

# ABERDEEN CONNECTIONS

Monthly Newsletter of Aberdeen Village



## Upcoming 2025 Meetings & Events Calendar

**Ladies Brunch:** Saturday, September 27  
from 10:30-1:00pm at 6145 S  
Longview St, home of Lori Frasier



### Board Meetings:

October 9; December 11

**Annual Holiday Party:** December 6

**Annual Lighting Contest:** December 13

*September days have the warmth  
of summer in their briefer hours,  
but in their lengthening evenings a  
prophetic breath of autumn.*

—Rowland E. Robinson

## Aberdeen Village Dues Request

Please scan the QR code below to send  
the \$30 annual fee to the Treasurer.

— Cathy Holtestaul, Vice President

Mary Pat Valdes

@MaryPat-Valdes



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## Board Member Letter

A special thanks to all of those who volunteered to pick up and drop off street barricades, set up tables and tents, arrange for the bubble party, cook up lots of food, purchase the wine and beer, and all the other myriad tasks that were needed to make this year's annual picnic another success. The Annual Picnic plus the Holiday Party, Fourth of July Parade and Lighting Contest are the four activities that allow us all to build the Aberdeen Village community.

The Aberdeen Village Association provides another service: every two years or so, we include an updated map of the neighborhood with everyone's names on the various houses as an insert within the Aberdeen Village Connections newsletter. Also included is a printed directory listing everyone's name, address, phone numbers, and/or emails, to the extent you want this information published. In my role

as the Association's Secretary, I will be updating the directory database during the month of September. We have had a significant turnover in home ownership during the past two years. If you are new to the neighborhood, I ask that you email me your address, the names of the adults in your home, and any phone numbers and/or emails that you would agree to have published in the neighborhood directory. (My email address is Steven.natali@gmail.com.) Once updated, you can stick the neighborhood map and directory on your refrigerator, and you will know how to find, call or email any one of your neighbors.



**The Elati Corridor Study:** The City of Littleton is currently studying how best to improve pedestrian and bicyclist safety along the portion of Elati that extends from Littleton Boulevard to the southern end of Elati Street where it terminates into the Highline Canal. Shawn Turner, Senior Transportation Planner with the Public Works Department, is in charge of the team implementing the study. When asked regarding the current status of the study, he replied by email:

*"As far as project progress, we have received a summary of the first survey results, which we will be posting online in the coming weeks. For a preliminary plan, we are starting to discuss potential alternatives with the consultant team, and we will be sharing those with the public in September. We are also planning to do a "Walk Audit" with the community in September and would love for you and your neighbors to attend. A walk audit is an in-field visit to the corridor to assess its current conditions and potential solutions directly and in person. This community-based event invites residents, stakeholders, and elected or appointed officials to walk segments of Elati Street with the project team and provide firsthand feedback on priorities*

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*to improve safety, comfort, and accessibility. The consultant will also explain potential bike and pedestrian improvements in the field, giving attendees a personal sense of how these improvements might be laid out and their potential impact on the corridor. The observations gathered will help shape future design concepts and ensure they reflect real-world conditions and user experiences. We will be posting the date of the walk audit online sometime this week.”* (This was written during the week of August 11th.)

I encourage all of you as members of the Aberdeen Village neighborhood to stay informed regarding the findings and plans being made for Elati Street, and to accompany the city planners, elected officials, fellow neighbors and consultants who will be walking through the entire corridor and discussing anticipated changes to the street.

Fall is almost upon us. Enjoy the cooling temperatures, changing light, and initiation of the fall colors!

— **Steve Natali, Secretary**

## National Hummingbird Day

National Hummingbird Day happens during the first Saturday in September. Hummingbirds are remarkable birds with unique characteristics that fascinate bird watchers and nature lovers, alike. There are over 300 species of hummingbirds throughout the world that belong to the Trochilidae family. The Trochilidae family is known for their small size, beautiful plumage, and amazing flying abilities. This family of birds comes in different sizes, colors, and behaviors that are specific to the location where hummingbirds live.

The average hummingbird is between 2 to 5 inches in length, making it the smallest bird in the world. Known for their beautiful colors, hummingbird feathers are an iridescent mix of greens, blues, reds, and purples. Interestingly, the iridescent color of hummingbird feathers gives the appearance of the feathers changing colors in light.

A hummingbird flaps its wings up to 50 times per second and has amazing flying capabilities. For example, hummingbirds move their wings in a figure-eight pattern, allowing them to “hover” in midair. In addition, these unique flying characteristics allow a hummingbird to feed on a flower while in flight. Unsurprisingly, because hummingbirds move so quickly, they feed frequently on nectar from flowers and insects.

## Teen Services

Hire a teen from our neighborhood to help out with household chores. Teens are available for Babysitting, Pet and House Sitting, Lawn Care and Snow Removal.

### Parent Contact:

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Kate M.	B*/P	15	dc_moore@outlook.com
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James W.	B/P	14	magsdoyle@hotmail.com

To add your teen, email [info@NewsletterConnections.com](mailto:info@NewsletterConnections.com) and include the following: the **neighborhood you live in**, your age, parent email or phone number and the categories you would like included. Categories: **(B)** Babysitting; **(\*)** Red Cross Cert for CPR; **(L)** Lawn care; **(S)** Snow removal; **(P)** Pet & House sitting. No recommendation or endorsement of any of the names on this list is implied or stated by the HOA board or Newsletter Connections.

## Aberdeen Village Association Officers and Directors

*If you have questions regarding a neighborhood issue, please feel free to reach out to a member of the Aberdeen Village Improvement Association.*

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## News Articles

The deadline for news articles is the 5th of the month before the next month's issue, except for the January issue which is December 1. Please email news articles to the editor at [avneighbor1955@gmail.com](mailto:avneighbor1955@gmail.com). Note your name and include a daytime phone number (we won't publish it) in case there are any questions. Letters to the editor may be printed without the author's name if requested.

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## Littleton Restaurant Week: September 5- 14, 2025

The Third Annual Littleton Restaurant Week takes place from September 5–14, 2025, celebrating a ten-day culinary showcase. Participating restaurants, bars, cafes, and tea or coffee shops across Littleton will feature special menus, discounts, and unique food and beverage experiences. Be sure to check the Littleton Business Chamber's website for the full list of participants (<https://littletonbusinesschamber.org/restaurant-week/>).

— [www.littletondda.org](http://www.littletondda.org)

## See Elk In Rocky Mountain National Park

The elk rut is in full swing at Rocky Mountain National. In late August and into September, the mating season for the Colorado elk begins. The town of Estes Park and Rocky Mountain National Park are some of the best places in the state to witness this truly magnificent display of Mother Nature. The ritual begins with the male elk shedding their velvet to make their antlers nice and sharp to battle other male elk in the quest for a female companion.

The male elk can also be heard bugling for miles away as they make their call for a mate. Herds of elk can be seen in large grassy meadows within the park and even in downtown Estes Park. During "Elktober," it is almost impossible not to see an elk.



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## Annual Aberdeen Village Picnic

This year's Aberdeen Village picnic brought residents together for an evening of casual fun. A foam machine was the main attraction, turning the street into a bubbly play zone for kids. Adults relaxed and enjoyed the potluck, while new additions, such as Connect Four and a temporary pickleball court, added variety. The event was well attended and enjoyed by people of all ages. Also, a gold earring was found at the picnic, so please contact Beverly Maxwell if this is yours.

— Deana Moore



### BLACK CANYON OF THE GUNNISON NATIONAL PARK | MONTROSE, CO

This area exposes you to some of the steepest cliffs, oldest rock, and craggiest spires in North America. Notable Wildlife: Yellow Bellied Marmots, Black Bears



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The monument's historic Rim Rock Drive offers 23 miles of breathtaking panoramic views which stir the imagination. Notable Wildlife: Bighorn Sheep, Coyotes



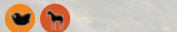
### DINOSAUR NATIONAL MONUMENT | DINOSAUR, CO & VERNAL, UT

This monument contains over 800 paleontological sites and has fossils of dinosaurs including Allosaurus, Deinonychus, Atyosaurus. Notable Wildlife: Falcons, Several Endangered Fish



### FLORISSANT FOSSIL BEDS NATIONAL MONUMENT | FLORISSANT, CO

Beneath a grassy mountain valley in central Colorado lies one of the richest and most diverse fossil deposits in the world. Notable Wildlife: Deer, Elk, Rabbits



### GREAT SAND DUNES NATIONAL PARK & PRESERVE | MOSCA, CO

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### MESA VERDE NATIONAL PARK | CORTEZ & MANCOS, CO

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