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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

NO JULY MEETING Tuesday, August 7, 5:00–8:00pm Jefferson Park Pavillion (23rd Ave. & Clay St.) info@jpun.org All are welcome

LAND-USE COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, July 5, 6:30–8:00pm Thursday, August 2, 6:30–8:00pm Riverside Church 2401 Alcott St. | Rear Chapel All are welcome

MAKE A TAX DEDUCTIBLE GIFT TO SUPPORT JPUN

As a non-profit 501(c)3 organization, your JPUN contribution is tax deductible. Send your contribution to: 2001 Eliot St. Denver, CO 80211

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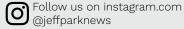
E-NEWSLETTER DRIVE

If you want to "go-green," or perhaps you live in a secure building where volunteers can't distribute complimentary copies of the newsletter to every doorstep, please consider signing up for JPUN's electronic color newsletter.

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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DOG DAYS OF SUMMER

Canine Gathering & Community Potluck

JPUN's fourth annual "Dog Days of Summer" canine festivities and community potluck is Tuesday, August 7 from 5-8 p.m. at the Jefferson Park Pavilion (23rd Ave. & Clay St.).

Presented by **Urban Vet Care**, a full-service veterinary hospital serving Northwest
Denver, this FREE event features dog-related vendors, food and family fun, and also
celebrates the National Night Out and Denver Days. Stock up on FREE schWAG and delicious treats for
your fur-babies, enter to win a grand prize drawing, meet with staff from Urban Vet, and learn about
services from a variety of animal-related businesses. We'll even have our own PUParazzi to take photos
of you and your pet! #xmascard?

We'll have a bit of everything from local restaurants. We ask that you bring a side dish to share with your neighbors. You'll just need to save room for everyone's favorite summer dessert: Little Man Ice Cream!







All friendly dogs (leashed) and their families are welcome to attend this FREE event



MEET OUR NEW CO-SPONSORS



New Era Group Realty agents Terra Hoover and Emily Fletcher are Colorado natives who love to show people why Colorado is a great place to live, and why Jefferson Park is one of the best neighborhoods to call home. Located at 2441 Eliot Street. Contact: 303.353.0252.

BRIAR COMMON

Briar Common Brewery + Eatery Sure, they were voted Best Brewery Restaurant for 2018 by Westword, but they didn't rest on their laurels. They've figured out a way to use spent grains from the brewing process to make mighty tasty dog treats called Brewery Bones for their four-legged customers. Located at 2298 Clay St.

MUSIC@JEFFERSONPARK JULY 22 AND (NOW) AUGUST 19!

On July 22 from 5-8 pm, Wake Up and Live covers the words, music and social commentary of the cultural icon Bob Marley. We'll have food from our great local restaurants, **Sarto's**, **Sexy Pizza**, and **Little Man Ice Cream**. We'll also have the following food trucks on hand: Mile High Cajun (Cajun & Southwestern Cuisine); Spicy Kitchen (Traditional Mexican); and Mile High City Sliders (Old Fashioned Cheeseburgers).

Bring your blanket and get there early. Stay late for the signature encore sing along.

For the past seven years, this free concert series has been brought to you by the efforts



of JPUN volunteers and the generosity of our sponsors (see a complete list on back page). Without both we wouldn't be able to activate our great park, bring together fellow neighbors and listen to some great music! Saying thanks to the volunteers and the businesses would be greatly appreciated.

COMMUNITY

WE'D LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU

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

2018 JPUN BOARD MEMBERS

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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.

BRONCOS STADIUM AT MILE HIGH

New but Temporary Name for Football Stadium



Removal of the Sports Authority Field at Mile High Signs

The stadium's gray façade that faces our neighborhood will soon be getting a splash of color. "Broncos Stadium at Mile High" was approved recently as a temporary name by the Metropolitan Football Stadium District board.

The stadium opened in September 2001 and was called Invesco Field at Mile High. In August 2011, Invesco transferred the naming rights to Sports Authority, which signed a 25-year agreement worth \$6 million per year.

The retailer, though, went bankrupt in 2016 and the Broncos paid \$3.6 million to assume the rest of the contract, which allowed them to gain control of finding a new corporate sponsor.

Revenue from stadium naming rights helps offset costs associated with much needed repairs and maintenance to a nearly 17-year-old stadium. The Broncos estimate they need \$500 million to keep this stadium updated over the next 30 years.

Without proper maintenance and upkeep, the franchise would likely ask the voters to approve paying for a new stadium. The L.A. Rams' new stadium, which is currently under construction, is expected to cost \$4.25 billion to build which surpasses the recently built MetLife Stadium at a \$1.7 billion price tag.

PARK SIGN SHINES

It's always nice to receive a warm greeting. You're bound to receive one when you pass by the corner of 23rd and Clay. The Jefferson Park sign has recently been repainted and fresh flowers planted, making that entrance to our park warm and inviting. All of this came out of the relationship built between JPUN





volunteers and Denver Parks and Recreation employees during our annual cleanup day.

A big thank you to Joan and Denver Parks and Recreation's Michelle Morris for spearheading the effort and for their green thumbs.

PRESERVING OUR PAST: RIVER DRIVE MAY BECOME HISTORIC



2550 River Drive. Built in 1886, this Victorian is one of about 18 homes on River Drive that could become Denver's newest historic district. Photo Courtesy of Denver Public Library

On June 13, homeowners from River Drive met with representatives from Historic Denver and the city's Landmark Preservation Office to discuss the possible creation of Jefferson Park's first historic district.

River Drive is largely all that remains from the 19th century subdivision "River Front" that once stretched from the east side of the

park to the South Platte River. Over 125 vears after many of the homes on the unusual street were built, most have maintained much of their original appearance, making the area a candidate for preservation. More than 90%

of the homeowners on River Drive attended the meeting and asked questions about the design review process for exterior improvements, home values, tax credits, and other factors related to historic designation. Councilman Rafael Espinoza was in attendance and encouraged homeowners to contact his office to voice support or concerns about the proposed district.

CONSTRUCTION IN JEFFERSON PARK!





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TRANSFORMING THE COLFAX CLOVERLEAF

CREATING A MORE BIKE AND PEDESTRIAN FRIENDLY INTERSECTION



Over the Colfax Clover, a community initiative led by the West Colfax Business Improvement District (WCBID), is designing plans to redevelop the intersection, aiming to make it safer and activate the 29 acres currently occupied by the interchange.

To raise the profile of their initiative, the group closed down one of the exchanges that connects eastbound Colfax with southbound

Federal and held a pop-up festival. Musicians played on a stage, locals sold food and neighbors walked through a tent showcasing different ideas for the intersection, voting on the ones they liked best. The group also set up mock intersections to show what the area could look like someday.

Federal Boulevard is the most dangerous road for pedestrians in the state, according to Walk Denver. Twenty-one people have been killed while walking on Federal Boulevard since 2012, seven of them in 2017. The area near the Colfax Avenue intersection has seen the most pedestrian and bicyclist injuries and fatalities when compared to other stretches of the road, according to the group.

WCBID was just awarded a grant from Gates Family Foundation for design of short term improvements to ramp crossings on the interchange, which will include raised crosswalks, pedestrianactivated beacons and signage.

The group will share demonstration results and discuss next steps on July 19 at 6pm at 3725 W. 14th Ave.



EL CAZO COCINA Y CANTINA

A great new Mexican restaurant is coming to Jefferson Park!

Coming Soon!

Visit the website to see renderings and to join our mailing list for updates:

ElCazoDenver.com 2901 W. 25th Ave. Denver, CO 80211

PACO SANCHEZ PARK PHASE II

New Paco Sanchez Park Makeover Unveiled In Denver

Politicians and parks staffers recently staged a ribbon cutting to celebrate the playground and park makeover and to break ground on Phase II. The 30-acre park, just west of Federal Boulevard and south of Colfax Avenue, is named in honor of Colorado State Legislator, television personality and Spanish radio station owner, Francisco "Paco" Sanchez. The new Re-Imagine Play equipment features large custom climbing structures and play equipment that reflects Paco Sanchez's musical background. The focal point is the "Mic Tower," a large climbing structure that resembles a vintage microphone and stands nearly 30' tall.

Phase II of Re-Imagine Play, slated for the end of 2019, will include a plaza and activity kiosk that will serve as a mini recreation center. The center would include restrooms, a shaded patio and space for classes on cooking, yoga and more. The building also would include a free check-out system for soccer balls, throwing discs for the nearby disc golf course and more.



A plaza envisioned for Paco Sanchez Park. Photo: City of Denver/Dig Studio/PORT Urbanism/Independent Architecture

SUN VALLEY SUMMER GARDEN FEST

COOKING DEMOS, GARDEN TOURS, KIDS ACTIVITIES SATURDAY, JULY 14TH, 1PM-4PM 1260 DECATUR ST. DENVER, CO 80204

Come check out the Summer Garden Fest on July 14th to learn more about Sun Valley, its redevelopments, the SVFAC, and other local food organizations. There will be cultural cooking demos, garden tours at EarthLinks and the Fairview Community Garden, healthy food samples, and more.

Sun Valley, the neighborhood just south of the football stadium, is a culturally rich community where over 30 languages are spoken. The Sun Valley community is working to maintain its roots in diversity, food, and community engagement while planning for new developments within its boundaries.



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FAMILY STAR MONTESSORI HIRES NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The Family Star Board of Directors announces Amy Downs as their new Executive Director.

Amy has been working in social and health policy for nearly 20 years. Previously, she was Vice President at the Colorado Health Institute where she collaborated with nonprofit and public sector organizations to apply analysis and evidence to improve program results.

Amy grew up in Colorado, received her Bachelor of Arts degree in political science from Grinnell College and earned her Master's degree in public policy from the University of Michigan. She was a Fulbright scholar in Sofia, Bulgaria where she focused on economic development issues.

About Family Star Montessori: Since 1991, Family Star Montessori has offered an authentic Montessori education to children, ages 0 to 6 years, from all backgrounds and abilities throughout Denver. Nearly 80% of the children and families served are living below the federal poverty level with roughly 30% of these families who are homeless. For more information, please visit www.FamilyStar.net.

BRONCOS STADIUM AT MILE HIGH

EVENTS

DENVER OUTLAWS VS. BOSTON CANNONS*

July 4 at 7pm

DRUMS ALONG THE ROCKIES

July 14 at 6:30pm

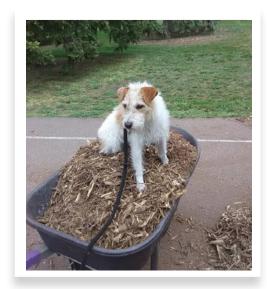
GLOBAL DANCE FESTIVAL

July 20 & 21 at 3pm

*"A Sticker" parking restrictions enforced!



PET OF THE MONTH ASTA



Asta lending a paw at Jefferson Park Clean Up Day.

Pet's name: Asta

Breed: Wire Hair Fox Terrier

Age: 5 yrs, 4 months

Favorite food: Our homemade dog food / hot dogs

How did you meet your owner? Denver Animal Shelter

How long have you lived in Jeff Park? Since March 2014

(when they adopted me)

Celebrity Doppelgänger: Asta from the Thin Man movies

What is your favorite thing to play with? Tennis balls

Describe your most successful mischievousness. Escaping from my owners. Once while in Mexico City and another time on the beach in Ixtapa Mexico.





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



INDEPENDENCE DAY POTLUCK & LATIN DANCE SOCIAL



July 3, 2018, 7:30pm | Highlands Event Center, 3550 Federal Blvd | Presented by Denver Black Belt Dance Academy. All ages welcome, \$20 per

ticket. Visit thisissalsa.com/ for more details.

ELITCH GARDENS FIREWORKS EXTRAVAGANZA

July 4, 2018, 10pm | Elitch Gardens | Show starts at park closing time. www.elitchgardens.com for details.

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL 87TH ANNUAL BAZAAR

July 13-15, 2018 | 3549 Navajo Street | Colorado Convention Center | Our Bazaar is always a fun, family-friendly, community-building celebration of Italian food, music, and culture with a "Bambini Zone" for kids. This year we will also be celebrating the National Park Service's designation of the church, which was built in 1904, to the National Register of Historic Places for its Romanesque Revival style architecture and Italian-American heritage. Tours of this exquisite church will be available nightly

CHERRY CREEK ARTS FESTIVAL



July 6-8 2018 | Cherry Creek North | The Cherry Creek Arts Festival takes over from 2nd to 3rd Avenues, on the six streets between Clayton and Steele Streets. Free and open to the public. www.cherrycreekartsfestival.org for details.

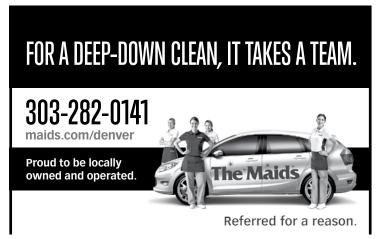
COLORADO DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL

July 28-29, 2018, Starting at 10am | Sloan's Lake | Celebrate Asian culture with music, dance, a ramen eating contest, Asian marketplace and, of course, dragon boat races! Free. http://www.cdbf.org/



DENVER URBAN MARKET

July 5, 19 & 28 2018 | Skyline Park (16th & Arapahoe) | Free admission. Local arts and crafts, food and live concerts starting at noon. More info at www. urbanmarketdenver.com.





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