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## Save The Date

**December:** No Civic Association Board Meeting

**December 17:** Entry deadline for Holiday Decoration Contest

**December 21 - 28:** Holiday Decoration Judging

**January 8:** Civic Association Board Meeting online only; note this is the 2nd Thursday of the month

## Covenant Review Committee and Governance

As we wrap up the year, the Committee thanks homeowners for helping maintain Highlands 460 the great community it is. A few quick December reminders:

- Check exterior lighting and holiday cords for safety
- Clear gutters to prevent ice issues
- Trim snow-prone branches
- Protect outdoor faucets

Additionally, it is a great time to start planning spring projects. Remember to submit for review using the CRC Request form found online in the H460 website before beginning any work.

We appreciate your cooperation, and wish everyone a safe and joyful holiday season.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the CRC, please contact us at [CRC@H460.org](mailto:CRC@H460.org).

*Christmas is doing a little something extra for someone.*

*—Charles Schulz*

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## President's Letter

As we close out the year, I want to take a moment to thank each and every one of you who supported the Highlands 460 Civic Association in 2025. Whether you attended an event, served on a committee, decorated your home for a contest, or simply renewed your membership—you helped make this a **stronger, more connected neighborhood**.

Looking ahead, our **2026 membership drive kicks off in January**, and we hope you'll join us again. Membership dues help fund everything from community events and communication to beautification projects and covenant maintenance. Beyond that, being a member means you're part of a group of neighbors who care about where they live and are committed to keeping Highlands 460 vibrant and welcoming.

At our **Annual Meeting in November**, we welcomed several new board members, and I'm excited to work with this talented and motivated team in the year ahead. With fresh ideas and renewed energy, we're looking forward to continuing the work of serving the neighborhood and building on the progress we've made.

In the spirit of celebration, don't forget to enter your home in our **Holiday Decorating Contest!** Whether your style is classic and cozy or bright and bold, we love seeing Highlands 460 lit up for the season. It's one of the ways we bring joy and a sense of community to our streets—so let's see those lights, wreaths, inflatables, and sparkle.

On behalf of the Civic Association, I want to wish you and your loved ones a **safe, peaceful, and happy holiday season**. Thank you again for being part of what makes this neighborhood such a great place to live.

We'll see you in 2026!

As always, feel free to reach out with questions, suggestions, or just to say hello by emailing [board@h460.org](mailto:board@h460.org) or calling our message line at 720-644-6448. See you around the neighborhood—and hopefully at the annual meeting.

— Sincerely, **Carrie Reger, President, H460 Civic Association**

## H460 Civic Association Meeting:

**There is no December board meeting.**

**The next board meeting will be online only on Thursday, January 8 (note this is the second Thursday of the month) from 6:45 - 8:15 p.m.** 2026 board meetings will continue to be on the first Thursday of each month.

Find minutes from previous board meetings at: <https://www.h460.org>

For the most recent report of Civic Association finances, email: [treasurer@h460.org](mailto:treasurer@h460.org)

## Highlands 460 Annual Meeting Recap

Thank you to everyone who joined us for the Highlands 460 Civic Association’s Annual Meeting on November 6! It was wonderful to see so many neighbors participate—both in person and online—and take an active interest in how our association supports and strengthens our community.

The meeting covered a range of important updates. The 2025 treasury report showed that the Association remains in strong financial shape, and the recap of 2025 neighborhood events highlighted another successful year of gatherings and community engagement. The Covenant Review Committee (CRC) shared news about a new process for handling unresolved covenant violations. Our Southern Metropolitan District (SMD) representative also provided an update on the ongoing sign repainting project throughout the neighborhood. In addition, the Board announced a new, more affordable Directors and Officers (D&O) insurance policy, helping the Association operate more efficiently while maintaining full coverage.

Board elections rounded out the evening, with members electing three new board members (Liesel Dionisio, Molly Zwiringer, Christopher Downard) and with Carrie Reger being re-elected, all seven positions were filled. With a full board in place for 2026, Highlands 460 is set for another productive year ahead.

## City of Centennial

**Centennial Jingle Jam: Saturday, December 6; 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.**

Celebrate the holidays at Centennial Center Park for Jingle Jam by listening and watching local youth choirs sing and dance their way into your hearts. Sip hot chocolate and cider, nosh on a cookie all while enjoying this family-friendly event. Don’t forget to visit with Santa.

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The Southern Metropolitan District (SMD) is a special taxing district responsible for the maintenance of the perimeter landscaping and the five entry islands to Highlands 460. Its website is [www.SouthernMetroDistrict.com](http://www.SouthernMetroDistrict.com). For current information on upcoming meetings and other information please refer to the website. The Chairman of the Board is Ed Quinn who can be reached at [SMDCentennial@gmail.com](mailto:SMDCentennial@gmail.com) and 303-807-7688.

### Contact the Covenant Review Committee

Email: [crc@h460.org](mailto:crc@h460.org)  
Postal address:  
H460 Covenant Review Committee  
P.O. Box 2252, Centennial, CO 80161

### Listen to City Council Meetings

We would like to encourage you to attend some upcoming City Council meetings. If you don’t feel like coming to the City Offices you can listen to the meetings in real time through the City website. Here’s what you need to know. City Council study sessions begin at 6 p.m. and the regular meetings start at 7 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Centennial Civic Center located at 13133 East Arapahoe Rd. If you would like to listen to the live audio of the meeting visit [www.centennialco.gov](http://www.centennialco.gov) go to Online Services, Listen to Meetings under the Stay in Touch column. The live audio button appears next to the word ‘agenda’ when the meeting begins. You may need to refresh your screen if you do not immediately see the link.

## Highlands 460 Civic Association

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### BOARD OFFICERS

**President:** Carrie Reger

**Vice President:** Cheriese Marczyk

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### COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS

*Volunteering for the H460 Civic Association is a fun and easy way to do something for your community and meet great people in the neighborhood along the way. If you are interested in giving a few hours of your time, current interest areas include: events, governance, technology (website, database, general), and communication (newsletter, social media). If you have a specific interest you would like to lead and don't see listed here, we welcome suggestions. Contact us at [board@460.org](mailto:board@460.org), and we will connect you with a role.*

### NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Carrie Reger..... [news@h460.org](mailto:news@h460.org)

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# Halloween Decorating Contest Winners Announced!

Our neighborhood was filled with frightful fun and festive spirit this Halloween season! From glowing jack-o'-lanterns to haunted yards and spooky light shows, our residents went all out to make this year's Halloween Decorating Contest a ton of fun. After careful judging, we're thrilled to announce our winners:

- 1st Place: Simone Bober**
- 2nd Place: Josh Kuper**
- 3rd Place (tie): Adam Stone & Cole and Ali Stengel**
- 4th Place: Jamie Bartlett**

\* Photos not necessarily of winning homes

Congratulations to all of our winners! Gift cards will be mailed directly to each winner. Thank you to everyone who participated — your creativity helped make our community come alive with Halloween magic. A very special thank you goes out to our judges, Kathy and Kurt Schmidt, and to our Civic Association Board Members for their time, effort, and support in keeping this fun neighborhood tradition going strong.



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## Sign Up Now: Holiday Decorating Contest!

It's time to make our neighborhood festive! We're inviting all Civic Association member households to take part in our Holiday Decorating Contest—whether your style is classic and cozy, bright and bold, or full of winter wonder, this is your chance to spread cheer and show off your decorating skills. Need some festive inspiration? Here are a few ideas to get those creative lights twinkling:

- **Dazzling displays:** Strings of colorful lights outlining your home, yard, and trees.
- **Seasonal charm:** Wreaths, garlands, and ribbons adorning doors, fences, and railings.
- **Winter wonderland:** Snowmen, reindeer, sleighs, and sparkling snowflake accents.
- **Animated magic:** Light-up characters, motion displays, or synchronized holiday light shows.
- **Classic elegance:** White lights, candles in windows, and tasteful touches of greenery.
- **Interactive fun:** Music-synced lights, projection displays, or cheerful surprises for visitors.

Whether you go for a cozy glow or a grand holiday spectacle, every decorated home adds to the joy of the season. So grab your lights, ladders, and creativity—let's make our neighborhood sparkle!

### JUDGING CRITERIA AND CONTEST DETAILS:

To participate in this merry competition, you'll need to complete your display by December 20 at 11:59 p.m. Judging will take place from December 21 through December 28, giving our panel plenty of time to enjoy and score every display. Entries must be submitted by December 17 to be eligible.

Judges will score entries based on the following criteria:

- **Creativity:** How original and festive is the display?
- **Theme:** Does it capture the spirit of the holidays?
- **Effort:** How much detail and craftsmanship went into the decorations?
- **Cohesiveness:** Does the entire display come together in a unified, eye-catching way?

As always, be safe and considerate!! Please make sure all decorations are secure, cords are tucked away, and walkways remain clear for visitors and neighbors. Do you have neighbors with young children? Consider timing your light displays and any sounds so that they don't interfere with bedtime.

**PRIZES:** The top five entries will win gift cards to local businesses and, of course, neighborhood bragging rights for the best holiday display! 1st Place \$150 gift card; 2nd Place \$100 gift card; 3rd Place \$75 gift card; 4th Place \$50 gift card; 5th Place \$25 gift card. Winners will be announced in the February neighborhood newsletter and notified by email.

**HOW TO ENTER:** Signing up is simple! Visit [h460.org](http://h460.org) and find the Holiday Decorating Contest link to register your name and address. Entries must be received by December 17!

**WANT TO BE A JUDGE?** Love the holiday season but not planning to decorate this year? Join the fun as a contest judge! We're looking for a few enthusiastic volunteers who can spend time between December 21–28 viewing and scoring displays around the neighborhood. Judges will receive a simple scorecard with the same criteria listed above. If you're interested, send an email to [events@h460.org](mailto:events@h460.org) with your contact information and availability during the judging period.

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