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NEXT JPUN MEETING MOVED

JPUN General
Membership Meeting
Tues., July 5th, 6:30pm
Hotel VQ
Arena Room
Next to Skybox

UPCOMING MEETINGS

JPUN Land Use Committee
Wed., July 13th, 6:30pm
Zocalo Condominiums
2195 Decatur Street
Ground Level Conference Room

Federal Boulevard Partnership
Streetscape Design Presentation
Wednesday, July 13th at 6:30pm
Adams Mystery Playhouse
2406 Federal Boulevard

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Susan Shepherd takes City Council post on July 18th

On June 7th Susan Shepherd was elected to the Denver City Council for District 1. Susan is now your representative and will be sworn into office on Monday July 18th for a four year term. In the meantime she is preparing to assume her duties.

Susan commented in a recent interview that she has set a goal of reaching out to all District 1 neighborhood organizations during the first three months of her term. This is no small task considering there are at least eight neighborhood associations and twenty other advisory committees in District 1, some meeting on the same night.

Constituent services are important City Council responsibilities. At least 3/4 of contacts to a Council person's office are from individuals and groups asking for assistance. Fortunately Susan will have staff to help resolve constituent requests. Council offices are to be located now in the city and county building but she hopes to have open house days in District 1.

City Council and Committee meetings require significant commitments of time and energy. Susan has voiced her preference for Committee assignments but those decisions have not yet been made. To gain a full appreciation of City Council responsibilities visit the www.denvergov.org website.

Susan is a strong supporter of the Jefferson Park neighborhood. She commented that she is especially interested in the healthy eating and fitness movement. Susan plans to do a "walk-through" of the neighborhood to learn firsthand the challenges and opportunities within Jefferson Park. Your thoughts and comments in that regard are invited and can be e-mailed to jerryolson@comcast.net.



GRATIS RECREO DE VERANO PARA ADOLESCENTES

La ciudad y el condado de Denver y Kaiser Permanente unidos ofrecen a los adolescentes de Denver acceso gratis a los centros de recreo en Denver y tambien a las albercas. Jovenes de Denver de edad 13 - 17 años van a gozar membresia gratis a los centros de recreo y albercas desde Junio 10 hasta Agosto 14. Los pagos normales van a continuar para los programas y actividades que tipicamente son ofrecidos a un costo adicional. Niños de 12 años y menos pueden comprar una membresia de 3 meses por \$10.50 o pueden aplicar a ver si califican por el programa MY PLACE o una beca. Residentes de Denver pueden localizar el centro de recreo mas cercano por internet en www.denvergov.org/recreationbybusquen "Find a Recreation Center."

Los centros de recreo de Denver y las albercas tienen gran beneficio para los jovenes, ofreciendo un lugar seguro para reunir durante los meses de verano. La ciudad de Denver ha reportado dramático rebajo en crimen de jovenes sobre unos cuantos años pasados, cuando los pagos han sido renunciados en los centros de recreo y las albercas. Jovenes sospechados enredados en crímenes de persona se a revajado 65 por ciento y jovenes sospechados enredados en crímenes de propiedad han revajado 31 por ciento en el periodo pagado a el periodo gratis.

Los centros de recreo ofrecen una variedad de actividades de verano, incluso el nadar afuera, basquetbol, cuartos de juego y otros eventos enfocados para jovenes que necesitan especial atención. Programas son disponibles que cobran lo mínimo que incluyen entrenamiento de peso, basquetbol, volibol, y lecciones para nadar.

Los centros de recreo mas cercanos a Jefferson Park son:
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Jefferson Park Pet of the Month



Name: Ringo
Breed: Teddy Bear Hamster • **Owner:** Harper

Ringo is a 6 month old hamster who is fat and fluffy and has a tiny pink tail. He loves to roam in his hamster ball, eat lettuce while sitting in the garden and stuffs his cheeks with nuts and treats. He has never bitten me even when I've tried to dress him in doll clothes. And yes, he is named after the drummer!!

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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On the July General Membership Meeting agenda: District 1 Police Officer Update, regular updates from our committee chairs – safety, communications, land-use, special projects. Other items of interest include –Report from JPUN's Bike Advisory Representative , Recap Highland Street Fair, JPUN Happy Hour El Senor Sol Patio July 21, 5:30-7:30pm, Federal Blvd Streetscape Report , Invesco Field Restricted Parking Event for July 4th, Report about Neighborhood Development grant from the City of Denver, and more.

July's JPUN Meeting Change!!

Tuesday July 5th at 6:30pm

Hotel VQ / 1975 Mile High Stadium Circle

Arena Room next to the Skybox Grill and Sports Bar which will be open for food and drink.

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STREETSCAPE PROJECT PRESENTATION

Set for July 13th

Jefferson Park neighborhood has much to gain from the Streetscape Project which encompasses Federal Boulevard from 23rd to 26th Avenues with the commercial block on 25th receiving special attention. Twelve design concepts were derived from a public input meeting and design workshop held earlier in the year. Join your neighbors for the presentation on Wednesday, July 13th at 6:30pm at the Adams Mystery Playhouse.

There will be an Open House at 6:00pm.

Additionally, please note you can assist the Federal Streetscape project by helping name the streetscape district. One important priority identified during the design workshop is to better "brand" the area for identification, streetscape design and marketing purposes. Taking that need to heart, the Design Committee decided to "put it to the public", by sponsoring a survey to gauge preferred names for the streetscape area. You can take the survey now by going to www.federalboulevardpartnerhip.com. Name preferences will be announced at the meeting.

The Design Committee includes volunteers from Jefferson Park United Neighbors and the Federal Boulevard Partnership with special thanks to the Adams Mystery Playhouse for hosting public meetings.

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JPUN HAS OUR OWN REAL ROCKET SCIENTIST!

In May, astronauts navigated the shuttle Endeavour on a unique course back toward the International Space Station. Melissa Lawry, who works at Ball Aerospace in Boulder, designed elements of the electronics inside the navigation sensor.



Melissa Lawry, JPUN-Resident Space Sensor Engineer

Called STORRM, the experiment's objective was to try out a high-tech laser navigation system that NASA could use on future voyages to the space station and beyond. STORRM stands for Sensor Test for Orion Relative Navigation Risk Mitigation.

Melissa's work focused on the Field Programmable Gate Arrays (FPGAs) which are compact and powerful electronic chips that pack millions of transistor-logic functions into a small package. Her designs allowed the data from the docking cameras to be presented to the systems onboard Endeavor, to assist in docking and navigation operations.

During the flight, Drew Feustel, the astronaut charged with monitoring the experiment radioed "Over the past year and a half, it's been a pleasure to work with the hardware and software developers for STORRM. Everybody did a great job in getting the components ready for the flight, and we look forward to continued developments of this hardware and software and hope that it contributes to the development of future vehicles," Feustel said after the STORRM demo was complete. "It's been an honor and a privilege for the crew of Endeavour."

Melissa will continue follow-up work on STORRM, and other spacecraft sensor products at Ball. She and her husband Donelson, who works at Red Canyon Engineering on Orion Avionics, have lived in Jefferson Park for 3 years.

New Children's Museum Exhibit is Out of This World!

THIS SUMMER, THE CHILDREN'S MUSEUM OF DENVER WILL BE REACHING NEW HEIGHTS



An interactive science exhibit, designed for kids of all ages, will inspire dreams of space flight with activities like building and launching hovercrafts and rockets, floating paper rockets in wind stream, and working in the indoor Engineering Lab. Outside, the exploration continues at the Lunar Outpost and Launch Pad where you can test your rocket design by launching them into a field lined with distance markers.

The 3-2-1-BLASTOFF exhibit runs until August 17th.

Platte River Trail Bike Detour in Effect

The bike path is currently closed along the West side of the river between 15th St (REI) and the Bronco Pedestrian Bridge. Path traffic will be crossed over to the East side path.

This condition will remain in effect for the duration of the Bronco Arch Bridge Replacement project (August '13) and is being done in the interest of safety for the people using the path. Due to the number of people using the path and the construction work in the vicinity, it was felt that this was a necessary condition.

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FREE CONFLUENCE CONCERTS START JULY 7TH

Confluence Concerts is a series of free after-work concerts held at the confluence of Cherry Creek and the Platte River near Lower Downtown Denver.

The series showcases popular local headliners. The concerts benefit the Greenway Foundation, champions of Denver's riverfront trails, parks and boating amenities.



Since 1974, the Greenway Foundation has led the effort to enhance and preserve the South Platte River and its tributaries throughout the Denver metropolitan area.

Over the last three decades, over \$60 million of environmental and recreational amenities have been added to these valuable natural resources.

Concert Line-up

The Denver Brass | July 7, 2011

Dennis Stroughmatt and Creole Stomp | July 14, 2011

The Quemando Salsa Orquesta | July 21, 2011

The Red Sax Quartet | July 28, 2011

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Children's Festival

July 30 and 31

July 30 and 31 the Edgewater Children's Festival returns to the Sloan's Lake area. The Children's Festival is unique in the Denver metro area in that it caters to families with children. The Festival has a strong educational focus, with participation from the major museums and other nature-based educational forums around the city. A percentage of the festival's proceeds go to support local public schools.

The Children's Festival occurs in the City of Edgewater along the city's historic main street, W. 25th Avenue. Starting at Sheridan Boulevard under the historic "Welcome to the City of Edgewater" sign, the festival will stretch for seven blocks to Gray Street. 75 vendors, two music and entertainment stages, educational exhibits from local museums and organizations, bouncy children's play equipment and pony rides will line the closed avenue.

Bring the family and enjoy two days of fun in the sun.

Edgewater Farmers Market Thursday Evenings

Sheridan Blvd & W 25th Ave
Thursday 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm

The Edgewater Farmers Market is a brand new market located on the corner of Sheridan Blvd & W 25th Ave in Denver, CO. The market will be across from Sloan's Lake and will be open on Thursday's from 5pm to 8pm, starting June 2nd and running through September 8th.

You can expect to see 25-30 vendors with your traditional farmers market products, vegetables and fruit, bread, and other tasty treats.

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Denver teens, aged 13-17, will enjoy free memberships to recreation centers and pools from June 10 through August 14. Standard fees will continue to apply for programs and activities that typically are offered at an additional charge. Youth 12 and under can purchase a three month membership for \$10.50 or see if they qualify for the My Place program or scholarships. Denver residents may locate their nearest recreation center by visiting www.denvergov.org/recreation and clicking on "Find a Recreation Center".

Denver's recreation centers and pools have great benefits for teens, offering a safe place to gather during the summer months. In fact, the City of Denver reports a dramatic reduction in juvenile crime over the last few years when fees have been waived at recreation centers and pools. Juvenile suspects involved in person crimes decreased 65 percent and juvenile suspects involved in property crimes decreased 31 percent from the paid period to the free period.

Area recreation centers offer a variety of summer activities, including open swim, basketball, game room and other special teen focused events. Programs available for a nominal fee include weight training programs, basketball, volleyball and swim lessons.

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Your Question: Is Denver experiencing a real estate "double dip" as some media has been reporting?

My Answer: Probably Not.

What wasn't much noted in the media is the fact that the first part of 2010 saw more buyers purchase due to the buyer frenzy created by the end of the Federal Homebuyer Tax Credit, hence comparing first quarter 2010 to 1st quarter '11 is like comparing apples & oranges. May is the 1st month in 2010 that tax credits weren't influencing under contract activity. The number of "under contracts" jumped 23% in May '11 over '10! June statistics will be out shortly & we expect a much more normal selling season than the past few years.



What real estate question do you have? Let me know!



Brooke Bailey, Broker Associate
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Denver's 2011 MOVIES IN THE PARK SERIES



Denver's 2011 Movies in the Park Series has something for everyone. Bring the family or plan a night out with friends to see some of the brightest stars, both on the screen and in the sky. Entering the series' sixth year, Denver Parks and Recreation, along with partners and sponsors, will host 14 free movies in parks across the city. These G-, PG- and PG-13 rated films start at sunset with plenty of pre-movie opportunities to play and dine. In partnership with Outdoor Cinema Network, all movies will be shown in Blu-ray format on inflatable screens more than 24-feet wide and with a high-quality sound system. Visitors are encouraged to bring blankets or low-seating lawn chairs to enhance their viewing experience. **Picnics are welcome; food will also be available on-site.**

JULY MOVIES IN THE PARK

Saturday, July 2 | Skyline Park
How to Train Your Dragon

Saturday, July 9 | Skyline Park
Hairspray

Sunday, July 10 | Civic Center Park
E.T. The Extra Terrestrial

Wednesday, July 13 | Lincoln Park
Despicable Me

Saturday, July 16 | Skyline Park
Shrek Forever After

Saturday, July 23 | Skyline Park
The Wizard of Oz

Sunday, July 24 | Civic Center Park
The Social Network

Saturday, July 30 | Skyline Park
Mega Mind

JULY EVENTS

In and Around Jefferson Park

- Aquarium** Tiger Tuesdays at 2pm plus 10 events elementary grades
See activities at: <http://goo.gl/IBQvy>
- Children's Museum** Stellar Science Month
First Tuesday Free 4:00 – 8:00pm
www.mychildsmuseum.org
- Contra Dance** Contra, Square and Circle Dancing
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- Invesco Field** Denver Outlaws LaCrosse
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The Safety Zone

Theft from Motor Vehicles down in June.

Great job to the neighbors & police department for reporting suspicious behavior!

Fireworks are Illegal in Denver – To report illegal fireworks call the police non-emergency line 720-913-2000. FYI, in past years if you report them unanimously the police will not respond due to volume of calls that require contact.

Invesco field will shoot off fireworks Sunday July 3rd after the Outlaw game. Be prepared for a high volume of traffic around the park. The police will increase the officers patrolling the parks in District 1 to address firework concerns.

July 24th Denver Triathlon. The swim will start at 7 am in Sloans Lake, and then they will ride the bike portion on 17th ave across Federal to Invesco Field. The Running portion will be along the S Platte River trail & the Cherry Creek trail. W 17th Ave will be shut down from traffic between Invesco field & Sheridan. Expect traffic delays at the Federal & 17th intersection and along Sheridan between Colfax & W 26th Ave.

The Dragon Boat Festival this year will be the weekend of July 30th & 31st. Expect high volumes of traffic on roads leading to and from Sloans Lake.

- Katherine Meldrum



JPUN Volunteers Poured It On! At the Highlands Street Fair

HOT WEATHER AND BIG CROWDS BROUGHT THIRSTY VISITORS TO THE JPUN TENT AT THE HIGHLANDS STREET FAIR ON SATURDAY JUNE 18TH.

Tethered to the Deschutes Brewery semi-truck with built in taps and a bevy of booze and mixers, your neighbors poured, sloshed, heckled, counted, slipped and slid to raise money for JPUN. This month's kudos go to JPUN volunteers at the Highlands Street Fair!

A BIG thanks goes out to Kim Collie, Kat Meldrum, Fred Lai, Gretchen, Brian, Sara Walker, Kari-Elin Mock, Raf Espinoza, Kati Humberson & Matt, Winton Brazil*, Amanda Parry, Joan Bancroft, Brian Mulligan, Ebony Rodwell*, Cristin Couzens*, Andrew Romero, Doris and Tom Blyth, Manuel G., and Michael Guietz.

*A double BIG thanks to those who worked a double shift - and to Manuel, who was a one-man beer pouring machine on the evening shift. It is events like this that help JPUN fund community events throughout the year.

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