

## Neighborhood Conference Follow-up

Thanks to everyone for participating in the 2007 Neighborhood Conference. Hosting almost 300 participants and over a dozen partner organizations, we exceeded our expectations for participation and are grateful for your commitment to our communities. With dozens of National Night Out gatherings earlier this month and countless stories of neighborhood partnerships, we know many of you have spent the summer celebrating your communities.

We have been busy too. With a jam-packed conference schedule and abundant resources, many of you have contacted our office and other partners with questions about how to find some of the presenters and their information and how you can be involved in moving forward. We will soon have plenty of information and resources from the conference posted to the Mayor's website but in the meantime, there are a number of things you can begin planning for right away to continue our important conversations:

### **NEIGHBORHOOD INCLUSIVENESS**

Beginning in September, the Denver Office on Aging is hosting community meetings to discuss ways to transform our communities into great places for people of all ages and abilities to live, work, and play. To find out more, contact the Denver Office on Aging at 720-913-8477. The Director of the office, Janice Blanchard, has many examples of Denver neighborhoods currently exploring how their neighborhoods can best meet the needs of all residents.

### ***Learn about the Denver Integration Coalition***

Many conference participants were excited to talk about one of the key themes of the conference: how integration and diversity are integral to strengthening our communities. The Denver Integration Coalition hosted a series of community conversations on the topic earlier this summer. To find out more about the Coalition or to get involved, please contact Jamie Torres, Office of Community Support in Denver's Agency for Human Rights and Community Relations at 720-913-8471 or via email at [jamie.torres@ci.denver.co.us](mailto:jamie.torres@ci.denver.co.us). For those of you who participated in the inclusion exercise at the conference and who wish to learn more or to replicate this powerful tool, please contact Leslie Olson of Mercy Housing at [lolson@mercyhousing.org](mailto:lolson@mercyhousing.org).

### **KNOWING YOUR NEIGHBOR**

***Contact Neighborhood Resource Center to learn how to organize your block***

While the weather is still warm, we encourage you to get to know your neighbors. You can get a simple block map to fill out – find out who wants to help remove graffiti, who is interested in zoning issues, who has a good babysitter, or who needs help shoveling their walks. The reasons for and benefits of knowing your neighbors are endless. You can call the NRC at 303-477-0023 or find them online at [www.nrc-neighbor.org](http://www.nrc-neighbor.org).

### **HOW DO WE CREATE HEALTHY NEIGHBORHOODS?**

Starting with the results of our discussions from the Neighborhood Conference in June, join us as we continue to identify the most important elements of neighborhood vitality. Our long-term goal is to develop indicators that measure our successes in achieving healthy neighborhoods and that link neighborhoods to tools and resources

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**Ball Park Neighborhood Assn**  
 Bellevue-Hale Neighborhood Assn  
 Berkeley Neighborhood Assn  
 Bonnie Brae Neighborhood Assn  
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 Capitol Hill United Neighborhoods Inc  
 Cherry Creek North Neighborhood Assn  
 Cherry Point Homeowners Assn  
 City Park West Neighborhood Assn

Civic Association of Clayton  
 Colfax on the Hill, Inc  
 College View Neighborhood Assn  
 Congress Park Neighbors  
 Cook Park Neighborhood Assn  
**Cory-Merril Neighborhood Assn**  
**Crestmoor Park Homeowners Assn 2nd filing**  
**Crestmoor Park Homeowners Inc Filing One**  
**Downtown Denver Residents Org**  
 Driving Park Historic District  
 East Montclair Neighborhood Assn  
 Eastmoor Park Condo Assn.  
 Elyria Swansea/Globeville Business Assn.  
 Far Northeast Neighbors, Inc  
 George Washington Homeowner's Assn. Inc.  
 Globeville Civic Assn #1  
 Golden Triangle Assn  
**Golden Triangle Museum District**  
 Greater Mar-Lee Community Org  
**Greater Park Hill Community, Inc.**  
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 Hampden South Neighborhood Assn  
 Harkness Heights Neighborhood Assn  
 Harman Neighborhood Assn Inc.  
 Highland United Neighbors Inc.  
 Hilltop Heritage Assn LLC  
 Historic Montclair Community Association, Inc.  
 Hutchinson Hills/Willow Point HOA  
 Inspiration Point Neighborhood Assn  
 Ivy Street Neighbors Assn  
 Lowry Neighbors  
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**Neighbors and Friends for Cheesman Park**  
 North City Park Civic Assn  
 Overland Neighborhood Assn  
 Park Forest Homeowner's Assn  
 Platt Park Peoples Assn  
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 Sloans Lake Citizens Group  
 Sloans Neighborhood Assn  
 South City Park Neighborhood Assn  
 South Hilltop Neighborhood Assn  
 South Jackson Street Reg Denver Neighborhood  
 SouthWest Improvement Council  
 Southmoor Park Homeowners Assn

Stapleton United Neighbors  
 Summerfield at Indian Creek  
**Sunnyside United Neighbors, Inc**  
 The Five Points Historic Assn  
 The Unsinkables  
 University Hills Neighborhood Assn  
**University Park Community Council**  
**Upper Downtown Development Org**  
**Virginia Vale Community Assn**  
 Virginia Village/Ellis Community Assn  
 Warrens University Community Council  
 Washington Park East Neighborhood Assn  
 West Highland Neighborhood Assn  
 West University Community Assn (WUCA)  
**West Washington Park Neighborhood Assn**  
 Whittier Neighborhood Assn  
 Windsor Gardens Association

## Associates

Bonna Gayhart  
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**Councilman Doug Linkhart**  
**Councilwoman Peggy Lehmann**  
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INC Delegates' Meetings are held on  
 the second Saturday of each month at  
 8:45 a.m. See this issue for location.

The INC Executive Committee meets  
 monthly. All members are welcome.  
 Call the Chair for time and location.

## Executive Committee Recap by Larry Ambrose

The meeting was called to order on August 13 at 6:30 p.m. at its usual location at 1201 Williams Street on the penthouse floor. There were eight committee members present. The minutes were approved after being amended to read - "Cathee is waiting for labels" rather than "Charles."

Billie will prepare a letter to the Board of Education in reference to the "A+ Motion" that was approved at the August 11 general membership meeting. A copy of the correspondence will be provided to Michael Bennet.

Steve reported on the Dollar Dictionary Drive. There has been no sign of a contribution check from a major contributor: a second invoice has been sent. There are 40 dictionaries and 40 thesauruses left over. The committee has held back on Brown Elementary School until more is known about why they are not accepting of INC's philanthropy. Larry will check with the principal as the school is within the boundaries of his RNO. Many RNO's have contributed to the dictionary drive. Billie will check with the Golden Triangle Association for a \$100 contribution. There was a \$100 contribution from Asbury Court (Barry and Hayden Hirschfeld) in honor of Charles Howard.

Treasurer Habercorn reported that INC's 2006 and 2007 financial status is down from 2005. Al suggested that INC needs grants. Mike pointed out that INC needs to identify the need for funds before applying for grants, e.g., Dollar Dictionary Drive. Charles brought information regarding Macys's "Shop for a Cause" whereby non-profit organizations are able to sell discount cards for a Macys's sale to raise money. This was profitable for INC last year. Steve will follow up. (Editor's note: See page 8)

Karen pointed out that the discussion of how INC stores records was unwarranted inasmuch as the INC secretary is responsible for collecting the records in question and past secretaries have done so. Per the Bylaws, she presented them to Secretary Ambrose. Larry will have possession of these records until he can pass them on to whoever is his successor.

ZAP - Mike Henry announced there will be a meeting with the new liquor license director, Awilda Marquez, on August 20 at 4:00 p.m. at the Ramada at Colfax and Marion.

Karen Cuthbertson reported that the Nuisance Abatement Resolution approved by the general membership in July would be communicated to City officials. The Mayor has been less than forthcoming in support of an easy resolution of the Xcel/Ruby Hill View Plane issue. The opponents to new and bigger power poles through the Park are planning to put a General Improvement District Initiative on the November ballot.

Dave Webster brought up the fact that general mem-

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## Delegates Meeting Recap by Larry Ambrose

The August 11 meeting was called to order at 9 a.m. at the gymnasium of Rocky Mountain SER at 3555 Pecos in Northwest Denver by Vice Chair, Charles Howard.

Boxes upon boxes of dictionaries and thesauruses were present as Steve Nissen and Cathee Fisher announced that 14,400 books would be distributed by August 22 to all third-graders in Denver Public Schools.

There followed a presentation by Sarah McCarthy of the Colorado Resource Center concerning a problem identified by the Colorado Trust. It seems that there are different types of immigrants coming to the USA. "Denver Defines Integration" is the result of 19 committees studying the systematic barriers to new immigrants "feeling at home" when they get here. The committees will recommend a plan to overcome these barriers and the Trust will fund implementation over a three year period. INC was chosen to hear the presentation and participate in the study because we fit into a category called "naturally occurring groups." Paul Stein, Director for Colorado State Refugee Services, and Gurdee Kahlsa, from Spring Institute, conducted focus groups within the general membership wherein three questions were to be answered. The consensus of the groups was that many new immigrants do not care to be integrated or assimilated. Suggestions included bilingual brochures to teach immigrants about what is acceptable behavior and what is not, more English language classes, more Spanish speaking police officers who would treat immigrants with an even hand (there was a perception that Police don't enforce laws sometimes for fear of being charged with discrimination), engaging children of immigrants in lots of activities so they do not end up doing graffiti and joining gangs, to force parents to keep their kids in school, and conduct neighborhood cleanup campaigns.

Councilman Michael Hancock made a presentation on the Foreclosure Task Force. He explained that at first it was not clear why the City should be involved in this issue but to his surprise, they found a bunch of reasons it should. One good reason is to assure that foreclosed homes do not become an eyesore in the City. The Task Force set several goals: 1) Stabilization - education for consumers/homebuyers, 2) Fiduciary Duty of Lenders - a duty lenders have to disclose, 3) Prevention and Intervention - non-profit organizations that will help homeowners, e.g., the City will fund a \$108,000 "foreclosure hot line" and hire an ombudsman like "Housing Czar" [or, in the alternative, a "Czarina"], 4) Legislation - licensing and registration of lenders, fines for predatory practices, and 5) Abatement - use tax laws to recover costs of cleanup of foreclosed properties that fall into disrepair. See [denvergov.org](http://denvergov.org).

Billy Bramhall reported on the recommendations of the

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## Thoughts from the Chair

By Dave Webster

I had to be out of town and missed the August 11 meeting that I gather sparked a lot of discussion both as to subject matter and with regard to an agenda so full that we cannot do our business.

The board got the message loud and clear. Our meeting of September 8 at the Tears McFarlane House at 13<sup>th</sup> and Williams will reflect that message.

We do have one major presentation on the agenda for the September 8 meeting and that is the Infrastructure Bond Issue scheduled from 10 to 11 a.m. This issue, if passed by the voters on November 6, would provide for major investment in parks, buildings, cultural facilities, streets, bridges, and so forth. It is divided into a number of individual ballot items we need to consider thoughtfully. If everything is approved by the voters, there will be an increase in property taxes.

We have been working hard to ensure that we have a strong speaker who has been in on the decision-making that led to both the proposed projects and the structure of the ballot issues. I cannot confirm a name at this point but I am comfortable that we will have the right speaker to explain to us the bond issue.

As you know, as a non-profit, we try to have balanced presentations and we are trying to get the Councilwoman who has some objections to part of the bond issue. To our knowledge there is no organized opposition. I do have confidence that our delegation members will pose challenging and thought provoking questions to our speaker(s) so that the issue can be fully discussed.

This is an important discussion and I suspect that all of you will be asked by your neighbors about the bond issue. As I said last month, "we also play a broader role in issues that affect the quality of life and sustainability of our neighborhoods and the city. We each have the power of ten or more in our ability to reach out and inform our neighbors on issues of community concern. I would argue that our neighbors depend on us to be another informed source on issues facing them and the City. INC and the RNOs have a crucial role in the process of civil discourse and decision making in the City and it is much broader than our delegates and our RNO members."

We will begin our session at 9 a.m. with Around the City. As you speak about issues in your neighborhoods, please be concise and to the point so that everyone will have a chance to surface issues of general concern. If you have house tours and social functions, etc., just bring flyers. Think about what you want to hear about from others.

On October 13 we will be meeting at the District 2 Police Station under the sponsorship of Ivy Street Neighbors. The agenda is open.

On November 10, Windsor Gardens, a new INC mem-

ber will host us. Dr. Patricia Gabow, the head of Denver Health will be a speaker. With the loss of University Hospital and Children's Hospital and the impending loss of St. Anthony's Hospital, the emergency and other services of Denver Health will become even more important to the citizens of Denver.

## Dollar Dictionary Drive

"A dictionary and a thesaurus of their own for every third grade student in Denver Public Schools." Thank You One and All! See Them Smiling!

Picture an eight-year-old third-grader receiving not only one book but two books of their own. These books are special because they will be life-long learning tools and they come from the generosity of their neighbors. Each dictionary and thesaurus was delivered to the 99 DPS elementary schools within the first week of classes this August. Like kids at Christmas, the principals and teachers can not wait to give them to their students.

The best opportunity for thrills and satisfaction with this program is visiting the students and personally giving them their own books. Since this is the 12th year of the program, the principals and teachers will be excitedly awaiting this gift from the community for their students. Everyone's schedule varies but it is an opportunity to interact with our fellow citizens and is always great fun. Cathee Fisher (303-333-3141) can provide you with more information.

We have almost reached our goal for 2007! Any additional funds donated will be used for the 2008 Dictionary program. Thank you to all who have donated with time and money! Books for a classroom of students cost \$75. It is a great value as a resource for literacy and learning for our youngest citizens. Thank you to all our 2007 donors.

### **2007 donors and supporters:**

200+ Individual Donations  
Book Labeling Volunteers  
DPS Distribution for Book Delivery to Schools  
Rocky Mountain SER for Labeling Location  
Safeway for Volunteer Refreshments  
Sheriff's Department Work Crews and Supervisors  
Kiwanis Denver Foundation: \$1,500  
League of Woman Voters Education Fund: \$1,000  
Alamo Placito Neighbors Association  
Bear Valley Improvement Association  
Bellevue-Hale Neighborhood Association  
Capitol Hill United Neighborhoods  
Cherry Creek North Neighborhood Association  
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Cranmer Park Hilltop Civic Association  
Crestmoor Park (Filing 2) Homes Association  
Downtown Denver Residents Organization  
East Montclair Neighborhood Association

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**Cherry Creek North Neighborhood Association** – Cherry Creek had its annual Spring Fling party for CCN residents this summer and over 150 residents and guests attended. The beneficiary of the event's funds and its silent auction was the Denver Children's Home that provides services for abused and neglected children. Over \$9,000 was raised for the Denver Children's Home.

**Cory-Merrill Neighborhood Association** - The CMNA voted unanimously at our August board meeting to strongly oppose Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU) within Cory-Merrill. Cory-Merrill is a unique neighborhood that is 95% R-1 zoned. While this proposal might be appropriate for some neighborhoods with mixed zoning and accommodation for the resulting impact of ADUs, Cory-Merrill is not. Residents are attracted to buy homes and reside in Cory-Merrill due to the uniqueness of the zoning and the subsequent appeal of family quality of life. We are not capable of handling the parking, congestion, and disruption to the intrinsic value and character that ADUs would encourage. A change to allow ADUs in Cory-Merrill would upset current residents and significantly diminish the very qualities they chose to purchase a home in Cory-Merrill. The increase in property values for the past 10 years will certainly support how attractive our neighborhood is as an area of both growth and stability.

Cory-Merrill would also point out that there already exists a process within current zoning rules that allow ADUs to be considered and built. The builder, resident, or applicant for an ADU may apply for a variance and allow the adjacent neighbors and the Board of Adjustment to work for the best site-specific solution for that location. There should at the very least be an "opt-in" choice for each and every neighborhood rather than one-size-fits-all

no choice.

The ADU proposal needs much more discussion and transparency.

**Denver Councilwoman Peggy Lehmann** (District 4) – She will host a Southeast Denver Town Meeting: October 10<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 to 8:30 p.m., Temple Sinai, 3509 S. Glencoe Street.

Speakers include Denver Mayor John Hickenlooper and other elected officials representing Southeast Denver residents.

Councilwoman Peggy Lehmann's office has moved. Her new office is located at 3540 S. Poplar St., Ste. 102, Denver, CO 80237. The phone number has remained the same: 303-504-5781

**Hampden South HOA** - Starbucks Coffee and Staples Office Supplies: Construction has been completed and the grand opening is in progress. Southmoor Wine and Liquor: The licensing issue has been solved and the business is continuing under new ownership. New Walgreens: The relocation of the Blockbuster store from the corner of Hampden and Potomac to the Tamarac square Shopping Center is complete. The existing land's zoning change is in progress. Sport Clips is a new beauty salon in the neighborhood offering men and boys the opportunity to have their haircut while enjoying sports programming. We wish the best for the new business ventures and they are welcome in the neighborhood. Comcast: The issue concerning the removal of several subscribed stations and the transfer to digital shall be reviewed by other authorities. The programming is very poor with multiple reruns and too much advertising. The office of our Councilwomen is scheduled for relocation at the end of this month.

**Ivy Street Neighbors** – Ivy Street celebrated their Annual Night Out on National Night Out with a record-breaking crowd. A new feature was added for the youth "Building a community you could be proud of." They did an outstanding job and had a one-on-one with the police and fire officials before shopping for their school supplies at our general store. The Ivy Street Neighbors are looking forward to welcoming INC for the October Meeting at District #2 Police Station.

**University Park** - Vast construction projects are rising in UP. An immense "loft" apartment building is underway in the 1900 block of South University. The new Lofts at University and Evans soon will open. A large condominium is nearing completion in the 2200 block of South University and other apartment, condominium groups, and

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### Data Corrections

Keep INC informed of changes in your organization's president and delegates. Notify the membership chair at 303-798-9306 or [kbeaudrie@totalspeed.net](mailto:kbeaudrie@totalspeed.net)

Organizations and persons not affiliated with INC should also communicate their desire to obtain this newsletter or submit address changes to the editor at 303-798-9306 or [kbeaudrie@totalspeed.net](mailto:kbeaudrie@totalspeed.net)



For the first time ever, Denver residents will have an opportunity to contribute by commenting on the quality and quantity of play areas for the city's 143,000 children via the **Playground Master Plan Survey**.

Denver Parks and Recreation (DPR) wants to know where and how children are playing in the city; community input is vital. DPR will use this valuable input to help formulate the new Playground Master Plan.

The Denver Parks and Recreation playground survey can be completed online at [www.denvergov.org](http://www.denvergov.org) (look for the Let's Play! logo) and is available in English and Spanish. Paper copies are available at all DPR recreation centers. The survey requires only a few minutes to complete. Survey responses will help provide better play areas throughout Denver.

To develop the Playground Master Plan, DPR hired consultant Moore Iacofano Goltsman, a national leader in children's environmental design and planning. With the assistance of Goltsman, Denver Parks and Recreation will consolidate information gleaned from citizen surveys, field inventories, focus groups, and advisory council input to create a document that will be the benchmark from which play environments are designed in the future. The resulting Playground Master Plan will be used extensively by DPR staff and City Council to replace, upgrade, possibly remove or relocate existing playgrounds, and to add new facilities.

"We envision Denver as a leader in providing a cohesive system of publicly funded playgrounds – playgrounds that children love – and that promote public health and active living," said DPR Manager Kim Bailey. "An important step in realizing that goal is the Playground Master Plan."

The Playground Master Plan survey is available until September 30 and will be followed by a release of the draft Playground Master Plan in the late fall. The Playground Master Plan will be completed early next year and is made possible by a grant from Great Outdoors Colorado.

For more info, please contact Pam Schooley at 720-913-0625 or [pam.schooley@ci.denver.co.us](mailto:pam.schooley@ci.denver.co.us).

## Golden Triangle Arts

The French art expression "en plein air", meaning to paint outdoors, will reach a new height in the Mile High City this year as the Golden Triangle Museum District hosts a High Plein Air Arts Festival in association with Denver Arts Week. A Super First Friday Arts Walk in the district Friday, October 5, will begin the weeklong High Plein Air Arts Festival that will continue through Friday, October 12. More than 100 local, regional, and national artists will begin with a blank canvas and create individual works outdoors and at designated locations in the Golden Triangle area located just south of downtown. Various locations for the "paint out" areas will include Acoma Plaza at the Denver Art Museum, the Denver Firefighter's Museum, The Colorado Ballet, and the 5<sup>th</sup> floor *groovetop* at Milk. Following the weeklong outdoor painting sessions, a jury of state and local art professionals including Jill Rosentrater and Dean Sobel will evaluate the artists in three categories including professional, amateur, and student. Twenty works from each category will be selected for display at three First Friday exhibitions in the Golden Triangle on November 2, located at the Byers Evans House Museum, The Art Institute of Colorado, and the Denver Public Library.

Come see original art being created outdoors between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. October 6 through October 12. For more information about the High Plein Air Arts Festival and the Golden Triangle Museum District, call (303) 534-0771 or visit [www.gtmd.org](http://www.gtmd.org).

Located south of downtown (bordered by Lincoln, Speer, Colfax, and the 13th Avenue of the Arts and within walking distance of the Convention Center), the Golden Triangle Museum District (GTMD) is a unique neighborhood and Denver's center for art and culture. The GTMD is home to eight of the city's museums including the Byers-Evans House, Colorado History Museum, Denver Art Museum (DAM), Denver Firefighters Museum, Kirkland Museum of Fine and Decorative Art, the Molly Brown House, and the Clyfford Still Museum opening in 2009.

## West Washington Park Home Tour

*"The Surprise Inside" showcases homeowners' creative thinking*

The West Washington Park Neighborhood Association (WWPNA) is proud to present the 2007 West Washington Park Home Tour on Saturday, September 8 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. This year's tour offers a great deal with eight homes in the 900-1200 blocks of South Clarkson, Emerson, and Ogden streets. Styles range from classic early century bungalows and duplexes to Victorians to a late 1940s era

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bungalow.

This year's theme, "The Surprise Inside," speaks to the fact that while these homes may look typical on the outside, once you step inside, they really shine. The homeowners have shown tremendous creativity in construction, materials, and use of space.

Even though the tour is more pedestrian-friendly this year than in years past, Mile High Pedicabs will be on hand to offer rides between venues. As in the 2005 tour, the Washington Street Community Center, at the north end of the tour route, will be offering a make-your-own sundae bar for only a dollar.

Advance tickets are \$12 and will be available beginning August 6 at Classic Homeworks, 281 South Pearl Street; the Washington Street Community Center, 809 South Washington Street; Lincoln Elementary School, 710 South Pennsylvania Street; and Home and The Range, 286 South Logan Street. Tickets are \$15 the day of the tour and will be available at each home. WWPNA members receive a \$2 discount.

Advance tickets are also available online at [wwpna.org](http://wwpna.org). Please print your receipt and bring it to the Will Call table at the Washington Street Community Center, 809 South Washington, on tour day to collect your tickets.

Proceeds will benefit WWPNA, Lincoln Elementary School, and the Washington Street Community Center. For more information, including a map, visit [wwpna.org](http://wwpna.org) and click on Home Tour.

## HOA Registration

Nine neighborhood groups registered or re-registered with Denver in July. Two-hundred and twenty-six organizations are currently registered.

**Mandatory Annual Neighborhood Registration occurs every December and January.** All groups wishing to **remain** or become registered with Denver must submit an application in December or January of each year. Denver registers neighborhood organizations to enable them to receive notification of zoning map amendments, zoning variance applications, liquor and cabaret license applications, and various other informational items. We will circulate reminders to all RNOs at that time.

The best source of neighborhood contact information remains the list published on [denvergov.org](http://denvergov.org) at Denver-Maps under "Property". If you want to bookmark that page, the link is:

<http://www.denvergov.org/denvermaps/report.asp?rpt=norg&cat=cprop&me=3106976%2C1644364%2C3255209%2C1761837>

The nine newly registered or re-registered groups are:  
Canyon Club Condominiums HOA  
Cheesman Park West Association

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bership meetings are taking up too much time. A discussion ensued regarding how the INC meetings could be better conducted. The following guidelines evolved out of a brisk discussion. Depending on the nature of the meeting (e.g., whether the meeting is to be a televised election forum):

- INC business should be conducted first. The Chair will weight the importance of matters sought to be brought by others before the general membership.
- Conservative time limits should be established for those bringing matters before the membership.

The September meeting will be held at CHUN, 1290 Williams.

Regarding the INC Dinner, Dave is still working on setting up a meeting for Larry and himself with Bill Mitchell of the Denver Metro Convention and Visitors Bureau.

There was brief discussion of the issue of overlapping boundaries for RNO's. The consensus of the committee was that this should not be a concern of the City or of INC.

Mike Henry brought up Mayor Hickenlooper's State of the City speech in which there are many references to "the common good." On one occasion in the speech, the Mayor makes reference to certain or some neighborhoods taking a narrow view of what is "for the common good." It was the consensus of the committee that there needs to be a dialogue with the Mayor regarding this statement. Precisely how this will take place is the subject of discussions with the Mayor's neighborhood liaison staff.

The meeting was adjourned at about 8:10 p.m.

## Redevelopment Workshop

The Voluntary Cleanup Advisory Board (VCAB), [www.vcab-denver.org](http://www.vcab-denver.org), a Denver-based community group overseeing the clean-up of the former Gates Rubber Plant, will host a workshop to share community skills for engaging with Brownfields Redevelopment. This workshop is open to all Coloradans and will be held at **2980 Curtis Street on September 22 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.** Please visit [www.cocobrownfields.org](http://www.cocobrownfields.org) for more information including registration and agenda or leave a message at 720-837-5446. Attendees will learn how and why communities should participate in the Brownfields clean-up and redevelopment process. "Brownfields" are sites where pollution from past uses is an obstacle to new development. Many tools exist to help developers overcome these obstacles and create cleaner, revitalized sites; however, communities are often left out of the process. **Attendance is free, but pre-registration is requested.** A light meal, childcare, and translation is provided (please indicate your needs when registering)."



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INC "A+ Committee" that studied what to do about the bad shape of Denver's public school system. The Committee recommendations include consolidating some schools and closing others while keeping the schools "mothballed" for the time when recovery will undoubtedly take place and the public demand for good public schools will rise again. The membership approved a Resolution in favor of the Committees recommendations. There were 18 ayes, 0 nays, and 3 abstentions.

ZAP – Mike Henry announced there will be a meeting with the new liquor license director, Awilda Marquez, on August 20 at 4:00 p.m. at the Ramada at Colfax and Marion.

There followed a presentation by the Colorado History Museum and their contracted representatives. The Museum needs to move to make way for a new 650,000 square-foot Colorado Judicial Center. Colorado State Historical Society (CSHS) has considered many sites but the favorite so far is on the southwest corner of Civic Center Park. In order to balance the scale of the 55,000 square-foot soon-to-be Steven Hart Library building on the northwest corner (now the Treasury office) and to be able to build a new museum of between 190,000 and 250,000 square-feet, they will need to put between 140,000 and 200,000 square feet of the new structure underground. INC was assured that there would be no rush to judgement. A decision will be made by the end of October and a recommendation will be made to the Governor. There was no reference to or timeline for recommending to the Mayor. The plan will be presented to the Legislature in January. Public meetings about the plan are being held every last Wednesday of the month at the Colorado History Museum. Call for the time.

CHUN member, Brad Cameron, presented opposition to the Museum's Civic Center location. Brad was quick to point out that his position on the CSHS plan was his own and not that of CHUN. He contended that every parcel of park open space is precious in Denver. Civic Center is an historic site and views and trees need to be preserved. The development scheme would change the nature of Civic Center Park drastically and result in congestion and traffic problems for those wanting to attend the museum.

Greater Marlee and Athmar Park neighborhoods reported that they are getting no cooperation from the City regarding burying the power transmission lines versus building new towers through Ruby Hill Park and further obliterating the view plane. The opponents to new and bigger power poles through the Park are planning to put a General Improvement District Initiative on the November ballot.

The September 8 membership meeting will address the City's Infrastructure bond issues.

The meeting was adjourned at noon.

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to help meet those goals. Please contact Drew O'Connor to get involved at [drewoconnor@chundenver.org](mailto:drewoconnor@chundenver.org).

Again, we thank each and every one of you for coming together on a very warm Saturday to celebrate, to learn and to challenge ourselves to be a part of strong neighborhoods. We look forward to the work ahead.

In partnership,

Drew O'Connor, Capitol Hill United Neighborhoods  
Anthony Thomas, Civic Association of Clayton  
Michael Henry, Inter-Neighborhood Cooperation  
Dave Webster, Inter-Neighborhood Cooperation  
Judith Martinez, Colorado Foundation for Families and Children  
John Parr, Civic Results  
Karen Cuthbertson, Athmar Park Neighborhood Association  
Loralie Cole, Cole Neighborhood Association  
Patrick Horvath, the Denver Foundation Strengthening Neighborhoods Program  
Monique Lovato, Xcel Energy  
Sarah McCarthy, Neighborhood Resource Center  
Shelley Smart, Community Resource Center  
Wendy Hawthorne, Groundwork Denver  
Bill Fulton, Civic Canopy  
Amber Callender and Heather Barry, Office of Mayor Hickenlooper



### **Shop for a Cause Saturday, October 13.**

What is Shop for a Cause? This is a one-day shopping event at Macy's stores where customers get special savings if they have in their possession a "shopping pass" obtainable through INC. INC sells these \$5 shopping passes to the event. By purchasing a shopping pass, you can support INC's Dollar Dictionary Drive while enjoying a day full of extraordinary discounts throughout any Macy's store.

#### **Where will this event be held?**

At every Macy's Store nationwide.

#### **Does Macy's keep a percentage of the ticket sales?**

No. All ticket sale proceeds go directly to INC's Dollar Dictionary Drive. For the proceeds to benefit INC's Dollar Dictionary Drive, please order your "shopping passes" through your local neighborhood organization. Your organization will assure that you get the passes prior to 'Shop for a Cause' day on October 13. Shopping passes will also be available at the September and October INC Meetings or by calling Steve Nissen at 303-733-8524.

#### **What are the special discounts?**

Savings passes entitle the bearer to special savings on se-

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lect merchandise throughout the store in addition to regular and sale merchandise specials. All day limited exclusion savings pass includes:

**20% off\* regular, sale, and clearance women's, men's, and kid's apparel and accessories; fine, bridge and fashion jewelry; bed and bath items; housewares; frames; luggage, china, crystal and silver; all kitchen and personal care electrics; and technology items.**

**10%\* off regular, sale and clearance furniture, mattresses, and rugs.**

\*EXCLUDES: Cosmetics and fragrances, fine and fashion watches, bridge sportswear, Coach, Kate Spade and Dooney and Bourke handbags, designer and bridge shoes and handbags for her, Louis Vuitton, Martha Stewart Furniture, Ralph Lauren Furniture, Bridal Kiosks, All-Clad, all Waterford, Baccarat and Lalique. ALSO EXCLUDES HIS/HERS: Oval Room, 28 Shop, St. John, Lacoste, Impulse, Polo/Ralph Lauren, Lauren and Tommy Bahama. Not valid on Everyday Values, specials (including Morning Specials), Super Buys (including fine jewelry Super Buys), Macy's Gift Cards, special orders, previous purchases, restaurants, wine, or nonmerchandise-related services; on purchases from leased departments; or as payment on credit accounts. Discount will be deducted from the current price (regular, sale or clearance, as applicable).

Cannot be combined with another savings pass or discount offers. Valid Saturday, October 13.

**Do I need to have my ticket in order to receive the discounts?** Yes. In order to receive the discounts you must present your ticket at the point of purchase.

**Is the store open to the public?**

Yes. Anyone can enter the store but only those purchasing a ticket are entitled to the special savings.

**What if someone comes to the store and does not have a ticket?** Tickets will be sold at all Macy's registers on the day of the event. However, proceeds from these in-store ticket sales will benefit Macy's designated national charities rather than INC's Dollar Dictionary Drive.

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Harkness Heighrs Neighborhood Association  
Harvey Park Improvement Association  
Historic Montclair Community Association  
Hutchinson Hills/Willow Point HO  
Inspiration Point Neighborhood Association  
Mayfair Neighbors  
Park Forest HOA  
University Park Community Council  
Washington Park East Neighborhood Association  
West Washington Park Neighborhood Association

Donations can be sent to:

Dollar Dictionary Drive  
PO Box 18347  
Denver, CO 80218

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"McMansions" are in progress. The big retail redevelopment of the former Albertsons site at Evans and South Colorado/Buchtel is fast abuilding. Denver University students are returning to UP. We extend a warm welcome to the many hundreds of new UP residents as we endeavor to integrate all this new housing and business into our historic neighborhood.

## Training Announcement

**Creating Vigilant, Prepared, and Resilient Communities for Homeland Security: A Community Outreach Approach to Homeland Security** Sponsored By *Denver Police*

**September 20 and 21,  
Denver Police Department District #2  
3921 Holly Street,  
8 a.m. to 5 p.m.**

**What is this training about?** Utilizing adult-learning principles and the problem-based learning method, this training provides an opportunity for community members to work in cross-disciplinary teams; to draw on collective skills, knowledge, and resources; and to address existing or potential homeland security threats at the community level. Course topics include Problem-Based Learning, Group Dynamics, Critical Thinking, Leadership, Community Policing, Homeland Security, Impact of Fear, Community Responsibility, Ethics, Action Planning, and Group Presentation.

**Who should attend?** Everyone interested in building partnerships and working collaboratively to make their community vigilant, prepared, and resilient including: community members; local businesses; faith-based organizations, public safety professionals, and first responders; State and local emergency management agencies; citizen corps councils and CERT, VIPs, medical reserve corps, fire corps, and neighborhood watch teams; crime prevention practitioners; nonprofits, volunteers, school groups, and government agency representatives; and elected officials.

**Cost:** There is **no-cost** for this training. **Meals and lodging are the responsibility of attendees.**

**Local Contact:** Michael Rappe 720 913-6878

### Registration Information

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Org \_\_\_\_\_

Number of team members \_\_\_\_\_

**Individual registrations must be received by September 12**

**Please mail or fax this page to:**

**Western Community Policing Institute**

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# Inter-Neighborhood Cooperation

## 2007 Membership Application

INC is a consortium of Denver neighborhood representatives who believe that neighborhood organizations deserve a greater participation in city government and possess a shared vision that individual neighborhoods are stronger when they work together and learn from one another. **To join as a member neighborhood organization, the organization must be registered with the city as a Registered Neighborhood Organization. Log on to [Denvergov.org](http://Denvergov.org) for details. The names of Patron members and associates are listed in bold in our newsletter.**



**Join as a voting neighborhood organization: Regular Member (\$35) ☐ Patron (\$75) ☐**  
See below to apply as an INC Associate

Organization name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Borders: North \_\_\_\_\_ East \_\_\_\_\_  
South \_\_\_\_\_ West \_\_\_\_\_

President's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ President is a voting delegate: ☐  
E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
**Send newsletter via: E-mail [ ☐ ] U.S. Mail [ ☐ ] Don't want newsletter [ ☐ ]**

Voting Delegate Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
**Send newsletter via: E-mail [ ☐ ] U.S. Mail [ ☐ ] Don't want newsletter [ ☐ ]**

Voting Delegate (if President is not a voting delegate)  
Delegate Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
**Send newsletter via: E-mail [ ☐ ] U.S. Mail [ ☐ ] Don't want newsletter [ ☐ ]**

**Join as a non-voting supporting Associate : Regular (\$20) ☐ Patron (\$75) ☐**

Organization Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Organization Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Agent's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
**Send newsletter via: E-mail [ ☐ ] U.S. Mail [ ☐ ] Don't want newsletter [ ☐ ]**

Bring this form to an INC meeting or mail to:

Inter-Neighborhood Cooperation  
PO Box 181009  
Denver, CO 80218-1009

## Living Green Event

What do Al Gore, Pat Robertson, Newt Gingrich, and Bonnie Raitt have in common? They are a few of the diverse mix of people who are calling for action on global warming and other environmental issues. Please plan to attend the upcoming event if you are among those who ask: "As one person, how can I make a difference?"

The Bellevue-Hale Neighborhood Association Board in cooperation with the National Jewish Medical and Research Center is hosting a sustainability-networking event - "Living Green in Our Community." This event will be held at the National Jewish Molly Blank Conference Center, 1400 Jackson Street (entrance off Colfax Avenue) on Saturday, October 27. Registration is at 8:30 a.m. and the event is from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Admission is only \$5.00 per person or \$7.00 for a family.

Representatives from Green Print Denver and Xcel Energy's Residential Energy Conservation Program will present information pertinent to their areas of concern. Following the presentations there will be breakout sessions and information booths on home energy efficiency, water conservation, transportation, recycling and proper disposal of toxic materials, living a green life, and more.

Used ink cartridges and old cell phones that have elements that are harmful to the environment will be collected at the event and the proceeds will benefit the Kunsberg

Elementary School at National Jewish Hospital.

For additional information on the event go to [www.bhna.info](http://www.bhna.info) or contact the organizers of the event at [bhna-info@yahoo.com](mailto:bhna-info@yahoo.com)

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**345 Monmouth Ave  
Monmouth, OR 97361  
Fax: 702 293-9281**

**For More Information Call: Rich Hendricks, 435 760-2471 or [Rwhendricks1@comcast.net](mailto:Rwhendricks1@comcast.net)**

**Pre-Registration is required.** Classes are filled on a first-come, first-serve basis. Participants are encouraged to attend as teams of individuals from their community. A registration form is required for each person. The class is limited to 60 persons.

This course, #AWR182, is supported and certified by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security Course, Office of Grants and Training.

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Concerned Citizens for Platte Park  
Dartmouth Downs Association  
Granville West Townhomes  
Northeast Community Congress for Education  
Park Square at Lowry Townhouse Association  
Points Historical Redevelopment Corp  
Upper Downtown Development Organization



The public is welcome to attend the meeting. Park on the streets and in the park.



**Meeting Saturday  
September 8<sup>th</sup>**  
The public  
is welcome to attend.

**Tears McFarlane  
House Annex  
1290 Williams Street  
In the rear**

**See map on page 11**

**8:30 a.m.**

Coffee and Chat

**9:00 a.m.**

Welcome by  
Councilwoman Robb  
and CHUN Representatives

**9:05 a.m.**

Around the City

**9:40 a.m.**

Updates of Issues  
Ruby Hill View Plan  
Colorado History Museum  
and City Park

**9:50 a.m.**

Break

**10:00 a.m.**

Discussion of the Infrastructure  
Bond Issue  
with Frances Koncilja, the Execu-  
tive Committee, and Council-  
woman Jeanne Faatz

**11:00 a.m.**

Break

**11:10 a.m.**

Education, Zoning and Planning,  
Public Safety, and Transportation  
committee reports, breakout  
meetings, and updates on issues.

**Inter-Neighborhood Cooperation**  
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