

# The Mariana Springs Chat

A Newsletter for the Mariana Springs Community

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## Mark your Calendars

### Annual Good Time ChiliFest!

October 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm at the Pavilion in the Common Area. Bring your chairs, beverage of choice, your favorite Chili in a crock pot (please label ingredients), along with an extension cord and ladle. Also, bring a side like corn bread, sour cream, cheese, guacamole. Please RSVP to our hosts, the Garcia's at [Garcia.consulting@comcast.net](mailto:Garcia.consulting@comcast.net) or 970-619-8700. More details are posted at the mailboxes.

### HOA Annual Meeting

November 4, 2019 at 7 pm at a location to be determined. Discussion items:

- ✚ Annual Budget.
- ✚ Outgoing and new board members

## Transitions

### A Warm Welcome

Please welcome our newest neighbors, Jordan and Paige Allison and their children, Kaia and Eliana. They are already making new friendships with both big and small kids in the neighborhood.

They received a neighborhood welcome basket from Ginny Korngiebel. We will have many new people moving into the neighborhood in the future since several homes are for sale so Ginny is in need of items for the new baskets. It is great to highlight local items from Loveland or Colorado. Drop them off at the Korngiebel's home, 363 Meadowsweet Circle. Thank you Ginny for preparing these lovely baskets!

## Hey BooBoo that's not Yogi!

This black bear has been visiting yards on the southeast end of the path, eating his or her way through the gardens and emptying compost bins, preparing for the long hibernation ahead.



## Garden Tips

Provide food and habitat for birds, bees and other insects by not trimming back seed heads from perennials. You can fertilize your lawn one last time while the grass is still green and if you didn't aerate in Spring, you can do it now.

## Volunteer of the Month – Scott Kukral

We think it is important to highlight the behind the scenes contributions of people in the neighborhood and are grateful for everyone who volunteers their time and talent.

Shortly after Scott moved into the Springs, he volunteered to help with maintaining the water for the Pond that includes negotiating with the ditch company for filling the pond and working with the Overlook since the pond is a source of water for both the Springs and Overlook. This means monitoring the water level in the pond, opening and closing the head gate that supplies water to the pond. This recurrent task represents a big savings for the Springs because we are not paying for City water while the ditch is running. Scott has served on the board, uploaded archival documents to the website while also helping to maintain it and is always one of the first people to volunteer for the many tasks that need to be performed. Thank you, Scott, for all you do for our community.