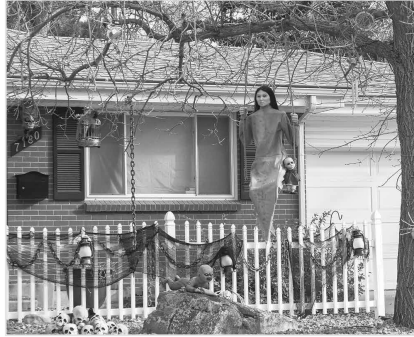


# Walnut Hills Newsletter

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Halloween decorations are again popular. There were fewer inflatable decorations this year, as people choose more traditional embellishments to scare goblins and ghouls. The skills of the necromancer are strong in some, as dinosaurs protected one home from evil spirits.

photography Jesse Alcorta

## Come Have A Drink With Us!

Join the WHCA and TING for an Open House and a Beer at Resolute Brewing! The WHCA, in partnership with TING, would like to invite the neighborhood to join us for a night out and a beer. We want our neighbors to come and enjoy an evening of getting to know one another! The event will be held at Resolute Brewing and we will be giving away free beer (one per person, 21+) and door prizes. We hope this will be a fun event for neighbors to meet each other and the WHCA board, get information from TING and support a great local business! You will even be able to pay your 2019 WHCA dues. This event will be an open house format - come when you want and stay as long as you like! Cheers!



WHEN: Tuesday, February 26th from 6:00 to 8:00 pm  
WHERE: Resolute Brewing  
7286 S. Yosemite Street #101, Centennial, 80112

## New Event In January: Energy Efficiency Breakfast

The WHCA, in partnership with the Centennial Senior Commission, is pleased to invite Walnut Hills residents to an Energy Efficiency breakfast. Tim Aston, the Director of the CSU Extension Office for Arapahoe and Douglas Counties has been invited to speak to our residents. He will discuss the Xcel Energy programs and incentives that help consumers save energy and money. These include, rebates, Energy Squad and LEAP. He is also able to discuss the availability of help with selecting new energy saving heating and cooling, hot water heating equipment. He may also have some information on electric cars he would like to share.

In addition, the Centennial Senior Commission will briefly share its upcoming programs. There are some great ones coming up and they would love to see more Walnut Hills residents attend! We are also expecting City Councilman Mike Sutherland to attend and provide some updates on what is happening in the City for 2019.

WHEN: Tuesday, January 22, 2019 at 10:00am  
WHERE: Koelbel Library - Meeting Room A  
5955 S. Holly Street, Centennial (SW corner of Orchard and Holly ) A light breakfast will be served.

This event is open to all WH residents!

## Volunteering Is Rewarding

Steve Sasse - Salvation Army Volunteer Coordinator

It is the season of caring and sharing.

As a longtime resident of Walnut Hills (20 plus years as a resident, first bought here in 1972) I know that we are fortunate to live in this wonderful community that cares for others. The "help your neighbor with snow shoveling" program during the winter is just one example and many more are reported regularly in this newspaper. Thank you to everyone who demonstrates their caring.

Like many of you, I have enjoyed a positive experience with volunteering for many different charities that demonstrate caring and sharing. Currently, I am supporting the Salvation Army Centennial Corps with staffing needs for their major annual "red kettle" fund raising program that runs from Thanksgiving to Christmas (November 16 and December 24.) While you will not be reading this until December, you are assured that we will still be needing more volunteers. No other season is more special to The Salvation Army than the Christmas season.

The Salvation Army needs many volunteers to be red kettle bell ringers at one of several local store locations during this holiday season. We have just under 40 locations in Arapahoe and Douglas counties including most all King Soopers stores that need bell ringers from 10 AM to 6 PM, six days a week. That is a lot of hours, so we need a lot of volunteers. You are encouraged to consider this as an opportunity to contribute to those less fortunate in our local Arapahoe and Douglas county communities. Most all of the funds raised here, stay here in our community. There are great personal rewards derived from contributing to others through caring and sharing. A couple examples follows;

Marianne Sowers, a longtime volunteer reports that "as a bell ringer, I am helping make a real difference in people's lives by raising funds to support the many programs Salvation Army

offers. I was very touched when a parent brought her young children with their piggy banks to put all their money in the kettle. It was great to see them learning about helping others at a young age."

Liz Wright reports that "when I was a child, our family received much needed assistance from the Salvation Army. It touched my life. Doing this volunteer work for the Salvation Army now is my way of saying "Thank you" to this wonderful organization."

Marc Wernli reports that "I really enjoy working in the mobile food bank for low income disabled seniors. The smiles on their faces and their appreciation when we provide them food boxes really warms my heart. I know that the food and my interaction with them helps them get through some of their challenging times."



The Centennial Corps of Salvation Army is located at 3900 E Arapahoe Rd, Centennial and services the areas of Centennial, Englewood, Greenwood Village, Littleton, Lone Tree, Highlands Ranch and Castle Rock. Some of the many support programs offered to our local community include a food bank, financial assistance and youth programs such as after school care.

You have an opportunity to provide your much needed help in our attempt to continue to fund these valuable programs. If you have an interest in helping out, please contact Liz Wright at 303-779-9662 or text at 720-468-2572. Liz coordinates all volunteer scheduling for specific dates, times and locations as a bell ringer. You have great flexibility in selecting how often, when and where you would like to help. You could work as little as a two hour shift up to as much time on as many days as you want.

I am available to discuss this with you and to answer your questions if you will call me at the Salvation Army office number of 303-779-9662 and ask for Steve Sasse. I will call you back if I am not available when you call. Or you can email Liz or me at Liz.Wright@usw.salvationarmy.org or Stephen.Sasse@usw.salvationarmy.org.

## High School Seniors: Announcing The 2019 Walnut Hills Scholarship Competition

The Walnut Hills Scholarship Board is pleased to announce our annual college scholarship competition, benefiting Walnut Hills high school seniors who plan to attend college in the fall.

Once again, we will award \$2,500 scholarships this year. All high school seniors who live in the Walnut Hills neighborhood, and who will begin their higher education in the 2019-20 academic year, are eligible to apply. The scholarships are good at any accredited college, university, or vocational school in the United States.

Applications for the scholarships will be available beginning January 4, 2019. For a copy of the application form, please email Bill Philpott at wphilpo@gmail.com or Scott Bess at scott.w.bess@gmail.com. Application forms will also be available in the Post Grad Center at Cherry Creek High School. The application requirements include a short essay and letters of recommendation.

The deadline for applications is Friday, March 1, 2019.

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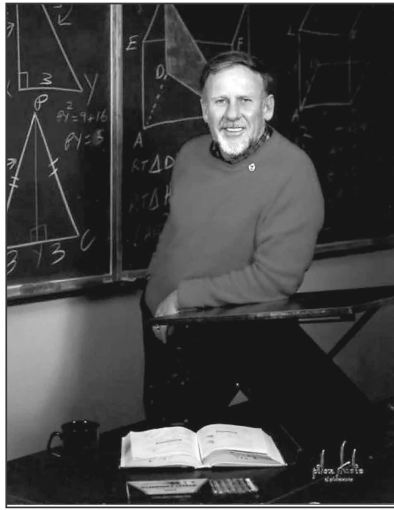
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**Dr. Glenn James Endsley, EdD**  
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Glenn Endsley, 80, of Centennial, passed away peacefully in his home surrounded by his loving family after a brief battle with metastatic lung cancer. Glenn was a very accomplished man in his professional life, however, his true love and passion centered around his family. He was especially involved in the lives of his son, Sean, and two step-sons, Chris and Jay Parks. Endsley Aviation Ground Schools sponsored several of Chris, Jay, and Sean's youth baseball teams. He served as a Boy Scout leader for all three boys, chaperoning many of their camps, and helping them to build champion pinewood derby cars. He was the scorekeeper at all of their baseball games, and present at every piano recital, play, and parent-teacher conference. He'd tutor them in math, take them flying with him for fun, and delight them with his fantastic piano playing. He'd take them skiing, taught them how to shoot and safely handle firearms, and could handle all challengers fairly easily in sporting clays right up until his death.

Glenn was an ever-present father and step-father to the three boys, and they can't remember a pivotal time in their lives that he wasn't a part of along with their mother, Diane. He was very dearly loved, and he will be very sorely missed.

**Education**

Glenn attended Colorado Military School from 1947



# In Loving Memory

to 1954 where he excelled at riding, jumping horses. He was named the National Western Stock Show Best Boy Rider in 1952 and 1953.

Glenn completed the last two years of his high school education at Denver's South High School (class of '56) where he participated in the ROTC program and rifle team, as well as lettering in Swimming.

Glenn's swimming prowess earned him a full athletic scholarship to attend the University of Denver where he completed his Bachelor's Degree in Mathematics in 1960.

**36 Years Of Teaching**

Upon completion of his undergraduate studies at DU, Glenn accepted a job at Littleton High School where he taught math and coached varsity swimming from 1960 until 1968. He also coached the men's varsity tennis team at Littleton, despite having no formal tennis experience outside of a couple of elective gym credits in college. It was during his tenure at Littleton High School that Glenn earned his Master's Degree in Mathematics from Colorado State College in 1965 (now the University of Northern Colorado).

Glenn took a brief hiatus from teaching to pursue a career trading on the New York Stock Exchange, accepting a position with Walston and Company in San Francisco, California between the years of 1968 and 1970. Glenn would frequently refer to this time as among the darkest of his life, and quickly returned to his love of teaching in his home state of Colorado.

Glenn accepted a position with Cherry Creek High School in 1970 teaching mathematics, where he would remain until his retirement from education in 1998. During his time at Cherry Creek, Glenn earned his Doctorate in Mathematics from the University of Colorado, Boulder in 1983. He also served as a Dean of Students for 5 of his 28 years with CCHS before being granted his request to return to the

classroom. In 1988, Glenn was voted Teacher of the Year for Cherry Creek High School, and was a finalist for the Teacher of the Year award for the State of Colorado. Glenn was a perennial favorite of the student body and faculty at Cherry Creek not only for his dry wit and humor, but also for his uncanny ability to connect with students, keeping them engaged and successful even in a subject as dry and frequently challenging as mathematics.

As a teacher Glenn was afforded his summers off, during which he would pursue his other passion as a civilian flight instructor, and eventual Designated Pilot Examiner for the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA).

**50 Years Of Civil Aviation**

Glenn was awarded his FAA Pilot Certificate in 1960. He maintained a Gold Seal Flight Instructor Certificate from 1967 until retiring from aviation in 2016 at the age of 78. He had his single, multi-engine, instrument, and Airline Transport Pilot (ATP) ratings, amassing over 17,000 hours of flight experience during his distinguished career.

Early in his days as a young aviator, Glenn was a half-owner of the Mountain West Flying Club, and Chief Pilot of several aviation clubs at Centennial Airport. He would also serve in leadership positions with the Airline Training Center, Inc. and Clinton Aviation where he taught ground school to civilian pilots, and authored several articles in national aviation publications.

In 1990, Glenn began his career as a Designated Pilot Examiner (DPE) for the FAA, a job he would retain for the next 24 years before retiring from the position in 2014. During his tenure as a DPE, Glenn administered nearly 4,000 individual flight tests to aspiring aviators hoping to receive their private pilot's license.

In 2011, Glenn was a recipient of the FAA's Wilbur and Orville Wright Master Pilot Award for "...individuals who have exhibited professionalism, skill, and aviation expertise for at least 50 years while piloting aircraft;" recipients could not have any accidents due to negligence or violations on their record for at least 50 years with an active pilot's license.

Glenn is survived by his wife, Diane; son, Sean (Michelle); step-sons, Chris and Jay Parks (Tina); grandchildren, Oliver and Charlotte; sister, Linda West (Dave); sister-in-law, Pamela Endsley; and many nieces and nephews. Preceded in death by his parents, Clarence and Marguerite; and brother, Gerald. Glenn always carried with him a strong Christian faith, even at the end of his life. His belief in God and the knowledge that in death he would be reunited with his parents, brother, and friends, gave him strength to meet his end without fear or complaint. Glenn's faith was also of great comfort to his family during his passing, as it allowed them to more easily accept and embrace his transition from this life to the next.

Per Glenn's final wishes there were no services. In lieu of flowers or cards, memorial donations can be made online at: <http://support.childrenscoloradofoundation.org/goto/glennendsley>

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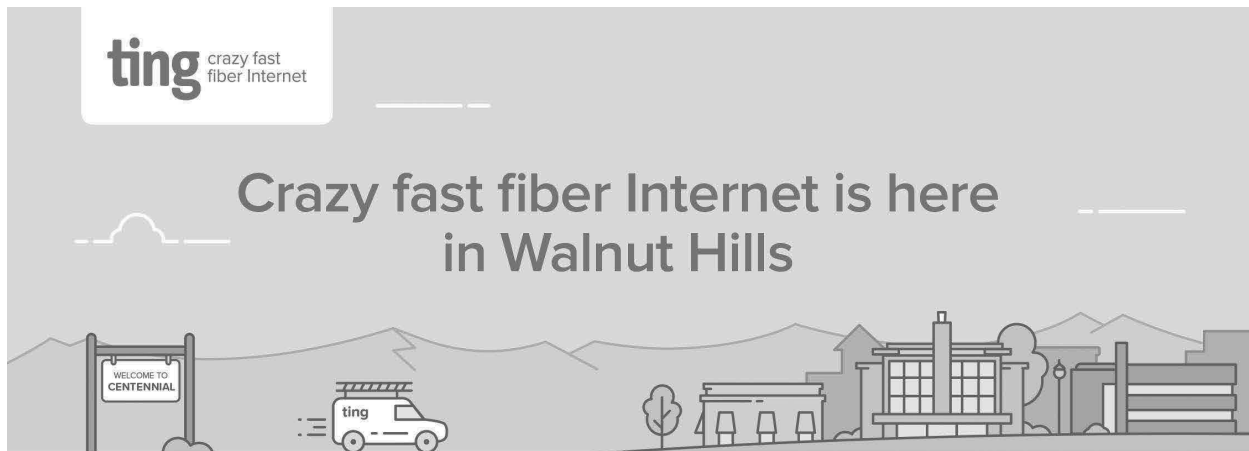
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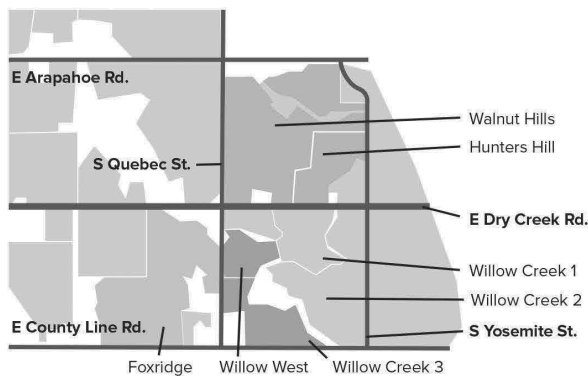
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The Garbage Man guys were courteous and helpful as ever. Our neighborhood is very good at saving things to "recycle" with Brookie.

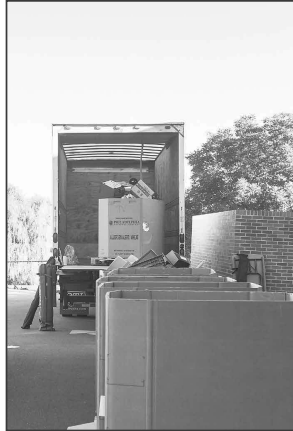
We had a truck and 1/2 of Electronics to dispose of. Yes, there was a little bit of a wait that morning but, with all the volunteers, the line moved along pretty well.

A big "Thanks" to all of Walnut Hills for keeping our neighborhood clean and debris free.

Donna Senn - Chair of Dumpster Days - 303-522-8384 C



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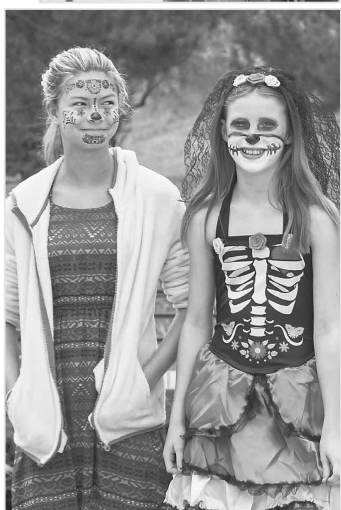
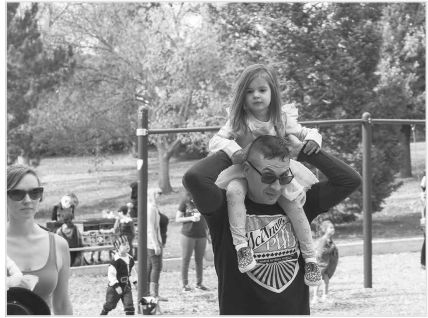
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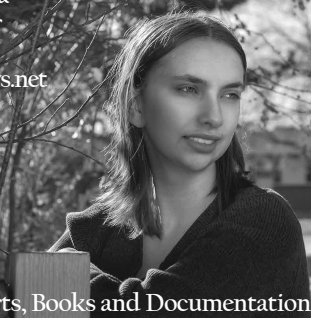
### Halloween At The Park

Our first annual Halloween at the Park event on October 27th was a huge success! Beautiful mild fall weather and a great turnout of families and kids in costume made for a very fun afternoon of games, activities, face painting, trick or treating, and socializing at the park. We can't wait to do it again next year!




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*Happy New Year!*



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### Getting Around

Bruce Ferguson

All the leaves fell off the two ash trees in one day. A stray cat showed up at the back door insisting she lived here. She brings us baby voles in exchange for cans of mixed grill, though we haven't really appreciated that. I placed an ad on Facebook, seeking her owner, and we put out some unwanted posters, but we haven't had any luck. So, I guess we now have a cat. I am not sure I want a cat, but what are you going to do?

I took the RTD to Union Station the other day and went to visit the American Museum of Western Art. The museum is a collection that Phil Anschutz put together of mostly western landscapes, some native American art and a spattering of more modern art by painters who painted in the west. With most of the Denver Museum of Art closed for renovation, it is a good choice these days. The audio tour is pretty decent and there are also guided tours. While it is only really three large rooms on three floors, there is an amazing number of paintings in those galleries. If you take the free shuttle down the 16th Street mall and get off at Tremont street it is just a half block east of there.

Mostly now when I want to get onto Dry Creek Road, I use the light at the school because it just seems safer and it doesn't really take any more time. The other night I timed it and it took 2 minutes from light to light. I remember when there was no light there. I also remember there used to be accidents there quite often. When 1-25 was a four-lane road, it took about the same amount of time to get downtown as it does now. What is really bad these days is the interchange at Dry Creek and Chester Street around 5 o'clock. I don't understand why everyone has to do just about everything at the same time. I for one avoid those times.

Happy Holidays



### Did You Know or Better Yet Are You Aware!!

By: John Fuller

A recent visit to the Colorado Motor Vehicle Department taught me a lesson in the difference between taxes and fees. I thought I knew the difference because I remember voting on the Tabor Amendment which, I thought, required a vote of the people to raise taxes. But fees -- that I found out is a difference story.

Last week I went into the Colorado State Motor Vehicle Department to register my 14-year-old car, where in I got an interesting lesson on taxes, fees and waiting times...

After waiting about 45 minutes to see someone, I was told that first I had to first go to the State of Colorado Vehicle Inspection Station to get an Emission Test which was across town. Actually, it was more than Emission Test. After waiting about 30 minutes I was waved to drive my car into the 'Emissions Testing' area. The test(s) took less than 5 minutes, and it was not just Emissions, but also 'Equipment', 'On Board Diagnosis' and 'Smoke' - none of which I was told about, but I was told that the car passed them all and I owed them \$25.00 for the 5-minute test\* (I don't know if that was a tax or a fee).

Anyhow, I drove back across town to the Colorado Motor Vehicle Department, sat and waited about an hour until my number was called again. The attendant was very pleasant and took down most of the information he needed from my previous registration, except for the title. He said I needed a new title, when I asked why, he just said it was a new rule.

He finished and said I owed them \$74.56. I asked if this was a "Tax" or "Fee", he said it was both. I paid it, asked for a receipt and left. Now after about three hours of driving and waiting, I went home. I was through. Looking closer at the receipt, I found:

Ownership Tax was \$3.00  
 Registration Fees were \$69.37 as broke down below. Many, of which, I found most interesting.

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Bridge Safety Surcharge.....	\$18.00
Clerk Hire Fee.....	\$ 4.00
County Road and Bridge.....	\$ 1.50
Emergency Medical Services.....	\$ 2.00
Emissions - Area Air Account.....	\$ 1.50
Emissions - Program Area County.....	\$ .70
Emissions - Statewide Air Account.....	\$ .70
Insurance Fee.....	\$ .50
Material Fee (Year Tab).....	\$ .17
Motorist Insurance Database Fee.....	\$ .10
Peace Officer Standardized Training Fee.....	\$ 1.00
Registration Base Fee County.....	\$ 9.20
Road Safety Surcharge.....	\$23.00
Total \$69.37	

According to my addition, Fees + Tax was \$72.37, but I was charged \$74.56

I assume the other \$2.19 was for the use of the chair that I used for about two hours.

Maybe we should vote on Fees too.

### Dear Walnut Hills Community,

December is here! The magic of winter has entered with such glamor and delight. At Walnut Hills, we are wrapped in all that winter brings.

In December, our Walnut Hills Choir will visit Holly Creek Assisted Living to sing songs of the season. The residents of Holly Creek love when the children visit, but the children love the chance to visit with the residents even more. The choir will also have a school concert on December 12. On December 13th, over 25 of our students, third-fifth grade will participate in the spelling bee. The entire school watches our brave and brilliant spellers. We wish them all lots of luck! On December 21st, kindergarten through fifth grade will participate in a community service project. Children will decorate bags in which they will fill with items for the homeless. The items include toothpaste, toothbrushes, snacks, lotion, shampoo, soap, and other special items. The goal of the project is to teach children empathy and compassion for others less fortunate. The kids are excited to pay it forward and give back this winter season. Giving back to others is a human quality we encourage and embrace at Walnut Hills.

Being the principal at Walnut Hills is a gift, and for that, I am truly grateful. Having the opportunity to lead and partner with this community brings me such joy. I am also grateful to be able to write for the Walnut Hills Newsletter each month. I hope you to take time for yourselves and others during this busy time of year. My wish is that you find joy and happiness in all you do during this busy time of year.

Walnut Hills Elementary School wishes you a wonderful holiday season and a Happy New Year!

Warmly,  
Teolyn Bourbonnise  
Principal

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### Scholarship - from page 1

It's very rare for a neighborhood to offer scholarships to its high school seniors. Our scholarship fund has been doing so since 1972! All of us on the scholarship board are honored to carry on this tradition. And we wish all the best to this year's seniors! Neighbors: the scholarship program needs your help! It is thanks to the generosity of Walnut Hills residents, along with the Walnut Hills Civic Association and the Walnut Hills Newsletter, that the scholarship fund continues to exist.

We are deeply grateful to all those neighbors, including one especially big-hearted anonymous donor, who contributed to the fund last year. Many of you have donated every year for decades! Your giving, along with generous support from the Newsletter, enabled our board to award four \$2,500 scholarships in 2018. All told, since 1972, the scholarship program has granted \$209,000 to 143 Walnut Hills graduating seniors.

But the scholarship program cannot continue without renewed neighborhood support.

Changes in tax law and other circumstances have depressed contributions in recent years; last year a quarter of Walnut Hills households donated to the fund. We would dearly like to increase that number—and we will need to, if we are to keep giving four scholarships a year.

And it's the hope of everyone on the board to grow the program over time. Not long ago, we were able to award five scholarships a year. We would love to get back to that level of giving. Even more, we would love to substantially increase the size of our scholarships, especially as the costs of college continue to zoom.

If you would like to contribute to the fund, it's now easier than ever! You may donate through PayPal, Zelle, or Venmo, using our email address of walnuthillsscholarship@gmail.com. If you prefer to donate by mail, you may send a check directly to the Walnut Hills Scholarship Fund, 7158 S. Quincent St., Centennial, CO 80112. If you have any questions, please feel free to email us at the address above.

We would also deeply appreciate your help in other forms! Please email us if you:

- Would like to serve on the board of the scholarship fund, as we are looking to expand from our current four members.
- Would like to serve as a reader, evaluating the students' applications in March. Our board does not select the scholarship recipients; we rely on a panel of expert readers to do so. If this work sounds up your alley, please contact us!
- Have any questions, comments, or suggestions about the scholarship program. We are always open to new ideas and would appreciate hearing from you.

All of us on the board—Scott Bess, Peggy Castle, Laura Klee, and Bill Philpott—sincerely appreciate your involvement and your support, as we work to sustain this rare neighborhood program and serve our terrific Walnut Hills graduating seniors!

### Items Of Interest

JHF

These comments are for women who need a laugh and to men who can handle it!

#### Wife & Husband

##### Women's Revenge

'Cash, check or charge?' I asked, after folding items the woman wished to purchase. As she fumbled for her wallet, I noticed a remote control for a television set in her purse. "So, do you always carry your TV remote?" I asked. 'No,' she replied, 'But my husband refused to come shopping with me, and I figured this was the evillest thing I could do to him legally.'

##### Wife VS. Husband

A couple drove down a country road for several miles, not saying a word. An earlier discussion had led to an argument and neither of them wanted to concede their position. As they passed a barnyard of mules, goats, and pigs, the husband asked sarcastically, 'Relatives of yours?' 'Yep the wife replied, 'In-laws'.

##### Words

A husband read an article to his wife about how many words women use a day - 30,000 to a man's 15,000. The wife replied, 'The reason has to be because we have to repeat everything to men. The husband then turned to his wife and asked, 'What?'

##### Creation

A man said to his wife one day, 'I don't know how you can be so stupid and so beautiful all at the same time. The wife responded, 'Allow me to explain. God made me beautiful so you would be attracted to me; God made me stupid so I would be attracted to you!'

##### Who Does What

A man and his wife were having an argument about who should brew the coffee each morning. The wife said, 'You should do it because you get up first, and then we don't have to wait as long to get our coffee. The husband said, 'You are in charge of cooking here and you should do it, because that is your job, and I can just wait for the coffee.' Wife replies, 'No, you should do it and besides, it is in the Bible that the man should do the coffee.' Husband replies, 'I can't believe that, show me.' So, she fetched the Bible, and opened the New Testament and showed him at the top of several pages, that it indeed says, 'HEBREWS'.

##### Women's Revenge

A man and his wife were having some problems at home and were giving each other the silent treatment. Suddenly, the man realized that the next day, he would need his wife to wake him at 5:00 AM for an early morning business flight. Not wanting to be the first to break the silence (and LOSE), he wrote on a piece of paper, 'Please wake me at 5:00 AM. He left it where he knew she would find it. The next morning, the man woke up, only to discover it was 9:00 AM and he had missed his flight. Furious he was about to go and see why his wife hadn't wakened him, when he noticed a piece of paper by the bed. The paper said, 'It is 5:00 AM. Wake up.' Men are not equipped for these kinds of contests.

God may have created man before woman, but there is always a rough draft before the masterpiece.



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**GID News**

- The sign work at the Unita entrance sign will be started the last week of November. The sign will be raised to maximize the height to 5' tall.
- The sprinkler systems along Arapahoe Road have been winterized.
- Fence work along Dry Creek continues.

**Thanks For Letting Us Know!**

- Thanks for letting us know that there are still many construction/utility marking flags up in the southwest part of the neighborhood. These flags are in relation to the Ting construction that has had some schedule delays. Please leave the flags in place. See the Ting update in this issue of the newsletter for more information.
- Thanks for letting us know that you weren't happy with the pavement repairs on Uinta, Briarwood and Willow that only addressed half of the street. The WHCA reached out to the City of Centennial and we were told that the City has accepted this condition and no additional work will be done. See the News and Alerts page at [www.walnuthillscolorado.org](http://www.walnuthillscolorado.org) for the full response from the City of Centennial.

**Don't Fall for the 90# Telephone Scam**

A legacy phone scam using the 90# buttons on business landline telephones is still around.

**How this scam occurs**

You receive a call at your office from someone claiming to be a telephone company employee investigating technical problems with your line, or checking up on calls supposedly placed to other states or countries from your line. The caller asks you to aid the investigation by either dialing 90# or by transferring the call to an outside line before hanging up. By doing this, you may be enabling the caller to place calls that are billed to your office telephone number.

**What you should know**

- Telephone company employees checking for technical and other types of telephone service or billing problems would not call and ask a subscriber to dial a specific series of numbers before hanging up.
- Telephone company employees would not request subscribers to connect the caller to an outside line.
- These types of calls are used to trick subscribers into taking actions that will enable the caller to place fraudulent calls.

Take the following steps if you think that a telephone call is part of this scam:

- Ask the caller for their name and telephone number.
- Tell the caller you are going to call the telephone company immediately to determine whether or not there is a problem with the line.
- Immediately hang up the receiver; do not dial any numbers or transfer the caller to an outside line before hanging up.
- Find the telephone number for your telephone service provider and/or its security office and report the suspicious phone call. Be prepared to provide details of the call to the telephone company representative.
- Contact your local law enforcement. [www.fcc.gov](http://www.fcc.gov)

To request a copy of Walnut Hills Civic Association, Inc.'s 501C(4) designation, current 990EZ or Colorado Secretary of State Business or Charitable Standing, please contact us at [membership@walnuthillscolorado.org](mailto:membership@walnuthillscolorado.org).

**WHCA Attended Civic Association Networking Event - Hosted By Acres Green And Metrum Credit Union**

The WHCA was invited to participate in a Civic Association Networking event in late October. Four WHCA board members attended. The networking event included participants from Acres Green, Foxridge Improvement Association, Southglenn Civic Association, Highlands 460, and WHCA. It was interesting to hear what other communities in proximity to Walnut Hills were doing to engage their memberships. Groups hosted many activities ranging from car shows to petting zoos, to welcome wagons, to mulch chipping and Goodwill donation trucks. The WHCA is always looking for ways to reach our members, meet the needs of the neighbors and to keep people interested and engaged! If you have any thoughts or suggestions, or would like to volunteer your time or efforts, please contact the WHCA at [membership@walnuthillscolorado.org](mailto:membership@walnuthillscolorado.org).

**WHCA By-Law Revisions** will be presented for approval at the Annual Meeting. WHCA will be presenting the revised By-laws at the Annual Meeting to be held on March 14, 2019. The WHCA is asking you, our members, to please review and comment on these by-laws and to attend the Annual Meeting. The current DRAFT of the by-laws can be seen on the WHCA website and at the following link: [http://walnuthillscolorado.org/docs/180714 ByLaws Final DRAFT.pdf](http://walnuthillscolorado.org/docs/180714%20ByLaws%20Final%20DRAFT.pdf). Please send any comments to [membership@walnuthillscolorado.org](mailto:membership@walnuthillscolorado.org).

**Roll Off Dumpsters & Centennial Code**

As you drive around the neighborhood there are quite a few roll off dumpsters to be seen. Please know, as the user of a roll off dumpster, there is a City of Centennial Code that says dumpsters may only remain, even on private property, for a duration of 7 days without a building permit. If there is a building permit in place, the renter/owner can have a roll off dumpster on the property until the building permit expires. If you have code questions or complaints, please call the City of Centennial's Code Compliance hotline at 303-325-8000.

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### TING Update

TING continues to work on installing fiber optic throughout the neighborhood. On October 31, 2018, the WHCA sat down with Mark Gotto, the Ting Representative for an update. In general, the neighborhood has been split into four different quadrants for installation: Costilla (northwest corner), Valentia (northeast corner), Tamarac (southeast corner) and Freemont (southwest corner). Walnut Hills will all be operated off of one "Active Cabinet" that is anticipated to be operational by the end of 2018.

#### Quadrant Status:

Costilla: Construction complete - service expected early 2019

Tamarac: Construction complete - service expected early 2019

Freemont: Construction at approximately 25% - service expected in first quarter 2019. Delays to due reduced number of drills available.

Valentia: Construction has not begun - service expected in first quarter 2019. Delays due to gas line location and placement that must be worked around.

#### Looking ahead:

For homes that have pre-ordered the service:

1. Ting will contact you to confirm that service is still wanted.
2. Ting will schedule a 'pre-field' visit. This allows the homeowner to tell Ting where the router should be placed. The pre-field will occur two days prior to installation.
3. Ting will install new router. This typically will include a 10' deep trench from the street to the house and then entering the house and adding the connection.
4. Homeowner MUST be home for the installation. Installations will be scheduled with a SET time appointment (not a window) between the hours of 9 am and noon and again from 1 pm to 4 pm

Pre-ordering is still available. <https://ting.com/internet/order/availability?city=centennial>  
Pre-ordering waives the \$200 installation fee plus gives a \$50 credit and refunds the \$9 pre-order cost.

#### Plan costs:

Ting will be offering three different plans:

1 GB - \$89.99

5 MB - \$19.99

Business (1 GB with IP Address) = \$139.00

Routers may be purchased for \$200.00, may be rented to own for \$10/per month for 24 months or may be purchased by the homeowner. NOTE: purchased routers must be GB compatible.

Ting will also have a TV product in 2019. It is anticipated that details and pricing will be available by April, 2019.

### Walnut Hills Civic Association Joins Neighbors in Traffic Calming Requests

In October the Walnut Hills Civic Association contacted the City of Centennial regarding cut through traffic and speeding on many of our neighborhood streets. This issue, has been a long-standing problem within Walnut Hills. There is a group of residents along Davies who have pursued traffic calming devices multiple times in the past 4 years.

The City of Centennial offers the Neighborhood Traffic Management Program (NTMP). Citizens can submit applications to the City based on concerns about speeding and cut-through traffic. The City will then collect data and determine if a street meets the criteria of the NTMP, and if so, will work with the neighborhood to create a solution. It is the only existing City program that addresses traffic calming in neighborhoods. More information about NTMP including the process flow chart can be found on the WHCA website at [www.walnuthillscolorado.org](http://www.walnuthillscolorado.org) as well as on the City's website at <http://www.centennialco.gov/Public-Works/neighborhood-traffic-management.aspx>.

The WHCA requested the findings of the traffic data that was collected by the City as a result of the NTMP requests. Two studies were completed in May of 2015 and again just a few weeks ago in November of 2018 along Davies Avenue. Traffic numbers were 618 cars per 24 hours during fall break and 897 cars per 24 hours during a regular school week. Speeds averaged 30 mph. Unfortunately, this doesn't qualify Davies for further investigation into traffic calming devices. The WHCA is continuing to work with the City on the posted speed limit, and some safety measures around the Davies entrance to Walnut Hills Park. The WHCA will also continue to request data collection on other high volume/high speed streets in the neighborhood. Collected information will be published as it becomes available.

The WHCA has also reached out to the Arapahoe County Sheriff's office to inquire about additional patrols. At the time of this article, no response has been received. The Sheriff's traffic complaint line is 720-874-3825.

### WHCA Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting is coming up - Tell us who you want to hear from! Each year, the WHCA invites groups and organizations that have an impact on or who are important to Walnut Hills to share what is going on in and around Walnut Hills. We have groups such as the Sheriff's Department, South Suburban, SEMSWA, we have City representatives, CDOT representatives, Metrum Credit Union, etc. Last year, on the suggestion of a neighbor, both the City of Centennial Senior and Youth Commissions were invited. This meeting is about YOU and what Walnut Hills wants to know. Let us know what organizations you want to hear from! Send your suggestions to [membership@walnuthillscolorado.org](mailto:membership@walnuthillscolorado.org).

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