

# Andover Glen Gazette

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## A Message from the AGHA Board President...

Kudos abound for our neighbors who've offered their time and energy to make Andover Glen a better place to live. Lynn Walton contacted the city on our behalf of and that led to getting almost \$10,000 to complete the erosion rill project along Parker Road last year. Duane Bredel did a major overhaul of the Andover Glen website and Kami Bredel supplied some wonderful photos. It now represents Andover Glen very well. Please have a look as it has guite a bit of useful information. Sandra Peoples organized the Summer Picnic and she and Cindy Wagner did a fantastic job working on the very successful Holiday Party in January. Bob Janson should be thanked for his handyman work around the neighborhood and doing odd jobs to maintain the grounds. Lastly, a big thank you to the volunteer board for all the hard work they do for Andover Glen. Without volunteering their time, we would not be as fortunate to live in this community. I hope some of you reading this will consider giving a bit of your time to help out with activities, or even being on the board to fill the vacancies. Without a volunteer board, our association might have to hire a management company to handle our business and our dues would most certainly go much higher. It really is time to give back!

## Next AGHA Board Meeting, Weds., March 19

The next Andover Glen HOA Board Meeting will be held Weds., March 19 at 7 pm. The meeting can be attended in person on and on-line.

They are held in at:

### V-Esprit, 5240 *S SHALOM* PARK CIRCLE, AURORA, CO 80015

Or attend the meetings on-line via Teams at: <a href="https://join.skype.com/hv1VX3os1HLs">https://join.skype.com/hv1VX3os1HLs</a>

#### Andover Glen Easter Celebration and Easter Egg Hunt, Sat. April 19, 10:30 am



Your entire family is invited to enjoy a morning of light snacks, hot coffee, hot chocolate, meeting some new friends, and

of course - an Easter Egg Hunt! There will be two different levels of egg hunting – one for the very little ones and one for older kids. It will take place at the Andover Glen Park on Sat. April 19, beginning at 10:30 am. We are asking for RSVP's by Weds., April 16 to <a href="mailto:secretary@andoverglen.org">secretary@andoverglen.org</a> so we have the correct number of eggs and snacks! Hope to see you there!

# AG Board Votes to Update Policies and Procedures



Over the past few years, the Colorado state legislature has passed several bills which necessitated responsible HOA's revise their written

Policies and Procedures. Your Board worked with the association's attorney to make those required revisions.

At the board meeting held on Feb. 19, 2025, the board officially approved those changes. The updated copy of those Policies and Procedures are now on the Andover Glen Website.

# Friendly reminder about Trash pickup...

Here's a few friendly reminders about our trash pickup...



Carts must be on the curb by 7:00 am on day of service. Please do not leave containers on the sidewalk, driveway or block the sidewalk.

Containers should face the street with handles facing the house and wheels touching the curb. Please leave at least 2 feet between each container.

Do not park personal vehicles within 10 feet of containers on service day.

When it's not a trash pickup day, trash containers must be stored in manner that makes them not visible from the street.

More complete information about trash pickup in Andover Glen can be found on our website.

Waste Connections Customer Service number is 303-288-2100.

#### Attention All Green Thumbs...



Spring is here (almost)! There are vacant plots available at the community garden. The garden is located just south of the tennis/pickleball courts in our park. Spring planting will start soon, so if you're interested in reserving one or more of the garden plots, contact Norm Arlt, AGHA Grounds Coordinator, at

normarlt@comcast.net, or 303-437-3968. The fee for each 6' x 10' plot is \$10.00 for the whole season, and includes automatic watering. The garden is good way to meet your neighbors, produce quality food, and teach your children and/or grandchildren a thing or two about nature.

Just a reminder that your AGHA has a new mailing address. You'll be using this new address to send ballots, dues and other official correspondence with the Andover Glen HOA. Our new address is:

Andover Glen Homeowners Association

18555 E. Smoky Hill Rd.

P.O. Box 460216

Aurora, CO. 80046-0216

## Architectural Change Guidelines

The Architectural Change Committee is responsible for maintaining the integrity of outside changes or improvements in the Andover Glen community.

The guidelines that are to be followed can be found in Article III of the Covenants and in Section B of the Policies and Procedures. These can be found on our website, andoverglen.org, in Resources then Covenants and Policies.

In general, the guidelines for homeowners to follow are:

- All outside changes or improvements need to be reviewed and approved by the Architectural committee.
- The committee has 15 days to respond to minor changes and 45 days for major changes as defined in the Policies and Procedures.
- No outside project can begin without approval.

If you have any questions about the architectural change process please reach out to Dave Estes who chairs the Architectural Committee. He can be reached at 303-667-2036 or architecture@andoverglen.org.

# It's Easy to check on important dates in Andover Glen on our website

Whether you want to know the date of the next Board Meeting, whether next Monday will be a recycle pickup day, or the date and time of the Holiday Party, you can now find out all those important dates on the updated Andover Glen website: AndoverGlen.org

#### **Your Neighborhood Needs YOU!**



Andover Glen needs your help! In addition to your volunteer board members, volunteer work from our homeowners really

helps keep our maintenance costs down and our neighborhood looking great. And, it's a good way to meet your neighbors.

Volunteers can remove weeds, clear sidewalks, locate drip lines, spread mulch, pick up trash, and many other tasks. Currently, we have a neighbor who shovels snow from the spillway sidewalk and haul wheelbarrows of mulch for xeriscaping in our park. Only a couple of jobs, but such a great impact to our community.

Maybe you've been looking at a weed in an area you always drive or walk by. Go ahead, pull that weed! Or if you see trash in our neighborhood, please pick it up. You really will feel that you made a difference.

If you can do a small volunteer job for our neighborhood or have kids needing a community service project, please contact Norm Arlt, AGHA Grounds Coordinator, at normarlt@comcast.net, 303-437-3968.

# Safety Corner – Steering Wheel Locks and Neighbors Being Aware...

Automobile thefts are up nationwide and



unfortunately Andover
Glen has not been
immune to the
increase in this type of
crime. These are
crimes of opportunity
as criminals cruise
around through
neighborhoods and

look for easy targets. What we all want to do is make ourselves and Andover Glen a very HARD place to commit any sort of crime, including stealing vehicles. Here's a few tips to help make our neighborhood safer:

- 1. The very best choice of course is to park your vehicles in your garage, but that's simply not possible for all families, especially those with multiple drivers and vehicles. So, if you absolutely must park a vehicle outside on your driveway or the street, a great way to deter criminals from considering your vehicle as a target is to invest in a quality steering wheel lock. Criminals want to be in your car and gone in a minute or less, and a steering wheel lock makes that much more difficult. There are several excellent brands on the market, and a quick internet search of the top ones will help you make a great choice in purchasing one.
- 2. Be aware of strange vehicles that seem to be cruising through our neighborhood. They might be a workman or friend innocently looking for their customer's or friend's home, or they might also be up to something else. Make a note of any suspicious vehicle make, model and even license plate number. You might toss that note out later, but it also might be information that proves valuable in solving a crime.
- 3. Get to know your immediate neighbors (if you haven't already) and maybe even share with each other any times you might be away for extended periods of time. These are prime times for criminals to break in. Even simply noticing a neighbor's garage door being left up late at night and giving them a phone call might prevent a criminal from taking advantage of an opportunity.

Let's make Andover Glen a very UN-friendly place for criminals and one which they quickly cross off their list of potential places to conduct their activities!

#### Your AGHA Board

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#### OTHER BOARD MEMBERS

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See: <u>Board Members Contact Information</u> (andoverglen.org)