

Next Meeting
Saturday
January 12
2001

Ramada Inn
1150 East Colfax
(between Downing & Marion)

Sponsored by Capitol Hill
United Neighbors, Inc.

AGENDA

8:45
Coffee & Chat

9:00
Around the City

10:00
Committee Reports

10:30
Break

10:45
Traffic and Parking
Management
Discussion

Noon
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The deadline for
INC newsletter
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January 12 INC **Meeting Topic Is** **Transportation**

suggests an approach, modeled after programs in other cities, that is both complicated and confusing.

Guest speakers at the January 12, 2002 membership meeting will explain how the Denver Public Works Department is dealing with traffic and parking in neighborhoods. Mohammed Zaid of the Traffic Engineering Section will describe the new neighborhood traffic management program. John Oglesby, the Director of the Parking Management Program, will also be present to describe that program.

Meeting Location

The January 12, 2002 meeting will be sponsored by Capitol Hill United Neighbors. The meeting will be at the Ramada Inn at 1150 East Colfax Avenue (between Downing and Marion Streets). Please enter the parking lot from either Downing or Colfax.

Capitol Hill **United Neighbors** **Makes Grant To** **INC**

On December 22, 2001 Capitol Hill United Neighbors, Inc. (CHUN) held its annual awards ceremony and presented checks totaling \$45,000 to community non-profits that provide services to Capitol Hill residents. The money is raised each year at the Capitol Hill People's Fair, and since 1988 the grant program has provided over \$800,000 to Capitol Hill non-profits. Inter-Neighborhood Cooperation received \$1,000 this year to help pay for the production and distribution of our monthly newsletter, the *Denver Neighborhood Connection*. Thanks to CHUN for its generous support of INC! We are truly grateful for the ongoing relationship of cooperation and shared goals between our two organizations.

Around the City

address negative impacts the tavern's clientele have been having on the near neighbors.

Ivy Street Neighbors – The Ivy Street Neighbors are providing baskets for sick and shut-in neighbors. A neighborhood lighting display is planned for the holidays.

Alamo Placita – Good news for the neighborhood! On December 20 Judge

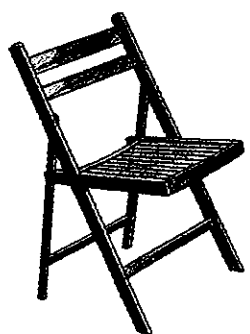
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From the Chair

By Fred Corn
INC Chair

several reminders in the mail during the coming month, one of which will be included in your Registered Neighborhood Organization re-registration notice from the Office of Neighborhood Response. The conference is a great benefit of being an RNO and I hope registered organizations will take advantage and send several people to the

conference. Sessions this year will cover the following topics: zoning issues, transit, Blueprint Denver, housing assistance programs, focus neighborhoods initiative, and Neighborhood Inspection Services. There will also be a mock development review. This year there are no limits to the number of people that may attend from each RNO.

Speaking of RNO registration, a recent e-mail from the city stated that registration will be closed January 21, 2002. This is earlier than in past years so please look for the registration packet in the mail and don't delay your response. If you have any questions call ONR at (720) 865-2959.

By the time you receive this newsletter the holidays will be over and we will all be erasing 1s and trying to adjust to the idea that another year has passed. I hope you all spent the holidays with family and loved ones and that the season was one of relaxation and reflection. With the events of the past year and the changing economy in Denver and across the country, I think we will all be wondering where the new year will take us. It seems to be a time of great uncertainty, but also one of great hope.

In Denver neighborhoods there is truly great news. Blueprint Denver, a plan with a broad vision of Denver's future, will be approved by City Council in the next month. Many people worked for many months to bring this plan to its current form. But the hard work is really just beginning with small area plans and traffic management plans to be developed, and the new Long House Committee poised to take on neighborhood preservation issues. And these are just a few of the tasks prescribed by Blueprint Denver. It is my sincerest hope that Denver neighborhoods will continue to be engaged in the new year and take advantage of the momentum generated by citizens and city planners during the creation of Blueprint Denver.

This is also probably a good time to plug the upcoming Neighborhood Conference. The conference is being co-sponsored by the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Response, the Community Planning and Development Agency, Focus Neighborhoods Initiative, and INC. The conference will be held the morning of Saturday, February 16, 2002 at the Convention Center. You will be receiving



Our Reader Writes

Thank you to INC's board and membership for honoring me with the 2001 Walt Kembel Award at the President's Dinner.

Walt was an individual who cared about the changing character of his neighborhood. Walt always seemed to find the silver cloud or rainbow within the storm, but he also seemed to find the right moment to say "the emperor isn't wearing any clothes."

The INC Dictionary Program is a means of providing a valuable resource to our third graders and to making a connection between our neighborhoods and our elementary schools and their students. It is a lifetime gift to each who receive it.

Cathee Fisher

Around the City

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Michael Martinez, of Denver District Court, issued an order stating: "the Court is satisfied that the totality of the record demonstrates that the disputed decisions of the Denver City Council and the Landmark Preservation Commission in creating the Alamo Placita Historic District were supported by competent evidence. Any procedural irregularities were not prejudicial to Petitioners in this matter. Accordingly, the Court declines to overturn the decisions of the Council and the LPC and, therefore, the designation of the Alamo Placita Historic District is hereby affirmed." In other news, Alamo Placita held its annual meeting in November and elected the 2002 Steering Committee. Officers will be elected at the January Steering Committee meeting.

Upper Downtown Development Organization - 3,312 new units are being constructed and \$660 million is being spent on commercial development throughout the area. The Ballpark Neighborhood Historic District plan is scheduled to go to City Council in January 2002. Street plans are being revised by the city to provide better access to and through the area. A "Port-A-Potty Plan" is underway for handling the personal needs of the homeless.

University Park Community Council - Winter meeting will be held February 6, 2002 at 7 p.m. at the University Park School. Concerns: T-REX traffic and noise mitigation and station plans, DU traffic and campus master plan, status of UP neighborhood plan, zoning amendments/Blueprint Denver. For information call Diana Helper at (303) 733-4902.

East Montclair NA - Thank you to Lee Coleman for her many years of commitment to EMNA and INC. Lee, with knitting in hand (completed sweaters unknown) has participated in uncounted meetings and discussions over and above the call of duty. She has promised not to disappear into the sunset and will be the alternate delegate for EMNA to INC. Thank

you Lee!!

INC December Board Meeting

At the its December meeting the INC Board held a lengthy discussion about the Dollar Dictionary Drive. The DDD committee asked the board for comments and suggestions regarding the future of the program. The following motion was discussed and approved:

"To continue the dollar dictionary drive to provide dictionaries and/or thesauruses to each Denver Public Schools third grader. The dictionary committee will explore options for purchasing different products, such as higher quality dictionaries, and provide a report to the board."

In other business, the Board decided to donate \$200 to the Temple Events Center Uptown for its general operating expenses. The Temple Events Center has been very generous to INC by providing us with office and meeting space free of charge. The Temple Events Center Uptown is a non-profit multi-purpose events and conference facility providing a home to hundreds of artistic, cultural, and educational activities each year. INC is pleased to be a part of the Temple Events Center community and we hope this contribution may show our gratitude for the assistance they have provided to our organization.

Advertise In Denver Neighborhood Connection

INC is now accepting ads for its newsletter. The circulation is about 400, going to all the Neighborhood Association Presidents and INC delegates as well as various city offices. Your ad should be business card sized and should be e-mailed to craig@eley.net. The deadline is the 20th of the month, and the cost is \$30.00 per ad per month. You will be invoiced after the ad has run. Please call Joyce Goulet at 303-298-0401 for further information.