



HISTORIC MONTCLAIR COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.

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HMCAI Board Elections

What? HMCAI Board elections and May general meeting

Who? Dues-paying HMCAI members may vote in the elections, all Montclair residents invited to the general meeting

When? Wednesday May 18th at 7pm

Where? The Molkery in Montclair Park

Please join us as we elect officers for the 2005-2006 year. Our slate of candidates can be found on page 2 of this newsletter.

The remainder of the agenda is still in the works - we will post the information on our website (www.historicmontclair.org) as soon as it is confirmed.

Old Fashioned Fun at Fourth of July Picnic

Mark your calendars for the annual Historic Montclair Independence Day Picnic.

Montclair Park

July 4, 2005

10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The Historic Montclair Community Association will provide soft drinks, hamburgers, hot dogs, brats, chips, watermelon, salad, and other treats. All for free.

Kids of all ages are invited to participate in the annual Bike Parade. Dress your bikes, tricycles, and wagons up in patriotic attire and then ride the traditional parade route around the playground circle.

As always, we will have a band to jazz things up from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. If the music doesn't get you moving, then maybe the relay races and games will.

Seating is limited to several picnic tables, so you might want to bring along blankets or chairs.

If you are interested in joining our community association, please stop by the membership table. For all renewing members, this is a convenient time to pay your dues for the next year. Please be sure to fill out the membership form on page 7 and bring it with you to expedite the process.

Whether you are new or old to the neighborhood, this gathering is the place to be on the Fourth of July!

Proposed HMCAI Board for 2005-2006

Years lived in Montclair shown within (); previous terms on board shown within [].

President: Matt Bortz: (25) [3] President of BORTZ Sports, a sports marketing agency for teams and facilities around the country. Seeking second term as president.

1st Vice President: Scott Hamling: (38) [5] Real estate appraiser. Past president & vice pres. of HMCAI. Member Montclair School revitalization committee & fundraiser chair.

2nd Vice President: Carrie O'Shea: (30+) [2]. Tour director, currently a stay-at-home mom with first child, Eve Marie, 4 months. Seeking second term at 2nd Vice President.

Secretary: Pat Rozack: (13) [1] Community volunteer in various areas. Seeking second term at HMCAI secretary. Member of Montclair School revitalization committee.

Treasurer: Gail Barry: (30+) [5] Practicing landscape architect. Member Molkery committee since 1996. Also served as HMCAI treasurer last year.

At-Large Members:

Veronica Dolan (39) [18]. Novelist, PR consultant. Edited newsletter for 13+ years.

Larry Farin (21) [13]. Attorney. Former member Lowry economic advisory committee.

Bill Hansen (10) [1]. Attorney, author, historian. Served on original Molkery committee.

Kathy Lamos (13) [7]. Director of leadership development. Past president of HMCAI.

Jerry Malia (6) [3]. Real estate agent. Advertising director for HMCAI newsletter.

David McCord (30) [9]. Retired city planner, Aurora. Past pres. of HMCAI.

Nancy Mucker (4) [1] Financial services consultant. Chair of Molkery events committee.

Katy Saunders (4) [1] Realtor. Pilot. Retired jockey. On Montclair School committee.

Glenn Smith (17) [11]. Retired banker. Golfer. Former vice pres. & treasurer, HMCAI

Beckett Stokes (5) [1]. Personal banker Wells Fargo. On Molkery events committee.

Paul Tremontozzi (3) []. Architect. Preservationist interested in architectural history.

Board candidates have lived a total 298 years in Montclair and served 81 years on board.

Montclair Elementary News

by Shannon Hagerman, Montclair Principal

Montclair Mile and Spring Plant Sale Just Around the Corner

It's hard to believe that we are just a few short weeks away from the end of the school year! We've had an incredibly busy year and are now beginning to turn our attention to the exciting changes that will take place in the fall. In the meantime, we have two final events planned for the upcoming weeks.

The first ever *Montclair Mile & Spring Plant Sale* will be held on *Saturday, May 14th*. If you're looking to put your green thumb to work and to add some color to your garden, please stop by the school between 9:00 and 12:00 to purchase your bedding plants. We

will offer an assortment of different colors and plant varieties from a local greenhouse.

Additionally, at 10:00 a.m. on May 14th the *Montclair Mile* - a fun run, walk, bicycle ride will depart from the school and make a loop around the historic Montclair neighborhood. Bring along the entire family and spend some time visiting with friends and neighbors while on the move!

The *Montclair Read & Feed*, our end-of-the-year celebration will be held on *Thursday, May 19th* from 5:00-7:30 p.m. We invite families to join us for a spaghetti dinner and book fair. Dinner is \$1.00 per person. Please make reservations by calling the school at 303.333.5497 by no later than Wednesday, May 18th.

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Montclair Elementary News

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I'd also like to thank the many volunteers who have given so much time to our school. The Montclair teachers hosted an afternoon tea at the Molkey on April 26th. This was an opportunity for us to share our appreciation with the many people who contribute to the learning experience at Montclair.

Our new Early High Strides Program is set to begin in the fall and spaces are filling quickly. I'm excited to announce that we will have two full-day kindergarten classrooms and fourteen new students from the immediate neighborhood registered for next year!

The decision by these families to enroll at Montclair is critical to our revitalization effort and shows a high level of commitment to the development of a great neighborhood school. A new Parent Teacher Association (PTA) is beginning to establish a neighborhood presence and has been meeting regularly. We are well on our way!

As always, please feel free to stop by the school for a tour or a visit. Our school year ends on Friday, May 27th and will resume on Monday, August 15th. In between times, we will be busy with summer maintenance and planning for the new school year. We look forward to sharing more exciting news and events in the fall!

Quarterly HMCAI General Meeting held Wednesday, March 16, 2005 *by Pat Rozak*

The agenda for the March general meeting included representatives from the East Denver Colfax Partnership, District 3 Police Department, Citizens for a Safe Denver as well as Representative Marcia Johnson speaking on neighborhood concerns.

Amy Ford, President of the East Denver Colfax Partnership presented a recent study done by DU students on the area of Colfax Avenue from Colorado Boulevard to Yosemite. Several ideas were presented on how to spruce up Colfax. The next goal of the Partnership is to meet with current businesses for ideas on how to attract new business to the area.

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Quarterly HMCAI General Meeting

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Sergeant Johnny Martinez, along with Officers Dustin Dodge and Devin McGrinty spoke regarding crime prevention and ways we as citizens and individuals can make Montclair a safer neighborhood and also protect ourselves. Several handouts were distributed on crime, how to recognize suspicious activity/persons, along with telephone numbers to call. Sergeant Martinez encouraged calling in concerns immediately so they can be investigated. It was mentioned that if you hear the police helicopter hovering in your neighborhood, that means that the police department is looking for someone or something suspicious in the area. This is the quickest and safest way for the police to find individuals or automobiles. Sergeant Martinez also informed us that the Denver Police Department spends some time each day on foot patrol on Colfax Avenue. They feel that this is resulting in a decrease in crime. Sergeant Martinez encouraged anyone to contact him per

sonally with any questions, concerns or complaints at his email martinezjo@ci.denver.co.us or to leave a voice mail message at 720-913-1171.

Representative Marcia Johnson encouraged attendance at the East Denver Partnership meeting on April 30th to discuss issues related to Colfax Avenue. Representatives from the Denver Planning Department are expected to attend and neighborhood input is needed.

Representatives from Citizens for a Safe Denver discussed the proposed Denver Justice Center and overcrowding in the current jails. A handout was distributed outlining the current conditions and proposed Justice Center project. The new building would house the jail and courthouse together and be located in the Golden Triangle Neighborhood. Neighborhood approval has been given. The new building would not necessitate any new taxes on citizens.

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St. James School to Offer Pre-School

by Veronica Dolan

In addition to its regular junior kindergarten for four year-olds, St. James will launch a pre-school this fall for children who turn three before Sept. 15th. The curriculum will offer age-appropriate activities that foster social, emotional and cognitive development. Enrollment is limited to 12; staff will include one teacher and one aide. The pre-school will be in session on the same days the school conducts regular classes. Enrollment is open to non-parishioners as well as members of St. James parish.

Tuition for half-day (8:05-11:35) is \$290 a month; full-day (8:05-2:50) is \$440. There is a registration fee of \$200. Additional information from the school office at 303-333-8275.

Other Changes at St. James

by Veronica Dolan

This fall St. James will expand its arts program to include music technology, creative movement and dance, instrumental and voice instruction, and theatrical and musical productions for kindergarten through eighth grade. Additionally, after school enrichment clubs will be offered in photography, instrument and art. Information at 303-333-8275.



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Milestones

by Veronica Dolan

Congratulations to two board members who have new additions to their families.

Beckett Stokes, husband Andrew Seelaus and daughter Eleanor, 3, welcomed the arrival of first son/first brother Andrew, last November.

Carrie O'Shea and husband Mark Heidenry delighted with the arrival of first child, Eve Marie, born in February.

We're thrilled with the mini-boom in our population.

Complimentary Summer Beauty Event

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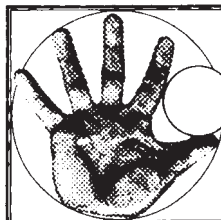
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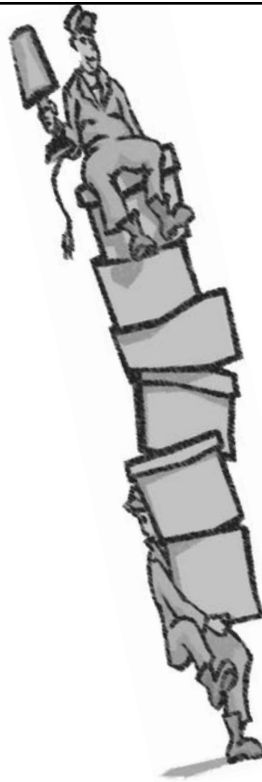
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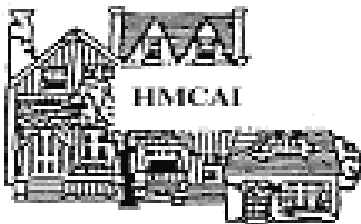
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