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The voice of Jefferson Park

Jefferson Park Day huge success

Jefferson Park may be known across Northwest Denver for its sledding hills but most who attended Jefferson Park United Neighbors' Jefferson Park Day cleanup and celebration on May 15 were thankful sledding was not the highlight of the event.



Cleanup volunteers met in the park in the early morning hours and were given a pep talk by newly appointed District 1 Councilperson Paula Sandoval before combing the neighborhood picking up trash, sweeping alleys, and cleaning and raking yards for the elderly. Denver Parks and Recreation provided 3 yards of mulch that were distributed by volunteers to new and existing trees in the park.

The event was sponsored by Allied Realty who donated \$3,000 dollars for the event that brought the neighborhood out to enjoy a day of celebration. JPUN partnered with Keep America Beautiful and The Great American Cleanup the nation's largest community improvement program.

Volunteers and residents were rewarded with food catered by Riverside Baptist Church and some great music on the main stage sponsored by Frontview 40 development. Children's music from "The Music Train" warmed up the crowd and "The Street Smart Band" kept people laughing and swinging long into the afternoon.

For the ever-increasing number of youngsters in Jefferson Park, the day had a smorgasbord of activities. The event hosted a jumpy castle, piñatas, a face painter, a who done it play from the Adams Mystery Theater along with Stixx the mascot from the Denver Outlaws and Sharkey from the Downtown Aquarium. There were visits from the Denver Zoo and kids got to hop aboard some fire trucks courtesy of the Denver Fire Department.

Allied Realty, Jefferson Park Day's presenting sponsor, announced they would donate a public art sculpture to the neighborhood. Allied's support has helped the event grow significantly

the past couple of years and we can't thank them enough.

JPUN announced its creating music scholarships for two underprivileged children at the Family Star

Montessori School. The children will attend The Music Train classes at the Eliot Street Collective. All scholarship recipients, businesses and organizations are local within Jefferson Park.

Jefferson Park has been awarded a Denver Urban Garden located at The CEC Middle College. The garden provides educational opportunities for CEC students--with programs in construction and welding to help with tool sheds, compost bins, and fencing, together with the culinary arts program, and other possibilities for incorporating agriculture into classes. Jefferson park residents will have access to plots including two that are raised for disabled and elderly access.

Landscape architects were on hand to show residents their proposals in creating a gateway into the neighborhood and the attractions of lower downtown from I-25 and 23rd Avenue.

A special thanks to local businesses and nonprofits who joined us and to all the volunteers and JPUN members who help keep Jefferson Park a neighborhood we are proud to be a part of.

JPUN Happy Hour Lands Atop Frontview 40



See some of the most spectacular views in Denver Socialize with friends and neighbors Our next Happy Hour will be Thursday, June 17 from 6pm-8pm on the private rooftop deck of Jefferson Park's newest development, Frontview 40, at 2650 Frontview Crescent Drive. Food, drink, tours and fun will all be provided.



BOARD NEWS

Jefferson Park United Neighbors
General Membership Meeting
June 1, 2010

6:30 pm, Riverside Baptist Church - Rear Chapel
24th Ave. and Bryant St.

- Meeting Call to Order and Announcements
 - o Check out the new JPUN.org site
 - o Members can stay informed via email by joining the JPUN Yahoo Group or sending an email to jpun-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
 - o U2 concert has been postponed to a date TBD
- District One Police Report - Officer Jason Valdez & Officer Aaron Bloom
- New Business
 - o Colorado State Senator District 34— Lucia Guzman. As a State Senator, Ms. Guzman is very interested in sharing her views as well as hearing from her constituents
 - o David Burton would like to introduce his clients and present the concept plan for the Granada Theater
- Committee Reports
 - o Communications Chair — Joe Boven
 - o Land Use Chair — Fred Lai
 - o Neighborhood Liaison — Cristen Couzens
 - o Safety Chair — Katherine Meldrum
 - o Central Valley Improvement Chair — Jerry Olson
 - o Special Projects Committee — Michael Guietz,
- Co-Vice President & Social Chair — Brooke Bailey
- Jefferson Park Day Recap
- Recap of all the donors and events from JPUN
- Meeting Adjourned



Shooting in Neighborhood reason to gang up on crime

As the JPUN safety officer I wanted to write an article about the shooting that happened in the neighborhood on Wednesday May 19th. The police had everyone involved identified and an action plan in place in less than 24 hours. I want to point out how impressed I am with the police's handling of the crime in a thorough and timely manner.

The neighborhood contacted Councilwoman Paula Sandoval's office, who set up a meeting with two police officers and members of the neighborhood the same day. In attendance were Councilwoman Sandoval, Lieutenant Macdonald and Detective Rino who thankfully gave us an update and best practices on how to handle the incident. I want to thank Councilwoman Sandoval for her help and for attending the meeting. Thanks to Lieutenant Macdonald and Detective Rino for giving us the information on the shooting and encouraging us to keep the dialogue going between us and the police department.

I want to point out that we as a neighborhood have all the tools we need to reduce crime if we act as a team with each other and the police department.

Any questions or concerns please contact me

– Katherine Meldrum at kmeldrum@msn.com or 303-455-9312



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A special thank you to Allied Realty Services

Lauren Brockman May 25, 2010
Allied Realty Services, Ltd.
101 University Blvd., Ste 410
Denver, CO 80206

Dear Lauren,
Jefferson Park is a more united neighborhood, due in large measure to the generosity of Allied Realty. The cash donation that Allied provided to Jefferson Park United Neighbors allowed our community to celebrate another successful neighborhood clean-up. Having you on hand to send us off on that clean-up and to kick off the celebration afterward was especially gratifying. As I mentioned in my introduction of you that day, you and Allied have provided us with an outstanding example of how neighbors can and should interact with one-another. I am proud of our relationship and look forward to many years as a neighbor in the community that Allied is helping to build. It is also with great pleasure that I thank you, a second time, for Allied's gift of the bronze sculpture that currently resides on your future development site. JPUN has communicated through Councilwoman Sandoval to Denver Parks and Recreation our desire to install the sculpture in Jefferson Park. The process to make that installation a reality will likely be a long one but once installed the sculpture will be a fitting tribute to the fidelity of Allied to the Jefferson Park neighborhood.

Very sincerely yours,
Tom Blyth, President



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FUN to Raise FUNDS for JPUN

JPUN is raising funds by staffing a booth at the Highland Street Fair on June 19. If you have never been, it's bands, beer and 40,000 friends and neighbors from Central and Northwest Denver. A very good time and you'll know your bartenders once your shift is over.

Our booth is a combination of Margaritas and beer. Everything is essentially premixed but we shouldn't be bored. We earn our money on tips.

Please go to JPUN.org to sign up.
Hurry shifts are filling fast!



Jefferson Park made the cover of 5280's "Best Places To Live" edition. You can all thank yourselves for the great work you are doing to help make this a neighborhood that others in the city are taking notice of.



Free cultural event downtown

Grupo Tlaloc is a collection of more than 60 adults and children dedicated to keeping the Azteca tradition alive through ancient Aztec dance, song and art. Each dancer is required to make their own feathered headdresses and attire



beaded with traditional Aztec symbols. Performances are intended to spread peace, unity and educate the public about the Aztec's rich culture.

This June, Grupo will celebrate their 30th anniversary of service and dedication to preserving this dance in Denver and throughout the Western Hemisphere. Last night, the Denver City Council passed a Proclamation honoring Grupo and its leader of twenty-seven years, Carlos Castaneda for raising awareness about the beauty, wisdom and history of the people native to Mexico. Over the years, they have also received acknowledgments for their work by Mayor Webb, Westword and many other community groups.

In the Biennial's spirit of sharing and celebrating cultures, we are honored to have Grupo offer a blessing and perform at the McNichols Building this next Tuesday, June 1 at 2 pm. The building will be home to the Biennial's main international contemporary art exhibit during the entire month of July. Tickets for the McNichols and other citywide Biennial events go on sale June 1.

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