

## August 9 Is Next INC Delegates' Meeting

be open to any past, present or new city officials who would like to make presentations. Delegates will also have an opportunity to finish labeling any dictionaries that were not completed during the previous two days of labeling.

## Civic Center Planning Workshop Scheduled

*By Dennis Swain and  
Stephen Graziano  
Project Co-Managers  
Community Planning and  
Development Asset*

As part of the issue identification, we are scheduling a half-day workshop with various stakeholders on Saturday, August 9th, 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, in the Webb Municipal Building, 201 West Colfax Avenue, Room 4.F.6, Denver, Colorado. All INC members are invited to attend. We are inviting representatives of the government and cultural institutions, representatives of neighborhood and professional organizations, elected and appointed officials and owners of property within the study area. If you are being invited as a representative of a particular organization and cannot attend, please arrange for another member of the organization to attend in your place. If you are not able to attend, you may watch the event at a later date as Denver's Channel 8 will be taping this workshop for broadcast.



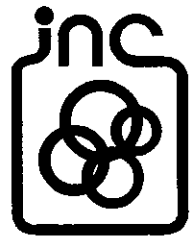
After the planning assessment is complete, we'll present it to the new Mayor and Planning Director for a decision on whether or not to go forward with a full master plan. If we proceed with the master plan, we'll invite the workshop participants back for a follow-up design meeting focused on solutions to whatever critical issues come out of the first workshop.

Coffee and pastries will be available but lunch will not be provided. Unfortunately we cannot provide free parking. Please RSVP to Lynn Sargent by phone at 720-865-2912 or by e-mail to [lynn.sargent@ci.denver.co.us](mailto:lynn.sargent@ci.denver.co.us) by Friday, August 1, 2003. We need an accurate participant count in order to prepare adequate materials and space. You will receive the workshop agenda upon confirming your attendance.

The next INC Delegates' meeting will be Saturday, August 9 at the Rocky Mountain SER-Community Center Gym at 36th Avenue and Pecos Street in northwest Denver. The meeting will begin at 8:45 a.m. and will

The City and County of Denver is starting work on a master plan for the government and cultural facilities in the Civic Center area. We're beginning with a planning assessment of the current conditions and issues within the study area, and will include an analysis of how they may be impacted by a new justice center. The planning assessment will focus on issues related to land use, transportation, parking, urban design and parks.

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# From the Chair

By Wayne Jochem  
INC Chair

Hello everybody!

Summer's here and what a great time we've had at the Peoples Fair and the Busker Fest! Diane Wolta did a wonderful job of lining up volunteers for these two events to staff the INC Beer Booth. We have received checks for both these events and will be sending out checks soon. As I write this, I'm looking forward to having another good time at the LODO Music Fest.

## Mayor's Transition Teams

In addition to working beer booths to help raise money for INC and our members, we have been busy working with Mayor Hickenlooper's transition committee. Right now we have around six INC members on various transition committees such as Excise and License, Planning and Community Development and Police committees. This is very exciting for us as we are able to provide input from the neighborhood/community side of things. While the committees have been working very hard with their tasks, this is just the tip of the iceberg so to speak. We will still need to develop and nurture working relationships with the various elected and appointed officials.

## Quick Wins or Quick Loss?

We have been busy talking about Quick Wins 2 and how to proceed with the proposed ballot issue to repeal Quick Wins 2 (QW2) and already it appears that there is confusion about it. This is a complicated issue but in my mind I it boils down to a few simple issues. First, unless someone can show me otherwise, QW2 seems to allow more than what it replaced and since when is more not better? Secondly, QW2 was a collaboration of not only neighborhood groups and city officials but private

sector persons including architects. Thirdly, INC went through the process and had QW2 approved through City Council.

Now it appears that forces who have money are bearing down to repeal QW2 in an attempt to repeal QW2 by using their money and deep pockets to get this on the ballot in an attempt to basically buy a repeal. I don't think they will be successful in their endeavors but this is a serious threat and it will be up to us to educate people, communities, and the voters at the expense of our personal time, energy and money, as we are all volunteers and INC doesn't have the deep pockets that those opposing us do.

## Meetings Coordinator Volunteers

Rick Hendricks will be taking over coordinating the monthly INC General Membership meetings and our Health Committee. Congratulations Rick!

While I did pass this along to Rick, I thought I'd share it with you also as I would like to get back to having the next several meeting locations and presentations listed so our tentative meeting schedule is looking something like this:

September - Hosted by DURA as well as a presentation by them

October - Location Open and this is our annual ballot issues meeting

November - Hosted by Lowry

December - Open

In closing, I hope that everyone is having a fun and safe summer season and I look forward to seeing you all at our next meeting, if not sooner.

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INC Web Page



[www.neighborhoodlink.com/denver/inc](http://www.neighborhoodlink.com/denver/inc)



## Tips Offered on Branch Removal, Graffiti

Branch collection continues throughout Denver neighborhoods and Denver Solid Waste Management would like citizens' help in this matter as proper disposal by residents is essential for efficient collection. First, branches must be cut in 4 foot lengths or smaller and be securely tied together in bundles weighing less than 50 pounds. Secondly, loose branches must not be placed in the alley or placed where they interfere with safe traffic flow. For more information, contact Solid Waste Management at 720-865-6900.

Regarding Graffiti, practice the 3 R's of graffiti control. First, **report** graffiti to the Graffiti Hotline at 720-865-STOP, whether it's on your property, a stop sign, a billboard, a traffic signal post, buildings or anywhere else in the City and County of Denver. Second, **remove** it quickly by pre-authorizing the city to remove graffiti on your property by completing and returning a signed consent form, or remove it yourself by using free paint that is available to property owners and volunteers from the Graffiti Office. Third, **reap** the benefits as studies show that graffiti vandalism decreases in areas where prompt removal is practiced. For more information contact the Graffiti Hotline at 720-865-STOP (7867).

Encourage your neighbors to take advantage of recycling with Denver Recycles. There is no charge to qualified residents. Also remind them that recycling is good for Denver's environment and economy. Call 720-865-6805 for more information.

Always check your Large Item Pickup collection schedule before discarding large items. Contact Solid Waste Management - 720-865-6900.

### Denver Neighborhood Connection Article Deadline

is the 18th of each month.

Submission should be e-mailed to the Editor, Craig Eley, at [craig@eley.net](mailto:craig@eley.net)

## INC Member Neighborhoods

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(Patrons in Bold)

Alamo Placita NA	Park Forest HOA.
Athmar Park NA	Pine Valley NA
Baker Historical NA	Platt Park People's Assoc.
Ballpark NA	Ruby Hill NA
Beacon Club	Sloan's Lake Citizen's Group
Bellevue-Hale NA	South Gaylord NA
Berkeley NA	South Hilltop NA
<b>Capitol Hill United Neighborhoods</b>	South Jackson NO
Cherry Creek North NA	Stokes Place/ Green Bower NA
Cherry Point HOA	<b>Southmoor Park E. HOA</b>
City Park West NA	Sunny Lawson Park NA
Colfax BID	Sunnyside United Neighbors, Inc.
Colfax on the Hill	<b>University Park CC</b>
College View NA	<b>Upper Downtown Development Org</b>
Congress Park Neighbors	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>
Denargo Market NC	West University NA
East Montclair NA	West Washington Park NA
George Washington HOA	Westwood NA
Golden Triangle NA	Whittier NA
<b>Greater Park Hill Community</b>	
Hampden Heights CA	<b>Supporters</b>
Hampden South NA	Councilman Rick Garcia
Harkness Heights NA	Auditor Dennis Gallagher
Harman NA	Councilman Ed Thomas
Highland United Neighbors	<b>Denver Housing Authority</b>
Hilltop Heritage	<b>Denver Water</b>
Hutchinson Hills/Willow Point NA	<b>Denver Health &amp; Hospitals</b>
Inspiration Point NA	Bonna Gayhart
Ivy Street NA	G. Grant
Jefferson Park United Neighbors	Neighborhood Resource Center of Colorado
LoDo District	One Sky, One World
Lowry Neighbors	<b>Dept. of Public Safety</b>
Lynwood 7 & 8 HOA	Sue Edwards - DPS
<b>Mayfair Neighbors</b>	
North City Park CA	



**University Park Community Council (UPCC)** - 163 Children participated in the annual July Fourth Fest sponsored by UPCC in Observatory Park. Scores of dogs and hundreds of UP neighbors lined the route. The VFW Band was in fine tune and UPCC President Andi Malard urged everyone to think about freedom and why we celebrate the 4th. Patriotically decorated bikes, buggies, wagons, strollers, children and dogs made this a colorful event. Fire Station #24's hose provided an arc of welcome cool water after the parade. Now it's back to work on the UP Neighborhood Plan, zoning and traffic matters. Also, City Councilman Charlie Brown has postponed the Public Hearing for the Colorado Station Framework Plan until August or September. To obtain a copy of the final draft, contact Janice Finch at 720-865-3165 or e-mail at Janice.finch@ci.denver.co.us

**Baker Historic Neighborhood Association** - August is vacation month for BHNA so there is no meeting. Gates East development will hold two open houses - one in July and one in August at Cameron Church at 1600 S. Pearl.

**East Colfax** - Colfax on the Hill Business Improvement District will e-mail information on the status of Blueprint Colfax East, Colfax corridor crime coalition position on community policing to the new administration.

**City Park West** - The proposed overlay district will go before the new council in August.

**Sunnyside United Neighbors, Inc.** - Outstanding efforts continue with its grass roots graffiti task force. The group received a grant from the Denver Foundation to place "Welcome to Sunnyside" signs all around the

neighborhood perimeter.

**Platt Park Peoples Association** - Gates meeting at Cameron Church (Pearl and Iowa) at 6:30 July 31st, a presentation describing their project to date. "Old South Pearl Farmers Market" Sundays 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. through October 12th. Platt Park Picnic was held July 18th.

**Inspiration Point** - Thanks everyone for finding the INC meeting place for the June Meeting. If anyone has any ideas or would be willing to write letters to encourage the city to buy the property at 52nd and Sheridan, please contact Joan Rutherford at 303-423-2036. Also, Channel 4 was taped its July 8th meeting. Apparently it is are doing something with neighborhood associations.

**Athmar Park** - Participated in Ramona Martinez's District 3 clean-up. About a dozen folks cleaned up the alley just east of Federal from Alameda to Mississippi. This alley is notoriously nasty, so the effort was much appreciated. Thanks go also to Ken Orlin at Public Works for providing trash bags, shovels and rakes.

**Hampden South Neighborhood** - Held it's first Neighborhood Yard Sale. Forty Neighbors participated and a picnic was held in Rosamond Park. Thanks to Ruth Ann Weaver for organizing the event.

**Leetsdale Cop Shop** - Safe Night Out will be August 5th from 4-8 p.m. Lew Gaiter's band will be playing and, if available, there will be police dogs and horses. There will be a limited number of free car clubs that will be given away and children's finger printing. The Leetsdale Cop Shop is in the Leetsdale Market Place at Leetsdale and S. Quebec. For more information, contact Barb Fallon, Cook Park Neighborhood President.



## DeGette Hosts Meeting

**August 2**

Congresswoman Diana DeGette will be hosting a meeting on Saturday, August 2 from 11:30 - 12:30 at the Ross-University Branch Library at 4310 E. Amherst Ave. Community leaders and citizens are invited to meet with the Congresswoman to discuss health care, economic development, housing, education and any other concerns.

# Dollar Dictionary Drive Ready to Distribute Books to Students

*By Cathee Fisher  
INC Dollar Dictionary Drive  
Co-Chair*

Councilwoman Peggy Lehmann  
DPS Student Board of Education  
East Montclair Neighborhood Association  
East Washington Park Neighborhood Association\*  
Godsman Community Neighborhood Association  
Greater Park Hill Community  
Green Valley Ranch Master Association\*  
Harvey Park Improvement Association  
Highland United Neighbors  
Independent House Fillmore  
Kiwanis Club of Denver\*  
League of Woman Voters Education Fund  
Mayfair Neighbors  
Mayfair Park Neighborhood Association  
Optimist Club of Monaco South  
University Park Community Council  
University Park Individuals

\* New donations since the last newsletter.

Please send tax deductible donations to:

INC Dollar Dictionary Drive  
P.O. Box 181009 Denver, CO 80218

The books we have been giving 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. If you ask a Denver resident who was a DPS student in 3rd grade and will be in 4th to 10th grade in September if they received a dictionary and thesaurus, they will tell you YES! They also still know where it is and use it for homework. This is a gift to our students that lasts!

## 5K Match Challenge

It happens that one of our members has a special interest in literacy. Gene Tepper's wife Sheri is a prolific writer! Sheri S. Tepper has published over 50 books in both the mystery and fantasy science fiction genres. They are both firm believers and strong supporters of literacy.

Gene's Challenge: In honor of his wife, Gene will match our next \$5,000 fundraising success! To participate please mark your brochures and donations with 5K Challenge! Hopefully we will reach our 2003 goals before August and build a nest egg for 2004. Thank you Eugene Tepper, Sheri S. Tepper and all our donors!

## 2003 donations:

Alamo Placita Neighborhood Association  
Baker Historic Neighborhood  
Baker Historic Neighborhood Individuals  
Bear Valley Improvement Association  
Capitol Hill United Neighbors  
Cherry Creek North Neighborhood Association  
Community Individuals  
Congress Park Neighbor  
Crestmoor Park (Filing 2) Homes Association  
Councilman Charlie Brown  
Councilman Ed Thomas, retired  
Councilwoman Jeanne Robb\*



## Labeling Sessions

Mark your calendars and come spend some time placing the gift labels in the 15,200 dictionaries and thesauruses to be distributed to our Denver Public Schools 3rd grade students. Each label identifies the neighborhood associations surrounding each of our 90 DPS elementary schools. Individuals or

groups are welcome for an hour or both days. Lunch is provided. Please join us and bring a friend! Call Cathee Fisher for details at 303-333-3141.

Location: Rocky Mountain SER-Community Center Gym; 36th Ave. and Pecos Street in northwest Denver.

Thursday, August 7 - 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Friday, August 8 - 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

## Dictionary Distribution

August is an excellent time to contact your neighborhood school principal to set a day and time for September when you and your neighbors can hand out the dictionaries to the students (school starts before Labor Day). This can be done in an assembly or classroom by classroom. It is the best part of the program and lots of fun! For information contact Cathee Fisher at 303-333-3141.

**Next Meeting**  
**Saturday**  
**August 9**  
**2003**

**Rocky Mountain**  
**SER-Community**  
**Center Gym**

36th Avenue & Pecos  
Street

**AGENDA**

**8:45**

Coffee and Chat

**9:00**

Around the City

**10:30**

Committee Reports,  
Speakers and Dictionary  
Labeling

**Noon**

Adjourn

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