

## Election Forum

By Steve Nissen

INC will not be holding its monthly "Delegation Meeting" in October. In place of our delegation meeting, we conducted an election forum on October 1 and will conduct another on October 12.

### Denver Decides Election Forums

Denver Decides is a partnership composed of the Denver League of Women Voters, Inter-Neighborhood Cooperation, and Denver8 TV that sponsored these two election forums in preparation for the November 1 election (all mail-in ballot). The second forum will be Wednesday, October 12, at Merritt Memorial United Methodist Church, 2246 Irving Street at 6:30 p.m. This forum will also be co-sponsored by the Sloan's Lake Citizens Group. The forums will be re-aired several times by Denver8 TV.

All neighborhood groups - PLEASE INVITE OTHERS FROM YOUR NEIGHBORHOODS.

## A Forum with Mayor Hancock

By Michael Sapp



You are cordially invited to a **Community Forum** with Mayor Michael B. Hancock this October 22 at West High School Cafeteria, 951 Elati Street, 8:30 a.m. to Noon (8:30 to 9:15 a.m. Registration).

Forum Staff: The Mayor, Council President Chris Nevitt, City Agencies, and Cabinet Members.

Refreshments will be available.

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| 9:15 to 9:20 a.m.   | Constituents post pressing issues.   |
| 9:20 to 9:30 a.m.   | Welcome and Opening Remarks  |
| 9:30 to 10:40 a.m.  | Small Group Discussions with Forum Staff                                     |
| 10:40 to 10:55 a.m. | Break  |
| 10:55 to Noon       | Large Group Sharing<br>Posting Results<br>Review Results<br>Answer Questions |
| Noon                | Adjourn  |

Come ready to identify challenges and opportunities in your community!



Space is limited; please r.s.v.p. by October 16<sup>th</sup> to Michael Sapp, Director of Neighborhood Liaison, at michael.sapp@denvergov.org or 720-865-9024.

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## Police Academy

By Linda Kent

Good afternoon VIPs. Here is the autumn volunteer opportunity you have been waiting for; it is almost time for Denver Police Department's **Citizens' Academy**.

Every spring and fall, DPD presents an 11-week program for interested residents. Classes are scheduled on Wednesdays, from 6:30 p.m. until about 8:30 p.m. at the Police Academy located at 2155

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Delegates' Meetings are held on the second Saturday of each month at 9:00 a.m.  
 See this issue for location.

The INC Executive Committee meets monthly at 1201 Williams Street in the 19th floor meeting room.  
 RNOs are welcome to reprint the articles in their own newsletters.

North Akron Way. The session will run from October 19 through December 28, including one "bye week" to account for Denver's unpredictable weather conditions. This course is designed to familiarize area residents with the policies and procedures of the DPD; it presents a unique opportunity to learn about officers and the duties they perform.

This series of classes is **FREE** and open to all interested citizens. VIPs are especially encouraged to attend the Citizens' Academy.

Each week participants attend a lecture or discussion on a wide variety of subjects, ranging from officer safety to Internal Affairs investigations; use of the VIP Unit to crime-solving techniques; the K-9 corps to DPD helicopter maneuvers; to 911 operations. You will experience demonstrations in arrest control techniques and learn about defensive emergency vehicles. Knowledgeable officers from throughout the department are the instructors that will help answer your questions. Completing this program, you will attend a graduation ceremony, will be awarded a certificate, and will have graduation photographs taken with the Chief of Police and other law enforcement officials. Further, graduates may elect to participate in the Citizens' Police Academy Alumni Association where this specialized educational experience can be continued.

If you are interested in enrolling for this excellent educational opportunity, please feel free to contact Technician Aaron Brill at the Police Academy; his desk phone number is 303-370-1516. You are required to have another background check run. Forty applicants will be accepted but some openings are already filled, so please enroll soon. Thank you for considering this valuable learning experience.

Linda Kent, Denver Police VIP Unit Administrator, 720-913-6877

## Executive Committee Recap By Randle Loeb

The INC Executive Committee met on September 10 in the usual place. In attendance were Larry Ambrose, Chris Citron, William Cornell, Cathy Donohue, Katie Fisher, Michael Henry, Randle Loeb, Jane Lorimer, Steve Nissen, Andrew Schurger, Michael Smilanic, Anthony Thomas, and Brad Zieg.

The minutes of the August meeting were approved with amended notations that treasurers report was approved as presented. Randle Loeb moved and Jane Lorimer seconded.

The Treasurer's Report was approved; Cathy Donohue moved and Larry Ambrose seconded.

Michael Smilanic spoke with respect to the web site. There should be a representative from each committee to post and maintain the content related to that committee. They will be trained on how to upload information. The

web site will lead to promoting a vision and strategic planning.

A motion was made by Randle Loeb to pay Our Saviors Lutheran Church \$300 for the use of their facilities for the Dollar Dictionary Drive. The money comes from the budget of the Dollar Dictionary Drive. Andrew Schurger seconded the motion and it was approved.

There was a general discussion of topics to discuss at the upcoming meeting with the mayor. All were encouraged to send suggested corrections and additional notes to Mike Henry for refinement of topics.

All of this has to be narrowed into a few bullet points. A small group will attend the meeting. Everyone will be invited to attend from Executive Committee and committee chairs. The point of the matter is for us to be precise as to what we want to achieve in this meeting.

### **Committees:**

Budget: On track for budget plans; standing rules have been sent to Michael Henry. These will be shared at the October Executive Committee meeting.

### **Communications/Website Committee**

Michael Smilanic spoke with respect to the web site. There should be a representative from each committee *assigned* to post and maintain the content related to that committee. They will be trained on how to upload information. The web site will lead to promoting a vision and strategic planning. Michael said that, during the Denver County Fair, about 500 people logged on to the site and explored the website content.

Dollar Dictionary: There remains a balance of \$1,600 in the drive. Seventy-five books from the past have been donated to "Building a Well, Creating a Library," a church group in North Denver who have sent these books to Zimbabwe. We have to work on getting publicity for these events. There is an event that takes place in November that is the Macy's Community Shopping Day. We collect money from the sale of tickets for the two stores involved. It was decided that the proceeds would be shared between the DDD and INC.

Parks and Recreation: Issues exist on open and timely discourse on what they are doing. Water will be the subject of interest with respect to effluent, recycled water throughout the City. Joe Sloan is going to attend the meeting of Parks and Recreation.

INC Annual Neighborhood Awards Dinner: There was a meeting on September 7. We will hold a silent auction. INC will keep a portion of the proceeds if sufficient funds are raised. The committee needs restaurant, theatre, and gift baskets for auction items. Chris Parente, from the Channel 2 morning show, has been invited to emcee the event. See the article on page six.

Safety: There is interest in learning what positive things are occurring in City and County Detention. Bicycle safety is an issue they are considering. Unintended consequences of incarceration of people in county lock-up with mental ill-



nesses are an issue of concern. Nuisance Abatement meetings and notices continues to be a difficult problem. We are awaiting the appointment of new managers throughout the districts.

Zoning and Planning: There is no meeting of Zoning and Planning this month.

## **Delegation Recap**

### **By Randle Loeb**

Inter-Neighborhood Cooperation Minutes for September 10 at the Water Department. Twenty-six people attended plus Councilperson at large Robin Kniech and Neighborhood Relations Director Michael Sapp. Joe Sloan welcomed us from the Water Department. Later, the Interim Operations Director of the Water Department, Tom Roode, addressed the meeting.

On October 1, the meeting of INC will be held at Denver Community Church at 1101 South Washington Avenue. The meeting, co-sponsored by Channel TV8, the League of Women Voters of Denver, West Washington Park Neighborhood Association, and Capitol Hill United Neighborhoods will be devoted to a school board candidate forum and ballot issues. This is a week earlier than usual.

There are two more meetings of candidates that have to be set. The first will be at Thomas Jefferson High School at 3950 South Holly Street on September 27 and the second has to be determined in early October.

CSLC Fall Forum "Inequality Matters: The Widening Gap between the Rich and Poor Tuesday, October 4, Messiah Community Church, 1750 Colorado Boulevard, from 3:30 to 7:30 p.m. The program begins at 4:00 p.m. Presentations will include: Economic Analysis of Changing Demographics, Social Impact on Health Care, Housing, Workforce and Unemployment, Taxation Structure Proposition 103 (Initiative 25), and Temporary Tax Increase for Public Education. This event is free and no r.s.v.p. is necessary. Food and refreshments will be served. Messiah Community Church is wheelchair accessible and CART captioning will be provided for the hearing impaired.

The minutes were approved by a motion made by Michael Henry and seconded by Andrew Schurger. The new INC logo was unanimously approved. The motion was made by Andrew Schurger and seconded by Katie Fisher.

Third Motion: As it applies to district governance changes, INC urges State and Local officials to maintain and respect the historical City of Denver boundaries currently identified and delineated whenever possible. The motion passed with a directive to the Chair to send this by letter to the necessary elected officials involved in re-districting activities. The third motion was unanimously approved. Chris Citron made the motion and Randle Loeb seconded.

The INC Library Committee met three times and more than thirty people participated. A ballot measure will not be appearing this election cycle and grassroots input is sought. Agendas and minutes of the Denver Library Commission will be posted within two weeks of the meetings. Councilwoman Kniech added that the proposed 2012 budget for the libraries has no cuts in hours of operations or sites.

The Parks and Recreation Committee will meet Tuesday, September 20, at 6 p.m. They meet in the Heritage Club Room. The Parks and Recreation Citizen Advisory Board has agreed to post minutes within two weeks of its meetings. Individual members of the Advisory Board will be more visibly involved in neighborhood meetings.

The Zoning and Planning Committee announced that Tom Downey is the new Director of Excise and Licensing. He is interested in more direct and open communication with the neighborhoods.

Tom Roode spoke about the new plans for making the Water Department more efficient. He described the vast array of projects and areas encompassed in the department.

Michael Sapp, Neighborhood Liaison from the Mayor's Office, said that neighborhood conferences will be taking place and that they will be communicating more with the resident neighborhood organizations. The Mayor has spoken of a strong partnership and a desire to listen.

Brad Zieg, Chairman of The INC Transportation Committee reported that \$12 Million Dollars of ARRA funds were received by the City in support of the new Central Park Blvd. and I-70 interchange. This was a portion of over \$83 Million Dollars of ARRA funds received by the City!

## **Education Committee**

### **By Billie Bramhall**

The Education Committee has been meeting monthly and following events in the five quadrants of the City. The Election Forums are a major issue because of the School Board elections. INC is sponsoring a forum (see page 1). We have submitted questions for the School Board Candidates after conferring with Historic Denver and attending meetings in several of the quadrants. Please attend and invite interested members of your RNO. RNO attendance at these forums is important so that neighborhood voices and concerns will be heard by the candidates

In addition, we are eager to have volunteers from the RNOs participate in the INC dictionary and thesaurus distribution in Denver's neighborhood schools. It is a very happy and rewarding experience to meet third-graders, their teachers, and principals and have a dialogue with students about these valuable books.

We continue to represent INC at A+ Denver and work with DPS to assure they provide full and timely information to parents, children, teachers, RNOs, and the commu-

nity of any changes contemplated in specific Denver schools. As always, and especially in planning the future of INC's Education Committee, we eagerly welcome representatives to the committee of RNOs whose children attend Denver Public schools or, of course, anyone who is interested.

## **Parks and Recreation Cmte**

### **By Diana Helper**

The INC Parks and Recreation Committee met on Tuesday, September 20, at the Heritage Club. Present were co-chairs Larry Ambrose and Katie Fisher, Ronnie Crawford, Cathy Donohue, Dave Felice, Diana Helper, Marlene Johnson, Steve Nissen, Jay and Kathleen Rust, James Sample, and Gerald Trumbule. Also attending from Denver Water were Joe Sloan and Abigail Holmquist; from Denver Parks and Recreation (DPR), Angela Casias; from the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board (PRAB), Darrell Watson; and from Councilwoman Kniech's office, Ursula Null.

There was discussion regarding the Admission-based Events Policy, which has been promoted by DPR. The policy is due for review by DPR and the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board in October. There have been no requests for any such events. Consequently, Darrell is suggesting to that this policy is not needed. Although, at the time the PRAB voted approval of the policy, it was estimated that it would generate \$500,000, the amount was never put in the budget, as there was no cost analysis.

Katie, pointing out a recent tragedy having to do with extreme weather occurrence, asked for information on DPR's safety measures and policy regarding rules and inspection of equipment for special events in parks such as the ski-jump last winter in City Park and the proposed giant movie screen the year before; Angela said she would look into this. Groups who get permits for such events must have proper insurance. Larry asked whether DPR guidelines and rules for permitted events address weather contingencies.

Over the past several years, the Committee has discussed concern about the number of consultants/contractors hired and the amounts paid to them by DPR. DPR has agreed to pull this information together and report it to the Committee. Jay asked about the cumulative effect of the cutback in park workers. Diana mentioned that Ashley deLaup's Wildlife Ecologist position has been cut; Angela said Kelly Ewing is still on staff to handle these matters.

Joe Sloan and Abigail Holmquist from Denver Water spoke in response to the Committee's concern about the quality and safety of Denver's recycled water. Concerns stem from the fact that a small percentage of the water being recycled contains toxic waste that will be drained over the next 50 to 100 years into the metropolitan sewage system from the 180 million gallons of waste under the Lowry

Landfill east of Denver. They explained the monitoring process to assure water meets the proper standards for recycled water quality. Water is treated to the same required standards no matter where it comes from. They said there is "nothing insurmountable" in the treatment process and that Denver's recycled water meets all public standards. Larry asked if there is anywhere else in the US where a Superfund site is being drained into a public sewage system and then used for recycled water. He presented Joe and Abigail a list of more than 170 toxic pollutants contained in the Lowry Landfill and asked for which of the pollutants Denver Water is testing and whether, over time, there are any tests or studies to indicate whether pollutants build up when used in lakes or to water parks. Although, the Denver water representatives did not know the answers to those questions, they will get the answers and get back to us.

Angela said DPR's new communication director is Cathy Maloney and that public engagement is again a top priority at DPR. A new park is opening at 53<sup>rd</sup> Avenue and Chambers Road on October 15. A fund-raiser for an amphitheatre at Ruby Hill is scheduled for October 29. A new \$5 million playground at City Park with international design search and community stakeholder process will be a "regional draw." Others present told of special park events planned in their neighborhoods.

The next meeting will be October 18.

## **Library Committee**

### **By Christine O'Connor**

The next Meeting of INC Library Committee is on Thursday, October 13 at 6 p.m. in the Eugene Field Library at 810 South University Boulevard.

## **Library Update**

### **By Jen Morris**

Denver Public Library will not close branches in 2012. On September 13, Mayor Michael Hancock announced that the Denver Public Library would not close any branches or further reduce service hours in 2012. The Mayor made this statement as part of his budget recommendation for the City, including a proposed \$32,104,500 budget for the Library. The initial \$2.5 million budget reduction target for the Library was partially offset by \$1 million in temporary position vacancy savings. The 2012 budget also includes a service expansion for the new Better Denver Bond-funded branch in Stapleton due to open in mid-2012.

Proposed budget details can be found on page 11 of the September Library Commission materials (page 2 of the 2012 Budget Section) found here:

[www.denverlibrary.org/files/meeting\\_materials092111.pdf](http://www.denverlibrary.org/files/meeting_materials092111.pdf)

The Budget proposed by Mayor Hancock would provide

funding to maintain 2011 service levels: Eighteen of the 23 branches will be open four days (32 hours) a week; four branches will be open six days (48 hours) a week, and one branch will be open four days a week and a half day on Sunday (36 hours). The Central Library will be open 52 hours a week, with weekend hours from 1 to 5 p.m. In addition, the Budget funds the new branch in Stapleton at a service level of 32 hours.

The minimum service standards set by the Library Commission call for branches to be open at least 40 hours per week and Central to be open at least 56 hours per week. The Commission also articulated the minimum materials and technology budgets and staffing needed to adequately support the Library service level that the Denver community deserves. More details about service standards can be found in the Library Commission White Paper posted online: <http://www.denverlibrary.org/budget>.

Discussions regarding long-term funding and potential ballot initiatives for the DPL will resume after the City's Structural Financial Taskforce presents their recommendations this fall. The Library looks forward to working in partnership with the City Administration and Denver residents to find a sustainable funding solution for the City's beloved libraries.

On Tuesday, September 20, the Denver Public Library Commission held a public hearing to discuss the 2012 Library budget and to gather feedback from the Denver community. City Council officially approves the 2012 budget in November.

**Upcoming Meetings:** The October Library Commission Meeting is October 19, 8:30 a.m., at the Central Library. Questions or comments for the Library Commission can be sent to [librarycommission@denverlibrary.org](mailto:librarycommission@denverlibrary.org).

## **Annual INC Awards Dinner** **By Jane Lorimer**

### **Save the Date!**

The Annual INC Neighborhood Awards Dinner will be held on January 19, 2012 at Doubletree Hotel (Quebec Street and Martin Luther King Boulevard). The 2012 dinner will once again feature a silent auction fundraiser for the Dollar Dictionary Drive. We are excited to announce that Mr. Chris Parente of FOX31's Everyday Show will be our emcee!

### **About the Dinner**

Each January, INC and the Metro Denver Convention and Visitors Bureau host the Annual Awards Dinner for neighborhood leaders. Attendees include Denver's Mayor, City of Denver agency and department heads, representatives of the Police and Fire Departments, School Board, and other elected officials. At this dinner, we honor individuals who have given distinguished service to Denver area neighborhoods.

### **About Nominations**

If you would like to nominate an individual or group, please see the list of categories and criteria below. Award nominations are open from now until December 30. Please submit these to Jane Lorimer, care of INC, P.O. Box 181009, Denver CO 80218 or by email: [ejlorimer@aol.com](mailto:ejlorimer@aol.com).

### **Award Categories:**

#### Virginia Oredson Award Criteria

- Encouraged Denver neighborhoods or citizens who work together in a common effort to solve community problems
- Established a record of selfless community service
- Encouraged and motivated others to volunteer their services to engage in community improvement efforts

#### Bill Gross Award Criteria

- Has a strong record of working with neighborhoods to better public safety in the community
- Has made Denver a safer place in which to live

#### Walt Kembel Award Criteria

- An INC delegate or member of an Denver RNO
- Has contributed to INC during the past year over and above normal expectations to develop and promote the organization, or has moved INC forward or in new directions in creative or unexpected ways

#### Neighborhood Star Award Criteria

- Nominated by the Board of an RNO
- A person who has made a difference in their neighborhood
- A person or group that worked together to make "Denver a Better Place to Live"
- A person or group that worked over the past year on a cause or a project that has improved the appearance or quality of life in their neighborhood

### **Dinner Committee Report**

We are very excited to have landed Chris Parente, co-host of "Everyday" on FOX13 and entertainment reporter for Channel 2 "Daybreak" program, as our 2012 dinner emcee. He is a fun, humorous, and entertaining personality.

The silent auction will be repeated to raise money for the Dollar Dictionary Drive. We need gift baskets from neighborhoods, dinners for two at trendy restaurants, Denver attractions, sports tickets, and other high-end type items for the auction. Please contact Judy Schneider if you have sources or can help us get items. Phone: 720-413-8818 or email: [judy.ballpark@gmail.com](mailto:judy.ballpark@gmail.com).

## **CSLC Fall Forum** **By Toni Larson**

The Colorado Social Legislation Committee Fall Forum is Tuesday, October 4, at the Augustana Lutheran Church, 5000 East Alameda Avenue, from 3:30 to 7:30 p.m. The program begins at 4:00 p.m.



- **Inequality Matters: The Widening Gap between the Rich and Poor, Colorado's Changing Demographics**, Elizabeth Garner, State Demographer, Colorado Department of Local Affairs.
- **The Underpinnings and Consequences of Increased Income Inequality from an Economics Perspective**, Dr. Martin Shields, Associate Professor of Economics, Colorado State University.
- **Social Effects of the Changing Demographics: Problems and Solutions**
  - **Workforce and Unemployment**, Julie Kerk-sick, Director of the Office of Economic Security, Colorado Department of Human Services.
  - **Education, Housing and Tax Structure**, Dr. Phyllis Resnick, University of Denver, Center for Colorado's Economic Future.
- **Presentation of Proposition 103: Temporary Tax Increase for Public Education**

This event is free and no r.s.v.p. is necessary. Food and refreshments will be served. Augustana Lutheran Church is wheelchair accessible and CART captioning will be provided for the hearing impaired.

This forum is sponsored by the Colorado Social Legislation Committee. For questions, contact Toni Larson at [toni.larson@gmail.com](mailto:toni.larson@gmail.com).

## Beast Cancer Workshop

### By Noreen Keleshan

**Frankly Speaking About Advanced Breast Cancer** is a workshop that will offer information on the latest treatment options for advanced (metastatic) breast cancer, the management of side effects, and the ways to cope with the social and emotional challenges of this diagnosis. People with cancer and their loved ones who attend will have the opportunity to ask questions and receive a lot of helpful information. The workshop will be on Tuesday, October 18, from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. at Trinity United Methodist Church, 1820 Broadway. Free parking is available.

The facilitator is Sandra Walters, RN, CBPN-IC, Breast Educator and Treatment Navigator.

We appreciate registration beforehand but walk-ins are always welcome. For more information and to register, contact the Cancer Support Community Colorado's Program Manager, Heather O'Neil at [heathero@cancersupportcolorado.org](mailto:heathero@cancersupportcolorado.org) or 303-318-3462.

## Recycler's Corner

### By Tom Strickland

#### Recycle Your Leaves at Free Drop Sites

*Get your rakes ready!* It is time to once again recycle your leaves through Denver Recycles' **LeafDrop** program. This year's program will include Saturday and Sunday drops sites during the first three weekends in November as well as weekday drop sites opening in early October. So no matter what day of the week you choose to start raking, we will have a drop site available. All the leaves brought to Denver LeafDrop sites will be kept out of the trash, composted over the winter, and made available for purchase as dark, rich compost in the spring just in time for the start of the growing season.

**SATURDAY DROP-OFF:** November 5, 12, and 19, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Denver Solid Waste Transfer Station located at 7301 East Jewell Avenue (near Quebec Street and Cherry Creek Drive South).

**SUNDAY DROP-OFF:** November 6, 13, and 20, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the following locations:

- **Denver Solid Waste Transfer Station** (Southeast Denver) – 7301 East Jewell Avenue.
- **Sloan's Lake Park** (Northwest Denver) – 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Sheridan Boulevard
- **JFK High School** (Southwest Denver) – Newland Street and Brown Place
- **Cranmer Park** (East Denver) – East 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue and Clermont Street
- **Smiley Middle School** (Northeast Denver) – East 26<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Holly Street
- **South High School** (Southeast Denver) – Louisiana Avenue and Franklin Street

**Brown Bag Them and Go!** Save your plastic trash bags and our time by bringing your leaves in paper yard-debris bags. Unlike plastic bags, brown paper bags can be composted with your leaves. Many hardware and home improvement stores sell paper yard-debris bags. Or even better, bring your leaves in reusable containers or tarps to the Saturday or Sunday drop sites only and we will empty and give them back to you. *Leaves in plastic trash bags are also acceptable and residents are encouraged to leave them untied if possible.*

**WEEKDAY DROP-OFF:** Monday through Friday from October 3 to December 2, 6:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., bagged leaves only may be brought to either the Havana Nursery

#### Data Corrections

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(10450 Smith Road) or the Denver Solid Waste Transfer Station (7301 East Jewell Avenue). Sites will be closed on holidays.

Remember:

- **Denver residents only.**
- Never sweep leaves into the street as this clogs storm sewers and street sweepers.
- Make sure leaves do not contain branches or other materials.
- **Only drop leaves off at these sites during the noted dates and times.**
- Dropping off leaves at any other time is considered public dumping.

We will compost pumpkins too so bring your Halloween jack-o-lantern to Denver LeafDrop!

For more information, call 720-865-6810 or visit [DenverGov.org/DenverRecycles](http://DenverGov.org/DenverRecycles).

**Eco-rally Electronic Recycling Collection Event on Saturday, October 29.** Halloween can be a scary time of year, but there is no need to be frightened by all those old electronics in your home. Instead, recycle them on Saturday, October 29, at Denver's "Eco-rally Electronic Recycling Collection Event." At this event, electronics recycling services will be offered at a significantly reduced price of \$5 per vehicle (limit of 2 "screens" per vehicle, see below for more details). You must schedule an appointment to participate. Here is how:

1. Sign up at [DenverGov.org/EcoRally](http://DenverGov.org/EcoRally)
2. Choose your appointment time slot.
3. Show up on October 29<sup>th</sup> at your scheduled appointment time with your electronic items.

**LOCATION:** Northeast Denver, intersection of East 56<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Pena Boulevard.

**APPOINTMENT TIMES:** 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Event Participation is by Appointment Only!

**FEE:** \$5 per vehicle, cash or check only. A limit of 2 "screens" (televisions, monitors, and/or laptops) per vehicle. Additional screens will cost an additional fee of \$5 per screen.

**ITEMS ACCEPTED:** Televisions, monitors, CPUs, laptops, printers, scanners, faxes, keyboards, mice, stereos, external hard drives and storage devices, cellular phones, telephones, DVRs, VCRs, digital cameras, video recorders, MP3 players, and some small appliances such as microwaves.

**ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED:** Air conditioners, large appliances, vacuum cleaners, car batteries, or household batteries (rechargeable batteries are okay).

The Eco-rally is an electronics recycling, education, and engagement initiative that partners Comcast, Denver International Airport, the City and County of Denver, and local consumers to address the serious environmental concern of televisions and electronics in landfills. As residents are increasingly upgrading their televisions, computers, and

other electronics, they have put their older technology in storage or the trash. The U.S. EPA estimates that between 1980 and 2005, 180 million electronic devices have accumulated in storage; in 2005 alone, Americans threw away an estimated 1.5 million tons of e-waste. It is important to know that electronic waste is potentially toxic and it can leach dangerous chemicals into our groundwater and pollute our air. Additionally, by recycling electronics, we can reduce the need to extract the planet's natural resources to make more electronics components.

This event is sponsored by Comcast, Denver Public Works/Denver Recycles, Denver International Airport, and Metech Recycling.

## Road Closure Notice

By Angela Casias

The Sports Authority Rock 'n' Roll Denver Marathon and One-half Marathon will begin at 6:55 a.m. on Sunday, October 9. The race starts and finishes downtown at Civic Center Park and completes a loop of Denver. Areas along the race route will be marked as "No Parking – Tow Away Zone." Please adhere to the dates and times posted; all zones will be enforced. Road closures along the marathon route will impact RTD bus routes. There will be minor delays to light rail service. For more detailed routing information, visit [rtd-denver.com](http://rtd-denver.com) or call RTD Customer Service at 303-299-6000 or 1-800-366-7433.

## From the Chair

By Steve Nissen

October is a busy month of issues for neighborhoods and INC. October 1 was an election forum at Denver Community Church, 1101 South Washington Street, at 9 a.m.; for upcoming ballot initiatives as well the Denver School Board Candidates.

On October 12, another election forum will be held at Merritt Memorial United Methodist Church, 2246 Irving Street at 6:30 p.m.. Once again, this forum is for ballot initiatives and school board candidates. See the map on page 9.

Michael Sapp, the mayor's Director of Neighborhood Relations, has informed us of a Community Forum sponsored by the mayor's office. This forum will be Saturday, October 22 at West High School. See page one for details. This forum is an opportunity for citizens to interact with the mayor and his department heads who will all be in attendance. We are informed the mayor hopes to hold these community forums quarterly if possible. These are not to be confused with the "Neighborhood Conference" that is still being planned for 2012. This is an important opportunity for neighborhood citizens to express to the new administration that we have concerns with 'quality of life'



issues in our neighborhoods. Let us all participate and work together to build a 'greater' city.

INC and the Dollar Dictionary Drive will be participating in the Macy's Community Shopping Day (CSD) again this year. This is a great opportunity to raise funds for INC and the DDD as well as for ticket purchasers to reap great savings at CSD on November 12. Please see page 10 for details. I need volunteers to help sell tickets and hopefully many of our readers will purchase tickets as well. It was agreed at the September Executive Committee meeting that funds raised could be split between INC and DDD. INC has very little income and I have 300 tickets (value to us is \$3,000) so I encourage you to help with this endeavor. These tickets make great gifts as well.

Meeting location for the October 12 Election Forum sponsored by  
the League of Women Voters of Denver, INC, and TV8 Denver





**MACY'S CHERRY CREEK & PARK MEADOWS**  
**Saturday, NOVEMBER 12, 2011**

**Buy a \$10 ticket and help support the programs of**  
**INTER-NEIGHBORHOOD COOPERATION (INC)**

Your ticket entitles a 10-20% discount off almost EVERYTHING  
at Macy's Cherry Creek and Park Meadows,  
plus an additional \$10 off of one purchase of \$25 or more on  
Saturday, November 12, 2011.

Plus, enter to win a \$500 Macy's Shopping Spree!

ALL proceeds from tickets sold by INC volunteers will be donated to  
**INC & the Dollar Dictionary Drive (DDD)**

For tickets, information, etc please contact:  
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# Inter-Neighborhood Cooperation

## RNO Membership Application for 2011

INC is a consortium of Denver's registered neighborhoods who believe that neighborhood organizations deserve a greater participation in city government and possess a shared vision that individual neighborhoods are stronger when they work together and learn from one another. **To join as a member neighborhood organization, the organization must be registered with the city as a Registered Neighborhood Organization. Log on to [denver.gov.org](http://denver.gov.org) for details. The names of Patron members and associates are listed in bold in our newsletter.**

We wish to donate \$\_\_\_\_\_ to the Dollar Dictionary Drive.

**Join as a voting neighborhood organization: Regular Member (\$35) ☐ Patron (\$75) ☐**

See below to apply as an INC Associate

Organization name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Website: \_\_\_\_\_

Borders: North \_\_\_\_\_ East \_\_\_\_\_

South \_\_\_\_\_ West \_\_\_\_\_

President's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Send newsletter via: E-mail [ ] U.S. Mail [ ] Don't want newsletter [ ]**

**President is a voting delegate: [ ] Do not publish my information to other RNOs: [ ]**

Note: Each RNO is allocated two voting delegates. If the president is one, appoint another below; otherwise, appoint

Voting Delegate Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Voting Delegate (if President is not a voting delegate)

Delegate Name \_\_\_\_\_

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

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Join as a non-voting supporting Associate : Regular (\$20) ☐ Patron (\$75) ☐**

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

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

Agent's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Bring this form to an INC meeting or mail to:

Inter-Neighborhood Cooperation, PO Box 181009, Denver, CO 80218-1009



**There is no Delegation meeting this month.**  
Attend the forums!

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