Acres Green Scene

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February 2024: Acres Green Scene

Calendar of Events:

HOA Meeting: Feb 8th, 2024 HOA Meeting: April 11th, 2024 HOA Meeting: June 13th, 2024

President's Letter: Celebrating Our Community

It has been a Winter Wonderland here in Acres Green. Thank you to those who have checked on their neighbors and made sure they were OK after the latest winter storms and cold temperatures. Thanks to the following for decorating the marquees at both entrances; Wayne, Kirk, and Mona. A very big Thank You to the anonymous person(s) who also decorated the tree at the main entrance on Acres

Green Drive. The decoration items will be stored for re-use next year. The AGHOA February meeting will be our big planning event. Please plan to attend and bring your great ideas to benefit the community. Thank you to everyone for window displays, blow ups, lights and brightening up the Holidays for all of us. February is our first HOA meeting of the year. Everyone is invited to come and help with the planning, calendar, discussing the new activities and celebrations for 2024. Could you help? Where can we have activities? Can you sponsor an activity? Don't be shy, we want help to create some great memories. We hope you had a wonderful 2023 and we are looking forward to 2024. Thank you in advance to all the sponsors and volunteers in 2024 who will be getting involved in our community.

— Jo Ann, AGHOA President

Time To Renew AGHOA

Membership For 2024!

The Acres Green Homeowners Association HOA (AGHOA) is so grateful to all the neighbors and families who participated in the fun activities over the past year, from Food Trucks to Halloween Trunk or Treat, Holiday Light contests, and our epic 4th of July water fight. Community spirit is alive and well in Acres Green! None of this could have been accomplished without you! Please check out the Acres Green HOA website for photos of the great events from 2023: https://acresgreen.org/ and www.facebook.com/AcresGreenHOA

The HOA is looking for volunteers to help with activities in 2024. Do you have ideas for activities or events like a neighborhood book group, our garden clean-up day, local business meetup or Garden club? Do you have suggestions for newsletter, website, or social media content? If you have ideas and time to help out, please reach out to AGHOA President, Jo Ann Lathrop, or attend the next AGHOA meeting on February 8th, 2024 at the Lone Tree Library from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

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Now is a great time to pay your dues! Having dues paid earlier in the year ensures that the HOA can set the budget for 2024 activities. Dues are \$40.00 annually, per household. Participation in the HOA is voluntary and paid members vote to help direct where HOA funds are spent throughout the year. If you are curious about the HOA expenses or future activities, the HOA meeting is a great place to find out more.

Consider participating in the HOA either through volunteer efforts or paid dues (or both!), even if you have not in years past. The HOA works hard to ensure newcomers to Acres Green are greeted with a welcome packet, kept informed about activities in and around the community with an HOA website and a newsletter delivered to each home 6 times a year, and plans fun activities for neighbors to get to know others in the community. Your participation makes the neighborhood better for everyone!

Payment can be made through the Acres Green HOA website: https://acresgreen.org/become-a-member or reach out to AGHOA President, Jo Ann Lathrop to coordinate payments: aghoapresident1053@gmail.com.

Thanks for making Acres Green a great community!

Sponsors And Volunteers In The AGHOA

'Calling All Neighbors' to support upcoming '2024' Acres Green Events. AGHOA is calling for sponsors to help fund the upcoming events this year to help cover minor expenses. IE: Pavilion rental in parks \$80 for 4 hours, 'Neighborhood Watch' signs and cameras. Volunteers are also needed to help with events. Many hands make light work! Events like July 4th, Party in the Park, Trunk or Treat, HOA Meetings, Halloween and Christmas Decorating contests and more...

WILL YOU BE A SUPPORTER OF OUR UPCOMING 2024 EVENTS? Call Mona 303-919-9644 or email AGHOAvicePres@gmail.com.





AGHOA Architectural Control **Committee (ACC):**

Public Right-of-way (Roads) issues:

Authority: Douglas County Sheriff Phone: 303-660-7505

Zoning questions / issues:

Authority: Douglas County Zoning Compliance

Phone: 303-660-7460

Building questions / issues:

Authority: DougCo Building Division

Phone: 303-660-7497

You're welcome to contact the AGHOA ACC chairman with any of your questions. He's willing to do his best to help and point you in the right direction. Jim's contact information is acresgreeacc@gmail.com, 720-810-4032.

Acres Green Membership Enrollment Form

2024 AGHOA Dues:

volunteer opportunities.

\$40.00 Household (Members get 2 Votes per Household)

The 2024 Calendar Year is from January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024. Payments made after January 1, 2024 are not prorated. For example, a payment made in October enables active membership only through December 31, 2024.

If paying by check, please make the check payable to AGHOA, provide the information requested below, and mail to AGHOA c/o Sandy Inglis, 13183 Canopus Drive Littleton, CO 80124. Payment is also accepted online at www.acresgreen.org/become-a-member or via the PayPal OR Code below:

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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 daytime 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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What Is A Neighborhood Watch ——

On January 11, 2024 AGHOA organized a meeting at the Lone Tree Library where Douglas County Sheriff Office of Community Resource Officer Deputy Lee Jazombek presented a slide show about the Neighborhood Watch Program. The purpose of Neighborhood Watch is to discourage crime, increase awareness between neighbors and communication with Douglas County Sheriff's Office (DCSO). The most common crimes in Douglas County are vehicle trespass, vehicle theft and open garage burglaries. Deputy Jazombek stressed the following:

- Be a good neighbor by being friendly and getting to know your neighbors.
- Be observant so you know if something is out of place.
- Be a good witness. If you see suspicious activity, report it while it's happening. Notice characteristics of the perpetrator such as gender, clothing, physical description; vehicle description; the direction of travel.
- Tell your neighbor if you see their garage door open at a late hour. 75% of all burglaries are committed through open garage doors.

Neighborhood Watch signs are installed at nine locations in Acres Green. The sign serves as a reminder that Neighborhood Watch is a cooperative community endeavor as well as a notice to criminals and bad actors that our residents pay attention to and communicate with the DCSO. We are looking to add more signs in the future.

A wish list for our neighborhood would include Flock cameras. They would read the license plate of cars entering our neighborhood and report if the car is stolen or the owner has outstanding warrants. They cost \$2500 each with an install fee of \$150-\$650. We would need one for each entrance and the \$2500 fee is due each year.

Here is some information to add to your phone DCSO Non-Emergency: 303-660-7500 and if you are interested in the Crime Stats in your Neighborhood: https://dcsheriff.net/community/ search-neighborhood-crimes/ website. Please check the website for more information.

New Year Resolution Challenge!

Information From Senior Editor, Mona

'Sit and Be Fit' is a gentle yet effective workout program designed especially for seniors, using mostly sitting positions and simple stretches to strengthen and tone your body. Mary Ann Wilson, RN., will guide you through these exercises on her YouTube Channel 'Sit and Be Fit Mary Ann Wilson RN', or find her on PBS Channel 12, 7 AM Monday – Friday.

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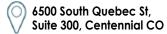
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Pickleball in Acres Green

by Derek Shaw

The idea for an Acres Green Pickleball Club came after my wife (Aubree) and I moved to the neighborhood in 2021 and began taking Pickleball lessons the next year. We wanted to find a way to keep playing regularly, meet new friends, and stay active. Through word of mouth among some neighbor friends, we began organizing Pickleball games and really enjoyed being able to build community with our neighbors while having fun and being active. When the Acres Green Homeowners Association celebrated its 50th Anniversary party, they were looking for someone to organize a Pickleball tournament, so I jumped at the opportunity. Fourteen players participated in the double elimination tournament, and all noted they were eager to play again. From then on, the AG Pickleball Club was born. This will be the club's first year, and we already have over 20 members and counting. We plan to meet and play from 2pm-4pm on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month (weather permitting) at the Lonesome Pine Courts. All sessions are open play, and all skill levels are welcome! There is a fee to cover the court rental expense. The club also plans to host four tournaments throughout the year. If you would like to join, or have any questions please email: ActiveAcresGreen@gmail.com



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Valentine's Scavenger Hunt For Kids

This one takes a bit of planning to pull off, but it is so worth it! Make or print clues leading to different locations around the house. Will there be a prize at each clue location, or a grand prize at the end? You choose! It can be done both ways! This year have the kids collect supplies along the way and have the "grand prize" be an activity you do together, like making slime or baking goodies.



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2024 is on track for an extremely strong Spring real estate market, with rates being the lowest they have been in a year and inventory extremely low. If you have any interest in selling your home, act quickly to take advantage of this opportunity!

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CURRENT ACTIVE AND UNDER CONTRACT LISTINGS

Status	Address	Original List Price	Current Price	Bed	Bath	Total Sq. Ft.	Days In MLS
Active	13528 Antares Drive	599,500	589,000	3	3	2,288	50
Active	413 Helena	558,000	558,000	4	2	1,933	108
Pending	13749 Omega Circle	575,000	549,999	3	2	1,799	67
Pending	181 Diana Drive	535,000	530,000	5	2	1,938	23

SOLD LISTINGS NOVEMBER 18, 2023 - JANUARY 14, 2024

Address	Sold Price	List Price	Bed	Bath	Total Sq. Ft.	Days in MLS	Sold Date
13782 Omega Circle	620,000	620,000	4	3	2,737	5	12/04/2023
222 Helena Circle	570,000	569,000	4	2	1,764	0	12/15/2023
13523 Achilles Drive	425,000	420,000	4	2	1,764	1	12/22/2023

As a local resident of Acres Green and a Realtor for 12 years, my goal is to keep you informed about the real estate scene in our neighborhood and to partner with our HOA to bring fun events and activities to all of you.

Contact me to discuss selling your home, your home's market value or making improvements. I am here to answer any and all of your real estate questions!









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