



# *Denver Neighborhood* **Connection**

The Newsletter of Inter-Neighborhood Cooperation

April 1997

## *March 8 Meeting*

# **Minutes of Last Meeting**

By Diane Wolta  
Secretary

The meeting was called to order at 9:15 a.m. by Chairman Stan McIntyre.

**Excise & License:** Beth McCann, Director, gave an update on the Occasional Cabaret Ordinance Task Force. They expect it to go to council in 30 days. Binding mediation, which will begin soon, will be an outgrowth of this ordinance. The Task Force will be recommending that liquor license holders be allowed 20 days a year to have a cabaret license.

**Renaissance Project:** Dick Bjurstrom reported the city is wanting a turn around time of two weeks from neighborhoods when they are notified of permits/projects in their area. Dick asked for input on how neighborhoods want to be informed, what types of projects they want to be informed about, and what kind of timing they expected in getting their responses back to the city. Consensus from the delegates was: a two-week turn around time is too short for most issues - needs to be 30-days; whatever method is used to advise neighborhoods (Internet, e-mail, fax, etc.) make sure and keep a "safety net" for those areas that are not "technologically advanced" by using mail, too. Before we decide what we want to be informed about and how far in advance that notice is needed, the delegates requested a working list showing what types of permits/developments are handled as desk review, field review or as a large development projects. The time for responding will likely be different depending upon the size and scope of the project.

It was suggested that if neighborhoods want to actively participate, they may be required to "gear up" to do so on a tighter timeline. At a minimum, maybe they could quickly advise the city contact person if the project is a "Go", a "Maybe" (needing more info and/or discus-

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## ***Volunteer Summer Tutors Needed***

Summer Scholars is a community-based program designed to prevent violence by promoting literacy and self-esteem among at-risk elementary school students in Northeast Denver neighborhoods.

During the school year, volunteer tutors help sustain students' progress in academic performance, self-esteem, and social competence. A minimum of 1.5 hours per week is desired for tutor volunteers. Tutoring can take place during the day, after school, and in the evenings. Volunteer opportunities are also available in school libraries, computer labs, and ESL and bilingual classrooms.

There are a variety of other ideas to allow for ongoing and/or periodic involvement. Contact Lynne Clark at 355-3520 for further information.

## **Join Good People Doing Great Things**

Sign Up Now  
For The  
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Glad Bag-a-thon

**Saturday**  
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## Chairman's Column

By Stan McIntyre

The city's Residential Care Ordinance was passed by our representatives on City Council by a vote of 11 to 1. Councilmember Ted Hackworth was the only one to support INC's position of spacing of 1,000 feet, and the notification of residents within two hundred feet of the proposed facility. I would recommend watching the Council proceedings of the March 17 meeting. There was more concern shown for the Fair Housing Act than for the citizens of Denver. The neighborhood associations did not request anything that would have prohibited care for those in need. Because of the small percentage of persons needing special care, the spacing should not have been a factor.

When businesses and residents come to agreement and understanding, they can co-exist. But there will not be the trust from neighbors if we are not part of the process.

Thanks to all for the support of the newly elected INC Executive Board. I hope we can have a productive year. When our members become informed and work with INC committees, it assures us of having more participation in city-wide issues.

### Denver Outdoor Storage Regulations

The following rules apply to outdoor storage on residential property.

1. Materials intended for outdoor use on residential property such as picnic tables, barbecue grills, or metal and plastic patio furniture are permitted. Children's toys and bicycles are allowed to be kept outdoors.
2. Materials intended for indoor use such as household appliances and upholstered furniture designed as bedroom, living room, or office furniture, and dining tables and chairs are not permitted to be stored outside an enclosed structure on residential property.
3. Tools, equipment, and other supplies utilized in automobile repair or construction are not permitted to be stored outside an enclosed structure on residential property. However, homeowners who have a valid and recent building permit are allowed to neatly store small quantities of required supplies during construction or remodeling.

For further information, call Neighborhood Support Services at 640-2000

## Forums Set For City Initiatives

Last August, Mayor Webb put together a committee to explore how the city, businesses, and neighborhoods could work more constructively with each other. The committee is comprised of businesses, neighborhoods, and city staff. The committee has drafted six proposed initiatives that are now ready for public input. In order to introduce the proposed initiatives, the following open forums have been scheduled throughout the city:

Thurs., April 10	Manual High School
Wed., April 16	George Washington High School
Wed., April 23	Kennedy High School
Wed., April 30	North High School
Tues., May 6	Montbello High School

All meetings will take place from 6:59 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

At each of these meetings, an overview will be done of the committee process, the proposed initiatives will be reviewed, small groups will be formed to discuss the proposed initiatives, and the large group will reconvene for a general discussion.

The working titles of the proposed initiatives are:

- Citywide Newsletter
- Citizen Handbook
- Neighborhood Registration Fee and Annual Conferences
- Neighborhood Plan Process Assessment
- Information, Mediation, and Outreach Functions Office
- Appointments to and Representation on Committees, Task Forces, and Boards of Directors

Interested citizens should try to attend one or more of the meetings. For further information, call Tina Scardina or Dottie Summers at 640-5827.

# Minutes of March 8 Meeting

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sion before a answer can be given), or a "Whoa" (meaning that it is a major project, and a meeting or some other large dissemination of information is needed). Dick will take these comments back to the city and report back at our next INC meeting.

**INC Business:** Treasurer Meredith Anderson reported that to date the account balances are: checking \$4,677.72; savings \$1,960.25; and we are holding 501(c)(3) money for Bellevue-Hale association of \$13,284.43.

State Sen. Pat Pascoe gave an update on bills in the legislature. Motion: Passed 28-1-6, to support Pat's senate bill to make smoking or use of tobacco illegal for juveniles.

Carol Boigan, Mayor's Office of Education, updated INC on the city's grant application to take over the Child Opportunity grant (Head Start). DPS was asked to be a partner, but declined as it has enough on its plate. There will be more information to come on this.

The Residential Care Use Ordinance Amendment status and issues were updated, possible proposed amendments were discussed, and a reminder was given that the public hearing before council will be March 17. Dollar Dictionary Drive for this year was briefly discussed. Cathie Fisher suggested that we shoot for unpacking, labeling and processing the dictionaries from August 18 through 22. Distribution will be in late September.

**INC Good Neighbor Awards:** These annual INC awards were presented by Stephanie Foote, Mayor Webb's Chief of Staff. The recipients were: Joe Halpern (Alamo Placita), Calvary Presbyterian Church (Cook Park, with the Rev. Mike Carrier accepting); and Virginia McIntyre (Virginia Village/Ellis).

**Chairman's Awards:** All officers, board members, committee chairs, and a few other individuals received "Thank Yous" and a plaque from Stan for the work done this past year.

**Election of Officers:** was conducted by Dick Bjurstrom. Motion: Passed unanimously, to hold the election today, and if anyone nominated from the floor was not a delegate from their association (all nominees on the slate met this requirement) that, if elected, they would meet this requirement within one-month. Motion: Passed unanimously, that the teller committee would be Meredith Anderson, Carter Ballinger, Cathie Fisher and Dick Bjurstrom. Motion: Passed unanimously, that since the four individuals running for Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary and Treasurer were running unopposed, and since there were no further nominations from the floor, that they be elected by acclamation.

Those elected to the respective offices were: Stan McIntyre, Chairman; Dan du Bois, Vice Chairman; Diane Wolta, Secretary; and Walt Kembel, Treasurer.

Ballots were then cast to elect the six Delegates-at-Large. Those elected were: Dick Feather, Sarah Bradley, Debbie James, Margot Hartmann, Fred Corn and Tom

Tayon. Janey Hanley continues as past chair.

Due to time constraints there was no "Around the City". The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

## Good Neighbor Award Recipients Profiled

INC is proud to announce the winners of this year's Good Neighbor Awards. The recipients were honored at the March 8 meeting. Mayor Webb's Chief of Staff, Stephanie Foote, read the nominations and presented plaques from INC to the honorees. They are:

### Calvary Presbyterian Church

The church graciously opened its doors to the Cook Park Neighborhood Association five years ago as it struggled to reorganize. Reverend Michael Carrier and church leaders have allowed other civic organizations, including INC, to use its facilities. INC was allowed to store 5,700 dictionaries at the church, and church volunteers helped label and repack the books for distribution to 80 Denver elementary schools.

### Joe Halpern

Alamo Placita Neighbors nominated Joe because for 12 years he has worn two big hats for the association: Zoning Chair and Newsletter Editor. He is a founding member of the organization and the only one who still serves on the board. He has helped protect a fragile inner-city neighborhood from encroaching commercial expansion along the 6th Avenue business zone and along Speer Boulevard. As a board member of the Colorado Historical Society Joe meticulously researches an aspect of the area's history for each newsletter and finds historic photos to accompany the story. By emphasizing history and human interest features on the residents and businesses of the area, he has helped forge a distinct character for the Alamo Placita neighborhood.

### Virginia McIntyre

Virginia was honored for her commitment to keeping Denver beautiful. She serves on the board of Keep Denver Beautiful and was co-chair of Denver's Glad Bag-a-thon in 1996, the second largest city clean-up in the country with 25,000 participants. She started the Adopt-a-Pole program to reduce the illegal and unsightly posting of signs on public utility poles. Virginia has been active in reviving the Virginia Village-Ellis Community Association, has volunteered at neighboring Ellis Elementary, served as chair of the American Legion Auxiliary Girls State Program, and coordinated Denver Digs Trees for her neighborhood. Virginia Village-Ellis Community Association nominated her.

# Street Closure Rules Announced

The Transportation Engineering Division and the Denver Police Department have adopted standards for the closure of the streets for private use to safeguard the interests of the applicants as well as the general public.

1. **PETITION FROM RESIDENTS** - Every resident or businessman must approve this closure of the street during the hours specified. They do so by signing this request.

2. **TIME LIMITATION** - Street closures shall be permitted only between 10:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. in residential areas.

3. **BARRICADES** - Applicants shall be responsible for providing & placing barricades, cones, signs in accordance with the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices as revised by the Colorado Supplement. Detours will require an approved traffic maintenance plan.

4. **POLICE OFFICER** - The number of Off Duty Police officers required will be determined at the time of permit issuance. The service of Off Duty Police officers may be obtained by calling the Denver Police Dept. office of secondary employment at 640-3636.

5. **INTOXICATING BEVERAGES** - Only charitable non-profit organizations may qualify for a special event liquor license, contact Excise & Licenses at 640-2064 for additional information (Must apply at least 30 days in advance of street closure).

6. **SALES OF FOOD AND DRINK** - Permit must be obtained from the Environmental Health Division of Health and Hospitals, 893-7885, to be able to sell food and drink.

7. **LITTER** - The applicant shall be responsible to see that the street is returned to a clean and sanitary condition prior to re-opening the vehicular traffic.

8. **INSURANCE** - Applicants must provide a Certificate of Insurance with the City and County of Denver named as "Additional Insured, as their Interests May Appear," in the amounts of \$100,000 per individual and \$300,000 per incident for bodily injury, and \$50,000 property damage for any permit. In addition, the Street Occupancy Permit, which must be signed by someone acting on behalf of the permittee, will contain a "save Harmless" clause. This clause will make the permittee liable for any and all claims that arise as a result of the street closure, and relieve the City and County of Denver of all liability.

When the applicants have secured the signatures of all the residents or businessmen approving the street closure, one applicant who shall be delegated to assume responsibility for meeting the above conditions shall apply in person not less than 5 working days in advance of the closure to the Transportation Engineering Division for the Street Occupancy Permit (640-5477).

Dennis E. Royer, City Traffic Engineer  
200 West 14th Avenue, #302, Denver, CO 80204-2700

## Inter-Neighborhood Cooperation Membership Application

My organization would like to register as a: ☐ Member (enclose \$30) ☐ Patron (enclose \$60)

Name of Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

President: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_

INC Delegate #1: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_

INC Delegate #2: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Please complete the above information, enclose dues, and send to:  
Inter-Neighborhood Cooperation, P.O. Box 300116, Denver, CO 80218

# For Your Information

## Nuisance Abatement Oversight Committee Listed

Neighborhood Representatives	Business Representatives
Lisa Ferreira (INC Rep.)	Evan Goulding (Chair)
Jan Marie Belle	Lisa Lurger
Algene Holliernan	Morgan Bassey
Tom Knorr	Bill Scheitler
Vi Swenson	Willie Watts
Jim Zavist	Phil Wayne
	Eric Wilson

## Pioneer Day Camp Offered

Four Mile Historic Park, a project of Denver Parks and recreation, will once again present the Summer Pioneer Day Camp for children ages 6 - 11 throughout the summer of 1997. This program is designed to give participants a taste of what life may have been like in Colorado during the heyday of the Four Mile House, which is located at 715 S. Forest Street. The program, unique within the Denver area, will include such activities as panning for gold, cooking on a wood-burning stove, and the daily chores of a farm child. Crafts will include many Early American ideas, including candle dipping and tin-can drums.

Eight sessions will be held through the summer, beginning on June 9. Sessions are from 9 a.m. to noon Monday through Thursday, and 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Friday. The cost is \$80.00 per child. To register, call 399-1859. Space is limited.

## Education Report

By Marilyn Vaughn  
Chair, Education Committee

"More than what you expect" is what people will find as "NW Denver Celebrates Education" at the annual fair sponsored by the Northwest Coalition for Better Schools. It is April 19 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at North High School, 2800 W. 32nd Ave.

### Neighborhood Connection Articles

Articles must be submitted by the 20th of the month prior to publication to the Editor, Craig Eley, 3800 S. Peach Way, Denver, CO 80237. 758-9499 (hm); 757-5000 (wk); 689-9627 (fax).

In addition to school "brag" booths, there will be ethnic food booths, community agency booths, college booths, etc.

On another note, please don't forget to return your answers to "What do you expect of the Mayor's Education Advisory Committee" to Marilyn Vaughn. Your input is seriously needed.

## Dictionary Drive Needs Volunteers

INC is once again gearing up for the Dollar Dictionary Drive. This program started last year, and the result of it was that each of 6,400 Denver third graders received a new dictionary-thesaurus.

Once again, money is needed for the project. But so are volunteers. Last year, individuals from throughout the community, including INC and neighborhood association representatives, city employees and officials and others, visited the schools to hand out the dictionaries to the students. Before that could happen, many hours were spent unpacking, labeling, counting and sorting the books.

The 1997 Dollar Dictionary Drive is in the process of getting organized, and volunteers are needed now. If you would like to help with this exciting and meaningful project, call Cathie Fisher today at 433-5221.

## Neighborhood Newsletter Editors

Thanks to all you neighborhood association newsletter editors who are doing a great job of publishing INC news for your members.

How about listing your INC delegate along with your officers and committees, so your members will know where to direct their INC-related questions and concerns?

Also, if you think INC members would be interested in hearing of the activities of your neighborhood, put the *Denver Neighborhood Connection* on your newsletter mailing list. We will print articles of general interest to our members. To share your neighborhood's news, activities and ideas, send your newsletter to:

Craig Eley, Editor  
*Denver Neighborhood Connection*  
3800 S. Peach Way, Denver, CO 80237

# Next INC Meeting

**Saturday, April 12**

Hunt Club Clubhouse  
1470 S. Quebec Way

Hosts: Indian Creek N.A. and  
#1 Hunt Club HOA

Directions: Go 3 blocks east of intersection  
of Quebec St. and Florida to Quebec Way.  
Go to second entrance. No parking on  
grounds. Park on both sides of Quebec.

9:00 a.m. - Coffee & donuts

9:15 - Call to Order, INC Business,  
Around the City

10:30 - Break

10:40 - INC Neighborhood Watch  
Program

11:00 - Law Enforcement Year 2000

11:30 - Community Policing

12:00 - Adjourn

## INC Members (Patrons in Bold)

• Alamo Placita NA • Barnum Improvement Council •  
Belcaro Park HOA • Beaumont Place HOA • Bellevue-  
Hale NA • Berkeley NA • Bonnie Brae HOA •  
Brandychase at Eastmoor Park • Broadway Terrace NA  
• Capitol Hill United Neighborhoods • Clayton NA •  
Colfax on the Hill • College View Civic Assn • Con-  
gress Park Neighbors • Cook Park NA • Cory-Merrill  
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NA • Golden Triangle NA • Good Neighbors Assn •  
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• Inspiration Point NA • Jefferson Park NA • Mayfair  
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HOA • Pine Valley NA • Ruby Hill NA • Sloan Lake  
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