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Save The Date

- July 4:** Independence Day Parade
July 13: Food Truck (Samos Grill; Frosty Yeti) at Arapaho Park
August 10: Food Truck (Rolling Italian; Happy Cones) at Arapaho Park
September 14: Food Truck (Balkan European; Frosty Yeti) at Arapaho Park
September: Member Appreciation Event (date TBD)
October 23: NEW – Fall Neighborhood Hayride

President's Letter

As I write this, our Large Item Pickup weekend is underway. I sincerely thank the volunteers who helped deliver pickup stickers throughout the neighborhood. It takes a great deal of time and effort to organize and support community events like this, and their willingness to lend a hand helps make one of our most valued neighborhood services possible.

One of the things I enjoy most each year is the opportunity to connect with neighbors while coordinating the event. This year was no exception. While delivering a sticker, I met a neighbor who shared advice and encouragement for my son as he prepares to begin his journey as an incoming Arapahoe HS football player. On another stop, I chatted with a neighbor about how my dog always seems determined to collect sticks during our walks. After hearing the story,



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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Make The Magic Happen! Independence Day Parade: A Neighborhood Tradition

The 4th of July is here, and we're firing up one of the best community events of the year – but we can't do it without *you*.

FAMILY WALKING PARADE: Bring your red, white, and blue spirit! Deck out your bikes, scooters, strollers, and wagons, and join the Independence Day parade. We'll kick things off—fire truck and all—at the corner of S. Jackson Street & Nichols Avenue. Families walk together in a show of color and community down to Arapaho Park.

- **Start Point:** S. Jackson & Nichols
- **Parade Begins:** 9:30 a.m.
- **Line Up:** 8:45–9:15 a.m.

Not walking? Come out, grab your coffee, and cheer on your neighbors from the sidewalk!



POST-PARADE FUN AT ARAPAHO PARK: The fun doesn't stop at the finish line. Once we hit the park, it's game on – with bounce houses, treats, and activities for all ages. It's a celebration you won't want to miss.

WE NEED YOU! This event requires a lot of helping hands! If you love this tradition, now's the time to step up. We're calling on neighbors, families, teens, scout troops – anyone who can pitch in for a couple hours.

WE NEED HELP WITH:

- Setup and/or teardown
- Filling & tying balloons
- Donating snacks & treats

Please sign up to help by scanning QR code.



H460 Civic Association Meeting

The next board meeting will be held on
Thursday, July 2, 2026 from 6:45 - 8:15 p.m.

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

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

For the most recent report of Civic Association finances,
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he thoughtfully left a few branches by the curb when trimming his yard so my dog would have something to carry home. Small moments like these may seem ordinary, but they remind me why this community is such a special place to live.

We often think of neighborhood events as opportunities to clean up our properties or complete a project around the house. But what makes Highlands 460 truly exceptional are the relationships - the conversations at the mailbox, the willingness to help a neighbor, and the simple acts of kindness that create a sense of belonging. Thank you for continuing to make this a community where neighbors know and care about one another.

— Sincerely, Carrie Reger, 2026 President, H460 Civic Association

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Perimeter Landscaping & Entry Islands

Southern Metropolitan District (SMD) uncovered major problems with the durability of the brick wall along Dry Creek and to a lesser extent on Colorado. The brick manufacturer used for the installation provided a brick which was not resistant to the chemicals used for snow and ice removal. Closer wall inspection was done after the last two collisions which found problems during the repairs. The wall brick was not sealed and was porous which allowed the brick face to be wet and freeze-thawed. The de-icing chemicals attacked the reinforcing bars within the wall. Consultations with brick sales personnel and a brick expert revealed that our brick likely came from a manufacturer which had been sued for defective brick and is now bankrupt.

SMD contracted with Soils Structures Engineering, LLC to provide an estimate of costs to fix the problems. Preliminary discussions indicate that SMD will need to remove and repair the brick segments along Dry Creek. SMD will do this when we have another collision or as the condition becomes untenable. However, the concrete foundations do not have visible problems and can be reused. SMD has selected a concrete brick block which is "brick" colored having one smooth and one textured side.

SMD will bill collider's insurance and has reserves which will pay for this activity so your property taxes should not increase.

Please attend SMD's next board meeting or send questions to SMD's email, SMDCentennial@gmail.com.

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Contact the Covenant Review Committee

Email: crc@h460.org

Postal address:

H460 Covenant Review Committee
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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@h460.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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Covenant Review Committee & Governance

Summer is in full swing, and with more outdoor activities, vacations, and neighborhood gatherings, it is a great time to remember the covenants that help keep Highlands 460 attractive and welcoming for everyone.

The most common covenant concerns during the summer months continue to be visible trash containers, recreational vehicles and trailers, and nuisance-related issues. Please ensure that trash and recycling containers are stored out of sight except on collection days. Both Highlands 460 covenants and City of Centennial regulations require trash containers be screened from street view when not awaiting pickup.

H460 Residents are also reminded that boats, campers, RVs, and utility trailers may not be stored on driveways or streets within the community. In addition, please be considerate of your neighbors by keeping noise levels reasonable and maintaining your property during the growing season.

Thank you for helping preserve the appearance, property values, and community spirit that make Highlands 460 such a desirable place to live.

Questions regarding covenants or architectural requests may be directed to the Covenant Review Committee at CRC@H460.org.

Fourth Annual Neighborhood Garage Sale Draws Crowds

The Highlands 460 Neighborhood Garage Sale returned for its fourth consecutive year on June 5 and 6, with more than 50 households participating in one of the neighborhood's most anticipated annual events. Coordinated by The Steller Group – including Highlands 460 resident and Realtor Natalie Force – the sale once again attracted shoppers from across the metro area in search of bargains, treasures, and unique finds.

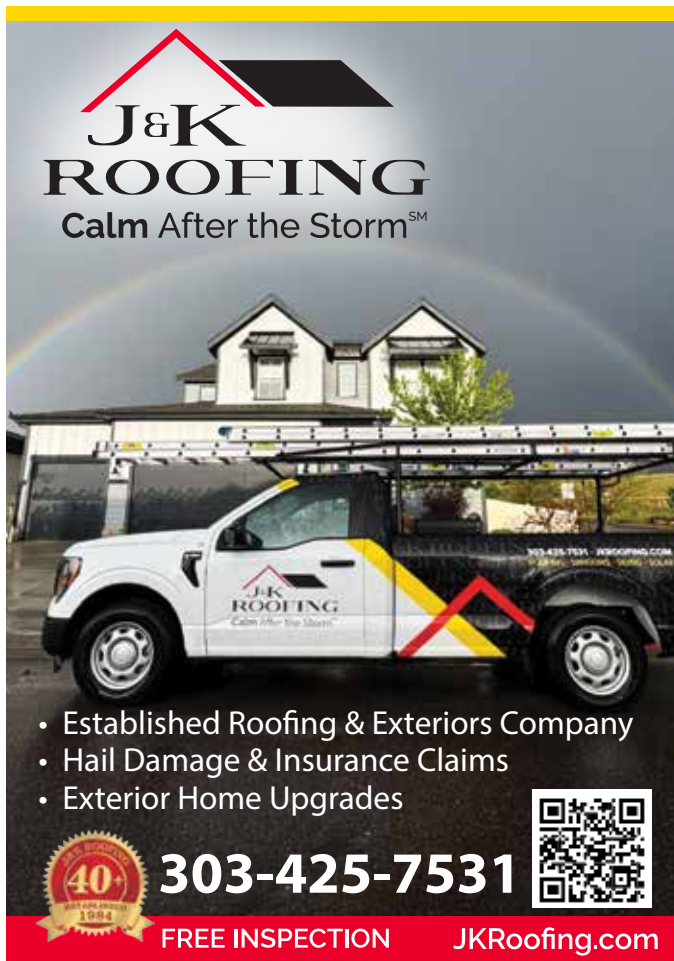
A comprehensive marketing campaign helped drive traffic throughout the community. Newspaper advertising, online listings, social media promotion, neighborhood signage, and detailed maps of participating homes made it easy for buyers to navigate the sale and helped maximize visibility for sellers.

The results speak for themselves: 70 percent of survey respondents reported that participating in the neighborhood-wide sale was more successful than hosting a garage sale on their own. One seller noted that the biggest advantage was the increased attendance, sharing, "[There was] lots of traffic in the neighborhood! That was what helped sell stuff!"

Beyond the sales, the event provided an opportunity for neighbors to connect, declutter their homes, and enjoy the energy of a community-wide tradition.

"We made over \$1,000," participant Charity Damschroder shared. "Friday was awesome—we got rid of so much."

Be sure to mark your calendars for the first Friday and Saturday of June 2027 and join your neighbors for another great weekend of bargains, community, and fun.



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Treasurer's Corner

We now have a feature at h460.org called "Dues Payment Lookup." You are able to enter your address and name to quickly confirm whether your current-year dues have been received – an easy way to stay informed and up to date.

Thank you to all residents who paid their 2026 membership dues. Currently we have 472 paid members. Even though our Large Item Pickup has passed, 2026 membership dues payments are still welcome to support other community activities such as the 4th of July parade, member appreciation events, and the holiday contests/festivities.

Thank you for your continued support in keeping Highlands 460 a wonderful place to live.

*The American flag represents all of us
and all the values we hold sacred.*

–Adrian Cronauer

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>).



Subcommittee For Arterial Roadway Fence Initiative

The Board has formed a subcommittee to research the process and feasibility of replacing the fencing along Monroe, Adams, and Mineral. Please reach out to board@h460.org for interest in helping this important project.

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.

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, neighborhood Send articles and photos to the editor at news@h460.org.

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.

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Large Item Pickup Took Place June 12-13

The recent Large Item Pickup event was a success. Over the course of two days, the trash removal company picked up many truckloads of items not typically collected by regular trash service. Over the course of two days, Junk King removed 45 truckloads of items not typically collected by regular trash service. They did a great job!

This event is not possible without volunteer support. Thank you to the following volunteers who delivered hundreds of stickers to homes around the neighborhood: Jane Ahroon, Alison Holland, Leah Martland, and Trisha Swinton.

Father Daughter Take A Walk Day: July 7th

National Father Daughter Take a Walk Day is observed annually on July 7th. This day promotes the benefits of family bonding time between fathers and daughters as well as the benefits of physical activity.

The memories made during your time together will stay with you forever. During the summer season, there are many incredible places to walk and enjoy nature as you spend time talking, laughing, and bonding. While taking a stroll, cherish the time spent together. Your child will value the gift of the time you give no matter how old they are.

Last Remaining Food Truck Nights of 2026

Summer is going fast, but we still have several food truck nights at Arapahoe Park! Plan to join your friends and neighbors every second Monday from May to September and explore some fun local eats. Add these dates to your calendar now:

July 13

Samos Grill (<https://roaminghunger.com/samos-grill/>)

Frosty Yeti (<https://frosty-yeti.com/>)

August 10

Rolling Italian (<https://rollingitalianonline.square.site/>)

Happy Cones (<https://happyconesco.com/ice-cream/>)

September 14

Balkan European

(<https://www.thebalkaneuropean.com/menu>)

Frosty Yeti (<https://frosty-yeti.com/>)

Be Someone Day

On July 21, National Be Someone Day challenges each of us to take ten seconds to make a difference in a child's life.

What can you do in ten seconds? We can shift gears or water a plant. We can hear or tell a bad joke. In ten seconds, we can change our minds, and after doing so, say a prayer of thanks. When we walk into a room, in that time, we can register the pain in someone's eyes and begin to provide comfort. We can praise and honor someone who deserves it.



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Core Daily Events and Attractions Carnival & Midway:

- Features unlimited access to carnival rides, daily fair games, and traditional fair foods.
- High-Octane Rodeo: Sanctioned CPRA Rodeo competitive equestrian sports and bull riding action takes center stage on Saturday, July 25, and Sunday, July 26.
- Nighttime Drone Shows: Spectacular light displays illuminating the sky on Friday, July 24, and Saturday, July 25.
- Action Stunt Shows: Daily high-energy acts including the motorcycle Globe of Death mesh-sphere stunt and the outdoor Perfection on Wheels BMX Show.
- Family & Animal Exhibits: Includes children’s favorites like Mutton Bustin’, indoor Top Hogs pig trick shows, a daily petting farm, and the Raptor Events Avian Show.
- 4-H & Public Competitions: Showcases local youth and agricultural heritage, including the 4-H/FFA Swine Show, livestock auctions, open public culinary arts, and fiber arts contests.

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Tiny Town

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Besides the buildings, there is also a 15 in. gauge miniature railroad that visitors can ride throughout the park. The track is just over half a mile in length, and a trip on one of the steam-powered trains grants visitors exclusive access to parts of Tiny Town that can't be seen from the sidewalk.

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The City of Centennial has been recognized by U.S. News & World Report in its 250 Best Places to Live in the U.S. in 2026-2027, earning a place among the top 250 cities nationwide for quality of life, value, desirability and a strong local job market!

This recognition adds to Centennial's continued record of national and state-level distinction. In the 2025-2026 rankings, Centennial was named the #1 Best Place to Live in Colorado and ranked #154 nationally, reinforcing its standing as one of the country's most desirable suburban communities.

A Community Built on Quality of Life and Momentum

Centennial's inclusion in the 2026-2027 rankings reflects the City's ongoing commitment to thoughtful growth, public safety, economic vitality and high-quality services that support residents at every stage of life.

From strong schools and healthcare access to safe neighborhoods, extensive parks and connected trail systems, Centennial continues to deliver a high quality of life for individuals, families and businesses alike.

"Our community continues to be recognized because of the people who live and work here," said Mayor Christine Sweetland. "This honor reflects the dedication of our residents, businesses and community partners who make Centennial a place where people can thrive. As we continue celebrating 25 years as a City, we're focused on building on that momentum and shaping an even stronger Next 25."

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