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Dates To Remember:

August 8: HOA Meeting
August 12: Food trucks
August 16: B.F.F (Beer night)
August 24: Block Party
September 16: Food Trucks
September 21: Pirate night
October 10: HOA Meeting
October 14: Neighborhood Watch
October 26: Trunk or Treat

Adult Events Offered!

At our October 2023 meeting a request was made for adult events. We started with Wine night in July at the home of AG resident Roberta Marchase.

B.F.F. Beer Friends Forever At The AG: August 16

Are you coming to the first BFF event in AG? Jill Blankeley is opening her home for a night of fun with you. Bring your favorite beverage, cup, lawn chair and at least one to share with Jo Ann & Jill at 13325 Spica Dr. at 6:30 pm. If you don't drink beer, bring your favorite beverage and join us!

Here's To The Pirate Night: September 21, 6:00pm

Planning for our First Pirates Night at the Pirate Ship house on Altair Drive is underway AARGH! Shawn Meighan has offered to host this event with us with several games planned! Get your best Pirate costume together and start practicing your Pirate voice! Talk like a pirate day is Sept. 19 and the AG is celebrating. This is an adults-only event and you're welcome to bring your own drink, lawn chair and to enjoy fun in the AG. More information to be provided on Acres Green social media platforms.



From The President

It's August already! We've been excited to bring all the activities for our neighborhood to connect and get together. We are not done yet!

August: HOA meeting, Food trucks, Beer night, Block party. September: Last Food trucks, Pirate night. October: Last HOA meeting, Neighborhood Watch, Trunk or Treat event, Marquee decorated and Halloween Contest. November: decorating the marquees. December: decorating the marquee, Christmas House contest and a Christmas party? We need your help! If you are able to assist with all these plans, please contact anyone on the HOA.

Congratulations to the new "Lawns of the Month" for August: 272 Dianna Dr.; 13154 Spica Dr.; 107 Olympus Cir.; 197 Pegasus Dr. For September: 803 Altair Dr.; 13296 Rigel Dr.; 75 Olympus Cir.; 480 Pluto Ct.

Scammers?

Recently our HOA members received a scam email requesting payment via a money transfer. The email had accurate information about members but did not detail the vendor. The HOA only makes payments directly to vendors, never a third party. Please verify by phone if you receive an email for, or from, the HOA. Membership dues should be paid through GoDaddy, QR in newsletter, or at events. You will find additional articles about scams and fraud on the acresgreen.org website.

August 24: Join the Block Party!

Meet us at Lonesome Pine Park from 3 to 7 p.m. Planning is under way! If you want to help, have any suggestions or games to bring, please email aghoaevents@gmail.com. Look at our social platforms for all the activities planned. We're collecting old flags for proper retirement and school supplies.

September 14: Community Yard Sale

The HOA will put up the banners on the marquees for your sales. Brandon McLaughlin, AG resident, has offered to make a map of the yard sales; please go to <https://form.jotform.com/242047023858052>, as he will be collecting your addresses, creating a map and name for the HOA social media platforms.

Trunk or Treat: October 26 at 4-6:30 pm

Meet us at Altair Park & the Pirate ship for the 2nd AGHOA Trunk or Treat. Decorate your trunk, come take a spot in the parking lot at Altair Park to pass out candy to the kids and enjoy the early evening. Email Aghoaevents@gmail.com with questions. We'll start at 3:30 pm for set up. Thank you to the 80+ people and 5 cars who participated last year, braving the 20-degree snowy weather. Come again this year, any help is appreciated.

Acres Green Elementary News

Recently, AGE Principal Emmalee Owens informed the school community that she has taken another position closer to her home. The Acres Green Community thanks Emmalee for her many years of service to the school and the community.

We would like to welcome Kristen Sola back to AGE as the Interim Principal for the 2024-2025 school year. Kristen began her teaching career at Acres Green Elementary 15 years ago. She has spent several years furthering her career as a teacher, in professional development, and the last 5 years as an Assistant Principal. She was most recently the Assistant Principal at Coyote Creek Elementary. We look forward to working with Kristen this year! Check the website for the news and upcoming activities. Welcome back!

Decorating the Marquee

Do you have any ideas or items you would like to donate for decorating the marquees? We are looking to form a committee of people interested in making our marquees festive. We have a tree and Christmas decorations donated last year. Contact Jo Ann at aghoapresident1053@gmail.com. We can decorate at Lonesome Pine Park for Christmas; Need planners and partners to create a party

SSPR Update

Work is being done to repair the irrigation system at Lonesome Pine Park. We continue to request attention be made to the Acres Green Drive median; trees attended to, weeds mitigated, issues addressed and water be turned back on. We have the SSPR management plan for parks and open spaces and will be posting it to the webpage. Staff are planting trees in the coming months and locations and species are determined by the District Forester and Park Maintenance Supervisor. Staff will be spraying the weeds in the median.



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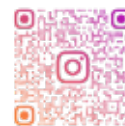
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News Articles

The deadline for news articles is the 5th of the month before the next month's issue, except for the January issue which is December 1. Please email news articles to the editor at aghoaeditor@gmail.com. Note your name and include a day-time phone number (we won't publish it) in case there are any questions. Letters to the editor may be printed without the author's name if requested.

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Dumpster Day in June

38 members filled the large garbage truck (equivalent to 3 garbage trucks). The cost for the truck is \$830 for 2 hrs. Our resident, CR, volunteered to join us, he helped by picking up the scrap metal. Thank you to the following volunteers: Wayne Dempewolf, Erin Hutton, Siri & Wes Gosselin, Lance Klassen, Victoria Lathrop & Jimmy Sengenberger. Sara Kassen, Realtor, and Julie Glassmeyer, lender, partnered to hand out Santiago burritos to everyone in line and who drove down Maximus Drive. If you are a Douglas County resident, you may drop off your electronic recycling for free at Techno Rescue, 3251 Lewiston St, Suite 10 in Aurora. Call 303-482-2207 for details. You may call our resident, CR, for scrap metal pick up, 303-799-0731. Goodwill/ARC does not pick up on the weekends.



Acres Green Kid's Art Gallery

AG resident Brandon McLaughlin has created a fun new way to build community by spotlighting artwork for kid artists from our neighborhood. Artwork will rotate each month, with your help. Please see the gallery located at Acres Green Drive and Pisces. Learn more about submitting your kid's artwork to <https://303andme.my.canva.site>.

Pickleball Anyone?

Do you want to learn? We will teach you! Kids, parents and adults are participating at Lonesome Pine Park on Saturdays from 8 to 10 a.m. (summer hours). A pickleball tournament is in the works for the Block party on August 24. Get on the text message thread by contacting Derek at ActiveAcresGreen@gmail.com.



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Cheers For The 4th of July

What a beautiful day to get together at Lonesome Pine Park. Car parade, with 9 cars and 1 motorcycle/motorcross. South Metro Fire truck from our neighborhood stopped by between calls. Special thanks to Mary Bryant, car parade organizer; Lew Jones for music; Derek Shaw for DJing; Mona Beuthel, our VP, giving out flyers on upcoming events; Sara Klassen for the donation of ice cream; and to all these families for filling all the water balloons for our water balloon fight: Brandon McLaughlin, Melissa Steele, Micah Pritchard, Leah & Steve Aguirre, Derek & Aubree Shaw, Sharlene & Paul Lechner and Beth & Jim Shont family. Thanks to everyone who helped with the small child play area and with cleanup afterward. Thank you to Joe Marchese, Jim & Sue Johnson, Derek Siegel, Craig Breker (sp), Bob Barth, Jayden Anderson, Paul & Cindy Plaster, Boots & Laura Lewis, Kim & Rich Balkema and Chris Knapp.



Craft Fair at AG Elementary, Crafters Needed

The AG Elementary PTO is hosting a craft fair on Saturday, September 28 at 9:00 am at the school. The PTO is looking for vendors to sell their goods, and the whole AGE community is welcome to come shop! If you are interested becoming a vendor and purchasing a table, link is here: https://www.myschoolbucks.com/ver2/prdembd?ref=ZZHVZS5TX305OUU_ZZ62PVYYGFSI3WP. Please reach out to Alyssa Rush at AlyssaMarie33@icloud.com if you have questions. The PTO is also hosting a silent auction during the craft fair. If you have an item to donate. Information about the PTO can be found on their Facebook page and Schools website.

Scam Information

by Mona Beuthel

We've collected scam information for your use and review. Please access the Acres Green website for additional information or email aghoaeditor@gmail.com if you'd prefer to receive an email with this information.



Hello!

My name is Lauren Hazlet, your neighbor here in Acres Green. My family has lived on Mercury Circle for 8 years, and I grew up nearby in Highlands Ranch. My sons have both attended Acres Green Elementary, where I have loved to contribute however I can.

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Lynn Tucker Community Garden in Acres Green

Do you know about the revamped garden area at Virgo Drive and Virgo Court? Erin Hutton wanted to find a way to beautify this area and bring homeowners together, so her neighbors, Tucker and her husband Lynn, agreed to offer up some land. After Lynn passed in February, his wife agreed that the spot could be named the "Lynn Tucker Community Garden". Erin and several others have dedicated a significant amount of time and effort to provide a community food garden for our Acres Green neighborhood. The vision is to help those who need food and to create a place to relax as you walk by. Erin has written an article providing details on the process. The full article is posted on the Acres Green HOA webpage, acresgreen.org.



Acres Green Drive Garden Area

What a beautiful garden, that has so much potential. Carlo Mariel, a resident of AG, has been spending time clearing all the paths. We are visiting and doing little pruning and clearing. Are you thinning out your glad bulbs, or think we could use them in the garden? Erin Hutton has offered to collect any item you think we could use in our garden and can add you to our gardening thread. Acresgreenveggiegarden@gmail.com Erin has taken a lead in helping in our efforts at the Acres Green Garden at Park Meadows Drive and Acres Green Drive. The HOA welcomes volunteers to assist with these community improvement projects.

We are looking for sponsors or contributors to help cover water expenses and for donations of plants and seeds you may have for both gardens. You'll be able to clear your clutter and contribute to a neighborhood garden. If you would like to donate, please email Erin at acresgreenveggiegarden@gmail.com.

24th Annual 'Fall Swing'

The 24th Annual "Fall Swing" Golf Tournament is this fall. This event promises to be a day filled with great golf and great fun. The Tournament is open to anyone who wants to play. You'll play an important part in supporting the older adults in the community as all proceeds benefit the Castle Rock Senior Activity Center. Lunch Buffet, Cash Bar, Silent Auction, Door Prizes and Awards. Final Deadline to Register August 20th! Registration fee \$195 per player.

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Saturday, September 7-8. Saturday 9AM-6PM,

Sunday 10AM-5PM, Admission is FREE.

Festival Park, 300 Second St. Castle Rock 80104

Our AGHOA

The AGHOA was established in 1973 as a not-for-profit corporation and as such files reports every two years to the Colorado Secretary of State and files corporate taxes with the IRS.

"The purpose of the Acres Green Home Owners' Association is: to work towards the physical and social improvement of the neighborhood; to attempt to prevent deterioration of the neighborhood; to develop a sense of community within the neighborhood; to encourage neighbors to work together for the betterment of the entire community; to represent and advance the interests of the owners and residents of the neighborhood through lawful means; and to promote the health, safety and welfare of the owners and residents of the neighborhood and surrounding areas."

Officers include the President, Vice-President, Treasurer and Recorder. The Board of Directors is made up of the chairpersons of various committees; they're all volunteers. The AGHOA is a voluntary organization. All homeowners (and residents) are encouraged to join. Dues are \$40 for the year for each home.

If you're reading this article, that tells us that you have some interest or are curious about the community association known as Acres Green Home Owners Association (AGHOA). We also hope that you support the community either through voluntary dues or through your support of events and activities.

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Grill Safe

When was the last time you cleaned your gas grill really well? And I don't mean just the grates. Consider my learning experience below as some free advice that may be worth more than you're paying for it. Grilled some burgers Saturday night and had some flare-ups but nothing serious – burgers often flare when flipped. Preheated the grill the next night to cook some fish and before putting anything on the grill we had flames. BIG FLAMES running down the inside of the grill, lighting the drip pan and the entire inside of the grill. Before we knew it the flames were lapping up on the outside of the grill and dangerously close to the propane bottle. Quickly turned off the bottle and disconnected the supply line. Only lost a little hair on the back of my hands but got the bottle away from the grill. Ran for the fire extinguisher because by now the fire was getting serious with black soot and intense heat. Fire extinguisher won't spray. Dial indicates it's empty! UH OH! Luckily had a second extinguisher in a closet in the house. It worked and put out the fire. Probably the scariest 2 minutes of my life. Luckily the grill was next to a brick wall and not vinyl siding or even wood or results would have been much worse. Lessons learned: Clean the grill and drip pans frequently to prevent this from happening in the future. Check fire extinguishers frequently and have a spare nearby. Make sure the extinguishers are rated for grease fires. Teach children in the house how to use the extinguishers in case you need help. Be safe and enjoy those cookouts! Your neighbor, Alan.

— by Alan Babcock, Resident

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Active	266 Dianna Drive	625,000	625,000	5	2	1,934	35
Active	13222 Mercury Drive	600,000	600,000	3	3	1,769	6
Active	256 Dianna Drive	615,000	615,000	4	2	1,764	71
Active	170 Dianna Drive	565,000	575,000	5	2	1,934	41

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564 Apollo Court	575,000	575,000	5	2	1,856	18	5/23/24
13114 Saturn Drive	575,000	565,000	3	3	1,764	9	5/15/24
841 Altair Drive	560,000	575,000	2	2	2,312	32	6/28/24

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I had the honor of selling the famous Car Pond house at 673 Omega Lane in June!

Great news for our community is that the new owner plans to keep the car ponds running!!

This home is such a spectacular feature of our neighborhood, if you haven't seen it I would encourage you to check it out!

