

# Harkness Heights

THE HEIGHTS  
Our Neighborhood Newsletter

July 2019

## Letter from new HHNA President Roberta Andersen

I hope everyone is enjoying their summer in our Harkness Heights neighborhood. Although I am the new President of the Association, I am not a new resident. I am a 21-year resident on the 4200 block of Knox Ct and was born and raised on the 4200 Block of Irving. My parents bought our house for \$18,000 in 1956. Imagine what would it sell for today! My granddaughters are the 5th generation to be living in Harkness Heights.

I am committed to the neighborhood and keeping it safe. Our block was the first to implement Neighborhood Watch. I am excited about the overlay process and keeping HH as a unique neighborhood in this everchanging city. As evident by our overlay meetings, most of the homeowners want to keep the more than 100 year-old character of the neighborhood and homes intact. This year is the 30th Anniversary of our Harkness Heights Neighborhood Association (HHNA). Thru the years, we have become a very cohesive and active community.

I want to express a very sincere thank you and shout out of gratitude to our most recent Past President Tom Mobley and his wife Joan.

Tom brought the Neighborhood Watch Program to the entire neighborhood. We have the lowest crime rate in all of Denver Police District One and are used as an example by the Police Department of what a neighborhood can do when we come together.

Tom has been instrumental in working with Greg Saddler, the Overlay Task Force Committee, and Councilman Rafael Espinosa for the last 3 years to lay the groundwork for our Design Overlay.

Tom worked with Linda Lidov, Reed Weimer, and Michael Drumm to complete our video 'Harkness Heights: Then and Now' (<https://harknessheights.org/category/history/>). He has served on various other committees and Boards for BRUN (Berkeley-Regis United Neighbors) and INC (Inter-Neighborhood Cooperation).

Joan has been our Membership Chair and has increased the number of paid members. Joan has been Tom's sounding board and secretary, and has hosted numerous events at their home. Thank you, Tom and Joan for all you have done and will continue to do for HH.

See everyone at the Picnic on Sunday August 25th.

## SAVE THE DATES!

**Annual Summer Picnic | Sun. August 25 | 3:00-6:00 pm**

Mark your calendar for the 2019 summer picnic on West 42nd Ave. between Julian St. and Knox Ct! Mark McDonald is again the picnic chairman. Please help make the picnic a great success by volunteering. See the attached picnic flyer for volunteer opportunities.

**Annual Luminaria Walk | Sunday Dec. 15 | 6:00-9:00 pm**

Justin and Danielle Wilson have again volunteered to be the chairpersons for the luminaria walk. See the next newsletter for more information and a call for volunteers.

## HHNA Annual Meeting Recap

On May 11, we gathered with many of our neighbors for our annual HHNA meeting at the Denver Police Department District 1 station. Thank you, Tocabe, An American Indian Eatery, for providing a delicious buffet!

Two board positions were open. The nominating committee submitted Vice President Roberta Andersen for the open slot of President, and Laura Sprengelmeyer agreed to remain as Treasurer for another two-year term. Roberta and Laura were then approved by the members present. Justin Wilson was approved to be the new Vice President. Laura presented the HHNA budget for 2019, which also was approved.

## HHNA Design Overlay Update

At the annual meeting, Rafael Espinoza, our now former City Councilman, and Tom Mobley presented an update on our Design Overlay. Our application for the overlay has been filed and accepted and is being actively worked on by the Denver Community Planning and Development Department. The total process will take longer than we had hoped because of normal bureaucratic and legislative requirements and steps. Tom, Greg Sader, Joan Mobley, Peggy Lentz, Mollie O'Brian, and Rafael have met twice with the Planning Department project team. Meetings will continue, with our new City Councilwoman Amanda Sandoval taking Rafael's place. It is anticipated that final adoption of the overlay will be in Winter/Spring 2020.

Please visit the Harkness Heights web site [www.harknessheights.org](http://www.harknessheights.org) for a summary of the most-recent process as well as the consultant's final draft Overlay report submitted with our application to the Planning Department.

## Crime Prevention

Between March and May of this year, there were six vehicles break-in Harkness Heights; four were license plate thefts and two were UNLOCKED vehicles. All were easily preventable. Stop by the District One Police Station at 1311 W 46th St, and they will replace, for free, your license plate screws with ones that cannot be removed without a special tool. It only takes a few minutes. Always lock your vehicles doors, even in the garage, and remove all valuables.

## HHNA Membership Dues and Volunteer Opportunity

The HHNA membership dues for 2019 is a special rate of \$5 per household, individual, or older adults. If you have not yet paid your membership dues for 2019 please do so by mailing them to the HHNA, P. O. Box 11631, Denver, CO 80211. Dues will also be collected at the picnic on Sunday, August 25.

We are looking for volunteers for the Membership Committee. Joan Mobley, who has been the Membership Chair, would love to retire! Please contact Joan (information in the column to the right) to volunteer.

## City Council District One

Amanda Sandoval is the new City Councilwoman for District One, replacing former Councilman Rafael Espinoza, who did not run for re-election. Amanda defeated Mike Somma in the June 4 runoff election. Contact information for Amanda is in the column to the right.

## Your HHNA Block Captains

4200 Federal-W	OPEN
4100 Green-W	Shannon Miller & Eric Fitzgerald
4200 Green-W	Stan Sponsel
4200 Green-E	Lisa Montagu
4100 Grove-W&E	Heather & Jason Tritten
4200 Grove-W&E	Neil Burris
4100 Hooker-W	Reed Weimer
4100 Hooker-E	Lisa Gustafson
4200 Hooker-W&E	Wendy Weigler
4100 Irving-W&E	André Turrettini
4200 Irving-W&E	Mollie O'Brien & Rich Moore
4100 Julian-W&E	Joleen & Jeff Campbell
4200 Julian-W&E	Steve Taylor
4100 Knox-W&E	Katie Doyle
4200 Knox-W&E	Rebecca & Travis Caldwell
4100 King-W&E	Mary Ann Burroughs
4200 King-W	Peggy Lentz
4200 King-E	Linda Fuss
4100 Lowell-E	Lisa Gelaude
4200 Lowell-E	OPEN
3000 W. 41st-S	Kristen Messer
3100 W. 41st-S	Cecilia Masson

**VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED** for the OPEN blocks. Please contact Roberta Andersen at roand4270@cs.com or 720-244-0865 to volunteer.

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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*VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR MEMBERSHIP!*

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