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**YOUR  
COMMUNITY'S  
NEWSLETTER**



Jefferson Park United Neighbors

## JPUN WANTS YOU TO SERVE

So, it is that time of year again to begin thinking about what you like or don't like about the Jefferson Park United Neighbors and do something about it. Yes, that is right. Now is your opportunity to get rid of that long standing member that you just don't like. Be it pesky a copresident's decisions or a communication chairs inane newsletters that are getting under your skin, this is your opportunity to help make our board more in your image. There is only one catch, you may have to just take over that position to make the changes. This year we are asking the community to step up to the challenge and help us bring new blood into the JPUN body . In some cases a few hours a week is all you will need to devote to the position but the rewards for the community and your soul are, as they say, priceless. So take this opportunity to look over some of the positions that will be opening and then get on board the...board. If your interested in submitting your name for election or to simply volunteer to be a member on a committee or project please feel free to call or e-mail Barbara Baker at: [thanksb@comcast.net](mailto:thanksb@comcast.net) (303)257-9808

Here is a list of position that are up for grabs:

- 2) Co-Presidents
- (1) Vice-President
- (1) Secretary
- (1) Treasurer
- (8) Standing Committee Chairpersons: Central Platte Valley Improvements , Community Liaison , Communications, Environmental , Land Use , Safety , Social/Happy Hours , Special Projects(4-10 individuals)

Please also keep in mind that volunteering to simply being a member of any of these committees is not only encouraged but appreciated greatly. A board should remain changing in order to remain dynamic. Please help us maintain or essential viability.

## HELP THE HAUNTING OF JEFFERSON PARK

The time has come for ghosts, goblins and other creepy characters to roam the Jefferson Park streets in search of treats! JPUN would like your help to ensure this will be our safest Halloween yet, especially since it falls on a Friday this year. Please watch out for those costumed kiddos wherever you may go.

Building on the successful efforts in the past, JPUN will identify a "Safe Trick-or-Treat Zone" between 23rd and 26th Avenues and from Bryant Street to Federal Boulevard. If you live within this area, please stock up on candy and become a Safe Trick-or-Treat House! Help is needed to deliver balloons, which will identify the Safe Houses within the Zone. Volunteers are also needed to act as crossing guards to aid the miniature monsters at busy intersections. JPUN will provide bright-colored safety vests for the guards, who are welcome to wear their red Jefferson Park Day T-shirts or even show off their own creative costumes!

Another terribly good Halloween tradition in Jefferson Park will take place at New Life in Christ Church, 2450 Clay Street. Although the Church is still working on the specifics, family-friendly games, music, and food will be included.

Interested in becoming a Safe House or joining in the volunteer fun? Simply sign up at the next JPUN General Membership Meeting on Tuesday, October 7, at the next JPHUN Happy Hour on Thursday, October 9th, or by sending an email of interest to [kar@rk-tects.com](mailto:kar@rk-tects.com).



# BOARD NEWS

## Jefferson Park United Neighbors General Membership Meeting October 7, 2008

Meeting Call to Order and announcements  
District One Police report  
Committee Reports  
Land Use Committee report on rezonings & new development  
Vote on rezoning application for 27th & Alcott redevelopment  
Old Business  
Halloween event planning  
New Business  
State Representative Joel Judd will be speaking on ballot issues and answering questions  
Meeting Adjourned

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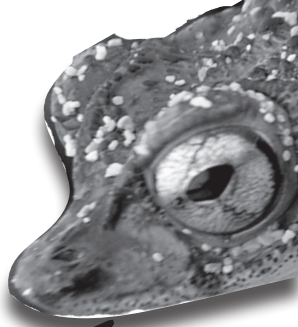
### General Membership Preview: You better come or your voice will not be heard on these important issues

State Representative Joel Judd will be at the next General Membership meeting on October 7th to give a break down of the ballot issues facing Colorado voters will be facing this November. Joel will be answering questions beyond the blue book and explain how your vote will impact our lives and community.

Also, please come out to vote on some huge issues for Jefferson Park land use and zoning. We have been asked to review and give an opinion for the Allied rezoning plans as well as the RMU-30 rezoning centered around La Loma. Allied's project will be explained to General Membership and General Membership will be asked to vote on the rezoning required for this project. Again, these are large issues for the neighborhood and it would be great to see a large turn out.

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Monday,  
Oct. 6, 2008 is the deadline to register to vote in the November 4, 2008 General Election.

Whether you are voting for McCain, Obama, or Howard the Moose (a credible make believe third party candidate) you are running out of time to register!



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To update your voter registration information or to register to vote, please go to [www.denervotes.org](http://www.denervotes.org) or call the Denver Elections Division at 720 913-VOTE (8683).

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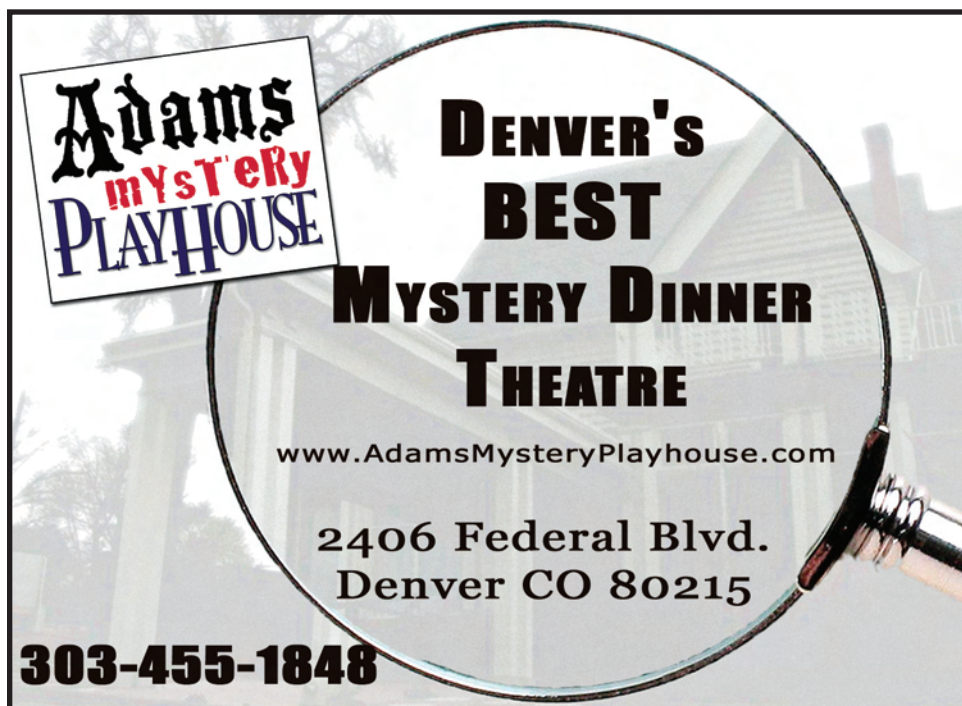
## Have a drink with death at the next JPHUN happy hour!

A dark shadow lurks behind you as you walk down the hall for a drink. Is it your imagination, or did the eye on that painting move. Is it a happy hour? Or an unhappy hour? Who killed Dave? Who is Dave? None of these questions or other's will be answered as JPHUN enters the halls of the Adam's mystery Dinner theater. Watch your back as the community is invited to check out Jefferson Parks premier dinner theater location while also washing back the troubles of the day with a few drinks. Just make sure it isn't poisoned. Ah ha ha ha ha ha!. The happy hour will be from 5 till 7 on the evening of Oct. 9th. The Adam's Mystery Theater, as you can see below, is located at 2406 Federal Blvd. Remember there is always room for one more.

JPUN would also like to thank Quality Hotel for their hospitality hosting our last JPHUN event at their birds eye view bar the and would further like to thank them for providing a free two night stay for one lucky member of our community.

## JPUN Coffers Running Bare: Please sir (or mam) can we have some at all.

So the truth of the matter is that JPUN is poor. Very poor, and we want to keep doing the things that we, and hopefully you, feel are helping to make our community a better place. These things include Jefferson Park Day, Halloween Safe Nights, Holiday parties, action committees, flower bed maintenance and development, National Night out, and helping to keep you informed about the happenings in Jefferson Park with the community Newsletter. While, a good portion of money currently comes from developer fees we are hoping to diversify or revenue stream in order to improve our ability to better all of our community. With that said, we are looking for any donation, at any time of the year, at any denomination that you can offer if you appreciate the work JPUN is doing and would like it to continue. And if you can't give a tax deductible donation, please keep in mind Jefferson Park United Neighbors runs on volunteers. We constantly need help to do things such as building handicap access ramps for the 23rd avenue bridge, cooking hotdogs at a community event, manning a concession stand at Invesco, or simply taking the time out to sit on one of our boards. From now on you will see a small slip at the bottom of the newsletter. This slip will be a donation form, it will also provide info on how you can volunteer. Please take it into consideration when asking how you can help your community.



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## Do You have something to say!

If you know of positive event happening in the neighborhood or simply want to discuss making something positive happen take a second to write it down. Above the Fold: Your Community Newsletter is always happy to publish your views. Please refrain from using ad homonym attacks against any individual in our community when writing these pieces. Such articles will not be published. But beyond that we want to hear your views. Send them to [jboven@twenty3magazine.com](mailto:jboven@twenty3magazine.com)

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# Denver Vote! Be a Poll

## Worker on Nov. 4th!

With the General Election on November 4 just weeks away, the Denver Elections Division is recruiting more than 2,500 poll workers to help Denver residents cast their ballots. Be a part of this historic election by working from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. at a neighborhood polling location on Election Day. The pay ranges from \$120 to \$210, including a training session. Lunch is provided and you can receive satisfaction from knowing you are helping your fellow citizens exercise one of their fundamental democratic rights. High school students ages 16 to 18 years old can participate through the Student Poll Worker Program. Details are at [www.DenverVotes.org](http://www.DenverVotes.org). If you're a night owl, work the overnight shift on Election Day and be the first one to see the results! Those available for temporary work prior to the election can earn \$11.12 an hour. To qualify as a poll worker, you must: be a registered voter residing in the City and County of Denver, never have been convicted of election fraud, not be a candidate on the ballot in the precinct where you are appointed to serve, nor a family member, pass a background check. To apply, go to [www.denvervotes.org](http://www.denvervotes.org), call the Denver Elections Division at 720-913-VOTE (8683) or email [poll.worker@denvergov.org](mailto:poll.worker@denvergov.org) and request an application.

# A REAL JEFFERSON PARK HERO

Dear Commander Stephens,

Jefferson park United neighbors (JPUN) has worked with many different neighborhood officers over the years. We wanted to take a moment to let you know what an exceptional job Officer Robert J Martinez is doing in our neighborhood. Officer Martinez is doing an outstanding job of listening to our issues and taking a proactive roll in addressing those issues.

The first example involves an absentee landlord renting to criminals in our neighborhood. JPUN had been trying to work with this landlord for years with no success. Recently the landlord allowed occupancy of an apartment by a known gang member, resulting in criminal behavior on and around the apartment. We brought our concern to Officer Martinez's attention and not only was the gang member quickly arrested for an outstanding warrant, Officer Martinez followed through with the landlord about other known gang members not on the lease still living in the apartment. We witnessed this landlord, who had refused to work with JPUN, quickly evict these tenants and comply with nuisance-abatement oversight based on the vigilance and follow through of Officer Martinez.

The second example of Officer Martinez's outstanding efforts involves a house with known drug activity for at least 4 years. Neighbors had been trying to work with the police department for years to stop the drug addicts from using the house for their illegal activity. Once the concern was brought to Officer Martinez, action was taken and all drug activity ceased in a matter of weeks. It has been brought to JPUN's attention that Officer Martinez's quick actions convinced 3 young professionals, who had been discouraged by the criminal activity, not to move out of the neighborhood having seen the power of the concerned neighbors and an excellent neighborhood officer in Officer Martinez to quickly improve the neighborhood by decisively dealing with any criminal activity that comes to light.

One of JPUN's goals is to showcase Jefferson Park as a safe place where people can raise a family if they desire. With the proactive, always-available, and get-the-job-done attitude of Officer Martinez we can be proud to speak of Jefferson Park as a safe place for all law-abiding neighbors. We're grateful to have Officer Robert Martinez as our neighborhood officer!

Sincerely Katherine Meldrum, JPUN Board Member - Safety Committee  
(on behalf of the entire Jefferson Park United Neighbors (JPUN) Board of Directors)

I would like to support the Jefferson Park United Neighbors (JPUN) with my tax deductible donation!

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