

# JEFFERSON PARK NEWS

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

### JPUN GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Tuesday, September 10, 6:30–8:00pm Tuesday, October 8, 6:30-8:00pm Riverside Church 2401 Alcott St. | Rear Chapel All are welcome

## LAND-USE COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, September 5, 6:30–8:00pm Thursday, October 3, 6:30–8:00pm Riverside Church 2401 Alcott St. | Rear Chapel All are welcome

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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.

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# UPDATE ON 1-25 CENTRAL PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENTAL LINKAGES (PEL) STUDY



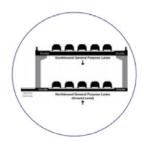
# Some of the proposed options include:

- Multi-lane deck atop the current freeway
- Widening the interstate
- Toll lanes
- Lane realignment
- · Additional light rail tracks
- · Raised on and off ramps
- · More feeder roads
- Charging drivers to use the highway during rush hours

CDOT is reviewing several options for the six-mile stretch of highway between Santa Fe Drive and 20th Street that runs right through the center of the city. According to CDOT, this area carries over a quarter of a million cars each day and has the highest average daily traffic in all of Colorado.

While some may be too costly (multi-lane deck) and cause too much of a public outcry (charging drivers) CDOT feels more than one of these options may be implemented. Population growth, travel behavior, demand induced by more roads will be some of the deciding factors on how to proceed. Most of us know all too well some change is needed. It becomes apparent backups are

occurring on I-25 when a seeming endless string of cars flow through our neighborhood in search of an alternative route to their destination. We know



Multi-lane deck option

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# LITTLE CREATURES AND PRETENDERS HEADLINE AUG 25 CONCERT IN JEFFERSON PARK

Music@JeffersonPark's 1st Double Bill in our 8-year history will be on August 25th! This is a perfect way to close out the summer with friends or meet up with families from school. The park is big enough for everyone.

Pretenders, a tribute to Rock and Roll Hall of Fame inductees The Pretenders, features members from three Denver bands: Jux County, The Velveteen Monster, Julie Monley Trio. And it includes Jefferson Park resident Chris Pearson on bass!

Little Creatures, a band of eclectic Colorado musicians born out of the widely acclaimed "My Favorite Bands" festival, pays tribute to the great new wave, post-punk, art rock, avant-funk band the Talking Heads. Dancing is advised!

#### More band info:

https://www.facebook.com/JuxCounty/



https://www.facebook.com/ Little-Creatures-406647613105329/

Bandcamp, where you can stream and purchase albums:

juxcounty.bandcamp.com thevelveteenmonster.bandcamp.com

#### **WE'D LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU**

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

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### NEWSLETTER DELIVERERS WANTED

We're in need of people to help deliver this useful newsletter to residents in Jefferson Park.

Taking a walk just an hour a month is 100% effective in feeling great and helping your community!

Call or Email Brooke With Questions Or To Volunteer Brooke: 303.667.1710 or kromer2036@yahoo.com

### **COMMUNITY RESOURCES**

Police, Fire or Medical - EMERGENCYDial 9-1-1
Gas Leak or Electrical Emergency - Xcel800-895-4999
select #1
City of Denver 3-1-1 Help Center3-1-1 or
720-913-1311
Police - City Non-Emergency Information720-913-2000
Police - District 1 Station Information only720-913-0400
Denver Public Library720-865-1111
Regional Transportation District303-299-6000
*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.

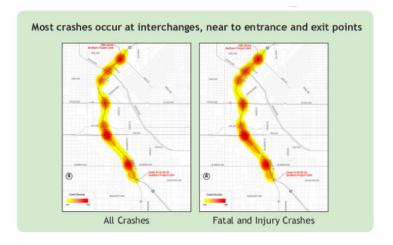
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#### I-25 PEL STUDY

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ramp changes especially along 23rd, Speer and 20th exits could curb crashes. CODT states those average three per day. Drivers entering and exiting the highway with short runways cause both crashes and congestion.

Even with the addition of light rail throughout Denver and T-Rex's widening of I-25 in 2005, the results were more traffic congestion than ever less than five years later, according to a report by the Southwestern Energy Efficiency Project. The Platte River and railroad tracks currently block highway expansion. Rerouting the highway is one possibility, but it's a major project that requires cooperation from Union Pacific and the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway. Transit could play a major role in an I-25 makeover, according to Lee Cryer, a project manager with the Regional Transportation District who works with CDOT on the \$3 million study. In 2040, better transit options could steal up to 13,500 trips per day from I-25, according to RTD projections.



If a realignment happens, CDOT and RTD would likely add two RTD tracks (four total) to relieve bottlenecks on the agency's C, D, E, F, H and W light rail lines. There's also talk of light rail or bus rapid transit lines running down Federal Boulevard, Broadway and Lincoln to shift downtown car commuters to transit.

JPUN has reached out to CDOT to see where they are in the process. CDOT states that they are currently running modeling scenarios on the proposed options.

# JPUN will continue to work with CDOT to provide information to residents and present feedback.

In the meantime, you can provide your input through the survey here - bit.ly/I-25CentralSurvey.

# 3RD ANNUAL BRONCO TAILGATE PARTY



#### FRIENDS - FOOD - FOOTBALL

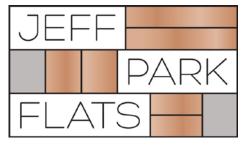
SAVE THE DATE!

3RD ANNUAL JPUN BRONCO TAILGATE

SUNDAY SEPT 29, 11AM

CUL-DE-SAC AT ELIOT AND 20TH

#### OPEN HOUSE



Jefferson Park Flats will be conducting an Open House at 2727 W. 28th Ave on August 16th and 17th. For a taste of what the finished building will

look like, check out the building plans and artist renderings. https://jeffparkflats.com/

#### WRITERS NEEDED!

Be a part of giving back to your community from the comfort of your own home!

The JPUN newsletter is produced by an all-volunteer staff and we feel is one of the best most informative neighborhood newsletters in the city.

You don't have to be a journalist to assist and your choice of topics range from Pet of The Month and Bike Walk or Hike Columns to Infrastructure improvements.

Please email info@jpun.org to lend a typing hand.





Traditional Encore Sing Along with Leon & The Revival at Music@JeffersonPark

### MUSIC@JEFFERSONPARK- LEON & THE REVIVAL

The weather couldn't have been more perfect for the start of JPUN's Music@JeffersonPark's 2019 Concert Series, held on Sunday, July 28 in the lush green bowls of Jefferson Park. After weeks of 90-degree days and monsoon type weather, Mother Nature decided to take a break, relax and cool off with songs from Leon & The Revival.

The 8-piece band was ready to go, fresh off a Saturday gig at Underground Music Showcase. Restaurant row was abuzz with new local additions **Snarf's Burgers** at 26th and Federal and **El Cazo's** \$2 tacos at 25th and Eliot. Even Denver Park and Recreation had lifted their ban on 3.2 beer in the park this year. The night was set to be electric.

Until it wasn't. No Electricity.

The hired sound crew's generator was not working. After what seemed like a small eternity the extremely



A group of friends at Music@JeffersonPark

patient crowd was rewarded as Leon and The Revival brought their pent-up energy to light up the park.

As tradition has it, the band closed out the impressive two set night with a horn led sing along of "When The Saints Go Marching In" in the middle of the park.

Music@JeffersonPark would like to thank those of you who helped volunteer with set up and tear down of the stage and music system. This includes our longtime concert partner, **Riverside Church**.

We'd also like to thank our sponsors who believe in supporting music and building communities. Please tell them thanks next time you see them.

If you would like to help in any way we'd love to have you.
Please contact info@jpun.
org. Without the support of businesses and volunteers we could

not bring these free concerts to you these past 8 years.

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Neighbors relaxing on the lawn



Sunny skies and city skyline

A perfect evening for dancing in the park!

# SPECIAL CHANKS TO CHIS CYEAR'S SPONSORS

































Leon & The Revival

# DENVER PROJECT STACKS APARTMENTS LIKE LEGOS

Sections of the building at 1775 Federal Boulevard are constructed off-site, then pieced together in a matter of weeks.



A Denver architect decided to take a very European approach to building new apartments near Broncos Stadium at Mile High. "We chose to go with a

modular project in order to increase our speed to market for the 43 units we constructed here," said architect Matt Chiodini with OZ Architecture in Denver.

A company in Idaho constructed the four-story building in sections it calls boxes. That includes the apartments which, before they arrived in Denver, were fully finished from drywall and paint, to kitchen appliances and bathroom fixtures. That work took four weeks. The boxes were then shipped to the Denver work site and a crane operator lifted them into place, stacking them like Legos. "It took approximately two weeks to set all of the modular boxes and bring the building to fruition," said Chiodini.

Excerpts from 9News - Author: Joshua Aldredge





# NEWS FROM OUR NEIGHBORS

#### CONNECTING UPPER AND LOWER WEST COLFAX



Join the West Colfax BID and Urban Ventures Wednesday, August 21st to celebrate and explore how to better connect the



upper and lower levels of West Colfax! West Colfax BID will share project updates, including the community preferred design for Colfax & Federal and some preliminary concepts for a multi-modal Colfax viaduct. The event will be held from 5-7pm at

STEAM on the Platte (1401 Zuni St). Enjoy libations, food and entertainment from: Seedstock, Sun Valley Kitchen, and DJ Armando Garibay.

#### **BURRITOS & ICE CREAM TO COEXIST**



Little Man Ice Cream Factory officially debuted on July 6 at 4411 West Colfax. Illegal Pete's is scheduled to open in May 2020, and the two businesses will share a courtyard for

families to play, for cohosting shared events and for other fun interactions. Illegal Pete's will take over Mama's Café at 2001 East Colfax. The existing building will be retrofitted to sport a roof that dips in a butterfly shape. This midcentury modern look wil be an homage to the motels that once lined this stretch of Colfax, known as the Fabulous 40 Strip. Garage doors will open to a big patio, while stadium seating inside will ascend to a second bar and a stage at the top, where there will also be four large party booths for private rentals.

Excerpts from Westword-Patricia Calhoun

#### **ODELL BREWING IN SLOAN'S LAKE**

Slated to open in late summer 2020, the new brewery at 1625 Perry St. will feature a 10-barrel pilot brewhouse and scratch pizza kitchen. The new space will include two



Provided by Odell Brewing Co.

space will include two bars with 16 Odell tap handles and a rooftop patio overlooking Sloan's Lake and the Rocky Mountains. It will also brew experimental beers, available exclusively at the Sloan's Lake location.



## PET OF THE MONTH CHARLEY

Pet's name: Charley (but I'm a girl!)

**Breed:** French Bulldog

**Age:** 1.5 years old

Favorite Treat: BACON!!!

How Did You Meet Your Owner: On the SNIFFR App. We both

pawed right!

How long have you lived in Jeff Park? Six months and I love it!

Celebrity Doppelgänger:? Gizmo from the 80's movie,

Gremlins.

**Favorite Toy:?** Other dogs' tennis balls. Better watch out, I'm pretty fast!

#### **BLUE SHOE RUN**

The Blue Shoe Run for Prostate Cancer 9.7.2019 Course Map



The 10th Anniversary of the Blue Shoe Run for Prostate Cancer will start at 8am on Saturday, September 7, 2019. Expect road closures the night before and throughout the morning of the 7th.



#### **BRONCOS STADIUM AT MILE HIGH UPCOMING EVENTS**



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





DROP-IN DRAWING AT THE DENVER
ART MUSEUM | August 13 | 1-3pm | 100 W
14th Ave Pkwy | Join artist Anna Kaye for
a fun and informal creative art session.
Bring a project of your own or get started
on something new. All ranges of drawing
experience welcome! Drawing materials

provided, but you are welcome to bring your own. More info: dschulz@denverartmuseum.org or 720-913-0130.



**WELLNESS YOUR WAY FESTIVAL** | August 16-18 | Doors Open at 11am | Colorado Convention Center | Wellness Your Way Festival is a premiere, weekend experience to kick-start your journey to a healthy lifestyle. Work out with celebrity fitness experts, pick up cooking tips from world-renowned chefs and hear from

inspiring speakers and passionate health professionals. https://www.wellnessyourwayfestival.com/denver/



11TH ANNUAL CHERRY CREEK NORTH FOOD & WINE | August 17 | 5-10pm | Cherry Creek North-Fillmore Plaza | Cherry Creek North Food & Wine celebrates the diverse and sophisticated tastes of Cherry Creek North dining,

bringing together the area's best restaurants. Attendees will sample bites while enjoying locally-provided wine, beer and spirits; plus, live music and more! https://cherrycreeknorth.com/things-to-do/ccn-signature-events/cherry-creek-north-food-and-wine

#### **WELLNESS AT HOME**

August  $24 \mid 11am$ -  $4pm \mid 144$  Steele  $St \mid$  Learn tips and habits that you can do in your own home to feel better and sleep better. Concentrating on your wellness, Integrated Medical offers products to help keep us feeling great in your own home. Light refreshments and snacks will be available during this FREE event.

#### **BAKING AND PASTRY WORKSHOP**

August 25 | 1-4pm | Enterprise Coworking Kitchen | 3000 Lawrence Street | Come learn to make, bake and fill the best cream puffs, eclairs, sugar puffs, savory cheese gougeres and cinnamon sugar churros. In this hands-on workshop, you'll start with one pastry recipe and change it up to to make five fantastic Instagram worthy creations.



**DEN CORNER SUMMER ROOFTOP PARTY** | August 27 | 5-11pm | Sushi Den Parking Garage Rooftop | 1501 South Pearl St | Sushi Den, Izakaya Den and Ototo Celebrate the 4th

Annual "Den Corner Summer Rooftop Party" The two-day Japanese street fair brings Denver's culinary elite, who hold countless James Beard Awards, Food & Wine "Best Chefs", and Bon Appetit "Best New Restaurants", together with 20 handpicked chef/owners from southern Japan. https://www.sushiden.net/rooftop/

#### **RAPIDS FIREWORK SHOW**

September 7 | 7-10pm | Dicks Sporting Goods Park | 6000 Victory Way Take advantage of the Burgundy and Brew Pack which includes one ticket to the game, one Odell beer and a Rapids souvenir cup! Stick around for post-game fireworks show and watch from the field.



