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Solar Energy

Foxtales is shining a spotlight on solar energy this month, thanks to an exciting opportunity presented by local company GO Solar. Wondering if solar is right for you? Whether it's affordable? Or what exactly GO Solar is offering? This issue has all the answers.

The Benefits of Home Solar Energy

Home solar energy has become an increasingly popular choice for homeowners seeking a cleaner, more sustainable way to power their lives. With falling installation costs, improved technology, and growing environmental awareness, going solar offers a wide range of benefits – both personal and planetary.

Is Home Solar Energy Installation Right for Me?

Thinking about installing solar panels on your home? You're not alone. More homeowners are considering solar energy as a way to cut costs and reduce their environmental impact. But is it the right move for you? Here's what to consider.

1. Your Roof and Sunlight Exposure

Solar panels work best on roofs that get plenty of direct sunlight, typically south-facing, with little to no shade from trees or nearby buildings. If your roof is older or in poor condition, it might need repairs before installation. A solar installer can assess your roof's suitability during a consultation.

2. Your Energy Needs and Bills

If you have high electricity bills, solar panels can offer significant savings over time. By generating your own power, you can offset much of your energy use — and even earn credits through net metering if your system produces more electricity than you use.

3. Upfront Costs and Financing Options

While the cost of solar panels has dropped, installation can still be a big investment. The good news is that there are financing options, leases, loans, and federal and local incentives that can reduce the upfront expense. Be sure to learn what options are available in your area.

4. Long-Term Plans

Are you planning to stay in your home for several years? Solar panels typically take a few years to pay for themselves through energy savings, so the longer you stay, the more you'll benefit.

5. Environmental Goals

If reducing your carbon footprint and relying less on fossil fuels is important to you, solar is a clean, renewable energy source that aligns with those values.

Bottom Line:

Home solar energy can be a smart move — but it depends on your home, finances, and long-term goals. If your property gets good sunlight and you're ready to invest in energy independence and sustainability, solar might just be the right fit. A professional solar assessment can help you decide with confidence.

Many thanks to GO Solar for your incredible support of the Foxridge Community!

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Further support coming in the future should Foxridge residents or Club members become clients. See flyer on right for details! ➔

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Go Solar savings for Foxridge Residents and Club at Foxridge members / Save on your solar and your energy bill

Dear Foxridge Residents and Club at Foxridge Members, We're excited to introduce an exclusive opportunity available only to you as a resident of the community or Club member. This is your chance to lower your monthly bills and make your home more energy efficient with solar while returning \$2000 back to you and the Foxridge Community!

CEO Message
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Covenants of the 11 filings comprising
Foxridge can be found on our website:

www.foxridgecommunity.com
under FIA Board, Covenants

Did You Know.... High Line Canal Run

Saturday, May 10, 2025 | 7:30 AM to 11:00 AM

South Suburban Parks and Recreation is hosting the Annual High Line Canal 5K & 10K race along the beautiful High Line Canal Trail on Saturday, May 10 at deKoevend Park. The 10K run starts at 7:30 a.m. The 5K starts at 9 a.m. Runners of all ages and abilities are welcome. This event is co-sponsored by the City of Centennial. Registrations are now being accepted. Registration includes post-race pancake breakfast! For more information and to register, please visit ssprd.org/RaceSeries. Proceeds benefit South Suburban's Community Recreation Scholarship Program.

Community Resources:

There are some community needs that are not necessarily handled by the FIA Board. For questions or concerns, contact the following agencies:

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Vanessa Gates

homelessoutreach@centennialco.gov

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Non-Emergency Issues & Questions:

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Foxridge Egg Hunt!

What a Hoppin' Good Time at the Foxridge Egg Hunt!

The Foxridge Improvement Association hosted a well-attended Egg Hunt at Foxridge Park, bringing neighbors of all ages together for a morning full of springtime fun and community spirit!

Kids darted through the park collecting 2,000 colorful eggs, while families enjoyed a variety of activities including a craft table, balloon twisting, face painting demos, and a bunny photo booth complete with festive decor and a basket of candy. Attendees also enjoyed free coffee generously donated by Starbucks and a youth-run lemonade stand, all while learning more at the FIA and The Club at Foxridge tables.

A huge thank you to Sandra Williams for her incredible leadership and to all the volunteers who helped with planning and execution. Special shoutout to Lily Meehan for capturing the magic in an amazing video, available on www.foxridgecommunity.com.

We love seeing the Foxridge community come together. —It was such a successful event!





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THE WINE PRESS



I gathered an informal tasting team of 8 to sample some random Spring wines at the Foxridge Garden. It is always good to have a different take on the wines than my own. I thought everyone was going to love the Albarino, but I got out voted for the wine that received the top spot. Vinho Verde is the most crowd pleasing wine I have ever served. I think the low alcohol is also pleasing. Too many wines are pushing 13-14.5% these days and I personally always love cool climate whites.

Spring Wine Tasting

Ratings from our 8 person panel

1. Dona Flor, Vinho Verde, DOC Portugal 9.5% alcohol

I think the crisp (this is a punchy citrusy forward wine) and hint of effervesce is so palatable. It's clean, fresh and a perfect wine to just sip or serve with seafood. Vinho Verde is a region in Portugal where it is made and in this blend it's from the Trajadura, Arinto and Loureiro grape varieties which you might not of heard before. All Vin ho Verde wines are typically this crisp, slightly floral, citrus wine with each producer having degrees of varying effervesce. You just need to find your favorite and at a price tag below \$10 these wine please the crowd as well as the budget.

2. Martin Codex, Albarino, 2023 Spain 12% alcohol

This was my favorite out of the bunch. Albarinos are simple and what I look for is balance, and for under \$12 this is a fantastic version. These wines are grown on the coast with Martine soils and it is only fitting that you down some grilled calamari, or slosh back some fresh oysters. I stand by my food and wine pairing theory that if a wine is made in a region you also should consume the food traditionally that comes from that region. Many of these cuisines are built around the wine and the wine around the cuisine so you can't go wrong following that rule.

3. Care Blanco Sobre lias Chardonnay, Spain 14.5% alcohol

60% Grenache Blanc and 40% Chardonnay. This was an interesting wine. I think the Chardonnay threw people off since it tastes more like a southern white Rhone with floral notes like honeysuckle, jasmine, ripe pineapple and the round creaminess on the palate. I liked it but it wasn't a crowd favorite with this tasting panel.

4. Nola Grace, Sauvignon Blanc, California 13% alcohol

Best part of this bottle is the wine label which is truly beautiful but unfortunately the wine is not. California, where temperatures are so high, have a different flavor profile than we would expect from a Sauvignon blanc. This wine falls flat on the palate and the flavor is more ripe than crisp. New Zealand has become the standard in which many of us judge what sauvignon should "technically" taste like. I would suggest you trying a Sancerre from France. It is also Sauv Blanc but very minerally and steely which I love.



GO Solar: Foxridge Connection

Message from Martha Riley:

We moved into Foxridge in 1990 when our kids were in elementary school. Mike was a high school student-athlete living next door with his parents and older sister. I became reacquainted with Mike recently when he contacted me about a sponsorship opportunity from GO Solar and was very impressed with the community support they offered for The Club at Foxridge, a treasured community asset, and the FIA.

Here's a message from Mike:

Hello Foxridge community. My name is Mike Beggs and I'd like to first thank you all for having us as a sponsoring partner in your community. Second, I want to share a little bit about myself and my history with Foxridge.

I originally moved into Foxridge with my family back in 1984. My mom and dad moved us out here from Hastings, Nebraska, and my folks still reside in that very same house today. I attended Walnut Hills Elementary School, West Middle School, and Cherry Creek High School. That was a great time to be a kid. I remember spending my time outside and never wanting to come in, playing down in the creek in the Homestead neighborhood, riding BMX bikes on a dirt track behind St. Thomas More when it was nothing but dirt fields, going inside to eat dinner, and then going back outside to play ghost in the graveyard with neighbor kids as it got dark. As I'm much older these days, I look back on it all and feel incredibly fortunate to have had such a wonderful childhood, with Foxridge being a large part of making those long-term memories.

I've been involved in the renewable energy industry, on the commercial consulting and business development side, for about five years now and I've seen it come a long way in a short time period. I believe my folks got solar on their home about 10 years ago, and it's come an incredibly long way since then. With all of the business relationships I've been fortunate to establish over the years, Go Solar has become a trusted partner. Interestingly, they were doing something on the commercial side that I've always wanted to build with large corporations, which was giving back to the business and its employees. In the beginning of this year, I wanted to take what we were doing on the business side and develop a program that gives back to the community and its homeowners, so I did just that and I brought it to Martha Riley. I knew in my heart where I wanted to start, and Foxridge was it.

I understand the difficulties communities and improvement committees face with budgets, debt, and other issues. There's always more money going out than there is coming in, and I wanted to change that in a way that was impactful to the community. I developed and implemented a business plan that not only allows homeowners to take advantage of the 30% tax rebate offered by the government on a residential solar system, but GO Solar will additionally return \$1,000 back to the homeowner, along with \$500 to the Club, and \$500 to the FIA. GO Solar has given upfront sponsorships of \$3,000 to the Club and \$1,000 to the FIA with more to come in the future should Foxridge residents or Club members become clients.

If you've been considering solar for your home, feel free to contact me and let's see if it makes sense for you. I look forward to meeting you and supporting your community along the way.

Mike Beggs and son, Keenan →



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News from the Foxridge Community Garden!

We kicked off the season with our April 2025 Wake-Up the Garden event and have a lot more in store. But first...

Please mark your calendars:

2nd Annual Foxridge Community Garden PLANT SALE

Saturday, May 17th | 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM

We're thrilled to bring back our Plant Sale for the second year. You'll find a beautiful selection of organically grown plants. Grown in top-quality **Paonia Soil Company** soil. Includes tomatoes, cucumbers, peppers, herbs, and more! **All proceeds support the garden**—including events, kids' activities, and upkeep. Come early for the best picks and help support your community space!

SPOTLIGHT ON: Kids Event! Sunday, June 1 | 12:30 – 1:30 PM

Calling all young gardeners (and their grown-ups)! We're starting the season with fun and learning in the kids' section of the garden. **What's Happening is Storytime: Hello Grandma Mamoon!, Planting 1,500-Year-Old Cave Beans and the rest of the kid's garden!** This program helps children connect with nature, explore gardening hands-on, and watch their plants grow all summer.

Other Upcoming Events

Gardener Orientation:

Thursday, May 8 | 6:30 PM, Saturday, May 17 | 10:00 AM

BYOB at the Garden: Friday, May 9 | 6:00 PM, Bring a drink, a snack to share, and relax!

How to Support the Garden

The Foxridge Community Garden is a nonprofit, affiliated with **Denver Urban Gardens (DUG)**. Your donations help fund our kids' program, special events (like our **Solstice Celebration Saturday, June 21st at 6 PM**), and everyday needs like water, tools, and sandbox toys.

Ways to Donate and Volunteer:

- **Venmo:** Foxridge Garden@FoxComGarden2024.
- **PayPal:** Foxridge Community Garden@FoxridgeGarden
- The easiest is to sign-up for **King Soopers Community Rewards**. Choose **Foxridge Community Garden (Org #IM173)**. A portion of every purchase is donated—at no cost to you!
- If you would like to volunteer at the garden with helping plant, weeding, compost.... let us know at foxridge.gardens@gmail.com.

Whether you garden with us, attend our events, or just enjoy a peaceful stroll through the space, we're so grateful you are part of the Foxridge Community Garden family.

CenCON Report 3/24/2025

Arapahoe Libraries

What: Touch-a-Truck Event

Where: Smoky Hill Library, 5430 S. Biscay Circle

When: Wednesday, May 21 from 9 to 11 am

This free, hands-on event is designed for children ages 0 to 8.

During the event, the library parking lot will be filled with construction vehicles and other large trucks for children to explore. Kids will have the opportunity to climb inside the vehicles, honk the horn and turn the steering wheels, all while learning more about the equipment and how it's used in the community.

Touch-a-Truck is co-sponsored by the City of Centennial and the Southeast Metro Stormwater Authority (SEMSWA) in collaboration with Arapahoe Libraries.

This is a great opportunity for children to engage with their surroundings in a fun and educational way, so be sure to stop by and join the fun!

*This event includes loud noises, such as honking horns, which can be a heightened sensory experience. We invite you to bring along any noise reduction equipment as needed for your comfort and enjoyment.

18th Judicial District

Staying Safe: Protecting Your Mail and Personal Information

Colorado ranks among the top states for mailbox theft, making it important to stay vigilant when sending and receiving mail. Both personal mailboxes and the blue USPS collection boxes can be at risk.

If you're mailing anything sensitive – especially items containing Personally Identifiable Information (PII) such as a social security number – the safest option is to drop it off inside the post office.

The judicial district has also reported a high number of credit card theft cases involving stolen numbers. To reduce risk during transactions, experts recommend using the tap-to-pay feature on credit cards with chips, or opting for secure digital payment methods like Apple Pay or Google Pay, which add extra layers of encryption and protection.

Staying informed and taking a few simple precautions can go a long way in protecting your personal information.

The FIA is a member of CenCON and regularly attends the monthly meetings to stay up-to-date on activities, issues, and events in Centennial.

What is CenCON? Centennial Council of Neighborhoods consists of neighborhood associations (homeowners' associations, civic associations, townhome associations, condo associations) in the City of Centennial. Each association sends a representative to the monthly meetings. CenCON meets 11 times a year to share important information from the City and many special districts that serve our members. Your CenCON representative brings this information back to your association for dissemination to your homeowners by means of monthly meetings, newsletters, etc.



GID/Landscape May Update

Submitted by Tudi Arneill and Martha Riley

Landscape Maintenance: Spring cleanup and weed eradication is well underway by SuttonScapes. Many thanks to Jim Arneill who has offered to clean up the Quebec/Mineral garden beds. And continuing thanks to Sandy Staley for her diligent work along Mineral Avenue.

Trees: Davey Tree will treat the Ash trees along Mineral for the Lilac Ash Borer and Emerald Ash Borer. This is a two-year cycle of treatment.

Irrigation: Sprinklers will be turned on, assessed, and repaired if needed after the danger of frost has passed.

Secret Garden in Foxridge?

The community rock garden at Phillips and Krameria in Centennial, was created in 2018 by Ingrid Stuebner. She explains:

As a former art teacher in Cherry Creek Schools, I recognized a creative opportunity for my grandkids and others and the garden continues to grow. It is full of "Wisdom Rocks", delightful puns, rocks stating family love, colorful designs and community connections.

Please add a rock. Please don't take them for they are for all the walkers on the path to enjoy.

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Colliers Hill (Erie)	1,686	\$25

Foxridge Improvement Association (FIA) April 9, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes (DRAFT)

Attendees

- Martha Riley – President (Present)
- Andrew Yon – Vice President (Absent)
- Gurdeep Sandhu – Co-Treasurer (Present)
- Bryon Bhagwandin Co-Treasurer (Present)
- Mark Trocinski – Secretary (Present)
- Sandra Williams – Board Member at Large (Present)
- Cheryl Gass – Board Member at Large (Present)
- Alex Martinez – Board Member at Large (Present virtually)
- Tudi Arneill - Board Member at Large (Present)
- Ron Gamet – Covenant Advisor (Present)

Accept proposed agenda

Skip introductions (no guests in attendance)

Note that March minutes misspelled guest name. Should be “Beggs” rather than “Biggs”.

RESOLUTION: Following this correction, it was proposed the board ratify the March, 2025 meeting minutes as published in Foxtales.

A **SECOND** to the resolution was provided.

There was no **DISCUSSION** regarding the proposed resolution

The resolution **PASSED** unanimously

Covenant Advisors Report

- Board thanks Ron for working with South Suburban Parks and Rec.
- Discuss fencing. There is no Foxridge Covenant provision regarding fencing. There is a fencing ordinance by City of Centennial.
- There were six (6) new issues reported to the Covenant Advisor this month; all were resolved.

President's Report

- Thanks to Sandra and all volunteers for egg hunt preparation.
- Discussion of signs to be included at the event.

Vice President's Report: Nothing to report

Secretary's Report: Nothing to report

Membership Report

- There were 231 paid memberships on April 9, 2025, compared to 191 paid memberships on April 12, 2024
- The goal for 2025 is 500 paid memberships

Treasurer's Report

- Finances looked good for this time of year
- Phone being used is not great. Suggest buying cheap phone.

RESOLUTION: Motion to allocate \$110 for cellular phone to be used by FIA.

A **SECOND** to the resolution was provided.

DISCUSSION regarding the proposed resolution focused on the proposed use of the phone at FIA events to facilitate and verify membership, communication, etc.

FURTHER DISCUSSION regarding whether \$110 could possibly purchase a usable cell phone. Treasurer argues that this is a sufficient amount.

The resolution **PASSED** unanimously

- Discussion of expenses for egg hunt, usps expense,
- Discussion of monthly report, balances

Welcome Committee

- Zero(0) welcome packets delivered in March 2025.

Foxtales Newsletter

- Solar energy article for next issue
 - Discuss relationship between potential sponsors, FIA and Club
- An e-version of the newsletter is available on the Foxridge Community website - <https://www.foxridgecommunity.com/>.

Social Events Report

- Preparations for Egg Hunt
 - Sandra Williams led effort to stuff 2000 eggs
 - Expecting 200 egg hunters at the event
 - Thanks to the help of ten volunteers - the eggs were stuffed and ready in 1 hour
 - Discussion of donation from Starbucks (on County Line)
 - Discussion of attractions at the event (Face painting demonstration/ balloon animals, Urban Air passes, candy)
 - Discussion of gift card for Easter bunny and assistant
- Social Events - April 25 - FIA Board

Community Events Report:

- Dumpster day is set for June 14
- Goodwill is lined up and will be set up to accept donations
- Promote dumpster day in May and June Foxtales
 - Suggest a list of “Cans and Can’ts” put in the dumpster for Foxales

Community Update – Garden and Club:

- Garden is active
- Clean up scheduled for April 26
- Plant sale in May
- Club hired manager. Staff hiring on going
- Club will have a opening event on May 23 (Memorial Day Weekend)

Communications Report

- Posted Foxtales on the website, membership
- Average engagement up to 59 seconds
- 230 active users last month
- Homepage was the most visited with 188 hits
- Second most hits was Bishop's buffet chocolate ambrosia pie recipe
- Membership was third most visited page
- Newsletter open rate was 68% - 527 subscribers - no change in number of subscribers
- Social media - March maintenance tip, smoke detectors

Landscape / Foxridge General Improvement District (GID) Report

- Erik has started weeding/spring clean up. Jim

Arneill has offered to clean up the Quebec/ Mineral garden beds

- Davey tree company will treat trees along Mineral for the lilac ash borer and emerald ash borer
- Sprinklers will be turned on and checked after danger of frost has passed
- Discussion of resident concern about wood mulch being put in by South Suburban - doesn't look great. South Suburban's plan is to plant more, so the landscaping should be evolving.

Centennial Council of Neighborhoods (CenCON)

- Additional CenCON information is available at: <http://www.cencon.net/>
- Judicial district spoke
 - Mailbox theft is big in Colorado
 - Credit card numbers get stolen many ways, but mailbox theft is a common method
 - Using chip, Apple Pay, Google Pay are most secure
 - Arapahoe libraries “Touch a Truck” event will be at Smoky Hill Library May 21
 - City of Centennial - Mayor Pico will give the state of the city presentation on May 13 at Wings over the Rockies
- Discussion of \$500 grant to FIA from City of Centennial
- City of Centennial budget discussion - 25% of budget goes to savings
- Discussion of fact that no red light cameras are in use in City of Centennial

Old Business:

- Discuss ideas for sponsorship

New Business:

- Note that renovations of Willow Creek from Quebec to County Line, start winter 2025-2026; trails may be affected; roads will not
- Suggestion of Outdoor bulletin board project
 - South Suburban has matching grant program
 - Propose installing an outdoor bulletin board at Fox Ridge Park or along a walking trail or both
 - Discuss having bulletin board used by multiple groups (FIA, Foxridge Club, Foxridge Garden)
 - Bulletin board found for purchase
 - 16 wide by 29 height
 - Total cost estimate: \$367 parts, \$75 post, \$115 labor
 - \$92 each if each of 3 orgs contribute and South Suburban as well
- Discuss whether to have 1 or 2 or more bulletin boards
- Resolve to reach out to other orgs to see if they want to go in together

Adjourn

A Wild Adventure at the Rocky Mountain Arsenal National Wildlife Refuge

Submitted by Cheryl Gass

The Rocky Mountain Arsenal National Wildlife Refuge is a hidden treasure just outside Denver, about 22 miles northeast of the Foxridge neighborhood and near Denver International Airport. This unexpected oasis offers 20 miles of easy hiking trails, an interactive visitor center, a scenic bison wildlife drive, and countless opportunities to spot wildlife.

A Fascinating Past

The Arsenal has a history as wild as the prairie itself. Built in 1942 after the attack on Pearl Harbor, it was originally a chemical weapons manufacturing site for World War II. After the war, production slowed, and the Army leased parts of the land to private companies—most notably Shell Oil, which used it for agricultural chemical production. During the Cold War, sections were reactivated for military use, and the site even played a role in the Apollo 11 mission by producing rocket fuel.

However, years of chemical and agricultural production left their mark and contaminants seeped into the soil and groundwater. By 1982, all production ceased, and the focus shifted to environmental cleanup. In 1987, the site was placed on the EPA's Superfund list, marking the start of an extensive restoration effort.

As the land was cleaned and restored, it was transferred to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, eventually becoming the Rocky Mountain Arsenal National Wildlife Refuge. Today, this 15,000-acre sanctuary is home to more than 300 species of wildlife, including bison, deer, bald eagles, and black-footed ferrets.

Our Visit: Wildlife Encounters and Unexpected Delights

Our adventure began at the visitor center, where the kids explored hands-on exhibits about the refuge's wildlife, and history. One surprising highlight? A rotary dial phone! While I fondly remember using one at my grandmother's house, my children had never seen one before. They were fascinated as I showed them how people once dialed numbers—by placing a finger in the corresponding hole and spinning the dial. A small but fun blast from the past!

From the visitor center, we set off on the **Discovery Trail** right outside, we stopped at an exhibit featuring a live black-footed ferret—an endangered species. This sparked a conversation about a pet ferret my family had when I was a kid. We didn't keep it for long, as it had a habit of nibbling our fingers—not exactly a favorite trait! But I shared how playful and curious it was, and how it could squeeze through the tiniest gaps under doors.

Further down the trail, we stumbled upon a lively prairie dog town. Luckily, there was a bench nearby, so one of the kids plopped down to watch these little creatures pop in and out of their burrows, nibbling on grass and chirping to each other. Along the way, we spotted a variety of birds, each with its own unique call. One particularly cheerful bird perched on a fence, singing its heart out. This is where a bird guidebook, binoculars, or a birding expert would have come in handy! After all, one of the main reasons the refuge was established was the discovery of a bald eagle nest. While we weren't lucky enough to spot one that day, just knowing they nest here made the experience even more special.

We continued trekking across the breezy plains toward Lake Mary Loop, our turnaround point, making our total hike about two miles out and back. As we reached the lake, we were met with an incredible sight—a herd of eight mule deer grazing peacefully. We stood in awe, watching as they nibbled on grass, occasionally glancing up at us—especially when one of the kids got excited and started bouncing around!



Rocky Mountain Arsenal NWR Lake Mary Loop Trail, Erin Muhlbachler/USFWS, Public Domain, <https://www.fws.gov/media/rocky-mountain-arsenal-nwr-lake-mary-loop-trail>



Bison cow and calf at Rocky Mountain Arsenal NWR, Rich Keen/DPRA/U.S. Army, Public Domain, <https://www.fws.gov/media/bison-cow-and-calf-rocky-mountain-arsenal-nwr>

Just when we thought our wildlife encounters had peaked, we were in for another surprise. On our way back, we spotted a group of wild turkeys strutting through the grass. It was an incredible way to end our hike!

The Bison Drive: A Grand Finale

Before heading home, we took the 11-mile wildlife drive through the refuge. This slow-paced, 45-minute route is well worth the time, offering breathtaking views of the landscape and its most famous residents—bison!

I've never seen so many bison in one place—not even in Yellowstone. Herds of these massive creatures roamed the prairie. It was an unforgettable sight and the perfect way to wrap up our adventure.

Plan Your Visit

If you have a free weekend, make time to explore the Rocky Mountain Arsenal National Wildlife Refuge. Whether you hike, drive, or just relax and enjoy the scenery, you're in for an incredible experience. From history to wildlife, this place has it all—and you won't be disappointed!

For more info: <https://www.fws.gov/refuge/rocky-mountain-arsenal>



Foxridge

2025 FIA Membership Form

January 1, through December 31, 2025

Membership in the FIA requires a \$60 annual fee.

To join electronically, simply go to www.foxridgecommunity.com and click on 'Membership'. You will be able to pay by Zelle or PayPal.

If you prefer to send a check, please complete the form below and send with your check made out to FIA to:

Foxridge Improvement Association | PO Box 4985 | Englewood, CO 80155-4985

Name:

Address:

Phone Number:

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Check here if you do not want to be on our email list. It is used to inform about upcoming events and is not shared.

\$60.00

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Are you interested in being actively involved? We welcome volunteers!
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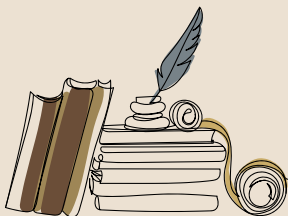
Welcome Committee

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FOXRRIDGE

Poetry

By Wayne McDonald

WHO AM I?

You might just see me soar o'er a big lake
Looking for fish that do sense me and quake
And in Colorado
I fly with bravado
Near where a big stick nest I make
I circle o'er water, hunting for fish
Hover and find one, then downward I swish
Feet first I fast go
In water below
In search of my next dinner dish

All o'er but Antarctica I do go
Near coasts, lakes, rivers I fly to and fro
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My name means "sea eagle" in language Greek
But I'm a "sea hawk" on Seattle Street
Cause with talons rounded
My catch is soon "grounded"
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My name is on backpacks that you can buy

And on a plane that does vertically fly
Plane mimics me, yup!
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DO YOU KNOW MY NAME?

See answer on page 15



The Club At Foxridge



SWIM/TENNIS TEAM MEMBERSHIP SPECIAL

Join swim team or a tennis team and receive
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 Monthly dues start on the 15th of the next month.

Questions? Email contact@foxridgeclub.com.

May Event Calendar is Shaping Up!

Fill your summer with fun events and social connections right in your own neighborhood! Visit FoxridgeClub.com for all the details.

Dates	Times	Event
Sun, May 18	5-6 pm	Polar Plunge - Swim Team Fundraiser
Fri, May 23	After School	School's Out for Summer Party!
Sat, May 24	10 am	Regular Pool Season Begins!
Mon, May 26	10 am	Memorial Day at the Pool!
Tue, May 27	8 am - 10:30 am	Swim Team Practice Begins
Tue, May 27 - Fri, May 30	Varies	Youth Tennis Camps Offered
Tue, June 2	Varies	Weekly Youth Tennis Programs Begin

In addition, adult tennis leagues and drills are ongoing throughout May and into the summer. For all the details and updates, please visit FoxridgeClub.com.

School's Out for Summer Party - Friday, May 23 after School!

Celebrate the end of the school year and kick off the summer with a Foxridge pool party on Friday, May 23. Free to members (food not included). Guests can join with a guest pass purchased by a member for \$15 (food not included).

BBQ and root beer floats can be purchased on site. The snack shack will also be open.

Interested in a Swim Team?

Registration for Foxridge Foxes Swim Team is open!

Go to FoxridgeFoxes.swimtopia.com to learn more and to register.

The regular season begins with morning swim practices on Tuesday, May 27th.

If you are interested in having access to the pool throughout the summer, you can get half off the one-time club membership initiation fee if you register your swimmer(s) for the swim team. Contact swimteam@foxridgeclub.com and membership@foxridgeclub.com to inquire.

Questions? Contact swimteam@foxridgeclub.com

Interested in tennis for youth and adults?

Registration for Foxridge Foxes tennis is open now! Go to FoxridgeClub.com. Enjoy half off the one-time club membership initiation fee when you join a tennis team!

Shout out to our newest sponsor, Waste Connections!

This year's sponsors support our youth programs in swimming and tennis. Many thanks to **Waste Connections** for being a first-time sponsor this year!

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Members receive 15 guest passes with the option to buy more.

Non-members are welcome at tennis programs with a non-member fee if space is available.

The Club at Foxridge is a privately owned 25-yard community pool located in the Foxridge neighborhood just south of Dry Creek Rd and west of Quebec St. It is open to all for membership.

Questions? Email contact@foxridgeclub.com.

Meet Your Neighbors

The Yon Family

How long have you been a resident of Foxridge/
What brought you here? Andrew bought our house in 2006 because he was working in DTC and he wanted a three-car garage. In 2010 Meg moved to Foxridge from Louisville, KY.

Tell us about your family... We have two kids, Josephine (10) and Oliver (6), plus Bella, our black Lab mix.

How did you meet your spouse? We met when Meg was visiting friends in Denver. Our friends had a little party after an Avalanche game, and the rest is history.

What is/was your career? Andrew is a Software Engineer and Meg is a Nonprofit Marketer.

Do you do any volunteer work? We both love our community and try to give back close to home. Andrew is on the FIA board and Meg is on the PTO at Ford Elementary.

What are your hobbies/passions? Andrew - hockey, skiing, mountain biking. Meg - cooking, gardening, tennis. Josephine - gymnastics, skiing, crafting. Oliver - engineering, riding bikes, laminating.

What is one your proudest achievement? Andrew just got done ski touring the Haute Route in the Alps.

What is an interesting fact about you that people may not know? Even though Andrew is from NY and Meg is from TN, both our hometowns are located in Putnam County. What are the chances?!

What is the best advice you ever received? We joke that Andrew's tombstone is going to read, "A place for everything and everything in its place" because he says it so often. Maybe one day the kids will take it to heart!

Do you have a "guilty pleasure"? Meg watches "Great British Bake Off" on repeat.



The Yon Family



**Andrew and Friend in the Alps
April 2025**

Do you know a small business that would like to be featured in Foxtales? Let us know at foxridge.board@gmail.com.

Spotlight on Local Business: GO Solar

This month we feature GO Solar, co-owned by cousins Barron and Will Chandler.

GO Solar Contact Information

720-298-8317

MikeBeggs@GoSolar.Live

www.GoSolarLive.com

Company Location: Highlands Ranch, Colorado

Please describe your business. We provide solar solutions to residents, commercial properties, and agricultural spaces.

When and why was the business started? We started GO Solar in 2018. We identified an opportunity to make a broader impact in the community by working to provide alternative energy solutions, namely solar, that would have a positive impact on the environment and aid homeowners seeking opportunities to lower their energy costs. GO Solar has expanded to the international community.

How does it benefit people in the local community? We help homeowners utilize solar energy solutions that promote a cleaner environment and decrease individual carbon footprints — all while lowering individual energy costs.

Why is your business special or unique? We strive to bring solar solutions to the community with an approach that is, we believe, better in terms of our time to solar and ethical approach to operations. We are a family business, local to Colorado, and value the opportunity entrusted to us by our neighbors and community.

Can you tell a story or provide some insight into how your goods or services benefitted someone? It's really simple. When you can help someone essentially eliminate their energy bill, create energy independence, and put homeowners in a position to own their energy, it's a benefit. With every customer and opportunity we have the pleasure to work with, this is the net result.



Answer to the "Who Am I?" poem by Wayne McDonald on page 15

The Osprey

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