companies likely to need

their services. I had two jobs, in ensuing years, for which it was common practice to walk pages of typing over to the typesetters, to be retyped into galley form.

Picking up the finished galleys, I trudged back to the office for proof-reading. It gave me a second excuse to get out of the office, and walk to and from the neighboring type shop. Everyone in the office took turns doing this, from the director on down, on the principle that taking a break — and a walk — would ultimately recharge some batteries.

The different opinions on what was more important — the writing, the design, or the photos — created spirited debates between staff members. One designer/layout artist actually cut some copy, slicing it off the board with her exacto knife, because she figured that it didn't matter if she excised half a sentence, here and there, from the finished product. Her goal was to have the type look nice within her attractive layout.

She had to endure some discouraging words from the editorial types over this. She clearly felt we were overreacting.

Graphic designers prided themselves on devising strange relationships between the ink, the photo, and the paper. One customer service representative (CSR) of a printer with whom I worked complained, one day, because the graphic designer on a complicated annual report was making the printer jump through hoops, to obtain — on the press — what the designer visualized.

"After all," the CSR complained, "printing really is a manufacturing process."

"A trade," another CSR agreed.

Wisely, they didn't say that to the graphic artist. Designers believed that what they were creating was art, even if for a commercial purpose.

I once had another co-worker who was irrationally proud of her superb proofreader's eye and exact-

ing standards. To the consternation of our supervisor, she spent long hours stationed at the printer, press-checking the simplest of jobs, and screaming, "stop the presses" over the smallest imperfection produced by the printing press.

One printer assigned her a locker, so she could have comfortable clothes and slippers, for the nights she slept there. She could arise from her slumbers to press check jobs running in the middle of the night.

[In the interest of disclosure, I must admit I've spent a few nights sleeping on printers' lounge sofas, too. The publications staff was expected to press check the high-end jobs that were my boss' top priority — six-color annual reports and fancy-smancy gala programs for hospital fundraisers.]

The company finally laid off my fixated co-worker. But to this day — and I'll fight anyone who says otherwise — she was the best proofreader I ever met. Obsessive Compulsive Disorder (OCD) can produce that outcome.

These days, as the *Heather 'n Yon* staff individually creates its portion of the newsletter — from our monk-like cells, which are our home offices — I can grow nostalgic for the times when the publications staff gathered together, in the department lunchroom or in someone's office. We debated the origins and proper uses of certain words, as they evolved through the English-language history. We had cheerful arguments about, "To comma or not to comma." After all, "in written English, punctuation is vital to disambiguate the meaning of sentences." (Thank you, Wikipedia!)

We obsessed over, "would the flavor of this sentence be enhanced by a semi-colon? An ampersand? An umlaut?" (No wonder producing publications took so much longer, in the old days.)

I miss the inspired interaction, in real time, of face-to-face publishing. On balance, though, the desktop computer attached to the internet enables me to do what I do without ever getting out of my pajamas. At this stage of life, that's worth as much as discourses over ellipses, guillemets, and inverted question marks.



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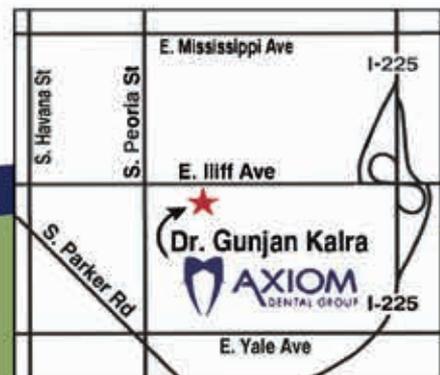
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