November 2021

Neighborhood Association—2022

With the Conservation Overlay in place after approval by the Denver City Council, the Harkness Heights Neighborhood Association (HHNA) can now refocus our energies on other things. Our goals for 2022 are to recommit to the Neighborhood Watch Program and Welcome Committee. There is also the possibility of developing more neighborhood events, such as a Garden Tour or Plant Exchange or an Outside Movie Night, but we need volunteers.

We need a few more Block Captains and Neighborhood Watch Coordinators, and we would like all Block Captains and Watch Coordinators more involved in the neighborhood again. Their roles are important for having a safe, viable, and congruent neighborhood. Because the HHNA is small, we are able to achieve great things and set a precedent for the city and other neighborhood associations.

Summer Picnic Recap

The summer picnic was back this year! More than 300 neighbors attended the picnic on Sunday August 28th. There was great positive feedback on the change of location to the 4200 block of Knox Ct. The HHNA supplied food and hosted a Chalk Art Contest that was well received. The new District One Commander Layla Destaffany attended.

Thank you to Mark McDonald for being the Picnic Chair again this year and to the major sponsors:

Sandy Mazarakis/Stefan Burris-Generations Team/Your Castle Real Estate: Beer

Joleen Campbell—Canyon Title: Wine

Jeff Campbell—Mountain Vista Wealth Advisors: Bounce House

Thank you to the more than 30 local businesses that provided gift cards and products for the drawings.

Crime Prevention—Avoiding Scams

This is information from the Denver District Attorney's Office on how to avoid scams, specifically:

- Do not give out any personal information.
- Be aware of your surroundings.
- Stop and take a breathe before you act.
- Do not pay anyone with gift cards or transfer services.
- · Trust your instincts and report it.

Call the Denver DA's Office Fraud Hotline for help (720-913-9179) or contact the Denver Police Department (720-913-2000) if you have been the victim of a scam.

SAVE THE DATES!

Annual Luminaria Walk | Sunday Dec. 19| 6:00-9:00 pm

Enjoy the holiday luminarias that light up our streets between Federal and Lowell Blvds. and West 41st and 44th Aves. The Luminaria Chair again this year is Janet Elsila with help from our new neighbors Liz Rossof and Camron Assadi. Liz and Camron will also host one of our warming stations at 4195 Green Ct —complete with a holiday photo booth! Please contact Janet at 904-710-1912 or jselsila@gmail.com to volunteer with luminaria assembly, lighting luminarias on 42nd Ave. and/or hosting a warming station.

Seasonal Recycling | Leaves, Christmas Trees, Lights

Denver is again collecting leaves and Christmas trees for recycling.

LeafDrop 2021: Now-Dec 4.

Treecycle: Set out by 7 am on our trash collection days between Jan 4-15.

Visit 'https://www.denvergov.org/Government/Agencies-Departments-Offices/Recycle-Compost-Trash/Seasonal-Programs' or call 311(720-913-1311) for more information on LeafDrop, Treecycle, and recycling holidays lights...

Crime Prevention—Calling Police

Are you unsure if you should call the police if something is happening? The Denver Police Department has provided timely information on when to call the police.

People Are Not Suspicious—Behavior Is. Call Police if:

- Someone's safety is at risk or if there is a threat or actual crime occurring.
- Someone is forcing entrance to a home or business or loading items in a car from an unoccupied home or business.
- Someone is looking into parked cars or checking door handles to find unlocked vehicles or valuables.
- Someone is checking doors or windows of a residence or business, especially if one or more persons go to the rear of the property.
- Unusual noises, such as dogs continually barking, gunshots, breaking glass, screaming, an alarm going off, etc.
- A suspicious vehicle is repeatedly circling the area or some one is driving erratically.

Report all suspicious activity immediately to: Denver.org/Police

Emergencies: 911 or Non-emergencies: 720-913-2000

Be a Good Neighbor during Winter

Although it has been a snowless fall, the snow will eventually come down and cover our sidewalks. Denver requires that property owners clear snow and ice from their sidewalks, including adjacent ADA ramps, withn 24 hours after snow has stopped, so that all of us have safe access throughout out neighborhood. It is difficult for senior citizens, people with disabilities, parents with strollers, and mail carriers—just to name a few—to negotiate hazardous walkways. It is especially important to clear sidewalks that do not get much sun in the winter.

Offer to help your neighbor if they are unable to shovel. Denver has a Snow Angel program where you can request assistance or volunteer to help with snow removal: call 720-913-8452 or email snowangels@denvergov.org. The Volunteers of America operates the Snow Buddies program to help with shoveling (https://www.voacolorado.org/volunteer-opportunities/snow-buddies).

Under most situations, it is illegal to have your car be a 'puffer'—a vehicle that is left unattended and running to warm up. Puffer vehicles can be ticketed and are easier to steal than vehicles that are not puffers.

Membership Dues for 2022

Dues for membership to the HHNA will be collected in the first quarter of 2022. In addition to checks and cash, payment will also be accepted through Venmo. More information to come on this. The dues support the summer picnic, holiday luminarias, and other projects and functions of the association

Your HHNA Block Captains

4200 Federal-W OPEN

4100 Green-W Shannon Miller & Eric Fitzgerald

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4200 Green-E Lisa Montagu

4100 Grove-W&E Heather Tritten & Jason Youngstrom

4200 Grove-W&E
4100 Hooker-W
4100 Hooker-E
4200 Hooker-W&E
4100 Irving-W&E

Neil Burris
Reed Weimer
Lisa Gustafson
Wendy Weigler
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

4100 Lowell-E

4200 Lowell-E

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3100 W. 41st-S

Cecilia Masson

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEED for the OPEN blocks. Please contact Roberta Andersen at roand 4270@cs.com or 720-244-0865 to volunteer.

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