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Foxridge Improvement Association Board of Directors meets on the 2nd Wednesday of every month.

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**April 2018** 

# There's Lots Going on in Foxridge!

By Sue Townsend, FIA Vice-President

First of all, I would like to welcome our newest Board member, Jennifer Price, who was appointed by the Board at our March meeting to fill the vacancy created when Jessica Bowler and her family moved out of the area. Jennifer had attended a couple of Board meetings as a resident and had some ideas to share about sprucing up our entry monuments. Having her fill the vacancy on the Board seemed a natural fit. Jennifer was welcomed enthusiastically and has already met with several Board members to explore options for our signs. See the article on page 9 for more information on Jennifer's ideas and the ad hoc committee set up to handle this project.

New Board members Michelle Wade and Nicole Savoie have some great ideas for updating communications with our residents. Establishing a complete data base of members including email addresses and cell phone numbers would allow us to send event reminders, Board meeting notices and other pertinent information electronically. Stay tuned for more details on how you can opt in for this service.

Resident Julie Holt has partnered with State Farm Insurance to host a community Shreda-Thon on Saturday, April 21st. This will be a free service for Foxridge residents and does not require funding from the FIA. See the box below for more information. Conveniently this is the day after Tax Day!

Deanna Perry, another Foxridge resident, has stepped up to help with Dumpster Day. She and organizer, Kyla Hammond, will coordinate the event to include a donation trailer for any items that are still usable and can be repurposed. Please see Deanna's article on page 6 for her perspective on recycling.

A second Little Free Library project will be spearheaded by Board member Carl Ramay. With permission from SSPRD this new Little Free Library will be placed on the south side of Foxridge, preferably in the pocket park at Phillips Avenue and S. Locust Street. All volunteers are welcome to help — especially if you live near that location and are interested in being a library steward.

This promises to be an exciting Spring for Foxridge! With more and more voluntary involvement from our neighbors, our community is being brought together through services and events that benefit us all!

# Free Shredding Event for all Foxridge Residents

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Travis Henderson of Henderson State Farm Insurance

Saturday, April 21st from 9 am - 11 am

Where: Foxridge Swim & Racquet Club Parking Lot (7070 E Mineral Ave) \*limit 5 boxes per household





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www.foxridgecommunity.com/documents.

Scroll down to Menu 1 Covenants for Filings
Scroll down within Menu 1 to the filing you wish to download

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"Foxridge Address vs Filing.pdf" has the filing for each address in FIA.

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# **President's Report**

Foxridge Improvement Association - Board of Directors Meeting  $\diamond$  March 14, 2018

Hello all,

I don't have much to report this month except to say how thrilled I am with the level and amount of volunteerism we are witnessing within Foxridge and the FIA. Here are just a few examples:

- a. Jennifer Price volunteering to paint entry signs and subsequently becoming willing to step up and fill Jessica Bowler's vacated position on the FIA Board to complete her remaining term which will expire at the end of 2018
- b. Julie Holt volunteering to arrange a Free Shredding Event for Foxridge
- c. A new and exciting communication plan being created for implementation by the Membership Committee bolstered by our two newest Board Members Michelle and Nicole.
- d. A new Foxridge resident, Deanna Perry contacting the Board with an insightful suggestion that we set up a donation collection container at Dumpster Day to reduce the amount of items going into the landfill as a result of our event and helping the less fortunate at the same time.
- e. Once again, Sue and Rick Townsend hosting a Team Building Dinner for the FIA Board to get to know each other a little better.
- f. The countless other efforts towards the enhancement of our entryways, fences, Little Libraries, and other minor, but valuable amenities you are all working so hard to provide for all Foxridge residents.

I am convinced that our FIA Board has taken significant steps to enhance the community spirit of Foxridge, and the efforts each of you has made has had a positive impact by creating new energy in Foxridge!

Please don't hesitate to advise how I can better serve our Community.

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President, FIA

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# **Vice President's Report**

By Sue Townsend

**Membership:** As of March 11, our membership count was 122. Last year at this time we had 109. We will continue to run front page news of our membership count in Foxtales, showing the percentage of participants in the neighborhood. To date it is 13% - our goal this year is 50%.

Reminder postcards have been ordered and received. Michelle is compiling a list of members who paid on-line last year and have not yet paid for 2018. Since we have their email addresses via PayPal we will send them a dues reminder electronically; that should cut down on the number of postcards that need to be sent. Tentative mailing party date is Wednesday, March 28th at my house.

Michelle and Nicole are also working on a plan to compile a data base with resident's home addresses, phone numbers and email addresses. This will enable us to send out notifications and reminders of events, etc. via email and text.

#### **Events:**

The **Easter Egg Hunt** is on schedule for Saturday, March 24th. There will be an "Egg Stuffing Party" at my house on Tuesday, March 20th. So far we have spent \$119.55 of our \$250 budget on plastic eggs and goodies for the Easter Bunny to hand out.

**Shred-a-thon**: Julie Holt is partnering with her insurance company, State Farm, to sponsor a neighborhood Shred-a-Thon this year on April 21st. The pool parking lot has already been secured as the drop-off point. No funding is required from the FIA, though I'm sure volunteers will be welcome.

**Dumpster Day**: Kyla Hammond has confirmed with Pro Disposal for dumpster on Saturday, June 9, from 8:30 till noon. The cost will be \$2500 for two trucks for however long they are needed. Resident Deanna Perry has suggested – and offered to facilitate – having a donation truck on hand as well to pick up any usable items. She and Kyla will work together to coordinate the event and report back to us at our next meeting.

**Fair**: We won't start confirming vendors for the Foxridge Fair until the Bronco's pre-season game schedule has been released and we can set a firm date – either Aug. 19th or 26th.

**Carriage Ride**: Ed has been following up with Blue Moon carriages to confirm two carriages for this year on Dec. 16th.

**Traffic Calming**: I will follow-up, yet again, with the Centennial City traffic engineer regarding the application for funds for traffic solutions in our neighborhood. There are three locations that seem to have residents concerned; Otero and Oneida (near Hillside), Mineral Ave, across from the pool by the park and school bus stop, and further west on Mineral near Monaco. I originally contacted the city on Oct. 18, 2017, and have followed up twice. To date I have not received the application.

**Welcome Committee:** There are two new residents to welcome this month. We will combine delivery of the Welcome Packets with next month's deliveries as I will be unavailable the next 3 weekends.

**FIA Team Building Pot-Luck Dinner** was held Sunday, March 11th at my house. It was a fun event and a good way to get to know one another and promote a cooperative working environment.



#### "Meet Your Neighbors" Alison Krebs

How long have you been a resident of Foxridge? I moved here from the Midwest in the summer of 2011, so over 6 years.

What brought you here? I moved to Denver for a job and was lucky to find a great home in Foxridge.

Tell us about your family... Well, I'm single, so my family is basically back near Chicago. My "local family" is my book club, Kiwanis Club, softball team, and the other friends I've made since moving here. I also have a beagle named Gizmo, and we frequently wander about

Foxridge. Gizmo thinks our walks are rabbit hunts, however.

What is/was your career? Remember the tag line "Beef. It's what's for dinner"? That's what I do...I work for the National Cattlemen's Beef Association and we promote and drive demand for beef on behalf of America's farmers and ranchers. My specific role is Market Intelligence, where I monitor and analyze supply and demand, with a particular focus on what's happening in restaurants and at retail (grocery stores).

**Do vou do anv volunteer work?** Yes. **What organization?**? I'm a member of the DTC Kiwanis Club. Our mission is to serve the children of the world, including those in need in and around metro Denver. We do a variety of projects and events for families and kids. I also occasionally help with Foxridge events.

Why did you choose this cause? When I moved to Denver I didn't really know anyone, and I wanted to learn about and get involved in the community. The time, place, mission and people of Kiwanis DTC were a good fit; it's a place where I can share my gifts.

What are your hobbies/passions? One of my true passions is learning,

which is why I'm currently working on another master's degree – this one in applied economics (to go with an MBA). Aligned with that, I love to travel and see the world; it's such a fascinating place. While there are so many differences around the world, we are all people with hopes, fears and dreams. To date I've visited over 50 countries, yet there are still so many more places I want to experience. Closer to home, I play golf and softball, and enjoy gardening as well as hiking, biking, snowshoeing and

What is one your proudest achievement? I don't know if I've found this yet. Perhaps it's been persevering through some of life's challenges, or learning to pause and find patience. This may sound cliché, but I think it's more about the journey than the destination. Maybe I say that because the crow pose in yoga continues to elude me.

What is an interesting fact about you that people may not know?? \ was an exchange student to Mexico after I finished high school. No, I didn't spend the year on the beach; Leon, Guanajuato is an industrial city in central Mexico.

What is the best advice you ever received?? "Look it up!" When I was growing up (with hardback dictionaries and encyclopedias) and I didn't know the meaning or spelling of a word, my parents would always tell me to go and look it up. While I didn't always know the exact spelling, what I learned was resourcefulness and perseverance. "Look it up" was about more than memorizing a word; it was about developing a lifelong habit of learning, creatively confronting obstacles, and finding answers to my questions. Today, I'm an avid Googler, and I admire people's life stories.

And one can find wisdom most anywhere. The sidewalk chalk in Rusty Sun this week says: "Be the joy you wish to see in the world." That's pretty good advice, too.

Do you have a "guilty pleasure"? Chocolate...especially when chocolate chips are involved. And chocolate. Did I mention chocolate?

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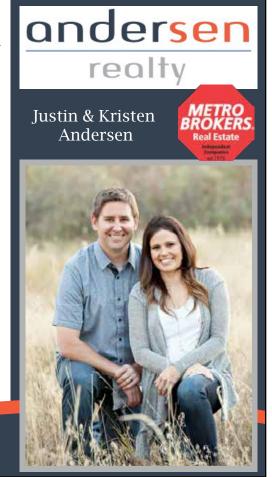
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- -Neighborhood Newsletter
- -Representation at City of Centennial Meetings
- -Management of GID Funds
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#### 2018 FIA Membership Form

Jan. 1, thru Dec. 31, 2018

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I	Welcome Committee GID Landscaping Newsletter Entry Landscaping
	Events: Easter Egg Hunt Dumpster Day Fair Carriage Ride



# Recycling Options

**By Deanna Perry** 

A year ago, our family moved to Foxridge from our native state of Washington. I

have been learning about how things work in this state and the waste management in particular is alarming. Did you know that Colorado's recycling is one of the lowest in the country? In 2016, Colorado's waste diversion was 19% which was well below the national average of 35%. Take out scrap metal, and the percentage was a meager 12%!

Fortunately, the state has set some aggressive goals to catch up with the rest of the nation (please reference the link below). Living among so many people who love the outdoors and in a state that boasts so much natural beauty, it only makes sense to encourage and support the recycling and waste diversion goals that the state of Colorado has set.

Spring is upon us, and with that comes spring cleaning! In addition, Earth Day is right around the corner on April 22nd. I am excited to work with the FIA this spring to encourage waste diversion in our beautiful neighborhood. On Dumpster Day, we are hoping to have a local thrift store attend and take reusable goods. We are also inquiring about a recycle truck to divert the recyclable waste. If the cost is not prohibitive, we will have the ability to 1) keep items out of the landfill, and 2) put goods in the hands of people who can afford to re-use and appreciate them. (Trust me, those people are out there - even here in Centennial!)

Don't want to wait until Dumpster Day? There are plenty of things you can do! Contact your garbage company and ask about adding recycling to your service. Doing a remodel? Post your old fixtures and cabinets online for some extra cash or better yet FREE! I guarantee you people will come take your cast-offs, AND help you with removal (that's free labor!). We even managed to hand down our 1979 beige toilet to a family in need.

Before you set your garbage out on Monday morning, be sure to ask yourself, "Can my trash be reduced, reused, or recycled?" Together, we can make a significant impact on the overall waste that Colorado generates.

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# **GID Fence Project Update**

By Martha Riley

#### **Property Interest Issue**

The FGID Board of Directors (aka Centennial City Council) met on March 5, 2018 and agreed to the following recommendations by City staff:

"...the inspection of all FRGID fences and entering into a contract for these services."

"...the acquisition of easements for FRGID fencing in public ROW in anticipation of any future refurbishment or replacement."

City staff found that of the ten fences on private property, nearly every owner has signed the easement and bill of sale, indicated the intent to sign, or is in contact with the city to learn more. Easement acquisition will continue for these properties.

The second recommendation listed above allows staff to move forward with documents allowing easement acquisition on roughly 170 properties that have GID fences already on public right of way.

During public comment, on behalf of the GID representatives, Ed Bain and Martha Riley expressed support for the direction taken by the City as it has become clear that resolving the property interest issue is necessary before any major refurbishment or replacement can take place. A majority of Foxridge residents attending added their support by standing when asked. A couple of other comments also supported the direction, while a few critical comments focused on the exact location of the easements, the map produced by Farnsworth Group, composite fencing material and hail damage.

#### Fence Repair

SuttonScapes continues to repair fences that are in somewhat urgent need of repair.

#### Website

A website has been set up by city staff to disseminate information about the Foxridge GID fences and can be found at http://www.centennialco. gov/foxridge. The website will be updated as needed.

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A Foxridge Resident

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The following article was printed in our local South Metro newspaper, The Villager. The FIA Board has advised the publisher that Foxridge is an Improvement Association, not an HOA.



#### Fox Ridge residents turn out at Council

Fox Ridge residents turned out for a Centennial City Council meeting Monday concerning perimeter fences around their subdivision. The City Council sits as the governing board for the Fox Ridge General Improvement District.

There appeared to be about 40 residents of Fox Ridge at the meeting, with the overwhelming majority of them supporting the Fox Ridge Homeowners Association board, related to improvement – likely replacement — of the perimeter fences, a project that has been in the works for about two years and still is not underway, due to problems with the easements to access the fences.

Martha Riley, one of three Fox Ridge residents on the homeowners' association board, asked everyone in the full audience who supported the board to stand up. Most of the audience stood. She then asked that other individuals attending raise their hands. The result was that there were only a handful of people who were opposed to the homeowners' association board's recommendations to the council concerning getting the fences replaced.

Ed Bain, a resident of Fox Ridge, stated that the issue is not one that is easily dealt with, and stated that he appreciated that the council has kept "the pedal to the metal." The next step in regard to the perimeter fences will be to have an outside company inventory and assess them.

Assistant City Attorney Chris Price and Marianne Schilling spoke to the council about the fences.

# **2018 Upcoming Events**

#### Shred-a-thon

Saturday, April 21, 9:00 am – 11:00 am Pool Parking Lot

#### Dumpster Day #1

Saturday, June 9, 8:00 am – 11:00 am Monaco & Mineral

#### Foxridge Fair

Sunday, Aug. 19 or 26, 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Foxridge Park

(Depending on Broncos schedule)

#### **Neighbors Helping Neighbors**

Saturday, Oct. 20, 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

#### Dumpster Day #2

Saturday, Oct. 27, 8:00 am – 11:00 am Monaco & Mineral

#### **Volunteer Appreciation**

Sunday, Nov. 11, 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm Townsend Home

#### Carriage Ride & Santa Visit

Sunday, Dec. 16, 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Pool Parking Lot

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# **Sprucing Up Foxridge: Entry Monuments**

Hi Neighbors!!

Have you noticed that our neighborhood Foxridge entrance signs are severely weathered and are in need of a fresh coat of paint? The sun has dulled the paint, both dirt and salt cover the letters and the fox image, and some of our letters are broken (see picture). A close inspection reveals degrading concrete between some of the bricks. Repairs are necessary to preserve the monuments. The conditions of all 12 signs are dilapidated and our entrance signs should reflect how great our neighborhood is. Just like spring does every year, it's time to renew and refresh the look of the neighborhood! GID funds can be used to repair, clean and update them with a fresh coat of paint and a power wash.

With encouragement from the GID reps, the Foxridge Improvement Association has formed an ad hoc committee to tackle this GID project. Members include Jennifer Price, Martha Riley, Sue Townsend, Nicole Savoie, and Ed Bain.

We will be painting one or two signs to make sure that the color combination looks classy and provides the streamlined look we want. The two suggested colors are gray and copper: Gray will cover the backdrop; the letters and the fox image will pop with a metallic copper. Once we are satisfied with the look, we will begin working on the other signs. We would love some help! If you would like to join us, please let us know at foxridge.board@gmail.com.

Some of our signs contain the phrases 'Covenant Protected' and 'No Solicitation'. While some people like these phrases because they serve a purpose, others don't. In order to appease both groups, we are going to see what it looks like to keep these phrases on the signs, but blend them in better to the gray backdrop color. We will also look at updating the lights and working with the GID representatives as they continue to plant and maintain the bushes and flowers.

Thank you!

#### Jennifer Price









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#### What's Happening at the Creek?

# Willow Creek Stabilization Phase 2 Drainage Improvements Project

#### By Martha Riley

Willow Creek, along the north side of Foxridge near Dry Creek Road, is undergoing major changes due to erosion and sewer problems. A conversation with Graham May, project manager, provided explanation. This is a joint project of the Southgate Sanitation District and SEMSWA (Southeast Stormwater Metro Authority). They hired ESCO Construction to re-profile the creek and correct the eroded banks that were increasingly unsafe. They have also added two 'drop stations' (areas with large boulders) that will provide more oxygen to the water to keep it healthy. In addition, a sewer line that had eroded during a flood has been reburied with upgraded connections. Some sewage lines that were found to be on private property have been moved into right of way easements.

While that project will be wrapping up shortly, more work is needed in the area, due to a sewer line that was exposed at the traffic signal by Homestead Elementary. The current line is only one foot below Dry Creek Road. Work will begin on June 1st, when school is out, to replace the line and bury it six feet deep under the eastbound lane of the road. Lane closures will be necessary for up to 30 days while the work is completed.

Mr. May wishes to thank Foxridge residents for their patience during this project.







Do you have a favorite recipe you'd like to share? Let us know at foxridge.board@gmail.com.

#### Contributed by Sue Townsend

#### Vinegar Cake

This cake is so easy and can usually be made with ingredients you have on hand. It is a great "first cake" recipe for beginners. I would get out all the ingredients for my granddaughters, then leave them in charge. The result was more than a cake – it helped build their confidence in the kitchen.

#### **Ingredients**

1-1/2 cups all-purpose flour

1 cup sugar

1 tsp baking soda

½ tsp salt

3 Tbsp cocoa

1 Tbsp vinegar

1 Tbsp vanilla extract

1 cup warm water

6 Tbsp vegetable oil

Powdered sugar for dusting

#### **Directions**

- 1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Spray an 8 or 9 inch square pan with cooking spray  $\,$
- 2. Mix dry ingredients together. Make a well in dry ingredients and add the wet ingredients. Mix well. If batter is too thick, add more warm water, 1 tablespoon at a time, until you get a thin batter. This will make a very moist cake.
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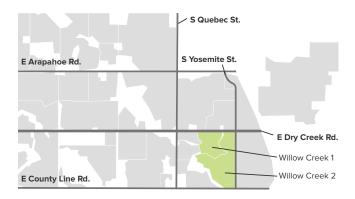
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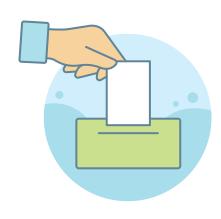


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#### Draft Meeting Minutes | FIA Board of Directors Meeting | March 14, 2018 Respectively Submitted by Ed Bain

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Foxridge Improvement Association (FIA) was called to order at 7:06 p.m. March 14, 2018, by President, Dan Anthone who declared that a quorum existed with seven of eight directors in attendance. Other Directors present were Sue Townsend – Vice President, Michelle Sandt-Wade – Treasurer, Ed Bain – Secretary, and Member's-at-Large Carl Ramay, Martha Riley and Amber Warren Nicole Savoie's absence was excused. Anthone received no response when he asked if anyone wanted to propose changes to the agenda.

Introduction of Non-Board Members: Present — Ron Gamet – Covenant Advisor and Foxridge residents Dennis Brown and Rick Townsend.

**Statement of Purpose of the Association**: Anthone read a short statement relating the purpose of the FIA.

**Appointment to Fill FIA Director Vacancy**: Anthone introduced the agenda item to fill the Director vacancy created when Jessica Bowler moved from Foxridge. After some discussion, Wade-Sandt made a **MOTION** seconded by Townsend to appoint Jennifer Price to fill Bowler's position that expires on January 1, 2019, and the motion passed unanimously. Price arrived at 7:11 p.m. and joined the Board.

**February Meeting Minutes Approved**: Warren moved to approve the February 2018 DRAFT meeting minutes as published in the March issue of Foxtales; Riley seconded and the **MOTION** passed unanimously.

**Covenant Advisor Report (R. Gamet)**: Report of activity from mid-February 2018 through early March 2018 sent via E-mail; five new issues initiated by Covenant Advisor, a neighbor and a board member with four resolved and one pending with city referral. Brief discussion regarding one of the noted properties with renters Gamet will monitor the situation. Also briefly discussed the slow progression of some exterior work by the residents and the home's poor appearance. Gamet will speak with the property owner.

Reports of Officers and Committees, Events and Old and New Business					
President's Report (D. Anthone)	Report submitted Via Google Drive — Stated his thrill with increasing levels of volunteerism in Foxridge and FIA including entryways enhancement, progress with Centennial regarding fences, Little Free Libraries, developing and implementing a resident/ FIA Membership communication plan and helping with events to note a few. Anthone specifically wanted to identify Jennifer Price, Julie Holt, Nicole Savoie, Michelle Sandt-Wade, Deanna Perry, and Sue and Rick Townsend. He complimented the whole FIA Board in taking significant steps to enhance community spirit making a positive impact by creating this new energy within Foxridge.				
The Newly Instituted Vice President's Report (S. Townsend)	Report submitted via Google Drive — 2018 current membership => 122 members or 13% of properties; goal = 467, 50% of properties.  • Will mail postcards in March for first membership dues reminder along with an E-mail notice to those who paid via PayPal in 2017.  • Events:  - Egg Hunt scheduled for Saturday, March 24, "Egg-stuffing Party" March 23 and will exceed \$250 budget slightly.  - FIA will support resident Julie Holt and State Farm Insurance with holding a Shred-a-thon event in the FSRC parking lot on April 21, 2018. Volunteers welcomed.  - Dumpster Day confirmed for 8:30 a.m. to noon on Saturday June 9 with two trucks from ProDisposal. Intend to provide ability for Foxridge to donate usable items.  - Carriage Ride event; following up with Blue Moon to provide two wagons this year.  • Traffic Calming: Following up on difficulties contacting Centennial's traffic engineer regarding completing application for city to investigate alternatives for traffic solutions at three particularly noted locations; E Otero Ave at S Oneida Ct, E Mineral Ave in area of curve extending from Foxridge Park through the crosswalk to the FSRC driveway entrance/ exit and E Mineral Ave at S Monaco St.  • FIA Board dinner last Sunday was fun for all who attended.  • Welcome Cmte will call on this month's and next month's new residents in April.				
Secretary's Report (E. Bain)	(none)				
Treasurer's Report (M. Sandt-Wade)	Report submitted via Google Drive; Profit/ Loss, Budget v Actual; bank statements through February 2018  • Receipts = \$6025; expenses = \$1798.92.  • Cash balances for checking and savings are \$12,973.35 and \$6002.39 respectively with PayPal balance about \$1300. Will provide PayPal activity next month. First Bank will waive the "activity charge" extracted from our checking account.  • Reviewed and briefly discussed 2018 Budget format				

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#### Draft Meeting Minutes | FIA Board of Directors Meeting | March 14, 2018 Respectively Submitted by Ed Bain Report submitted via Google Docs and briefly discussed — SuttonScapes 2018 landscaping, cleanup and maintenance contract will run from March 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018, to include sprinklers, landscape maintenance, tree fertilizing, light tree/ shrub trimming, repairs and general maintenance, and spring and fall cleanups. Hope to negotiate a January through December contract next year to preclude need to obtain purchase orders for SuttonScapes work often needed in January and February. **General Improvement District** • SuttonScapes watering entry gardens vegetation in several areas due to dry conditions (FGID) Report and Landscape/ • Completed transfer of billing to City of Centennial for direct payment from FGID funds to Xcel for electricity at Mineral/ Quebec entrance. Entry Cmte. Report (M. Riley) • Riley noted that she and Price met to discuss ideas for updating the Foxridge signs at the entrances. Price then briefly presented some preliminary ideas she developed. • Riley requested formation of an FIA ad hoc committee for the purpose of planning for the updating and maintenance and repair of the Foxridge entrances. FIA President Anthone then created the FIA Foxridge Entrance Improvement Ad Hoc Cmte naming Jennifer Price as the chairperson and assigned volunteers Sue Townsend, Nicole Savoie, Martha Riley and Ed Bain as members. Report submitted via Google Docs and briefly discussed — City Council met as the FGID Board of Directors on March 5, 2018, and agreed to the following staff recommendations: - The inspection of the condition of all FGID fences and entering into a contract for these services **FGID Fence Project Update** - The acquisition of access easements from about 170 Foxridge properties immediately adjacent to FGID fencing in public ROW in anticipation of any future Report (M. Riley) refurbishment or replacement SuttonScapes making minor spot repairs to FGID fences where urgently needed. • Centennial created a Website for disseminating information regarding FGID fences: www.centennialco.gov/foxridge CenCON Report (E. Bain) Minutes of February CenCON mtg forwarded in early March to FIA Board. Bain briefly discussed purpose of CenCON meetings. Events (S. Townsend) (covered under Vice President's Report) Communications Plan — Sandt-Wade and Savoie continue to work toward a plan to communicate with FIA Members and Foxridge residents about FIA events **Old Business** and related items of interest: assembling data bases and conducting tests. **New Business** Little Free Library Report — Ramay expects installation of a new library box in the pocket park at the SE corner of E Phillips Ave and S Locust St yet this year. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday April 10, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. at the Metrum Community Credit Union Community Meeting Room. **Announcements** With no other business to conduct, Townsend moved to adjourn, Riley seconded, the MOTION passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 8:59 p.m. \*NOTES (1): These minutes have not been approved by the Board at the time of publication.

#### **April Update:**

#### Your GID Funds at Work

#### By Martha Riley

Landscape Maintenance: The SuttonScapes 2018 contract will run through December 31st and the 2019 contract will run from January through December. Going to a year-round contract will prevent us from having to get purchase orders for maintenance or repair work that might be needed during the winter months, which previously had been outside the contract months. Work includes sprinklers, landscape maintenance, tree fertilizing, light tree/shrub trimming, repairs and general maintenance, plus fall and spring cleanup.

**Entry Areas:** The FIA board formed an ad hoc committee to tackle the aging entry monument issue. For more information, see the article on page 9.

**Spring Cleanup:** Work will begin before long to trim and clean up our entry garden beds and other areas needing cleanup work.

**Winter Watering:** SuttonScapes has been watering entry garden vegetation in several areas due to extremely dry conditions.







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#### **Spring Cleaning History**

In Jewish custom, Passover (Pesah) is a time of house cleaning as well. The very solemn holiday is meant to mark the exodus of the Jews from Egypt and takes place two weeks after the Jewish new year has come. Because the slaves in Egypt (including the Jews) were fed unleavened bread (bread without yeast, called "matzah" in Hebrew), the Jews adopted the bread as a symbolic reminder of the subjugation they overcame [source: History Channel]. It's a humble bread, and during Passover, keeping leavened bread (chametz), which is any bread made with yeast, is considered arrogant and ungrateful.

In fact, keeping leavened bread in the home during Passover is considered such an affront in Jewish culture that even overlooked crumbs count. To combat inadvertently insulting God, Jews scour their homes before Passover to ensure they didn't miss any bread. Since Passover comes around April, many people consider this custom as the origin of spring cleaning.

There's yet another culture, the Chinese, in the running as the originator of spring cleaning. Like Iranians, the Chinese clean their homes in anticipation of the new year

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(which occurs shortly after the Western new year). The Chinese sweep their floors and clean their homes to get rid of bad luck and misfortune that may have accumulated during the previous year. Once the house is a clean slate, the Chinese welcome good fortune by observing a prohibition against sweeping for the few days following the new year in order to prevent sweeping away any good fortune that came with the turn of the year [source: Parker-Pope].

Ultimately, spring cleaning may have more to do with simple biology. During winter, we're exposed to less sunlight due to shorter, often dreary days. With a lack of exposure to light, the pineal gland produces melatonin -- a hormone that produces sleepiness in humans.

Conversely, when we're exposed to sunlight, our bodies produce much less melatonin. It's possible that we spring clean simply because we wake up from a winter long melatonin-induced stupor and find more energy as the days grow longer when spring arrives. After all, it's easy to allow a house to get a little gross around the edges when you're sleepy.

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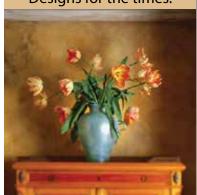




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