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NEXT JPUN MEETING

JPUN General
Membership Meeting
Tues., August 2nd,
6:30pm

**Meet in Jefferson Park!
Neighborhood Potluck**



UPCOMING MEETINGS

JPUN Land Use Committee
Wed., August 10th, 6:30pm
Zocalo Condominiums
2195 Decatur Street
Ground Level Conference Room

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JPUN TO PARTICIPATE IN NATIONAL NIGHT OUT ON AUGUST 2ND

The "28th Annual National Night Out" (NNO), a unique crime/drug prevention event sponsored by NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF TOWN WATCH (NATW), has been scheduled for Tuesday, August 2, 2011. Jefferson Park United Neighbors will participate by holding the August 2nd General Membership Meeting at Jefferson Park.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT is designed to:

- Heighten crime & drug prevention awareness
- Generate support for and participation in local anti-crime programs
- Strengthen neighborhood spirit and police/community partnership

National Night Out, 'America's Night Out Against Crime,' was introduced by the NATW in 1984. The program was the brainchild of NATW Executive Director Matt A. Peskin. That first year, 400 communities in 23 states participated in National Night Out. Nationwide, 2.5 million Americans took part in 1984. The 27th Annual National Night Out last August involved 37 million people in 15,110 communities from all 50 states, U.S. territories, Canadian cities, and military bases worldwide. Peskin said, "It's a wonderful opportunity for communities nationwide to promote police-community partnerships, crime prevention, and neighborhood camaraderie. While the one night is certainly not an answer to crime, drugs and violence, National Night Out does represent the kind of spirit, energy and determination that is helping to make many neighborhoods safer places throughout the year."

JPUN VA PARTICIPAR EN LA NOCHE NACIONAL EL 2 DE AGOSTO.

El " 28ª Salida Nacional De Noche" (NNO), un único delito/prevenición del consumo de drogas evento patrocinado por ASOCIACIÓN NACIONAL DE LA CIUDAD (NATW), se ha programado para martes 2 de agosto de 2011. Jefferson Park Vecinos Unidos participarán manteniendo el 2 de agosto con la reunión General de miembros en Jefferson Park.

SALIDA NACIONAL DE NOCHE está diseñado para:

- Aumentar la delincuencia y la conciencia de prevención de drogas.
- Generar el apoyo y la participación en programas locales contra el crimen
- Reforzar el espíritu del vecindario y policía/asociación comunitaria.

Salida Nacional De Noche, 'Noche de los Estados Unidos Contra el Crimen ', fue presentado por el NATW en 1984. El programa fue una idea del Director Ejecutivo de NATW Matt A. Peskin. Ese primer año, 400 comunidades en 23 estados participaron en la Noche Nacional. A nivel nacional, 2,5 millones Americanos tomaron parte en 1984. La 27ª Annual Salida Nacional De Noche el pasado mes de Agosto involucrados 37 millones de personas en 15,110 comunidades de los 50 estados y territorios de los ESTADOS UNIDOS, las ciudades Canadienses, y en bases militar mundial. Peskin dijo, "Es una oportunidad maravillosa para comunidades de todo el país para promover asociaciones entre la comunidad y la policía, prevención del delito y a la vecindad camaradería. Mientras que una noche no es en absoluto una respuesta ante la delincuencia, las drogas y la violencia, Salida de Noche Nacional representa el tipo de espíritu, la energía y la determinación que está ayudando a hacer muchos barrios lugares seguros durante el año."



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and District 1 Police
representatives at the picnic
tables next to the playground
at 6:30pm. We'll have a
potluck – bring food or
drink to share if you can
– or otherwise just join us for
a nice evening in the park.**

**Vengan a unir con Jefferson Park
Vecindario y la policía del distrito
1 representantes en las mesas de
picnic junto a los juegos a las
6:30 pm. Vamos a tener una cena
- traega una comida o bebida
para compartir si se puede -
o de lo contrario sólo nos
acompañen en una noche
agradable en el parque.**



Be Prepared for Bronco Season!

Do you have your residential parking permits and guest permits? Guest permits expire annually!

TICKET ALERT!

ALERTA DE ETIQUETA! See page 6 for how to apply.

Esté preparado para la temporada de los Broncos!

¿Tienes tu permiso de estacionamiento residencial y permisos de invitados? Los permisos de invitados expiran al año!

Ve a la página 6 para ver cómo se aplica.



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Jefferson Park Pet of the Month



Name: Ezra
Breed: Mixed Cat • Owner: Shawn

This is Ezra a 3 year old female that is a half-breed of some sort and comes from the Dumb Friends....she loves to hang out on the 4th floor of a Zocalo condo, and during the day watch the birds fly by and keep squirrels at bay. At night she becomes "Venus" the fly and moth trapper.....and as you know cats.....gets plenty of sleep on the chair cushions soaking in some vitamin D.....

Would you like to see your pet featured? Please send a photo and a few tidbits about your favorite pet to Cristin at ckcouzens@gmail.com or drop it in her mailbox at 2819 W. 25th St.
Or maybe, Jerry the "pet whisperer" will catch you in the park!

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JPUN Board News

The JPUN Board of Directors mixed BBQ and business for their meeting on July 23rd at the home of Co-Presidents Kim Collie and Michael Guietz. JPUN's commitments to safety, building community, park improvements, and ushering in smart growth were reviewed for our new District 1 City Councilwoman in attendance, Susan "CW" Shepherd. Joel Judd, former State Representative and Jefferson Park resident, also joined the board meeting to review the recently released preliminary redistricting plans for Colorado House Districts. Our neighborhood is currently split in two, half in District 4 – half in District 5, potentially diminishing the voice of our already small neighborhood. After a vigorous debate of pros and cons to remaining split or pushing for unification, and which District Jefferson Park best fits with, the 7 board members present voted to advocate for keeping Jefferson Park unified, and together with the LoHi neighborhood in District 5. Thank you to Joel Judd for bringing this issue to our attention, and for help in supporting JPUN's position.

August 2nd is National Night Out!

In celebration of this event, our JPUN general membership meeting will be held in the park on August 2nd at 6:30pm. We'll host a potluck at the picnic tables by the playground. Bring an item to share and enjoy an evening in the park with your neighbors.



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JEFFERSON PARK JUST GOT A LITTLE GREENER

The forestry department at Denver Parks and Rec recently added new trees, and replaced others. According to Forestry Superintendent Mike Swanson, "it was a good mix of replacement plantings and some new tree sites.

The majority of the species planted are as follows:

- State Street Maple
- Shingle Oak • Chinkapin Oak
- Prospector Elm
- Cucumber Magnolia."



EXPECT MORE TRAFFIC ON 23RD AVENUE BRIDGE

I-25 Northbound/Southbound Between Colfax Avenue and 23rd Avenue (Milemarker 210-211) (through August 2011)

Beginning at 7pm, the ramps from northbound I-25 to 17th and from 17th to northbound I-25 will be closed 24/7 for pipe installation and shoulder widening. Northbound Right Lane Closed from Colfax to 23rd Avenue on Tuesday 7/26 from 7 p.m. to midnight. Detour posted.



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A residential parking permit does not allow parking in violation of any other parking regulations (such as street sweeping restrictions or no parking zones) and does not exempt you from having to pay when parked at a meter.

Required Documents

- Completed Application
- Current vehicle registration(s) AND Valid Driver's License
- An official document showing name and current physical address:

Any one of the following dated within the last 30 days:

- Utility Bill
- Telephone Bill
- Cable Bill
- Current auto insurance

IMPORTANT: The applicant's name and physical address must appear on all the documents listed above and must match the name of the applicant and the physical location where the permit is requested. PO box addresses will not be accepted.

If in another name or business name:

- If the vehicle being used is registered to a business, a letter must be submitted on business letterhead identifying the applicant as a user.
- If the vehicle being used is not registered in the applicant's name, the registered owner must submit a letter of permissive use stating that the applicant is the driver of the vehicle.

Los Permisos De Estacionamiento Residencial

El permiso de estacionamiento residencial exime vehículo de un residente de la publicada, en la calle restricciones limitan el tiempo de estacionamiento en el bloque en el que el propietario del vehículo reside. Mientras que tener un permiso de estacionamiento residencial no le garantiza una plaza de aparcamiento, que quiere decir que usted no tiene que preocuparse por límites de tiempo, cuando esté estacionado en su cuadra.

Un permiso de estacionamiento residencial no permitir el estacionamiento en la violación de los reglamentos de estacionamiento (tales como restricciones de barrido de calles o zonas de no estacionamiento) y no le exime de tener que pagar cuando esté estacionado en un metro.

Los documentos requeridos

- Completado la aplicación
- Registro actual del vehículo (s) y la licencia de conducir vigente
- Un documento oficial que muestre el nombre y domicilio actual:

Cualquiera de los siguientes dentro de los últimos 30 días:

- Factura
- Teléfono Bill
- Bill Cable
- Seguro de auto actual

IMPORTANTE: El nombre del solicitante y su dirección física debe aparecer en todos los documentos mencionados anteriormente y debe coincidir con el nombre del solicitante y la ubicación física donde se solicita el permiso. Direcciones de apartado postal no serán aceptados.

Si en otro nombre o razón social:

- Si el vehículo que se utiliza es registrado en una empresa, una carta debe ser presentada en papel membretado de negocios de identificación del solicitante como usuario.
- Si el vehículo que se utiliza no está registrado a nombre del solicitante, el propietario registrado debe presentar una carta de uso permisivo que indica que el solicitante es el conductor del vehículo.

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Friday, August 5th: Warped Tour 12:00

Saturday, August 6th: Broncos Practice 2:00

Saturday, August 20th, Broncos vs. Buffalo, Time TBD

Saturday, August 27th: Broncos vs. Seattle, Time TBD

PRÓXIMOS EVENTOS CON LAS RESTRICCIONES DE APARCAMIENTO POSIBLES

Viernes, 05 de agosto: Warped Tour 12:00

Sábado, 06 de agosto: Práctica Broncos 02:00 Es gratis y abierto al público!

Sábado, 20 de agosto, Broncos vs Buffalo, hora a determinar

Sábado, 27 de agosto: Broncos vs Seattle, hora a determinar

Free Broncos Event!

On August 6th, the Broncos will be holding a practice at INVERSCO Field at Mile High. The event will be open to the public and include **FREE** parking and **FREE** admission. The time of the event is scheduled for 2pm - 5:00pm.

Councilwoman Shepherd Tours Jefferson Park by Bike



Less than a week after being sworn in as the District 1 City Councilwoman, Susan Shephard joined Jefferson Park Resident Matt Couzens for a bicycle tour of northwest Denver neighborhoods. Couzens was recently appointed to represent District 1 on the Mayor's Bicycle Advisory Committee (MBAC). MBAC is charged with overseeing the implementation of the Denver Bicycle Master Plan, working with the city to develop engineering standards for street, roadway and trail designs to accommodate bicycles, and reviewing roadway and trail projects.

Donning her bicycle helmet with enthusiasm, Shepherd noted that multi-modal transportation was a keystone of her campaign. She later emphasized that her vision of Northwest Denver was for the area to adopt innovative pedestrian and cyclist solutions that would serve as a model for other districts. Two areas of potential focus pointed out by Couzens were the 23rd Avenue bridge, linking the southern portion of District 1 to the Lower Highlands and Downtown, and the Stoneman's Row corridor.

Shepherd was more than familiar with the road damage, heavy traffic, and general unsafe feeling riders get when crossing the 23rd Avenue bridge, as it is the route she takes when cycling to the City and County building. The Stoneman's Row corridor is less well known, but has been identified as a key link for District 1 riders to move East as far back as 1993. Located between the intersection of Speer and Zuni and the 15th Street Bridge, MBAC is interested in this corridor for possible future improvements to connect the bike route on W. 26th Avenue to downtown. Hard work, and cooperation between Jefferson Park in District 1, and the Lower Highlands in District 9, will be important to bring plans for this area to fruition – but in Councilwoman Shepherd we have a true cycling advocate.

Susan K. Shepherd, Councilwoman
Room 459 - City and County Building
Denver Colorado 80202
303-337-7701 | Susan.Shepherd@denvergov.org



Aides: Teresa St. Peter and Rita B. Contreras

STREETSCAPE PROJECT GAINING MOMENTUM

On July 13th, a vision developed from neighborhood input for blocks including W. 25th and Eliot and Federal Boulevard between W. 23rd and W. 26th Avenue was shared with area neighbors, including key property owners in Jefferson Park. Designs for everything from bus shelters to light posts were reviewed, and ideas for building an identity for the area were highlighted including naming the district and creating a logo that could be incorporated into design elements.



Next steps discussed were to examine the possibility of creating a Business Improvement District to help fund the planning process and to begin identifying potential grants that might support future capital improvements.

To keep up on the latest developments, visit www.federalboulevard.com



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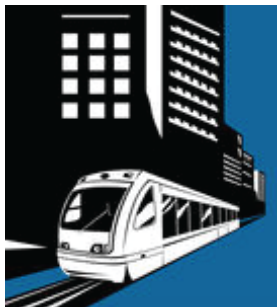


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TEMPORARY LIGHT RAIL CLOSURES TO IMPACT STOPS NEAR JEFFERSON PARK

RTD's FasTracks program continues to progress at Denver Union Station and on the West Corridor rail line. As a result of ongoing construction, RTD will be temporarily closing light rail lines coming into Downtown Denver from July 23, through August 14, 2011. Signage and information for customers will be posted at all affected stations and on trains.



Closures Impacting C & E line service to Denver Union Station

Beginning at 12:01 a.m. July 23rd until August 14, light rail service will not be available between the 10th/Osage Station and Denver Union Station. RTD will provide connecting bus shuttle service between 10th/Osage, INVESCO Field at Mile High, Pepsi Center/Elitch Gardens and Denver Union Station. RTD will not be providing connecting bus shuttle service to the Auraria West Campus Station.

The RTD Light Rail closures are due to two projects being completed at the same time for the RTD FasTracks program. Both the West Rail Line Project and the Denver Union Station Rail Project are constructing track and system work that will allow trains to utilize Denver Union Station in the future. The weekend closures between 10th/Osage and the Theatre District/Convention Center are for RTD Light Rail Operations to perform electrical upgrade work.

Please visit www.rtd-denver.com for additional closure and connecting shuttle service information.

Joe Hill Festival

to Hold Events at 27 Social Center in Jefferson Park

In what will be a rousing regeneration of the legacy of defiant union icon Joe Hill, Denver area organizations present a Joe Hill festival the weekend of August 26.

Festivities Saturday, August 27, will include the showing of two feature films about Joe Hill, two documentaries, a poetry reading, capped off by a singalong of Joe Hill and related songs led by a number of local musicians. Saturday's events will take place admission free at the 27 Social Centre, 2727 West 27th Ave. in Denver.

According to organizer Lowell May, the festival was inspired by the upcoming release of a new Hill biography by Denver author William M. Adler, which provides startling new evidence that Hill was wrongfully convicted and executed by the state of Utah in 1914-1915.

Sponsored by the Bread and Roses Workers' Cultural Center and the Denver-Boulder IWW. For more information on all festival events, visit: www.workersbreadandroses.org



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LOCAL BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT: ARAUJO'S RESTAURANT



Victor and Enrique Araujo were into food trucks before food trucks were trendy. After moving to Denver from Guanajuato, Mexico in 2000, the two brothers began offering regionally influenced Mexican food from their catering truck on a city corner. After five years of honing their menu, the restaurant space at W 26th Avenue and Eliot Street became available, and the brother's dream of opening a restaurant became a reality.

Araujo's Restaurant continues to feature dishes influenced by cuisine from around Mexico. From the north side of the country, the chipotle pepper is highlighted in a spicy chicken soup called Caldo Tlalapeno, and Puntas a la Diabla, which features chunks of steak served with a smoky chipotle chili sauce. The star of Enchiladas Suizas is the tomatillo, giving the chicken enchiladas a mild yet flavorful tanginess. Carnitas Estilo Michoacan is served with accompaniments common in Michoacan, including fried jalapenos and grilled onions. And Cochinita Pibil, a Yucatan specialty is pork marinated in an achiote chile sauce.

All of their tortillas are made fresh, in-house.

Araujo's has built up a steady business of regular customers, primarily for lunch. The brothers are interested in continuing to grow. Recently, they have added a buffet for \$7.99 with items that change daily and spruced up the outside. Inside, the atmosphere has always been clean, comfortable, and family friendly and prices remain affordable. Next time you find yourself heading out for Mexican food, give Araujo's Restaurant a try!



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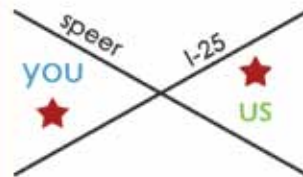
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www.elitchgardens.com
- Invesco Field** Warped Tour August 5th
Broncos games August 20th & 27th
<http://www.invescofieldatmilehigh.com>
- Jefferson Park** JPUN Neighborhood Meeting – August 2nd at 6:30pm at Riverside Baptist Church
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www.greenwayfoundation.org
- Traffic – CDOT** I-25 Bridge Construction information
www.coloradodot.info/projects

August's JPUN Meeting Change!!
Tuesday, August 2, 2011 / Jefferson Park Picnic Area / Playground
Bring food or drink to share if you can – or otherwise just join us for a nice evening in the park.

The Safety Zone

Graffiti Database Working!

Now that the police department has the graffiti database, that holds all the graffiti offenses reported to the city, the police can turn one graffiti offense into 24. This gives the police more power to convict and get as higher sentence after convicted.

The district 1 police department continues to lead the city in the drop of crime. Kudos to our officers and neighbors who participate in reporting/investigating suspicious activity to keep crime down.

Possible Burglary Pattern to Our South – From July 12th-16th the south side of district 1 had reports of 3 different burglaries that might have been committed by the same person. On Tuesday 07/12 @ 9 am a burglar cut the screen of a single female's home on the 3600 block of W 8th Ave. The woman was able to fight the burglar off and he ran away. A couple days later a single woman was walking her dog at 9:20 am on the 900 block of Grove when someone cut her screen and burglarized the house. On Sunday 07/16 @ 11:05 am on the block of 800 Hooker a single women's house was burglarized by someone cutting the screen to gain entry.

It is too early in the investigation to be able for the police to call it a pattern. If you see any suspicious activity around the neighborhood call the non-emergency police line @ 720-913-2000.

- Katherine Meldrum



Kym Foster JPUN's GRAPHIC DESIGNER EXTRAORDINAIRE

Many of you have commented on the new look of the newsletter.

Thank you for your feedback and keep it coming! Here at Jefferson Park News we wanted to be sure you knew of the extraordinary volunteer contributions

of Kym Foster! Not only has she given our newsletter its new look, over the years she has helped design flyers for Jefferson Park Day, and has recently completed a new JPUN business brochure to help JPUN make connections with local businesses. You may have seen Kym's work for Einstein's Bagels, or Allegro Coffee. We are truly lucky to have such a talented designer offer her time to keep JPUN looking sharp. See more of Kym's work at www.kymfosterdesign.com Thank you Kym!



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