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LINDA'S TIDBITS:

I hope spring is full of rain for us here. We had our annual Easter Egg Hunt on April 2nd at Clarkson Park. Thank you to all the wonderful volunteers that came and helped with the Easter Egg Hunt especially: Chad & Tye Shinbery, Scott Elmer, Susie Elmer, Scott Nixon, Chuck, Kane, Dora, & Jim Cash, Tracy Johnson, Jerry Kerrigan, Mackenzie O'Neill, Karen Combath, and all the rest that helped us as volunteers! We had about 300 people that showed up. It was great. We still have room on the SGCA Board for you if you would like to volunteer.



We have a new QR Code to pay with. Thanks to Mackenzie O'Neill for helping us with this!

We have 1380 homes in our neighborhood and less than 200 have paid dues. Before Covid we
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HELP WANTED:

We have several open positions for our all-volunteer board. Build up your resume, volunteer!

Treasurer: Member of the Board of Directors, only a few hours a month in duties, such as bookkeeping, and picking up mail.

Co-Editor: Member of the Board of Directors, Uriel will be retiring from the Board at the end of the year and he can train whomever wants to take over the newsletter editorial duties.

Director of Volunteers: Member of the Board of Directors, organize and direct the home delivery of the newsletter. A few hours a month in duties.

Co-Secretary: Member of the Board of Directors, Dora will train you in the secretary duties.

Vice-Chair: Member of the Board of Directors, Linda will train you in the duties.

At Large Member: Member of the Board of Directors, this is the most flexible position as you can work as much or little as you would like.

Special Volunteer Opportunities: Maybe you want to just help for a day or on a project that you care about. We have opportunities for you.

Please contact us, we would love to have you.

SGCA UPCOMING EVENTS

- **SSPRD Election Day:** May 2nd
- **Dumpster Day:** June 24th
- **Bicycle Parade and Dog Costume Contest:** 4th of July
- **Stellar Neighborhood Yard Sale:** July
- **Fun Fest:** August
- **Drennen's Dreams Splash Dash:** August
- **Election Day:** November 7th
- **December:** Cookies with Santa
- **December/January:** Holiday Lights & Decoration Contest

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NEXT MEETING

No Meeting In May

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If you have news, practical advice, or time- or money-saving tips, why not share it with your neighbors in a future issue of Southglenn Living? Send your article (and photos, too, if you have them) by the 15th of the month, to: attn: Editor Southglenn Living, PO Box 2024, Centennial CO 80161-2024. Or email to **SGCA.Editor@gmail.com**.

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LINDA'S TIDBITS,

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would have about 300 or more households that had paid their dues by now. I am really disappointed with the decline in active memberships. I'm hopeful that more people will participate and support the best neighborhood in Centennial. When you buy a house in our neighborhood, you are investing in a neighborhood that was rated number one for several yrs in all real estate magazines as the best place to live. I have sold real estate for years and I was so proud of being rated the number one neighborhood. It takes dedicated volunteers in order to have a Civic Association board making sure we have a unified voice and that lets us know what the city and special districts are up too. Also, the board plans all the great events we have, your dues go far. You're not just buying a house but a community

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and even though you may not do the events or read the newsletter, you are a valued part of the community, and we strive to represent you. We do other things that are for the greater good for our neighborhood. I would like to see membership be back up to where it was before Covid. Let's make our neighborhood a priority again. Please step up and pay your dues. Dues are only \$20.00 for the year! Our budget is not going to be able to do anything else this year unless we can expand our membership. We still have room on our SGCA Board just for you!

YOU STILL have a chance to WIN a \$25 dollar King Soopers gift card! We are still drawing names when you pay your dues at the end of each month for the gift cards. Please pay your \$20.00 SGCA dues and get in the drawing now! Thanks to those of you who have already paid your dues! This month's winner is: Todd and Vicki Schrock. We still have room for you on our SGCA Board!

For dumpster day you will need to pay your dues ahead of time to save time for everyone with the lines! Please make sure you pay by PayPal online by June 20th. If you're mailing them get them in the mail by June 10th or arrange to drop off. If you wait in line to pay your dues the day of you need to bring your

membership sheet out of the newsletter already filled out with a check or \$20.00 dollars cash (We are not making change that day so bring \$20.00 cash exactly) if paying your dues on dumpster day.

Dumpster day is June 24th. It will be from 8:00 am to noon or until the trucks are full. Its location will be the old Twain Elementary School (currently the temporary home of Moody Elementary) 6901 S Franklin Street in the circle drive for trash and the parking lot for the paper shredder, wood chipper and battery recycling.

No TVs, chemicals, paint, or rocks. Please place that stuff on Nextdoor and give it away or sell it. No tires allowed on dumpster day. You can recycle them at a tire shop for \$10.00 a tire. Paint recycling is available at Sherman Williams on Broadway up to (two gallons free) and Guireys. Electronics recycling at Best Buy it will cost a little for TVs. Other electronics are free.

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Colorado Premier Tree (Kelly Robinson) will be there as our Tree chipper guy! He does other Tree services, Trimming, tree irrigation, planting ... call now! Phone at 1-970-623-2226 or 720-990-7004.

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We need two people for two routes that are coming open. 1st route is open this month! We need one volunteer to do a small route on South Washington only 31 papers route 8A. The other one is 26 papers on Easter and Washington It takes about as long as a 30-minute walk and you can get some exercise once a month. You drop them off under the mat or at the door or screen door NEVER in the mailbox. I drop them off at your door with a map at the end of each month. And you deliver them that week when you can? It is a great way to get some exercise and help the neighborhood

out and meet new people!

For the volunteer dinner we are thinking friday evening June 16th or the 21st for the dinner? Please RSVP by June 8th via email, call or text. If this is a good date for you please let me know. Still working on details. Let me know if this sounds good to all the volunteers? And if you would come to it. Would you be more likely to come to an event outside or inside?

Thanks, from me, Linda Nixon, contact me by email, phone, or text. Look at the 2nd page in newsletter, it has all our numbers and email. We still have room on our SGCA Board!

We are delighted working with the Country Club to help offset the mailing cost of the ballots in September. We will be delivering them to all the home owners thru the newsletter in September and we are hoping that this will help increase voter participation. This vote is meant just for our neighborhood. It is something special for us and we need to show we care by voting in it! *It is a privilege to be able to say what happens to that property and we don't want to lose that!* This will save them around \$900.00 and we will make sure we get them to all the homeowners! Thanks for your help!



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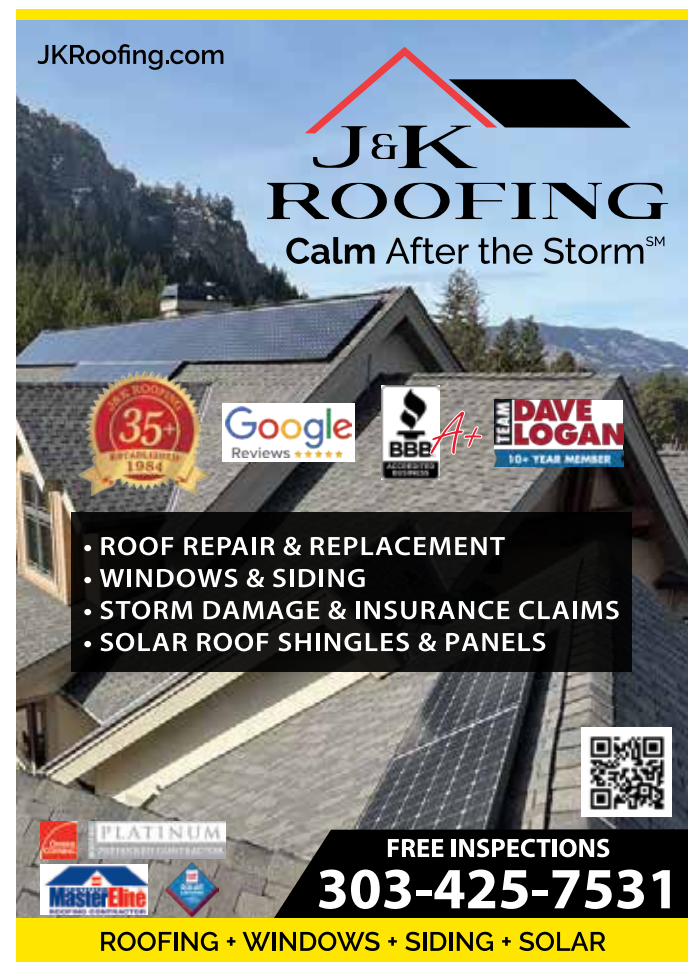
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This column is the regular place where once a month you can get a little bit of very focused micropolitics. We do not examine normal partisan politics, but instead focus on the issues facing the local community.

Two items this month: First is the interview with SSPRD candidate Elizabeth Watson and second is the first of a few reports on the death of a city employee and its aftermath, it's a drama filled story that I cannot believe other local journalists haven't picked up yet.

Elizabeth Watson did an interview with me, it was fascinating. First a little background. There is a SSPRD election scheduled for May 2nd. By the time you get this newsletter the deadline for the absentee ballot application will have already passed, but you can vote in person at Goodson Recreation Center on May 2nd.

Elizabeth has three main points that she is running on. (1) In district representation. (2) Fiscal transparency. (3) Increasing voter participation in SSPRD elections and the budget process.

In district representation means that the district offers programs for use by in district (i.e. the taxpayers of the district) not for primarily out of district users. A good example of a parks department focusing on offering services to out of district users is Pioneer Park in Commerce City. That park has four baseball/softball fields and they

are used by teams from outside of Commerce City nearly 100% of the time. Most weekends local users cannot use the fields as they will be booked for tournaments.

Elizabeth has concerns about the district borrowing money and building facilities that are essentially being used by out of district users instead of focusing on maintaining facilities and programs for in district users.

She also raised issues around fiscal transparency. The budget meetings have had only one or two participants from the public attend in the past few years and since 2019 the debt for the district has increased by 600%. Elizabeth thinks that the average voter would be shocked if they knew how much debt the district was going into and that the district needs focus more on letting voters know how much debt they are in.

Lastly, Elizabeth brought up concerns about the low voter turnout at the SSPRD elections. This district has a budget bigger than nearly every city and county in Colorado and it has less than 1% voter turnout in these elections. She clearly has struck a nerve with this as the first question out of the box in one of the debates was on the low voter participation in the district.

Elizabeth lives in Centennial, is a Colorado native,

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and graduated from CSU Pueblo. During her professional career she has worked for a variety of large firms that do large contracts with local governments. She believes that her background working with those firms will make her a better director since she will understand the other side of the contract, and in a more basic sense, understand the contract itself.

Look to the substack for some more detailed stories. Elizabeth opened my eyes to some issues with the SSPRD. Secondly, the substack will be posting a series of articles over the next few months relating to the death of the employee of a local city and its aftermath.

Macario Jaso died while working for the City of Commerce City on December 27th 2021. He was hit and killed by another employee of the city while walking across the vehicle and material storage yard at the Municipal Service Center. Unlike other cities and private contractors, Commerce City did not have, and still does not have, a policy of having its employees wear high visibility vests when in the yard with all the large equipment.

During our investigation of this we discovered several important facts.

- Local governments in Colorado are exempt from reporting workplace injuries to OSHA and the state has never set up any system requiring the reporting.

- Cronyism was rampant in Commerce City leading up to this death and the City Council has been working hard to remove it from the city.
- There appears to be double standards not only in how workplace deaths are reported and covered in the front range media based upon the job people do, but the payouts the cities provide appear to be higher for whites than other races.
- All data related to payouts is very difficult to get because cities make it nearly impossible to get that data. Transparency is not a priority. Don't feel bad, they don't give data to the city councils either.

This will continue on the substack, please login and read. Please check the substack and read the series of articles on Commerce City and the death of Macario Jaso. Your membership in the SGCC helps pay for this local journalism. Thank you so much. <https://urielakiva.substack.com/>

City Council Votes to oppose SB 23-123 the "More Housing Now" bill:



On April 4, Centennial City Council unanimously passed Resolution 2023-R-13, opposing Colorado Senate Bill 23-213.

Senate Bill 23-213 removes the ability of homeowners associations to manage their own affairs by eliminating covenant restrictions on accessory dwelling units and construction of additional dwelling units unilaterally and without input.

How Would This Bill Impact You?

In your neighborhood, a single-family home could redevelop into up to 6 separate dwelling units without any consideration of neighborhood character, parking requirements, water and sewer availability. There would be no requirement to engage with local residents or the City. Existing HOA and City regulations specific to residential land use and zoning would be disregarded. The State would effectively manage residential land use and zoning for our community.

The bill is slated for Public Testimony in the Senate Local Government & Housing Committee on Thursday, April 6.

What Can You Do?

Please contact your state senator and representative to share your opposition to the pending legislation.

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Stats for the last 30 days!

Homes *FOR SALE* in Southglenn March 15, 2023– April 14, 2023

Style	Lowest	Highest	SqFt	How Many?
Ranch				0
2 Story				0
Bi-level	\$699,500		2633	1
Tri-Level/Multi Level	\$735,000		2441	1

Homes *UNDER CONTRACT* in Southglenn March 15, 2023– April 14, 2023

Style	Lowest	Highest	SqFt	How Many?
Ranch				0
2 Story	\$625,000	\$685,000	2187-2229	2
Bi-Level	\$625,000	\$675,000	2046-2240	2
Tri-Level/Multi Level	\$750,000		2174	1

Homes *SOLD* in Southglenn March 15, 2023– April 14, 2023

Style	Lowest	Highest	SqFt	How Many?
Ranch				0
2 Story	\$995,050		2859	1
Bi-Level				0
Tri-Level/Multi Level	\$587,998	\$640,000	1812-1920	2

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SOUTHGLENN COUNTRY CLUB

Spring is here and Southglenn Country Club is open! We have already started our men's and women's golf leagues. As long as it's not snowing, we're playing golf and enjoying each other's company.

We have a large pool project in flight that will replace the swim lane tiles and re-plaster the entire pool. This is a large and expensive project that is going to allow our Gator swim team to win in style. The Gators start their first practices on May 22nd, so swim traffic will start then and go through August.

We just upgraded our wireless network at the club too. We now have a dedicated wireless network for our members connected to a fiber network that is extremely fast. We're expecting our members will be impressed with this upgrade, but we'll see after the pool opens and our members get a chance to check it out.

We have a Volunteer Day coming up on May 6th. This was originally planned for April 15th, but it snowed. It's funny how this happens to some of our best plans... When you see a bunch of people wandering around with rakes and shovels, we're cleaning up and preparing the facility for another great year for our members.

Our first Grip-It-And-Sip-It is on May 20th and is being sponsored by "Drink for Pink". This is a very special charity organization raising money for cancer research. All the money raised goes to actual cancer research (less expenses). When you look closely at where your money goes when you donate to charities, you find that a good portion of your dollar goes to pay salaries, pay for fund-raising, and pay for awareness programs. Very little actually goes to making progress towards a cure. This organization is different. It is staffed entirely by volunteers and their research grants stay in Colorado-based research programs. Check it out in more detail at <https://drinkforpink.org>.

Check out more about this event here: https://southglenncc.com/content.aspx?page_id=22&club_id=488205&module_id=459622 This activity is open to everyone, so drop by the club and sign up if you're interested. There are limited spots and they're filling up fast.

It has been brought to our attention that some of our neighbors are unsure of our operating model. We are a private golf and swim club. Our facilities are available to paid members only. If you hear your neighbors talking about it being a "free club", this is not true. Based on our bylaws, the community has the right to vote in our elections. This allows homeowners in our neighborhood to protect their property values and have a voice in our operations. This does not extend to being able to use the facilities. We do have several activities open to the public throughout the year, so drop by and participate in those. But please respect our members and their rights.

We are trying to save some money managing our elections. We aren't going to mail ballots to everyone in the neighborhood anymore. We have an agreement with this fine publication to deliver our ballots this fall along with this newsletter. This is not a permanent solution, but we're going to try it and see how it goes. We'd really like to distribute our ballots via E-Mail. We're still trying to work out the details of how that might work, so stay tuned for more updates as plans come together.

We are a family and community-oriented club. We're very proud of the programs

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Name(s): _____ Street Address: _____

Email Address: _____ Phone: _____

Household members: No. Adults _____ No. Children _____ No. of years living in Southglenn: _____ Rent or Own: _____

Would you like to receive this newsletter electronically? Yes ___ No ___

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First Name	Last Name Initial Only	Age	Babysitting	Red Cross Certification	Pet Sitting	Lawn Care	Snow Removal	Misc Chores	Phone No
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
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