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All entries are subject to the approval by the Pres. of PVIA

**PVIA Meetings:** Monthly meetings are held at Sabin Elementary School, (Dartmouth & Vrain) on the First Tues. of the month at 6:30 pm

**PVIA 2015 Social Events**  
TBA

**Trash Schedule 2015:**

1/7 – Trash & Recycle  
1/14 – Trash, Overflow, Large Item Pick-up  
1/22 – Trash, Recycle  
1/28 - Trash

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**Next HOA Meeting is Tuesday, Jan 6, 2015 at Sabin Elementary at 6:30 pm.**

**JANUARY GUEST SPEAKER**

**Maro Casparian**, Director of Consumer Protection from the Denver District Attorney's will be speaking at our January meeting regarding various fraud tactics and scams. Every resident should be interested in attending this highly informative meeting. Start the year off right --- attend your HOA meetings.

**SOCIAL**

From the feedback we received from our residents, everyone really enjoyed the PVIA Christmas Party. Close to 90 people were in attendance. We invited some of our old neighbors who had moved away and everyone enjoyed visiting with them. The food and decorations were wonderful.

A **big** thank you to our volunteers who helped decorate and clean up after the Christmas Party. They are: ***Nancy Mollerstuen, Cindy Maxey, Bob Holmes, Jane Brown, Kay Reed, Loretta Schuh, Clorie Lavato, and Rob Collins.*** Without these volunteers, we could not have had such a successful party.

We also want to give a special thanks to ***Jane Brown*** who made all the decoration including the wreaths, center pieces and vases.

**CHRISTMAS LIGHTING CONTEST** And the winners are:

1st. Prize	3781 South Benton Way	<b><i>The Siebert Family</i></b>
2nd Prize	3761 South Ames	<b><i>The Berres Family</i></b>
3rd Prize	3705 South Depew	<b><i>The Sullivan Family</i></b>

**Congratulations** for participating in this fun community event.

**CUL de SAC PROBLEM**

There have been cars parked in the dark in the cul de sac at the end of \_\_\_\_\_ (near the park). The personal refuse tossed and left there leads us to believe that this area is used for "parking" purposes. **If you see any cars parked after dark in this cul de sac, please call the police immediately.**

**PRECAUTION**

If you don't have a lock on your car gas tank, you might want to reconsider getting one. A resident reported that his truck's gas tank was siphoned and the thieves made off with a full tank of gas.

**WEBSITE**

Good news.....our website is up and running. At this time, we are addressing items to be listed on our website with Dennis, our website expert.

**FROM COUNCILWOMAN JEANNE FAATZ**

Bear Valley Library expands hours

In 2015, the Bear Valley Library will add four hours to its weekly schedule. Instead of opening at noon on Tuesdays and Thursdays, the library will open at 10 a.m. on those days. All other hours will remain unchanged.

Reflections on the 2014 Citizen Survey

Southwest Denver voters who answered my survey - 1,852 individuals - are apparently independent thinkers.

**South of West Lehigh**

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**North of West Lehigh**

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Bonnie/Bruce Holman.....  
303-988-5009  
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**DID YOU KNOW:**

The name, given to the month of 'January', is derived from the ancient Roman name 'Janus' who presided over the gate to the new year. He was revered as the 'God of Gateways', 'of Doorways' and 'of the Journey.' Janus protected the 'Gate of Heaven', known as the 'Lord of Beginnings', is associated with the 'Goddess Juno-Janus', and often symbolized by an image of a face that looks forwards and backwards at the same time. This symbolism can easily be associated with the month known by many as the start of a new year which brings new opportunities. We cast out the old and welcome in the new. It is the time when many reflect on events of the previous year and often resolve to redress or improve some aspect of daily life or personal philosophy."

The Roman Senate, in 153 BC, declared January 1st to be the beginning of the new year. During the Middle Ages, the Church remained opposed to celebrating New Year's Day - it has only been celebrated in the western world for about 400 years.



Take, for instance, their responses to two questions that also appeared on the November ballot: passing a preschool sales tax and labeling genetically modified food. On my survey, District 2 respondents opposed the sales tax decisively, with only 29 percent expressing support. Citywide, however, the measure passed with 55 percent of the vote.

On the issue of GMO food labeling, our district backed the idea on 84 percent of my surveys. But that was a far cry from the election results, where only 35 percent of statewide voters voiced approval.

On some issues my surveys showed our district solidly in line with City Council. One of these was on banning the use of flammable solvents for in-home extraction of marijuana concentrates such as hash oil. My survey showed 86 percent favor the ban, and we now have an ordinance to make that ban happen.

On another issue, Southwest Denver respondents by 59 percent favored hiring more planners to keep up with Denver's rapid growth. The 2015 city budget now provides for that spending.

Still up in the air is whether council should allow short-term or overnight rentals in areas zoned for single families. My survey showed respondents oppose the measure by 80 percent. Council is still deliberating.

On affordable workforce housing, District 2 respondents deviate markedly from the City Council majority. In my survey, subsidizing workforce housing, which can include recipients with higher incomes than of some of my constituents, got only 21 percent support. The council majority, however, sees the issue differently and has permitted money to be transferred from the General Fund to an economic development housing fund. I think that's wrong. General Fund dollars should be used for basic city services. I fear, however, that some council members now will try to use the General Fund for even more worker housing subsidies or will propose a new tax.

On photo red light enforcement, my survey showed 53 percent support for a statewide ban. Despite that, and without my support, council has extended the current vendor contract and will soon consider expanding the program to even more intersections in the city.

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*HAVE A  
HAPPY and SAFE NEW YEAR  
2015*



