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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

Tuesday, May 14, 6:30–8:00pm
Tuesday, June 11, 6:30–8:00pm
Jefferson Park
info@jpun.org
All are welcome

LAND-USE COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, May 2, 6:30–8:00pm
Thursday, June 6, 6:30–8:00pm
Riverside Church
2401 Alcott St. | Rear Chapel
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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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JEFFERSON PARK CLEAN UP

Saturday, May 18, 2019 at 9am

Show your neighborhood pride on Saturday, May 18, by participating in Jefferson Park’s Annual Clean-Up and Neighborhood Celebration. This year’s event kicks-off in Jefferson Park at 9AM (northeast side near playground area), where Araujo’s Breakfast Burritos, 2914 Coffee, juice, and fruit will be provided for volunteers. Once fueled, you may pick an area of Jefferson Park to help clean with friends, family or neighbors. It’s a great way to get to know people in your neighborhood.

Staff from Denver Parks and Recreation will be on hand to help those who would like to clean our namesake park. DPR will also introduce a program for anyone interested in helping maintain our park on a monthly basis. You’ll even be recognized at a banquet dinner at the end of the year!

WHEN TO SHOW UP + WHAT TO DO

9 AM: Meet at Jefferson Park Gazebo

JPUN supplies gloves, trash bags, rakes, brooms, shovels, and of course 2914 Coffee and delicious Araujo’s Breakfast Burritos.

9:30 AM: Help clean up the neighborhood

Assist neighbors in need by helping to clean up the community. Just bag trash and crews will pick up.

All Clean Up Participants will get a free mimosa at the Jefferson Park Farm & Flea, courtesy of Sarto’s.

JPUN MAY MEETING FEATURED SPEAKERS

DENVER ANIMAL SHELTER + DENVER PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENTS



DENVER ANIMAL SHELTER

Denver Animal Protection will be on hand to answer questions and chat about animal services offered to the Jefferson Park Neighborhood. Many people know us by our building’s name “Denver Animal Shelter”. Our Outreach Coordinator will speak to our free and low cost pet care resources, and also have an Animal Protection Officer on hand to answer any enforcement related questions. This includes everything from off leash pets, vaccinations, compliance, excrement on lawns, Jefferson Park specific animal issues, and proper protocols for

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DENVER PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENTS

Assessments Increased Over 35%.

What Can You Do?

A representative from Denver’s Department of Finance will be at our May General Membership Meeting to answer any questions you may have and assist you in the appeal process.

In the State of Colorado, counties are required to revalue all real property every two years. If residents don’t agree with their valuation, they can file an appeal by June 3, 2019, through the Assessor’s website. Note, residents will not know what their property taxes will be until December of this year, after the assessment and tax rates have been set. Various housing programs offer financial support to property owners impacted by rising property values and taxes.

Attend the May meeting for answers to your questions!

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JPUN GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
TUESDAY, MAY 14, AT 6:30PM

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: 303.667.1710 or kromer2036@yahoo.com

COMMUNITY RESOURCES

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- City of Denver 3-1-1 Help Center.....3-1-1 or
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- Police—City Non-Emergency Information.....720-913-2000
- Police—District 1 Station Information only.....720-913-0400
- Denver Public Library.....720-865-1111
- Regional Transportation District.....303-299-6000

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THE LOCAL

Rent increases in Denver may be tapering off

According to RealPage, a real estate research firm, metro Denver experienced one of the largest apartment rent increases this decade. But plenty of new supply should put future rent gains closer to the national average.

Between 2010 and 2017, metro Denver apartment rents rose 46.9 percent, the fourth-highest increase in the country. Rent gains in metro Denver averaged 7.6 percent a year in the first half of the decade. But in the second half they are averaging 3.4 percent a year.

As more supply continues to hit the market, expect more discounts and concessions in the newest buildings. That will push rents down on the existing high-end properties, and so on down the chain.

RealPage is forecasting metro Denver apartment rent increases will average about 3 percent a year for the next five years.

Jefferson Park Top 15 for Young Professionals

Jefferson Park ranks 13th out of 283 for best places for young professionals in Colorado. The ranking was conducted by Niche.com in their 2019 Best Places to Live report. Unfortunately, our neighborhood did not fare as well in Best Places to Live in Denver Area, coming in 103rd out of 194.

Denver's population has grown by nearly 20 percent since 2010

Denver's long-running population boom revved up last year—but the surge again was eclipsed in new census estimates by growth in El Paso County, threatening its status as the state's largest county.

The dual city and county of Denver absorbed 11,053 more residents in the year that ended July 1, the date used by the U.S. Census Bureau each year as the peg for official annual population estimates. That nearly 1.6 percent growth rate put Denver's population at 716,492.

The tremendous growth absorbed by Denver since 2010 is mostly—but not all—from newcomers. The census breakdowns include an estimate that 70,924 people moved to Denver from elsewhere in the United States or the world, accounting for about 63 percent of its growth during the decade.

Most of the rest—nearly 36 percent, or 40,277 people—was attributed to natural population growth (births minus deaths), with a tiny portion uncategorized.

—Andrew Kenney, *The Denver Post*

MAY MEETING FEATURED SPEAKER: DENVER ANIMAL SHELTER

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finding a dog in a hot car. We're working to bring resources, info, and an opportunity to engage our neighbors and pet owners outside of the animal shelter walls, in order to meet people where they are. This is all part of the Department of Public Health and the Environment's goal of helping Denver residents to live better, longer.

A BETTER BRIDGE TO THE FUTURE

JPUN has actively campaigned for a transportation solution to the 23rd Avenue Bridge that allows Northwest Denver residents multi-modal access to work, amenities and events in Downtown Denver.

In the recently adopted Downtown Area Plan Amendment (Elitch Gardens Redevelopment Plan), input from neighbors helped detail how W. 23rd Ave. and Water St. will connect to the potential new bridge. That detail was enhanced from just four sentences in the first draft to four pages in the final version, thanks to our collective voice.

Now our challenge is to work with state officials for a bridge replacement.

JPUN would like to form a committee to promote replacement of the 23rd Avenue Bridge. The committee will work to create partnerships with affected neighborhoods and with local, state and federal entities. If interested, please respond to info@jpun.org.



View of Water St.—just east of 23rd Ave. Bridge—with no pedestrian sidewalks along highway on- and off-ramps.

GOOGLE MAPS

Help create a lasting legacy that will benefit your community. Both of the meeting announcements on this page relate to W. 23rd Ave. and Water St. reconfiguration and 23rd Avenue Bridge replacement. Please consider attending and voicing your opinions.

HIGH COMFORT BIKEWAY COMING TO JEFFERSON PARK!

Denver Public Works is seeking your input on a new, high comfort bikeway planned for Jefferson Park along W. 23rd Ave. and Water St. that provides:



Come to our open house to engage with us and provide input on how we can best tailor the project to your community!

- Dedicated space on the street for people who ride bikes
- Street designs that lower the stress of riding and reduce potential conflicts between bikes and cars
- A convenient and more viable way for people to get around safely
- Better connections to the places you want to go, such as schools, parks, trails and transit.

Date: Thursday, May 30, 2019
Time: 5PM–7PM
Location: Denver Elks Lodge #17, 2475 W. 26th Ave., Denver, CO 80211

About the project
 This bikeway is brought to you by the voter-approved Elevate Denver Bond Program, which is funding 50 miles of new bikeways on the City’s path to installing 125 miles of new bikeways over five years. Learn more at www.denver.gov.org/bikeprogram.



BRIDGE MEETINGS
 23RD AVE. BRIDGE + WATER STREET

Date: Thursday, June 6, 2019
Time: 5:30 PM
Location: Riverside Church, 2401 Alcott St., Denver, CO 80211

BRONCOS STADIUM AT MILE HIGH UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY 11	MAY 11–12	MAY 19	JUNE 1	JUNE 8	JUNE 14–16
BACON AND BEER CLASSIC	2019 SPRING HORSESHOE MARKET	COLFAX MARATHON	2019 DENVER HEART WALK	GARTH BROOKS STADIUM TOUR*	THE DENVER BBQ FESTIVAL
12:00 PM	10:00 AM–4:00 PM	7:30 AM	7:15 AM	7:00 PM	5:00 PM / 11:00 AM

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DENVER ELECTION GUIDE

The Denver mayor's race. Incumbent Michael Hancock faces five challengers on the ballot as he tries for a third and final term: Lisa Calderón, Stephan "Seku" Evans, Jamie Giellis, Kalyn Rose Heffernan and Penfield Tate. The mayor is the city's chief executive; he or she sets the budget, appoints department leaders and holds veto power over the Denver City Council.

A district-level council race. Nine of the eleven district council members are seeking re-election, and most face challengers. Councilman Paul Lopez can't run again because of term limits, while Councilman Rafael Espinoza has chosen not to run again. That means there will be at least two new council members. The council makes the city's laws, approves or rejects contracts, makes decisions about land use and more.

The at-large council race. Two "at-large" council seats cover the whole city. Each voter can choose two candidates, and the top vote-getters will take the seats. Incumbents Robin Kniech and Debbie Ortega are seeking re-election against multiple challengers.

The city auditor's race. Incumbent Timothy O'Brien is running unopposed. The auditor polices the finances and performance of city government and its contractors.

The city clerk's race. Debra Johnson, the current clerk, is retiring, and three candidates are running to replace her. The clerk and recorder oversees elections and city records, including marriage licenses.

All terms are four years.

Voters also will decide the fate of two ballot questions:

Initiative 300 would overturn the city's camping ban, allowing people to use tents and other survival gear in public spaces, among other changes.

Initiative 301 would decriminalize possession of psychedelic mushrooms in Denver.

The Denver Post has published questionnaires from candidates and additional elections information on our online voter guide: <http://dpo.st/voterguide>.

There also might be a second vote for some positions. In races where no candidate gets a majority, the city will hold a runoff vote between the top two candidates on June 4. (That doesn't apply for the at-large race.)

Voters can return their ballots through the mail with 70 cents of postage or take them to one of 28 drop sites across the city, which don't require postage. The ballots will be a single sheet printed on both sides.

Voters who prefer to vote in person or need a replacement ballot can visit one of seven vote centers. Locations are available at DenverVotes.org under the "Where to Vote" page.

Any Denver resident who is a U.S. citizen over 18 may vote once registered.

—Andrew Kenney, *The Denver Post*

JPUN TO CO-SPONSOR RUNOFF DEBATE

Jefferson Park United Neighbors is one of several neighborhood organizations co-sponsoring a potential runoff debate for District 1 City Council Seat and Mayor. A runoff will occur between the top two candidates when no candidate gets a majority of the votes.

District 1 Candidate Runoff Debate

When: Wednesday, May 22; 6:30PM–8:30PM

Where: Regis University, Mountain View Room. Enter the campus through Entrance 4 at 52nd Ave. and Lowell Blvd.

Note: Mayor Debate is scheduled but will be conducted based on candidates' availability.

Dominic Dezzutti of Colorado Public Television's "Colorado Inside Out" will moderate the debate.

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JEFFERSON PARK FARM & FLEA

Market season is officially here! Join us on Saturday, May 18, for the Jefferson Park Farm & Flea from 9AM-2PM. Come shop our urban market featuring local artists, growers, food vendors and more. See you there!



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CITY REVIEWS APPLICATION FOR JEFFERSON PARK'S FIRST HISTORIC DISTRICT

Denver's Landmark Preservation Commission (LPC) has received an application to create the city's newest historic district along River Drive. The unique street is located southeast of the corner of W. 23rd Avenue and Clay Street and includes more than a dozen homes built in the 19th century. The area is the last intact section of a large subdivision from the 1880s called River Front Highlands that once covered a large swath of the current Jefferson Park neighborhood. Many of the homes on River Drive predate the park itself, which was built in 1899. A committee comprised of River Drive homeowners helped create the application which was submitted by Councilman Rafael Espinoza. The application is scheduled to be reviewed by the LPC on May 21. If the commission recommends approval, the application will then be reviewed by the Denver City Council which makes all final decisions on historic district designations. The process includes two scheduled opportunities for public comment at hearings in May and June.



City Council Land Use, Transportation and Infrastructure (LUTI) Committee

Time and place: Tuesday, June 4, 2019, 10:30AM / City and County Building, 1437 Bannock St, Room 391

City Council (Public Hearing)

Time and place: Monday, June 24, 2019, 5:30PM / City and County Building, 1437 Bannock St, Room 450

Questions may be directed to Senior City Planner Jenny Buddenborg at jennifer.buddenborg@denvergov.org

Landmark Preservation Commission (Public Hearing)

Time and place: Tuesday, May 21, 2019, 1:00PM / Webb Municipal Building, 201 W Colfax Ave., Rooms 4.F.6 and 4.G.2

Denver Planning Board

Time and place: Wednesday, May 29, 2019, 3:00PM / City and County Building, 1437 Bannock St, Room 389

HORSESHOE MARKET COMING TO MILE HIGH STADIUM THIS SPRING



The Horseshoe Market, a widely popular artisan, vintage/antique and urban flea market in Denver is coming to Jefferson Park!

On May 11-12, the award-winning market is moving to Broncos Stadium at Mile High for an epic flea market (Voted "Best Flea Market in Denver" four times)! After

nine years of hosting events in the Berkeley neighborhood, owners (and neighborhood residents) Doug and Amy Yetman saw Broncos Stadium as the perfect place to expand the market and showcase even more fantastic artisans, collectors and makers.

The market will feature over 200 vendors, live music, food trucks, and creative

Horseshoe "experiences" focused on creative home inspiration. There will be TONS of FREE PARKING and a portion of proceeds from the event will go to Denver Urban Gardens.

Interested in sponsoring? Please feel free to reach out at 720-301-4293 or Doug@liveurbanedenver.com.



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LUNCH & LEARN

Sarto's Eatery
2900 W 25th Ave.
11:30am - Lunch Provided

- Wednesday, June 5
Engineering Your Portfolio Matters
- Tuesday, June 11
Future View
- Thursday, June 20**
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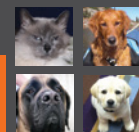
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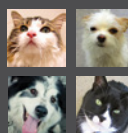


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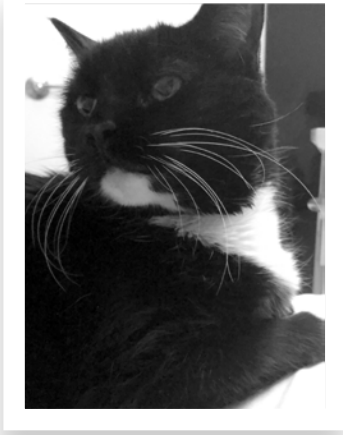
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PET OF THE MONTH



PET OF THE MONTH
LANEY SUNSHINE

Name: Laney Sunshine (but responds most to “pretty girl”)
Age: Almost 15 years old (born on July 7, 2004). Originally from Michigan, she moved to Chicago in 2004 for 9 years, then to Denver in 2013 and has been a Jefferson Park resident since October 2018.
Best Features: She considers herself to be an urban cat with a big city attitude! And she’s always dressed up for a formal event.

JPUN's **8TH** ANNUAL
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Sunday, August 25

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



COLORADO CHOCOLATE FESTIVAL

May 10-11 | Friday: 4PM-9PM; Saturday: 10AM-5PM | Denver Mart Drive In | <https://www.cochocolatefests.com/colorado-chocolate-festival.html> | Voted one of the "5 Coolest Food Fairs in the US" by Orbitz Travel as well as being Colorado's 50 States-50 Food Festivals in USA Today. Tastings • samples • speakers • cooking demos • wine-tastings • fun contests • food & drink • Mother's Day gifts • VIPs • Chocolatier Championships • gifts • games • kids' activities • Mic Drop!

DENVER URBAN GARDENS' SPRING PLANT SALE

May 10-11, 2019, 10AM-3PM | Free | Denver Urban Gardens, 1031 33rd Street, Suite 100, Denver, CO 80205 | <https://dug.org/plant-sale/> | Just in time for spring planting and Mother's Day, we will have organic flower, herb, and vegetable starts available at our Sixth Annual Plant Sale! All proceeds will support our Grow a Garden programming, which provides seeds, seedlings, and know-how to in-need individuals.

DENVER DAY OF ROCK



May 25 | 16th St Mall | <https://denverdayofrock.com/> | Denver Day of Rock is a one-day music festival benefiting the work of Amp the Cause. This free event features five stages of live music along Denver's 16th Street Mall on Memorial Day weekend. Denver Day of Rock unites the community through

music and family friendly entertainment while also raising funds to help Amp the Cause continue to support non-profits in our community.

CANVAS, CURLS & TIARAS

May 25, 2:30PM-4:30PM | Rodolfo "Corky" Gonzales Branch Library | <https://www.denverlibrary.org/event/canvas-mocktails-christine-fontenot-0> | Make your own painterly masterpiece! Flowers, crowns, tiaras, and jewels make a great addition to the paint on your canvas! Local artist Christine Fontenot will guide you as you explore your creativity in color. All supplies provided. No art-making experience needed but contact the branch to reserve your spot!

DENVER ARTS FESTIVAL

May 25-26, 10AM | Conservatory Green Neighborhood at Stapleton | <http://www.downtowndenverartsfestival.com/> | The denver arts festival is a fine arts and fine crafts festival that continues to be dedicated to showcasing colorado artists and a select group of national artists.

DENVER CHALK ART FESTIVAL



June 1-2 | Larimer Square | www.larimerarts.org | The art you'll encounter during the Denver Chalk Art Festival isn't in galleries—it's on the pavement! The free event features more than 200 professional and amateur artists who will spend hours on their hands and knees over the course of two days. Their

efforts transform Larimer Square into a bright and colorful street museum, adorned in vivid pastel chalks.

SATURDAY, MAY 18TH

BE A PICK-UP ARTIST

JEFFERSON PARK'S ANNUAL NEIGHBORHOOD CLEAN-UP & CELEBRATION



MEET NEIGHBORS & FRIENDS AT 9AM AT THE JEFFERSON PARK PLAYGROUND WITH COMPLIMENTARY ARAUJO'S BURRITOS & 2914 COFFEE



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