

July 12 Is Next INC Delegates' Meeting

INC Strives to Stay In the "Loop" With New Denver Mayor

Board members, committee chairs and delegates of Inter-Neighborhood Cooperation send you our congratulations on your election victory and express thanks for the positive and inclusive tone of your campaign.

We also thank you for your detailed, thoughtful and neighborhood-friendly response to the INC candidate questionnaire (attached for your information) and for your participation in the forums co-sponsored by INC and also the forums held by many individual neighborhood groups.

We hope that we will have the opportunity to work with you and many of your appointees in the weeks, months and years to come. As you may know, INC has been serving since 1978 as a city-wide network of many diverse neighborhood organizations from all sections of the city. INC currently has 60 neighborhood organizations as official dues-paying members, although we regularly communicate with and solicit ideas and help from all of the 220 registered neighborhood groups in Denver. INC is a strictly volunteer organization, as are almost all neighborhood organizations. We have no paid staff, lawyers or lobbyists; however, we have a very large number of eyes, ears and voices.



We hope that a few of our officers and Board members can meet with you in the near future to discuss how INC can work with your administration. We would like to discuss with you: 1)

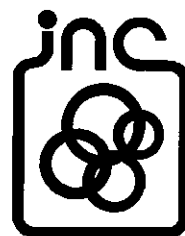
How can neighborhood organizations be represented in your transition committee? 2) How can neighborhood organizations be represented during the upcoming budget process? 3) How can neighborhood organizations be represented in your administration and on boards and commissions and task forces? 4) Can INC assist you with organizing meetings with neighborhood groups and other citizens? 5) Can the Office of Neighborhood Response or something similar and its budget be reinstated? 6) Can INC work with your office to provide information and training to neighbors and other citizens about how the city and its many programs work and how neighbors can assist and improve those functions.

Please contact Wayne Jochem, the chair of INC, so that we can arrange such a meeting. In addition, you are always welcome to attend INC's monthly meetings on the second Saturday of each month in various locations around the city.

The following letter was signed by INC delegates at the June 14 delegation meeting and mailed to the Mayor-elect:

Dear Mr. Hickenlooper:

The undersigned officers,



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FYI

Saturdays -- The **Denver Art Museum**, at 13th and Acoma, has **free general admission** on Saturdays in 2003 for Colorado residents. General admission is free everyday for kids 12 and younger. Call 720-865-5000 for more information.

July 3 -- Confluence Concerts, Thursdays, 6:30 - 8 p.m. Free admission. The July schedule is:

7/3	Kool Cats
7/10	17th Avenue All-Stars
7/17	Toast
7/24	The Orangu-Tones

Burritos and beverages will be available for purchase. No alcohol will be allowed to be carried into (or out of) the park during the event.

Confluence Park is located just off 15th and Little Raven Street, at the confluence of the South Platte River and Cherry Creek. Bike parking will be available. For more information check out the website at www.greenwayfoundation.org

July 16 -- The Downtown Denver Residents Organization (DDRO) sponsors a monthly **block party**, called the DDRO 5:20 Club, so named because the club meets on the third Wednesday of each month at 5:20 p. m. at a different downtown Denver venue. On July 16th it will convene at the **ESPN Zone**, on the 16th Street Mall near Lawrence. All are welcome, \$5 at the door for non-members, then **free hors d'oeuvres**. For more information, go to www.ddro.com.

July 18 & 19 -- Volunteer Opportunity!! Performance International's **LODO Music Fest** will take place on July 18th and 19th in the Ballpark Neighborhood. INC will have a beer booth at this event on Friday night and is looking for volunteers! Contact Diane Wolta at 303-759-4089.

July 21, August 18 & September 15 -- Denver

Botanic Gardens free days are scheduled for the 3rd Monday of the month for July (21st), August (18th) and September (15th). The Gardens are located at 1005 York St. and can be contacted by calling 720-865-3500.

August 16 -- 25th Annual Paint-A-Thon for Seniors. The state's largest single-day event that serves seniors, The BRI Paint-a-thon is set for 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, Aug 16, 2003. Seniors who wish to have their homes painted can obtain an application by calling BRI at 303-202-6340. Applications for individuals or organizations wishing to volunteer can also be obtained by calling that number.

Free Party Supplies -- The Neighborhood Resource Center, in partnership with Safeway, provides block party supplies. These include ice cream, paper plates, cups, napkins, plastic ware. For more information, please call 303-477-0023.

Cleave it and Leave It! -- Denver Recycles is urging people to practice GrassCycling. GrassCycling is cutting and leaving the grass clippings and saying goodbye to raking and bagging. GrassCycling enriches the soil as short clippings decay rapidly, returning valuable nutrients and organic matter to the soil. This saves time, as you don't have to rake and bag clipping or empty your catcher. It saves money as it helps reduce water and fertilizer use and saves landfill space, since grass clippings add 20-50% to the volume of residential waste. Also, research shows that grass roots and stems, not grass clippings, are the major causes of thatch. For more information, call 720-865-6805 or visit www.denvergov.org/denverrecycles.



Neighborhood Grants -- The Neighborhood Resource Center in Partnership with Xcel Energy has Neighborhood Micro Grants up to \$100 available. These grants are for community-building ideas and should create long-term relationships among resident on the same block. More information can be obtained by contacting the GNP Micro Grant Coordinator at 303-477-0023.



Upper Downtown Development Organization - It went before City Council on June 23rd to oppose a move to downsize 2/3 of its district -- an idea which has been promulgated by the city. Of 152 uses by right, the city has proposed depriving the area of 69 of them. The neighborhood has decided to oppose the city grab.

Hampden South - The Neighborhood Yard Sale was held on June 21st. Hopefully this will become an annual event.

Capital Hill United Neighbors - Had a successful Capital Hill Peoples Fair, with unexpectedly good weather.

University Park Community Council - Is writing its Neighborhood Plan Goals and Objectives for Land Use, Transportation and Legacy. Committees on these areas are also focusing on pedestrian mobility, a tree inventory, signage on Buchtel Blvd., view preservation, redevelopment of South University Boulevard, and the final draft of the Colorado Station framework plan.

Washington Park East Neighborhood Assn. - Is planning the First Annual Neighborhood Picnic, to be held at the Boat House in Washington Park on July 4th.

Baker Neighborhood - Is actively working with the developer of the Gates Property as they make progress in its redevelopment. The success of the neighborhood's roll back of the parking meter rates and times last year has had a positive impact for both the neighborhood and business along Broadway.

Denver Partners Against Graffiti - With warm weather comes more graffiti. To report graffiti or to obtain more information regarding graffiti, call the Graffiti Hotline at 720-865-STOP (7867).

INC Member Neighborhoods

With 2003 Dues Paid

(Patrons in Bold)

Alamo Placita NA

Athmar Park NA

Baker Historical NA

Beacon Club

Bellevue-Hale NA

Berkeley NA

Capitol Hill United Neighborhoods

Cherry Creek North NA

Cherry Point HOA

Colfax BID

Colfax on the Hill

College View NA

Cook Park NA

Cory-Merrill NA

Crestmoor Park HOA Filing 2

Denargo Market NC

East Montclair NA

Golden Triangle NA

Greater Park Hill Community

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

LoDo District

Lowry Neighbors

Lynwood 7 & 8 HOA

Mayfair Neighbors

North City Park CA

Park Forest HOA.

Platt Park People's Assoc.

Sloan's Lake Citizen's Group

South Gaylord NA

South Hilltop NA

South Jackson NO

Southmoor Park East NA

Sunny Lawson Park NA

Sunnyside United Neighbors, Inc.

Upper Downtown Development Org

Virginia Vale CA

Virginia Village/Ellis Community Association

Washington Park East NA

West Highland NA

West University NA

West Washington Park NA

Supporters

Councilman Dennis Gallagher

Councilman Ed Thomas

Denver Housing Authority

Denver Water

Denver Health & Hospitals

Bonna Gayhart

G. Grant

Neighborhood Resource Center of Colorado

One Sky, One World

Next Meeting
Saturday
June 14
2003

Camp Rollendet

52nd & Sheridan
(S.W. Corner)

Sponsored By
Inspiration Point NA

AGENDA

8:45

Coffee and Chat

9:00

Around the City

10:30

Committee reports

Noon

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