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JEFFERSON PARK NEWS

A PUBLICATION OF JEFFERSON PARK UNITED NEIGHBORS A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION SERVING OUR NEIGHBORHOOD

JPUN GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Tuesday, April 10, 6:30–8:00pm
Tuesday, May 8, 6:30–8:00pm
Riverside Church
2401 Alcott St. | Rear Chapel
info@jpun.org
All are welcome

LAND-USE COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, April 5, 6:30–8:00pm
Thursday, May 3, 6:30–8:00pm
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You may continue to receive a hard copy of the newsletter from time to time. Feel free to share this with a friend, a new neighbor or consider posting a copy in your building’s common area to keep everyone in your complex abreast of what’s happening in Jeff Park.

Send your e-news request to newsletter@jpun.org and type “E-NEWS PLEASE” in the subject line.

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THE PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE OF THE PLATTE RIVER

How this historic river will become a catalyst for Denver development

Much like the river, The Greenway Foundations (TGF) projects span Denver from the Globeville Landing to the Chatfield Storage Reallocation project. Join TGF’s Executive Director, Jeff Shoemaker at JPUN’s April meeting as he discusses how TGF has focused its mission to “revitalize waterways and connect communities”. One of these future connections points will be the River Mile project to be built on the current Elitch Gardens site.

Jeff will also discuss how TGF, since its founding in 1974, has championed the efforts to reclaim the South Platte River and its numerous tributaries from polluted eyesores into nationally recognized environmental and recreational amenities. The South Platte River watershed, metro-wide, now enjoys over 100 miles of interconnected multi-use trails, over 100 acres of parks and natural areas and over 100,000 linear feet of revitalized water quality enhancements to where the South Platte, in the heart of Denver, is healthy enough to sustain cold water fish species including rainbow trout. The \$500 Million+ collective investment in the watershed is directly related to over



Courtesy of The Greenway Foundation

\$50 Billion of related economic value to the surrounding area that would not exist but for the recreational and environmental health of these priceless urban waterways.

In addition, TGF has created and oversees an award-winning Youth Education Program – SPREE (South Platte River Environmental Education), numerous cultural and community events as well as a variety of youth employment opportunities – all focused on engaging the Metro community with Denver’s greatest natural resources its urban waterways.

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JEFFERSON PARK DAY COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP & CELEBRATION

Save the Date on Saturday, May 12 to help us 'spring clean' our neighborhood! For 16 years, Jefferson Park residents have met each May to clean up our community, network with neighbors and provide to those in need.



Join a team to clean or help plant around the park. Of course, you can’t have a clean-up without the breakfast burritos and coffee to get you started and lunch provided by Federal BID after a hard morning of work. Look for more information in May’s newsletter!

WE'D LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU

Email any stories, comments or ideas to our Editor at:
newsletter@jpun.org

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Cut this out and store it somewhere for quick reference!

All copy/photos/advertisements submitted to our Jefferson Park United Neighbors Newsletter will be edited and reviewed by our volunteer staff for style, grammar and content. JPUN reserves the right to refuse publication of any submitted material that does not meet our standards for a positive, educational community newsletter.

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GREENWAY FOUNDATION SPEAKING AT JPUN APRIL 10 MEETING

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SPEAKER SERIES

THIS IS THE SECOND OF OUR THREE-PART SPEAKER SERIES REGARDING THE FUTURE OF THE EAST SIDE OF THE JEFFERSON PARK NEIGHBORHOOD. Both the South Platte River and Interstate 25 flow through central Denver, forever intertwined with the city. In May, Steve Sherman, Resident Engineer from Colorado Department of Transportation will complete the series by giving CDOT's vision to changes to I-25 from 20th to Alameda.



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 RIVER
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JPUN BOARD MEETING



JPUN Board will be meeting on Saturday, April 21, 1:30pm-4:30pm at the Corky Gonzalez Library at 1498 Irving St. The public is invited to attend.

A CHANCE TO GROW YOUR OWN FRESH HERBS AND VEGETABLES!

Denver Urban Gardens has reopened the Jefferson Park Neighborhood Gardens at C.E.C. Middle College near 27th and Clay. Don't miss your chance to rent a plot!

By John Punttenney, Jeff Park DUG Lead Gardener

Gardening can be very relaxing, therapeutic, and extremely rewarding, especially when you are able to enjoy the fresh,

healthy, benefits of growing your own organically raised produce for dinner, picked only minutes before consuming. The following winter you can enjoy the jarred, frozen, fermented, and dried produce and save money

by not having to buy old, inorganic produce from stores that are sold at high prices. I am still making pesto sauce from the basil oil cubes I froze, enjoying the fennel seeds I dried, and cooking with winter squash and jarred pickles.

A plot includes the use of tools and water along with the use of two larger community gardens that can be used for charitable purposes such as



sharing with an unemployed, retired, or disabled neighbor, or shared with food banks, or with the other gardeners. Many improvements were made last year and more are on the way.

There are a few chores that are required of the gardeners in order to maintain the gardens to keep them clean and orderly, including, composting, weeding, and raking walkways, but is well worth the time in being a part of the community, making new friends, attending lectures, workshops, potlucks or barbecues.



THERE ARE A FEW OPENINGS LEFT FOR THE 2018 GROWING SEASON! Rent your space for only \$35 per year with a \$25 membership fee. Since it is on school property a background check is required. For those that are interested in being a part of the growing population of the Jefferson Park neighborhood and for those gardeners who were there last year and planning to return, contact John at jlpuntenney@gmail.com.



JEFFERSON PARK RESIDENT RUNS FOR STATE HOUSE DISTRICT 5

Joel Judd represented central Denver in the Colorado House from 2003 – 2010, chairing the House Finance Committee for four years. A Denver native, Joel grew up in Park Hill and has owned his home in Jefferson Park since 1979. In 2008 Joel sponsored and passed a bill prohibiting discrimination against gays. That law is now in front of the U.S. Supreme Court, the “Masterpiece Cake Shop” case. Joel’s law practice focuses on protecting individuals from a variety of abuses. **Hear from Joel at JPUN’s April 10th meeting.**



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JEFFERSON PARK WELCOMES SAVOR COFFEE & CONCEPTS

If you've been wondering what's coming to the corner retail space at 2785 Speer, wonder no more! Savor Coffee & Concepts, a specialty coffee shop owned by Caleb and Jeannie Sprenger, is opening sometime this month and they are thrilled to be joining the Jefferson Park neighborhood.

Caleb was introduced to the world of specialty coffee four years ago when his uncle, Andy Sprenger (two-time US Brewers Cup Champion & Runner-up in the World Brewers Cup Championship) started Sweet Bloom Coffee Roasters. Hired as the retail manager and head barista for the tasting room, Caleb was trained to professionally taste and prepare coffee under Andy. Combined with a naturally sensitive palate and an extensive exposure to coffee, Caleb quickly became, in Andy's words, "one of the best baristas in Colorado." Savor Coffee & Concepts will be the first coffee shop in Denver to exclusively serve Sweet Bloom Coffee. The name 'sapor' comes from the word's definition- the quality in a substance that affects the sense of taste; or a characteristic taste, flavor, or smell. Their mission is to celebrate sapor and foster everyday sensory experiences through exceptional coffee and concept beverages. Follow @saporcoffee on social media to learn more & be the first to hear about opening dates!

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FREE WOMEN'S SELF-DEFENSE CLASS

JULY 7TH, AUG 18TH, or SEPT 15 9:30 am - 2:30 pm
 at the Rude Recreation Center (2855 W Holden Place)
 RSVP to robert.gibbs@denvergov.org

Learn to protect yourself and avoid dangerous situations.

Wear comfortable clothes and prepare to have FUN!

Class is for participants 15 years and older.

BIZ ON THE BOULEVARD

BY LESLIE TWAROGOWSKI

FBID Executive Director
www.bizontheblvd.com



The FBID is in need of a visual logo and descriptive tagline capturing the essence of what makes the district unique. Both elements will be used in helping to establish an easily recognized brand for the FBID.

Who We Are

The FBID pursues programmatic activities and general improvements on behalf of commercial property owners and businesses located within the district. The Federal BID is located along the historic Federal Boulevard parkway between W. 22nd to W. 27th Avenues, including one block East from Federal to Eliot along W. 25th and 26th Avenues. Programmatic activities include:

- Economic development involving business support and attraction, investor and consumer marketing, special events, ratepayer communications and promotions
- Physical improvements and district identity such as pedestrian safety improvements involving streetscaping, banners/signage and public art
- Advocacy involving planning and marketing efforts that leverage public and private investment opportunities

Logo Application

A logo and tagline will be used as a brand in FBID outreach and marketing efforts including social media, the web, print (letterhead and marketing collateral), and streetscaping efforts involving banners and signage.

Submittal deadline: 5:00PM MT, April 30, 2018

Award: \$2,500. For more information or questions, please visit the Federal Boulevard BID Facebook page or email leslieht@outlook.com.

CAN YOU SOLVE THIS MYSTERY?

The first five people to solve the riddle and call the box office get one FREE admission to a Friday Night Show
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As he looked at himself in the mirror
the man he saw was confident.

Til he felt his pockets.
his heart suddenly stopped
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accounting for all the places he was
realizing that it could be anywhere, he lost hope until he heard
knocking at the door.

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DENVER BRONCOS WANT TO BUILD NEW NEIGHBORHOOD ON STADIUM PARKING LOTS

The Denver Broncos Football Club is working with the city of Denver to plan the future of 50-plus acres of surface parking lots around the stadium, which could eventually become a “mixed-use neighborhood destination.”

The team and the Metropolitan Football Stadium District hope to spur development on the stadium’s southern parking lots, which contain about half of the stadium’s parking spaces.

The idea is to replace the lost parking with a large parking structure at the edge of the property, and then convert the lots into a higher-density entertainment and residential area.

Development will be conducted in phases over the next seven to 10 years. Officials envision mixed-use redevelopment that’s heavy on bars, restaurants and other game-day draws, as well as housing and other potential components.

The backers hope that developing the land would pull in a yearly revenue of roughly \$5-7 million, which would be funneled through the metro district and to the Broncos for the stadium’s mounting maintenance costs, according to Matt Sugar, Director of Stadium Affairs for the district.

The Broncos hope that revenue from the development could keep them in the current building until it’s at least 40 years old. Sports Authority Field at Mile High was built in 2001; maintenance and capital needs could reportedly cost from \$500-\$700 million over the decades ahead. The timing capitalizes on a surge of development at both the east and

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STADIUM FESTIVAL STREET (GAME DAY)



Ideas include a festival street connecting the stadium to Lower Colfax, south of the viaduct. And that street, long home to Brooklyn’s bar, could be transformed into the area’s main street. Courtesy denvergov.org

south borders of Jefferson Park with the revitalization of Sun Valley, development of Meow Wolf, Steam on the Platte and the River Mile project.

HOW CAN YOU PARTICIPATE IN THE PROCESS?

City planners want to involve the community in a master plan for this area so that the people of Denver, and particularly adjacent neighborhoods, may provide input into the future. **JPUN will provide residents with information on how they can take part in the process** to help create a neighborhood hub where people can live, work and play, as well as enhance day-of experiences for ticketholders of stadium events. More information to come.



The master plan will focus on the south end of the stadium property, now occupied by surface lots used only during games and special events. Courtesy denvergov.org

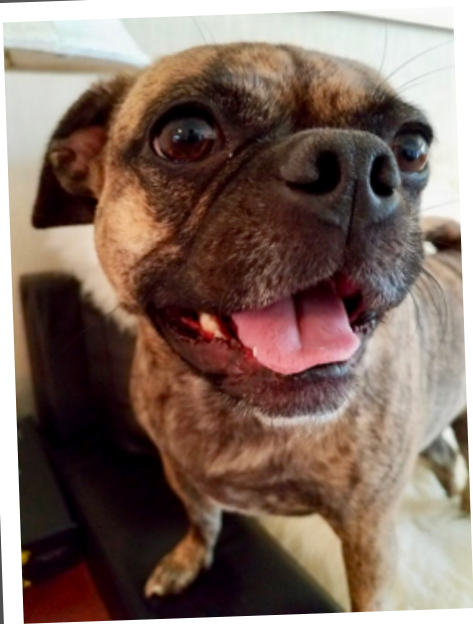
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PET OF THE MONTH
WELLIE



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Pet's name: Wellie B. Hoffmann

Breed: Boston Terrier/ Pug mix (AKA a Bug)

Age: 4 years old this April 27th

Favorite food: Literally everything, but all-time fave is filet mignon

How did you meet your owner? I'm a rescue from Mid-America Boston Terrier Rescue (MABTR). Dad had me trucked in from Missouri when he saw me online (swiped right?)

How long have you lived in Jeff Park? One year next month

What is your favorite thing to play with? My orange rubber ball!

Describe your most successful mischievousness. I use my stinkin' cuteness to wrap Mom and Daddy around my paw! And to get out of trouble!

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THINGS YOU CAN WALK, BIKE, OR TAKE A HIKE TO



ELITCH GARDENS 2018 SEASON PASS APPRECIATION WEEKEND



Courtesy of Elitch Gardens

April 21- 22, 2018 | Elitch Gardens | Be the first to check out the park for the 2018 season.

THEME PARK GRAND OPENING DAY

April 28, 2018 | Enjoy 131 days of Theme and Water Park fun in your own front yard. New for 2018, the Pre-K

Pass grants free admission to kids 3 to 5 years of age for the entire season. <https://www.elitchgardens.com/>

ROCKY MOUNTAIN BEAD SOCIETY'S ANNUAL BEAD BAZAAR

April 28-29, 2018, 9:30am | 451 East 58th Avenue, Denver, CO 80216



Participate in more than 40 classes being taught by national instructors, in everything from bead stitching, to wire wrapping, and even metal smithing and soldering. With nearly 70 vendors from around the country, you are guaranteed to find a fabulous variety of beads, components, and supplies. <http://rockybeads.org/ bead-bazaar-general-information/>

ART ON THE RIVER

May 25, 11-2pm | Confluence Park | Art on the River is a chance for families to explore the different ways art can be inspired by nature.



Courtesy of Greenway Foundation

There will be nature-based art stations set up throughout the park and interactive ways to explore the South Platte River. artists and models. This event is FREE to attend,

and lunch is provided! Prior registration is required. All children must be accompanied by an adult. If you have any questions regarding this event, please reach out to Lauren Berent at lauren@greenwayfoundation.org. <http://www.thegreenwayfoundation.org/art-on-the-river.html>

CINCO DE MAYO "CELEBRATE CULTURE" FESTIVAL

May 5-6 | Civic Center Park | Denver's Cinco de Mayo "Celebrate Culture" Festival is celebrating its 31th anniversary!



Courtesy of Cinco de Mayo Denver

It attracts some 400,000 attendees annually and boasts two large stages with live entertainment from morning until night, featuring Mariachi, Cumba, Salsa, Norteno and many other genres of Latino music and dance. More than 350 vendors will be serving tacos, enchiladas, burritos and more of the best

Colorado Mexican cuisine. Other events during the festival include a Saturday morning parade, taco-eating contest, low-rider car show and Chihuahua race. <http://www.cincodemayodenver.com/>

SATURDAY, MAY 12TH

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JEFFERSON PARK'S ANNUAL NEIGHBORHOOD (LEAN-UP & CELEBRATION



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