

## April 12 INC Meeting Focuses on Denver Citywide Office Candidates

Arizona Street, and will begin at 9 a.m.

While there will not be a regular meeting, the Around the City sheet will be circulated, so those with neighborhood news or concerns can jot them down as it goes by.

## Dollar Dictionary Drive Kicks Off

*By Cathee Fisher  
Dollar Dictionary Co-Chair*

both of these books in September.

The books we have given to the DPS students since 1996 have been a gift from the community for them to use for their continuing education and to share with their family members. The books the INC members received are meant to be used when needed, but are more importantly a visible example of either the "dinosaur book" (thesaurus) or the new blue dictionary, which has the U.S. Declaration of Independence and the Constitution of the United States included. It is a gift to be used as a show and tell fundraising tool.

Additionally, our brochure has been updated to reflect this year's program. Inserted in this newsletter are both the blue edition and a white copy that can be easily copied. This program has worked because neighborhood organizations, individuals, businesses and our civic workers and leaders have said "Great Program" and have supported it with their enthusiasm and dollars.

Your support is most needed in spreading the word, so people can participate. Please copy the tri-fold brochure for extended distribution or place excerpts in your neighborhood newsletter. If you need more copies, let us know.

### The numbers - 1996 to 2003

Students to receive a dictionary and thesaurus of their own in 2003 = 9,000  
Total books distributed (including 2000 classroom sets) = 98,000  
Cost of the 2003 program = \$25,000  
Current funds available = \$3,144  
INC meeting challenge = 50 people x \$100 = \$5,000

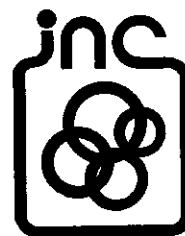
This will put us at 32.5% of our 2003 fundraising goal. A great start, but not the finish line. Everyone's efforts are needed and appreciated. Thank you for your support!

The April 12, 2003 INC meeting will consist entirely of candidate forums. Candidates for Denver mayor, auditor and council-at-large positions have been invited to attend.

The meeting will be held at the Washington Park United Methodist Church at 1955 East

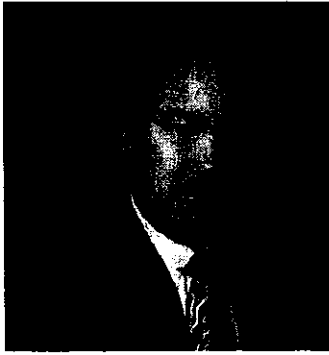
The March 2003 INC meeting marked the launch of this year's Dollar Dictionary Drive. Each of the more than 50 attendees received a copy of either the 250 page Webster's Thesaurus or the 450 page New Encyclopedic Dictionary. Every Denver Public Schools (DPS) third grade student will receive as their own

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# From the Chair

**By Wayne Jochem  
INC Chair**

## **March INC Elections**

Elections always seem to give me mixed emotions. On the one hand I'm saddened as many of the board members are term limited and are unable to continue in their current capacities. During my time as Vice Chair and now as Chair, I've gotten used to them, appreciated their input, support and opposition and I have seen the passion that they have when it comes to neighborhood issues. I will miss them and I hope that we will be able to continue to work together on common issues well into the future.

On the other hand, change happens. While I don't know all the newly elected board members as well as I do the outgoing ones, I have seen these people, heard about these people and feel that their ~~dedication~~ and passion to neighborhood issues is no less passionate than our ~~board~~ members they have replaced. I am looking forward to ~~working with our~~ new board members in tackling not only the challenges that face us now but also the issues and challenges that will present themselves to us.

The board members are listed on the last page of this newsletter and we are all looking forward to a very challenging year ahead. Hopefully, if there is room in next month's DNC newsletter, our current board members will be willing to tell us a little about themselves so that you can get an idea of who they are and a little of their background.

## **That's the Way it's Always Been**

After our elections I was asked why we don't have written ballots and why there wasn't something placed in *Denver Neighborhood Connection* about the people running for INC board positions. I didn't have an answer other than this is the way it's been done. In talking further about this it got me thinking

(which can be bad as it seems to create more work) about not only our annual elections but other things that we do because that is the way it's been done.

If anyone has any suggestions on what they would like to see changed or how they would like to see thing done here at INC, please drop any of the board members or myself a note or phone call. It is always helpful to hear what you think as often we find that not everyone sees things in the same way.

We are here, we want to hear from you and we want to be helpful to you, the neighborhoods of Denver, so give us a call.

## **Thanks**

Thank you to the Denver Water Board for not only hosting March's meeting but for the informative presentation on our current water supply status, proposed action being taken as well as discussion on surcharges. It was very informative and there was some good discussion during the presentation. Thank you, Joe and Leslie.

## **Candidate Forums**

Don't miss the INC citywide office candidate forum at our April 12 members' meeting at Washington Park United Methodist Church, 1955 East Arizona Street. INC has also co-sponsored a series of other opportunities to meet, hear and question Denver candidates. The remaining forums in the series are:

### **Thursday, April 24**

6-7:30 p.m. Mayoral Candidates

Location: Denver 8 TV Studios, 2390 Ulster Street, Denver

### **Saturday, May 10**

6 p.m. All Run-off Candidates

Location: East High School, 1545 Detroit Street, Denver

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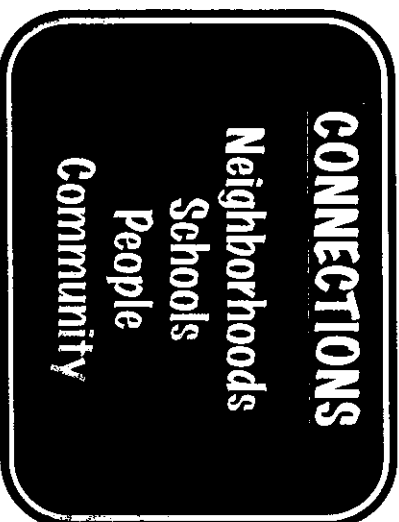
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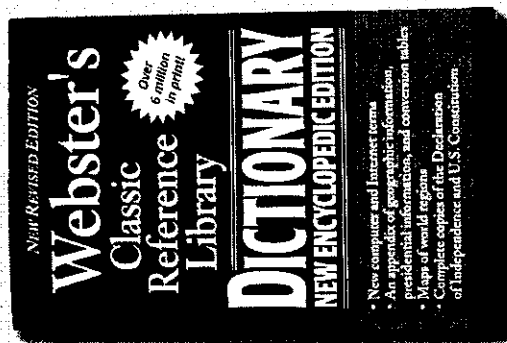
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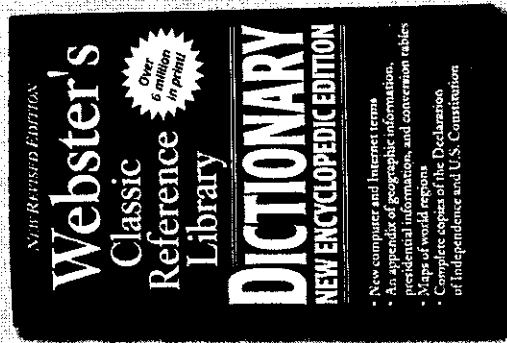


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# Around the City and Action Taken at March Meeting

## Around the City

**Athmar Park** – Wal-Mart is going to develop Alameda Square. Neighborhoods that want info regarding cabaret licenses, please call or e-mail. APNA has a fact/how-to sheet that it can share. Athmarpark@aol.com or 303-936-9206.

**Solid Waste Management** – Mulch giveaway and compost sale is scheduled for Saturday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Graffiti is moving to highly visible areas and citizens are being encouraged to report it or assist in taking it down. Authorization forms are available by calling the Graffiti Hotline at 720-865-STOP (7867).

**West Washington Park Neighborhood Assn** – The proposed redevelopment of the old Gates factory site that straddles South Broadway south of I-25 will have a huge impact on the area as it redevelops over the next 25 years. Currently, planning for the traffic impact on South Broadway and South Lincoln access due to the re-building of the I-25 overpass is a major challenge. The association has just gone through the cabaret license process, and those seeking the association's perspective on this experience may call 303-722-9046.

**Sunnyside United Neighbors, Inc** – April 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting and pizza feast! Election of new officers. Kick-off of SUNI Gateway design competition for Sunnyside major thoroughfares.

**Capitol Hill United Neighbors** – Is struggling with the drought and with the city but is still expecting to have the 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Capitol Hill Peoples' Fair on the streets surrounding Civic Center Park on June 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>.

**Cherry Point Homeowners Assn** – Has concerns with proposed Denver Water Department drought surcharges. Due to difference in base rates, surcharges not fair as Denver residents would see a 15% increase while non-Denver resident would see lower percentage increase.

## Actions Taken

**Zoning Code Reorganization** – Approved by the general membership.

**Drought Surcharges** – Discussion at the last INC Board meeting included an examination of drought surcharges proposed by Denver Water. The Board approved the sending of a letter to the Denver Water Board regarding the unfairness of proposed surcharges, different surcharge scales depending on whether a level 2 or 3 is involved, and having more and smaller surcharge steps rather than a few large steps.

## INC Member Neighborhoods

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(Patrons in Bold)

Alamo Placita NA	Lynwood 7 & 8 HOA
Athmar Park NA	North City Park CA
Baker Historical NA	Park Forest HOA.
Beacon Club	Platt Park People's Assoc.
Bellevue-Hale NA	Sloan's Lake Citizen's Group
Berkeley NA	South Gaylord NA
<b>Capitol Hill United Neighbors</b>	South Hilltop NA
Cherry Creek North NA	South Jackson NO
Cherry Point HOA	Sunny Lawson Park NA
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Colfax on the Hill	<b>Upper Downtown Development Org</b>
College View NA	Virginia Vale CA
Cook Park NA	Virginia Village/Ellis Community Association
Cory-Merrill NA	Washington Park East NA
<b>Crestmoor Park HOA Filing 2</b>	<b>West Highland NA</b>
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East Montclair NA	West Washington Park NA
<b>Greater Park Hill Community</b>	
Hampden Heights CA	
Hampden South NA	
Harkness Heights NA	
Harman NA	
Highland United Neighbors	
Hilltop Heritage	
Hutchinson Hills/Willow Point NA	
Ivy Street NA	
Jefferson Park United Neighbors	
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**Next Meeting**  
**Saturday**  
**April 12**  
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**Washington Park  
United Methodist  
Church**

1955 East Arizona St.

**AGENDA**

**8:45**

Coffee and Chat

**9:00**

City Council At-Large  
Candidates

**10:30**

Auditor Candidates

**Noon**

Mayoral Candidates

**1:30**

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