Neighborhood Notification Change By Julia Jackson, City Council

Dear Denver Registered Neighborhood Organization, we are pleased to announce that, beginning May 17th, the Denver City Council is launching a new website that will consolidate all legislative information into a simple-to-navigate, searchable website. Meeting schedules, minutes, agendas, and video will be more transparent and accessible to the public, allow for more timely distribution of materials, and increase access to documents previously only available through extensive searching on the City Council's old site. You can find our new website at **www.denvergov.org/citycouncil** beginning May 17th.

In order to meet the requirements of the Denver Revised Municipal Code, Section 12-96, regarding RNO notification of pending zoning-language amendments, we will be sending notification emails from the City and County Email Subscription service at www.denvergov.org/subscriptions effective May 17th.

To continue receiving notification, you must follow this link, create an account, and sign • up for the "City Council Legislative Notices" alerts. You will receive a weekly notice with the link to the RNO notification, as well as weekly agendas and meeting schedules.

Unless you specifically request to receive future notices via U.S. mail, we will assume that you agree to receive all future notifications via e-mail through the new subscription service. We will discontinue sending email notification directly from our office effective May 17th.

We look forward to keeping you informed about Denver City Council; feel free to contact us should you have any question about this notice at dence@denvergov.org or 720-865-9534.

Information from **Councilman Doug Linkhart**

Denver youth ages 17 and younger will have access to recreation centers and pools FREE of charge from June 4th through August 14th, courtesy of a generous \$150,000 grant from Kaiser Permanente. This is the second year that Kaiser Permanente has supported the free summer recreation program helping kids have access to a safe environment.

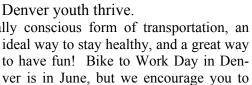
Free summer recreation complements the My Place Program launched in 2008. This program gives Denver Public Schools students attending elementary and middle

school where 75-percent or more students receive a free or reduced lunch and the opportunity for a free one-year membership to their neighborhood recreation center. These opportunities support our work to help Denver youth thrive.

Bicycling provides people an environmentally conscious form of transportation, an

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think of every day as Bike to Work Day.

With more than 350 miles of bike paths and 300 days of sunshine, Denver was built for biking. We encourage you to reach out to your neighbors to set up "commuter convoys" to ride together as a group to work or for fun! Visit Denver's website to access the Denver Bike Map to find paths and trails.

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Ball Park Neighborhood Assn

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Capitol Hill United Neighborhoods

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Filing One

Curtis Park Neighbors

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Elyria Swansea/Globeville Business Assn.

Far Northeast Neighbors, Inc George Washington Homeowner's Assn. Inc.

Globeville Civic Assn #1

Golden Triangle Assn. of Denver

Golden Triangle Museum District Greater Mar-Lee Community Org

Greater Park Hill Community, Inc.

Green Valley Ranch Citizen's Advisory Board

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Highland United Neighbors Inc. Hilltop Heritage Assn LLC

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Homeowners Assn

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Lowry Community Master Assn Lowry United Neighborhoods

Master Homeowner Assn for Green Valley Ranch

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Overland Park Neighborhood Assn

Park Forest Homeowner's Assn Platt Park Peoples Assn Rangeview Neighborhood Assn Rosedale Harvard Gulch N.A. Ruby Hill Neighborhood Assn -RHINO

Sloan's Lake Neighborhood Assn South City Park Neighborhood Assn South Hilltop Neighborhood Assn

Southmoor Park East Homeowners Assn

Southmoor Park Homeowners Assn Southwest Improvement Council -SWIC

Stapleton Master Community Assn

Stapleton United Neighbors Sunnyside United Neighbors, Inc The Unsinkables

University Hills Neighborhood
Assn

University Park Community Council

Upper Downtown Development Org

Villa Park Neighborhood Assn Virginia Village/Ellis Community Assn

Warrens University Community Council

Washington Park East Neighborhood Assn

West Highland Neighborhood Assn West University Community Assn (WUCA)

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Delegates' Meetings are held on the second Saturday of each month at 9:00 a.m. See this issue for location.

The INC Executive Committee meets monthly at 1201 Williams Street in the 19th floor meeting room.

RNOs are welcome to reprint the articles in their own newsletters.

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Get more bikes on the streets and trails of Denver to make a healthier, greener city. Visit bike league for more information or additional ideas for your community. Be the Denver Difference and celebrate Bike to Work Month in your neighborhood.



Executive Committee Recap By Ray Ehrenstein

The INC Executive Committee (EC) was called to order by Chair Steve Nissen at 1201 Williams Street at 7:00 p.m. on Monday May 10th. Other officers present were Vice-Chair Brad Zieg, Secretary Ray Ehrenstein, Treasurer Karen Cuthbertson, and Delegates-At-Large Larry Ambrose, William Cornell, and Randle Loeb. George Mayl was excused; Eugene Howard was absent. Also present were Membership/Newsletter Chair Ken Beaudrie, Parks and Recreation Committee Co-Chairs Larry Ambrose and Katie Fisher, Safety Committee Chair Anthony Thomas, and Zoning and Planning Committee Chair Michael Henry. William Cornell also represented the Education Committee.

A motion to approve the April EC minutes passed unanimously. Treasurer Cuthbertson presented a draft Treasurer's Report since the transfer of some pertinent information is still in progress between her and former Treasurer Nissen. Karen presented two bills from Ken Beaudrie for reimbursement; Chair Nissen authorized the dispersal. Karen and Brad will contact Al Habercorn regarding the annual review of INC's financial records and have the results by the next EC meeting.

DDD report: Steve Nissen reported that the DDD has received \$13,700 with expenditures of \$1,755 leaving a current bank balance of a little over \$12,000. Steve said the response rate from the solicitation letters has reached six percent. Larry proposed that we contact Gully Stanford regarding the DDD. Larry believes that Mr. Stanford would be able to help us get grants; Nissen will follow up with a call to Mr. Stanford.

Membership report: Ken says that at present we have 79 RNO members with 17 being Patrons and 26 Associate members with 10 as Patrons. Ken brought a list of former member RNOs annotated by last membership year. He recommends that EC members call the missing members to encourage their renewed support. Ken noted that the size of the newsletter has exceeded the one-ounce limit bumping the postage cost up to 61 cents per mailing. After discussion, Ken agreed to try to keep the newsletter under one ounce (12 pages).

Speaking on behalf of the Education Committee, William Cornell recalled the discussion at their meeting about the role of our Education Committee. "Are we mediators, interventionists, or facilitators?" William suggests that we dedicate one of INC's regular meetings to an Education Round Table. After discussion, it was determined that August would be a good time for this to occur since it could coincide with the DDD's regular labeling of the dictionaries and thesauruses at Morey Middle-school.

Parks and Recreation Committee (INC PR): Larry and Katie reported that Angela Casias will present the two types of dog-waste dispensers at the regular INC meeting on May 8th. Katie said that INC should present RNOs with information about the availability of these dispensers and ask those RNOs to find volunteers to refill them; but she noted that INC is not responsible for the installation of the dispensers. (It should be noted that some of us have already volunteered to keep the dog-waste bag-dispensers filled.) Katie reported that the issue of the Parks and Recreations Notification Policy is being undertaken by a subcommittee of Cathy Donohue, Carolyn Etter, and Diana Helper. They drafted a proposed tweaking of the City's new zoning code as it relates to Parks, especially in dealing with oversized structures in Denver parks. Larry reiterated the huge size possible for a structure having a 3,000 square -foot footprint. In addition, we were encouraged to attend the City's Amenities Committee meeting on Wednesday, May 11th.

Public Safety Committee (PSC): Chair Anthony Thomas believes that this Committee should be broadened to include more than just the police; he recommends including firefighters and paramedics. Randle pointed out that a "People Living in Public Places Committee" existed that was the antecedent to the Mayor's "Commission to End Homelessness." He recommends that representatives be included in the PSC to speak on behalf of these "most vulnerable" members of our population. Anthony reported that the City does have staffed stations where they can monitor CDOT, DPD, as well as Halo cameras. Right now the City owns 80 cameras and, by January 1st, hopes to add 25 more. Anthony would like to see a neighborhood representative from each of Denver's four police districts on the Committee and all agreed to encourage citizen participation from within our member RNOs. Karen volunteered to contact the new Manager of Safety about speaking to INC after he has had a few months to settle into his job.

Transportation: Brad reported that he attended the Strategic Parking Planning Meeting. He said if we loved zoning, we would love this! Parking in Denver is at 85-percent of capacity. The City wants to direct us to the other 15-percent.

Zoning and Planning Committee (ZAP): Michael Henry told us that there would not be an INC ZAP meeting this May. Michael would like someone other than himself to go to the public hearing on June 21st to speak on behalf

of INC. Ken had us clarify that this would be a reading of the finalized INC Statement on Zoning.

Ray will send the updated by-laws to all members of the EC. Steve asked the Committee Chairs to submit their budgets soon so that we could proceed with INC's complete budget. The website update was discussed. Ken suggested that put our need for help into the INC Newsletter. Steve asked for a budget proposal for this project. Karen and William agreed to work on this. In addition, it was determined that the City's Notification Ordinance should be published on the INC's website. Michael Henry is hosting a potluck for the EC members, past Chairs, and significant others on July 17th at 1201 Williams. The Annual Denver Neighborhood Conference is June 5th as is The Peoples' Fair. Katie volunteered to staff the INC table at the Conference. There was discussion about possible speakers for future meetings. The EC meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

Delegation Recap By Ray Ehrenstein

President Steve Nissen called the INC Delegates Meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. We were welcomed by Jane Lorimer of George Washington H.O.A. Jane then introduced Jim Mauck, President of the George Washington H.O.A. Jim gave a brief history of the neighborhood including that it is composed of the Winston Downs and Lee subdivisions. The members, after struggling with the name issue, could not agree on a name change and thus the organization remains George Washington H.O.A. Jim welcomed us to Fallis Elementary; we learned that Fallis had been closed for three or four years but is now to re-open as "Denver Green School." Jim introduced Councilwoman Marcia Johnson, praising the Councilwoman for her availability and responsiveness to their neighborhood organization, and then wished her a happy Mother's Day! Marcia Johnson informed us that District Five has the most parkways in Denver. The District is mostly residential and very stable although the new Lowry neighborhood is a story unto itself. She invited us to drive down to Lowry Vista; her proposal that it be rezoned has caused controversy. pointed out that the 100 acres of wetlands at the base of the dam are largely inaccessible to the public and her proposed two blocks of road and adjacent parking will open these to school busses and less mobile members of the public. Responding to neighbors' concerns, she pointed out that when the wildlife was disturbed during construction of the cap over the landfill, the birds returned and the wildlife experts she has consulted say the wildlife will return once more after her proposal is completed. Marcia also had new information on childcare facilities in Denver. Each is being allowed 12 children and she suggested that this matter needs more citizen input. Johnson closed with praise for George Washington Neighborhood pursuing the cause of re -opening Fallis as a part of DPS and as a "Green School." Chair Nissen announced the decision of the Executive Committee to propose that the Delegates Meeting Minutes be approved at each succeeding Delegates Meeting rather than being approved at the EC meeting as has been done. It was moved by Michael Henry and seconded by Ray Ehrenstein that we do so. All 31 voting delegates approved this change. The minutes were then approved by the delegation. Katie Fisher asked that delegates read the minutes in the Denver Neighborhood Connection before meetings in case they believe an error exists. Steve asked that those writing on the "Around the City" clipboard do so legibly and to sign their name. Statements made during the oral session of "Around the City" will appear in the newsletter under the "Around the City" column rather than in the minutes. Nissen sent around a second clipboard for neighborhood sign-up to host INC meetings of the delegation. Michael Henry added that this is one of the wonderful things about the INC - that we are able to meet all around the City and learn about the many different Denver neighborhoods. Steve asked us to be sure and pick up a copy of Washington Park's newspaper *The Profile* as this issue features our own Diana Helper. The Chair thanked Diana for all her efforts. The Chair introduced ZAP Committee Chair Michael Henry who led us in reviewing the proposed INC Zoning Code Statement ahead of voting on it. Michael told us that he has had the honor of serving as the Neighborhoods Representative to the Zoning Code Task Force for five years. He quipped, "It has been an honor although it has not al-ways been a pleasure!" He stated that the INC ZAP committee meetings have been the best attended and praised INC members for giving meaningful input throughout the development of the New Zoning Code. He then reviewed the INC Zoning Code Statement. He clarified that the Maximum Lot Coverage for the Suburban House form in Urban Edge neighborhoods is still 37.5% (as it was in Draft 4) and not 50% as mistakenly written in Draft 4.1. Regarding Parks, Michael says that in the initial zoning in the parks statement, the entire authority was given to the Manager of Parks and Recreation. Now in "an artful compromise," Michael says there will be a separate City Ordinance in the Parks Chapter of the Municipal Code presented in about two weeks to the City Council to ensure that any new building over 3,000 square feet must be part of a Park Plan that has already been approved by the City Council. Larry Ambrose, co-Chair of the INC Parks and Recreation Committee (INC PR), pointed out that a 3,000 square foot footprint would permit a structure 35 feet high that could translate into a 9,000-plus square foot building that is just too big in a park. Larry noted that the INC P&R Committee has concerns that park zoning is being transferred from the elected City Council to the Manager of Parks and Recreation; an appointed position. After further discussion, the INC Zoning Statement was presented to the

delegates for a vote that passed unanimously by the 31 voting delegates.

Jane Lorimer of George Washington H.O.A. introduced our featured speaker, Michele Ostrander, of the Susan G. Komen Cancer Foundation. Michele recognized Ms. Lorimer as being a volunteer for Komen.

rado; the criteria for using them are: the person must live in Colorado, be a citizen of the U.S., and be between the ages of 40 and 64. There also are income guidelines that, however, are quite high - up to 250 percent of the poverty level. If a woman is diagnosed with breast cancer at a clinic, she can receive Medicaid for her entire program of treatment.



Michele Ostrander queries the delegates.

Photo by Ken Beaudrie

Michele informed us of an unfortunate statistic: one in seven people are diagnosed with breast cancer in Colorado compared with a one in eight ratio in the U.S. overall. It is not known why the Colorado rate is higher. The Komen Foundation was started in 1982 as a promise by Nancy Bricker to her sister Susan who died of breast cancer at the age of 36. Since then, Komen has become the largest such organization in the world. Now they are the largest funder of breast cancer research outside of the Federal Government in the U.S. The Komen mission is to put an end to breast cancer. There are 123 affiliates across the nation; in Colorado there are three. They held 14 international "Race for the Cure" events last year. An event was held last year for the first time in Israel and they held a race around the pyramids in Egypt. Seventy-five percent of their raised money goes back into the communities involved while the remaining goes to the headquarters in Dallas where the money is distributed in research grants. Last year the Denver affiliate raised \$1 million and received \$1.4 million from the national office. In our affiliate, they only spent thirteen percent for overhead costs.

Some statistics: Almost 200,000 women were diagnosed with breast cancer last year; forty thousand died from the disease. Men also get breast cancer; about 2,000 men die each year from this cancer. Denver's first "Race for the Cure" was in 1994 at Washington Park with about 4,000 participants. Last year's race had over 55,000 participants. Women's Wellness Connection (WWC), a federal program, is funded through the Center for Disease Control in all 50 states. There are 120 such clinics in Colo-

However, if a woman is diagnosed by a private physician instead of at a clinic, she cannot access Medicaid for her treatments. Therefore, it is very important for women to know to go to these WWC clinics first so that they may qualify for Medicaid. Komen worked with the American Cancer Society last year to pass the Breast Cancer License Plate Bill. Prior to last year in Colorado, the Breast Cancer license plate did not raise money for breast cancer; rather, the money went to roads and transportation. Now a \$25 add-on fee directs funds to breast cancer efforts. Komen provides funding for persons who fall between the cracks in qualifying for funding such as women under the age of 40 and men who are diagnosed with breast cancer. If you would like a complete list of the grantees of Komen to share with your organization, please give Michele a call. If the cancer is detected while it is still in the breast, the survival rate is 98-percent. Komen also provides money for support groups such as Project Angel Heart that provides home-delivered meals for the family plus programs that assist in mortgage payments, rent, and utilities. Recently, the U.S. Preventative Task Force came out with new guidelines that stated that women under the age of 50 did not need mammograms; Komen has been fighting this position. Recently in Washington D.C., there is a provision in the new Health Care Bill that allows coverage of mammograms for women between 40 and 49, but it is not mandated. So Komen is encouraging us to talk to our federal legislators to change the reform bill to include the younger group in the new insurance programs. This year's Race for

the Cure is October 3rd at the Pepsi Center. Komen has volunteers to speak at your neighborhood meetings.

Dollar Dictionary Chair Steve Nissen reported that the DDD has reached \$12,000, halfway to the \$24,000 goal. Zoning and Planning Committee Chair Michael Henry reported that there will not be another 4.1 Zoning Code but that links will be available for additions. He also told us that there would not be a regular INC ZAP meeting in May. INC Parks and Recreation Committee (INC PR) Co-Chairs Katie Fisher and Larry Ambrose invited neighbors to the May meeting at The Heritage Club on Tuesday, May 18th for a "very lively meeting." Larry said neighbors living close to parks especially should attend. Angela Casias showed the delegates the two types of dog waste-bag dispensers being offered by Denver Parks and Recreation for installation in the Parks. She asked the delegates to locate



volunteers from within their RNOs to install and fill the dispensers in neighboring parks. Angela said that the dispensers usually would be affixed to existing poles. She will look into the question of who might be given the keys to the locked (green) type of dispensers. There is a Parks and Recreation Sub-Committee consisting of Carolyn Etter (former Manager of Denver Parks and Recreation), Cathy Donohue (former City Council-person), and Diana Helper that has worked on the clarification of Denver Parks and Recreation's Public Notification Policy. The group has begun with the INC PR's own Policy Statement on Public

Photo by Ray Ehrenstein

Notification and Civic Engagement and tweaked it with neighbors' concerns. Carolyn Etter read the policy as amended by the sub-committee and offered it to the membership for a vote as the INC's position. The major thrust was that all Denver citizens as well as neighbors of Denver Parks and Recreation Centers be given ample opportunity for input and comment "regarding proposed actions that would impact Denver's Parks and Parkways, and input on planning, policies, development, uses, or programs for parks or park facilities." The "draft" recommendation was passed by all 27 remaining voting delegates. Chair Nissen adjourned the meeting at 11:50 a.m.



ABC Streets Assn. - Open Air Cinema (OAC) is going ahead with plans to close a large section of City Park in 2011 for outdoor movies. There apparently will be no renegotiation of the contract even though OAC cancelled movies for Civic Center this year. Denver Parks and Recreation (P&R) intends to go ahead with the policy on admissions-based events in spite of public opposition. ABC Streets Association is urging everyone to contact P&R manager Kevin Patterson, the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, and City Council to ask for this policy to be rejected. Dave Felice also stated that it needs to be clarified who will take care of Denver's parkways. Are they a part of Parks and Recreation as is stated in the Charter or the responsibility of Public Works in which case he thinks the Parkways will suffer? Dave lamented that an "offroad" turn lane has been created by motorists turning off 17th Avenue onto Colorado Boulevard.

Bellevue-Hale N.A. – Brad Zieg asked us to applaud Larry Ambrose for his run for public office, the highest form of civic responsibility. There was a warm round of applause! Brad said there was a meeting at Jeannie Robb's office

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called by Volunteers of America to inform and reach the neighbors in Bellevue-Hale about establishing transitional housing for returning women war veterans. Bradley was proud to say that neighbors heartily endorsed the plan.

Capitol Hill United Neighborhoods (CHUN) - Michael affirms that CHUN has the most interesting problems. He told us that a new lesbian-oriented bar has gone in on East Colfax. CHUN had no problem with the establishment; however only a short time elapsed before there was a stabbing at the bar. Then at the next CHUN meeting, the "stabbee" showed up to explain her side of the story. Randle Loeb informs us that the Colorado Children's Choir will perform to benefit Denver's homeless on May 22nd at Coor's Field. Katie Simons is coordinating the event; Randle is on the steering committee. They need 250 volunteers. Come out to the Peoples' Fair June 4th through June 6th in Civic Center Park. Moreover, on June 13th from 10 a.m. until noon, the Mental Health Fair will present Community Models of Recovery at the First Unitarian Society of Denver, 1400 Lafayette Street. Providers of services throughout the Metro Region will be exhibiting. All are welcome to attend these fairs.

Cherry Creek North Neighborhood Assn. – Discussions continue between the Business Improvement District (BID) and the Cherry Creek Neighbors concerning the fate of Talmore Plaza. The Neighborhood Association held two meetings with a vote taken with the majority wanting to keep the plaza. The BID Board has voted for a hybrid design that would put a two-lane street through the plaza with the capability of being closed for events. At this point, there has been no resolution of the opposing views. The neighborhood is following the development of light-rail and the concepts of closing neighborhood streets to expand plazas that she says is accepted in Europe although not so much in the U.S.

Curtis Park Neighbors – Curtis Park has established funding and then gone out and improved neglected properties that negatively reflect upon their neighborhood.

Denver Parks and Recreation (P&R) – Angela Casias says P&R is hosting a weeklong celebration of City Park starting on May 31st. Among the events is the lighting of the Darlington fountain that is repaired after the lightning strike. Now it has a new feature – a lightning detector. She then passed out a calendar of events to Celebrate City Park Week and a locator map to the Park. "Spring into Health" will be at the Denver Zoo; "Silver Sneakers" also will be there. There will be a Tai Chee demonstration and other events pertaining to seniors. She wants us to join the P&R at the Zoo on June 13th when Tom Green of Denver's Channel 2 will be the keynote speaker. P&R has found sponsors for two recreation centers, Globeville and Johnson, and they are excited about that.

George Washington H.O.A. (GWHOA) – GWHOA was proud to host INC on May 8th - our first time to host, ever. We are working on support for Denver Green School's

opening in August, the Eastside Mobility Plan, and are monitoring Lowry Vista and Buckley Annex Developments. Concerns that we are addressing include increased burglaries and speeding vehicles. Our Annual Meeting was held on April 16th. Jane Lorimer says her neighbors have concerns about an increase in door-to-door salespersons that may possibly be connected to an increase in burglaries in those same blocks; the police are investigating a connection. They also have a problem with speeding trucks such as UPS vehicles.

Green Valley Ranch Citizens' Advisory Board – August 13th and 14th will be the grand opening of the Doctor Evie Garrett Dennis E-12 campus located on Green Valley Ranch Boulevard between Tower Road and Pena Boulevard. Activities and times are still to be determined. There will be a concert and fireworks show on the fourteenth featuring Hazel Miller.

Golden Triangle Museum District (GTMD) – Golden Triangle hosts a collaborative bus between the Santa Fe Art District and GTMD on First Fridays from 5 to 9 p.m. Please visit (voluntarily, that is) the new Vancise-Simone Detention Center now open. Paul Fiorino reported that the new Justice Center opened to great fanfare. Now Elati Street goes through to Colfax. The new Police Museum will take its place in the old jail. The old Colorado History Museum will be demolished piece by piece; it will not be imploded. Mr. Fiorino announced that he will run as an unaffiliated candidate for Governor of Colorado and has petitions to get on the ballot on the rear table.

Hutchison Hills/Willow Point H.O.A. – Marlene and Judy report that CDOT and the City continue to fight with the neighbors over maintaining the sidewalks along Hampden. As an example of bureaucratic redundancy: Rocks have been placed in concrete alongside the sidewalk, torn out, and then replaced again. Stay tuned.

Inspiration Point N.A. – Ray Sturns expressed concerned with off-leash dogs in their parks as well as the bus accidents occurring in their neighborhood. Ray believes that more stringent testing, especially of contract bus drivers, may be needed.

Lowry United Neighborhoods – On June 5th from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., electronics recycling will be available next to hangar two (right of Quebec Street behind the Albertsons supermarket). Anything with a plug will be accepted but there is a \$8 fee for computer monitors, a \$10+ fee for televisions depending upon size, and a \$5 fee for CPUs. The fees help pay for the cost of proper disposal. There will be a shredder for personal papers and, at 3 p.m., ARC will pick up donated items left over from the All-Lowery garage sale (from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m.). This is a great time to shop for kids' things.

Mayfair Park N.A. – Thanks to Councilwoman Marsha Johnson, Mayfair Park is now zoned Urban Edge instead of Suburban and they are happy about that. Elaine Carr re-

minded us that this was the last day of the Botanic Gardens plant sale.

Mayor's Office – Heather Barry informs us that the neighborhood conference, "The Denver Difference, Block by Block," will be held the same day, June 5th, as the Peoples' Fair and the Lowry event. There was give and take as to how neighbors could best fit in the conference, the Peoples' Fair, and the Lowry recycling on the same day.

Overland Park N.A. – Ray Ehrenstein stated that all Denver neighbors interested in the proposed re-design of Overland Golf Course by the City as well as Jeff Shoemaker's complete RINO/RISO presentation should attend John Collins Church (corner of West Iliff Avenue and South Bannock Street) on Thursday, May 27th at 6:00 p.m.

Sloan's Lake N.A. – Larry Ambrose reported that planners are getting ready for the Dragon Boat Festival. Larry also spoke about his race for the District One City Council seat. He admitted, "It is really hard to beat a great tamale." He was in a field of 10 candidates and felt that he and the other participants have succeeded in raising many good issues that should help Paula Sandoval in dealing with District One. He wishes her well and looks forward to working with her. Larry further informed us of an article in a new magazine about neighborhoods in which there is an article about "Neighborhood Flags!" He challenged us again to the Neighborhood Flag Competition. Sloan's Lake N.A. has passed a resolution expressing concern that the MU-5 zoning being designated for the Saint Anthony Hospital site allows exceptionally tall and out-of-scale buildings to exist adjacent to existing single-family residential neighborhoods and is inconsistent with the Saint Anthony Redevelopment Plan.

Stapleton United Neighborhoods – Andrew says that the Park and Ride there will be taken down piece-by-piece, not blown up as he might wish. There should be a newer transit center in the next couple of years. A new 60-unit complex for low-income residents has been approved and they are happy about that.

University Park Community Council – University Park has a new playground that has an astronomical theme. The new playground will be dedicated on May 22nd at 5:15 p.m. followed by a pot-luck picnic and stargazing. Also, sidewalks are being constructed on the south side of the Buchtel Boulevard parkway. Diana Helper says they have new officers who are all good, young people with small children that she finds delightful. She figures that the old folks on the board will balance with the young ones. Mary Myers reported that the Buchtel Boulevard/Parkway Coalition has requested that the stoplight at Buchtel and South Saint Paul Street be changed to a four-way stop; the City is doing a traffic study in this regard.

Vicki Gritters – Vicki asked, "How many people can live in a 1,200 square foot house?" Michael Henry said the Denver Zoning Code imposes no limit as to the number of family members who can live in a house. However, if

there is a health issue by having too many people, the Department of Environmental Health can check on the situation. Additionally, Karen Cuthbertson provided information that the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment requires that every dwelling unit shall contain at least one hundred fifty square feet of floor space for the first occupant and at least one hundred square feet of floor space for each additional occupant.

Virginia Village/Ellis Community Assn. – Diane Wolta informed us that their neighborhood now has the only Bocce Ball courts in Denver at Cherry Creek South and South Holly. They also have a great new coffee shop, their first.

West Highland N.A. – Bill Johnson says that neighbors have successfully filed an application for a second historic district in West Highland, The Ghost Historic District. Interestingly, Bill reported that the application fee has jumped from \$200 to \$1,000. It was explained to Bill that this was because the new district had more than 200 structures.

West University Community Assn. – Katie Fisher says to be prepared for graduations at D.U. during May and June when the Regis Center is rented out for high school graduations. Katie says that parking will be a big concern.

West Washington Park N.A. – Gertie Grant has a Washington Park Guide available for \$7.75 from Friends and Neighbors of Washington Park (FANS). In addition, Gertie told us that her Washington Park neighborhood has worked very hard to change Emerson and Washington Streets to two-way streets. Although those streets remain one-way in spite of the neighbors' best efforts, the neighbors have succeeded in getting the City to take out the traffic lights along them and convert those intersections to four-way stops instead. Motorists are finding that traffic actually moves better. (See Mary Myer's efforts above.)

Whittier N.A. – Whittier is holding a neighborhood yard sale on Saturday, June 5th starting at 8 a.m. Look for signs. Whittier is bounded east to west by York and Downing Streets and north to south by Martin Luther King Boulevard and 23rd Avenue. Participating addresses will be listed on www.WhittierNieghborhood.org. For more information, call 303-296-1680. Linda says her neighbors are concerned about the new zoning that may disrupt the old housing stock (mostly Victorian) and change the neighborhood to mixed use in spite of the form based nature of its structures.

Justice Center Operations

The Justice Center Operations Committee was established in April to provide communication and input from the community and to address any neighborhood concerns related to the operations of the Van Cise – Simonet Detention Facility and the Courthouse. The Mayor has appointed representatives from City Council, District and County Courts, Denver Police, Denver Sheriff, Public Defenders Office, Private Bail Bonding, and Neighborhood and Business Associations. Steve Lawrence, President of Stapleton United Neighbors was appointed to represent INC. Current topics under discussion include

- Tooley Plaza signage and neighborhood way-finding including directions to and from Light Rail and RTD bus stops.
- 2. Parking signage and availability in the adjacent public garage.
- 3. Leasing of retail space on the ground level of the parking structure.
- 4. Planning for community dedication ceremonies for the facilities.

Prior to the Detention Facility's formal operations, members of the community were invited to volunteer for an overnight stay in a new cell and experience the process of intake, booking, search, sleeping and eating in the new Pods, and release. Steve says he "was very impressed with the facility and the professionalism of the Sheriff Department's staff...and the food was very good too."

The Justice Center Operations Committee will meet monthly. If you have questions or input, contact Steve at SteveLawrence@2111USA.com.

CHUN Peoples' Fair By Mike Henry

The Capitol Hill United Neighbors (CHUN) Peoples' Fair is one of the largest two-day festivals in the country with over 250,000 fairgoers and is one of Colorado's longest-running outdoor urban festivals featuring handmade arts and crafts, food from local restaurants, and live local entertainment. Special features of the Peoples' Fair include a wine pavilion (in its fourth year), the Mural Project (groups of Denver youth design and create theme-based murals during the Fair), and a continually-growing Kids and Family Area with kids craft projects, a carnival, and much more

This year's Fair will continue to showcase live local entertainment on six stages. The CHUN Main Stage will be located at the Greek Amphitheatre, the perfect setting to listen to your favorite band. The eclectic musical line-up will once again feature the highly-popular Nicole Sommers and the Dazzling Divas. Also on the Main Stage lineup is Hazel Miller, Buckner Funken Jazz, and Boa and the Con-

strictors. Other stages include the Miller Lite Stage, the Pepsi Stage on the interior of the park, the Performance and Cultural Stage Presented by Exempla, the Colfax and Bannock Stage, and the Studio 1430 Bandstand. Other notable bands playing the Fair this year include Judge Roughneck, Dirty Back Seat Lovers, the Trampolines, and Union Remains.

Purchase a \$2 raffle ticket (or 3 for \$5) for a chance to win one of two Kymco People Scooters! The Peoples' Fair is once again teaming up with Sportique Scooters and raffling off one scooter per day on the CHUN Main Stage (Greek Amphitheater). The winner need not be present to win.

Located adjacent to the Studio 1430 Bandstand will be the Studio 1430 Wine Pavilion, sponsored by Ravenswood. In its fifth year at the Fair, the Wine Pavilion continues to be a place of relaxation in the middle of an active Civic Center Park. Fairgoers will again be able to relax in the shade, enjoy listening to jazz, swing, and big band music on the Studio 1430 Bandstand while sipping a quality glass of wine.

The kids and family area will again be located centrally in the Park and will continue to incorporate the traditional face painting, caricature artists, the bubble tower, kids crafts projects run by KOSI 101 and Grant Family Farms, as well as educational exhibits.

With over 250 artists displaying their hand-crafted goods, the Peoples' Fair is Colorado's Premier Arts and Crafts Festival. Artists from across the country make the trip to Denver each year to sell jewelry, wearable art, glass items, clay sculptures, wood carvings, and much, much more. When considering pricing and selection, there is truly something for everyone at the Peoples' Fair.

More than 30 different food vendors serving a variety of festival food will be dishing up delectable treats. Baklava and gyros, barbeque, chocolate-dipped fruits, dumplings and noodles, as well as husk-roasted corn and turkey legs—all can be found at the People's Fair along with many more delicious treats! Food courts will again be located on Bannock Street and Broadway.

The Street Side Mural Project returns to the Fair near the non-profit booths and the Performance and Cultural Stage Presented by Exempla. Current groups include Urban Peak, Ridgeview Academy, Access Gallery, and Colorado's Finest Alternative High School, ACE Challenge School and Boys and Girls Club-Wilfey branch. These teams will be designing and creating six- by eight-foot murals on the fairgrounds. This year's theme of "Peace and Unity" should encourage an exciting display of original art created by area youth.

Other important details and guidelines: no pets allowed – with the exception of service animals; no out-side alcohol, drugs, or weapons; no rollerblades, skateboards, or bicycles in the fairgrounds; and all bags are subject to search at any time within boundaries of the fairgrounds.



The Molkery was originally constructed in 1888 as the Montclair Molkery and Hotel. Denver acquired the building in 1908 and has managed it as part of the Montclair Park since that time. The Molkery is a designated Denver Landmark. This three-story masonry and frame structure received a major rehabilitation to restore the historic features of the building and adapt it for use as a community center.



Inter-Neighborhood Cooperation 2010 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 for details. The names of Patron members and associates are listed in bold in our newsletter.



We wish to donate \$ to the Dollar Dic	tionary Drive.	
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Bring this form to an INC meeting or mail to:

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Meeting Saturday June 12th

The public is welcome to attend.

The Molkery 6820 E 12th Ave

See map on page 10

8:30 a.m.

Coffee and Chat

9:00 a.m.

Welcome by Angela Casias of Denver Parks and Recreation and Councilwoman Marcia Johnson

9:10 a.m.

INC Business

9:20 a.m.

Around the City

10:15 a.m.

Break

10:30 a.m.

Phil Washington General Manager of RTD

11:10 a.m.

Gordon Robertson Denver Parks and Recreation Park Highlights City Wide

11:40 a.m.

Committee Reports

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