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Save The Date

July 4: Independence Day Parade and Celebration at Arapahoe Park

July 8: Food Truck Night at Arapaho Park

July 11: Civic Association Meeting
(Changed from July 4)

August 1: Civic Association Meeting

August 12: Food Truck Night at Arapaho Park

August 24: Movie & Food Truck Night at Arapaho Park

September 5: Civic Association Meeting

Covenant Draft Feedback Requested

Time is running out! This is your chance to provide feedback on the draft of the revised covenants document which has been added to the H460 website. Thank you to everyone who has provided feedback so far. The deadline for neighborhood feedback has been extended until July 31, 2024, with an expected community vote on the updated covenants document in September 2024. All owners are encouraged to review the changes and provide feedback in the following ways:

Email: board@h460.org

Phone: 720-644-6448

Online:

<https://www.h460.org/covenants-review>

(see QR Code)

We will reserve time at each board meeting to answer questions about the covenants draft.



Message Line

Email is the best way to communicate with the civic association board, but if you prefer to leave a message, please call 720-644-6448.

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President's Letter

I hope everyone is enjoying your summer!

Our work on the Covenant update has been well supported by our community, either through your attendance at a community meeting or through comments. Thanks to everyone who helped us craft a document that mirrors H460 needs. We continue our reviews through July. Your ongoing comments and attendance are much appreciated.

At our June board meeting, we developed the following schedule for completion of the new Covenants document:

- **July:** Complete community review and comments
- **August:** Work with our attorney, Altitude Law, to add community changes to the current covenant draft and prepare voting documents
- **September - October:** Ballots sent to the H460 Community for voting
- **November:** Altitude tallies votes, 67% of the H460 Community required for approval

Our current Covenants are quite dated, with many items reflecting community activity from the early development of H460, rather than what we currently need in today's H460. It is the Board's hope that the community sees this overall need, and that comments from the community, not just the Board, have helped craft a document that is fully supported by H460 homeowners.

If you have any questions regarding board activities, please reach out to us either through our online contact, board@H460.org or through our message line at 720-644-6448.

— Sincerely, Stan Sudduth, President, H460 Civic Association



H460 Civic Association Meeting:

The monthly board meeting will be held the second Thursday of the month, on July 11th, 2024 from 6:45 to 8:15 p.m.

In person: Metrum Community Credit Union, 6980 S. Holly Cir., Centennial

Online: Google Meet link posted at <https://www.h460.org>

Find minutes from previous board meetings at:

<https://www.h460.org/documents/minutes>

For the most recent report of Civic Association finances, visit <https://www.h460.org/documents/financials> or email questions to treasurer@h460.org

Neighborhood Garage Sale: Another One in the Books!

On June 7 and 8, more than 55 homes collaborated to make the Neighborhood Garage Sale a success! The event was coordinated by The Steller Group, including Highlands 460 neighbor and Realtor, Natalie Force.

Thanks to the coordination of the real estate team’s marketing efforts, participants were able to fully concentrate on setting up their merchandise and running their sales. Through newspaper ads, online and social media campaigns, directional signs, and maps showcasing the participating homes, our neighborhood became a magnet for buyers!

“This was one of the best planned-out sales I have been a part of. The Steller signs were everywhere, and it was just great,” participant Bobby Wagner shared. “We had a ton of people come to our sale and all of them said there were a bunch of others in the neighborhood, so that was fantastic.”

Janet Weidmann enjoyed the opportunity to declutter, stating, “I got rid of a fair amount at the sale and it helped to start clearing out my house.”

So, mark your calendars for June 2025! The neighborhood garage sale will be back on the first Friday and Saturday, so don’t miss the chance to clean out your home, snag amazing deals, and catch up with your neighbors. It’s an event you won’t want to miss!

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–Amy Tan

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Perimeter Landscaping & Entry Islands

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. 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 Ed@EdQuinnSite.com and 303-807-7688.

Contact the Covenant Review Committee

Email: 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 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.

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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, and we will connect you with a role.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR

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Highlands Highlights is published monthly by the Highlands 460 Civic Association, a non-profit homeowners association. The deadline for news articles and community related announcements is the 10th of the month before the following month’s issue. Articles should be emailed to news@H460.org All articles must be approved by the editor for publication.

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Summer Events Schedule & Information

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

July 4: Independence Day Parade & Carnival: A neighborhood tradition continues this year!

Family Walking Parade: Decorate bikes, scooters, strollers and wagons, and be part of the 4th of July festivities. Traditionally led by a fire truck and members of a Boy Scout troop, families gather together for a walking parade from South Jackson Street to the playground area at Arapaho Park. Residents not walking in the parade are invited to line the parade route to see the creativity put into decorations and cheer them on.

- Location: Corner of S. Jackson Street & Nichols Avenue
- Time: Parade starts at 9:30 a.m. Line up behind the banner from 8:45 - 9:15

Post-Parade Party in the Park: At the conclusion of the walking and car parade, join us for a carnival-style celebration in Arapaho Park.

Volunteer Opportunities: We are still in need of volunteers for setup and/or take-down, traffic control, filling & tying balloons, donating cookies/donuts/ice cream bars. Visit <https://www.h460.org/events> or use the QR code to sign up to volunteer.



August 24: Civic Association Member Movie Night: New this year! We have a double feature planned: *Trolls* beginning approximately 15 minutes after sundown with *Gran Turismo* immediately following. Bring a picnic or order food from the food trucks reserved for the event. More to come in the August newsletter!

Covenant Review Committee and Governance

Thanks to all of you who contact our Covenant Review Committee (CRC) for both questions and requests for approval regarding updates and changes to your homes and property. We try to ensure a quick approval for all the requests that come into the CRC to ensure preliminary schedules remain on schedule.

One of the key areas we see in the summer months is the presence of campers, mobile homes, trailers, and boats, etc, parked in driveways. These items are specifically prohibited in the community. Time for stocking and cleaning activities is limited to 48 hours, but ongoing storage in driveways and the street is not allowed. If you have any of these items, please be aware that current Covenant Article 2, Section 25 specifically prohibits storage of these items, and you are subject to a Covenant Violation Notice if you retain these items on your property.

The CRC continues to work together to ensure that Covenants within the community are followed. Reviews so far this year have been particularly favorable, with very few violations. Homeowners who have received violation notices have resolved issues quickly. So, thanks to the community as a whole, and to those who have received violation notices, for ensuring our neighborhood retains its strong community value.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the CRC, please contact us at CRC@H460.org.



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Large Item Pickup Event Remains a Valuable Service

The recent Large Item Pickup event held on June 14 and 15 in our neighborhood was a success. Over the course of two days, the trash removal company picked up 36.5 truckloads of items that are not typically collected by regular trash service. This initiative allows residents to dispose of bulky items such as old furniture, branches, and other large items that had been cluttering their homes and yards. Calene Brown sent an email to the Civic Association that captures the sentiment of many residents when she said, "The large trash pickup is so helpful and welcome! It is a great way to help us keep our neighborhood clean."

As labor and operations costs continue to rise, the Civic Association is committed to maintaining the Large Item Pickup event by working with the vendor to become more efficient while providing the curbside service valued by the community. Finally, this event is not possible without volunteer support. Thank you to the following volunteers who delivered more than 500 stickers to homes around the neighborhood: Mary Haas, Alison Holland, Paige Robbins, Ginny Quinn, and Amy Winans.



Contact Information and Preferences: New and Updates

Our communications team would like to keep our resident records updated. If you are new to the neighborhood or have had a change in email address or phone number, email communication@h460.org, and we will update the database accordingly.

It's Not Too Late To Join the Civic Association

While the dues deadline for Large Item Pickup has passed, you can still join the Civic Association and participate in neighborhood events and amenities. There are several options to make your payment:



- **Check:** Complete the included insert form, and mail to PO Box 2252, Centennial, CO 80161
- **Venmo:** @H460CA *Please include your full name and address in the "What is it for?" section.
- **Credit card online:** (fees apply) at www.h460.org

2024 Food Truck Dates

Enjoy a fun summer with your neighbors! Make plans to enjoy an evening out in the park on the second Monday of each month. Schedule a picnic with those you already know, or come out and meet new people. Mark your calendars for the following dates:

Monday, July 8: Black Diamond Pizza & Lily's Lemon Ice

Monday, August 12: What Would Cheesus Do & Rebel Cookie Dough

Monday, September 9: OG Burgers

Food trucks will be serving from 5:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. The specific trucks expected will be announced as soon as the vendors have been confirmed. Follow us on social media for more immediate updates.

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Quilts of Valor, Saturday, August 17, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Free family-friendly event at 17 Mile House Farm park in Centennial. Learn more and register at www.arapahoeco.gov/17milehouse.

Additional news and events can be found at:

<https://www.arapahoeco.gov/>

CITY OF CENTENNIAL

Centennial Under the Stars,

Saturday, August 10, 5:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Celebrate the 18th annual summer event at Centennial Center Park. The family-friendly event features live music, local vendors and food trucks.

Additional news and events can be found at centennialco.gov.

SOUTH SUBURBAN PARKS & RECREATION

Live Music on the South Suburban Golf Course Patio:

Fridays at 6:00 p.m. and Sundays at 3:00 p.m.

7/5: Josh Blackburn

7/7: Secret Agent Band

7/12: Ellie D & Soul

7/14: Hip Replacements

7/26: Yellow Dog

7/28: Lucky Catch

Additional news and events can be found at ssprd.org.

STREETS OF SOUTHGLENN

Save the Date: Dancing in the Streets

July 10: Sisters of Rock

July 24: Non-Stop Nineties

August 14: Last Men on Earth

August 28: That Eighties Band

News and events can be found at: shopsouthglenn.com

Newsletter Contributions

Neighbors, we want to hear from YOU! We welcome articles and ideas for the Highlands Highlights newsletter. Tap into your inner author, and send us your thoughts. Send articles and photos to the editor at news@h460.org.

Get Social With Us

Social media is a great way to connect with neighbors and build community.



Highlands 460 has social media pages that allow members to reach out in real time, and communicate with others in our neighborhood. The Civic Association Board will also post important information between monthly newsletters. Please consider joining our Facebook group (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/h460residentgroup>) and/or following our neighborhood on Nextdoor (<https://nextdoor.com/neighborhood/thehighlands460--centennial--co>).



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Secret Agent Band: FREE Neighborhood Concert Sunday, July 21

What started out four years ago as a duet playing on the back porch for locked-down neighbors has morphed into a full-blown, live concert event!

After weeks of Covid lockdown four years ago, Highlands 460 residents Joyce and Jock Mirow decided they had to get out and do something fun or go stir-crazy so they set up a small PA system on their back porch and serenaded the neighbors with classic rock hits from a safe distance. Fast forward to present day, and the annual "Porch Concert" has grown into a neighborhood celebration of music, food and good times.

Now that the greenbelt renovations have been completed, it's time for a party! Join "Secret Agent Band" - a five piece, eclectic pop band - as they perform an extensive repertoire of classic and not-so-classic tunes for your dancing, dining and drinking enjoyment. You'll hear everything: Styx, Steely Dan, Doobie Brothers, Eagles, Bruce Springsteen, and yes, even Ramones during a two-plus hour FREE concert on Sunday, July 21, starting at 4:00 p.m.

Park along East Phillips Ave. between Otero Cir. and S. Madison Way - walk down the right side of the greenbelt about four or five houses until you come to the open space. The band will be performing across the stream to the west. Come early at 3:00 or 3:30 and bring some tables, chairs, food and beverages for an old-fashioned neighborhood summer party - perfect for kids of all ages!

For more information about Secret Agent band, visit SecretAgent.Band, check us out on Facebook or email us at secretagentbandco@gmail.com.



Did You Know...

- Independence Day was first celebrated in Philadelphia on July 8, 1776.
- Both Thomas Jefferson and John Adams died on Independence Day, July 4, 1826.
- In 1941, Congress declared July 4 a federal legal holiday.
- The 56 signers of the Declaration of Independence did not sign at the same time, nor did they sign on July 4, 1776. The official event occurred on August 2, 1776, when 50 men signed it. Later that year, five more signed separately, and one added his name in a later year. Thomas McKean was the last to sign in January 1777.
- The origin of Uncle Sam probably began in 1812, when Samuel Wilson was a meat packer who provided meat to the US Army. The meat shipments were stamped with the initials, U.S. Someone joked that the initials stood for "Uncle Sam." This joke eventually led to the idea of Uncle Sam symbolizing the United States government.
- Benjamin Franklin, John Adams, and Thomas Jefferson served on the committee that picked the eagle for the national seal. Benjamin Franklin wanted the turkey!

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Arapahoe County Fair

Arapahoe County is celebrating its Fair the last weekend of July at the Arapahoe County Fairgrounds at 25690 E. Quincy Ave., Aurora, CO 80016. The fair is an incredible value for families looking for a full day of laughter and good wholesome fun.

The first Arapahoe County Fair was held in 1906, along the banks of the South Platte River within present day Littleton. The Fair is one of Arapahoe County's longest-standing community traditions. The County Fair has travelled to various locations including Deer Trail, Byers, Englewood and Littleton. The current location of the Arapahoe County Fairgrounds was commemorated in July of 2006, marking the 100th anniversary of the Fair.

The Fair continues to showcase the County's agricultural and western heritage through 4-H programming, traditional agricultural activities and entertainment. For the price of your admission you can also enjoy carnival rides, daily motor sports, canine entertainment, a petting farm and numerous other activities.

Don't forget to shop at the food vendors or stop by and check out our commercial vendors. Enjoy a beer or wine from one of our beer and wine tents. Check out our full schedule of events!

Fair Dates/Hours:

July 25, 2024; 4 p.m.-Midnight

July 26 & 27, 2024; 11 a.m.-Midnight

July 28, 2024; 11 a.m.-10:30 p.m.

Important note: Fair tickets are non-refundable, and the event is held rain or shine. Saturday is the busiest day of the Fair and attendees should know that gates and parking lots may close if capacity limits are reached. No refunds are issued for capacity closures.

–<https://www.arapahoecountyfair.com>

Film On The Rocks 2024

Film on the Rocks is back for its 25th season with five events throughout the summer! Each film is preceded by live entertainment to kick off the evening. Film on the Rocks is a collaborative production of Denver Film and Denver Arts & Venues. Open Captions provided for all films in the series. **Price per ticket:** \$20

Time: Doors open at 6:30 pm,

Entertainment starts at 7:00 pm,

Film starts at dusk

SCHEDULE:

Monday, July 8: The Wizard of Oz

Monday, July 15: Deadpool

Monday, August 19: Mad Max: Fury Road

– <https://www.redrocksonline.com/film/>

4th of July vs Independence Day

As many history buffs know, there's some irony to rise of the phrase "Fourth of July" since the date itself has little significance. Congress approved a declaration of independence on July 2, 1776, and John Adams expected that to be the most important date in American history. The official Declaration, however, was approved two days later by a committee. The first printed copies read "In Congress, July 4, 1776." Since that broadsheet was tacked up in cities all over the nation, the date stuck.

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Colorado Caves To Explore

Cave of the Winds: Named for the cool breezes that emanates from the cave's entrance, Cave of the Winds in Manitou Springs is perhaps one of the most popular and stunning attractions in the Pikes Peak and Colorado Springs area. The cave opened to tourists in 1881, and today you can see 15 massive and brightly lighted rooms within nearly a mile of underground limestone caverns. For those who want a peek into its haunting depths, they'll turn out the lights and you can explore by lantern-light tours (included a haunted option). The cave also offers two thrill rides: a zipline across a canyon to witness the grandeur of the area, and the Terror-Dactyl, which launches riders 200 feet into the canyon at nearly 100 miles per hour. You'll also find attractions like the Bat-A-Pult — a seated zipline ride that soars 1,200 feet round-trip — as well as obstacle courses, climbing walls and gemstone panning.

After a journey into the center of the mountains, consider a stop at nearby Manitou Cliff Dwellings, where Ancestral Puebloan homes are tucked into the side of sheer walls.

Glenwood Caverns Adventure Park: Take an aerial tram to the top of a bluff in Glenwood Springs, where a tour of the stalactite- and stalagmite-rich Glenwood Caverns begins. The caves themselves are actually near the top of the mountain, rather than near the bottom as you might expect and require a ride to the top on a gondola that also offers amazing views of the surrounding Roaring Fork Valley. The cave's wide-open, massive rooms are lined with otherworldly rock formations. If you're feeling like you've got the hang of this caving thing, there are also tours of undeveloped portions of the caverns that include some crawling and squeezing to get in to.

After a tour deep underground, take the high-speed alpine slide to the bottom of the bluff or enjoy one of the rides found at the Glenwood Caverns Adventure Park near the cave's entrance.

—<https://www.colorado.com/articles/colorado-cave-tours>

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Natalie Force

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Natalie Force joins The Steller Group with several successful years of real estate experience under her belt. Natalie believes that buying or selling a home does not have to feel overwhelming, and she utilizes a blend of expert advice, good humor, and genuine care to ensure clients have an excellent experience, every time. Having lived in Highlands 460 for over fifteen wonderful years, Natalie brings to the team a passion for her community and a love for helping clients make the perfect move.



Natalie is **the best Realtor** I've ever worked with. Her client focus is almost **beyond belief**. Day and night she was working for our best interest. She is **kind and very straightforward**. She represented us well and advised us on every detail. We would use her again in a heartbeat. - *Bill A.*



I love helping clients through the process of buying and selling homes, and I believe there is no better investment than real estate. The most important part of being a Realtor is being an advocate for my clients, and I will be there to help you through every step of the process. I always have my clients' best interest at heart. My motto is, 'I give advice, but you make decisions.'

