

ABOVE THE FOLD

JPUN

Jefferson Park United Neighbors

Letters from Jefferson Park

Hello, my name is Joseph Boven and I recently moved into your community after buying my first home. It's one of the "unique fixer upper opportunities" that you hear about in such movies as the Money Pit and Ghostbusters. You may even see me screaming as I try to get out of my driveway on 23rd Ave during Bronco's games. All that aside, I am taking over the editorial position of this Newsletter and would like to make it clear that this publication is your voice. It is not mine, not the Mayors, or developers, but instead it is a publication devoted to this neighborhood and the people in it. As a result you can make it what ever you want it to be. Send stories, send art work, send events that are happening, send complaints; anything that is important to Jefferson Park will have a home in this publication. And then, as Jefferson Park grows, we hope to do so right along side of you. Feel free to send your work, ads, and events to jboven@23magazine.com.



Community helps Jefferson Park Crime Drop Over 25%

Congratulations are in order to Jefferson Park neighbors for your vigilant and dedicated rejection of the less savory elements in our community. Along with JPUN council planing and superb police response and efforts, your phone calls and community pressure has brought about a 27.9% decrease in crime as compared to the same time period last year. Now compare that to Denver's over all drop of 11.2. And you can see what a difference you've made. The drop shows the highest decreases are in violent crime and larceny. So let's keep up the good work, keep making those calls when you see criminal activity, and let's make Jefferson Park the safest neighborhood for children in Denver.

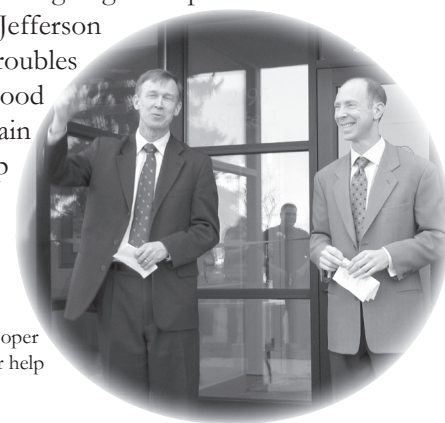


Jefferson Park Cop Shop Opens For Business

On December 4th, the Denver Police "Store Front" celebrated its opening in the new Zocalo condominiums in what was once Denver District One Police Station. The City of Denver, Zocalo Condominiums, and the Denver Police opened the space in grand fashion. Mayor John Hickenlooper, Police Chief Gerald Whitman and Councilman Rick Garcia all in were in attendance to launch the space reserved for on duty District One police officers at 2195 Decatur Street.

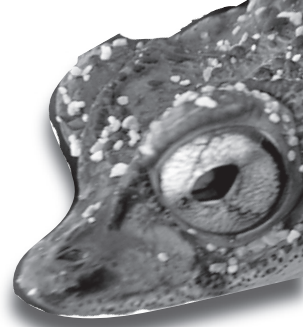
In 2003, when the new 40,000-sq.-ft District One station opened at 1311 W. 46th Ave, the City offered an open competition for housing development on the land. Zocalo Community Development entered and won the competition, based on a number of merits that Zocalo built into its plan. The 42-unit project incorporates market-rate and affordable housing units, engaged the surrounding neighborhood in the design, and reserved a ground floor retail space for its "historic occupants," the Denver Police. With input of the neighboring Police Protective Association board of directors, the concept of the storefront space was born.

Officers expressed excitement about the opening of the new "Store Front" saying, at the last JPUN General Membership meeting, that it is going to help them maintain surveillance on an area of Jefferson Park that has given them troubles in the past. The neighborhood is thrilled with what is certain to mean just one more step in improving safety, and lifestyle of its residents.



Denver Mayor John Hickenlooper and Developer David Zucker help open Jeff Park Cop Shop

BOARD NEWS



Turning Over the Reigns: JPUN Committee Chair election results for 2008

A peaceful exchange of power occurred as Jefferson Park United Neighbors committee chairs were elected last month at JPUN's General Membership Meeting. The elections were conducted without incident despite reports that past board member supporters were planning a violent demonstration. Okay, so there wasn't any tension, and every member was elected unanimously. However, the election saw the stepping down of Ed Kieta as President, with Barbara Baker and Tim DePumpo taking over as Co--Presidents. Ed's leadership will be sorely missed; however, with the dual leadership of Barbara and Tim we are certain that JPUN will continue to work as a vital facilitator of positive community voice and improvement. JPUN would once again like to thank all those who have served, both past and present for their involvement. This year's list of the JPUN Board of Directors can be found below.

2008 JPUN Board of Directors

At the December 5 general membership meeting of Jefferson Park United Neighbors (JPUN) the following slate of officers and Board of Directors members were elected.

- Barbara Baker & Tim DePumpo, Co-Presidents
 - Kari Mock, Vice President
 - Joan Bondy, Secretary
 - Susan Bain, Treasurer
 - Bill Baker, Chair Environmental Committee
 - Joseph Boven, Chair Communications Committee
 - Jeremy Cottrell, BOD Member at Large
 - Brad Evans & David Zucker, Co-Chairs Land Use Committee
 - Ed Kieta, Chair Special Projects Committee
 - Esther Meehan, BOD Member at Large
 - Katherine Meldrum, Chair Safety Committee
 - Fidel Romero & Jorge Romero, Chair Spanish Outreach Committee
 - Daren Schmidt, Neighborhood Liaison
- Congratulations and thank you to all for taking the time to serve and assist Jefferson Park in 2008.

Please remember that JPUN represents you. Do you have concerns don't hesitate to contact JPUN and let your voice be heard.

Come one come all!

TO THE JPUN GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING:

The next Jefferson Park United Neighbors General Meeting is scheduled to be held 6:30 PM January 8, 2008 at the Riverside Baptist church located at 24th avenue and Bruant Street. Don't miss your opportunity to learn and take part in the projects and ideas that affect your community. Check out the agenda below to see what we're talking about this month.

- Meeting Call to Order and announcements
- District One Police report
- Committee Reports
 1. Safety Committee
 2. Land Use Committee
 - Rezoning Application for 4.5 acres at 27th & Alcott
 - Update on the Overlay District Application
 - Developer fees to JPUN
 - Other new developments in Jefferson Park
 3. Special Projects Committee
 - Overview of Master Plan proposal for Federal Blvd. & 25th & Eliot St.
 4. Other committee reports
 - Treasurer's Report and Proposed 2008 Budget
 - Board of Directors meeting report from the Co-Presidents
 - Calendar for 2008.....
 - Jefferson Park Day, May 17, 2008
- New Business
- Proposed Amendments to JPUN By Laws
- Meeting Adjourned

JPUN NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING RATES:

Full page \$100 1/2 page\$50

1/4 page \$25 1/8 page\$15

Ads and art work must be provided, or you can contact the Chairperson for the Communications Committee Joseph Boven, (303)332-8614 or email jboven@twenty3magazine.com for more information.



Fixing History

Are you seeking grant funding for a project that involves a historic interior? The National Trust for Historic Preservation's Cynthia Woods Mitchell Fund for Historic Interiors assists in the preservation, restoration and interpretation of historic interiors by supporting project planning activities, workshops and conferences, and educational programs. Grants from this fund range from \$2,500 to \$10,000. Nonprofit organizations and government agencies are eligible to apply. Individuals and for-profit businesses may also apply if the project for which funding is requested involves a National Historic Landmark. An electronic application form can be found on the National Trust's website. The postmark deadline is February 1, 2008.

February 1, 2008 is also the deadline for the Johanna Favrot Fund for Historic Preservation, the Hart Family Fund for Small Towns grant program, and the National Trust Preservation Fund grants.

More information on these grants can be found on the National Trust's website, or by contacting the Mountains/Plains Office at mpro@nthp.org; 303-623-1504.

J PUN has joined with Highland United Neighbors in helping to solicit community aid for North High school. Take a quick look below and see if you can help our community's students. Thanks!

As many of you already know Highland United Neighbors Inc (HUNI) is working closely with North High to assist them in their goal in shifting the educational paradigm at North. Many schools in DPS are under funded, but many of those schools have organizations composed of community leaders to raise money to help fill in those gaps. We are asking the Highland community of merchant business owners and individual community members to step forward and make a donation. Our first goal is to provide the students and teachers the office materials they need to facilitate the educational process. Donations can either come in the form of cash or materials and you will receive a tax deduction for your end of the year contribution.

Copy Paper: \$3.99/ ream
Colored Markers: Come in sets of 10. 2 sets \$3.99/ set total: \$7.98
Pens: Blue Bic Ballpoint 60 \$15.00
Sticky Notes: Come in packs of 18 \$14.00
Flip Chart Paper: 19.99/ Pad 10 needed/ class total: \$199.90
Paper Clips: \$5.00/ 1,000
Staples: \$5.00/ 3,000
Notebooks: Spiral Notebooks \$1.00/ Notebook total: \$30
Grand Total: \$280.87

Please respond with the number of classrooms that you would like to sponsor. If you would like to send a check, make all checks payable to North High School and mail to P.O. Box 11305 Denver Co 80211, which is the HUNI P.O. Box. If you do not wish to be a corporate sponsor and would like to donate individual sets of materials we have set up 4 drop locations in Highland to serve you.

These are the participating locations:

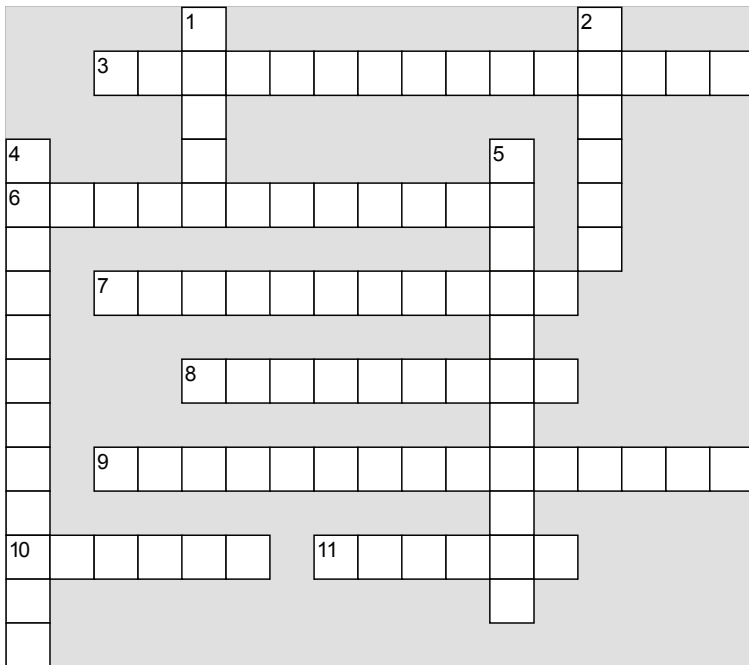
North High School: 2960 N Speer Blvd Denver
Distinctive Properties: The Tamburello Team
3222 Tejone St Denver
Gallop Café: 2401 W 32 Ave Denver
State Farm Insurance: Terry Vartanyan: 2600 W 29th Ave #101 G
Denver

Let it snow, but ohhh.

Well its that time of year again when the snow is coming down faster than many of us can get out to get it off the sidewalk. While even under the pressure of Christmas snow our sidewalks have been looking great, every now and again we've all got to take a vacation. Please remember to ask a friend to make sure your household responsibilities are taken care of when your out of town this year. While Santa might not be coming back for another year, Neighborhood Inspection Services continue to monitor for code violations (trash, furniture in the yard, illegally parked vehicles and sidewalk not shoveled within 24 hours after snowfall) all winter long. If you need to hire someone to shovel your city sidewalk, please e-mail jeffersonparkunitedneighbors@yahoo.com. Landlords make sure that your tenants and property managers have snow shovels and salt for the proper care of city sidewalks so that everyone can avoid a nasty fall, or an annoying fine.

CROSS THOSE WORDS

Test your reading skills and knowledge of your community with the JPUN Crossword Puzzle



Across

- 3 A high school that needs your help.
- 6 What is the name of the mayor who attended the new police "store front"?
- 7 What happens January 8, 2008 at 6:30 PM?
- 8 Name of US President our neighborhood is named after.
- 9 Mexican Restaurant located at 2900 W 26th AVE in Jefferson Park.
- 10 What you get if you don't shovel your walk.
- 11 Last name of a developer partially responsible for the new police "store front."

Down

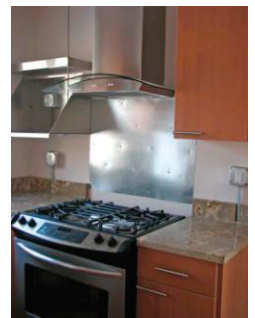
- 1 A stat that just went down by over 25 percent.
- 2 What can be sat on and were just elected at the last JPUN General Membership meeting.
- 4 Coffee shop inside of a Victorian building.
- 5 The reason the editor sometimes can't get his car out of his driveway.

Learn Skills at DenverWorks

DenverWorks is a nonprofit organization that offers a variety of employment services to entry-level jobseekers in the Jefferson Park community. The entry point in our program is to attend a workshop. Former offender workshops are the first and third Thursdays of each month and jobseeker workshops are the second and fourth Thursdays of each month. Workshops provide clients with interview skills, trends of today's business culture, job search strategies, and information on how to overcome barriers to employment. Once you have attended this workshop employment services such as individual client appointments, mentoring, and appointments to our free clothing closets become available. For more information call 303-433-0300. We look forward to serving you in 2008!

Classy Sloan's Lake Townhomes Total renovation - \$349,900

- All new electric, plumbing, heating and roof
- 3 bedrooms (master suites)
- High end kitchens (slab granite, Stainless, maple)
- 2 bathrooms (jetted tubs, travertine, custom tile)
- Garages, large fenced yards, professional landscaping



Call Barbara Baker (Owner)

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