Wild Sage has perks

Residents enjoy newest cohousing community

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With a beer in one hand and a knife in the other, Chris Hauck realized he didn't have a hand left to greet his dinner guests, piling their plates high with his freshly cut garlic bread, steaming pasta and marinara sauce in an informal buffet line.

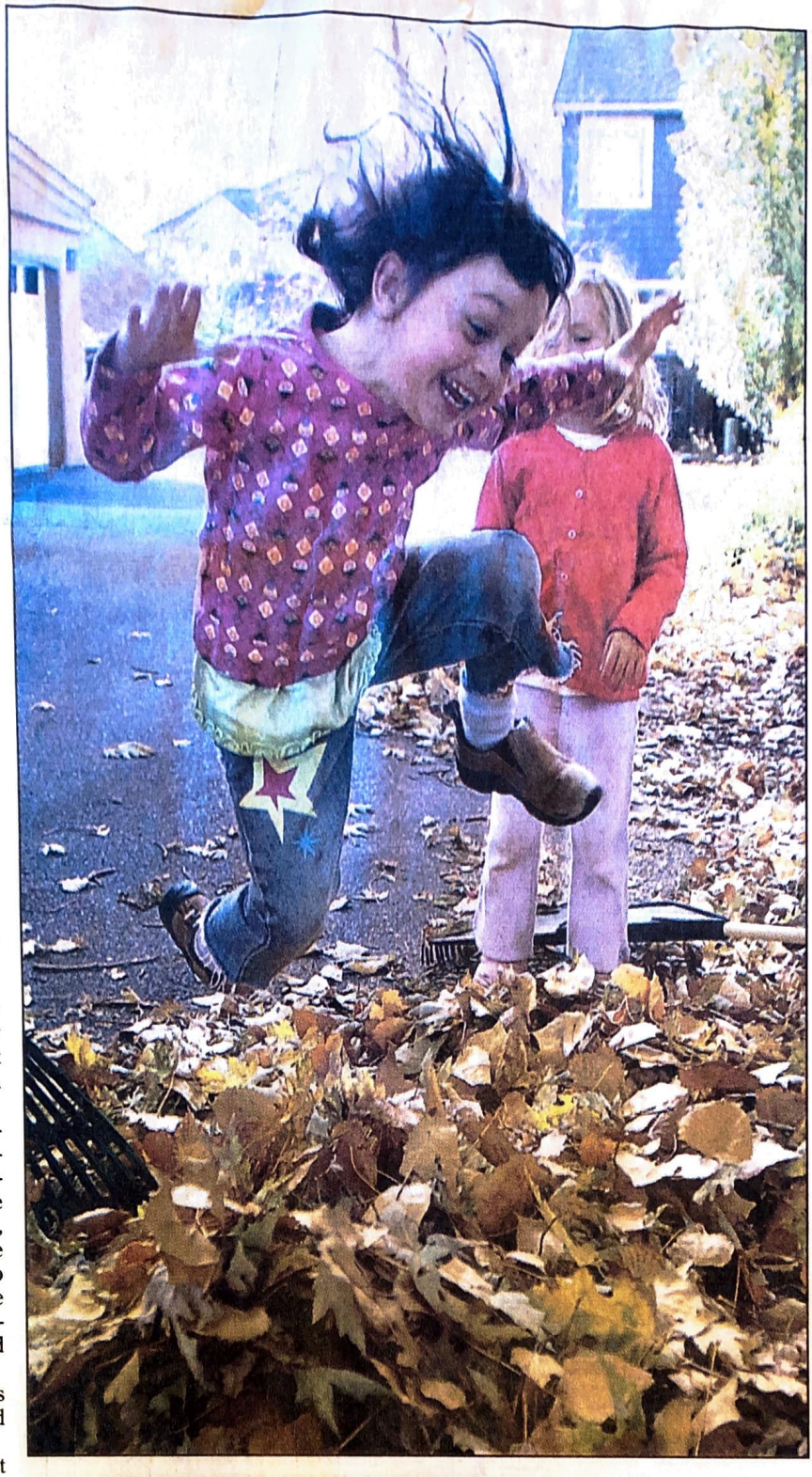
The neighbors soon settled themselves in a large eating area, sharing wine and lighthearted conversation during one of the weekly community meals at Wild Sage, the newest cohousing neighborhood in Colorado.

Like most cohousing neighborhoods, Wild Sage was designed to encourage interaction. The 34 homes resemble tightly grouped townhouses, with garages located on the outskirts. Front doors open to sidewalks that lead to a large common house, where community meetings, dinners and activities are held.

At Wild Sage, guest rooms and mailboxes also are located in the common house.

"I just can't walk out and get my mail. It's a 30- or 40-minute

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Above, Zipporah Paiss, 5, jumps into a pile of leaves the children gathered Sunday. The children of Nomad Cohousing in Boulder played while their parents had a meeting at one of the homes. **Left,** Neshama Abraham Paiss, center, helps Leslie Schaller 8, bottom left; Julia Hargedon, 3; and Halonah Oaiss, 6, with drawing during the meeting.

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SENIOR HOUSING

"Silver Sage," a planned cohousing community for seniors down the street from Wild Sage, is in pre-development. Its developers will hold an introductory slide show and information meeting Nov. 9. Call Wonderland Hill Development Co. for the time and location, (303) 449-3232, ext. 115.