ANDOVER GLEN GAZETTE

SEPTEMBER 2017

**ANNUAL HOA MEETING**

The Andover Glen HOA annual meeting is scheduled for 7 pm. Monday Sept. 18 at Shalom Park, 14800 E. Belleview Dr. The annual budget will be reviewed as well as planning for the future of our community. Election for three vacant seats on the HOA Board will be held at this meeting. Anyone wishing to run for one of the open seats should contact any current board member to have their name added to the ballot, or be present at the meeting to announce their candidacy. If you are not able to attend the meeting, please use the proxy ballot that is attached to this newsletter. Fill in the requested information, and mail or deliver the ballot to any board member before 6 pm on Monday. September 18.

It is important that Andover Glen seats a Board of Directors. State law requires all HOAs to be governed by a board elected from members of the community or managed by a professional HOA management company. Service fees for a professional management company could more than double our current HOA dues of $466.00 a year. So far, we have been fortunate to have volunteers in the community to fill the positions on the board. Please consider giving a few hours a month to serve on the Andover Glen HOA board. It is an opportunity for you to give back to your community and help maintain Andover Glen as one of the best communities in the City of Aurora.

 **SEPTEMBER CALENDAR**

Sept. 4 Labor Day

Sept. 10 Grandparent’s Day

Sept. 11 Patriot’s Day

Sept. 12 Recycle

Sept. 18 Annual HOA meeting.

 7 p.m. Shalom Park

Sept. 22 Autumnal Equinox

Sept. 26 Recycle

**THINK ABOUT IT**

What makes Andover Glen such a great community? Basically, it is neighbors being good neighbors: Taking pride in their home; helping neighbors without being asked; keeping a watchful eye on the neighborhood; maintaining their property; keeping their lawns mowed and shrubs and trees trimmed; picking up trash even if it’s not on your property. Volunteering in the community doesn’t just mean being on the HOA board. It can be helping out at a community work day, assisting with planning, set-up and tear-down of the picnic, or just assisting a neighbor in need. If you want Andover Glen to be a good neighborhood, it starts with being a good neighbor.

**ANNUAL PICNIC**

In spite of an hour-long deluge of rain, the annual Andover Glen picnic was a smashing success. Unfortunately, the parade was washed out, but Pete was able to drive his classic model A Ford around the neighborhood to announce that the picnic was a go. As always, the BBQ provided by Jay Johnson was the best as were the salads and desserts made by the residents. The Bouncy House and water slide proved to be popular with the younger and more flexible crowd. The annual drink recipe contest attracted quite a crowd. Pete O’Meara took the title once again with his Tropical Punch recipe. Many thanks to Deb Jones and Kathy Johnson for planning another great event, and to Jay Johnson for spending many hours at his BBQ HQ to give us the best ribs, links and pulled pork. Thanks also to Derrick, Dave, Mike, Bill, Rick, Pete and many others for their labors in setting up and tearing down the canopies and tables. Next up is the annual holiday party in January 2018. Deb and Kathy need volunteers to help them plan and execute the event.

**NEWS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD**

Petty crime continues to be a problem in the neighborhood. A car was broken into and items stolen around 2:00 pm recently. These crimes happen even in the middle of the day. Don’t invite crime into the neighborhood. Keep windows, doors, and garage doors closed and locked. Do not leave purses, wallets, or phones in your car, even if it is locked. Call Aurora PD if you see suspicious activity: 303-627-3100, or 911 if it is an emergency. Be smart, be safe, and be alert.

**COMING EVENTS**

The always popular “Dumpster Days” and shredder are scheduled for the first weekend in October (7th & 8th). There has been some discussion about ending the event due to abuse of the privilege. There continues to be dumping of non-permissible items such as tires, liquids, and mattresses. Tree branches and large items have not been broken down prior to placing in the dumpster. The area around the dumpster is left with trash. The dumpster has been over-loaded at each event causing Norm to climb into the dumpster to consolidate the load. This is a safety risk for Norm. Please be courteous and responsible when using this privilege.

**HIRE LOCALLY**

Looking for a little help with yard work, weeding, dog walking, snow shoveling, etc.? Ben Krall, a 13 year-old Andover Glen resident, is looking to earn his way to Washington D.C. with his 8th grade class next year. Contact his agent/dad, Curt, at 720-810-3907 to schedule.

We encourage members of the Andover Glen community to support our local young entrepreneurs. Contact any board member with your job skills and contact information and we will be happy to provide it to the community in any newsletter.

**REGISTER**

If you haven’t already, register your email address to receive important alerts and information on the AG community. Contact Gilles Esposito at gilles.esposito@comcast.net to register.